

St. James the Greater. Pray for us.



St. James the Greater
(d. 44 a.d.)
Feast day 7/25.

Thank you, Lord, for the moisture you have given us & for protection from storm damage. Please grant us the moisture we need & safety from storms. We trust you Lord that you are all good & all powerful & that you know what is best for us. All glory to you. Amen.
May God bless those who are struggling with the damaging effects of the weather near & far.



St. James Catholic Church-Cortland

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.

Church Street Address: 500 W 1st Street
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Facebook: [St James Catholic Church of Cortland](https://www.facebook.com/StJamesCatholicChurchofCortland)

Fr. Thomas Lux, Pastor— Urgent: 308.991.4991
Bulletin Announcements/schedule requests:
Deadline is Wednesday, Noon (12 pm) to
bulletinstjames@gmail.com.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION ADORATION on Thursday evenings, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
7:00 pm Exposition. (Solemn or Simple)
7:05 pm to 7:55 pm Adoration.
7:50p Benediction or Simple Reposition.

God is good! All the time!
And Holy is His name!

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. 2 Cor 8:9

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASSES: See the current bulletin. WEEKDAY MASSES: Check the current bulletin for changes. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 7:00 am. Wednesday @ 6:30 pm. Saturday @ 8:00 am.
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Confessions 30 minutes before Sunday & Holy Day Masses. 20 minutes before Weekday Mass. Also by appointment. Call to schedule 308.991.4991

CCD (Religious Education)- Sundays 9:00 to 10:15 am during the school year.
Kindergarten thru 8th Grades in Parish Hall. **High School Class** in North Building.

Catholic Counseling: *Catholic Social Services of So. Nebr.-* immaculateheartcounseling.org 402-489-1834.
For rent, utilities, & emergency assistance: *CSS-* 402.474.1600. Or *St Vincent de Paul Soc.-* 402.435.7968.
Unplanned pregnancy: *Women's Care Center* www.womenscarecenter.org/lincoln, 402-423-0533; *Birthingright* 402.466.2609 (24 hrs. 1.800.550.4900); *Walking w/ Moms in Need-* <https://lincolndiocese.org/moms>

EMERGENCY SUPPLIES duffle bag w/ basic medical supplies is on coat rack shelf, by the women's restroom. Checked monthly. Questions to Lori J. **AED** is in a cabinet near the *Holy Family* statue.

MASS INTENTIONS				MASS READINGS — Follow the Church's liturgical life. Read the Sacred Scriptures before Mass. Try to join daily Mass.			
SJ— St. James Church. GCRC— Gold Crest Retirement Center							
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME							
Sat.	Sep 27	5:00 pm	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Am 6: 1a. 4-7/ Ps 146: 7. 8-9. 9-10 (1b)/ 1 Tm 6: 11-16/ Lk 16: 19-31		
Sun.	Sep 28	8:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor			
		10:30 am	SJ	Mabel Folda+			
Mon.	Sep 29	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Michael, Gabriel, Raphael</i> , archangels F: Dn 7: 9-10. 13-14 or Rv 12: 7-12a/ Ps 138: 1-2ab. 2cde-3. 4-5/ Jn 1: 47-51		
Tue.	Sep 30	7:00 am	SJ	Thomas Brubaker+			
Wed.	Oct 1	6:30 pm	SJ	Bishop's Appeal for Vocations	<i>Jerome</i> , p, dr M: Zec 8: 20-23/ Ps 87: 1b-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Lk 9: 51-56		
Thu.	Oct 2	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor			
Fri.	Oct 3	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Therese of Lisieux</i> , v, r, dr M: Neh 2: 1-8/ Ps 137: 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6/ Lk 9: 57-62		
Sat.	Oct 4	8:00 am	SJ	Good & Safe Harvest			
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME							
Sat.	Oct 4	5:00 pm	SJ	Special Intention (T)	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Hb 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4/ Ps 95: 1-2. 6-7. 8-9 (8)/ 2 Tm 1: 6-8. 13-14/ Lk 17: 5-10		
Sun.	Oct 5	8:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor			
		10:30 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish			

There will be no Mass at Gold Crest at this time. Communion is taken to Lakeview & Gold Crest on Wednesday aftn.

