

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.

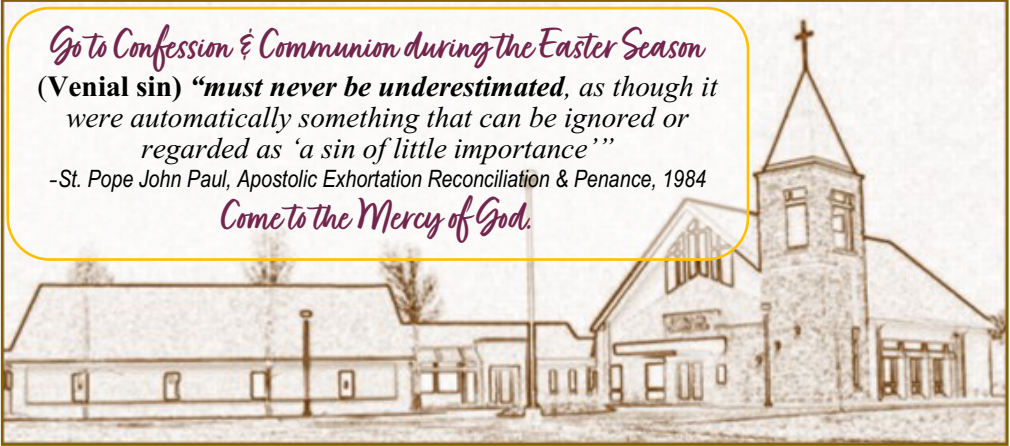
Saint James Catholic Church of Cortland

Church Street Address: 500 W 1st St.
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 Cortland, NE 68331.
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 Website: www.stjamescortland.com
 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.

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.



EASTER SUNDAY - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD + MARCH 31, 2024
 Christ, our paschal lamb, **has been sacrificed**; let us then **feast with joy** in the Lord.
 -1 Cor 5:7b-8a

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. The **AED** is in a cabinet near the *Holy Family & St. Joseph* statues.



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

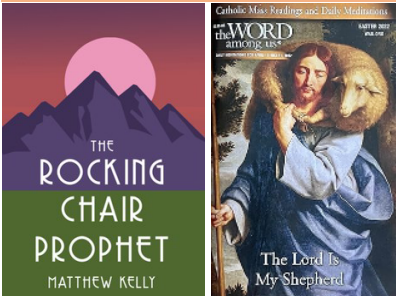
SJ= St. James Church. GCRC= Gold Crest Retirement Community-Adams

EASTER SUNDAY. THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sat. Mar 30	8:00 pm	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	Holy Saturday: Readings for the Easter Vigil: #1 Gn 1: 1 -- 2: 2 or 1: 1.26-31a/ Ps 104: 1-2. 5-6. 10. 12. 13-14. 24. 35 or Ps 33: 4-5. 6-7. 12-13. 20-22/ #2 Gn 22: 1-18 or 22: 1-2. 9a. 10-13. 15-18/ Ps 16: 5. 8. 9-10. 11/ #3 Ex 14: 15 -- 15: 1/ Ex 15: 2. 3-4. 5-6. 17-18/ #4 Is 54: 5-14/ Ps 30: 2. 4. 5-6. 11-12. 13/ #5 Is 55: 1-11/ Is 12: 2-3. 4. 5-6/ #6 Bar 3: 9-15. 32 -- 4: 4/ Ps 19: 8. 9. 10. 11/ #7 Ez 36: 16-17a. 18-28/ Ps 42: 3. 5; 43: 3. 4 or Is 12: 2-3. 4bcd. 5-6 or Ps 51: 12-13. 14-15. 18-19/ Epistle Rom 6: 3-11/ Ps 118: 1-2. 16-17. 22-23/ Gospel Mk 16: 1-7.
Sun. Mar 31	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	Easter Sunday: Acts 10: 34a. 37-43/ Ps 118: 1-2. 16-17. 22-23/ Col 3: 1-4 or 1 Cor 5: 6b-8/ Jn 20: 1-9 or Mk 16: 1-7 or, afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24: 13-35. Easter Triduum ends after Evening Prayer.
	10:30 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	Easter Monday: Acts 2: 14. 22-33/ Ps 16: 1-2a & 5. 7-8. 9-10. 11/ Mt 28: 8-15
Mon. Apr 1	Out of Parish		All Souls Day Intentions+	Easter Tuesday: Acts 2: 36-41/ Ps 33: 4-5. 18-19. 20 and 22/ Jn 20: 11-18
Tue. Apr 2	Out of Parish		All Souls Day Intentions+	Easter Wednesday: Acts 3: 1-10/ Ps 105: 1-2. 3-4. 6-7. 8-9/ Lk 24: 13-35
Wed. Apr 3	4:00 pm	GCRC	Joyous Easter	Easter Thursday: Acts 3: 11-26/ Ps 8: 2ab and 5. 6-7. 8-9/ Lk 24: 35-48
	6:30 pm	SJ	Thomas & Josephine Grof+	Easter Friday: Acts 4: 1-12/ Ps 118: 1-2 and 4. 22-24. 25-27a/ Jn 21: 1-14
Thu. Apr 4	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	Easter Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/ Ps 118: 1 & 14-15ab. 16-18. 19-21/ Mk 16:9-15
Fri. Apr 5	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	
Sat. Apr 6	8:00 am	SJ	Needed Moisture	

