

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
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.



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOVEMBER 19, 2023

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me bears much fruit. - Jn 15:4a, 5b

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.

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				MASS READINGS- Follow the Church's liturgical life. Read the scriptures before Mass. Try to join 1 or more weekday Masses.
SJ= St. James Church. GCRC= Gold Crest Retirement Community-Adams				
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				
Sat. Nov 18	5:00 pm	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Prv 31: 10-13. 19-20. 30-31/ Ps 128: 1-2. 3. 4-5/ 1 Thes 5: 1-6/ Mt 25: 14-30
Sun. Nov 19	8:00 am	SJ	Justin Hollman & Family	
	10:30am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	
Mon. Nov 20	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	Ordinary Weekday: 1 Mc 1: 10-15. 41-43. 54-57. 62-63/ Ps 119: 53. 61. 134. 150. 155. 158/ Lk 18:35-43
Tue. Nov 21	7:00 am	SJ	LaVerne Kozisek+	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary M: 2 Mc 6: 18-31/ Ps 3: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Lk 19: 1-10
Wed. Nov 22	4:00 pm	GCRC	Norm Hilger+	Cecilia , v, mt M: 2 Mc 7: 1. 20-31/ Ps 17: 1bcd. 5-6. 8b and 15/ Lk 19: 11-28
	6:30 pm	SJ	In Thanksgiving	
Thu. Nov 23	8:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	Ord. Weekday/ Thanksgiving Day/ Clement I , pp, mt/ Columban , ab, ms/ Bl Miguel Augustin Pro , p, r, mt: 1 Mc 2: 15-29/ Ps 50: 1b-2. 5-6. 14-15/ Lk 19: 41-44. Thanksgiving: Proper Mass in Thanksgiving to God, esp. Sir 50: 22-24/ 1 Cor 1: 3-9/ Lk 17: 11-19
Fri. Nov 24	Out of Parish		LaVerne Kozisek+	Andrew Dung-Lac , p, mt, & co., mts M: 1 Mc 4: 3-37. 52-59/ 1 Chr 29: 10bcd. 11abc. 11d-12a. 12bcd/ Lk 19: 45-48
Sat. Nov 25	8:00 am	SJ	People of Egypt	Ordinary Weekday/ BVM/ Catherine of Alexandria , v, mt: 1 Mc 6: 1-13/ Ps 9: 2-3. 4 and 6. 16 and 19/ Lk 20: 27-40
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY				
Sat. Nov 25	5:00 pm	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	CHRIST THE KING S (Thirty-fourth and Last Sunday in Ordinary Time) Ez 14: 11-12. 15-17/ Ps 23: 1-2. 2-3. 5-6 (1)/ 1 Cor 15: 20-26. 28/ Mt 25: 31-46
Sun. Nov 26	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	
	10:30am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	

"Be a Catholic! When you kneel before an altar,

do it in such a way that others may be able to recognize that you know before whom you kneel." (St. Maximilian Kolbe)

In the darkest moments of our lives, we kneel, pleading with God to hear our prayers and to save us from an evil that we face.

We know that we cannot save ourselves, and that our only recourse is to beg God for His mercy.....and love?

Yes, we expect that love, because "God is love"! So...do we 'love' in return? **How often do we encounter Him, with only our love to offer?**

Adoration Encounter Night - Wednesday evening, November 29 at 7pm, St. James Church- Cortland. See back page for more info.

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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2023 - Nov 19 - 25

Sr. Philomena of Our Lady of Sorrows from Auburn, KS Novice *Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

Please pray for young women discerning a call to the Sisterhood in Motherhouses in the *Diocese of Lincoln*.

Pray for the Seminarian of the Week - Nov 19 - 25

Paul Mach - Parish: St. Teresa, St. Charles Borromeo *Theology 2*
Lincoln Seminary

Please pray for young men discerning a call to the priesthood in the *Diocese of Lincoln*.

The *Bishop's Appeal for Vocations* is an opportunity for us to support the men of our diocese in the seminary.

- ♦ Financial pledges & gifts to the BAV help supply some of the cost of the expenses for our seminarians, our future priests, in their studies, training, & formation for the priesthood.
- ♦ The 2023-24 **Diocesan Goal** for all Parishes is \$789,050. Our 2023-24 **Parish Goal** is **\$5,920.22**. Pledges received as of 10/29 are in the amount of \$6,965. **Thank you** to all who have pledged. **We have met our goal & surpassed it. More funds are needed for the actual cost of the seminarians' formation.**
- ♦ **Seminarian brochures** are in the church entryway to take with you & put in your home to remember to pray for them as they discern God's will for their life.

