

St. James the Greater.
Pray for us on our pilgrimage of Lent.



Pilgrim shell with Cross of St. James the Greater

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, especially those in Sri Lanka.



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!

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT + MARCH 1, 2026

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, hear him. Matthew 17:5

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 *me to God who is Mercy!*

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.			
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT							
Sat	Feb 28	5:00 pm	SJ	Rita Petska+	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT:		
Sun	Mar 1	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	Gn 12: 1-4a/ Ps 33: 4-5. 18-19. 20. 22/ 2 Tm 1: 8b-10/ Mt 17: 1-9		
		10:30 am	SJ	Mabel Folda+			
Mon	Mar 2	7:00 am	SJ	All Souls Day Intentions+	<i>Lenten Weekday.</i> Dn 9: 4b-10/ Ps 79: 8. 9. 11 & 13/ Lk 6: 36-38		
Tue	Mar 3	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Lent. Wkdy./Katharine Drexel, v, rf: Is 1:10.16-20/Ps 50:8-9.16bc-17.21 & 23/Mt 23:1-12</i>		
Wed	Mar 4	6:30 pm	SJ	Rita Petska+	<i>Lenten Weekday/ Casimir.</i> Jer 18: 18-20/ Ps 31: 5-6. 14. 15-16/ Mt 20: 17-28		
Thu	Mar 5	7:00 am	SJ	Gena Watson+	<i>Lenten Weekday.</i> Jer 17: 5-10/ Ps 1: 1-2. 3. 4 & 6/ Lk 16: 19-31		
Fri	Mar 6	7:00 am	SJ	Intention of Donor	<i>Lenten Weekday. Day of abstinence from meat (age 14 & up):</i> Gn 37: 3-4. 12-13a. 17b-28a/ Ps 105: 16-17. 18-19. 20-21/ Mt 21: 33-43. 45-46		
Sat	Mar 7	8:00 am	SJ	Those persecuted for the Faith	<i>Lent. Wkdy./Perpetua & Felicity,</i> mts: Mi 7:14-15.18-20/ Ps 103:1-2.3-4.9-10.11-12/Lk 15:1-3.11-32		
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT							
Sat	Mar 7	5:00 pm	SJ	Randy Eickmeier+	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT: <i>First Scrutiny of the Elect</i> at Saturday evening Mass.		
Sun	Mar 8	8:00 am	SJ	For the People of St. James Parish	Ex 17: 3-7/ Ps 95: 1-2. 6-7. 8-9/ Rom 5: 1-2. 5-8/ Jn 4: 5-42		
		10:30 am	SJ	Janet Else+			

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

Lent Stations of the Cross at St. James- Cortland

THURSDAYS 6:30 pm (before Adoration Hour at 7 pm.)

Dates: 3/6, 3/13, 3/20. (3/27 **Good Friday** at 12 Noon.)

FRIDAYS 4:30 pm (during daylight hours & after school hours)

Dates: 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26

CCD STATIONS between Sunday Masses was 2/22. Comments received it was beautiful & inspirational. Thank you to all who helped with the All CCD Stations on 2/22.

PRIVATELY: Your day & time. Stations booklets are available in the Church entry. Other devotional resources available digitally.

On the wounded faces of the poor, we see the suffering of the innocent &, therefore, the suffering of Christ himself. —Leo XIV

Pick up your CRS Rice Bowl & Calendar to join Catholics across the United States in sharing their gifts thru *Catholic Relief Services'* Lenten program that fights hunger & poverty in more than 100 countries. Put faith into action thru prayer, fasting & almsgiving. *For Lent For Life!* See www.crsricebowl.org

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! Mark July 19th on your calendar. **THANK YOU** to those helping to plan. **Volunteers** are needed to help make this a wonderful celebration. **Next planning meeting is THIS Wednesday, March 4, 7:00 pm,** after evening Mass. **Questions** please contact Mary Gramann or Denise Clements.

ST. JAMES PARISH LENTEN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY FAMILY SHRINE on Sunday, March 15. The Shrine is located at 23132 Pflug Rd., Gretna. (I-80 Exit # 432). Meet at *St. James Church* at **1:30 pm** to travel as a group or to carpool. Plan to arrive at the Shrine at **2:30 pm** for an hour or so of adoration & an additional hour to tour the Shrine grounds & *Way of the Cross*. At **4:30 pm** we'll travel to *Parker's Steakhouse* near Ashland for supper. Sign-up sheet is located in the church entry. Questions see Ron B. @ 402-310-7803 or Fr. Lux. Hope you can join us.

