

December 22, 2024 | Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon.-Fri.: 6:30 a.m., 8:15 a.m.
Sat.: 8:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Sun.: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

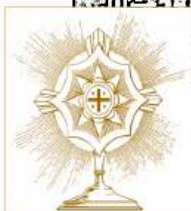
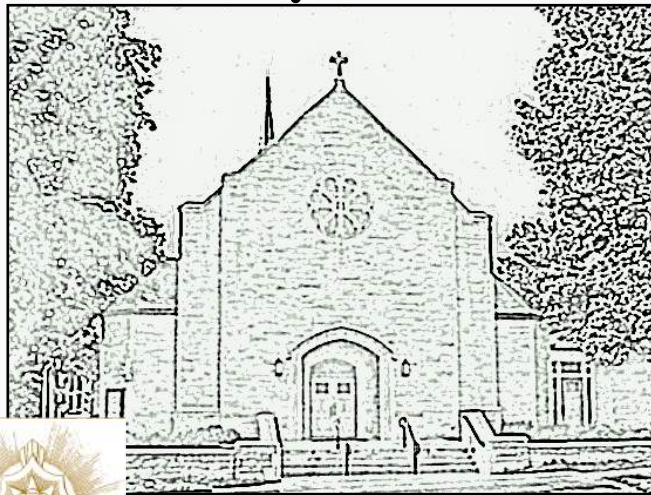
Holy Days of Obligation: As Scheduled in the Bulletin

Reconciliation Schedule

15 minutes before a.m. Masses Mon.-Sat. (except on Holy Days) Saturday: 4:30-5:20 p.m., 6:30-7:00 p.m.

Baptisms: Baptism Instruction Class are held the 1st Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the school meeting room. Call the rectory to register for the class.

Marriage Preparation: Please call the rectory for more information. You will need a minimum of 4 months to do marriage preparation, 6-12 months is preferred.



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church & School

~ CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE ~

CHRISTMAS EVE, TUES., DEC. 24TH ~ 5:30 P.M.
CHRISTMAS DAY, WED., DEC. 25TH ~
12:00 MIDNIGHT, 8:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M.



~ CONFESSION SCHEDULE ~

REGULAR CONFESSION SCHEDULE: MON.-FRI.~6:10-6:25 A.M.,
MON.-SAT.: 7:55-8:10 A.M., SAT.: 4:30-5:20 P.M., 6:30-7:00 P.M.

ADDITIONAL ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

SAT., DEC. 21ST - 3:30-5:20 P.M.
SUN., DEC. 22ND ~ 4:00-5:00 P.M.
MON., DEC. 23RD - 12:00 NOON-1:00 P.M., 7:00-8:00 P.M.
TUES., DEC. 24TH - 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

~ MARY MOTHER OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE ~

THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

TUES., DEC. 31ST - 5:30 P.M.
WED., JAN. 1ST - 6:30 A.M., 8:15 A.M., 7:00 P.M.



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD COLLECTION -

"Mary, the all-holy ever-virgin Mother of God, is the masterwork of the mission of the Son and the Spirit in the fullness of time. For the first time in the plan of salvation and because his Spirit had prepared her, the Father found the dwelling place where his Son and his Spirit could dwell among men. In this sense the Church's Tradition has often read the most beautiful texts on wisdom in relation to Mary. Mary is acclaimed and represented in the liturgy as the "Seat of Wisdom." - CCC 721 - Visit www.blessedsacramentlincoln.org to give online or use your envelopes in your packet. Thanks for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR THE LINCOLN DIOCESE - times for parishes across the Diocese of Lincoln can be found at www.lincolndioocese.org/christmas.

JUBILEE YEAR - 2025 - Bishop Conley has recently published a letter regarding the Jubilee Year which can be accessed at this QR code or on the homepage of our parish website: www.blessedsacramentlincoln.org.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP **Sunday Collections (December 15, 2024)**

Envelopes	\$9,489.00
Plate	694.11
Online Giving	6,189.50
Total	\$16,372.61



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - December 21st

5:30 P.M. † Gary Armstrong

Sunday - December 22nd

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish

10:00 A.M. Angie Johnson

11:30 A.M. † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Monday - December 23rd

6:30 A.M. † Marvin Bernt

8:15 A.M. † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday - December 24th

