

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.

Third Sunday of Easter — + — April 23, 2023

*Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
 make our hearts burn while you speak to us. – Cf. Lk 24:32*

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.

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 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat. Apr 22	5:00 pm	SJ	Mary Kopocis+
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
Mon. Apr 24	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions +
Tue. Apr 25	7:00 am	SJ	All Fathers
Wed. Apr 26	4:00 pm	@GCRC	For Moisture & Safety
	6:30 pm	SJ	Bill Zarnick+
Thu. Apr 27	7:00 am	SJ	Souls in Purgatory
Fri. Apr 28	7:00 am	SJ	Weitze & Davis Families
Sat. Apr 29	8:00 am	SJ	Phil & Rita Baumel

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER:

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

Easter Weekday/ Fidelis of Sigmaringen, p, mt: Acts 6: 8-15/ Ps 119: 23-24. 26-27. 29-30/ Jn 6: 22-29

Mark, ev F: 1 Pt 5: 5b-14/ Ps 89: 2-3. 6-7. 16-17/ Mk 16: 15-20

Easter Weekday: Acts 8: 1b-8/ Ps 66: 1-3a. 4-5. 6-7a/
 Jn 6: 35-40

Easter Weekday: Acts 8: 26-40/ Ps 66: 8-9. 16-17. 20/ Jn 6: 44-51

Easter Weekday/ Peter Chanel, p, r, ms, mt/ Louis Mary de Montfort, p: Acts 9: 1-20/ Ps 117: 1bc. 2/ Jn 6: 52-59

Catherine of Siena, v, dr M: Acts 9: 31-42/ Ps 116: 12-13. 14-15. 16-17/ Jn 6: 60-69

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat. Apr 29	5:00 pm	SJ	For Safe Planting
Sun. Apr 30	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish
	10:30 am	SJ	Warren Viessman, Jr.+

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Acts 2: 14a. 36-41/Ps 23: 1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6 (1)/ 1 Pt 2: 20b-25/
 Jn 10: 1-10

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

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

GOD IS THE AUTHOR OF LIFE! April 26, 7pm Hugh Owen, Director from the Kolbe Center for the Study of Creation <http://KolbeCenter.org>, speaking at Christ the King Church Parish Center, 654 S 86 St, Omaha. Presenting "Creation based Science VS Evolution Based Scientism: A Matter of Spiritual and Physical Life and Death" All are welcome! Free will offering

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 .

NURSING WITH THE HANDS OF MERCY: Nurturing the call to nursing as a faithful Catholic. **April 29th - 9:00-12:00**, Marian Sisters' Motherhouse, Waverly, NE. Mass with Fr. Ryan Kaup, Brunch & Fellowship, reflection by Jeff Walker, Adoration and Confession available. RSVP: sr.joankolbe-kjerstad@cdolinc.net.

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

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 "Ignatian Directed Retreat" 24-27 with Fr. Barak or Fr. Coulter, 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.

A FATHER'S HEART MOVIE: In *A Father's Heart*, filmmakers searched for the people whose lives have been transformed by St. Joseph. Their moving stories extend from medically impossible healings, or finding a home, to conversions of convict delinquents or little favors asked of him by children. Tickets for the May 1st ONLY showing of *A FATHER'S HEART* can be purchased at [Fathom Events](http://FathomEvents) or at participating theater box offices. For a complete list of theater locations, visit the [Fathom Events](http://FathomEvents) website - fathomevents.com. (This film is scheduled to be shown in Lincoln & Omaha in Nebraska)

SIDEWALK ADVOCACY TRAINING: Saturday, June 17th, 11:45 am - 6:00 pm. Location information provided upon registration. Learn how to be the hands and feet of Christ, offering loving, life-affirming alternatives to all present at Planned Parenthood of Lincoln, thereby eliminating the demand and ending abortion in Lincoln. \$15 training fee to cover the cost of workbook and materials. Snacks and drinks will be provided. More details will be provided upon registration. Register at lisapal24@aol.com or 402-525-9360.

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.

FROM THE NEBRASKA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE:

THE NEBRASKA HEARTBEAT ACT will have its second round of debate on Thursday, April 27th. The Nebraska Heartbeat Act, LB626, is sure to face another filibuster during the second round of debate, which requires 33 votes to advance a bill forward. Every vote counts; 33 State Senators voted to advance LB626 after the first round of debate. It's vital that every Senator maintains their support of the bill until it can be signed by Governor Pillen. Please share your "heartbeat story" with your Senator, thank them for their support of the Heartbeat Act or encourage their support for the bill moving forward. Please remember to lift up this legislation and our efforts in your personal prayer.



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.

St James PCCW Meeting Minutes - April 12, 2023

St James PCCW met April 12, 2023 with eight members present. The meeting was opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Father Lux joined us via telephone for a portion of the meeting.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved. A thank you note was received from the diocese for our donation to support TV masses for shut ins. Julie Pffingsten gave the treasurer's report. Income was from the March bake sale, Easter lily donations and additional dues. Expenses were for the First Communion Retreat and juice mix.

Shirley Yates suggested we make a donation to St Joseph's school in Beatrice to cover the cost of copies made for our CCD. Rosie VerMaas made a motion that we send them \$50.00. The motion was seconded by Stacey Eickmeier and passed by the members present.

Rosie gave an update on the First Communion Retreat. Fern Sullivan made a beautiful cake for the children. Breakfast was donuts and milk and lunch was sloppy joes, potato salad and chips. Rosie said she cooked 10 pounds of hamburger and there was very little left over. First Communion will be Sunday, April 23 at 3:00 for 18 students.

Holy Week services were well attended and everyone agreed the Church was beautifully decorated.

St James provided eleven Easter food baskets to the Norris Food Pantry.

Grace thanked everyone for their donations and help with the Ernie Schuetze funeral.

The Scholarship Breakfast will be held Sunday, April 16th following both Masses. A special thank you to the Lentfer family for donating the sausage and to the Eickmeier family for donating all of the eggs.

May 7th is the last day of CCD and will be Recognition Sunday beginning with May Crowning by the parish children. The CCD teachers will be honored with a gift card and the graduating seniors will be recognized.

Deanne Stieb will be the CCD coordinator next year. Shirley said that a first grade teacher will be needed for next fall.

St James PCCW will host the Crete Deanery Spring Meeting on Saturday, April 29th. The day will begin with Mass at 8:00 A.M. The PCCW will serve a brunch. Shirley said to expect about 30 attendees. Julie Shea-Delgado accepted the position of deanery historian. New officers will be installed at the meeting.

St Mary's Circle will be in charge of the April bake sale on Sunday, April 23rd.

Pat Milke asked for the PCCW help to determine what needs to be moved to the storage shed to make more room in the furnace rooms and storage room in the hall. Rosie will send him some dates in May.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer. The next meeting will be a wine and salad supper on May 10th.

Respectfully submitted: Grace Benes, Secretary

Al Kresta, a national Catholic journalist, broadcaster & author, is coming **Tuesday, May 2, to St. Peter Catholic Church in Lincoln** at 7pm. He hosts a lively call-in program on *Spirit Catholic Radio* weekdays from 3-5pm called, *Kresta in the Afternoon*, which features Catholic life through the lens of Scripture & the teachings of the Church. His topic is **"The American Future, the Catholic Faith, & the Eucharist."** Tickets are on sale now for this event for **\$5 for one ticket or \$20 for 5 tickets**. Become an Evangelist & invite your friends & neighbors. Go to spiritcatholicradio.com for more info and to purchase tickets! **Fr. Lux has tickets.**



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:					
Every Sunday			Between Masses	Exposition Adoration – Simple Reposition	Church
Sunday	Apr	23	After both Masses	PCCW Bakesale	Parish Hall
Sunday	Apr	23	3:00 pm	St. James First Communion	Church
Friday	Apr	28	5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	AA - Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Apr	29	6:30 am	That Man Is You	Parish Hall

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

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. (1 Pt 4:10).

Parish Offering 4/16/23	
Envelopes	\$673.00
Plate	\$578.50
Children's	\$5.00
Easter Sunday Envelope	\$2,525.00
Rice Bowl Donations	\$15.26
Votive Candles	\$70.88
Total Deposit	\$3,867.64

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.

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.

EASTER LILY FLOWER DONATIONS– **Thank you** to the donors. May God bless those remembered. Anyone who donated and wishes to take a lily home, you may take them at any time.

BAKE SALE, SUNDAY, April 23, hosted by St. Mary's Circle of St. James PCCW

CRETE DEANERY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN MEETING at St. James– Cortland. 8:00 AM Mass

MAY CROWNING: Sunday, May 7

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS APPRECIATION: Sunday, May 7

CCD CATECHISTS APPRECIATION: Sunday, May 7

MOTHER'S DAY DONUTS & ROLLS: by the Knights of Columbus, Sunday, May 14.

St. JAMES MOWING SCHEDULE - Many hands make light work! Find the link on the St. James Facebook page OR go to: www.signupgenius.com/findasignup & enter: jeremyjelinek@yahoo.com & click the search button. The St. James signup should appear. Select the dates & times you are able to help mow the grounds throughout the summer months & beginning of fall. The church has two mowers which makes the job go much quicker. Thank you in advance for your help!

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Our parish subscribes so it is free to you.

Liturgical Ministers					
		Apr 22-23	Apr 29-30	May 6-7	May 13-14
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins
	Acolyte	(volunteer)	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)
	Server	(volunteers)	(volunteers)	(volunteers)	(volunteers)
Sun. 8:00 am	Reader	Jerry Lentfer	Joe Vinton	Michelle Milke	Chris Hytrek
	Acolyte	Tony Sullivan	Scott Osterhaus	Chris Hytrek	Pat Milke
	Server	Rylan Hochstein	Mason Eickmeier	Sam Robinson	Andrew Oelke
	Server B	Reed Hochstein	Carson Eickmeier	Sawyer Robinson	Austin Oelke
Sun. 10:30 am	Greeter				
	Reader	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Karl Gramann	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt
	Server	Brady Troxel	Max Jacobson	Hayden Nielson	Brady Troxel
	Server B	Ty Troxel	Mason Henn	Nolan Nielson	Sam Troxel
Collection Counters	Greeter				
		Randy & Colleen Eickmeier/Amy Argo	Julie Pflingsten / Laureen Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel

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.

