

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

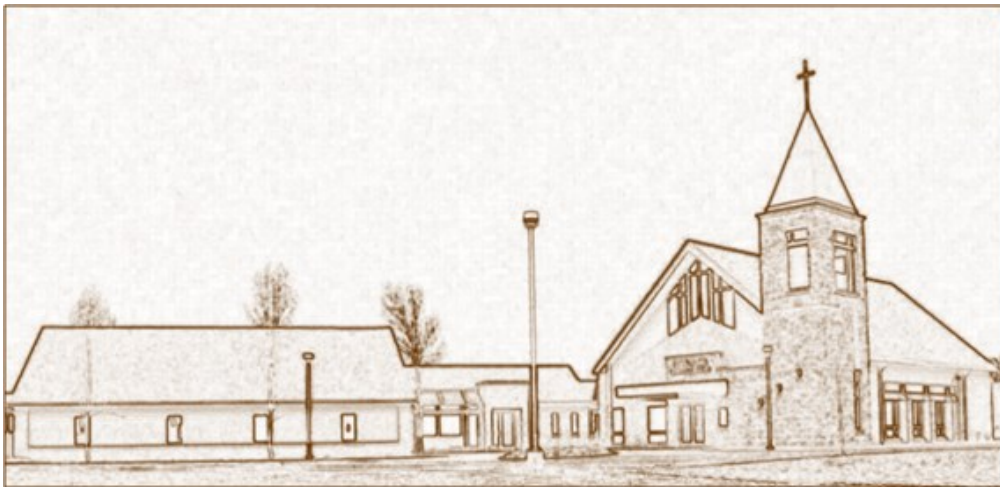
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Fr. Thomas Lux, Pastor -
 Urgency: 308-991-4991

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.



Fourth Sunday of Easter — + — April 30, 2023
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me. — Jn 10:14

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 8 th Grades Classes in the Parish Hall. High School Class in North Building.	

ST. JAMES EMERGENCY SUPPLIES: A duffel 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

MASS INTENTIONS					MASS READINGS— Follow the Church's liturgical life.	
SJ= St. James Church. GCRC= Gold Crest Retirement Community-Adams					Read them before Mass to enter the liturgy more deeply. <u>Try to join 1 or more weekday Masses.</u>	
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER						
Sat.	Apr 29	5:00 pm	SJ	For Safe Planting	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	
Sun.	Apr 30	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish		
		10:30 am	SJ	Warren Viessman, Jr.+		
Mon.	May 1	7:00 am	SJ	All Soud Day Intentions +	Easter Weekday/ Joseph the Worker: Acts 11: 1-18/ Ps 42: 2-3; 43: 3-4/ Jn 10: 11-18. Gospel for Joseph: Mt 13: 54-58	
Tue.	May 2	7:00 am	SJ	Susie Templeman	Athanasius, bp, dr M: Acts 11: 19-26/ Ps 87: 1b-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Jn 10: 22-30	
Wed.	May 3	4:00 pm	@GCRC	Bishops	Philip and James, aps F: 1 Cor 15: 1-8/ Ps 19: 2-3. 4-5/ Jn 14: 6-14	
		6:30 pm	SJ	Debra Cumro+		
Thu.	May 4	7:00 am	SJ	Ed Vinton+	Easter Wkday.: Acts 13: 13-25/ Ps 89: 2-3. 21-22. 25 & 27/ Jn 13: 16-20	
Fri.	May 5	7:00 am	SJ	Steve Phillip+	Easter Weekday: Acts 13: 26-33/ Ps 2: 6-7. 8-9. 10-11ab/ Jn 14: 1-6	
Sat.	May 6	8:00 am	SJ	Good Planting Weather & Safety	Easter Weekday: Acts 13: 44-52/ Ps 98: 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4/ Jn 14: 7-14	
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER						
Sat.	May 6	5:00 pm	SJ	Vladimir Benes+	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Acts 6: 1-7/	
Sun.	May 7	8:00 am	SJ	May Birthdays in Parish	Ps 33: 1-2. 4-5. 18-19 (22)/	
		10:30 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	1 Pt 2: 4-9/ Jn 14: 1-12	

Thank you to all who helped us celebrate First Communion last Sunday! The communicants, their parents & families, the Catechists, the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Honor Guard, the musicians, & all others.