6:30 A.M. † Paul Olson

8:15 A.M. † Gary Armstrong

5:30 P.M. † Sandy Payne

Wednesday - December 25th

12 MID † Tom Lowery

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish

10:00 A.M. † Laura Williams

Thursday - December 26th

6:30 A.M. Special Intention, FM

8:15 A.M. Special Intention, FR

Friday - December 27th

6:30 A.M. Fr. Robert Froeschl

8:15 A.M. † John Steinauer

Saturday - December 28th

8:15 A.M. † Gary Armstrong

5:30 P.M. † Paul Olson

Sunday - December 29th

8:30 A.M. Emily Joann Johnson

10:00 A.M. Family of † Zoey Roberts

11:30 A.M. People of the Parish

PARISH NEWS

DATES & EVENTS:

DECEMBER 24, 2024, CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR - All students grades 3rd-8th who love singing are encouraged to participate in a choir for the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass on Tuesday, December 24th. Practice will begin at 4:30 PM (meeting at the entrance of the school - we will walk from there to the school's music room) to sing for the 5:30 PM evening mass. Please contact Adam Lange with any questions at (605) 660-9756 or adamlange0@gmail.com.

DECEMBER 24, 25, 2024 & JANUARY 1, 2025, RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED - we will be closed for the Holidays on Tues., Dec. 24th, Wed., Dec. 25th, & Wed., Jan. 1st.

DECEMBER 25, 2024 & JANUARY 1, 2025, No CCD CLASSES.

DECEMBER 30, 2024, TAX DEDUCTION FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS - those who wish to receive a tax deduction for charitable contributions to Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in 2024 must have their donation to the rectory by 12 noon, Mon., Dec. 30th. Statements on contributions will be mailed to you in Jan. 2025.

THANK YOU! Thank you to everyone who bought and provided baked goods for the PCCW Christmas Bake Sale last weekend! **We made \$1,091.** The funds will be used to help re-plate our parish's Monstrance.

THANK YOU - PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE - thanks the parish families for their participation in our Christmas Card project for the shut in's, those in care centers and retired priests. We received 120 beautifully decorated cards that will bring smiles to those who receive them. Thank you to Kathy Wells and Jeri Cunningham who secured the

religious Christmas cards throughout the year, and the committee members that organized the project. Wishing you all a Blessed and Joy filled Christmas.

2025 CALENDARS - They have come in; they are located in the vestibule. Please take one to have at home or work.

JANUARY 7, 2025, SCHOOL CLASSES RESUME.

JANUARY 11-12, 2025, SAVE THE DATE - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DINNER & BREAKFAST FOR WOMEN'S CARE CENTER - Come eat good food and support the Women's Care Center of Lincoln, free will offering with the possibility of a 1.5 times match of the funds raised! The K of C are hosting a Dinner on Sat., Jan. 11th from 6-7:30 p.m. with Lou's Sloppy Joes and a Breakfast on Sun., Jan. 12th Breakfast Burritos, Cinnamon Rolls, and Fruit. Plan to stop by!

FREE K OF C MISSION OF THE FAMILY VIDEOS - Men and women, young and old, strengthen and grow in your faith for your families with five short videos produced by the Knights of Columbus called the "Mission of The Family". The videos can be found on the Knights of Columbus website for free at <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>. The five videos are less than 14 minutes in length.

MARCH 29, 2025, SAVE THE DATE - TABLE FOR TEN 2025 - Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 29th! Blessed Sacrament will host the annual Table for Ten Endowment Night at the Lincoln Firefighters Hall. More info to come. Please email stefanierash@gmail.com with any questions.

GIVE GENEROUSLY, GIVING FROM YOUR IRA - A tip on tax-free, charitable giving from your IRA - Qualified Charitable Distributions: If you are 70 1/2 years old or older & have an individual Retirement Account (IRA), you can support Blessed Sacrament church by making a qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). Qualified Charitable Distributions are tax-free withdrawals transferred directly from IRA to qualify-ing organizations such as Blessed Sacrament Church, up to a maximum of \$105,000 annually.

SOUTHERN NEBRASKA REGISTER - Our Diocese is blessed with an excellent newspaper, providing good & pertinent info. about local, national, & worldwide news of our Catholic Church. Each family who receives the paper is asked to pay \$15 for their subscription. Please put in a plain envelope for the subscription marked SNR. Thank you for your consideration.

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. If you or family members are ill or you have problems of any kind or have no problems. Please call Roni at 402-475-5540 or Kathy at 402-840-7732 to make arrangements to have the Fatima statue in your home. No Fees.

