

MASS INTENTIONS			
<i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>			
Saturday	Dec 10	5:00 pm	For a Good Advent
Sunday	Dec 11	8:00 am	For the People of St. James Parish
		10:30 am	December Parish Birthdays
Monday	Dec 12	7:00 am	All Souls Day Intentions +
Tuesday	Dec 13	7:00 am	DeAlva Vinton
Wednesday	Dec 14	4:00 pm	Carmelites @ Gold Crest Retirement Com.
Wednesday	Dec 14	5:30 pm	Patricia Kreifels + *Time change due to Christmas Program
Thursday	Dec 15	6:30 am	Eugene Ryan +
Friday	Dec 16	7:00 am	Nelson Marroquin
Saturday	Dec 17	8:00 am	Advent Blessings
<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>			
Saturday	Dec 17	5:00 pm	Clarence & Delores Poppe +
Sunday	Dec 18	8:00 am	For the People of St. James Parish
		10:30 am	George & Francis Schmidt +

Liturgical Ministers			
Date		Dec 10-11	Dec 17-18
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Ron Eisenbarth	Amy Larkins
	Acolyte	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins
	Server	(volunteers)	(volunteers)
Sun. 8:00 am	Reader	Joe Vinton	Michelle Milke
	Acolyte	Chris Hytrek	Pat Milke
	Server	Sam Robinson	Simon Robinson
	Server B	Sawyer Robinson	Carter Stieb
	Greeter	(volunteer)	Taylor Eickmeier
Sun. 10:30 am	Reader	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek
	Acolyte	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden
	Server	Hayden Nielson	Sam Troxel
	Server B	Nolan Nielson	Ty Troxel
	Greeter	Madison Henn	Lydia Dominy
Collection Counters		Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel	Randy & Colleen Eickmeier/Amy Argo



Christmas Mass Schedule

<u>Christmas Mass Schedule -</u>	
Saturday, 12/24, 4:30 pm Vigil Mass	Sunday, 12/25, 8:00am Mass @ Dawn
11:00 pm Mass during the Night.	10:30am Mass during the Day

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK:
 Rev. Mr. Scott Nemecek in Theology 4 at Mount St. Mary Seminary

ST. JAMES PARISH CALENDAR FOR 2023
 Available in the entryway. Includes the liturgical season & saints for each day from January 1 thru December 31, 2023. Supports Catholic Extension— Mission work in our country.
www.catholicextension.org


Parish Offering 12/4/22	
Envelopes	\$1,917.00
Plate	\$270.75
Total Deposit	\$2,187.75

Welcome to St. James Catholic Parish!
We are very glad you have joined us to worship
God – the public work of the People of God.
Ask if you need anything.


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

CCD- Kindergarten thru 12th Grades Classes
 Sundays 9:00 to 10:15am during school year.

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



Eucharistic Exposition Adoration Hour-
 Sunday: 9:15 am- Exposition.
 9:15 am to 10:15 am- Adoration.
 10:10 am– Simple Reposition.



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 Website: www.stjamescortland.com. Facebook: [St James Catholic Church of Cortland](https://www.facebook.com/StJamesCatholicChurchofCortland)

Third Sunday of Advent —+— December 11, 2022

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. -Is 61:1

MASS READINGS— read the readings or some of them each day, esp. next Sunday's readings. Try to join weekday Mass(es).
2022 Dec 12 Mon: Our Lady of Guadalupe F
Zec 2: 14-17 or Rv 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab/ Jdt 13: 18bcde, 19/ Lk 1: 26-38 or Lk 1: 39-47 (these are the proper readings given in the Lectionary for Mass at 690A), or any readings from the Lectionary for Mass, the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at 707-712

2022 Dec 13 Tue: Lucy, v, mt M
Zep 3: 1-2. 9-13/ Ps 34: 2-3. 6-7. 17-18. 19 and 23/ Mt 21: 28-32

2022 Dec 14 Wed: John of the Cross, p, dr M
Is 45: 6c-8. 18. 21c-25/ Ps 85: 9ab and 10. 11-12. 13-14/ Lk 7: 18b-23

2022 Dec 15 Thu: Advent Weekday
Is 54: 1-10/ Ps 30: 2 and 4. 5-6. 11-12a and 13b/ Lk 7: 24-30

2022 Dec 16 Fri: Advent Weekday
Is 56: 1-3a. 6-8/ Ps 67: 2-3. 5. 7-8/ Jn 5: 33-36

2022 Dec 17 Sat: Advent Weekday (O Sapientia)
Gn 49: 2. 8-10/ Ps 72: 1-2. 3-4ab. 7-8. 17/ Mt 1: 1-17

2022 Dec 18 SUN: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (O Adonai)
Is 7: 10-14/ Ps 24: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 (7c. 10b)/ Rom 1: 1-7/ Mt 1: 18-24

ST. JAMES EMERGENCY SUPPLIES:
 A duffel bag on top of the coat rack shelf, by women's restroom, contains basic medical supplies for use in case of an emergency. Equipment & supplies will be checked monthly. Questions: contact Lori Johnson.

