



FEBRUARY IS CATHOLIC PRESS MONTH in the U.S.:

Feb. 7-8 is the Catholic Press Collection for our *Southern Nebraska Register* diocesan newspaper. Parishes across the diocese will collect **\$16 per household** for the SNR. This annual subscription fee makes the SNR staff's work possible! **Catholic Press envelopes** are in entryway. Please consider giving extra over \$16 to help us provide the SNR for every household in our parish. Thank you for helping share the Good News of Christ—and our local Church. Check out SNR Online : <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/snr>



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!**

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + FEBRUARY 8, 2026

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.* John 8:12

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; *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 SJ- St. James Church. GCRC- Gold Crest Retirement Center	MASS READINGS — Follow the Church's liturgical life. Read the Sacred Scriptures before Mass. Try to join daily Mass.
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat	Feb 7	5:00 pm	SJ	Rita Petska+
Sun	Feb 8	8:00 am	SJ	Jose Martinez+
		10:30 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish
Mon	Feb 9	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+
Tue	Feb 10	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor
Wed	Feb 11	6:30 pm	SJ	James Folda+
Thu	Feb 12	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor
Fri	Feb 13	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor
Sat	Feb 14	8:00 am	SJ	Weitzel & Davis Families

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Is 58: 7-10/ Ps 112: 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 (4a)/ 1 Cor 2: 1-5/ Mt 5: 13-16

Ordinary Weekday: 1 Kgs 8: 1-7. 9-13/ Ps 132: 6-7. 8-10/ Mk 6: 53-56
Scholastica, v, r M: 1 Kgs 8: 22-23. 27-30/ Ps 84: 3. 4. 5 & 10. 11/ Mk 7: 1-13
Ordinary Wkdy./Our Lady of Lourdes: 1 Kgs 10: 1-10/ Ps 37: 30-31. 39-40/ Mk 7: 14-23
Ordinary Weekday: 1 Kgs 11: 4-13/ Ps 106: 3-4. 35-36. 37 & 40/ Mk 7: 24-30
Ordinary Weekday: 1 Kgs 11: 29-32; 12: 19/ Ps 81: 10-11ab. 12-13. 14-15/ Mk 7: 31-37
Cyril & Methodius, bps M: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/ Ps 106:6-7ab.19-20.21-22/Mk 8:1-10

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat	Feb 14	5:00 pm	SJ	Jay Wischmeier+
Sun	Feb 15	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish
		10:30 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:
Sir 15: 15-20/ Ps 119: 1-2. 4-5. 17-18. 33-34 (1b)/ 1 Cor 2: 6-10/ Mt 5: 17-37

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

COLLECTION FOR SRI LANKAN CATHOLICS REBUILDING FEBRUARY 21-22. Late Nov. 2025 Sri Lanka was hit by devastating storms & flooding. The country continues to work to rebuild, Bishop Conley, given the close connection between our diocese & the *Archdiocese of Colombo*, asks that all parishes take up a **2nd collection** at all Sunday Masses on 2/21-22 (the *1st Sunday of Lent*) to provide financial assistance to the *Archdiocese of Colombo* to assist them in making repairs to Church property & to provide material assistance to those who are still struggling to rebuild. Put your donation in the **2nd collection** or in an envelope clearly marked as "**Disaster Relief for the Archdiocese of Colombo**".

MAN & WOMAN HE CREATED THEM: TOGETHER W/ PURPOSE— We will honor Couples married 25 years, 50 yrs. & more at Masses for **NEXT Sunday (2/7&8). National Marriage Week (2/7-14/26) & World Marriage Day (Sun., 2/8/26)** observances help us focus on building a culture of life & love that begins w/ supporting & promoting marriage & the family.



PCCW MEETING for February will be this TUESDAY, 2/10, at 7:00 p. No evening Mass before.
2025 PCCW DUES are \$10 per lady in St. James Parish. You can either use **ParishSOFT Giving** (note that it is for dues) or use an envelope & put in the collection.