THE LIVING ROSARY: St. Dominic of Guzman propagated the devotion to the rosary in the 13th century. Since then, the rosary has occupied the first place among the Marian devotions. It is like a beautiful garland of roses (hence the name: rose-a-rie) offered to Mary: 150 Hail Marys' with 15 Our Fathers at the beginning of each of the mysteries of the Life, Passion, and Resurrection of Jesus and the participation of Mary as co-redemptrix. You are invited to take part in this wonderful devotion by praying only one decade daily, in your own home. Call Jan to have your decade assigned at 402-438-2506.

COMETS CORNER - On Monday, the students treated us to a wonderful Christmas program! It is such a blessing to be able to proclaim the real meaning of Christmas. A big thank you to our music teacher, Michelle Furrow, for her direction of this event.





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SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

PERPETUAL ADORATION

"The Church sees every Communion as a Christmas---the advent of the Savior---and every Christmas as a Eucharistic Feast." - (Mike Aquilina)

Adorers are needed for these open hours: **Sun.:** 12 a.m., 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 4 a.m., 6 a.m. (twice a month), 9 a.m.; **Mon.:** 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 7 a.m.; **Tues.:** 2 a.m., 3 a.m. (three x a month), 10 a.m., 1 p.m.; **Wed.:** 1 a.m., 2 a.m.; **Thurs.:** 2 a.m.; **Fri.:** 2 a.m., 3 a.m. (twice a month); **Sat.:** 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 4 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m. (twice a month), 8 p.m. (twice a month), 11 p.m., 12 Mid;

If interested in becoming an adorer or a sub, or for more info, contact one of the coordinators listed below: Lois Korinek-402-423-1949 - Kathy Wells - 402-840-7732.

SEMINARIAN PRAYER CALENDAR FOR 2024-25 - Each Seminarian is given a specific week during which we are encouraged as a parish to pray for that specific seminarian preparing for the priesthood. The following is a list of the men to pray for during the months of Dec. & Jan.:

Dec. 22nd-28th: Tyler Johnson (Mount St. Mary Seminary)
Dec. 29th-Jan. 4th: Trent Moudry (St. Gregory the Great Seminary)
Jan. 5th-11th: Rev. Mr. David Tines (Mount St. Mary Seminary)

GET A GROUP TOGETHER & LEARN ABOUT THE PINK SISTERS - Visit the Chapel of Christ the King, the home of the Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters, and get all the info. on this oasis of peace and stillness in the heart of Lincoln. Any age group is welcome! To schedule, contact Joan Tasler, 402-310-9682 or jftasler@gmail.com.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE - Upcoming Retreats to register for: **4 & 8-day Ignatian Retreats – Dec. 29th-Jan 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or Jan. 19th-24th, 2025 w/ Fr. Coulter, Fr. Barak & Matt Simmons, LDCCW Winter Symposium on Jan. 10th-11th. Desert Day on Jan. 7th, anytime between 7-9 a.m. check-in - Depart when it works for you. Read more & register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@olgcretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.**

HEARTS RESTORED - Are you or someone you know struggling after an abortion? It's time to find hope and healing with Hearts Restored. This post-abortion healing ministry will accompany you on your unique healing journey, offering mentorship, individual counseling, group settings, retreats, spiritual support, and more. Restore your peace and hope today. Call the Hearts Restored hotline at 402-783-HOPE (4673) or email the confidential, secure inbox at FindPeace@HeartsRestoredNebraska.org. Learn more about Hearts Restored at HeartsRestoredNebraska.org.

ADDITIONAL NEWS

DECEMBER 28, 2024, HOLY INNOCENTS' MEMORIAL MASS - For those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. All are invited. Sat., Dec. 28th at John XXIII Diocesan Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Lincoln. Reading children's names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. New names may be submitted by calling the Office of Family Life at 402-473-0620 before 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 17th or in the vestibule prior to 6:30 p.m. If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list. All

names will be permanently placed on a memorial banner.

JANUARY 2-5, 2024, S.T.A.G.E. TO PRESENT "THE CUSTODIAN OF ART" - Student Theatre announces its holiday production, "The Custodian of Art," to be held at 7 p.m. on Jan. 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & at 2 p.m. on Jan. 5th, at St. Teresa's Kaczmarek Hall, 36th & Randolph St. Audiences of all ages will delight in this original musical, featuring student actors ages 8 to 15. Set in an art gallery full of famous paintings, patrons realize the purpose of art as it comes to life through clever depictions & silly antics. Music, dance, & humorous moments weave their way through this thoughtful piece derived from St. John Paul II's Letter to Artists & his writings on truth, goodness, & beauty. Following the show, guests will enjoy an art exhibit by local artists & STAGE students. Reserved seating tickets can be purchased at <https://www.stage4kids.com/purchase-tickets.html>.



