

Welcome to St. James Catholic Parish!

We are very glad you have joined us for
the public work of the People of God—
to worship God.

Ask if you need anything.

Saint James Catholic Church of Cortland

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Fr. Thomas Lux, Pastor -

Urgency: 308-991-4991

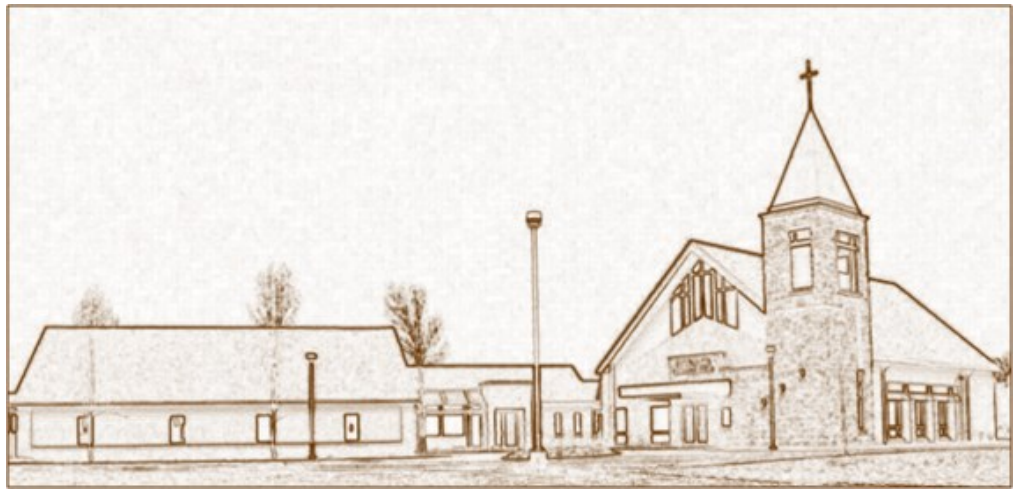
Deadline for bulletin announcements/
schedule requests: **Wednesday 12 pm (N)**
to bulletinstjames@gmail.com.

Eucharistic Exposition Adoration
between Sunday Morning Masses
if we have adorers committed.
Please **Sign up** in the Church entryway.

Sunday: 9:15 am- Exposition.

9:15 am to 10:15 am- Adoration.

10:10 am- Simple Reposition.



Sunday of Divine Mercy

Second Sunday of Easter — + — April 16, 2023

*You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord;
blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe! — Jn 20:29*

**Sunday Obligation
Masses-**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am

Weekday Masses— Check the current bulletin for changes.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 7:00 am.

Wednesday @ 6:30 pm. Saturday @ 8:00 am

Holy Day of Obligation Masses: See the bulletin.

Confessions 30 min. before Sunday & Holy Days Masses

20 minutes before Daily Masses & by Appointment Call to schedule 308.991.4991.

CCD— (Religious Education)- Sundays 9:00 to 10:15am during school year
Kindergarten thru 8th Grades Classes in the Parish Hall. High School Class in North Building.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK:

Augustine Xavier Reimers in Theology 3 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

MASS INTENTIONS

SJ= St. James Church. **GCRC= Gold Crest Retirement Community-Adams**

MASS READINGS— Follow the Church's liturgical life. Read them before Mass
to enter the liturgy more deeply. Try to join 1 or more weekday Masses.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