LENTEN PILGRIMAGE---KANSAS & OKLAHOMA SAINTS! A 3-day pilgrimage (March 23-25) to Pilsen, KS, to visit Venerable Emil Kapaun's parish & museum. We would tour & have Mass there. We would overnight Monday in Wichita, KS, at the *Drury Inn* w/ free dinner & drinks & Tuesday complimentary breakfast. Then, we would go to *Oklahoma City* to visit the *Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine*, lunch, & visit the *National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum*. Hotel, dinner at Cracker Barrel. Wednesday - complimentary breakfast & visit the *Oklahoma City Bombing Memorial* w/ Mass at *St. Joseph Old Cathedral* & head home, w/ stop at *Pops 66* in Arcadia, OK. Home in Nebraska Wed. night, March 25th. Cost is \$359/double occupancy, singles \$469. Incl. motor coach, lodging, admission to museum, \$20 GC to *Cracker Barrel* & gratuities. Check out www.travelswithdoris.org for more info & to register or call 402-641-7132. See fliers in entryway of church.

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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Feb 8—14

Sr. Guadalupe from David City, NE	<i>Jr. Sister</i>	<i>Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln</i>
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Please pray for new entrants in **Diocese of Lincoln** Motherhouses.

Seminarian Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Feb 8—14

Colter Fulton from St. Mary, Nebraska City	Theology 1	<i>Mount St. Mary 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 FEBRUARY 2026: For children with incurable diseases. Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases & their families receive the necessary medical care & support, never losing strength & hope.

St. JOSEPH'S-BEATRICE Gala: You are invited to a special evening on **Saturday, Feb. 21, 5 pm**, to benefit **St. Joseph's School & Parish**- Beatrice at the **Beatrice Country Club**. **Social hour, delicious dinner, & silent & live auctions.** Tickets are \$50 per person.

To buy tickets, use QR Code, website, <https://www.stjosephbeatrice.org/news/492-starlight-gala>, or call the rectory 402.223.2923.



Women of all ages are invited to a **WOMEN'S RETREAT** on Sat., **Feb. 28**, from 9 A to 3 PM at **St. John's Church—Lincoln**. Join us for a meaningful day of prayer, reflection, & fellowship, w/ guided reflections by Fr. Matthew Rolling, Academic Dean at **St. Gregory the Great Seminary**. Breakfast & lunch will be provided. A suggested donation of \$35 helps cover costs. Sponsored by **St. John's Women at the Well**. Register at <https://stjohnslincoln.flocknote.com/signup/240043>.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN or **Healing the Whole Person**, April 16-18 at **North American Martyrs, Lincoln**. The **JPII Healing Center** brings restoration, healing, & deeper intimacy with Jesus Christ. Conference Lodging is available at **Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly**. See goodcounselretreat.org & select Retreats, or contact office@olgcretreat.org - 402-786-2705. Likely ill fill up quickly.

Healing the Whole Person
This uniquely engaging format will help you see and experience God's healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, adoration and the Sacraments. Join us Thursday & Friday evening and all-day Saturday.

SAVE THE DATE
April 16-18, 2026

Online Registration Opens January 12, 2026 at 10 AM ET

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

JPIIHEALINGCENTER.ORG

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.

This Week On Formed- Week of February 8, 2026.



Sts. Benedict & Scholastica A pair of holy twins, a cave, & a group of naughty monks... this is the story of Saint Benedict & Saint Scholastica.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2866076/>



Beloved Beloved uncovers the mystery & the meaning of the sacrament of marriage. What if marriage is more than you think it is? What if God has woven into the very fabric of your humanity a purposeful need & desire that can only be fulfilled in your marriage? Beloved invites all couples to experience firsthand the wonder, mystery, & joy behind that first "I do" ... whether you said it last year or many years ago.



Lourdes: Story of Faith, Science, & Miracles The film follows a journalist, his ancestor who met Bernadette at Lourdes, & the story of a woman healed by Lourdes' waters, tracing three lives.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/586236/>

"FIND OUR PARISH SUBSCRIPTION":

Sign in / sign up. GO to formed.org. Get the **Formed App**.