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER-DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Sat. Apr 6	5:00 pm	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	Acts 4: 32-35/ Ps 118: 2-4. 13-15. 22-24/ 1 Jn 5: 1-6/ Jn 20: 19-31
Sun. Apr 7	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	Easter Octave ends after Evening Prayer.
	10:30 am	SJ	George & Frances Schmidt+	



Blessed Easter!
 Please accept as a gift from our parish a book or two for yourself & for your loved ones. Several titles are available:
THE WORD AMONG US magazine Easter 2024; *The Rocking Chair Prophet*; *Beautiful Eucharist*; *This is My Body*; *A Call to Eucharistic Revival* and others.



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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer: Please pray for young women discerning a call to the Sisterhood in Motherhouses in the *Diocese of Lincoln*.

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

For The Role Of Women- Let us pray that the **dignity and worth of women** be recognized in every culture, and for an **end to the discrimination** they face in various parts of the world.

Are you or someone you know struggling after an abortion? It's time to find hope & healing with *Hearts Restored*. This post-abortion healing ministry will accompany you on your unique healing journey, offering mentorship, individual counseling, group settings, retreats, spiritual support, & more. Restore your peace & hope today. **Call** the Hearts Restored hotline at 402-783-HOPE (4673) or **email** the confidential, secure inbox at FindPeace@HeartsRestoredNebraska.org. Learn more about Hearts Restored at HeartsRestoredNebraska.org.



HAPPY EASTER! As our *CRS Rice Bowl* journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world. **Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at the foot of the altar or in the parish collection basket in the next couple weeks or donate online at csrricebowl.org/donate.** Thank you. Visit csrricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more.

POPE FRANCIS asks Catholics to support Christians in the Holy Land through the **PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**. Your support is essential to help the Church in parishes, Catholic schools, & religious education. *PGFC* also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, in Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem, etc. The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the *PGFC*, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. You may still give in the parish collection basket or online. **Please be generous!** Visit <https://myfranciscan.org/good-friday/>. Thank you!

Throughout **EASTER** season, **Formed** has parish-wide studies, recommendations for family faith formation, & more!

Parish-wide Studies: *Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told, Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist, The Wild Goose*, **MED**

Family Faith Formation: For Adults- *FORMED Daily Reflections* with **Dr. Tim Gray**, FORMED Easter Page,

For Kids : Easter with *Brother Francis, Signs of Grace: You are Sent, The Wonderful World of Benjamin Cello*

Week of April 1, 2024



- ◆ **Easter in Art: Mary Magdalene (Part 3 of 3)** Learn about the "apostle to the apostles" in this discussion with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp. They take a look at a famous painting of Jesus's encounter with Mary Magdalene following the Resurrection. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/easter-in-art-mary-magdalen-part-3-of-3>
- ◆ **He is Alive! | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids** Why can we have hope? Because we know how the story ends . . . with the most incredible miracle ever! Follow along and experience the joy of Jesus' friends as they discover He defeated death and rose from the grave. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/he-is-alive-laugh-and-grow-bible-for-kids>
- ◆ **Am I Saved? | The Search | Episode 6** In this episode of The Search, explore how Jesus' profound act of love, revealed through his life, death, and resurrection, is a personal salvation for each of us. Despite feeling unworthy or burdened, God enters our messy human condition to transform us from within. His generous love, beyond what we deserve, reflects the amazing reality of God's mercy, shaping a relationship that forever changes our lives. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/theseearch-ep6>
- ◆ **Sign up for Formed:** GO TO FORMED.ORG, &/OR **DOWNLOAD THE FORMED APP. ENTER YOUR ZIP CODE. FIND OUR PARISH**

FIDEI JOY

Families and young adults in the Lincoln Diocese are invited to participate in FIDEI JOY, a foreign exchange program that gives young people a way to live concretely the universality of the Church by discovering the French or American culture in a Catholic environment.

