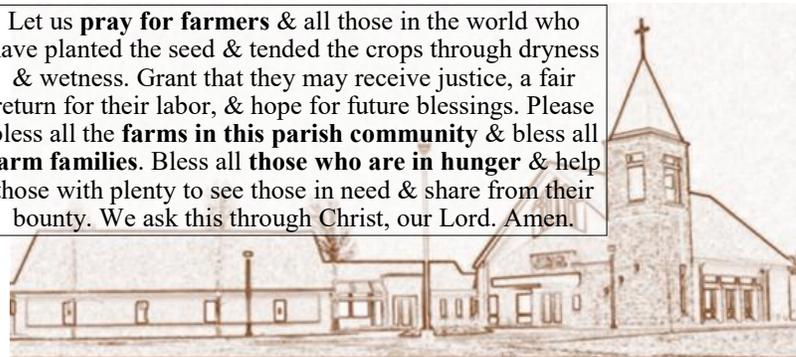


St. James the Greater. Pray for us.



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

Let us pray for farmers & all those in the world who have planted the seed & tended the crops through dryness & wetness. Grant that they may receive justice, a fair return for their labor, & hope for future blessings. Please bless all the farms in this parish community & bless all farm families. Bless all those who are in hunger & help those with plenty to see those in need & share from their bounty. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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
Mailing/Rectory: 155 N Lincoln Avenue, Cortland, NE 68331
Rectory Phone: 402-798-7335
Church Office Phone: 402-798-0255
Office e-mail: stjamescortland@gmail.com
Website: www.stjamescortland.com
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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + OCTOBER 12, 2025

In all circumstances, give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thess 5:18

SUNDAY MASSES:	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASSES: See the current bulletin.
Saturday 5:00 pm	WEEKDAY MASSES: Check the current bulletin for changes.
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 7:00 am.
	Wednesday @ 6:30 pm. Saturday @ 8:00 am.

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; *Birthright* 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.
SJ— St. James Church. GCRC— Gold Crest Retirement Center	Read the Sacred Scriptures before Mass. Try to join daily Mass.

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	Sat.	Oct 11	5:00 pm	SJ	Richard Dietrich+	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 2 Kgs 5: 14-17/ Ps 98: 1. 2-3. 3-4/ 2 Tm 2: 8-13/ Lk 17: 11-19
	Sun.	Oct 12	8:00 am	SJ	Andrew & Nita Hytrek+	
			10:30 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	
	Mon.	Oct 13	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Ordinary Weekday:</i> Rom 1: 1-7/ Ps 98: 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4/ Lk 11: 29-32
	Tue.	Oct 14	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Ordinary Weekday/ Callistus I,</i> pp, mt: Rom 1: 16-25/ Ps 19: 2-3. 4-5/ Lk 11: 37-41
	Wed.	Oct 15	6:30 pm	SJ	Andrew & Nita Hytrek+	<i>Teresa of Avila,</i> v, r, dr M: Rom 2: 1-11/ Ps 62: 2-3. 6-7. 9/ Lk 11: 42-46
	Thu.	Oct 16	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Ordinary Weekday/ Hedwig, r/ Margaret Mary Alacoque,</i> v: Rom 3: 21-30/ Ps 130: 1b-2. 3-4. 5-6ab/ Lk 11: 47-54
	Fri.	Oct 17	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Ignatius of Antioch,</i> bp, mt M: Rom 4: 1-8/ Ps 32: 1b-2. 5. 11/ Lk 12: 1-7
	Sat.	Oct 18	8:00 am	SJ	Greater Rosary Devotion	<i>Luke,</i> ev F: 2 Tm 4: 10-17b/ Ps 145: 10-11. 12-13. 17-18/ Lk 10: 1-9

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	Sat.	Oct 18	5:00 pm	SJ	Richard Dietrich+	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Ex 17: 8-13/ Ps 121: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8/ 2 Tm 3: 14 4: 2/ Lk 18: 1-8
	Sun.	Oct 19	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	
			10:30 am	SJ	Mabel Folda+	

CONFIRMATION CLASS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS TODAY, Sun., 10/12, 6:30-8:00pm Confirmation will be April 21, '26, Tue., 7:00 p. Those in Grades 5 & 6 will be confirmed. Please PRAY for all those preparing. Thank you to all helping. Communion is taken to *Lakeview & Gold Crest* on Wednesday afternoon.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH 2025: Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating *Life: Our Sign of Hope.* Visit respectlife.org/celebrate. See inside & insert.



LDCCW OCTOBER PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE continues thru the end of October. The Centers we serve advise the **Diaper sizes 5 & 6 are in greatest demand.** Your diaper donations are greatly appreciated.

Cash donations or checks made to the order of the *Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW)* will be accepted and should be mailed to LDCCW, 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404. Listen to *Spirit Catholic Radio* for Diaper Drive announcements.

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.



WORLD MISSION DAY is Sunday, October 19, 2025

Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples

"Even today, there are many settings in which the Christian faith is considered absurd, meant for the weak and unintelligent. Settings where other securities are preferred, like technology, money, success, power, or pleasure.

These are contexts where it is not easy to preach the Gospel and bear witness to its truth, where **believers are mocked**, opposed, despised or at best tolerated and pitied. Yet, precisely for this reason, **they are the places where our missionary outreach is desperately needed.** A lack of faith is often tragically accompanied by the loss of meaning in life, the neglect of mercy, **appalling violations of human dignity, the crisis of the family and so many other wounds that afflict our society.**" -**Pope Leo XIV**, May 9, 2025.

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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Oct 12-18

Pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood at *The Franciscan Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother* in Nebraska City, NE

Please pray for new entrants in *Diocese of Lincoln* Motherhouses.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR October 2025- - For collaboration

between different religious traditions-Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend & promote peace, justice, & human fraternity.



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.

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

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.

Copyright © 2021, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, D.C. All rights reserved. To order this card (English, #2115 / Spanish, #2116), call toll-free 866-582-0943. www.usccb.org/prolife

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

World Mission Month: A Call to Hope- Each October, the Church invites us to rediscover our missionary vocation. This year, Pope Leo XIV, following the inspiration of Pope Francis, calls us to become **"Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples,"** inspired by St. Paul's words: **"Hope does not disappoint, b/c the love of God has been poured out into our hearts thru the Holy Spirit"** (Rom 5:5). In the 50th anniversary year of *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, we are reminded that **"modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers"** (41). Thru prayer, sacrifice, & giving, we too become witnesses—bringing the hope of Christ to those who long for love, justice, & peace. Let us celebrate this month with open hearts, ready to respond to the Church's call to support the **1,124 mission territories** where the Church is young, growing, & often persecuted. Together, may we be bearers of hope where it is needed most.

We are invited not only to give but to **pray** for the Church in mission territories. 1 powerful way to do this is by praying the **World Mission Rosary**, from Ven. Archbp. Fulton Sheen in 1951. Each decade is a different color, representing a region of the world. In *EN*, St. Paul VI reminds us that prayer is the soul of all mission: **"It is the Holy Spirit who, today just as at the beginning of the Church, acts in every evangelizer"** (75). Let us offer our rosaries & Masses this week for those who bring Christ's love to the margins, often at great personal cost. And let us ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle the fire of **hope in our own hearts**, that we may also be missionaries, wherever we are.

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: 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 - Oct 12-18

Peter Foley from *St. Peter*, Lincoln, NE

Theology 4

Mount St. Mary Seminary

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

This Week On *Formed*- Week of October 12, 2025.



St. Luke the Artist- In this episode of *Sacred Art*, Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers discuss Rogier van der Weyden's painting, "Saint Luke Drawing the Virgin," artistry and what it reveals about St. Luke the Evangelist. <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2393978/>



St. Teresa of Avila- A powerful epic mini-series shot on location in Spain that tells the story of one of the most amazing women in history, St. Teresa of Avila. With meticulous attention to detail and historical accuracy, this acclaimed major film production is the definitive film on the life of this great saint. <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/914915/>



St. Ignatius of Antioch- Learn about St. Ignatius of Antioch, a remarkable saint who died a martyr for his fidelity to Christ in this episode of *Catholic Saints* with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp. <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2394226/>

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



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*.

The 3rd Annual **"BACK FROM THE DEAD" CEMETERY WALK** will be held at *Calvary Catholic Cemetery*, 3880 L St., Lincoln, on **Oct. 24, 26, 27, 29 & Nov. 2.** Experience faith in the cemetery as you encounter martyrs, saints, & others who have come back from the dead to relay their stories about **"The Last Things."** Free. Tickets needed. To register, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/calvarybackfromthedeadcemeterywalk2025>.

St. Paul reminds us: "Do not be contentious about words." Learn how your words can hurt or heal in your relationship by attending the next *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience* on: **Feb. 20-22, '26, Lincoln.** Questions: Brenda Gary: 402-370-5839. Space limited, reserve a place now. Info: www.wwme.org. Follow us on *Instagram* & *Facebook!* @worldwidemarriageencounter.

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 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.

Nov 22 *Retreat for Moms of Young People* w/ Fr. Jay Buhman

Goodcounselretreat.org 402.786.2705



ST. TERESA CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE: K of C Hall, 6044 South St. **Thu., 10/23, 10 a. - 8 p. | Fri. 10/24, 10 a. - 8 p. | Sat., 10/25, 9 a. - 12 p.** Christmas is near.

DUCK & PORK DINNER at St Anthony's- **Bruno** on **Oct. 19**. Served 11a to 2p. Adult - \$20, child under 12- \$10. Silent & Live auctions at 2 pm. Raffles, beer garden, cake walk. Enjoy a traditional Czech dinner in the "Heart of the Bohemian Alps"

North American Martyrs is seeking to **hire a School Office Manager**. This person serves as the 1st point of contact & provides exceptional customer service & support to staff, parents, & internal & external agencies, & is central to the smooth operations of the school & supports key stakeholders by ensuring efficiency & accuracy across all areas of responsibility. Responsible for a wide range of administrative & operational functions. For more info. or to apply, email cover letter & resume to elizabeth-fairbanks@cdolinc.net.

LOLEK NEBRASKA HIGH SCHOOL PILGRIMAGE—Sophomores & older (incl. recent grads) are invited to join students from the *Diocese of Lincoln* on a pilgrimage to **Rome & Assisi, June 6–16, 2026**. Pilgrims will stay in religious guest houses, walk in the footsteps of the saints, & visit sacred sites such as St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums, & Assisi. Estimated land-only cost is \$2,600–\$2,900 (airfare addl.). For details & updates, visit www.lolekpilgrimage.org/neh2026.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

YOU CAN PROTECT MOTHERS AND CHILDREN by joining this week-long mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion.

THROUGH PRAYER AND FASTING, powerful signs and sacramental ministry, 40 Days for Life has helped 1,000,000 unborn lives.

Help Save Lives in Lincoln

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

DATES: SEPT. 24 - OCT. 3, 2025
HOUSES: 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM (DAILY)
LOCATION: PLANNED PARENTHOOD, 501 S. 15TH ST., 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 | 5634 S. 48th St.
Please park at Cornerstone Christian Church

Our guest speaker for the kickoff this fall is Pastor Steve Dewarport, Pastor Dewarport 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.

Sponsored by Lincoln Right to Life

LIFE CHAIN 2025 - Thank you to those who took part in the Life Chain.

UNITED IN PRAYER WITH THE MISSIONS World Mission Rosary, introduced by Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen in 1951. Each decade is a different color, representing a region of the world. In *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, St. Pope Paul VI reminds us that prayer is the soul of all mission: "It is the Holy Spirit who, today just as at the beginning of the Church, acts in every evangelizer" (75). Through our prayers, we unite ourselves with missionaries bringing the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Let us offer our rosaries and Masses this week for those who bring Christ's love to the margins, often at great personal cost. And let us ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle the fire of hope in our own hearts, that we may also be missionaries, wherever we are.

JOHN PAUL II Healing Center
Transformation in the Heart of the Church

Day of Equipping

This event is a separate but complementary teaching to Healing the Whole Person. A teaching presented by Bart Schuchts designed to help you live more fully into the mission of Christ. Come encounter the Father's love and increase your desire to enter deeper into God's purpose for your life.

SAVE THE DATE
April 17, 2026

Online Registration Opens January 12, 2026 at 10 AM ET

North American Martyrs Catholic Church
1101 Isaac Dr, Lincoln, NE 68521

Day of Equipping takes place on Friday from approximately 9 AM-3 PM and requires a separate registration from Healing the Whole Person.

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

Jesus, I Trust in You

LET'S CELEBRATE COVENANT DAY

10 AM - 2 PM - **OCTOBER 18, 2025**

Our Mission: Strengthen the Covenant of Grace

100 YEARS OF THE COVENANT OF GRACE

21 years of ministry at the historic BIRMINGHAM HALL

CROWNING OF THE ROSE IN THE SACRED BIRMINGHAM HALL

Jubilee of Marian Spirituality- October 11-12, 2025

The spirituality of Marian devotions has deep roots in the history of the Church. This devotion to the Blessed Mother has transcended time and place to become a central spiritual pillar for the faithful. From the moment Christ spoke the words "Behold your mother" (John 19:26) the Virgin Mary has been a pivotal figure in Christian devotion. The creation of hymns and prayers in honor of Mary can be found amongst the earliest writings of the Church. Marian devotion has developed and taken on many enriching forms that capture the heart of Christians everywhere.

Mary has long represented the ideal model for Christians. Her virtues and example were extolled in antiquity by the fathers of the Church. Her humble and honest acceptance of God's will, her fiat, is placed as the highest form of faith. Mary is the model of faith exemplifying trusting surrender to our Lord's plan.

For ideas on how to celebrate the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality in your parish, click [here](#).

A Prayer to Our Lady, Star of the Sea

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea.

As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost. Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, word and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say, 'Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?'

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us! Bright Star of the Sea, guide us! Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us. Amen.

--by Pope St. John Paul II

"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: uscbb.org/end-of-life-care." *USCCB Sec. of Pro-Life Activ., Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End*

Catholic Social Services' St. Louise Gift & Thrift is seeking **volunteers** to help run the register, hang clothes, clean, price items, etc. **CSS Donation Center** needs **volunteers** to help receive donations. Volunteer shifts are avail Mon.-Fri. from 9-5 & Sat. from 10-1. **Contact Will** at wstokebrand@cssshope.org

CONFIRMATION FOR OUR PARISH is April 21, '26, Tue., 7:00 pm. Those in **Grades 5 & 6** will be confirmed. Older children or adults not confirmed may be confirmed then. Talk to your CCD teacher or Fr. Lux. **Please PRAY** for all those preparing.

Great retreat opportunity:

Confirmed for

Mission
Confirmation
Retreat

Date: October 23, 2025 at Camp Katers, McCool Junction
January 31, 2026 at St. Michael Parish, LINCOLN
February 14, 2026 at North American Martyrs, Lincoln
February 28, 2026 at St. Michael Parish, HASTINGS

Time: 10 am to 3 pm

For: Children to be Confirmed and their Parent or Sponsor

Fee: \$20 per person (lunch provided)

"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.lincolndioccc.org/mission
Or contact: michele-chambers@cdolinc.net or call 402.473.0631



10th Annual Knights of Columbus Event

COATS FOR KIDS

Saturday, October 18th, 2025
9 am- until supplies run out

SACRED HEART NEW PARISH HALL
3127 T St. Lincoln (enter from 31st St.)

FREE new & gently used coats will be handed out to all children in need

CHILD MUST BE PRESENT
Sizes boys & girls 4, 6, 7, 8, 10/12, 14/16

Event co-hosted by Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska. Follow our Facebook event for the latest updates: cssshope.org/fbcats

AROUND OUR PARISH

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

Sunday	Oct 12	6:30 pm	Confirmation Class 1	Parish Hall
Tuesday	Oct 14	7:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study (Call Renae at 402-419-4491)	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Oct 15	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Mtg—Rosary at 7pm; Mtg at 7:30pm	Parish Hall
Thursday	Oct 16	7:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Hour	Church
Friday	Oct 17	8:00 pm	AA—Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Oct 18	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.***

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 10/05/25

Adult Envelopes	\$985.00
Plate	\$711.46
Hall Rental	\$100.00
Total Deposit	\$1,796.46

IMPORTANT PARISH EVENTS COMING UP

Parish Photo Directory— You can submit your family photos to Denise Clements or Liz Kucera. All photos to be submitted by Oct. 15th. Thank you.

The **Matt Talbot Kitchen supper signup sheet** is at the back of church. Our parish will serve **Thursday, Oct. 30, at 5:30 PM.** We need people to serve the meal & people to donate different food items. Please make sure to have the items in the kitchen before noon that Thursday. Any questions, please contact Kassie Ebbers. Her info is on the bottom of the signup sheet.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH- ST. JAMES ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. in the Parish Hall. Both **dine-in & to-go orders** 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.**

October 7 we transitioned to **ParishSOFT Giving** - our new, secure, online giving platform! No action is required from current online donors. Your gift schedules & payment details were securely transferred. For previous Faith Direct users, log in to **ParishSOFT Giving** using your same credentials. *The Faith Direct URL will redirect to the ParishSOFT Giving URL automatically, for the next several months. We are in the process of updating the website; however, you can now use the website to be redirected.*

Benefits you'll enjoy:

- Flexible scheduling and more payment options
- Direct access to edit your account anytime
- Continued access to Donor Support *Please consider online giving.*



New Opportunity! OUTDOOR PLANTERS—The two planters outside the church front doors are in need of a new caretaker. One option could be a rotation of teams/individuals throughout the year. Consider the possibilities! This may also be a good service to the church for a family.

From PCCW President Denise Clements

****Box of Joy** Boxes are in the **link area** on the table. Please take 1 or more to fill up as a family. *These Christmas gifts are sent to children in developing countries like Haiti, Malawi & the Dominican Republic. Filled with toys, clothing, school supplies, a rosary & The Story of Jesus, these gifts represent Christ's love. Your donation will demonstrate Christ's compassion to a child who may have never before received a Christmas gift.* The boxes need to be **returned by Sun., Oct. 26th**, so I have time to deliver them for shipping. **PCCW** will help pay the shipping costs. More info at [Box of Joy | Cross Catholic Outreach](#). See the list of requested items & a Christmas coloring sheet that can go in your box. There are more of the lists & coloring sheets on the table.
***November** - We will **not** be participating in the **Tree of Warmth** this year.

- ***October 11 - 21st Annual Clothing Share** is free. You can bring now/take the 11th any gently used clothes or household items that you would like. You can stop at the church anytime **Saturday morning** or **Sunday** between Masses. Remaining items will be go 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.
- ***December**- The **Santa Cop Program** Christmas tree w/ tags for Christmas gifts for children in need will be in the vestibule. Thank you.
- ***Dec.** - **St. Joseph's circle** - a **fun surprise for the kids** after **Christmas Program.**

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 **TMIY**. The topic is "Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart." **Saturday 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

		Oct 11-12	Oct 18-19	Oct 25-26	Nov 1-2: All Souls Day	Nov 8-9
Saturday 5:00 pm	Reader	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth
	Acolyte	Kurt Larkins	Randy Eickmeier	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)
	Server 1	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett	(volunteer)
	Server 2	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteer)
Sunday 8:00 am	Reader	Joe Vinton	Jerry Lentfer	Chris Hytrek	Michelle Milke	Joe Vinton
	Acolyte	Chris Hytrek	Scott Osterhaus	Tony Sullivan	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek
	Server 1	Simon Robinson	Jax Peterson	Carson Eickmeier	Carter Stieb	Liam Dush
	Server 2	Spencer Robinson	Drake Peterson	Parker Eickmeier	Asher Stieb	Kyler Beck
	Server 3					
	Server 4					
Sunday 10:30 am	Reader	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel	Ron Eisenbarth	Myron Heusinkvelt
	Server 1	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel
	Server 2	Ty Troxel	(volunteer)	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	(volunteer)
	Server 3					
	Server 4					
Collection Counters	Julie P. / Lauren E.	Jeanne E. / Lori J.	Jim F. / Theron T.	Randy & Colleen/ Amy A.	Julie P. / Lauren E.	

MOWING OF ST. JAMES CATHOLIC PARISH church & rectory GROUNDS.
We need you!



THANK YOU to all who have mowed/trimmed & to all who will. Help God's House look the best in town.

Sign up now at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4AAEA823A3FCC61-49023719-stjames>.