

DECEMBER 16, 2018
3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions

Monday

6:30 A.M. For Joan Bonkiewicz

8:20 A.M. † Fr. Casey Porada

Tuesday

6:30 A.M. For Wallace Podwinski

8:20 A.M. For William Suelter

Wednesday

6:30 A.M. For Rich Lowery

8:20 A.M. For Stephanie Kiel

Thursday

6:30 A.M. † Mary Millis

8:20 A.M. For Mila Wulbern

Friday

6:30 A.M. † Fr. Casey Porada

8:20 A.M. For Sherri Suelter

Saturday

8:30 A.M. For Beth & Jake Livingston & Family

5:30 P.M. For Natalie Meysenburg

Sunday

8:30 A.M. For the Parish

10:00 A.M. For Jim & Pat McGrath

11:30 A.M. † Fr. Casey Porada



**It is not too late to
 find ways to
 properly serve the
 Lord.**

SERVERS

SAT. DECEMBER 22, 5:30 p.m.: Nicholas Payne, Jackson McClung, 2 Volunteers Needed;

SUN. DECEMBER 23, 8:30 a.m.: Jackson Roberts, Angel Huerta, Sean Carney, 1 Volunteer Needed;

10:00 a.m.: 4 Volunteers Needed; **11:30 a.m.:** 4 Volunteers Needed;

****Please find a sub if you are unable to come at your appointed time.**

PARISH NEWS

DATES & EVENTS:

THANK YOU FROM BOY SCOUT TROOP 44 – the troop would like to extend a Thank you to all who supported us this Advent with their purchase of a Swag or Wreath to adorn your home. God Bless everyone.

DECEMBER 16, & 23, 2018, “WHAT I LEARNED FROM AN EXORCIST”, ADVENT SERIES – Father Beardslee will be giving a series of 4 talks on the topic of Spiritual Warfare - about the spiritual forces of Good and Evil and how to prepare a good defense and offense against them. The series will be from 2-3:30 p.m. on the Sun. of Advent in the School Gym. If you have questions please call the rectory at 402-474-4249.



DECEMBER 16 & 24, 2018, GIRLS' CHOIR -- We sing for the **5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass on Sunday, Dec. 24th**! Arrival time is **3:45p.m.** A separate Christmas rehearsal is scheduled for **Sunday, December 16th** from **4-6 p.m.**, in the choir loft. All 4th through 8th grade girls are invited to sing with the Girls' Choir. Bring a friend and sing a new song to the Lord! Any questions, please contact Hannah Jo at hannahjosmith@yahoo.com or (402) 525-2069 (call or text).

DECEMBER 16 & 24, 2018, GIRLS' CHOIR ALUMS -- All former Girls' Choir members

**GREETERS/GIFT BEARERS FOR
 DECEMBER 22-23, 2018**

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. ~ Mary Jo Pieman

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - Tony & Linda Masek

10:00 a.m. - Chad & Mary Baker

11:30 a.m. ~ Marv & Bonnie Evert

Please find a sub if your are unable to come at your appointed time.



are **invited** to sing with us for the **5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass on December 24th**! Arrival time that day is **3:45 p.m.** If you can join us, we'll have a special rehearsal on **Sunday, December 16th from 4-6 p.m.**, in the choir loft. We'd love to have you share your gift of music for this most sacred celebration!

DECEMBER 18, 2018, DECEMBER CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT - Monthly Meeting for Catholic Daughters Court St. Charles #472 is Tuesday, Dec. 18th, 6 p.m. KC Hall, 60th & South St. Annual Christmas Potluck. Prayer Partner gift exchange. All women 18 yrs. & older invited to join us.

DECEMBER 23, 2018, CHURCH DECORATING - Please join us in helping decorate Blessed Sacrament for Christmas! We will be decorating

on Sunday, December 23rd at 2:00 p.m. to decorate the church. There are many things to do in preparation for the holiday, so all the help we can get would be greatly appreciated! Please email Ann at ann_ames@yahoo.com with questions! We hope you can join us!

DECEMBER 27, 2018, LDCCW CAROLING - Ladies and gentlemen, please plan to join Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women members in caroling on Thursday, December 27th in Lincoln. We will begin at Madonna, 5401 South Street at 5:15 p.m. There are 4 retired priests in residence there. We will then go to Bonacum House, 3301 Sheridan Blvd at 6:30 p.m. There are 9 retired priests in residence there. The more voices the merrier. Merry Christmas

VOLUNTEER NEEDED – Someone to set up

~ **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE** ~

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th ~ 5:30 P.M.