- Host a French Catholic teenager
- Participate in a French/American youth exchange
- Host a French au pair ("nanny")
- Serve as an au pair in a French family

To request information about this program, please visit: www.stmaryssutton.org/fideijoy.

GIVE KIDS HOPE. TAKE THE CREDIT!

What if you had a say in how your state tax dollars help Nebraskans? You do - through the Opportunity Scholarships Act! **Nebraska income taxpayers can now claim a dollar-for-dollar tax credit for contributions made to Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska (OSN).** Those contributions will fund scholarships for underprivileged students wanting to attend private schools. Learn how by visiting nebraskaoportunity.org/giving or emailing givehope@nebraskaoportunity.org.



I'VE GOT A NAME I've Got A Name Walk For Freedom 2024- Saturday, 4/13, 9am-12pm. Join us as we walk from the *Nebraska Union Broyhill Fountain* to the *Nebraska State Capitol Bldg!* Registration is \$25 \$15 for students, which includes a *Walk For Freedom T-Shirt & Valentino's Piza*. The walk kicks off promptly at **10:00 AM**. Whether you register as an individual or gather your friends, family, or coworkers to form a team, your presence matters! For tickets, click [here!](#)

United We Stand: Human Trafficking Conference: Hear from nationally renowned speaker & human trafficking survivor, **Theresa Flores!** Friday, 4/26, 9:30am-1:30pm. In-person or Zoom. *Nebr. Innovation Campus (NIC) 2021 Transformation Dr. Linc., NE.* Passionate about combating sex trafficking? Deepen your knowledge & response capabilities by learning the scope of the issue, identification strategies & survivor-centered care. In-person \$20 incl. lunch. Online \$10. Click [here](#).

He is risen! May the joy of Easter be with you. Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help you resurrect the romance in your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the next *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences* 4/26-28, Dillon, CO; 4/12-14, Elk Mountain, WY; 10/4-6, Grand Junction, CO; & 11/1-3, Dillon, CO. Virtual: Thursday eves, 4/11 - 5/23, '24. 7 sessions begin at 6 p. Info: Brenda & Gary: 402-370-5839 or www.wwme.org.

TUESDAYS
APRIL 9 - MAY 14, 2024
7-9PM
Healing Hearts Grief Program
JOHN XXIII DIOCESAN CENTER
3700 SHERIDAN BLVD., LINCOLN, NE

Healing Hearts Grief Support Sessions for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Offered to assist Catholics in the grief process. Sessions held on 6 weekly **Tuesday evenings** beginning **April 9, 7:00-9:00 pm**, at **John XXIII Diocesan Center**, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. To register, please call 402-473-0620. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials)

CATHOLIC ARTIST GUILD SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 21	WEBSITE WORKSHOP
JANUARY 13	BUSINESS TOPICS
APRIL 13	ARTIST SHOW & TELL
JULY 20	ART TECHNIQUES

All Catholic Artist Guild meetings are held in a free reception hall at Saint Joseph's Church, Lincoln, NE. All meetings include prayer and fellowship. You do not need to have joined the guild to attend these events.

EL PRESENTS...
Dr. Larry Chapp
Sanctity in an Era of Unbelief
May 2 | Christ the King Parish - Omaha, NE | 7:00-8:00PM

Looking for a retreat that works for you? **Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly** has several retreats to help you deepen your faith life. Upcoming:

✠ **BACK TO THE GARDEN:** a retreat for women. **April 19-21** with Fr. Cole Kennett & Sarina Stokes. [Read more/register at www.goodcounselretreat.org](#), QR Code, 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 - adults & youths. Thank you Knights.**



Magnificat magazine subscriptions through our parish bulk rate. **One year subscription \$26.00.** Start w/ **August '24** issue. **Sign up in the church entryway. Due April 8.** Make checks out to **St. James Catholic Church.** Includes access to digital magazine. Catholic Devotional prayers. Daily morning & evening prayer. Mass. Beautiful Art. Articles. Lives of saints...