ONE LIFE TO GIVE- BISHOP'S APPEAL FOR VOCATIONS '25
Help our seminarians learn how to lay down their lives to serve God & His people. **Pledge cards are in the Church entryway.**
More info or to give online see: <https://www.givecentral.org/Diocese-of-Lincoln-BAV>. Parish Goal \$6,000. "...man, who is the only creature on earth which God willed for itself, cannot fully find himself except thru a sincere gift of himself" -*Gaudium et Spes*, #24.

The LDCCW needs your help to make the annual October Diaper Drive successful.
Collected diapers will be given to the Pregnancy Centers & Catholic Social Services across the Lincoln Diocese & St. Gianna Women's Homes. Bring diapers (esp. size 5 & 6) to the church vestibule during October. Wipes welcome also.

flocknote Help our parish easily & effectively communicate w/ you via email &/or text. No password or login required. Please **SIGN UP: VISIT** stjamescortland.flocknote.com & follow the instructions. **OR TEXT** "STJAMESCORTLAND" to 84576 **Sign up to get Catholic Diocese of Lincoln event updates via flocknote.** <https://lincolndiocese.flocknote.com/>

LIFE CHAIN 2025-
St. James Parish is asked to stand on "O" Street just east of 66th Street in Lincoln. Signs to hold will be there for you to hold & pray silently for an end to abortion & the conversion & healing of hearts.

LIFE CHAIN 2025

EL ABORTO MATA NIÑOS

ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN

PRAY TO END ABORTION

LORD, PLEASE FORGIVE US

PRAY TO CHANGE HEARTS

JESUS HEARS HEALS & FORGIVES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025 | 2:30-3:30 PM
"O" STREET | LINCOLN, NE

PLEASE JOIN US for our annual silent prayer vigil in support of all human life, born and unborn. Your presence is a visual witness that we are a pro-life community, state, and country. Many see the pro-life stance as being political, but we believe that we are engaged in a spiritual battle. Prayer is our most powerful weapon as we arm ourselves for this battle. We invite you to join us as we stand for the sanctity of human life.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dean Cook | dean@lifechain.org
Lincoln Right to Life is the proud sponsor of the Lincoln Area Life Chain. This is an important event with over 2,000 Life Chains in the United States and Canada.

LIFECHAIN.ORG

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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Sept 28—Oct 4

Sr. Juanita Marie of the Philippines	<i>Professed</i>	<i>Holy Spirit Adoration (Pink) Sisters</i>
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Please pray for new entrants in *Diocese of Lincoln* Motherhouses.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR September 2025 - For our relationship w/ all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence w/ all creatures who are loved by God & worthy of love & respect.



U.S. BISHOPS ASK US TO PRAY this Summer & Fall the following prayer for Life to end taxpayer funding of abortion: **ST. JOSEPH, DEFENDER OF LIFE.**

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother & Child.

entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, & safeguard God's most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service & defense of human life—especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those

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Prayer cards in pews & at <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/nationwide-invitation-prayer>. **THANK YOU.**

Holy Hour Friday, Oct. 3, at 7:15 pm will be held at the *Pink Sisters' Chapel*, 1040 So. Cotner Blvd. Singing led by the *Cathedral Children's Choir* (Amy Flaminio & Diane Hall). Please help us pray for good vocations for our Diocese.

The next **Mass at the St. Luke Czech Shrine in Loma** will be on **Sunday, Oct. 5,** at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us!

HEALTH CARE & HUMAN DIGNITY- Converging Roads Ethics Conference Oct. 11 @ Creighton Univ. for health professionals & others interested. Speakers will explore how Catholic teaching shapes medical ethics. More info: <https://forlifeandfamily.org/events/cr25-omne/>. Co-hosted by the Archd. of Omaha, Creighton University, & the St. J.P. II Foundation.