- ♦ The *Bishop's Appeal for Vocations* is assisted by laity representing parishes across the diocese who desire to promote vocations to the Priesthood & Religious life. One of the ways they do this is by organizing a "Seminarian of the Week" & "Sister of the Week" **Prayer Calendars**— parishes are invited to **pray each week** for a particular seminarian studying to become a priest in our diocese, or for one of the novices or postulants studying & working towards final vows in one of the religious orders in the diocese. See above.

- ♦ The annual *Bishop's Appeal for Vocations* is an integral part for the future of the diocese, & every person is invited to help form our future priests.

- ♦ Please be generous in prayer & financially. Thank you.



HOPE OF THE POOR

Hope for the Poor helps people on the streets of **Mexico City**. The founders are from Nebraska. The *Diocesan Pilgrimages to Mexico City* have worked with the people served by *Hope for the Poor*. Bishop Conley has suggested that we take up an **optional collection** for the *Hope of the Poor* organization during the **4 Sundays of Advent**. There are **cardboard boxes for Hope for the Poor** you can take home to collect money thru the week.

Check out this link, which takes you to the *Hope of the Poor* website, so you can be more familiar with this important apostolate: <https://hopeofthepoor.org/>.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN a **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO CITY**, to experience the good work happening in that community with this *Hope for the Poor*.

Upcoming dates are: October 3-8, 2024, October 24-29, 2024, & February 1-6, 2025.

If you would like to join one of these pilgrimages, please To register, please email: olgeucharisticpilgrimage@gmail.com.

What better way of falling in love more deeply with Jesus in the Eucharist, than under the motherly guidance and protection of Our Lady of Guadalupe?

Mary Queen of peace. Pray for us!

St. Joseph-Patron of a Happy Death. Pray for us!

Spirit Catholic Radio annual Art Contest.

We will produce prayer cards showcasing **Fall 2023 winning artwork** submitted by students from across our listening area.



The **theme** for the prayer cards is "**Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary**".

Each grade category will have 2 mysteries to pick from.

- **K - 2nd Grade** : *The Rosary, The Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary*
- **3rd - 5th Grade** : *The Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth, The Nativity of Our Lord*
- **6th - 8th Grade** : *The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, The Finding of the Child Jesus at the Temple*

Submit to Spirit Catholic Radio (13326 A ST, OMAHA, NE 68144) a hand-drawn **6.5" wide x 8" tall** design by **December 15**.

Please **include contact info** (student's name, parish, age) on the back.

For more info: <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/art/>

Prepare for the Messiah's coming with two new Advent series on FORMED.



Rooted: Rediscover the Jesse Tree this Advent: Hosted by Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, each seven-minute reflection helps Catholics apply Scripture to daily life using the Jesse Tree model traditionally practiced by families.

Drawing Closer to God: A Catholic Art Show for Kids: Join art teacher Ms. Kim as she teaches children to draw different scenes from the Nativity story. As kids learn new art skills, they also begin to see the connections between the big picture of God's story & their place within it.

PRO-LIFE EDUCATION SERIES

Three-quarters of all abortions in Nebraska are chemical abortions

**The Dangers of Chemical Abortion –
And Our Role In Helping To Stop This Tragedy**

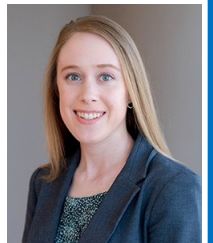
Tessa Longbons

Senior Research Associate *Charlotte Lozier Institute*

Sunday, November 19th, 7:30-8:30 p.m

Join us for a **live-streaming presentation**.

Q&A after presentation



Discussion includes the following:

- How chemical abortion works and why it's dangerous
- Why chemical abortions are increasing & what the latest research shows
- The abortion industry's push to weaken protections
- How we can respond

To join this **free** presentation, please visit: www.stpatricklincoln.com the link is located on bottom left of the main page under *Pro-Life Education Series*.

You must have Zoom, which is a free download.

SPONSORED BY *Knights of Columbus Council #13576*



Knights of Columbus 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.

Looking for a retreat that works for you? Check out some upcoming retreats at *Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly*.

