

Mass Schedule
 Monday, 6:30am
 Tuesday, 6:30am
Ash Wednesday, 6:30am & 6:30pm
 Thursday, 6:30am
 Friday, 8:00am
 Saturday, 8:00am
Saturday, 5pm
Sunday, 8am
Sunday, 10:30am

Confessions
 30 min. before Sunday and Holy Days Masses
 20 minutes before Daily Masses and by appt.

Exposed Eucharistic Adoration
 Thursday 7pm to 8pm.
Benediction at 7:50pm

CCD PK-12 Classes 9:00am to 10:20am

Stations of the Cross
 Friday during Lent 7:00pm



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February 21, 2021 First Sunday of Lent

“Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God.”

1 Peter 3:18

- Feb 22 Mon:** **Chair of Peter, ap F**
1 Pt 5: 1-4/ Ps 23: 1-3a. 4. 5. 6/ Mt 16: 13-19
- Feb 23 Tue:** *Is 55: 10-11/ Ps 34: 4-5. 6-7. 16-17. 18-19/ Mt 6: 7-15*
- Feb 24 Wed:** *Jon 3: 1-10/ Ps 51: 3-4. 12-13. 18-19/ Lk 11: 29-32*
- Feb 25 Thu:** *Est C: 12. 14-16. 23-25/ Ps 138: 1-2ab. 2cde-3. 7c-8/ Mt 7: 7-12*
- Feb 26 Fri:** **Day of abstinence from meat (age 14 and up).**
Ez 18: 21-28/ Ps 130: 1-2. 3-4. 5-7a. 7bc-8/ Mt 5: 20-26
- Feb 27 Sat:** *Dt 26: 16-19/ Ps 119: 1-2. 4-5. 7-8/ Mt 5: 43-48*
- Feb 28 SUN:** **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
Gn 22: 1-2. 9a. 10-13. 15-18/ Rom 8: 31b-34/ Mk 9: 2-10

Mass Times		Feb 20-21	Feb 27-28	Mar 6-7	Mar 13-14
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Larry Etmund	Diana McCown	Jerry Lentfer	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte		Ron Eisenbarth	Scott Osterhaus	Chris Hytrek
	Server	Logan Wilken	Nate Eisenbarth	Wyatt Fortner	Logan Wilken
	Server	Mason Henn	Bryson Clements	Dawson Burenheide	Mason Henn
Sun. 8:00 am	Reader	Janet Ragland	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek	Janet Ragland
	Acolyte		Tony Sullivan	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins
	Server	Eli Van Brocklin	Ryland Hochstein	Andrew Oelke	Eli Van Brocklin
	Server	Michael Bean	Reed Hochstein	Austin Oelke	Michael Bean
Sun. 10:30 am	Reader	Michelle Milke	Karl Gramann	Shirley Yates	Michelle Milke
	Acolyte		Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Pat Milke
	Server	Brady Troxel	Sam Troxel	Carson Louch	Brady Troxel
	Server	Simon Robinson	Ty Troxel	Max Jacobson	Simon Robinson

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER presenting Virtual Weekends Feb 19-21 & April 23-25 For more info, contact Pat (308-940-0670) or Janelle Benson (308-940-1105) pbjbbn@yahoo.com

MOTHER/DAUGHTER PROGRAM “Fearfully and Wonderfully Made” for girls age 9-13 and their mothers will be held **Sunday, March 28th, 2021** from 1:30-4:30 pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center **and virtually**. This program is designed to educate girls on growing up and becoming a woman. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per mother/daughter or \$35 per family in person and \$10 virtually. Questions, please call Jen Davis at 402-261-6375 or email jmdavis17@gmail.com To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/motherdaughter>

FATHER/SON PROGRAM “In His Image” for boys age 10-14 and their fathers will be held Sunday, March 21st, 2021 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center and virtually. This program is designed to educate boys on growing up and becoming a man. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per father/son or \$35 per family in person and \$10 virtually. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/fatherson> Questions, please call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net

40 DAYS FOR LIFE February 17-March 28 Prayer vigils will be held at the Planned Parenthood (5631 S 48th St., Lincoln, NE) from 6:00AM to 8:00PM daily. Sign up for prayer times by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/Lincoln.

NOTES FROM FATHER WALSH...

Parish Council Reflections. How fast should we open and return to our past practices (singing, holy water fonts, removal of the ropes on pews, etc.) prior to COVID? That was one of the topics of the Parish Council meeting. The chancery has directed us to make decisions locally, and though the Governor’s latest Directed Health Measures allow for 100% occupancy and removal of mandated restrictions in religious services, our Council—rely on the advice of medical professionals of the parish and our CCD teachers—decided to open slowly. Beginning next weekend, we will return to congregational singing, and we will restore the role of acolyte, but otherwise, things will remain as they have during the past several months. Our plan is to reconvene in two months and review the question again. Thank you to the medical professionals and the teachers in our community who provided us their counsel in these matters. I wanted us to make this decision together and I think we did.

One of the mandates from the chancery is that the priest and acolyte wear a mask when distributing Holy Communion. This is one of the few restrictions placed on us. It has been our custom to invite others to wear a mask, but it is not required. I think most of us have come to a comfort level with our personal behavior within the group, and I am endorsing what you have decided. I trust you to do the best for your health and welfare of others.

Lenten Rice Bowl Appeal. You will notice the Rice Bowl materials on the offertory table. This is a great Lenten project for families, to save pocket change and give it to the needy. We will tabulate the total gifts of this project and cut a check to Catholic Relief Services sometime in the month of April.

Forty Days for Life. Please consider a weekly visit and prayer before the Planned Parenthood Clinic in Lincoln as a beautiful way of caring for the poor this Lent. The day assigned to our parish is Tuesday, though you can choose any hour any day of the week to make your visit. Prayer is our most powerful weapon and gift we can give to this cause and the people involved.

Daily Mass. From the Mass attendance in our parish on Thursday following Ash Wednesday, I am assuming that no one in the parish identified daily Mass attendance as their Lenten sacrifice. I know 6:30am is early. But we have 6:30pm on Wednesday, 8am on Friday and Saturday, and of course the weekend Mass schedule of 5pm on Saturday, and 8:00am and 10:30am on Sunday. I encourage you to take advantage of daily Mass, even if you only attend one additional Mass a week. It’s our greatest prayer. It’s how Christ touches us most deeply. It’s a sacrifice (initially) to get into the practice of rising early every day for Mass, but over time it quickly becomes a daily necessity as we learn, “I cannot live without the Eucharist.”

Please pray for the Seminarians every week throughout the year. Listed below is the Seminarian for this week. Thank you from the Seminarians and their Families!

20-21	First Name	Last Name	Year Entered	Seminary of Study	Year of Study
Feb 21-27	Louden	Redinger	2014	St. Charles Borromeo Seminary	Theology 2