SAVE THE DATE! "In The Upper Room", a Holy Hour for our Priests! Thursday, Oct. 16. *Magnificat of Linc.* & 7 *Sisters Apostolate* are sponsoring at *John XXIII Chapel* from 7 to 8 pm. on the *Feast of St Margaret Mary Alacoque*.

7 Sisters Apostolate Day of Renewal~ Sat., 10/18~ St Gregory the Great Seminary w/ *Janette Howe, Foundress*. All women are invited, those in 7 *Sisters* & those who want to learn more (also *Fasting Brothers* for men & other groups for women praying for the Priests in Purgatory, those under distress,...)

Register early- Space is limited to 120! Make reservation- send \$15 check payable to: *Seven Sisters Apostolate*, C/O Pat Lanik, 354 W Chanceler, Lincoln, NE 68521. Please **check in at 8:30 a.m.** at the Seminary. **Mass** at 9:00 a. The day will end w/ a **Holy Hour** from 2:00-3:00 p. & optional Seminary Tours. **Remember to bring a sack lunch.** A "free will offering" will be taken the day of for the use of the Seminary facilities, stipends for Priests assisting us, refreshments, etc. Questions? Contact Coord. Rhonda L. at 402.525.6396.

Take a Desert Day w/ the Lord! Step away from the noise of daily life & spend a quiet day in prayer, reflection, & silence w/ Jesus at *Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House*. Desert Days are self-guided days of retreat where you can rest, reset, & reconnect w/ the Lord. Come for the full day or just a few hours—no formal schedule, just space to pray.



Dates: Tues. Oct 7, Fri. Nov 21, Tues. Dec. 9.

Learn more & register at: goodcounselretreat.org/desert-days. 402.786.2705.

GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE'S retreat schedule is live! Find time to rest, pray, & reconnect w/ God. Register: <https://goodcounselretreat.org/our-retreats/>

ST. JAMES COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS-Cortland will pay part of a **Retreat Registration** for any adult or youth member of *St. James Parish*. Contact an officer or a member. Thank you *Knights*.



Seminarian Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Sept 28—Oct 4

Josiah Benal from St. Cecilia, Hastings, NE	Propaedeutic Stage	St. Gregory the Great Seminary
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Please pray for young men discerning a call to the priesthood in the *Diocese of Lincoln*.



This Week On Formed- Week of September 28, 2025.

St. Therese | Littlest Saints Which flower in Jesus's garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2908834/>

St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction From 4PM Media & The Ministry of the *Wild Goose* comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ & his Gospel.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/1099101/>

St. Jerome | Catholic Saints An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, & archi-

vists & famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2399232/>

"FIND OUR PARISH SUBSCRIPTION": Sign in / sign up. GO to formed.org. Get the *Formed* App.



Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, & gentleness in your life & marriage. Attend a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on: **Feb. 20-22, '26, Lincoln**. Questions; Brenda & Gary: 402-370-5839. Space limited, reserve a place now. Info: please visit www.wwme.org. Follow us on *Instagram* & *Facebook!* @worldwidemarriageencounter.

SURVIVING DIVORCE MINISTRY: Have you or a loved one experienced the pain & loneliness of a broken marriage? We invite you to come find comfort & healing consistent with Catholic Church teachings. The 12-week series begins **Monday, Sept. 22nd** from 7-8:30p



at *JXXIII Diocesan Center-Lincoln*. For questions or to register please call/email the *Office of Family Life* at 402-473-0620 or familylifeoffice@lincolndiocese.org

HEALING HEARTS GRIEF SUPPORT: 6-wk. session helping Catholics navigate thru the grieving process after experiencing the loss of a loved one. Sessions are led by Sandy Danek & family therapist Holly Burns (both have many years' experience assisting individuals). The sessions will be weekly on **Thursday evenings** beginning **Oct. 16, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**, at *John XXIII Diocesan Center-Lincoln*. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials) To register, please call 402-473-0620.