| Sat. Apr 15 | 5:00 pm | SJ | Ty & Lindsay Peterson Family | Second Sunday of Easter: |
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| Sun. Apr 16 | 8:00 am | SJ | Nathan Milke+ | <i>Acts 2: 42-47/ Ps 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24/ 1 Pt 1: 3-9/ Jn 20: 19-31</i> |
| | 10:30 am | SJ | For the People of St. James Parish | |
| Mon. Apr 17 | 7:00 am | SJ | All Souls Day Intentions+ | Easter Weekday: <i>Acts 4: 23-31/ Ps 2: 1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/ Jn 3: 1-8</i> |
| Tue. Apr 18 | 7:00 am | SJ | April Birthdays in Parish | Easter Weekday: <i>Acts 4: 32-37/ Ps 93: 1ab, 1cd-2, 5/ Jn 3: 7b-15</i> |
| Wed. Apr 19 | 4:00 pm | @GCRC | Katy Lux | Easter Weekday: <i>Acts 5: 17-26/ Ps 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Jn 3: 16-21</i> |
| | 6:30 pm | SJ | Forest DeVries+ | Easter Weekday: <i>Acts 5: 27-33/ Ps 34: 2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/ Jn 3: 31-36</i> |
| Thu. Apr 20 | 7:00 am | SJ | Dale Milke+ | Easter Weekday/Anselm, bp, r, dr: <i>Acts 5: 34-42/ Ps 27: 1, 4, 13-14/ Jn 6: 1-15</i> |
| Fri. Apr 21 | 7:00 am | SJ | Martin Wagner+ | Easter Weekday: <i>Acts 6: 1-7/ Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19/ Jn 6: 16-21</i> |
| Sat. Apr 22 | 8:00 am | SJ | JoAnn Vrbka | |

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| Sat. Apr 22 | 5:00 pm | SJ | Mary Kopocis+ | THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER: <i>Acts 2: 14, 22-33/ Ps 16: 1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/ 1 Pt 1: 17-21/ Lk 24:13-35</i> |
| Sun. Apr 23 | 8:00 am | SJ | Thomas & Josephine Grof+ | |
| | 10:30 am | SJ | For the People of St. James Parish | |
| Sun. Apr 23 | 3:00 pm | SJ | First Communicants | |

Divine Mercy Sunday is TODAY!

Jesus asked for this celebration 14 times in his messages to the Secretary of Mercy- **St. Faustina Kowalska** in 1930's Poland.
St. John Paul II established the celebration in 2000.

Join the Holy Hour for Divine Mercy on Sunday, 4/16, at 3:00 pm in St. James Church.

For more info: www.usccb.org/prolife/divine-mercy-sunday

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

THE ANNUAL "RED MASS" with Bishop Conley to pray for all in the legal profession is Tues. Apr. 18, 7 am at the Newman Center, Lincoln. A breakfast will follow Mass, with a talk given by Conor Gallagher, CEO of TAN Books. All are invited to this free event sponsored by the Catholic Lawyers Guild.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE:

Experiencing communication of the heart inside our couple-love. **April 21-23** in Lincoln. Call right away so we may prepare a place for you. Contact couple: Gary & Brenda Granger- 303-604-6202.

STILL FEELING UNRESOLVED ABOUT A PRIOR ABORTION? Are you the father or grandparent of a child lost to abortion? Come to a confidential caring **retreat for healing, forgiveness and re-connection to God, community and your child.** Scholarships avail. **April 28-30, 2023 near Omaha.** For information email helpingrachel@yahoo.com or call Heather at 402-671-3749.

"SPIRITUAL WARFARE: WHAT EVERY FAMILY SHOULD KNOW":

April 28 & 29 at John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Lincoln, NE. Presented by Kathleen Beckman, author of A FAMILY GUIDE TO SPIRITUAL WARFARE. A practical guide to protecting the family against spiritual attack. Sponsored by Family Life Office and St. Benedict Prayer team. For more information and to register, scan the QR code. Registration closes April 24th .

BOLT GALA BENEFITING PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL on Saturday,

April 29, 2023. Tickets are on sale now and all are invited! Funds raised at the event will go toward our new secure front entrance and welcome center, and the Booster Club. For more information on donating auction items, volunteering, and purchasing lottery tickets, visit piusx.net/bolt.



AL KRESTA, "THE AMERICAN FUTURE, THE CATHOLIC FAITH & THE EUCHARIST: Al Kresta from "Kresta in the Afternoon" on Spirit Catholic Radio will be at St. Peter Catholic Church - 9101 S 78th St, Lincoln on **Tues, May 2nd, 7:00 PM.** \$5 per seat, register at spiritcatholicradio.com/kresta

CAMP KATERI SUMMER CAMPS for Grades 3rd thru 12th **Tekakwitha Games, Catholic Adventure Camp, SKY & SKY TEENS & Volunteer Counselors.** REGISTRATIONS are open. See <https://campkateri.org/> for Grades & dates for each camp.