"IN THE UPPER ROOM"~ A HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS~ Thurs., Feb. 19, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. in the **Chapel** at John XXIII Diocesan Center~ spons. by **MAGNIFICAT** of Lincoln & Seven Sisters Apostolate. *Please join us to pray for our Priests before Jesus in His Most Blessed Sacrament in Exposition & Adoration. All are invited to attend. Father Robert Barnhill, Magnificat's Spiritual Advisor, will preside. A community Rosary will be lead by the mother's of Priests, there will be a short Meditation from Fulton Sheen's book "The Priest Is Not His Own", Music, & time for silent personal prayer. Material will be avail. for purchase along with free material to assist you in praying for our Priests. Information will also be avail. for the Seven Sisters Apostolate. Please contact Coordinator Rhonda Litt by text at 402.525.6396 for further info.*

Feb. 20-22 in Lincoln at North American Martyrs Church.

"Communication enhancing our Marriage". Register right-away to save a place. Call/Text 402-370-5839. **Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds & glorify your heavenly Father.** Let the light of your marriage sacrament shine for all. Attend the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** in 2026: Feb. 16—March 23, Monday evenings, virtual & in Grand Junction, CO & Billings, MT; Apr. 18-19, Lakewood, CO; June 19-21, Golden, CO; Aug. 7-9, Wichita, KS; Sept. 18-20, Grand Island, NE; Nov. 6-8, Grand Junction, CO. Questions: Brenda/Gary: 402-370-5839. **Spanish WWME Experience:** 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.



Feb. 14- **Parish Retreat on the Road: Palmyra** w/ Fr. Gary Coulter

Feb. 14- **Valentine's Date Night 2026** w/ Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in the Family & Fr. Robert Matya

Feb. 18- **Ash Wednesday Desert Day Reflection**

Feb. 19-27- **Ignatian Retreat: 8-Day (& 4 Days)**

Feb. 20-22- **Unbound: Freedom in Christ** with Fr. William Holoubek

Feb. 27- Mar. 1- **Living the Good Life** w/ Fr. Nicholas Kipper

Mar. 16-19- **Ignatian Retreat: 4-Day Spring Break** w/ Jo Vasa & Fr. Gary Coulter

Mar. 17- **Desert Day Tuesday: St. Patrick / St. Joseph**

Mar. 19-22- **Catholic Medical Retreat** w/ Sr. Mary Diana Dreger, OP

Mar. 21- **Parish Retreat on the Road: Ashland** w/ Fr. Gary Coulter

Mar. 27-29- **Behold the Humility of God** w/ Fr. Michael Zimmer

Mar. 29- Apr. 2- **Ignatian Retreat: 4-Day Holy Week** w/ Jo Vasa & Matt Simmons

Info &/or Register @ Goodcounselretreat.org 402.786.2705 or scan QR

GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE 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, 5, or 6-Day Options: Flexible Starting Dates. w/ Fr. Gary Coulter.

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**. 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: 2/18, 3/17, 4/24.** Learn more/register at: goodcounselretreat.org/desert-days. OR 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**.



....ENTERING A HOLY PLACE....

When I was a child, the entire Church building was a hallowed place, not an ordinary building like my house. As a young girl in Catholic school, the Sisters of Mercy taught us how sacred it was as the Lord's House, that it held Christ within its walls. They taught us the names of the different areas inside the Church: the **Narthex**, the vestibule or lobby; the **Nave**, the largest room of the Church, containing the pews, all looking towards the **Sanctuary**, which back then, was separated by a Communion rail, with a gate in the middle; & in the Sanctuary was the **Altar**, the table for the meal of *Sacrifice*; the **Tabernacle**, safely containing consecrated hosts, the *Holy Eucharist*; the **Sanctuary Lamp**, a red glowing flame, indicating the real Presence of Christ; & the **Ambo** or Pulpit for proclaiming the Scripture. The priest & altar servers prepared for Mass in the **Sacristy**, a separate room.