~ **Christmas Day**, Tuesday, December 25th ~

12:00 Midnight, 8:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M.

~ **CONFESSION SCHEDULE** ~

Regular confession schedule: Monday-Friday ~ 6:10-6:25 A.M., 8:00-8:15 A.M.

Advent Confession Schedule (in addition to regular schedule):

Thursday December 20th ~ 7:30-8:00 P.M.

Friday, December 21st ~ 6:00-6:30 P.M.

Saturday, December 22nd - 8:00-8:20 A.M., 9:00-9:30 A.M., 12:00 noon-1:00 P.M., 4:30-5:20 P.M.,
7:30-8:00 P.M.

Sunday, December 23rd - 5:00-5:30 P.M., 7:00-7:30 P.M.

Christmas Masses - Acolytes

Dec. 24th, 5:30 p.m.: Kevin Ostdiek, Collin Aldrich Dec. 25th, **Midnight:** Rich Lowery, Lou Gasper **8:30 a.m.:** Ron Johnson, Andy Barry **10:00 a.m.:** Mike Steadman, Hai Tran

Christmas Masses - Reader/Lector

Dec. 24th, 5:30 p.m.: Mark Gdowski Dec. 25th, **Midnight:** Matt Richardson
8:30 a.m.: Anne Winner Anderson **10:00 a.m.:** Jason Lehr

Christmas Masses - Greeters & Gift Bearers

DEC. 24, Christmas Eve, Monday, 5:30 p.m.: Sam & Sharon Bethune Dec.
25, Christmas Morning, Tuesday 12:00 a.m.: Need Volunteer **8:30 a.m.:**
Need Volunteer **10:00 a.m.:** Chad & Allison Taylor



candles and let parishioners know the candles are ready for lighting before the 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays. If you are interested in doing this please call Nick Fielder at 402-805-9359.

ATTENTION - MASS FOR DECEASED CANDLES - If you are a family member that would like the candle from the mass of deceased members on Nov. 4th please contact Shawn Wilke at 202-3293.

ATTENTION ATTENTION! - We need your help with **recycling**. The green recycling bins on the east side of school are for clean cardboard, empty plastic bottles, and paper. **Do not put glass, Styrofoam, Kleenex, plastic bags, dirty cardboard, or garbage** in the bins. **Aluminum** goes in the cage on the east side of the parking lot. All boxes must be flattened before putting them in the bins. Our recycling service is free as long as we stick to the rules. Thank you for your help.



WARM UP WINTER - Help Spirit 102.7-FM (Spirit Catholic Radio) bring warmth to people in the Lincoln area as we ***Warm up Winter!*** We're accepting donations of **NEW** socks, coats, mittens, hats and boots for both adults and children. The donated items can be dropped off at our Lincoln studios at 630 N. Cotner Blvd., Ste. 101 or at Catholic Social Services at 2241 O Street in Lincoln. Drop off your new, unwrapped donations of warm, winter gear by Dec. 28th. For more info visit www.spiritcatholicradio.com and help us Warm Up Winter!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - As we begin Advent we are called to "Be watchful! Be alert" as we stand in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives. **Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas.**



DECEMBER 28, 2018, TAX DEDUCTION FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS - those who wish to receive a tax deduction for charitable contributions to

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in 2018 must have their donation to the rectory by **12 noon, Fri., Dec. 28, 2018**. Statements on contributions will be mailed to you in January 2019.

THE LIVING ROSARY: "Because Mary is full of grace, each 'Hail Mary' we pray opens our soul to precious graces which enrich our spirit with an increase of her virtues, and leads us into a deeper union with the Eucharistic heart of Jesus." - Rosary Meditations by Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The Living Rosary, where you pray only one decade of the rosary daily, will help you to achieve this spiritual enrichment. No Meetings & No Dues. Find out more about this easy devotion by calling Jan, 402-438-2506, today.

THE TRAVELING MADONNA: The Legion of Mary is pleased to make available to you a Fatima Statue, which you can have in your home for a week or two. We know that devotion to Mary will bring us closer to her Son. If you or family members are ill or you have problems of any kind, or have no problems at all but have a desire to grow closer to Jesus through Mary who is better to turn to than the Mother of Jesus? Please call Betty at (402) 423-6236 to make arrangements to have the Fatima statue in your home. There is NO FEE.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PRAYER LINE: Call Lynn at 477-6252 to have parish prayer line members intercede for your intentions.