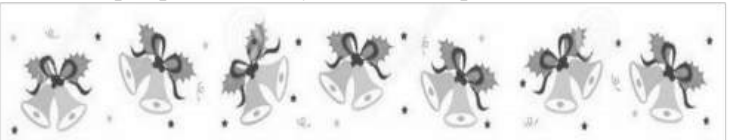
JANUARY 8, 2024, EMMAUS INSTITUTE WINTER COURSE - Starting Jan. 8th (Wednesdays), the Emmaus Institute is teaching a five-week course on our Blessed Mother, titled The Mother of the Word: A Biblical Study of Mary.

Discover how the Old & New Testaments reveal the person and mission of Mary. Learn more and register via the QR code or at www.EmmausInstitute.net.



FEBRUARY 14-16, 2025, WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - Give yourselves the best Christmas present ever – take time for your marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance & renew your sacrament by attending a WWME Experience on Feb. 14th-16th, 2025, Lincoln, NE; Sept. 19th-21st, 2025, Grand Island, NE. For questions, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger at 402-370-5839. Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early. For more info about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org. Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! @worldwidemarriageencounter.

MOMS IN NEED - The parish Pro-Life group has put together packets that identify resources for any mother who finds herself in need of assistance. They are located in our vestibule pamphlet rack. If you are a mother in need, or know of someone who could use this material, check the pamphlet rack for yellow-colored packets.



ANNOUNCEMENT:
SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL TRAINING
 The annual recertification process for safe environment compliance is changing in January of 2025
 Beginning January 1, 2025, all clergy, religious, employees, and volunteers who work with minors will be required to renew their training during the month of January.

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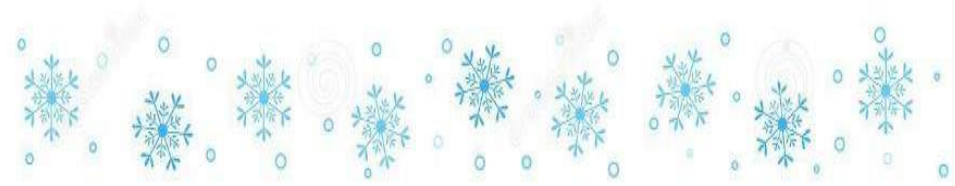


EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL - in Seward, NE, has an opening for an energetic Catholic leader as Elementary School Principal, for the 2025-26 school year. The principal must be certified by the NE Dept. of Education or be able to be certified with minimal effort. Preference will be given to applicants with successful administrative experience. St. Vincent de Paul is a PreK-4 elementary school located 25 miles west of Lincoln. Interested, qualified candidates can ask for application info by contacting Msgr. Robert Tucker at msgr.rob_ert-tucker@cdolinc.net or call (402) 643-3421.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - CHURCH ORGANIST/PIANIST - We're seeking an experienced organist &/or pianist to serve at our liturgies, including Sat. vigil Mass, Holy Days, & as a substitute for Sun. Masses as needed. One or more PT, paid positions are available now. We would love to welcome you to our Music Ministry! To express interest, please contact Mike Zeleny, Director of Music, at Zelenymj@gmail.com or 402.416.1845.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - BEYOND THE BELL STAFF - is seeking support staff to help with our after-school program! Must be at least 16 years old. Responsibilities include providing childcare & child safety, preparing snacks, supervising indoor & outdoor activities, helping direct educational programming, & facilitating a safe, encouraging environment for students. Email resume & references to JHEL-beyondthebell@cdolinc.net or call 402-489-0341 with any questions.