Camping **with the Marians** info is at www.mariansisters.org/. **ATHLETES AND PERFORMERS!** Use your summer to perfect your skills! Numerous **camp**s are being offered by coaches at **Pius X High School.** Camps range from athletics to performing arts, and from grades **kindergarten to high school.** Learn more and sign up at PiusX.net/camps.

LOOKING TO MAKE A RETREAT THIS SPRING? Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly has several retreats for you these next few months. Join us for our 4-Day or 8-Day "Ignatian Directed Retreat" April 21-24, 24-27 or 21-27 with Fr. Barak or Fr. Coulter, "True Devotion to Mary" Retreat with Msgr. Daniel Seiker on April 21-23, and our women's 24-hour retreat "God's Beautiful Beloved" with Sr. Anne Marie Walsh, SOLT on May 12 -13. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL OF ST. JAMES-CORTLAND will pay for part of your Retreat Registration for any member of St. James Parish. Thank you to the Knights for supporting Retreats for adults and youths.

EUCCHARISTIC ENCOUNTER

Lincoln | Grand Island | Omaha

June 20-22, 2023

"Here I am. I stand at the door and knock."

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL Spirit Catholic Radio NETWORK Archdiocese of Omaha

The *Eucharistic Encounter* is a diocesan event to celebrate & deepen our Faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist through Adoration, Eucharistic piety, dynamic teaching, powerful sacred music, & exposure to local apostolates & ministries. The gathering will highlight **Blessed Carlo Acutis**, creator of the **Vatican International Exposition, Eucharistic Miracles of the World**, which will be on display. Acutis has been named a patron of the *Eucharistic Revival* initiative & the event will include a **relic for veneration** and a **short video** about Acutis' life. The event is being held in response to the *Eucharistic Revival* called for by the *U.S. Bishops*. *Spirit Catholic Radio*, in coordination with the 3 Dioceses of Nebraska is hosting these events in **Lincoln on June 20, Grand Island on June 21, & Omaha on June 22.** **Fr. Malachy Napier**, CFR, will be the keynote speaker at each event, & the local bishop of the respective diocese will also speak at each event.

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ST. JAMES EMERGENCY SUPPLIES:

A **duffle bag** on top of the coat rack shelf, by the women's restroom, contains **basic medical supplies** for use in case of an emergency. Equipment & supplies checked monthly.

Questions: Lori Johnson

Easter Lily Flower Donations– Thank you to the donors. May God bless those remembered.

| Given By | For: |
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| Blain & Lori Johnson | Deceased Family of Blain & Lori Johnson |
| Pat & Michelle Milke | Deceased Family of Pat & Michelle Milke |
| Ben & Audra Reed | Tyler Reed |
| Jeremy & Ginger Jelinek | Judy Hartman |
| Jeremy & Ginger Jelinek | Earl & Agatha Baumert |
| Steve & Regina Paschold | Charles & Veronica Barmann |
| Betty Riddle | Robert Riddle |
| Ray & JoAnn Vrbka | Loretta Fiala |
| Grace Benes | Earl & Violette Jorelyn, |
| Grace Benes | Dorothy & Ted Trouba |
| Grace Benes | Vladimir Benes |
| Leslie Hier | Alice Vanderhook |
| The Stieb Family | David Klitz |
| The Stieb Family | Eli Ebel |
| Bill & Cindy Price | Chad & Judy Kohout |
| Darrell & Rosie VerMaas | Kempkes/VerMaas Families |



Easter Lily

From the Nebraska Catholic Conference:

LIFE IS WINNING! After eight hours of robust debate on Wednesday, April 12, the Nebraska Legislature voted to advance heartbeat protection for preborn boys and girls! Our state is one step closer to protecting preborn boys and girls with beating hearts, and their mothers, from the harms of abortion.

In a press release, Marion Miner stated the following: “We are filled with great hope and joy as the Nebraska Heartbeat Act clears another hurdle. Nebraskans want greater protections for women and babies from abortion, and the Legislature has delivered in Round one. We look forward to the second round of debate.”

Find out how your senator voted on LB626, and send them a message of thanks for their vote or a message of encouragement to support LB626 in the future. We can't count how many Senators told our staff that our presence at the Capitol last Wednesday meant the world to them. Your voice matters. Your presence matters. We are grateful for your ongoing advocacy with us on this issue.