PARISH WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:					
Monday	Dec	12	6:30 pm	Youth Christmas Program Practice	Church
Monday	Dec	12	7 pm	Mystery of the Mass Adult Ed Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Dec	14	7 pm	St. James Youth Christmas Program	Church
Thursday	Dec	15	7 pm	Intro to the Catholic Faith Adult Study	Parish Hall
Friday	Dec	16	8 pm	AA	Parish Hall
Saturday	Dec	17	6:30 am	That Man Is You	Parish Hall
Sunday	Dec	18	11:30 - 4:00	Parish Hall Reserved - Private Event	Parish Hall

Come Lord Jesus! Maranatha

THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES & PRAYER RESOURCES FOR ADVENT 2022:

Plan to allow our Lord's grace for you this Advent to come to you and to those around you.

THE WORD AMONG US daily meditations for 11/27-12/21 booklets are on the table in the entryway.

EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST BETWEEN MASSES ON SUNDAY MORNINGS FROM 9:15 AM TO 10:15 AM

starting November 27. Someone must be adoring when our Lord is in the monstrance to protect the Eucharist. Sign up for adoration in the entryway of church. The large host reserved in the tabernacle will be placed in the monstrance and put on the altar for you to pray before. You can look at Jesus and He can look at you.

CONFESSIONS FOR CCD on Sundays between Masses. Open to the Public also when there are no students.

INTRODUCTION TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH ADULT FAITH STUDY will be on **Thursdays starting 12/1 (NB**

CORRECTION) at 7:00pm. This is a class for those interested in the **Catholic Faith**. Those who are already Catholic wishing a refresher & those who are not Catholic are welcome. We will watch & discuss the Symbolon series. Bring your *Bible* & your *Catechism* if you have one. They are available on your devices.

FORMED.ORG RESOURCES FOR ADVENT. :*Daily Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray* who leads you thru the Mass readings each day during Advent & Christmas. Sign up to receive a daily email for free: daily.formed.org

REFLECTIONS ON THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS Watch this Christmas video series on FORMED by Dr. Michael Barber based on his book *The True Meaning of Christmas*. Viewers will be delighted to learn more about the biblical accounts of Jesus' birth & the meaning behind our favorite Christmas customs.

<https://watch.formed.org/the-true-meaning-of-christmas>. Go to [Formed.org](https://formed.org) to begin. Sign up using our parish zip code "68331". Also see the insert in the 11/27 bulletin.

LOOKING TO GO DEEP DURING THE ADVENT SEASON? Join Fr. Joseph Wahlmeier for "The 'O Antiphons' of Advent" Retreat on Dec. 2-4 at Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly. On Dec. 16-18 we will have the "Incarnational Intimacy" retreat with Fr. Steve Mills. Dec. 28-30 we will be hosting a virtual watch party for the "Encounter Ministries Conference". Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES: Please see sign-up sheet in entryway for Christmas Masses & sign-up for the Mass at which you can help. Lectors will receive a Sign-up Genius link to sign up. Thank you!

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: Wednesday, December 14 at 7 pm. Cookies/refreshments following in the Church Hall. **Practices** will be in CCD classes Dec. 4 & 11, Wednesday, December 7 at 6:30 pm (meet in Church Hall first, then we will go into the church), and Monday December 12 at 6:30 pm

GIVING TREE: entrance of church - gift tags will be available on the tree with the age of the child receiving the gift. All gifts will benefit *Santa Cop* in Lincoln. Thank you to Rob Brenner for volunteering to deliver the gifts. Most needed ages are 11-14. Wrapping paper donations are greatly appreciated also. All gifts will be picked up **December 18th**. Thank you for your support!

OUR PARISH COULD BENEFIT FROM TWO KNEELERS to be in front of the statues of B.V. Mary & St. James. They would also be available for weddings and for benediction. If interested talk to Fr. Lux.

ROSARY 7:40 AM SUNDAY - We need additional volunteers, contact Janet Ragland if you can help.

MATT TALBOT KITCHEN: There is a signup sheet for the Matt Talbot Kitchen in the back of church. The church will be serving supper on Thursday December 29 at 5:30 PM. We need people to donate different food items. Please make sure to have the items in the kitchen before noon on that Thursday. If you have any questions, please contact Kassie her information is on the bottom of the signup sheet.