May Crowning— May 7 Sunday Masses.

High School Senior Appreciation— May 7 Sunday Masses.

Catechists Appreciation for our Religious Education Programs— May 7 Sunday Masses.

All Things New (Revelation 21:5) **2023 Charity & Stewardship Appeal Sunday- May 6-7** Weekend Masses. This is an opportunity for each of us to support the work of the institutional Church. The **diocesan goal is \$2,151,000**. The CSA Appeal benefits many essential programs in our diocese, including the Family Life Office; Youth Ministry; the UNL Newman Center; Hispanic Ministry; Catholic Social Services; Hospital, Prison, & Nursing Home Ministries; the Tribunal, and more. **Pledge Cards** will be available before & after Masses on **May 6-7**. Our **parish goal is \$12,390**. We receive rebates back to the parish due to our support of Catholic schools. We also receive back any amount pledged over our goal. See the CSA flier for more info. You are asked to pledge now, you may pay later, you may pay now with a check, you may pay electronically. For more information or to give online go to: <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/diocese/charity-and-stewardship-appeal>

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

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.

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.

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 **women's 24-hour retreat "God's Beautiful Beloved"** with Sr. Anne Marie Walsh, SOLT on **May 12-13**. Read more & 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 or at participating theater box offices. For a complete list of theater locations, visit the Fathom Events 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.

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 5** - "Men's Evening Around the Bonfire" - RSVP by May 1 to Joe Benes: joe@bigstepconstruction.com or 402-617-0365. **Saturday, May 6** - **Father-Son events** for 4th thru 8th graders & 9th thru 12th graders followed by a **May crowning!** May Crowning is open to all families. **Father-Son event:** 1:00-5:00 PM Saturday, May 6 - 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.

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.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19,2023 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The April meeting of the Saint James Knights of Columbus was called to order at 7:30 PM April 19th by Grand Knight Ron Boden. The meeting was preceded by Daily Mass at 6:30 PM and Rosary at 7 PM. Ten council knights were in attendance as well as District Deputy Gary Gandara. Father Lux opened the meeting with prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

CHAPLAINS REPORT- Father Lux thanked all the knights for their participation in the Holy week services and also thanked those who helped with the ST. Joseph holy hour held on April 17th in conjunction with the knights hosting a traveling ST Joseph icon for veneration.

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT- Grand Knight Ron Boden asked all fourth degree knights present to consider volunteering their time to be in a honor guard for first communion at Saint James at 3:00 PM April 23. He also informed the Knights that there will be a fourth degree exemplification held on May 7th at ST. Patrick social hall in Lincoln.

Grand Knight Boden asked the knights to consider forming a church security committee to protect parishioners during Mass.

TREASURER REPORT- Treasurer Ed Zach reported that the treasury has enough money to handle five \$250 scholarships this year. Joe Vinton moved to award scholarships to all five seniors who applied this year. Chris Hytrek seconded the motion and it passed on voice vote. Congratulations to Briana Clements, Cole Ebbers, Nathan Eisenbarth, Sadie Larkins and Lauren Zach, this year's recipients.

The knights will provide rolls and coffee after both Sunday Masses on Mother's Day May 14th. Chris Hytrek will pick up the rolls.

The knights will also split the costs of gift cards purchased for CCD teachers with the PCCW. Knights will be asked to help pass out the cards on teacher appreciation Sunday on May 7th.

New Business- Jeremy Jelinek reported that he has created a sign up Genie for people to sign up for mowing the church and rectory. The church has two mowers available to use. He also presented a bid for three more irrigation runs on the church grounds of \$3404.50 from Jindra irrigation of Crete. Neil Dominy moved the knights pay up to \$1,800 or half the cost split with the parish council. Jeremy Jelinek seconded the motion and it carried.