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

Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar 2025-26 - Mar 01—07

Sr. Gabriel Perry from Las Vegas, NV	<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 - Mar 01—07

Nicholas Hanus from St. Joseph, Lincoln	College 4	<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 MARCH 2026: For disarmament & peace. Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, & that world leaders choose the path of dialogue & diplomacy instead of violence.

This Week On Formed- Week of March 1, 2026.

LENT & NEW LIFE IN CHRIST What is the importance of almsgiving? Dr. Michael Barber discusses the transformative power of almsgiving for your life.
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2042553/>

STs. PERPETUA & FELICITY | Catholic Saints Dr. Elizabeth Klein & Taylor Kemp discuss the life & impact of 2 female martyrs from the third century, Sts. Perpetua & Felicity. Both were beheaded for refusing to renounce their Christian faith.
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2582392/>

THE TOTAL GIFT: A KATHARINE DREXEL STORY St. Katharine Drexel chose a life dedicated entirely to serving marginalized communities. Born into a wealthy Philadelphia family, Katharine D. used her fortune to challenge societal norms & dedicate her life to education & racial healing.
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3940424/>

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

LENTEN REGULATIONS -CATHOLIC DIOC. OF LINCOLN: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of fasting & abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are considered days of abstinence.
Fasting: means eating 1 full meal w/ 2 smaller meals, which together do not equal the full meal. No snacks or eating btwn. meals allowed. Fasting obliges Catholics btwn. the ages of 18 & 59.
Abstinence means eating no meat, nor soup, nor gravy made from meat. Abstinence obliges all Catholics over the age of 14.
Sickness, hard manual labor, pregnancy, etc., automatically excuse a person from these obligations. Nevertheless, it should be pointed out that these are **serious obligations**. In cases of **doubt or question**, the priest who hears a person's confession should be consulted.

FISH FRY FINDER: <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/fish/>. Listed alphabetically by city. Fish fries are added to this list only when submitted to us. Double-check the parish bulletin or website for the most up-to-date info. We'll continue to add more fish fries as they're submitted, check back often-share page w/ friends so everyone can scale up their Friday plans! *Spirit Catholic Radio.*

BEATRICE ST. JOSEPH'S FISH FRY: Fridays, March 6, 13, & 20, 5:30-7:00pm. In the Parish Center at 6th & High St, enter at the northeast school doors. Fried & baked fish, cole slaw, french fries, green beans, mac & cheese, baked potato, & deserts. \$12 per adult, \$6 kids 4-10, (under 4 eat free), \$40 max price per family. Sponsored by the K. of C. Council 1723.

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

SPRING MAGNIFICAT PRAYER MEAL - MARCH 21, 9:30 a.m. to Noon in the new **Sacred Heart Parish Center** 3127 T Street with **ROSEMARY CLEMENTS** sharing her Testimony, her Magnificat! Be a friend & bring a friend as in the Visitation when Mary & Elizabeth shared the Joy of the Holy Spirit in Gratitude & Praise of Our Lord! The **Morning Star Chapter of Magnificat** is celebrating our 30th Anniversary 1996-2026! A special thank you to all the women of our Diocese who have supported the Ministry! Register by March 15 at <https://www.osvhub.com/magnificatmorningstarchapter/forms/prayermealmarch21>
Glorify the Lord with me. Let us together extol His Holy Name! Ps 34:4. Please contact Coordinator Rhonda Litt by text at 402.525.6396 for further information.



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

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



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.

MASS w/ PRAYERS FOR HEALING- March 1, 2026 @ John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd., Lincn. Pray for healing for yourself, your family, friends, for our Church, our Nation & for peace in our world. Blessed Salt & water will be offered to all as you leave. You may bring your own & other items to be blessed.
+**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 at 2 pm.
+**Eucharistic Exposition & Healing Prayer** after the Mass
Future dates for 2026, June 7, Sept. 6, Dec. 6

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. If the devil tempted Jesus, who was God, how much more will he tempt us into sin. Bring the Father, Son & Holy Spirit into your marriage to help you resist temptations. Attend an upcoming **World-wide Marriage Encounter Experience** in 2026: 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!