PROTECT THEIR
SUPPORT LB626 NEBRASKA HEARTBEAT ACT
BEATING HEARTS

THREE EVENTS WITH 3 PRIESTS OF THE LEGIONARIES OF CHRIST IN MAY: All events will be held at the Ringer Family Acreage near Denton - 4601 W Bucks Dr, Lincoln. **Friday, May 5th - “Men’s Evening Around the Bonfire”** - RSVP by May 1st to Joe Benes: joe@bigstepconstruction.com or 402-617-0365. **Saturday, May 6 - Father-Son events** for 4th through 8th graders and 9th through 12th graders followed by a **May crowning!** May Crowning is open to all families. Father-Son event: 1:00-5:00 PM Saturday, May 6th - 4601 W Bucks Dr, Lincoln. RSVP to Michael Donlan: donlanmichaelj@gmail.com or 402-570-5103. **May Crowning of our Lady** - Saturday, May 6 starting at 5:00 PM with a social; 5:30 PM Potluck dinner (please bring a main and side dish); 6:45 May Crowning; 8:00-10:00 PM Live Band - 4601 W Bucks Dr, Lincoln. RSVP for May Crowning event by May 1st to mringer@windstream.net or 402-430-6972. See flyers for all three events on table in the back of church.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Join our reporting team at the *Southern Nebraska Register*, the weekly newspaper of the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln. We have an opening for a part-time reporter. If you’re a good writer who wants to tell stories of people and events to Catholics across southern Nebraska, then we want to hear from you! We need someone with knowledge of journalism, who has good time management skills, is well organized, creative and has a positive attitude. You’ll write news stories, take photographs and assist in finding potential stories for our newspaper and social media channels. Approximately 22 hours per week. You can be based anywhere within the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln geographical boundaries. See the full job description at lincolndiocese.org/diocese/employment. If interested, send a cover letter, resume, a completed diocesan application and writing samples to Marsha-Bartek@lincolndiocese.org or Marsha Bartek, Director of Human Resources, Catholic Diocese of Lincoln, 3400 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68506.

4th Grade Teacher: St. James Catholic School in Crete is seeking a faith-filled, enthusiastic and loving person who is gifted with solid instructional techniques and classroom management skills and is certified to teach in Nebraska. To inquire or apply, contact Sister Mary Alma at 402-826-2318 or sr.mary-alma@cdolinc.net. Please email a cover letter, resume and references.

| PARISH WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: | | | | | |
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| Every Sunday | | | Between Masses | Exposition Adoration – Simple Reposition | Church |
| Sunday | Apr | 16 | After both Masses | PCCW Scholarship Breakfast | Parish Hall |
| Wednesday | Apr | 19 | 5:45 pm | PowerSurge/PowerUp | Parish Hall |
| Friday | Apr | 21 | 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm | AA - Hall Reserved | Parish Hall |
| Saturday | Apr | 22 | 6:30 am | That Man Is You | Parish Hall |
| Sunday | Apr | 23 | After both Masses | PCCW Bakesale | Parish Hall |
| Sunday | Apr | 23 | 3:00 pm | St. James First Communion | Church |

Stewardship of Time: We are grateful to God for the gift of time, and while none of us knows how much time any one of us has, we are charged with giving back a portion of the moments He grants us to deepen our relationship with the Divine, our Source of love. Stewardship of time refers to **how & how often we place ourselves in the presence of God.**

| Stewardship of Treasure | |
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| <i>As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.</i> (1 Pt 4:10). | |
| Parish Offering 4/9/23 | |
| Envelopes | \$1,668.00 |
| Plate | \$657.00 |
| Holy Land | \$615.00 |
| SNR | \$20.00 |
| Rice Bowl Donations | \$744.83 |
| Total Deposit | \$3,704.83 |

AROUND OUR PARISH

EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST between Masses on Sunday Mornings from **9:15 am to 10:15 am**. Someone has been **adoring** when our Lord is in the monstrance to protect the Eucharist. Please sign up for adoration in the entryway of church.

PCCW 2023 DUES: Women of the Parish - if you haven't paid PCCW dues yet, please do so as soon as possible. These dues are obligations that the Parish have to the *Lincoln Diocese Council of Catholic Women*; they do not stay at *St. James*; please help us cover those costs. **Thank you** to those who have already given.