✠ "Five Marian Stones and Consecration to the Immaculate" with Fr. Elias Mary, F.I. on **Dec. 3-5**, and

✠ "Men's Spiritual Exercises with *Regnum Christi*" on **Dec. 7-10** with Fr. Shawn Aaron, LC.

Read more/register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, QR Code, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.



NATIONAL
Eucharistic Congress

EYES OPENED, Hearts on Fire

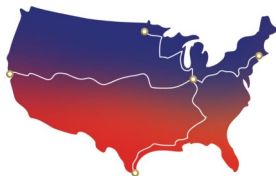
Hotel rooms are sold out for a 20 mile radius. The *Diocese of Lincoln* has rooms reserved. You could have a room if go on this pilgrimage. **Sign up now.**

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS in *Indianapolis* July 17-21, 2024- be part of the 1st *Nat'l. Eucharistic Congress* in the *United States* in nearly 50 years (1976- Philadelphia). Draw into a deeper intimacy with our Eucharistic Lord.

Register today: <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/register>

Official Schedule for the *National Eucharistic Congress*:
<https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/schedule>

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage- In preparation for the *National Eucharistic Congress*, join a *National Eucharistic Pilgrimage* in the summer of 2024. The pilgrimage will consist of 4 cross-country eucharistic processions, collectively traversing the entire continental United States over a 2-month period. Named the "*Serra Route*," after *St. Junipero Serra*, the patron saint of *California*, the *western route* is the longest of the planned pilgrimages & will begin in San Francisco. The pilgrimage will then pass through Utah, Colorado, **Nebraska**; & Missouri before ending in *Indianapolis*.



Make plans to join the weekend stops or the procession in route:
June 14-16, 2024 - North Platte, NE & June 21-23, 2024 - Omaha, NE.



EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL
Holy Hours

You are invited to join us in adoring Jesus, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, on the following dates.

AUG 20 - OCT 15 - NOV 12 - JAN 7 - FEB 4 - APR 7 - MAY 12

Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56th Street, Lincoln
Holy hours held at 12PM. Divine Mercy Sunday (Apr 7) will be held at 3PM.



Prayer for Rain

Almighty God, / we are in need of rain.

We realize now, / looking up into the clear, blue sky, / **what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is.** To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, / which now is empty & clear!

We place our trust in You. /

We are sure that You know our needs. / But You want us to ask You anyway, / to show You that **we know we are dependent on You.**

Look on our dry hills & fields, dear God, / and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice, / & the rivers will sing Your praises, / & the hearts of men will be made glad. Amen.

Please pray for the **Pope's Intention for November 2023: For the Pope-** We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



SAVE the DATE
60th 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/>.

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

UPCOMING ST. JAMES PCCW EVENTS

Bake Sale - Sunday, November 19, after both Masses

Tree of Warmth - Up for the month of November

PCCW Christmas Meeting in the Parish Hall

Church Cleaning - December 15-16 - all ladies of the Parish

CCD Christmas Program - Sunday, December 17th at 7:00 PM



*Jesus,
I trust in You!*

ONLINE GIVING TO OUR PARISH is easy to get started.

Ways to sign up: Go to parish website

www.stjamecortland.com & click on *Online giving*.

OR Visit faithdirect.net/ne1020.

OR Call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757.

PARISH WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

Sunday	Nov 19	After both Masses	PCCW Bakesale	Parish Hall
Thursday	Nov 23	All Day	Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Friday	Nov 24	8:00 pm	AA - Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Nov 25	6:30 am	That Man Is You	Parish Hall
Sunday	Nov 26	9:15 am	Annual Lector Mtg	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 w/ giving back a portion of the moments He grants us to deepen our relationship w/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 11/12/23

Adult Envelopes	\$1,138.00
Plate	\$329.00
Youth	\$1.00
All Saints Day	\$5.00
Total Deposit	\$1,473.00

The **Adoration Encounter Night** on **Wednesday evening, Nov. 29** at **7pm**, in **St. James Church**— Cortland will enable you, along with Scripture & reflections, to experience sacred silence, in love & adoration, as you gaze at **God, present in the 'eye' of the Monstrance on the altar**. This Holy Hour with Jesus **will draw you** into a deeper personal relationship with Him; the interior transformation you experience will directly impact your love of the Sacred Liturgy. This is part of the St. James Parish Eucharistic Revival. A **community gathering** will follow in the Church Hall.
Love in the Spirit. Diana

ANNUAL LECTOR MEETING: Sunday, November 26th between Masses at 9:15 AM in the Church Hall. Lector workbooks will be distributed after a short meeting, so it's important that you attend. Thank you for your dedication to the people of St. James.