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

RETREATS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly.

OLGC IGNATIAN RETREATS: Details: <https://goodcounselretreat.org/our-retreats/> 4, 5, or 6-Day Options: Flexible Starting Dates. w/ Fr. Gary Coulter.

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
April 2 - 4: **Holy Week Retreat for Young Women** w/ Marian Sisters of the Dioc. Linc.
April 10-12: **I AM** w/ Fr. Christopher Stoley
Upcoming Desert Days: April 24, May 13
Info &/or Register @ Goodcounselretreat.org 402.786.2705 or scan QR

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:** 3/17, 4/24, 5/13. 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 of Columbus!**

**LENTEN MEDITATION ON THE ROSARY:
THE SCOURING AT THE PILLAR**

*He bore the punishment that makes us whole,
by His wounds we were healed. (Is 53:5)*

In telling of the *Scouring at the Pillar*, all four Gospel writers described it in terse & unemotional words: *Matthew 27:26- ...He (Pilate) had Jesus scourged. & Mark 15:15- ...He had Jesus scourged. Luke 23:22- ...I shall have him flogged. John 19:1- Pilate took Jesus & had him scourged.*

The reality of scourging is difficult to absorb, & possibly was too painful for the writers to describe in detail. This practice of scourging criminals, was used as a deterrent to prevent others from acting against the Roman rulers. It was often a precursor of crucifixion, & was performed in public, with the crowds strongly encouraged to attend the spectacle. In Pilate's headquarters, the Praetorium, stood a stone pillar, that was designated for the frequent floggings that occurred. Several types of whips were used, depending on the severity of the punishment, including a rigid rod, & a handled whip of braided leather thongs, with bits of sheep bone attached at the end. Both were designed to inflict great agony to the victim.

In accordance with Pilate's orders, Jesus was led up beside the pillar, stripped of his garments, & his hands tied to shoulder-high shackles, pulling His chest against the stone, while His bare feet were almost off the ground. A crowd of people stood near the pillar, including some of Jesus' followers, & His Mother, Mary, who would feel the pain of the whips, as she sorrowfully watched His face.

Once he was restrained, Roman soldiers, experienced with scourging, began striking His back & shoulders with the rigid rods, making deep welts from which blood flowed profusely. In accordance with Jewish Law, the number of lashes was limited to 39, but he received many more from the Roman soldiers, who were excited by the rumors that they were whipping a 'would-be' king. This was a severe beating on His back & lower torso, and, as a final subjugating punishment, they took up the whips of bone-laced thongs, which tore at the remaining flesh

of His arms & legs that had not been lacerated by the rod.

Jesus had led a life of hardship as He moved about Galilee & the surrounding areas. He was accustomed to the painful effect of constant stress on His body from His rigorous travels, walking on foot from place to place, & living outdoors, dealing with the impact of both storms & desert heat. & for this reason, His resistance to this attack on His body held true for a time, but eventually the unremitting waves of pain caused Him to cry out through tight lips. Finally, His cries turned to moans, as the loss of blood drew Him down into a state of shock. He collapsed against the pillar, hanging from the shackles, & the flogging stopped. The pillar & the ground around it were covered with Christ's blood.

MID-NIGHT MUSINGS

(when one's wakeful mind becomes a receiver of thoughts, not a controller of them.)

3:13am - "You are not in charge!" I was awake, & thinking of my Lenten resolutions, & these words came to me. Learning more about Jesus' Passion was on my mind, & then I realized why these words were in my head.

Once Jesus was arrested, He was not in charge of anything until his Death. For the first time in His human life, His free will was taken away by evil men, & He was physically theirs, to do with as they wished. In the dark, I realized that we poor humans, by our nature, experience the long, slow progression of age or sickness, in which our bodies do not work as well as when we were young; & this is the time when wisdom tells us that we are no longer 'in charge' with what we 'will', but must give in to the will of others for the 'good'. So, in the long view of our life, we are not in charge. As Jesus accepted His Father's will, passing through evil, for our 'good', we must pass through this life with God's will becoming our will, as in the Lord's Prayer "thy will be done", for our 'good'.