DR. VERN STEINER
GUEST SPEAKER
Series on **VATICAN II**
IN COLLABORATION WITH THE OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, THE DIOCESE OF LINCOLN, THE LINCOLN ARCHDIOCESE, AND THE NEBRASKA INSTITUTE FOR CATHOLIC LITURGY AND CULTURE
5 April, 2024
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, presentation Reception to follow
\$10 PER TICKET
3700 SHERIDAN BLVD., LINCOLN, NE
TO REGISTER: WWW.LINCOLNDIOCESE.ORG/V2

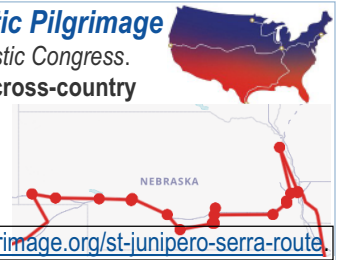
Discernment 101
"What does God want?"
Join the Daughters of St. Paul on Saturday mornings via Zoom for talks, prayer, and discussion on discovering God's will for your life.
Open to single Catholic women ages 16-33

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
27	24	23	27
Discernment Basics	Hearing God in a Noisy World	Putting on the Mind of Christ	Emotions, Desires, & Discernment

10:30-12:00 Eastern Time via Zoom
Learn more and register: connect.pauline.org/discernment-101

HOLY HOUR- Friday, 4/5, at 7:15 pm at the Pink Sisters' Chapel 1040 S. Cotner Blvd. **Singing led by the Vietnamese Youth Choir (Thien Chu).** Please help us pray for good vocations for our Diocese, our Seminary, & for the **Pink Sisters!**

Join the **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage** heading to the **National Eucharistic Congress.** The pilgrimage will consist of **4 cross-country eucharistic processions**, collectively traversing the entire continental U.S. over a **2-month period.**



More info: www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/st-junipero-serra-route

The **western route**, named the "**Serra Route**" after **St. Junipero Serra**, the patron saint of **California**, is the longest one & will begin in **San Francisco.** The pilgrimage will pass thru **UT, CO, Nebr., & MO** ending in **Indianapolis.** Plan to join the **weekend stops** or the **procession in route** between **6/14-16 - North Platte & 6/21-23 - Omaha. Cathedral of the Risen Christ- Lincoln on 6/20-21. Cloisters on the Platte & Holy Family Shrine on 6/21.**

THE 10th NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

A Historic Moment of Revival
The once-in-a-lifetime gathering will bring together the most trusted voices in the Church and thousands of on-fire Catholics for two powerful days of worship, encounter, and formation. Come be inspired, equipped for mission, and set ablaze with new love for Jesus in the Eucharist.
SCAN THE QR CODE TO GET YOUR PASS!

July 17-21, 2024 | Indianapolis, IN
eucharisticcongress.org

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.

Job Openings:
* **Cathedral of the Risen Christ School** for **24-25 School Year. Assistant Principal. Teacher, 7th Grade English-**
Contact angela-miller@cdolinc.net

* **St. Joseph School** in Lincoln -- **UPDATED! Special Education Resource Teacher:** Seeking a faith-filled, dynamic **Special Education Resource Teacher** for the **2024-'25 school year.** Candidates must have a current

Nebr. teaching certificate w/ approp. endorsements. Responsibilities incl. maximizing the learning experience of 6th-8th grade students w/ needs in academics, interpersonal skills, behaviors, &/ or activities of daily living. Strong skills in communication, collaboration, & relationship-building are essential, & the position involves furthering the mission of **St. Joseph Catholic School** by contributing to a positive Catholic learning environment. Start date August 2024. Salary based on educational background & experience. Please send resume, references from educational supervisors, philosophy of education & explanation of why you would like to teach in a Catholic school to kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net.

—NEBRASKA—
CATHOLIC DAY OF GIVING

SAVE THE DATE
5.1.24
FOR THE FIRST EVER
NEBRASKA CATHOLIC DAY OF GIVING
NEBRASKACATHOLICDAYOFGIVING.ORG

LINCOLN | Archdiocese of Omaha | Catholic Diocese of the GRAND ISLAND

Rejoice! Mary, Mother of Jesus & our Mother. He is Risen as he said. Alleluia! Pray for us!
St. Joseph— Pray for us!

THE ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL FAMILY ASSOCIATION PRESENTS
JEN FULWILER MATERNAL INSTINCT
FRIDAY, 4/26

Discover the world of Catholic comedy, a genre rooted in rich traditions and relatable humor. Headliner Jen Fulwiler, a renowned Catholic comedian, brings a fresh perspective to Catholicism through laughter. Bishop Conley highly recommends her, praising her quick wit and relatable anecdotes that connect with National audiences.