Taking you back with me to my childhood... When I went into the Church, the Narthex seemed like the porch on my house, a place where I could play, sit on a swing, or talk to my friends, & see the people walking by. My shoes could be muddy & my clothes messy, & it didn't matter how loud I talked or how rambunctious I was, because I was outside, & not inside, where, through our front door into our living room, was an orderly, clean, respectful, & quieter environment. So when Mom said, "Come inside.", I took off my muddy shoes, brushed the dirt off my clothes, toned down my voice, & calmed my physical energy, because I was now going into my home. Using this comparison, "my home" in the Church building... is called the Nave & the Sanctuary.

Today, our Church building is still the same as many years ago, maybe less beautifully ornate, & maybe no altar rails, but still the "Lord's House". When we go through the large front doors into the Narthex, we are there in our muddiness & messiness, our 'outside' voices & actions, & our every day 'everything's'. Then... as we open the double doors to go into the Nave & Sanctuary, we bless ourselves with Holy Water, & change ourselves from commonplace people into God's Chosen Ones, entering a holy place requiring reverence & awe at the great mystery that takes place there, where we celebrate the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ & receive the Holy Eucharist; a sacred place where quietness & order, prayer & public worship, love of God & of neighbor, all take place with "Christ within its walls".

With the Season of Lent fast approaching, take time to reconsider your attitudes & actions while in the presence of God at Mass. Do you dress appropriately for this time spent with God? Do you act with reverence while in the Nave of the Church & before the altar? Do you focus your attention on the Sacrifice of the Mass taking place before you? Do you go to Communion with awe, knowing full well that you are receiving Jesus into your body & soul? Do you honor God by keeping silent until you leave through the doors of the Narthex? Do you share God's love after Mass by warmly engaging with your fellow parishioners & 'Father' in the Narthex or outside the Church door? Do you think about, & realize, the gift that God has given us in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass?

"The Church & the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, & open to making amends for our serious offenses ...

Let our adoration never cease." (Pope St. John Paul II)

Love in the Spirit. -Diana

Now Hiring: FAMILY SERVICES

REPRESENTATIVE: *Calvary Catholic Cemetery* in Lincoln is seeking a compassionate & organized Family Services Representative to serve families with dignity & care. This role includes assisting with burial arrangements, guiding families through Catholic cemetery traditions, maintaining records, & coordinating memorial markers. To Apply – please send resume & cover letter to jerry-ficke@lincolndiocese.org.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA **MARCH 4TH, 2026**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
SPRING 2026 CAMPAIGN:
 February 18–March 29

TAKE PART IN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE IN LINCOLN:

- Prayer vigil location: Planned Parenthood, 5631 South 48th Street
- Vigil hours: 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM daily
- Contact: Catherine Turner, 402.202.1614

Learn more, get involved, and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address below!

40daysforlife.com/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, March 21 | 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 lisapa24@aol.com or 402.525.9360

sidewalkadvocates.org

Responding to the Heart of the King

A Silent Discernment Retreat

- Winters ages 18-35
- March 13-15, 2026 (Fri evening - Sat afternoon)
- Field at Villa Regina Motherhouse—Lincoln, NE
- Enjoy a weekend with:
- prayer - spiritual direction - talks by Sisters - practical discernment advice from Sisters -
- Details and registration are located on our website or through the QR code or e-mail.

www.sisters.org dk-secrarians@csbklin.org

Save the Date

We are Inviting You to Join Our Nebraska Weekend

RETROROUVILLE
 A RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES
 February 13-15, 2026
helpourmarriage.org

Sacred Heart of Jesus.
Have mercy on us.

Blessed Mother Mary. Pray for us.

St. Joseph. Pray for us.

FEARFULLY AND wonderfully MADE

Mother/Daughter Program for 9-13 year old girls and a mother or other supportive adult female

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

JOHN XXIII DIOCESAN CENTER
 3700 SHERIDAN BLVD

TO REGISTER GO TO <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/01-motherdaughter-program-march-2026> or scan the QR Code

FATHER/SON PROGRAM

IN HIS IMAGE

Sunday, March 8, 2026 Nebraska
 St. Benedict Catholic Church
 411 5th Rue, Nebraska City
 3:00-5:00 pm

There is no charge for this program, but an RSVP by March 2nd to patrickgress@yahoo.com is appreciated.

