

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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 Mailing/Rectory: 155 N Lincoln Ave.,  
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 Facebook: [St James Catholic Church of Cortland](https://www.facebook.com/StJamesCatholicChurchofCortland)

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

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

**Eucharistic Exposition Adoration**  
**Thursday evenings**, 7:00pm to 8:00pm.  
 Please **Sign up** in the Church entryway.

**7:00 pm**- Exposition.  
**7:15 to 7:45 pm**- Adoration.  
**7:50 pm**- Simple Reposition.



### TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

*May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.*  
 Cf. Eph 1:17-18

**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<sup>th</sup> Grades Classes in the Parish Hall. High School Class in North Building.

**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



#### MASS INTENTIONS

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

**MASS READINGS**— Follow the Church's liturgical life. Read the scriptures before Mass. Try to join 1 or more weekday Masses.

#### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat.	Sep 2	5:00 pm	SJ	Anita Svoboda+
Sun.	Sep 3	8:00 am	SJ	James Beeson+
		10:30 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Jer 20: 7-9/ Ps 63: 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9 (2b)/ Rom 12: 1-2/ Mt 16: 21-27

Mon.	Sep 4	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+ (2)
Tue.	Sep 5	7:00 am	SJ	Norm Hilgr+ (2)
Wed.	Sep 6	4:00 pm	GCRC	Janet Malovec+
		6:30 pm	SJ	September Birthdays in Parish
Thu.	Sep 7	7:00 am	SJ	Laverne Kozisek+ (2)
Fri.	Sep 8	7:00 am	SJ	Virginia Vrbka+ (2)
Sat.	Sep 9	8:00 am	SJ	Phil & Rita+ Baumel

**Ord. Wkdy./Labor Day-** 1 Thes 4: 13-18/ Ps 96: 1 & 3, 4-5, 11-12. 13/ Lk 4: 16-30. Labor Day Proper Mass: Blessing of Human Labor

**Ord. Wkdy.-** 1 Thes 5: 1-6. 9-11/ Ps 27: 1. 4. 13-14/ Lk 4: 31-37

**Ordinary Weekday-** Col 1: 1-8/ Ps 52: 10. 11/ Lk 4: 38-44

**Ordinary Weekday-** Col 1: 9-14/ Ps 98: 2-3ab. 3cd-4. 5-6/ Lk 5: 1-11

**Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary F**  
 Mi 5: 1-4a or Rom 8: 28-30/ Ps 13: 6ab. 6c/ Mt 1: 1-16. 18-23

**Peter Claver, p, r, ms M-** Col 1: 21-23/ Ps 54: 3-4. 6 and 8/ Lk 6: 1-5

#### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat.	Sep 9	5:00 pm	SJ	Ray Kohout+
Sun.	Sep 10	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish
		10:30 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Ez 33: 7-9/ Ps 95: 1-2. 6-7. 8-9 (8)/ Rom 13: 8-10/ Mt 18: 15-20

Thank you for Welcoming Fr. Julius Tvrdy last weekend, Aug. 26-27.

**MISSION COOP**— Welcome to Fr. Justus Rwehumbiza Kahwa from Tanzania to make the *Mission Cooperative appeal* on Sept. 2-3. Please use the *Mission Coop* envelopes to donate to the support of the *Diocese of Bukoba in Tanzania*. A special collection will be taken up the weekend of September 9-10. More info about Fr. Justus inside.

Fr. Lux welcomed him on Monday, 8/28. Fr. Justus will help me with Masses after my surgery on September 1. I will not be allowed to drive as long as I'm on certain pain killers. I may need help getting to Gold Crest and getting Fr. Justus to Mead on 9/8. **Plan to help welcome Fr. Justus while he is here.** This is the first year we are able to have Mission Cooperative Appeal with missionaries travelling to us since before 2020.

**AROUND THE LINCOLN DIOCESE & BEYOND:** (See [www.lincolndioocese.org](http://www.lincolndioocese.org))

**Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2023 - Sept 3-9**

Pray for                      Stage of Formation:                      Religious Order:

Sister **Guadalupe** from                      Novice                      Marian Sisters of the  
David City, NE                      Diocese of Lincoln

Please Pray for New Entrants in *Diocese of Lincoln* Motherhouses.