ST JAMES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORMS are available on the bulletin board in the church vestibule. Any high school senior who is a member of *St James Parish* is eligible to apply. Completed applications must be turned in to Mike Mitchell by **April 16th**

ST JAMES (PCCW) SCHOLARSHIP is available to one or more High School Senior(s) who plan to further their education. Selection is based on Church, Community & School involvement. The **\$500.00** scholarship will be awarded to one or split between selected High School Seniors. If you are interested, please complete the application form found on the bulletin board. Applications are due by **April 16th**.

PCCW SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST: after both Masses today, Sunday, **April 16th**. **Help needed with kitchen/serving help.** Encourage **High School Youth** to serve the breakfast.

POWERSURGE & POWERUP: The fun, faith-filled nights are monthly for pre-K to 5th, & 6th-8th graders. High schoolers: help serve food, mentor, run a station. **Meal starts 5:45, fun until 7.** **Remaining date is 4/19.** Questions? Contact Renee D.- reneeandneil@hotmail.com.

IT IS TIME TO RENEW SUBSCRIPTIONS TO MAGNIFICAT... A monthly publication with a short morning, evening, & night prayer, a short daily meditation, daily Mass readings; as well as a daily story of a Saint, & more. Current subscriptions expire w/ the July issue. If you are interested in joining our parish group rate as a new subscriber or renewing for *August 2023 thru July 2024* at almost 1/2 regular price, please **sign up in the Church entry by April 21st**. Our annual group subscription rate will be **\$23.00/each. Large print \$41.00.** Please put your payment in an envelope w/ your name & *Magnificat* written on it. You may put it in the collection basket. **Checks to St. James Church.** Thank you Marcia V.

The **SANCTUARY LAMP STAND, PASCHAL CANDLE STAND & the 6 brass altar candlesticks** are from the matching set. Hopefully we can **refinish them** in the near future. The **TABERNACLE** needs refinished on the outside. This would be a great project during this time of Eucharistic Renewal. **4 communion patens, 2 other altar candlesticks** were repaired, cleaned, polished & clear coated by *Koley's Plating in Omaha*. **If you are interested in donating** to any part of this project please talk to Fr. Lux. Thank you to those who have donated.

THANK YOU JESUS for the graces of this Lent, Holy Week & Easter Season.

| Liturgical Ministers | | | | | |
|------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | Apr 15-16 | Apr 22-23 | Apr 29-30 | May 6-7 |
| Sat. 5:00 pm | Reader | Diana McCown | Amy Larkins | Ron Eisenbarth | Diana McCown |
| | Acolyte | (volunteer) | (volunteer) | Randy Eickmeier | Kurt Larkins |
| | Server | (volunteers) | (volunteers) | (volunteers) | (volunteers) |
| Sun. 8:00 am | Reader | Chris Hytrek | Jerry Lentfer | Joe Vinton | Michelle Milke |
| | Acolyte | Pat Milke | Tony Sullivan | Scott Osterhaus | Chris Hytrek |
| | Server | Simon Robinson | Rylan Hochstein | Mason Eickmeier | Sam Robinson |
| | Server B | Carter Stieb | Reed Hochstein | Carson Eickmeier | Sawyer Robinson |
| Sun. 10:30 am | Greeter | | | | |
| | Reader | Larry Etmund | Ginger Jelinek | Shirley Yates | Karl Gramann |
| | Acolyte | Ron Eisenbarth | Myron Heusinkvelt | Ron Boden | Ron Eisenbarth |
| | Server | Hayden Nielson | Brady Troxel | Max Jacobson | Hayden Nielson |
| | Server B | Nolan Nielson | Ty Troxel | Mason Henn | Nolan Nielson |
| Collection Counters | Greeter | | | | |
| | | Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel | Randy & Colleen Eickmeier/ Amy Argo | Julie Pfingsten / Lauren Ehmen | Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes |

SAVE THE DATES: TOTUS TUUS 2023 will be at *St. James* from **Sun., June 25 thru Fri., June 30, 2023.**

Plan for your child, **1st Grade thru College Fresh**, to attend to help them **develop** an intimate friendship with **Jesus** so He may lead them to the Father in the Holy Spirit.

NOTE these are the final dates..