YOUTH, SCHOOL & CCD NEWS



DECEMBER 18, 2018, 'EAT OUT' NIGHT AT CHIPOTLE - Blessed Sacrament PTO will be sponsoring 2nd quarter's 'Eat Out' night at CHIPOTLE on 27th and Pine Lake Rd. on Tuesday, December 18th from 5-9 p.m. A whopping 33% of sales will come directly back to Blessed Sacrament School! You **MUST mention Blessed Sacrament at the time of ordering** for

your order to be counted. Also, please purchase Scrip ahead of time! The Scrip rebate for Chipotle is another 10%. Thank you to all who participate in our quarterly fundraising events!

DECEMBER 20, 2018, SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PLAY in Church at 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 21 – JANUARY 7, 2018, CHRISTMAS BREAK - Our Christmas Break begins at 12 p.m. on Friday, December 21st. Classes resume on Tuesday, January 8th. With a 12 p.m. dismissal, we will not be serving lunch that day. All students **MUST** be picked up by 12:10 p.m. Please plan accordingly.

SUPPORT GROUPS & EDUCATION

FEBRUARY 15-17, 2019, MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND – will be held at the Lied Center in Nebraska City, NE. Lied Center needs notice a month in advance for reservations. Contact couple Pat & Janelle Benson; at Pat 308-940-0670 or Janelle 308-940-1105 or pbjbben@yahoo.com.

FEBRUARY 15-17, 2019, RETROUVAILLE - MARRIED SINGLES LIFESTYLE – The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Feb 15th-17th, call 1-800-470-2230 or www.retrouvaille.org on the web.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS:

RONALDO & REYNILDA PREUDENTE-
DAZON FAMILY, GINGER WAITE



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
NEWLY BAPTIZED: CECIL JAMES
DURYEA, CREW JAMES BERGEN

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



BLESSED SACRAMENT COUNCIL 11001

DECEMBER 19, 2018, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS POSTER CONTEST “KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS” - Share your vision of the true meaning of Christmas by creating an original poster for the Knights of Columbus ‘Keep Christ in Christmas’ Poster Contest. Each poster must reflect the Keep Christ in Christmas theme with a visual image and must be 11 x 17 inches in size. The event is open to all members of the community that fall between the ages of 5 and 14 as of November 1st, 2018. Posters are due on or before Wednesday, December 19th and can be turned into the rectory or school office.

JANUARY 9, 2019, KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS OFFICER’S MEETING - is on January 9th instead of the 2nd.

JANUARY 20, 2019, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ADMISSIONS DEGREE – has been moved to January 20th at 3 p.m. instead of the 2nd of January.

JANUARY 20, 2019, SAVE THE DATE - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP - will be held on Sun., Jan. 20th in the school gym. Sign in will start at 1:30 p.m. with shooting starting at 2 p.m. Look for more info. coming soon.



JANUARY 19-20, 2019, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AED FUNDRAISER - Saturday night January 19th and Sunday morning January 20th the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Sloppy Joe Dinner and a French Toast Breakfast! The money raised from these events will be MATCHED up to \$1,500 and used to purchase an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) machine for the School Gym and if we raise enough, one for the Church as well! There will also be a 50/50 raffle after each of the Masses (Must be Present to Win)!

PRO-LIFE NEWS



PRAY & MASS ON ABORTION TUESDAYS - Please come to pray on abortion Tuesdays from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The Rosary is at 9:30 a.m. and Mass is celebrated

in the Lincoln Right to Life building directly across from Planned Parenthood every week at 10 a.m. Your prayerful presence at PP does make a difference. Planned Parenthood is located at 5631 S. 48th St.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

PERPETUAL ADORATION

O Jesus, little Child, come into my heart on Christmas morn, to wash away my sins and remain there in eternity. O Mary, Mother of My Savior, prepare for Jesus a cradle in my heart. Amen. **Come Let Us Adore Him In The Eucharist!**

Adorers are needed for these open hours: **Sunday** - 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 4 a.m., 5 a.m., 2 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 Midnight; **Monday** --1 a.m. (three times a month), 2 a.m., 3 a.m.; **Tuesday** - 2 a.m., 3 a.m.; **Wednesday** 2 a.m.; **Thursday** - 2 a.m., 3 a.m.; **Friday** - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m. (twice a month), 4 a.m., 8 p.m., 12 midnight (twice a month); **Saturday** - 4 a.m., 11 p.m., 12 Midnight

If interested in becoming an adorer or a sub, or for more information, contact one of the coordinators listed below: Lois Korinek- 402-423-1949, Cathy Rokke-402-423-6844, Kathy Wobig-402-423-1883



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE - With the world in

such turmoil we all ask, is MY heart at rest or is God calling me to “come away to a quiet place and abide with Him?”. Hear **His** soft & serene voice in the still silence of a retreat. He wants to give you **HIS** Love & **HIS** Mercy and the Peace that only **HE** can give!