OUR STONE SANCTUARY FLOOR is beautiful. It could be made more safe by adding a non-slip strip on the edges of all of the steps. It could also add contrast in color to indicate the edge.

THE SACRED VESSELS AT ST. JAMES- candlesticks, ciboria, chalices, patens, etc. **need cleaned & polished.** If you are interested in this kind of work speak to Fr. Lux.

POWERSURGE & POWERUP: The fun, faith-filled nights are once a month for pre-K to 5th, and 6th-8th graders. High schoolers: help serve food, mentor, run a station. **Meal** starts 5:45, fun until 7:00. **Future dates are 1/18, 3/8, & 4/19.** Questions? Contact Renee D.- reneeandneil@hotmail.com.

AROUND THE LINCOLN DIOCESE & BEYOND: (See our diocesan website www.lincolndioocese.org)

FAMILY FRIENDLY HOLY HOUR: Let the little children come! Join us for a family friendly holy hour at **John XXIII Diocesan Center** (3700 Sheridan Blvd) from 3:30 to 4:30 pm on **Dec 11th** confessions available, a short reflection on Advent, some music, some silence(ish), and hot cocoa to follow!

CHRISTMAS DAY DIOCESAN TV MASS will be broadcast on KLKN-TV (channel 8) in Lincoln on Christmas Day at 8:30 a.m. instead of its usual 9 a.m. time. The change is a result of network programming KLKN will be carrying during our regularly scheduled time. KSNB LOCAL 4 Television in Hastings will be carrying the TV Mass at its normal time on Christmas Day.

ANNUAL MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS will be celebrated on Wed. **Dec. 28th** at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. All are invited to attend, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. All names will be permanently placed on the Banner, only names submitted since 2014 will be read aloud. Submit new names: call Family Life Office - 402.473.0620 **before 5 pm** on Dec 20th or in the vestibule prior to the reading of names (6:45 pm)

DATE NIGHT The Family Life Office invites you to a date night out on Jan 10, 6-9 pm at UNL Newman Center Rosary Hall with Josh Burkes & Chad Steiner of the Emmaus Institute. The topic is Praying with Scripture with Your Spouse & Family. \$45 for dinner/drinks/apps for two or come for free to just the talk (will also be streamed). Register at <https://lincolndioocese.regfox.com/datenightjan> Limited free babysitting available!

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE has their **NEW 2023 Spring Retreat Schedule**. Join Fr. Eric Clark for "Becoming Apostles of Mercy" on Jan. 13-15. On Jan. 19-22 Regnum Christi will host the "Meet Me at the Well: Women's Spiritual Exercises". It's **not too late to sign up for a retreat before the year ends**. Dec. 16-18 is "Incarnational Intimacy" retreat with Fr. Steve Mills and the "Encounter Virtual Watch Party" Conference is Dec. 28-30. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org

MARCH FOR LIFE 50TH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE: Jan. 17-21, 2023- www.lincolndioocese.org/m41

MOTHER/DAUGHTER PROGRAM "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" for girls age 9-13 and their mothers will be held Saturday, January 28th, 2023 from 9 am to noon at John XXIII Diocesan Center. 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. To register, visit <https://lincolndioocese.regfox.com/motherdaughter> Questions, please email Bekah Knobloch at rebekahknobloch@marquettenfp.com

THE EMMAUS INSTITUTE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES is now accepting registrations for a five-week course: **Opening the Word: Catholics & the Bible**. In person - Mondays (6:30-8:30pm) **beginning Jan 9**. Will also be available to watch by video. *Opening the Word* is designed to familiarize students with the *Bible* generally, preparing them to read, study, pray, love, & live the Sacred Scriptures. It is the first of two interterm courses built into our Creation to New Creation program, but everyone is welcome to register for this beneficial course. Learn more and register at www.EmmausInstitute.net.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE: Becoming-One in Heart & Love together through Our Couple Communication. Feb. 10-12 in Lincoln. Call right-away to reserve a place. Contact couple Gary & Brenda Granger- 303--604--6202.

BIBLE IN A YEAR: Read and understand the Bible with *The Bible in a Year Podcast* with Father Mike Schmitz! Get the FREE reading plan and learn more by visiting www.ascensionpress.com/bibleinayear

CATECHISM IN A YEAR: Understand your Catholic Faith w/ *The Catechism in a Year Podcast* with Father Mike Schmitz. The *Catechism* isn't just a reference book—it's a work rooted in Scripture that discusses and explains the fundamental teachings of our faith. The *Catechism in a Year* podcast reveals the good, true, and beautiful teachings of the Church Christ founded. Learn more & get the reading plan at www.ascensionpress.com/ci