The **SPIRITUAL WARFARE IN THE FAMILY CONFERENCE** Come join us for this one-day event on **Saturday, Oct. 14**, at *St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center*- 320 N 16<sup>th</sup>, **Lincoln** to hear evangelist & best-selling author **Kathleen Beckman** share strategies on how we can address spiritual warfare & safeguard our families. You do not want to miss it! Seats are limited to 250 so please register soon using the QR code or link. Questions? Contact Mary at 402-314-0479 or [mharper55@yahoo.com](mailto:mharper55@yahoo.com). Sponsored by the *Office of Family Life & Discipleship & St. Benedict Prayer Team*.

<https://lincolndioocese.regfox.com/warfareconference>

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

The **Chancery office** has an opening for a full-time Benefits Coordinator. To apply for this position, please contact Marsha Bartek for an application, [marsha-bartek@lincolndioocese.org](mailto:marsha-bartek@lincolndioocese.org), 3400 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68506, or call 402-904-8052.

**Cathedral of the Risen Christ** is looking for a Director of Stewardship. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Dianne Hall, Office Administrator, [DHall@crchrist-parish.org](mailto:DHall@crchrist-parish.org).

**Pius X High School** is accepting applications for: Maintenance Technician, Counseling Center Administrative Assistant, Student Support Specialist. Apply online at [piusx.net/employment](http://piusx.net/employment)

**HEALING HEARTS GRIEF SUPPORT SESSIONS** for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one are being offered to assist Catholics in the **grief process**. The sessions will be held on 6 weekly **Tuesday evenings beginning Sept. 19, 2023, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**, at **John XXIII Diocesan Center**, 37<sup>th</sup> & Sheridan Blvd. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials) To register, please call 402-473-0620.

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

**NEEDING TO RE-IGNITE YOUR FLAME OF LOVE FOR CHRIST?**

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE, WAVERLY** has several upcoming retreats:

- ◆ **Work of the Holy Angels (Fall 2023)**- with *Opus Sanctorum Angelorum* on **Sept 7-10, 2023**.
- ◆ **Going Deeper**- with Fr. Michael McCabe on **Sept. 22-24, 2023**

Info & register at [www.goodcounselretreat.org](http://www.goodcounselretreat.org), email [office@goodcounselretreat.org](mailto:office@goodcounselretreat.org), call 402-786-2705, or scan QR code:



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Go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). Click "Sign Up" > "Sign up as a parishioner" > search by "Cortland" > provide remaining personal info to complete your account set up.

Our parish subscribes so it is **free to you**.

**WHITE MASS:** Calling all Healthcare professionals - Sun, Oct 14th at 9 AM - UNL Newman Center, Lincoln. Brunch to follow, free will donation. Sponsored by The Catholic Medical Association. Questions: [lnkcma@gmail.com](mailto:lnkcma@gmail.com). Doctors, Pharmacists, Nurses, Aides, Therapists, Mental Health Practitioners, Medical & nursing students, EMS Providers, Lab & Radiology Techs, etc!

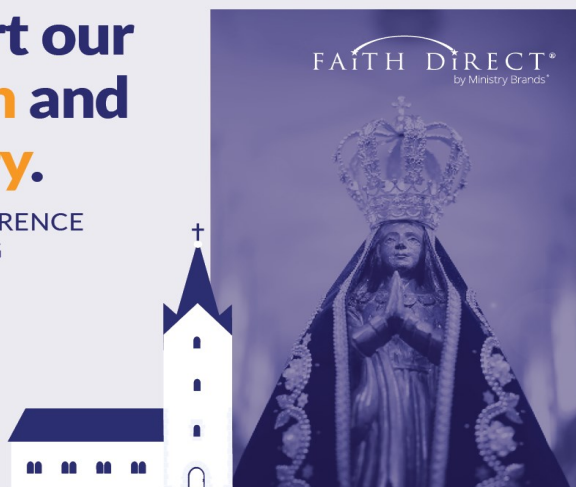
**ONLINE GIVING TO OUR PARISH. It's easy to get started.**

Here are the ways to sign up: Enter [www.stjamecortland.com](http://www.stjamecortland.com) to go to our parish website & click on *Online giving* OR Visit [faithdirect.net/ne1020](http://faithdirect.net/ne1020) OR Call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757.

