

SEPTEMBER 06, 2026
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Weekday Mass Schedule

See Mass Intentions for this Week's Schedule

Confessions

30 minutes before Sunday and Holy Day Masses
20 minutes before Weekday Mass or by appt.

Bulletin deadline NOON on Wednesdays
Email: bulletinstjames@gmail.com

Baptism: Parents are asked to attend baptism preparation class. Call the rectory office to schedule.

Anointing/Hospital Visits: Please notify the pastor when you go to the hospital or are homebound and wish a visit.

Matrimony: Contact the parish 6 to 12 months ahead.

Knights of Columbus: Steve Medill, Grand Knight

PCCW: Denise Clements, President

Religious Ed: Deanne Stieb, CCD coordinator

EMERGENCY SUPPLIES: A duffel with basic medical supplies is on the coat rack shelf, opposite the women's restroom.

An **AED** is in a cabinet outside the priest's confessional door.



**COME AND DISCOVER
OCIA TO BEGIN SOON!**



Classes for the **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**, commonly known as OCIA, will be starting soon at St. James! These classes are the primary way for adults to receive formation and prepare to enter the Catholic Church.



Please reach out to someone you know who might be interested in becoming Catholic! Pray and see who the Holy Spirit may be placing on your heart to ask.

We would love to have them in OCIA!

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Sept. 05	5:00 pm	+Mary Sasse
Sunday, Sept. 06	8:00 am	<i>The People of St. James Parish</i>
	10:30 am	Adam Hytrek
Monday, Sept. 07	7:00 am	+Mabel Folda
Tuesday, Sept. 08	7:00 am	All Souls Day Intentions
Wednesday, Sept. 09	6:30 pm	PCCW Members
Friday, Sept. 11	7:00 am	All Souls Day Intentions
Saturday, Sept. 12	8:00 am	Weitzel and Davis Families
Saturday, Sept. 12	5:00 pm	+Randy Eickmeier
Sunday, Sept. 13	8:00 am	<i>The People of St. James Parish</i>
	10:30 am	Pat and Deb Carroll (50 th Anniv.)

Here At St. James!

THE SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a prayer ministry dedicated to supporting our priests through prayer. Each week, seven women commit to one specific hour of prayer for Father McCabe, with each woman taking a different day of the week. This creates a continuous "week of prayer" offered for the priest's holiness, strength, and spiritual well-being.



Our parish currently has all seven regular spots filled, but we are **always looking for** substitutes who can step in when a sister is unable to fulfill her hour. We are also **happy to hear from women who are interested** in joining the apostolate in the future when a regular spot becomes available. If you would like to learn more about the **Seven Sisters Apostolate**, become a substitute, or be added to our list of interested women, please contact Ginger Jelinek at [402-525-0663](tel:402-525-0663).

AROUND THE DIOCESE AND BEYOND

What's your take on artificial intelligence?

The Nebraska Catholic Conference invites you to an engaging panel discussion:

“Bishop & Brews: Human Dignity, AI, & The Common Good” on Thursday, Sept. 17th at 7:00 PM at The Post, in Lincoln (2001 N St).

Discover the intersection of Catholic teaching, AI and human dignity in a digital age. Featured panelists include Bishop Conley, Attorney General Mike Hilgers, Father FitzGerald, SJ, and Tom Venzor. Grab a brew and join the conversation on one of the most critical topics of our time. Free admission and no RSVP!

✦ Religious Sisters Vocation Prayer Calendar ✦

This week please pray for Sr. Philomena of Our Lady of Sorrows from Auburn, KS; a Jr. Professed Novice with the Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

JOB OPENING IN THE DIOCESE

Part-Time Kitchen Assistant at the Bonacum House

The Bonacum House for retired priests, at 3301 Sheridan Blvd in Lincoln, is seeking a Kitchen Assistant for a part-time position (15-20 hours/week), M-F Friday from 7:00/8:00 am to noon. Duties include food preparation, dishwashing, serving lunch, kitchen cleanup, and light housekeeping. Applicants should have basic cooking and cleaning skills, be at least 19 years old, and be able to lift up to 30 lbs.

Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women



Fall Gathering and Full Board Meeting

September 19, 2026

Sacred Heart Church Hall – Crete, Nebraska
Registration: 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Come join us for a morning of spiritual enrichment!

Learn about the Domestic Church, Christ the King Sisters and the Schoenstatt Movement. Women across the Lincoln Diocese are encouraged to attend and experience the fellowship being a part of the LDCCW.

Come Closer to Christ Through Council

SPEAKERS:



Rachael Tvrdy

Director of Family Life & Discipleship

Topic: *The Domestic Church*



Sr. Mary Gabriel

Christ the King Sisters



Ruth O'Gara

The Schoenstatt Movement



On the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary, the Holy Father has granted a jubilee indulgence to all who visit the Original Shrine in Schoenstatt or a church or chapel of a Schoenstatt Shrine of the community between October 1, 2025 and November 4, 2026.

This applies to this shrine in Crete!
Open: Every day from dawn to dusk.

Bring a devotional object or an item from your prayer corner.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!



REGISTRATION FEE: \$20

- 1 Open your phone's camera.
- 2 Point it at the QR code.
- 3 Tap the link that appears to register.

QUESTIONS?



Contact Val Able,
LDCCW President at
ldccwpresident@gmail.com.

CONVERGING ROADS

CATHOLIC SOCIAL DOCTRINE AND THE FUTURE OF MEDICINE



Saturday, October 17th from 8:00am-5:45pm
at Creighton Univ. in Omaha. Scan QR code to apply.

Parish Council Meeting Highlights

AUGUST 26, 2026

Pat Milke gave an update on the **building and grounds**. Jindra Irrigation fixed some underground irrigation zones that were flooding. The company that installed the church lighting system came out and replaced the panel and processor; however, some parts have become obsolete. A new system will cost between 20-30K. The new portable building for the high school FYS class has been wired. Insulation and drywall are next. Furniture for the space is lined up and ready.

Jenny Oelke gave the **financial** report as of June 30, the end of the fiscal year. Savings in the operating account is \$182,024.50 and in the building fund is \$429,476.98. A decision was made to maintain the savings in the operating account at \$175,000.00 and move the rest to the building fund.

Father McCabe met with the **CCD** teachers and high school students. He plans to visit the CCD classes on Sundays. September 20th is Catechetical Sunday and the teachers will be recognized at the two Sunday Masses. Looking ahead, he would like to have special Adoration times during Advent and Lent.

Denise Clements gave the **PCCW** report. PCCW sponsored the “Sundaes for Sunday” event for the CCD students, with the high school class serving the toppings. PCCW met on August 12th with a Wine and Salad Supper. Members will be hosting the annual CCD Breakfast on September 20th.

The next meeting will be on September 23rd.

AROUND OUR PARISH



GRASS KEEPS GROWING on our Parish/Rectory grounds

Sign-up slots are available for the weeks of 9/30, 10/7 and 10/13. Please consider signing up for one of these weeks, thank you! Volunteers should plan to mow between Wednesday and Saturday of the week signed up. To sign-up, please scan the QR code.



THANK YOU SO MUCH!

THAT MAN IS YOU!

BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

NEW SEASON BEGINS SATURDAY, SEPT. 12TH

6:30 am – Video presentation with rolls and coffee provided

7:00 am – 7:45 am – Discussion among friends

8:00 am Mass

Topic: **The Revelation of the Father**

For more information contact Mike Mitchell

at (402)-540-8041 or mitchell022992@aol.com



CATECHIST SPOTLIGHT

AARON & FAITH DEUNK—1st Grade

This is our 4th year of teaching CCD at St. James. You may occasionally find our sweet little boy, Micah (1), joining us for class. Aaron has deep family farm roots right here in Cortland, and Faith has been a teacher at Norris for 5 years. As a family, we spend a lot of time outdoors and with extended family & friends. We enjoy sharing our love of Jesus, making learning fun, and incorporating lots of movement in the classroom!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



Plan to help with the annual cleanup of parish grounds on September 26th!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Knights have sponsored two tables (a total of sixteen seats) at the **Fifth Annual Luxury Bingo**, benefiting the **Women's Care Center** in Lincoln.