Love in the Spirit. -Diana



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-father-daughter-program-march-2026>
or scan the QR Code



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

LENTEN PILGRIMAGE- KANSAS & OKLAHOMA SAINTS!

Mar. 23-25 to Pilsen, KS, to Ven. Emil Kapaun's parish & museum. Tour & have Mass. Overnight Monday in Wichita, KS, at the Drury Plaza Broadview w/ free dinner & drinks. TUE.- comp. breakfast. Go to Oklahoma City to the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine, Mass, lunch, & visit the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum. Sleep Inn Hotel in OKC, dinner at Cracker Barrel. WED.- comp. brkfst. & 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 Nebr. Wed. night, 3/25. Cost is \$359/ double occup., singles \$469. Incl. motor coach, lodging, admission to museum, \$20 GC to Cracker Barrel & gratuities. See fliers in church entry Check out www.travelswithdoris.org for more info & to register or call 402-641-7132.

COLLECTION FOR SRI LANKAN CATHOLICS REBUILDING from prolonged heavy rainfall of *Cyclone Ditwah* in late Nov. & early Dec. 2025- most severe flooding in decades & landslides. Help with financial assistance for disaster relief to the *Archdiocese of Colombo* to repair to Church property & provide material assistance to those who are struggling to rebuild.



Make checks out to *St. James Catholic Church*. Plainly label "Sri Lanka Disaster Relief.. Please give **by Mar. 1.**

EVENING PRAYER (aka "Vespers") recited on **Sundays during Lent @ 4:30 PM** in *St. Teresa Church* at 36th & Randolph St., Lincoln. Offered by *Ecclesial Carmelite Movement*. All are welcome regardless of familiarity. More info email CarmeliteMovement@gmail.com

St. John's-Lincoln " All You Care to Eat Fish Fry"- Baked or Fried fish w/ Baked potato or fries, Mac'n Cheese, coleslaw, fruit, hush puppies. Ice cream incl. Baked desserts avail. \$15- Ages 13+. \$7 -Ages 6-12. Free - Ages 5 & under. \$45/Family. 4:30-7:00 Fridays in Lent. Credit cards accepted. Dine-in, Carry-out & Drive-Thru. Our service is speedy! 7601 Vine St.

ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL on **Sat., March 14** 11:00a-4:00p at *St. Patrick's Catholic Church* in Linc. Bake sale, bingo, live music & raffles for kids & adults. 2 meal opts: **1. Corned Beef** or **2. Ham**. Incl. scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, dinner roll & dessert. Cost: \$15/Adult.; \$10/Child. The adult raffle drawing 4:30pm. Kids' raffles throughout the day.

THE HEART OF PRAYER w/ Bp. Andrew Cozzens reflection on prayer & its place in our spiritual life. <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/streaming>

Responding to the Heart of the King

A Silent Discernment Retreat.

- Women ages 18-35
- March 13-15, 2026 (Fri. evening - Sun. afternoon)
- Held at Villa Regina Motherhouse—Lincoln, NE
- Intpy + wonderful meals
- *prayer - spiritual direction - help by Sisters - practical discernment advice from Sisters -*
- Details and registration are here (as well as through the QR code or e-mail)

www.sisters.org discernmentretreat.org

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 lisaopat24@aol.com or 402.525.9360

sidewalkadvocates.org

**Sacred Heart of Jesus.
Have mercy on us.**

Blessed Mother Mary. Pray for us.

St. Joseph. Pray for us.

Jesus, I Trust in You

EASTER MONDAY PILGRIMAGE to Conception Abbey & Clyde Monastery- Join Fr. Coulter on **Mon., April 6.** Meet at *St. Michael*, Linc. at 7:30am. Mass & Prayers thru the day, see the **Relic Chapel** w/ over 550 relics of Saints, return by 5:30pm. Cost \$70/person incl. snacks & lunch. Make **reservations** early online: frcoulter.com/EasterMonday, email office@olgcretreat.org or call *Good Counsel* Retreat House at 402-786-2705.

AROUND OUR PARISH

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

Monday	Mar	02	7:00 pm	Adult Lenten Enrichment Study	Parish Hall
Thursday	Mar	05	7:00 pm	Exposition Eucharistic Adoration Hour	Church
Friday	Mar	06	8:00 pm	AA—Hall Reserved	Parish Hall
Saturday	Mar	07	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.***

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATIONS are now available on the bulletin board in the church vestibule. College Scholarship applications must be turned in to Mike Mitchell by **April 15**. **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. **REQUEST MASSES** to be offered for your intentions in 2026. **Thank you to those singing in the CHOIR** Sunday, March 1st, 8:00 am Mass.