Support our **mission and ministry.**

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**SAVE the DATE**  
60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL  
RETREAT HOUSE IS  
CELEBRATING 60 YEARS WITH A VARIETY OF GREAT EVENTS!**

Learn about them all at <https://goodcounselretreat.org/60years/>.

**GALA DINNER-** You are invited to the Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House Gala Dinner at Hillcrest Country Club. Featured speakers **Bishop James Conley & Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM.**

**When: Friday, September 29, from 5:30-9:00PM**

**Where: Hillcrest Country Club: 9401 E O St, Lincoln, NE 68520**

**LIVE NATIVITY, ST. NICHOLAS BLESSING, & MARIAN CAROLING AT THE CATHOLIC CENTER-** Stay in your car or walk around – singing, snacks, & sites.

**When: Saturday, December 9, from 5:00-7:00pm**

**Thanksgiving for Rain and Prayers for Additional Moisture**

Good and generous God, Almighty Father, it is with grateful hearts and a humble spirit that we thank you for the generous rains received recently in different parts of our state of Nebraska. It is a sign of your goodness to us. Please continue to give us continued and timely generous rains for our fields and crops.

We ask that you watch over those who earn their living from the earth – farmers and ranchers – who depend on the rain. Keep them safe in their work.

Also, watch over our homes and our families and protect them from any and all damaging storms.

Please know of our sincere gratitude for Your gifts to us.

We ask all these things through Your Son & the Spirit. Amen.

(from [spiritcatholicradio.com/](http://spiritcatholicradio.com/))



**Meet our Mission Coop Priest.**  
My name is **Fr. Justus Rwehumbiza Kahwa**, a Catholic Priest ordained for Bukoba Catholic Diocese, Tanzania - East Africa. Presently I am serving as a teacher and formator at St. Augustine Major Seminary, Peramiho, which is one of the national major Seminaries in Tanzania. Meanwhile, I am doing a Licentiate (STL) program at the Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit Archdiocese, USA. But I do my studies mainly online, but I usually come to the US in summer for in person classes at the seminary. This will be my third time in the USA.

So, I have been asked by our Diocesan Mission Appeals Coordinator, Fr. Achilleus Rwegoshora, who is now serving in the USA, to participate in making those Appeals as I will be coming for my studies there. I am new to many places in the USA, and so I kindly ask your close cooperation in this, especially regarding accommodation and if possible making arrangements of how I get to the Parish. I will be very grateful!

I will be making the missionary appeals at St. James Church, Cortland on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. I will probably be coming from St. Michael Church, Fairbury, because I am scheduled to be there for the weekend of 26 and 27 August....



Lincoln, NE

**We need both sidewalk advocates and prayer partners for our ministry!**

**Join us for our next Sidewalk Advocacy Training**

**Saturday, October 28 | 11:45 AM-6:00 PM**

*There is a \$15 fee to cover the cost of the workbook and training expenses.*



**Please register in advance:**

Contact Lisa McInerney: [lisaipal24@aol.com](mailto:lisaipal24@aol.com) or 402.525.9360

**[sidewalkadvocates.org](http://sidewalkadvocates.org)**



**Fall 2023 Campaign:**  
September 27—November 5

Take part in 40 Days for Life in Lincoln:

- ◆ Prayer Vigil Location - Planned Parenthood, Lincoln
- ◆ Vigil Hours: 7 AM - 7 PM daily
- ◆ Contact: Katherine Turner: 402-202-1614

**St. Joseph. Pray for us!**

**Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet & Conference on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>** in Lincoln Featuring keynote speaker **Joe Heschmeyer**, Catholic Answers apologist, join us as we discover how truth is lived in a new Dobbs era, when the truth can be undervalued & hard to find.

**Registration open Aug. 1.** Be a part of this pro-life weekend & the future of the movement in Nebraska. For more information, [visit the registration page.](#)

**Mary our Queen. Pray for us!**



PARISH WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:					
Every Thurs.			7:00 pm	<b>Exposition Adoration– Simple Reposition</b>	Church
Friday	Sept	8	8:00 pm	AA - Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Sept	9	6:30 am	<i>That Man Is You</i>	Parish Hall
Saturday	Sept	9	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Hall Reserved for Bridal Shower	Parish Hall
Stewardship of Time: We are grateful to God for the gift of time, & 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 8/27/23	
Adult Envelopes	\$1,148.00
Plate	\$175.00
Children's	\$1.00
Building	\$20.00
Aug 2023 Mass Stipend	\$95.00
August Faith Direct	\$8,174.80
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>\$9,613.80</b>

## AROUND OUR PARISH

**ALUMINUM RECYCLING:** The Knights of Columbus are accepting aluminum cans for recycling. Please drop off your cans in the barrel at the southeast corner of Joe Vinton's shop. Cans do not need to be crushed.

**THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY):** We are starting the fall session of TMIY entitled "Worthy of the Call" on Saturday mornings at 6:30 AM in the parish hall. Despite the title men and woman are both invited. We watch a 45-minute video about how to practice your Catholic faith and then have 30 minutes of group discussion. During this designated year of Eucharistic Revival, we are all called to grow in our faith so we can be witnesses to others. Why not check out our Saturday morning class and see for yourself how rewarding faith building can be. Rolls and coffee are available, and we finish up by 7:45 AM so you can attend 8 AM Mass as well.

The **PASCHAL CANDLE STAND** refinishing will include removing a dent in the stem, stripping the clear coat, buffing, brushing, & clear coating. Parts will be bright & parts brushed finish– similar to the completed pieces. Cost of \$585. Thank you to the Zavala family for the memorial to Ralph Zavala towards these items.

We have received **anonymous donations totaling \$2,250** toward the **TABERNACLE** refinishing. **THANK YOU** to the donors & may God bless them. The **estimate** to refinish in 2-tone bright & satin is **\$3,800-\$4,000**. This estimate may be higher than necessary depending on the amount of metal work needed. Current time for completion is 20-25 weeks. It takes time but *Koley's* is backed up with jobs to do. **Additional donations are welcome.**

**ALTAR BELLS** have been purchased for \$465 to have a set by the kneelers & another on the steps. **Why new set of altar bells?** The daily Mass server uses the kneeler. At Holy Thursday & Easter Vigil we can ring both during the Gloria!.

If interested in donating to these sanctuary items purchased or refinished (\$800) talk to Fr. Lux. Thank you! **A great Eucharistic Renewal project– beautify God's House.**

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:** Available for boys 3rd Grade & older.

Initial training will be Sunday, Sept 10th during CCD (9am-10:15). Elena Skillet has volunteered to coordinate. Sign-up is on the church Facebook page.

**HAVE GIRLS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN GREETING AT MASS?:**

We are also taking registrations for girls 6th grade and older that are interested in serving as greeters for Mass. Use the same sign-up form as for Altar Server sign-up.

Scan QR code to sign up



Reach out to Elena Skillet with questions:  
402-326-8340 or [ryanandelena@hotmail.com](mailto:ryanandelena@hotmail.com)

**"KICKOFF TO SUNDAY SCHOOL"** - PCCW is serving Breakfast to all parishioners in the parish hall on Sunday, Sept 17 th after both masses. Come and enjoy food and fellowship with our parish family. The meal will include ham and cheese egg casserole, French toast, assorted baked items, and drink. Free will offering. All proceeds will benefit the CCD youth program and ongoing PCCW projects. A sign-up sheet is in the front entrance for anyone who would like to donate supplies for the breakfast.

**THE ADORATION HOUR is MOVING TO Thursday evenings at 7 pm beginning August 31**

**adoration of our Lord's Real Presence in the monstrance.  
Come let us worship Him!**



*Jesus,  
I trust in  
You!*

Liturgical Ministers					
		Sept 2-3	Sept 9-10	Sept 16-17	Sept 23-24
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown
	Acolyte	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	Randy Eickmeier
	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	Reid Hochstein	Mason Eickmeier	Sam Robinson	Andrew Oelke
Sun. 10:30 am	Server B	Rylan Hochstein	Carson Eickmeier	Sawyer Robinson	Austin Oelke
	Reader	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Karl Gramann	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth
	Server	Hayden Nielson	Brady Troxel	Max Jacobson	Hayden Nielson
	Server B	Nolan Nielson	Sam Troxel	Mason Henn	Nolan Nielson
	Collection Counters	Kassie Ebbers/ Amy Argo	Julie Pfingsten / Lauren Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel

### MOWING SCHEDULE

Go to:  
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findasignup](http://www.signupgenius.com/findasignup),  
enter:  
[jeremyjelinek@yahoo.com](mailto:jeremyjelinek@yahoo.com),

click the **search** button to locate the signup.