The **UNL Thomistic Institute chapter** brings leading Catholic scholars to campus for lectures, study groups, & conversation. This fall's speakers inc. Prof. Lee Oser (10/16), & Prof. Joseph Capizzi (11/6). Open to students & the public, these events explore the Catholic intellectual tradition where faith & reason meet. 5 p in *Pioneers Suite* on the 1st floor of *Willa Cather Dining Hall* on UNL campus.

Fall 2026 Retreats at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly.



Going on a retreat is so important. It brings you closer to Christ & brings stillness to our busy lives. -Ashley

Oct 3-5 Eucharistic Adoration Retreat w/ Fr. Matthew Eickhoff & Knights of the Holy Eucharist. Come adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Oct 24-26 The Prodigal Retreat for Men w/ Fr. Barak, Matt Simmons, Fr. Holdren. No matter where you've been, the Father is waiting.

Oct 31-Nov 2 Come to Me All You Who Labor & are Burdened w/ Fr. Ryan Salisbury. Encounter the healing love of the Trinity.,

Nov 14-15 Family Become what You Are (Couples Retreat)

w/ Fr. Ben holdren & MHSF. Strengthen your marriage. Enrich your family. Live your calling.

Goodcounselretreat.org 402.786.2705



Wahoo- St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church Fall Festival is Sun., 9/28, from 10 A to 2 P. Enjoy a hearty **roast beef** & mashed potato dinner w/ dessert & beverage included. game tickets, raffle prizes & more.

DUCK & HAM DINNER, Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Ch.- **Abie, NE, Sun., Oct. 5! 11a-2p.** Meal- Sauerkraut, Dumplings, Corn, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Salads, Pies, Kolaches, Rolls & Drink. \$20 Per Meal, Dine-in (limited seating), Drive-thru/Carry-out, \$10 Kids Plate (Dine-in ONLY). Live Auction 3:30p. (Kids Live Auct. 3pm) Silent Auction | Quilt & Cash Raffle | Kids Games | Country Store.

Our Knights of Columbus have sponsored a table! You are invited to be their guest. Speak to Ed Zach by 9/15. Good food, great company, a good cause, & a fun night.



The Event of the Year!
Wednesday, October 1st
The Lincoln Station Great Hall



Women's Care Center provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counseling, and parenting support. In the past year, they supported over 900 women and conducted over 1,300 ultrasounds. Remarkably, 9 out of 10 women chose life!

We invite you to join us for our annual event, promising a truly unique night where guests play bingo to win luxury prizes!



Questions?
Please contact Paul Mach
at paul@supportwcc.org or 402-587-1577
Learn more:
www.supportwcc.org

ROAST BEEF DINNER at **St. Joseph's Cath. Ch.- Colon, NE** on Sun., **Oct. 5.** See bulletin board.

BROKEN MARY: The Kevin Matthews Story- a wild DJ in the late 80s & 90s, after his health fails & fame begins to fade, he finds redemption next to a dirty dumpster from an unlikely source: a statue of the Virgin Mary. **1-night only theatrical release: Oct. 7.** After the film, join Kevin Matthews in praying the Rosary - on the *Feast of the Most Holy Rosary*. **Marcus Lincoln Grand Cinemas** (1101 P Street) at 630p.

JUBILEE OF CATECHISTS — September 26-28, 2025
A catechist is a “Christian who receives a particular calling from God that, when accepted in faith, empowers him for the service of the transmission of faith & for the task of initiating others into the Christian life” (*Directory for Catechesis*, no. 112).

Though the official celebration of the Jubilee of Catechists in Rome includes the institution of men & women in the ministry of catechist on Sunday, September 28, it should be noted that the Jubilee of Catechists includes those catechists who are not called to be part of the instituted ministry of catechist.