Pizza will be provided by the Knights of Columbus after the program

ST. JOSEPH LINCOLN YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS:

PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT

FEB 13
 PLUS X COMMONS
 REGISTRATION BEGINS: **6:30 PM**
 TRIVIA STARTS AT 7:00 PM!

2026

GATHER YOUR FRIENDS!

THERE WILL BE A WIDE VARIETY OF PRIZES WITH SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

\$25
 SUGGESTED DONATION PER PERSON

PRIZES FOR BEST TRIVIA & TRIVIA WINNERS!

SCAN TO REGISTER OR VISIT <https://tinyurl.com/stjogknc-trivia2026>

FUN! GAMES! PRIZES!

Get Your Boots On AND SCOOT ON OVER FOR THE ST. JOHN'S Barn Dance

Saturday, February 21

6:30-10:30 PM
 7600 PANAMA RD. HICKMAN, NE 68372
 SEVEN WILLOWS BARN

LIMITED SPOTS - MUST REGISTER ONLINE
\$15/PERSON

18 YEARS AND OLDER (OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL)

Register & more info HERE!

AROUND OUR PARISH

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

Tuesday	Feb 10	7:00 pm	PCCW Meeting (on Tuesday this month)	Parish Hall
Thursday	Feb 12	7:00 pm	Exposition Eucharistic Adoration Hour	Church
Friday	Feb 13	8:00 pm	AA—Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Feb 14	6:30 am	<i>That Man is You</i>	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.***

TRAINING of CANDIDATES to be **Installed Acolytes & Lectors** for our **parish** has been completed. Pray for **Nathan B. & Rico Z.** to be installed as Acolytes on **Sat., 2/14**, during **10 A Mass** in *. Cathedral of the Risen Christ- Lincoln*. You are welcome to attend & support them. Welcome also to **Kim P.** who has registered in the parish & previously installed as an acolyte for St. Peter Church— Lincoln.

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES are available! Contact the office. Please bring your \$15. Thank you to all.

PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN INFORMATION

THANK YOU to those who delivered the Baby Shower items to the *Willow Center*.

THANK YOU to those who attended the Crete Deanery CCW meeting in Wilber Sat. 2/7.

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. JAMES CHURCH DEDICATION celebration **Mass** w/ Bishop Conley & many of the priests who have served our parish on Sunday, **July 19**, at **3pm**. Meal following catered by *Lefty's* from Wilber. All parishioners are invited & encouraged to attend! Summer- Mark **July 19th** on your calendar

THANK YOU to those at the planning meeting. **Next planning meeting** is **March 4** after evening Mass.

Volunteers are needed to help make this a wonderful celebration. **Questions** please contact Mary Gramann or Denise Clements. .

REQUEST MASSES to be offered for your intentions in **2026**. Dates can be requested- 1st come. \$10. Thank you to those who have made requests.

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.

ALUMINUM CANS TO RECYCLE? Accepted at *Vinton Auto* on

THE HEART OF PRAYER invites participants into an intimate & peaceful retreat w/ **Bishop Andrew Cozzens** (Bp. of Crookston, MN & Chair for the **National Eucharistic Congress**). Bp. Cozzens leads viewers thru **8 sessions of teaching & reflection on prayer & its place in our spiritual life**. Set in the beautiful Chateau on the *Augustine Institute* Campus, *The Heart of Prayer* reveals the beauty & transcendence of a prayer life, as Bp. Cozzens draws from Scripture & the saints to offer guidance that is **practical & down-to-earth**.