UPCOMING RETREATS:

- * LDCCW Winter Symposium - **Jan. 11th-12th, 2019**, Friday-Saturday - Women Only.
- * “Discipleship at the Foot of the Cross” - **Jan. 18th-20th, 2019**, Fr. Eric Clark & Knights of the Holy Eucharist - Men’s Acolyte/Lector Retreat (with Training).

You can register at www.goodcounselretreat.com and receive immediate confirmation or call Good Counsel Retreat House at 402-786-2705.



THE BISHOP’S LAY COMMITTEE FOR VOCATIONS has produced a Seminarian Prayer Calendar for parishes and Catholic schools in the Diocese. Each seminarian is

given a specific week during which we are encouraged as a parish to pray for that specific seminarian. The following is a list of the seminarians to pray for during the month of Dec. 2018:

Dec. 16th-22nd: Robert William Johnson

Dec. 23rd-29th: Rev. Mr. Carson Jerome Kain

ADDITIONAL NEWS

DECEMBER 28, 2018, ANNUAL MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS – All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner for this year, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 before 5 p.m. on Dec. 19th. *If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.*

MARCH 22-23, 2019, IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA RETREAT - Give The Gift Of A Retreat, this Christmas season, give yourself or someone you love tickets to a weekend retreat to be held at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in West Point, March 22-23, 2019. Immaculee Ilibagiza, a survivor of the 1994 Rwandan Genocide and author of the book

“Left to Tell”, will bring her message of forgiveness, healing, and hope to all who attend. Give the gift of experiencing her powerful journey and remarkable message. Cost is \$57 for one or \$76 for two. For details, tickets, and registration visit www.immaculee.com, or contact RaNae O’Brien at ranaebrien1@gmail.com.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - PARISH SECRETARY - St. Patrick Church (Lincoln) is looking to hire a full-time parish secretary. If interested, please submit a resume to Fr. Troy Schweiger, fr.troy-schweiger@cdolinc.net or call the rectory at 402-466-2752.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - The Diocese of Lincoln is accepting applications for the Safe Environment Coordinator position (Permanent – Full-time). This position is responsible for the admin-

istration of the Safe Environment Office, curriculum development, training programs and compliance with the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* for the Diocese of Lincoln. Please submit your cover letter and resume to marsha-bartek@lincolndiocese.org by December 31, 2018.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN LINCOLN - Catholic Social Services seeks a compassionate, dynamic, and inspirational leader for the position of Regional Director of Social Services - Lincoln. This person will lead and manage our social services operation in the greater Lincoln area. For more info. visit www.cssisus.org/who_we_are/ca-reers.html or send an email to humanresources@cssisus.org.

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402-488-2142.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection (December 9, 2018)	
Envelopes	\$ 12,637.00
Plate	720.36
Online Giving	6,209.82
Total Stewardship:	\$19,567.18
Total Weekly Parish Need:	\$18,095.00



2018-19 Christmas Wish List

Blessed Sacrament Parish (402-474-4249) & School (402-476-6202)

Reverend John Sullivan,

1720 & 1725 Lake Street, Lincoln, NE 68502



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| 1. IPAD APPs - \$5 x 27 = \$135 | 7. Special Education Therapy Aides - \$500 |
| 2. Tuition Assistance – \$900 x 10 = \$9,000 or any amount | 8. Small Nurses Cot - \$100 |
| 3. Commercial Refrigerator (Hot Lunch) - \$1,200 | 9. Refrigerated Drinking Fountain - \$1,200 |
| 4. Sheet Pan Rack - \$100 | 10. Office Chair - \$230 |
| 5. Food Processor - \$150 | 11. Christmas Tree - \$75 |
| 6. Commercial Stand Mixer - 20 QT - \$900 | 12. Recliner for Rectory Study - \$300 |
| | 13. Formed.org Subscription - \$50 x 36 = \$1,800 |

Please make checks payable directly to the Blessed Sacrament. Online donations may be made at www.blessedsacramentlincoln.org under online giving.