“The Church was founded so that by spreading Christ’s kingdom throughout the world to the glory of God the Father, every man & woman may share in the saving work of redemption, & so that through them the entire world may be truly directed towards Christ” (*Apostolicam Actuositatem*, no. 2). The Church teaches us that “in the building up of Christ’s Body various members & functions have their part to play.

There is only one Spirit who, according to his own richness & the needs of the ministries, gives his different gifts for the welfare of the Church” (*Lumen Gentium*, no. 7). One of these roles, present in the Church from her earliest beginnings, is that of catechist. The call to be a catechist is rooted in a person’s Baptism, strengthened by Confirmation & by regular participation in the Eucharistic Sacrifice.

Catechists must recognize that the teaching they hand on is not their own but Christ’s. Through their words & life catechists proclaim the kerygma, & they make known Jesus’ teachings & life to those whom they catechize (see *Catechesi Tradendae*, no. 6). This time of Jubilee set aside for catechists is a reminder of the ongoing role that many of the Christian faithful have in supporting the Church’s mission to “Go, therefore, & make disciples of all nations...” (*Mt 28:19*).

A Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, We pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding & teaching of your Word.

Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word & lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred & holy; & that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

YOU CAN PROTECT MOTHERS AND CHILDREN by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

THROUGH PRAYER AND FASTING, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has helped 1,000,000 women!

Help Save Lives in Lincoln

Learn more, get involved, and sign up to pray
40daysforlife.com/Lincoln

DATE: SEPT 24 - NOV 3, 2025
HOURS: 7:30 AM TO 7:00 PM DAILY
LOCATION: PLANNED PARENTHOOD WEST LINCOLN

Sidewalk Advocates FOR LIFE
Lincoln, NE

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

Join us at our next training where you will 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 demand and helping end abortion in Nebraska.

Saturday, October 18 | 11:00 AM–5:00 PM

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

Please register in advance:
Contact Lisa McInerney at lisapal24@aol.com or 402.525.9360

sidewalkadvocates.org

KICKOFF EVENT

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 | 6:00 PM
Lincoln Right to Life | 15634 S. 48th St.
Please park at Carmelite Christian Church

Our guest speaker for the kickoff this fall is Pastor Steve Deavenport. Pastor Deavenport is the Lead Pastor at Calvary Community Church in Lincoln. He is a vocal proponent for the pro-life movement both in the local community and from the pulpit.

Lincoln Right to Life will provide sloppy joe or pizza bring a side dish or dessert to share. RSVP to Cathy at 402.202.1614 with your name and how many will attend.

Sponsored by Lincoln Right to Life

Confirmed for Mission Retreat

Date: October 25, 2025 at Camp Kerner, McCall, Idaho
January 31, 2026 at St. Michael Parish, Lincoln, NE
February 14, 2026 at North American Martyrs, Lincoln
February 28, 2026 at St. Michael Parish, HEARDING

Time: 10 am to 3 pm
For: Catholics to be Confirmed and their Parents or Sponsor \$20 per person (lunch provided)
Fee: *You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and you will be my witnesses... * Acts 1:8

For more details or to register please visit:
www.lincolndiocese.org/misr
Or contact: misr@lincolndiocese.org or call 402.473.0631

The Wonder of Eve

understand the power and strength created within the female body

The Wonder of Eve is a fresh and engaging presentation, helping young women understand how naturally amazing their bodies are and the impact their choices can have on their future health and fertility.

Why didn't I know this years ago?

We often hear this from our Natural Family Planning clients. Even as a young woman, they wish they had known this about their bodies.

The Wonder of Eve covers:

- the marvelous design and function of the female body and reproductive system/menstrual cycles
- a brief introduction to tracking cycles—a unique approach to women's healthcare, no matter the stage in life
- ways to take good care of yourself now, to benefit you in the future.