Viewers will quiet their hearts & minds to hear the voice of God calling to them in their life of prayer. *All episodes will be avail. on Manna on Ash Wednesday, 2/18.*

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband & wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God & each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love & care for together." -USCCB, *Married Love & the Gift of Life* Read at <https://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/love-and-sexuality/married-love-and-the-gift-of-life>

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 02/01/26	
Adult Envelopes	\$1,905.00
Plate	\$364.00
Southern NE Register	\$170.00
Mass Stipends—Jan	\$200.00
Total Deposit	\$2,639.00



ParishSOFT Giving is our secure, online giving platform!

See **Online Giving** on+ the Parish Website.

 **flocknote** can help *St. James Parish* communicate w/ you via **email** &/or **text**. No password or login required. Please **SIGN UP: TEXT "STJAMESCORTLAND"** to **84576** & follow instructions

Or Visit stjamescortland.flocknote.com & enter your name & email address. Emails will always come from: mail@flocknote.com. You can unsubscribe at any time. The *Diocese of Lincoln* subscribes for us.

Parish Group leaders contact the *St. James Parish* office to **learn how to send messages** to your group members.

Thank you to those who are adopting this.

WALK WITH JESUS THIS LENT: Join *St. James* ADULT ENRICHMENT **Lenten Study - No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion**. Dr. Edward Sri takes us on a walk w/ Jesus thru His Passion in the Holy Land. Watch a DVD & have group discussion on workbook questions. **5 sessions** on **Mondays, at 7pm** in the **Parish Hall**, from **February 23** until **March 23**. Please bring your Bible. Study materials will be provided by *St. James*, however, **donations** may be made, if you wish, to help cover the costs. A **sign-up sheet** can be found in the vestibule, or text Diana M. - 402-432-7099 or Fr. Lux. Thank you. Love in the Spirit.

Pray for our CONFIRMANDS & all those helping them prepare for CONFIRMATION on April 21, '26, Tue., 7:00 p. Mass by Bishop Conley. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS preparing for **First Confession** on Sat., **Feb. 28**, 10 am, & for **First Communion** on Sunday, **Apr. 12**, 3:00 P Mass. Please also pray for all who are helping them prepare. Thank you.

ST. JOSEPH- BEATRICE 1st Communion Mass- Sun., Apr. 19, 1:00 pm & **Confirmation Mass- Tue., Apr. 28**, 7:00 p will be in *St. James-Cortland* due to their church interior restoration starting in February.

Liturgical Ministers		Ordinary Time Feb 7-8	Ordinary Time Feb 14-15	First Sunday of Lent Feb 21-22	Second Sunday of Lent Feb 28-Mar 1	Third Sunday of Lent Mar 7-8	Fourth Sunday of Lent Mar 14-15
Saturday 5:00 pm	Reader	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Cole Henn
	Acolyte	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)
	Server 1	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett	(volunteer)	(volunteer)
	Server 2	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteer)	(volunteer)
Sunday 8:00 am	Reader	Joe Vinton	Jerry Lentfer	Chris Hytrek	Michelle Milke	Joe Vinton	Jerry Lentfer
	Acolyte	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek	Scott Osterhaus	Pat Milke
	Server 1	Carson Eickmeier	Carter Stieb	Liam Dush	Andrew Oelke	Rylan Hochstein	Brayden Kuhlman
	Server 2	Parker Eickmeier	Asher Stieb	(volunteer)	Cooper Mason	Reid Hochstein	Hudson Kuhlman
	Server 3		Emmitt Ostrander		Emmitt Ostrander		Emmitt Ostrander
	Server 4		Gunner Ostrander		Gunner Ostrander		Gunner Ostrander
Sunday 10:30 am	Reader	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	Cole Henn	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates
	Acolyte	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Eisenbarth	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel
	Server 1	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel
	Server 2	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	Kyler Beck	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	Kyler Beck
	Server 3	Jude Jelinek	Andrew Troxel	Dedric Dominy		Andrew Troxel	Dedric Dominy
	Server 4					Jude Jelinek	
Collection Counters		Jeanne E./Lori J.	Jim F./Theron T.	Kassie E./Amy A.	Julie P./Laureen E.	Jeanne E./Lori J.	Jim F./Theron T.

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