Meet opener Father Jake Martin, a Catholic priest and stand-up comedian who blends humor and spirituality to offer a unique take on faith and life. Through his relatable narrative, he fosters unity and understanding through laughter, celebrating the lighter side of spirituality.

Your ticket purchase also supports a great cause! A significant portion of sales goes toward fostering the growth and well-being of our Catholic education community. Your participation is a valuable investment in the success of our educational mission. Thank you for your support!

THE ROCOCO THEATRE
BUY TICKETS AT WWW.ROCOCO THEATRE.COM

Spirit Catholic Radio Network is looking to hire a Community Engagement Coordinator- responsible for awareness initiatives of the SCRNN across the state of Nebraska & Iowa See the full job description, & if qualified, apply at spiritcatholicradio.com!

Presenting the **Spirit Catholic Radio EWTN and Catholic Answers Symposium**

The Eucharist: Source and Summit of our Faith

APRIL 26/27
St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Omaha
spiritcatholicradio.com/silver

Jesus, I trust in You!
Go to confession during the Easter Season!

"Physician Heal Thyself"
APRIL 27, 2024
9 AM - NOON
REGISTER HERE

9:00 Mass
9:30 Breakfast
10:00 Talk
11:00 Adoration/Prayer Teams/Confession

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
6111 MORRILL AVE
LINCOLN, NE

Sponsored by Nebraska Catholic Nurses and Lincoln Catholic Medical Association

LINCOLN DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
64th Biennial Convention
April 26 & 27, 2024
John XXIII Diocesan Center
3700 Sheridan Blvd.
Lincoln, NE

Celebrating with Gratitude - Serving with Joy

FRIDAY, APRIL 26th
5:30-6:30 Eucharistic Adoration in song and praise by Donna Cori
Hors d'oeuvres and wine, coffee, or tea reception following: \$25.00

SATURDAY, APRIL 27th
Convention Keynote Speaker: **Donna Cori**
Keeping a Mary Spirit Throughout a Martha Day
Convention to include morning coffee & rolls, lunch, mass with Bishop Conley, silent basket auction, raffle and LDCCW Business Meeting: \$30.00

Preregistration is requested by April 15th
Register online at: <https://form.jotform.com/200576709676163>
OR...Send check made out to LDCCW to Teresa Koch, 812 W. Walnut Road, Odell, NE.

Join us for a power-packed morning of reflections and encouragement on how to practice the "one thing necessary" (Lk 10:42). Gleaned from 24 years of learning, meditation and practice as a Third Order Carmelite, Donna will help you explode your prayer life and give you tips on how to stay recollected all day long, keep you from being frazzled and anxious and help your service in the Kingdom of God to bear much fruit and give glory to God, while at the same time helping you grow in perfection, as Jesus commanded.

Donna will intersperse the presentation with original prayer-songs. You can hear her at www.DonnaCori.com.

AROUND OUR PARISH

PARISH WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: <https://stjamescortland.com/>

Friday	Apr	5	8:00 pm	AA - Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Apr	6	6:30 am	That Man Is You	Parish Hall

Each week, we choose what will be done with the 168 hours we have available to us. Good **stewardship of time** means we will share some of that time with God in prayer, praise & thanksgiving, & some time **caaring for the needs of others**.

1ST COMMUNION: Sunday, April 14, **10:30a.** Mass. *Please pray for those preparing.*

CONFIRMATION: Tuesday, May 7, 7:00 pm Mass. *Please pray for those preparing.*

TOTUS TUUS 2024 at St. James Parish- Cortland will be on **July 20-26**. Evenings for High School- Sunday thru Thursday. Morning & afternoon for Elementary students- Monday thru Friday.

ALUMINUM RECYCLING: Drop cans at the S.E. corner of **Vinton Automotive**. Spons. by K. of C.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO FINISHED THE PARKING LOT & SIGN LIGHT BULB REPLACEMENT & REWIRING TO LED.

THANK YOU to all who helped with the Seder Meal.

PCCW SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST on Sunday, April 21st. Scholarship Application Forms will be on the bulletin board in the entryway of the church.

Thanks, Denise C., PCCW President

Knights of Columbus Scholarship- Graduating high school seniors of Saint James Parish going to college - fill out an application for scholarships awarded by the Saint James Council Knights of Columbus. Applications on the bulletin board in the front entry way of church to be completed & turned in by April 15th to Mike Mitchell.