SUPPER AT MATT TALBOT KITCHEN- Our Parish will be serving the supper on the **5th Thursday of this month, November 30th**. We are in need of people to **donate different food items &/or help serve**. There is a **signup sheet** near the entry of the church. Please make sure to have the items in the kitchen by noon on that Thursday. If you have any questions, please contact Kassie Ebbers all of her information is on the bottom of the signup sheet. Thank you.

THANK YOU to all who requested **All Souls Day Intention Masses**. The Deceased Persons listed in your requests will be remembered throughout the year at Masses offered for the All Souls Day Intentions+. **Requests are still welcome** to add to the list. The **All Souls Day Mass Intentions** envelopes are on the altar. **Pray for all the Poor Souls in Purgatory.**

AED AT ST. JAMES! It's in a cabinet near the Holy Family & St. Joseph statues. We should have **CPR training with AED training** at St. James. **Do you know a trainer?** **THANK YOU** to the donors.

REQUEST THE OFFERING of a Mass for your intention. The Mass is the greatest prayer that can be offered. Jesus offered the Mass **once for all** at the Last Supper & on the Cross. He worships His Father in heaven for all eternity & is the celebrant of each Mass offered everywhere. **Mass may be offered for a variety of intentions** i.e. the repose of the soul of a deceased person, a living person, in thanksgiving, or for a special intention (eg. World Peace or greater glory of God). **Mass Intention stipends are \$10**. This is part of the **support of a priest**. A priest can offer Mass for free. The **2024 Mass Intentions** Calendar is here. We can take requests for specific '24 dates. Thank you to those who have requested other Mass Intentions.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE DONORS to the estimated costs to refinish the **tabernacle** in 2-tone bright & satin of **\$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.

There are **priests assigned without a parish or retired or in impoverished areas** who would welcome your Mass intentions & stipends. Contact Fr. Lux if you wish to provide Mass intentions for them. **Thank you.**

Pray we find a loaner tabernacle to use during the refinishing.
A great Eucharistic Renewal project - beautifying God's House.

THAT MAN IS YOU (TMI) session is entitled "**Worthy of the Call**" on **Sat. at 6:30 AM** in the **parish hall**. **Men & women welcome.**

Liturgical Ministers

		Nov 18-19	Nov 25-26	Dec 2-3	Immaculate Conception Dec 7th - 7 PM	Dec 9-10	Dec 16-17
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth
	Acolyte	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	Randy Eickmeier	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)
	Server 1	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett	(volunteers)	(volunteers)	Braxton Skillett
	Server 2	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteers)	(volunteers)	Easton Schilbitzki
	Server 3						
Sun. 8:00 am					Dec 8th - 7 AM		
	Reader	Jerry Lentfer	Joe Vinton	Michelle Milke	Chris Hytrek	Jerry Lentfer	Joe Vinton
	Acolyte	Scott Osterhaus	Chris Hytrek	Tony Sullivan	Scott Osterhaus	Chris Hytrek	Tony Sullivan
	Server 1	Liam Dush	Jax Peterson	Spencer Robinson	Cooper Mason	Brayden Kuhlman	Liam Dush
	Server 2	Kyler Beck	Drake Peterson	Asher Stieb	Parker Eickmeier	Hudson Kuhlman	Kyler Beck
	Server 3	Sam Robinson	Andrew Oelke	Rylan Hochstein	Mason Eickmeier	Carter Stieb	Rylan Hochstein
Sun. 10:30 am					Dec 8th - 7 PM		
	Reader	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Karl Gramann	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates
	Acolyte	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden
	Server 1	Sam Troxel	Collin Dummer	Hayden Nielson	Brady Troxel	Max Jacobson	Collin Dummer
	Server 2	Mason Henn	Crew Dummer	Nolan Nielson	Ty Troxel	Finn Jacobson	Crew Dummer
	Server 3		Brady Troxel				Sam Troxel
Server 4		Ty Troxel				Mason Henn	
Collection Counters	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel	R&C Eickmeier/ Amy Argo	Julie Pfingsten/ Laureen Ehmen			Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel