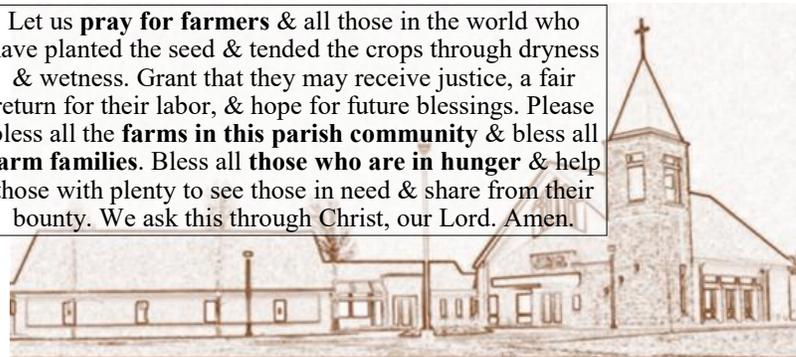


St. James the Greater. Pray for us.



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!

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + NOVEMBER 16, 2025

Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand. Luke 21:28

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.			
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME							
Sat.	Nov 15	5:00 pm	SJ	Ted Fuhrman+			
Sun.	Nov 16	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish			
		10:30 am	SJ	Special Intention (A)			
Mon.	Nov 17	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+			
Tue.	Nov 18	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor			
Wed.	Nov 19	6:30 pm	SJ	Deceased Knights of Col. Members			
Thu.	Nov 20	7:00 am	SJ	Mabel Folda+			
Fri.	Nov 21	7:00 am	SJ	Larry Wackel & Family			
Sat.	Nov 22	8:00 am	SJ	Max Nordeen+			
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE							
Sat.	Nov 22	5:00 pm	SJ	Joe, Mary Sullivan Family+			
Sun.	Nov 23	8:00 am	SJ	Rita Petska+			
		10:30 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish			

Communion is taken to *Lakeview & Gold Crest* on Wednesday.

CHOIR at 8:00 am Mass on next **Sunday, Nov 23rd**. All are welcome to come & sing! Questions to Katie W. Come enhance our sacred thanksgiving.

THE GIVING TREE— Tags are on the tree for everyone to take & shop for a Christmas item for a child. All gifts are to be UNWRAPPED & NO BATTERIES. Place tag on the gift for the appropriate age level. The final date for collection is **Sunday, December 14th**....so get your shopping done early! The gifts will be delivered by Rob Brenner to a middle school & a elementary school in Lincoln for distribution to the young children. Wrapping Paper is also appreciated — as the gift will be wrapped by the organization. *PCCW*.

THANK YOU to all who helped with the success of *ST. JAMES SOUP SUPPER*- donations of soup ingredients, desserts, volunteering time to help prep, serve, pack to-go orders & clean-up. Special thanks to the **youth** of our parish. **The meal was delicious!** Thank you to all of those who came from the community & from afar. May God bless all involved.

CONFIRMATION CLASS #2 is **Sunday, 11/16, 6:30 pm**. Please pray for those preparing. Thank you to all involved.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE FALL CLEAN-UP ON 11/15. There are other tasks needing done. You are welcome to address them.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things & I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, & unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Nov 16-22

<i>Sr. Mary Elizabeth of the Trinity from Park Hills, KY</i>	<i>Jr. Professed Novice</i>	<i>Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph</i>
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Please pray for new entrants in Diocese of Lincoln Motherhouses.

Seminarian Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Nov 16-22

Jonathan Reeb from Blessed Sacrament, Lincoln, NE	College 1	<i>St. Gregory the Great Seminary</i>
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Please pray for young men discerning a call to the priesthood in the Diocese of Lincoln.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR November 2025-

For the **prevention of suicide**- Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, & love they need in their community, & be open to the beauty of life.

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

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.

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

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

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

MASS OF THE AMERICAS- The Catholic Diocese of Lincoln will host one of 12 nationwide Masses this year as part of "Project Guadalupe 2031" & in celebration of the Jubilee Year of Hope. Composed by Frank La Rocca, the Mass of the Americas is a unity Mass to Our Lady of Guadalupe & Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception commissioned by Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of San Francisco. It uses texts in Spanish, English, Latin & Nahuatl. Join us for this beautiful Mass on **Friday, December 12, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** at the **Cathedral of the Risen Christ, 3500 Sheridan Blvd. in Lincoln.**

We also invite you to a special presentation on **Our Lady of Guadalupe** on **Monday, Dec. 1, 2025** at 6:30 p.m. at the **Cathedral of the Risen Christ** featuring Scott Watts of Guadalupe Missions.

HEALING MASS will be held **December 7, '25, at 2:00 pm** in **John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 37th & Sheridan Blvd., Linc., NE.** Salt & water will be blessed before Mass begins & will be offered to all as you leave. You may bring your own & other items to be blessed at that time. **Sacrament of Reconciliation, beginning 1:15, Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 1:30 pm., Praise & Worship 1:40 pm.,** Blessing of salt/water/religious articles immediately before **Mass begins.** Eucharistic Exposition & Healing Prayer after the Mass.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House is hiring Full-time Office & Program Coordinator. Inquiries/resumes to director@olgcretreat.org.

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

OLGC IGNATIAN RETREATS: Details: <https://goodcounselretreat.org/our-retreats/>
4 & 8 Day Options: Nov. 16-24. Spiritually Directed by Fr. Barak, Fr. Coulter, Jo Vasa, Matt Simmons, or Sarina Stokes.
Dec. 15-22. Spiritually Directed by Fr. Coulter, Jo Vasa, or Matt Simmons.
4, 5, or 6-Day Options: Flexible Starting Dates.
Dec. 28-Jan. 2. Spiritually Directed by Fr. Coulter, Jo Vasa, or

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 **OLGC 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.

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.**

This Week On Formed- Week of November 09, 2025.

What Catholics Believe About Mary: Immaculate Conception, Virginity & the



Rosary- Join Dr. Edward Sri as he answers some of the internet's most asked questions about Mary. Who is Mary? Why do Catholics pray to Mary? How could she be a virgin if Jesus had brothers & sisters according to the Bible? Find out answers to these & more questions in this episode of What Catholics Believe. <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3561162/>

Ode to Saint Cecilia- The lives of the saints are epic stories & particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre. <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/582211/>



St. Elizabeth of Hungary | Little Saints- A group of kids stages a play about St. Elizabeth of Hungary, focusing on her love for the poor & her devotion to serving others. The episode highlights her life, including the Miracle of the Roses, where her hidden acts of

charity are revealed. <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3379482/> "FIND OUR PARISH SUBSCRIPTION": Sign in / sign up. GO to [formed.org](https://www.formed.org). Get the **Formed App.**



Forget to register for MAGNIFICAT's FALL PRAYER MEAL with Father Jim Morin? There's still time! Register today, November 16. The Prayer Meal is this Saturday, November 22, 9:30 a.m. to Noon at Hillcrest Country Club! Register at: <https://www.osvhub.com/magnificatmorningstarchapter/forms/november-prayer-meal-featuring-fr-morin> For more information about Magnificat, contact Coordinator Rhonda Litt at 402.525.6396. **P.S.** As an extra bonus, Sue & John Johnson's **Catholic Art & Jewelry will be available with Vintage & Contemporary Catholic Art** for the Season of Christmas!

LOOKING FOR AN ADVENT ACTIVITY/DEVOTION? Consider the **Jesse Tree** as presented at https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/files/Jesse_Tree_2021_CatholicCulture.pdf. You can use all or part of it to pray as a group or individually. Go from Creation to the Nativity with God's Word.

"By your patience, you shall possess your souls." Learn how the virtue of patience can enhance your marriage on the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on: **Feb. 20-22, '26, Lincoln;** Sept. 18-20, 2026, Grand Island, NE. Questions: Brenda Gary: 402-370-5839. **Spanish WWME Experience: Dec. 5-7, 2025, Omaha.** Contact: Victor & Lupita Corona: 651-343-2348. Space limited, reserve now. Info: www.wwme.org. Follow @worldwidemarriageencounter on Instagram & Fb!

Retreats You Won't Want to Miss at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly.

Voices from Retreat... "The retreat anchored me back to what truly matters. It reminded me that God created me with purpose, & my only goal in life is to know, love, & serve Him. I left with renewed clarity to put first things first—and with practical ways to ensure I'm putting Him first in all I do. I wholeheartedly recommend the retreat center—it was simple, quiet, & deeply hospitable. The grounds were beautiful & inviting, creating a peaceful space for reflection & renewal." -Catalina

Nov 22 Retreat for Moms of Young People w/ Fr. Jay Buhman. 1 day. Baby friendly.
Nov. 23 Fathers Know Best: Consecration to St. Joseph: 1-day. Men & fathers to draw closer to Christ by following the example & intercession of St. Joseph.

Dec. 5-7 Waiting for Jesus with Mary- Enter into the quiet beauty of Advent w/ the **Marian Sisters** - prepare your heart for the coming of Christ. This weekend retreat for **women of all ages** offers time for rest, reflection, & renewal thru prayer, the sacraments, & inspiring talks. Come away w/ Mary to wait for Jesus & rediscover peace & joy this Advent season.

Dec. 11-14 Men's Spiritual Exercises w/ *Regnum Christi* | Led by Fr. Fergal Ó Dúill, L.C. (*Legionaries of Christ*) **All men are invited** - encounter Christ more deeply via the *Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius*. Silence, prayer, reflection, Mass, Adoration, Confession, & spiritual direction. Thursday evening social & formation day on Friday. Available in-person or online.

[Goodcounselretreat.org](https://www.goodcounselretreat.org) 402.786.2705



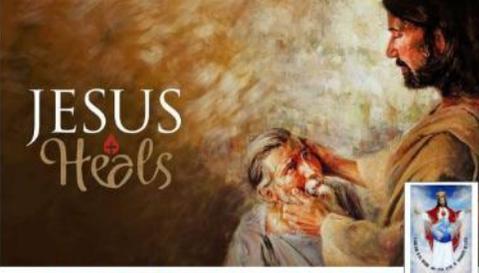
ONE BOOK + ONE DIOCESE
Featuring Four Books by Fr. Jacques Philippe

Book Discussion Evening

"Interior Freedom"
with Fr. Ryan Kaup
Friday, November 21 at 6:00 p.m.
UNL Newman Center, Lincoln

Refreshments provided
Book discussions will also be available on the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln YouTube channel

A bundle of all books is available at Gloria Deo in Lincoln



NIGHT OF HEALING FAITH

God our Heavenly Father, through Your Son Jesus, our Victim-High Priest, True Prophet, and Sovereign King of All Nations, pour forth the power of Your Holy Spirit upon us and open our hearts. In Your great mercy, through the Motherly mediation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Queen, forgive our sinfulness, heal our brokenness, and renew our hearts in the faith, and peace, and love, and joy of Your Kingdom, that we may be one in You.
—From the Chapter of Unity given by Our Lord, Jesus, King of all Nations

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2025

Visitation and Veneration of the Sacred Image of Jesus, King of All Nations
Approved by Bishop James Conley, Diocese of Lincoln
Father William Holoubek with Area Priests

St Anthony Catholic Church • 201 Third Street • Steinauer, NE
Diocese of Lincoln 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage Site

6:00pm Mass • 6:30pm Exposition and Adoration/Confessions

7:00pm Reposition and Healing Service for the Sick and those in Physical, Emotional, or Spiritual Need

Light Refreshments and Conversation to Follow in the Parish Center

Nihil Obstat: +Bishop Enrique Hernandez Rivera, D.D. <https://fjki.com/jesus-king-of-all-nations/>

LOLEK NEBRASKA HIGH SCHOOL PILGRIMAGE- Sophomores & older (inc. recent grads) are invited to join students from the *Diocese of Lincoln* on a pilgrimage to **Rome & Assisi, June 6–16, '26**. Pilgrims will stay in religious guest houses, walk in the footsteps of the saints, & visit sacred sites inc. *St. Peter's Basilica*, the *Vatican Museums*, & *Assisi*. Estimated land-only cost is \$2,600–\$2,900 (airfare addl.).
For details & updates-
www.lolekpilgrimage.org/nehs2026.

VILLA MARIE SCHOOL HOEDOWN fundraiser Friday, February 6.

More info scan QR code or email sasha-kelly@cdolinc.net.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT VILLA MARIE! We're so grateful for everyone who supports our mission- & we'd love to welcome even more helping hands! We need **Volunteers** in the classrooms any day, esp. on **Tuesdays** while Miss Rita is away for the winter. No classroom experience needed. Also, someone to help **iron chapel linens** every other week & **clean bathrooms** on Fridays or Saturdays. If you'd like to share your time & talents, please email villamarieinfo@cdolinc.net.

PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL is seeking an **Accounting Specialist** to manage daily accounting tasks, with a primary focus on accounts payable. This role also supports accounts receivable, general ledger, payroll, & cash management. Responsibilities include assisting with benefits billing & ensuring accurate financial reporting through month-end reconciliations, journal entries, & accruals. More information or to apply visit our website: piusx.net/jobs.

Women's Care Center- Lincoln is hiring for full-time or part-time **LPN/RN/Ultrason Tech**. Nursing deg. OR ultrasonography required. Spanish-speaking is a plus!
Email barb@womenscarecenter.org.

NOTE: UPDATED DATE FOR FATHER/SON PROGRAM!

FATHER/SON PROGRAM
IN HIS IMAGE
Saturday, December 13, 2025
St. Joseph Catholic Church
1940 S. 77th St. 10:00 am - 12:30 p.m.
Includes lunch
\$30 includes father and son
<https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/01-fatherson-program-fall-2025>

PRaise & WORSHIP NIGHT

at **St. Mary's in Ashland-**

Everyone is invited on **Wed., Nov. 19**, from 7:15-8:15pm. Live worship music, moments of silence, confessions, prayer teams, & Eucharistic Adoration. Come light a candle for a personal intention & rest in



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

Jubilee of the Poor- November 16, 2025

The *Jubilee of the Poor* is not only an opportunity to recommit to the preferential option for the poor & vulnerable, but also an invitation to take one step further into the challenge of living in true solidarity with the poor, something Pope Francis explains "means combatting the structural causes of poverty, inequality, the lack of work, land, & housing, the denial of social & labor rights. It means confronting the destructive effects of the empire of money... Solidarity, understood in its most profound meaning, is a way of making history" (*Fratelli Tutti* no. 116, quoting *Address to the Meeting of Popular Movements*).

As we anticipate the Jubilee of the Poor, this invitation to solidarity with those poor & most vulnerable in our communities is also an opportunity to support the vital work of programs like CCHD, which embodies this solidarity by addressing the root causes of poverty in communities across America. The *Jubilee of the Poor* is a time to renew our commitment to the Church's mission to walk with the poor & bring about transformative change. Together, we can live out the Gospel call to serve our brothers & sisters most in need, ensuring that all may experience the fullness of God's love & mercy.

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

A Prayer for the Poor

Holy Spirit,

We praise & thank you!

You anoint us to bring glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, recover sight for the blind, free the oppressed, & build communities in keeping with God's vision of justice.

Show us how to be light of the world, salt of the earth, seeds that sprout love, & leaven that infuses humanity, with the desire to promote, human dignity & solidarity.

Help us to listen so that those in poverty can lead our efforts to proclaim a more hopeful vision, liberate captives from injustice, heal the blindness of the powerful, free us all from self-centeredness, & build community to overcome poverty. Amen.



A MORNING OF REFLECTION for single women, ages 14-30, on **Saturday, Nov. 22**. The day will start with optional Mass at 9 a.m. at the *Newman Center*, 320 N. 16th Street. At **10 a.m.**, all will gather in the *Aurora Room* at the *Christ the King Chapel*, 1040 S. Cotner Blvd., home of the *Pink Sisters*. Coffee & rolls will be served & the cloistered Sisters will address the ladies on the topics of discernment & life as a cloistered nun with an opportunity to ask questions. **If you would like to attend this special event, please email or text Joan Tasler at JFTasler@gmail.com; 402-310-9682.**

Come & join us for this rare visit with our *Pink Sisters!*

Director of Development- The

Catholic Diocese of Lincoln seeking *Director of Dev.* to lead stewardship & fundraising efforts that support **Catholic education & diocesan ministries**. Director will work closely w/ Bishop James Conley & diocesan leadership to strengthen the **Good Shepherd Scholarship Fund**, the **Bishop's Appeal for Vocations**, & other key initiatives. Qualified candidates will have fundraising experience, strong communication skills, & a heart for the mission of the Church. The applicant must be a practicing Catholic in good standing. To apply, please send a cover letter & resumé to: Marsha Bartek, Human Resources Manager marsha-bartek@lincolndiocese.org. Deadline for applications is **December 5, 2025**

MASSES OF HEALING
John XXIII Diocesan Center
3700 Sheridan Blvd - Lincoln, NE

2025 Dates
Sunday, March 02
Sunday, June 8
Sunday, September 14
Sunday, December 07

Schedule
1:15 PM Confessions Begin
1:30 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
1:50 PM Blessing of Articles
2:00 PM Healing Mass

AROUND OUR PARISH

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

Tuesday	Nov 18	7:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study (Call Renae at 402-419-4491)	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Nov 19	6:30 pm	Knights of Columbus Mtg—Mass at 6:30pm; Rosary at 7pm; Mtg follows	Parish Hall
Thursday	Nov 20	7:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Hour	Church
Friday	Nov 21	8:00 pm	AA—Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Nov 22	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**.

LECTORS & ACOLYTES - ANNUAL MEETING -

Thursday, November 20th. Come for Adoration & Benediction of the Holy Eucharist at 7pm, followed by a THANK YOU RECEPTION. We would like everyone to attend as It will be a time of discussion, reflection on the past year, & preparation for the new Liturgical year, to begin on November 30. Lector Handbooks will also be handed out. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION OF TIME & TALENT. There will be acolyte training on some finer points & time for questions.

DECEMBER 7TH PANCAKE BREAKFAST—9 am to Noon. Served by *Knights of Columbus*.

REQUEST MASSES be offered for your intentions. **2026 Calendar** is here. Dates requested- 1st come. \$10.

ST. JOSEPH- BEATRICE will start church interior restoration in February. We will host their 1st Communion & Confirmation.

PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN INFORMATION

THANK YOU to all who were at last Wednesday's meeting. **POINSETTIA DONATION** – Envelopes are on the table in church entry for a **\$10.00 donation** towards poinsettias in **honor or in memory of a loved one**. Just drop it in the collection basket. Help decorate the church for Christmas. Thank you.

ST. JAMES YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be Wednesday, **Dec 17 at 7:00 pm** in *St. James Church*. We ask **all of our talented youth, 3 years & older (HS, too)**, to participate in the **preschool program, prelude music/talents** prior to the start of the play, &/or **program participation!**

Practices will be:

- Sun., 12/7** - CCD time (9:05-9:45am)*
- Wed., 12/10** - @ 6:30pm-8 (immed. after 6pm Mass).
- Sun., 12/14** - CCD time (9:05-10:10am)*

*Students not in program will be in their classrooms.

Practices for PRESCHOOL (meet in *Kinderg. room*):

- Sun., 12/7** - 9:00am-9:20am
- Sun., 12/14** - 9:00 am- 9:15am

Please **sign up** your child for the *St. James Youth Christmas program* at the [link](#) ASAP so we can know who to plan for. Thanks so very much!

PCCW MEETING will be Wednesday, **December 10th**— after 6:00 pm Mass. A meal will be provided. There will be an **ornament exchange**. If you would like to participate in the exchange, bring a 5.00-\$10.00 ornament/gift. A fun-filled evening with food & fellowship.

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

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 11/09/25

Adult Envelopes	\$1,831.00
Plate	\$234.00
All Souls Day Intentions	\$655.00
Mass Intentions-October	\$510.00
Total Deposit	\$3,230.00



ParishSOFT Giving is our new, secure, online giving platform! Current online donors' gift schedules & payment details were securely transferred. For previous *Faith Direct* users, log in to **ParishSOFT Giving** using the same credentials. **Please consider online giving to our Parish.** Get started at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-1020> or see **Online Giving** on the Parish Website. Thank you.

THANK YOU to all who have supported the **LDCCW PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE**. Our parish donated 4,695 diapers. About 5 cases of wipes also. **Would you like the LDCCW to shop for you?** You can mail a **check** payable to LDCCW to: 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell NE 68404. LDCCW will purchase needed diaper sizes thru the year. The Fifth grade CCD won the donuts! Thank you to the PCCW for sponsoring this.



OUTDOOR PLANTERS- The 2 planters outside the church front doors need caretakers. An option could be a rotation of teams/individuals thru the year.

ONE LIFE TO GIVE- BISHOP'S APPEAL FOR VOCATIONS '25-

Our parish has pledged **\$9,715** to help to help with some of the cost of the expenses for our future priests, in their **studies, training, &**



formation. Thank you. You may still pledge/give.

To give online see: <https://www.givecentral.org/Diocese-of-Lincoln-BAV>.

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.

THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY) revised videos "Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart" continue. **Sat., 6:30a** in the **Parish Hall**. Info: Mike 402-540-8041 or Joe.

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.

Liturgical Ministers for Sundays & Holy Week

		Nov 15-16	Nov 22-23	Nov 29-30	Dec 6-7	Immaculate Conception-Holy Day Dec 8
Saturday 5:00 pm	Reader	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	
	Acolyte	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Vigil Mass
	Server 1	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett	(volunteer)	to be determined
	Server 2	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteer)	
Sunday 8:00 am	Reader	Jerry Lentfer	Chris Hytrek	Michelle Milke	Joe Vinton	Mon., 7:00am —Jerry Lentfer
	Acolyte	Scott Osterhaus	Tony Sullivan	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek	Patrick Milke
	Server 1	Andrew Oelke	Rylan Hochstein	Brayden Kuhlman	Sam Robinson	(volunteer)
	Server 2	Cooper Mason	Reid Hochstein	Hudson Kuhlman	Sawyer Robinson	(volunteer)
	Server 3					
Server 4						
Sunday 10:30 am	Reader	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	Cole Henn	Mon., 7:00pm —Ginger Jelinek
	Acolyte	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Eisenbarth	Ron Boden
	Server 1	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel
	Server 2	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	Kyler Beck	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel
	Server 3					
Server 4						
Collection Counters	Jeanne E. / Lori J.	Jim F. / Theron T.	Kassie E. /Amy A.	Julie P. / Lauren E.		