Thank you to those who attended the Crete Deanery Holy Hour for Peace in our nation & world.

Other deaneries are scheduled across the diocese. All are invited to pray for peace & for our nation.

Tuesday, March 3 @ 6:30 p.m. Lincoln East Deanery in St. Patrick Church Lincoln.

Monday, March 16 7:30 p.m. Lincoln Central Deanery in Cristo Rey Church— Lincoln @ 7:30 p.m.

See the SNR & Diocese Social Media for other dates & places.

PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN: **MARCH 8TH - SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST** in between Masses only. **Sign-up** now in the Church entryway to donate/to help serve. **ENVELOPES FOR EASTER LILIES** are on the back table.

PCCW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are on the bulletin board. **Due by the April 8th meeting.**

THANK YOU to St. Ann's Circle who served Coffee & Rolls Feb. 22.



PRAY FOR THE Catholics at the Capitol this Wednesday, March 3. Organized by the Nebraska Catholic Conference. Help shape culture & law on this day of education, advocacy & prayer for the common good. Visit the Legislature & your Senator.

The Gospel of Life is "meant to be a precise & vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life & its inviolability, & at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each & every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love & serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace & happiness!" (The Gospel of Life 5).

WALK WITH JESUS THIS LENT: St. James ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT LENTEN STUDY- **No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Thru 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. **5 sessions on Mondays, at 7pm** in the Parish Hall, from **2/23 to 3/23**. Please bring your Bible. Study materials provided by St. James, **donations** accepted to help cover the costs. Text Diana M. - 402-432-7099 or Fr. Lux. Thank you.

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.

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 02/22/26	
Adult Envelopes	\$2,041.00
Plate	\$372.00
Building Fund	\$20.00
Ash Wednesday	\$407.00
Southern NE Register	\$98.00
Sri Lanka Relief	\$524.00
Total Deposit	\$3,462.00

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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.

Liturgical Ministers		Second Sunday of Lent	Third Sunday of Lent	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Palm Sunday of the Passion	EASTER
		Feb 28-Mar 1	Mar 7-8	Mar 14-15	Mar 21-22	Mar 28-29	April 4—8:30pm Easter Vigil
Saturday 5:00 pm	Reader	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Cole Henn	Ron Eisenbarth	sign-up coming	sign-up coming
	Acolyte	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)/(volunteer)
	Server 1	Braxton Skillett	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett	(volunteer)/(volunteer)
	Server 2	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki	(volunteer)/(volunteer)
April 5—Easter Sunday							
Sunday 8:00 am	Reader	Michelle Milke	Joe Vinton	Jerry Lentfer	Chris Hytrek	sign-up coming	sign-up coming
	Acolyte	Chris Hytrek	Scott Osterhaus	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan	Joe Vinton	(volunteer)
	Server 1	Andrew Oelke	Rylan Hochstein	Brayden Kuhlman	Sam Robinson	Jax Peterson	(volunteer)
	Server 2	Cooper Mason	Reid Hochstein	Hudson Kuhlman	Sawyer Robinson	Drake Peterson	(volunteer)
	Server 3	Emmitt Ostrander		Emmitt Ostrander		Ronan Peterson	(volunteer)
Server 4	Gunner Ostrander		Gunner Ostrander				
Sunday 10:30 am	Reader	Cole Henn	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	sign-up coming	sign-up coming
	Acolyte	Ron Eisenbarth	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Eisenbarth	(volunteer)
	Server 1	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	Sam Troxel	Max Jacobson	Max Troxel	(volunteer)
	Server 2	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	Kyler Beck	Finn Jacobson	Ty Troxel	(volunteer)
	Server 3		Andrew Troxel	Dedric Dominy		Andrew Troxel	(volunteer)
Server 4		Jude Jelinek					
Collection Counters	Julie P./Laureen E.	Jeanne E./Lori J.	Jim F./Theron T.	Kassie E./Amy A.	Julie P./Laureen E.	Jeanne E./Lori J.	