The Knights agreed to help again this year as a dropoff site for unsold garage sale items during the Cortland garage sales on June 3rd. We will limit the items to only clothes and furniture and refuse anything with an electrical cord attached. Items collected will be delivered to the city mission or Catholic Social Services.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT- D.D. Gandara reported on a new pro-life initiative called "Pass the Hat" that will raise funds for woman's health centers across Nebraska. The goal is to raise \$50,000 by May 1st which would then be matched by Supreme for a total donation of \$100,000. Chris Hytrek moved that our council donate \$250 to the campaign, Ron Eisenbarth seconded the motion and it carried. To date the Nebraska Knights of Columbus has placed 17, 4-D ultrasound machines in women's care centers across Nebraska.

There being no further business the knights were asked to remember the following individuals in their prayers for the good of the order, Oren and Jen Heusinkvelt, Don Mitchell, Ron Boden's aunt JoAnn, and his nephew who is being deployed to Somalia, and the souls of Deb Cumro and Joe Vinton's brother. Father Lux closed the meeting in prayer.

Respectively submitted by Reporter Mike Mitchell

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Our parish subscribes so it is free to you.

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
Friday	May	5	5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	AA - Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	May	6	6:30 am	<i>That Man Is You</i>	Parish Hall
Sunday	May	7	At both Masses	<i>May Crowning, High School Seniors Appreciation & CCD Catechists Appreciation</i>	Church
Sunday	May	14	After both Masses	<i>Mother's Day Donuts & Rolls by the Knights of Columbus</i>	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	
<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 4/23/23	
Envelopes	\$1,498.00
Plate	\$693.25
Children's	\$5.00
Rice Bowl Donations	\$9.55
Donation	\$500.00
Total Deposit	\$2,705.80

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.

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 and enter the following: 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!

JOIN US SUNDAY, MAY 7!

MAY CROWNING - Both Sunday Masses will begin with a procession of the children of St. James bringing flowers to Mary and the crowning of Mary. We encourage any child interested in participating in the procession to gather at the church entryway prior to the beginning of 8 AM and 10:30 AM Mass to receive their flower.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION - Any high school seniors who are parishioners at St. James are welcomed and encouraged to wear their graduation cap and gown to both Sunday Masses. The first row of pews will be reserved for any student wishing to sit up front. Father will provide a special blessing during Mass.

CCD CATECHISTS RECOGNITION - Our St. James CCD Catechists will be recognized at both Sunday Masses. A member of the Knights of Columbus & the PCCW will be present to help honor the CCD teachers toward the end of the 8:00 & 10:30 Masses.

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

ANNUAL CHARITY AND STEWARDSHIP APPEAL OF THE LINCOLN DIOCESE will take place on the weekend of May 6-7, 2023. The theme for the appeal this year is "All Things New." The appeal provides for the material, spiritual and educational needs of God's people across Southern Nebraska. Make a difference by making a donation using your pledge card or online at lincolndioocese.org. Our Parish goal is \$12,390 which includes anticipated parish rebates. Pledge cards will be distributed next weekend. Thank you in advance for your support of this appeal.

Liturgical Ministers					
		Apr 29-30	May 6-7	May 13-14	May 20-21
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth
	Acolyte	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	(volunteer)
	Server	(volunteers)	(volunteers)	(volunteers)	(volunteers)
Sun. 8:00 am	Reader	Joe Vinton	Michelle Milke	Chris Hytrek	Jerry Lentfer
	Acolyte	Scott Osterhaus	Chris Hytrek	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan
	Server	Mason Eickmeier	Sam Robinson	Andrew Oelke	Simon Robinson
	Server B	Carson Eickmeier	Sawyer Robinson	Austin Oelke	Carter Stieb
	Greeter				
Sun. 10:30 am	Reader	Shirley Yates	Karl Gramann	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek
	Acolyte	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden
	Server	Max Jacobson	Hayden Nielson	Brady Troxel	Max Jacobson
	Server B	Mason Henn	Nolan Nielson	Sam Troxel	Mason Henn
	Greeter				
	Collection Counters	Julie Pfingsten / Laureen Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel	Kassie Ebberts/ Amy Argo

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.