Mother/Daughter Program for 14-18 year old girls
Saturday, October 4th, 2025 from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Church of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church (Commons)

Watch the Trailer Video! [Go to WonderOfEveTrailer](#)

Register at <https://lincolndiocese.org/us/01-flo-motherdaughter-program-plattsmouth-2025>

Blessed Mother Mary. Pray for us. St. Joseph. Pray for us.

FEARFULLY AND wonderfully MADE

Mother/Daughter Program
For 9-13 year old girls
(Must be accompanied by their mother or other supportive adult female)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025 11:00 am - 12:30 PM
CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH
520 S. 18TH ST., PLATTSMOUTH, NE

TO REGISTER, GO TO
<https://lincolndiocese.org/us/01-flo-motherdaughter-program-plattsmouth-2025>
OR SCAN THE QR CODE

BISHOP'S SAINTS & SCHOLARS DINNER

YOU'RE INVITED

To an evening of joy and hope as we honor and celebrate our teachers, administrators and diocesan staff as they speak about their incredible work in our Catholic schools.

OCTOBER 12th, 2025
Cocktail Reception at 5:00 PM | Dinner & Program at 6:00 PM
EMBASSY SUITES - LINCOLN | 1040 P STREET
Please RSVP by October 1st using the enclosed card.

Good Shepherd

Every ticket and donation contributes to the Good Shepherd Scholarship Fund - opening the doors of Catholic education for thousands of students throughout the diocese.

LET'S celebrate COVENANT DAY

Scholarship family, please come and join us at the dinner! We have so much to celebrate! Use the QR code to RSVP for the meal or child care, or email car.maria.oree@gmail.com by October 13

10 AM - 2 PM
OCTOBER 18, 2025

Car: Maria Oree
840 State Hwy 103
Coke, NE 68223

THE 100th JUBILEE OF THE SCHOENSTATT SISTERS
111 YEARS OF THE COVENANT OF LOVE
CROWNING OF THE WIFE IN THE FATHER KENTENICH HALL

Our Sisters opened their 151st year of educating in health care in the 19th century and offering care to her neighbors.

AROUND OUR PARISH

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

Tuesday	Sept 30	7:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study (Call Renae at 402-419-4491)	Parish Hall
Thursday	Oct 02	7:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Hour	Church
Friday	Oct 03	8:00 pm	AA—Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Oct 04	6:30 am	That Man is You	Parish Hall

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

IMPORTANT PARISH EVENTS COMING UP

Parish Photo Directory — Please *sign up now* if you haven't already! Sign-up at back of church or see St. James Facebook page. A printed booklet will be available to purchase for \$15. Questions to Liz K. or Denise C.

OCTOBER 7TH — Faith Direct online giving will change to Parish-SOFT online giving. See insert in today's bulletin.

Stewardship of Treasure

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

Parish Offering 9/21/25

Adult Envelopes	\$1,265.00
Plate	\$697.25
Building Fund (from Knights)	\$22,219.78
Sept Faith Direct	\$7,363.10
Total Deposit	\$31,545.13

NOVEMBER 8TH — **ST. JAMES ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER** FROM 4:30 TO 7:30 PM. IN THE PARISH HALL. BOTH DINE-IN & TO-GO ORDERS WILL BE AVAILABLE. TO ALL TALENTED PARISHIONERS...START THINKING ABOUT YOUR RAFFLE DONATIONS! MORE INFO TO COME... WATCH THE BULLETIN! SERVED BY THE PCCW.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH — **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** BY **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**, 9 AM TO NOON.

New Opportunities to Serve at St. James!

Please prayerfully consider taking up one of these needed ministries!

OUTDOOR PLANTERS—The two planters outside the church front doors have been beautifully arranged by a volunteer for years. She is retiring. You or a team of people would be in time for designing & planting a new creation for the autumn season! *Help beautify our church entry!*

ALTAR LINENS—Thank you to Marcia V. for accepting the ministry of laundering & ironing the Mass linens.

