

**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

**Sunday Obligation Masses**

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am

**CCD** PK-12 Classes 9:00am to 10:15am



# Saint James Catholic Church

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## December 5, 2021

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”

*Luke 3:4*

- Dec 6 Mon:** *Is 35: 1-10/ Ps 85: 9ab and 10. 11-12. 13-14/ Lk 5: 17-26*
- Dec 7 Tue:** **Ambrose, bp, dr M**  
*Is 40: 1-11/ Ps 96: 1-2. 3 and 10ac. 11-12. 13/ Mt 18: 12-14*
- Dec 8 Wed:** **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY S. Holy Day of Obligation.**  
*Gn 3: 9-15. 20/ Ps 98: 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4/ Eph 1: 3-6. 11-12/ Lk 1: 26-38*
- Dec 9 Thu:** *Is 41: 13-20/ Ps 145: 1 and 9. 10-11. 12-13ab/ Mt 11: 11-15*
- Dec 10 Fri:** *Is 48: 17-19/ Ps 1: 1-2. 3. 4 and 6/ Mt 11: 16-19*
- Dec 11 Sat:** *Sir 48: 1-4. 9-11/ Ps 80: 2ac and 3b. 15-16. 18-19/ Mt 17: 9a. 10-13*
- Dec 12 SUN:** **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
*Zep 3: 14-18a/ Is 12: 2-3. 4. 5-6 (6)/ Phil 4: 4-7/ Lk 3: 10-18*

Date		Dec 4-5	Dec 11-12	Dec 18-19	Dec 25-26
<b>Sat.</b> <b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Reader</b>		Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Janet Ragland
	<b>Acolyte</b>	Randy Eickmeier	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins	
<b>Sun.</b> <b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Reader</b>	Chris Hytrek	Michelle Milke	Chris Hytrek	Joe Vinton
	<b>Acolyte</b>	Tony Sullivan	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan	Scott Osterhaus
	<b>Server</b>	Rylan Hochstein	Carson Eickmeier	Reid Hochstein	Andrew Oelke
	<b>Server</b>	Reid Hochstein	Bryson Clements	Rylan Hochstein	Austin Oelke
	<b>Greeter</b>		Taylor Eickmeier	Alexa Petsche	Claire Oelke
<b>Sun.</b> <b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Reader</b>	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	Karl Gramann	Shirley Yates
	<b>Acolyte</b>	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt
	<b>Server</b>	Max Jacobson	Ty Troxel	Max Jacobson	Ty Troxel
	<b>Server</b>	Brady Troxel	Sam Troxel	Mason Henn	Sam Troxel
	<b>Greeter</b>		Lydia Dominy	Madison Henn	Erica Troxel
<b>Collection Counters</b>		Randy & Colleen Eickmeier / Amy Argo	Julie Pflingsten / Laureen Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel

**TREE OF WARMTH** – Collecting winter wear items – hats, gloves, mittens, scarfs, coats, boots, etc. throughout the month of November. All items will be donated to Catholic Social Services.

**THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE IS READY TO GO!** Pick a tag from the tree and purchase a gift for a child of that age group. Collecting gifts for the Santa Cop program in Lincoln this year. All gifts should be UNWRAPPED. It is suggested no battery operated toys. We will be collecting items until Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Wrapping paper and tape is also an item the program needs...in case you have extra!!!!

**ON DECEMBER 6TH AT 7 PM PLEASE JOIN SANDY DANEK**, founder of Healing Hearts Grief Ministry, as she explores "Grief and the Holidays" from a Catholic perspective. Open to anyone who has experienced a loss of a loved one, is suffering from infertility or miscarriage, or those who want to know how to better support a loved one experiencing grief. More information and registration is at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/grief>. This event will be at the Harbor Coffeehouse and livestreamed, and is free.

## This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, December 6	12:15 pm	Templeman family members
Tuesday, December 7	7:00 am	Fr. Rudy Oborny +
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Loretta Fiala +
<b>Wednesday, December 8</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Deceased priests/religious
Thursday, December 9	7:00 am	Mary Flynn Tinkham +
Friday, December 10	7:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, December 11	8:00 am	Alexis Kadavy
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Intention of Celebrant
<b>Sunday, December 12</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Bette Perry +
	<b>10:30 am</b>	People of the Parish

## Notes from the Pastor:

This coming Wednesday is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, and is a Holy Day of Obligation. This will be the first observed Holy Day of Obligation since the beginning of the pandemic over a year ago. Please remember that the obligation to attend Mass is the same as for Sunday. Since it will still be a work/school for most people in the parish, the Masses have been scheduled to provide different opportune times for people to attend. Masses will be on Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm, and on the Holy Day itself, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 am and 6:30 pm.

Christmas is coming up quickly, and special plans for our Christmas liturgies are being put in place. Christmas can be a difficult challenge in the parish as far as scheduling: many regulars are gone, many visitors are here, people like to be in the pews with their families, and yet everybody wants a special liturgical experience, which can only happen if there are enough volunteers to bring about truly dignified, beautiful liturgies. To that end, there is a sign-up sheet in the back of church to fulfill all the various duties we will be looking for on Christmas. These include not only the needed acolytes, readers, and servers, but also youngsters to perform special roles in the Mass, and people to man the lights. Most volunteers will be able to sit with their families for most of the Mass.

**POWERSURGE AND POWERUP** are fun, faith-filled nights once a month for pre-K to 5th and 6-8th graders. High schoolers: please help serve food, mentor, run a station, etc!!! Meal starts at 5:45, fun until 7:00. Mark your calendars: Jan 19, March 9, April 20. Contact Renee Dominy w/ questions: [reneeandneil@hotmail.com](mailto:reneeandneil@hotmail.com)

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER-COMING SOON** Lincoln Feb. 4--6 Bringing our couple communication to level of the heart. Call well in advance Pat & Janelle Benson Pat 308-940-0670 Janelle 308-940-1105 [pbjbben@yahoo.com](mailto:pbjbben@yahoo.com)

**THE ANNUAL MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS** will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 28th. All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 before 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 17th. If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.

**Job Opening:** The Education Technology department for the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Lincoln has an opening for a Mobile Device Specialist. Applicants must have an Associate's degree or higher in a technology-related field and be at least 19 years of age. For more information, see the full job description at [www.lincolndiocese.org/school-employment](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/school-employment). To apply, send letter of interest and resume to [jobs@cdolinc.net](mailto:jobs@cdolinc.net). No calls, please.

**Catholic Coffee House** - returns this year with a series of four talks on ways we can continue to grow in our Catholic formation. The fall and winter line up will be: Catechetical Formation (Dec 19); Cultural Formation (Jan 16); Evangelical Formation (Feb 20); and Biblical Formation (Mar 20). Each event consists of panel conversations, Q and A, and some time to socialize and will be hosted at the St. Thomas Aquinas-Newman Center, Lincoln in Rooms 18/19 (downstairs) from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. There is no fee and no registration. For more information visit: [www.newmaninstitute.com/coffeehouse](http://www.newmaninstitute.com/coffeehouse)