Date: Thursday, October 1st

Time: 6:00pm Cocktails/Hors d'oeuvres

7:00 Bingo begins

Location: Lincoln Station Great Hall

201 N 7th St in Lincoln

Contact Ed Zach to reserve your seat!

@ 402-525-2345 (texting names to Ed is preferred)

The Knights next meeting is September 16th after the 6:30pm Mass.

PCCW St. James St. Ann St. Mary St. Joseph

PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Our next meeting is **THIS WEDNESDAY**, Sept. 9th after the 6:30pm Mass. *Hope to see you there!* Looking ahead, the **CCD Breakfast** is September 20th. All donations go toward youth faith formation at St. James. Look for sign-ups to donate/help at the back of church.

The Fall Crete Deanery Meeting is SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th at St. Wenceslaus, in Milligan, NE (703 Main Street). Mass is offered at 8:30 AM and the meeting begins at 9:00 AM, which is open to all PCCW women in the deanery.

YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

K-8th classes are IN session!



High School Feed Your Soul (FYS) will begin Sunday, September 13th.

Classes meet from 9:00-10:15am on Sundays.

For more information about CCD/FYS, see the St. James Website (under Youth) or contact Deanne Stieb @ dstieb@gmail.com.



Forming Catholics for life!

St. James has a community subscription to Formed and it is FREE for our parishioners!

Go to <https://formed.org> and click on "Find your parish subscription" at the upper right. Create an account and begin enjoying *thousands of movies, studies, audio talks and e-books* for you and your family!



flocknote Interested in receiving and responding to parish messages via email or text? St. James uses Flocknote to communicate with parishioners. *It's free and you can unsubscribe at any time!* There are two ways to sign up: Visit stjamescortland.flocknote.com and follow the instructions, OR text the word **STJAMESCORTLAND** to **84576** and follow the prompts.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	
<i>As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. (1 Peter 4:10)</i>	
Parish Offering 08/30/26	
Adult Envelopes	\$1,081.00
Plate	\$484.00
Assumption of Mary	\$35.00
Mass Intentions for August	\$190.00
Total Deposit	\$1,790.00

ParishSOFT
by Ministry Brands



is our secure, **online giving** platform!
Through online giving you can make a *one-time gift* or set up automatic donations and easily change the timing or the amount of your gift. **It's also an easy way to pay Knights/PCCW dues or CCD registrations!**

See **Online Giving** on the Parish Website

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2026: For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource,
so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Liturgical Ministers		23 rd Sun of Ord. Time Sept 5-6	24 th Sun of Ord. Time Sept 12-13	25 th Sun of Ord. Time Sept 19-20	26 th Sun of Ord. Time Sept 26-27	27 th Sun of Ord. Time Oct 3-4
Saturday 5:00 pm	Reader	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins	Ron Eisenbarth	Diana McCown	Amy Larkins
	Acolyte	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Kurt Larkins
	Server 1	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Braxton Skillett
	Server 2	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	(volunteer)	Easton Schilbitzki
Sunday 8:00 am	Reader	Chris Hytrek	Michelle Milke	Jerry Lentfer	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek
	Acolyte	Pat Milke	Tony Sullivan	Joe Vinton	Chris Hytrek	Scott Osterhaus
	Server 1	Brayden Kuhlman	Simon Robinson	Jax Peterson	Carson Eickmeier	Carter Stieb
	Server 2	Hudson Kuhlman	Spencer Robinson	Drake Peterson	Parker Eickmeier	Asher Stieb
	Server 3				Ronan Peterson	
	Server 4					
Sunday 10:30 am	Reader	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund	Ginger Jelinek	Shirley Yates	Larry Etmund
	Acolyte	Myron Heusinkvelt	Ron Eisenbarth	Ron Boden	Theron Troxel	Myron Heusinkvelt
	Server 1	Ty Troxel	Max Jacobson	Ty Troxel	Max Troxel	Max Jacobson
	Server 2	Kyler Beck	Finn Jacobson	Andrew Troxel	Kyler Beck	Finn Jacobson
	Server 3	Dedric Dominy		Jude Jelinek	Dedric Dominy	
	Server 4					
Collection Counters		Kassie E./Amy A.	Julie P./Laureen E.	Jeanne E./Lori J.	Jim F./Theron T.	Kassie E./Amy A.