From PCCW President Denise Clements

*First **THANKS** for all the help & donations to the **CCD Breakfast**— raising funds for our **CCD** supplies. We had wonderful feedback & I don't think anyone left hungry. Thank you to all who enjoyed good fellowship & good food.

***October- Annual Diaper Drive** - PCCW will provide donuts for the **CCD class** that brings the **most diapers**. A display will be in the vestibule during the month for diapers, wipes, & cash donations for the pregnancy help centers.

***Box of Joy** - A new to us project Father has asked that we support this year. Boxes will be in the vestibule on Sun., 9/28. Please take one to fill up as a family project. The boxes need to be **returned by Sunday, October 26th** so I have time to deliver them for shipping. PCCW will help pay the shipping costs. See more about this project at [Box of Joy | Cross Catholic Outreach](#). Bulletin insert has a list of requested items & a Christmas coloring sheet that can go in your box.

***October 11 - 21st Annual Clothing Share** - this is free. You can bring/take any gently used clothes or household items that you would like. You can stop at the church anytime Saturday morning & it will still be out on Sunday between Masses. All leftover items will be donated to *Catholic Social Services*.

***October 24-25, Fall Church Cleaning**- Please sign up to help **clean** before the craziness of the holiday season starts. This worked well in the spring. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DA8AF2BA5F5CE9-58909060-fall>.

***November 8th- Annual Soup Supper** - St James is organizing the *Soup Supper* this year. Please be on the lookout for more info to help make this a success.

***November** - We will not be participating in the *tree of warmth* this year.

***December**- The *Santa Cop Program Christmas tree* w/ tags for Christmas gifts for children in need will be in the vestibule. Thank you.

***December** - *St. Joseph's circle* will prepare a **fun surprise for the kids** after their **Christmas Program**.

***Thanks** to Joy Robinson for filling the open *St. Joseph circle* leader.

ONGOING AT ST. JAMES

Young Adult Bible Study meets on Tue. at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Renae at 402-419-4491 for more info. Sometimes meeting location changes.

OCIA CLASSES 7 pm on **Monday** evenings in the Parish Hall for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, whether you are already Catholic or inquiring. Come ask questions! This class can help everyone learn more.

ALUMINUM CANS TO RECYCLE? Accepted at *Vinton Auto* on n. side of Cortland.

Barrel is on SE corner of shop. Donations support *Knights of Col.* projects

MEN OF SAINT JAMES PARISH— Come see the **newly revised** videos for Year 1 of **THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY)**. The topic is **"Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart."** The group meets on **Saturday mornings at 6:30 AM** in the Parish Hall. Info: Mike M. 402-540-8041 or Joe V. 402-830-8338.

REQUEST MASSES to be offered for your intentions. Standard stipend is \$10.

Liturgical Ministers for Sundays & Holy Week

		Sept 27-28	Oct 4-5	Oct 11-12	Oct 18-19	Oct 25-26
Saturday 5:00 pm	Reader	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown
	Acolyte	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	Randy Eickmeier	(volunteer)
	Server 1	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)
	Server 2	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)
Sunday 8:00 am	Reader	Chris Hytrek	Michelle Milke	Joe Vinton	Jerry Lentfer	Chris Hytrek
	Acolyte	Tony Sullivan	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek	Scott Osterhaus	Tony Sullivan
	Server 1	Rylan Hochstein	Brayden Kuhlman	Simon Robinson	Jax Peterson	Carson Eickmeier
	Server 2	Reid Hochstein	Hudson Kuhlman	Spencer Robinson	Drake Peterson	Parker Eickmeier
	Server 3					
Sunday 10:30 am	Reader	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek
	Acolyte	Theron Troxel	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel
	Server 1	Sam Troxel	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel	Max Jacobson
	Server 2	(volunteer)	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	(volunteer)	Finn Jacobson
	Server 3					
Server 4						
Collection Counters		Jim F. / Theron T.	Kassie E./Amy A.	Julie P. / Lauren E.	Jeanne E. / Lori J.	Jim F. / Theron T.

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