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 3/24/24

Adult Envelopes	\$909.00
Plate	\$837.00
Building Fund	\$20.00
March Faith Direct	\$7,695.35
Total Deposit	\$9,461.35

ONLINE GIVING TO OUR PARISH is easy to get started. **Ways to sign up:** On parish website www.stjamescortland.com click on **Online giving.** OR Visit faithdirect.net/he1020. OR Call **Faith Direct** Customer Service at 866-507-8757.

Thank you Lord for the moisture you have given us.

Prayer in Time of Drought-

Lord God, in the past you have given us rain in abundance, & you have also withheld it. We ask you now to look down upon us & bless us with the rain we so desperately need. We know that you are a God of mercy & compassion, & we trust that you will provide for us in our time of need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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. **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, for a special intention, World Peace, greater glory of God, etc. **REQUEST THE OFFERING** of a Mass for your intention. Usual stipends are \$10. This is part of the support of a priest. A priest can offer Mass for free. Just ask. **THANK YOU** to all who requested a Mass be offered for your intention. You can request specific dates. 1st request gets the date. **Priests assigned w/out a parish, retired or in impoverished areas** would welcome your Mass intentions & stipends. Contact Fr. Lux if you wish to give Mass intentions for them.

The Heart has its reasons, but reason knows it not. We know the Truth, not only by reason, but by the heart. (Blaise Pascal)

THE MESSAGE OF EASTER FILLS OUR HEARTS WITH THIS TRUTH: THAT JESUS DIED FOR US, ROSE FROM DEATH FOR US, & HAS SAVED US FROM OUR SINS; that we might have life forever with Him & in Him, because of His Sacrificial Love for us. He redeemed us from our sins by the Beauty of His Resurrection over the ugliness of the Crucifixion.

In Jesus' divine Love for us, he emptied Himself, & came to earth as a man, to heal our fallen human nature & return us to His Father.

The Son, the Word, became man so that he might share His immortality with us who are corruptible & mortal. Christ is, then, the first fruits of the Resurrection. (St. Irenaeus)

By His act of love on Mount Calvary, He opened the way for us to follow Him, in glory, as "fruits" of His saving Grace. He prepared us for what awaits us in Eternal Life. In His resurrected Body, we see the perfection which we were created to become, before the sin of Adam & Eve. Now, by our reason, & in our hearts, we know that *"the Glory of God is a human being fully alive."* (St Irenaeus)

Rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ!

Love in the Spirit. Diana

Liturgical Ministers for Sundays & Holy Days of Obligation

		April 6-7	April 13-14	April 20-21	April 27-28	May 4-5
Sat. 5:00 pm	Reader	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth
	Acolyte	Kurt Larkins	Randy Eickmeier	<i>(volunteer)</i>	Kurt Larkins	<i>(volunteer)</i>
	Server 1	<i>(volunteer)</i>	<i>(volunteer)</i>	<i>(volunteer)</i>	Braxton Skillett	<i>(volunteer)</i>
	Server 2	<i>(volunteer)</i>	<i>(volunteer)</i>	<i>(volunteer)</i>	Easton Schilbitzki	<i>(volunteer)</i>
Sun. 8:00 am	Reader	Michelle Milke	Chris Hytrek	Jerry Lentfer	Joe Vinton	Michelle Milke
	Acolyte	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan	Scott Osterhaus	Chris Hytrek	Pat Milke
	Server 1	Carter Stieb	Simon Robinson	Rylan Hochstein	Sam Robinson	Mason Eickmeier
	Server 2	Asher Stieb	Andrew Oelke	Reid Hochstein	Sawyer Robinson	Carson Eickmeier
	Server 3	Liam Dush	Spencer Robinson	Brayden Kuhlman	Jax Peterson	Parker Eickmeier
	Server 4	Kyler Beck	Cooper Mason	Hudson Kuhlman	Drake Peterson	
Sun. 10:30 am	Reader	Karl Gramann	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Karl Gramann
	Acolyte	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt
	Server 1	Hayden Nielson	Brady Troxel	Max Jacobson	Sam Troxel	Hayden Nielson
	Server 2	Nolan Nielson	Ty Troxel	Finn Jacobson	Mason Henn	Nolan Nielson
	Server 3				Crew Dummer	
	Server 4					
	Greeter	Lydia Dominy	Paige Anderson	Lydia Dominy	Paige Anderson	Lydia Dominy
Collection Counters	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	Jim Fuhrman / Theron Troxel	Randy & Colleen E./ Amy Argo	Julie Pflingsten / Laureen Ehmen	Jeanne Egger / Grace Benes	