The Christmas Flowers decorating our church were given in Honor and Memory of the following people:

In Honor of:

- ◆ Susan Jagoda; Given by Judith Johnston ◆
- ◆ Fr. Morin & Fr. Reimers; Blessed Sacrament Parishioners ◆
- ◆ Rev. Ryan Kaup; Given by Sherry & Randy Kaup ◆

In Memory of:

- ◆ Shirl Spidell & Mickey Johnston; Given by Judith Johnston ◆
- ◆ Mike McConnell & Deceased Members of the Wiese & McConnell Families; Given by Jan McConnell ◆
 - ◆ Gene & Fae Lehr; Given by Wade & Mary Graft ◆
- ◆ Clem, Vince & Mike Pella & All Deceased Members of the Pella Family; David & Matthew Wesely & All Deceased Members of the Wesely Family; Given by Clem, Maggie & Bernadette Pella ◆
 - ◆ Nzobo Emilie; Given by Yvette ◆
- ◆ Deceased Members of the Sand & Fellows Families; Given by Susan Sand ◆
 - ◆ Kenneth Hofpar & Irene Kozisek; Given by Linda Wetovick & Family ◆
- ◆ Jimmie & Kay Ganem, Fred & Marjorie Widoe, Sandy Payne; Given by Ann & Maddie Ames ◆
 - ◆ Elizabeth Stegman; Given by Chad & Mary Baker ◆
 - ◆ Paul, Karen & Kim Olson; Given by The Olson Family ◆
- ◆ Kenneth Hofpar & All Deceased Members of the Meysenburg & Hofpar Families; Given by Craig & Laura Meysenburg & Family ◆
 - ◆ Roberta Mason; Given by Julian & Roberta Castillo & Family ◆
 - ◆ Mary Obrist & Leo Fendrick; Given by Jerry Obrist & Nancy Fendrick ◆
 - ◆ Relatives & Parents, Frank & Julia Dvorak; Given by Pat A. Hafer ◆
 - ◆ Lee & Joan Nelson, Phyllis & Robert Schmitz; Given by Rogene Cihal ◆
- ◆ Cal Wells, Deceased Members of the Whitney & Wells Families; Given by Kathleen Wells ◆
 - ◆ Cabela & Butler Families; Given by Tom & Deb Cabela ◆
 - ◆ Mike Leggott; Given by Deb & Justin Leggott ◆
- ◆ Anita Abele, Leonard Steinauer, John Steinauer; Given by Lou Ann Steinauer-Abele & Floyd Abele ◆
 - ◆ Bill & Alice Pacula; Given by Rene & Karen Solc ◆
 - ◆ Keith Rokke; Given by Catherine Rokke ◆
- ◆ Bruno & Nora Butkiewicz, Kathy Foster, Lee Butkiewicz, Fern & Clinton Poppe; Given by Jerel & Mary Poppe ◆



- ◆ Lloyd & Marlene Taylor, Walt & Geraldine Wittmuss, Olga Prendes, Sandy Payne, Deceased Members of the Ron & Roni Miller Families;
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- ◆ Paul & Amelia Kaup, Charles & Frieda Kirnan, Christina Kaup, Rev. Joseph Kaup; Given by Sherry & Randy Kaup ◆
- ◆ Deceased Members of Joseph Nicolas Family & Anton Masek Family;
Given by Linda Masek ◆
- ◆ Harter & Korinek Families; Given by Ron & Lois Korinek ◆
- ◆ Norbert Haas; Given by Ruth Haas - ◆
- ◆ Our Parents, Jean & Jane Reuter, Janette Paprocki, Kenzie & Bud Opplejac; Given by Ken & Lynn Reuter ◆
- ◆ My Father, Ernest E. Rech; Grandparents, Emil A. & Mary A. (Prochaska) Rech & Frank J. & Elsie A. (Chmelka) Kubr; Given by Jeffrey Rech ◆
- ◆ Bonnie Ramaekers & Brenda Ramaekers; Given by Kurt & Jennifer Ramaekers ◆
- ◆ Matt & Margaret Sullivan Family; Given by Gerald & Judy Forster ◆
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- ◆ Becky Cunningham, Deceased Members of Cunningham & Hanna Families; Given by Don Cunningham ◆
- ◆ All Deceased Members of Zordel/Krejci/Watt Families; Dorothy Zordel ◆



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O Holy Night

Sunday, December 22nd, 2024

Join the School Sisters of Christ the King for Christmas caroling!

Schedule

2:15 Meet at St. Teresa School

Caroling: St. Elizabeth Hospital, Bonacum Retirement Home,
Tabitha Senior Care Center, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

Evening Prayer & Supper with the Sisters at St. Teresa School

6:00 Depart from St. Teresa School

For young women ages 12-35

Please RSVP to Sister Peter Marie: sr.peter-marie@cdolinc.net

or call 402-477-5232



*School Sisters
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PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM & LIABILITY WAIVER FOR GIRLS 18 YEARS OLD AND YOUNGER

School Sisters of Christ the King + Christmas Caroling + December 22nd, 2024

Participant's name _____ Birth date _____

Parent/Guardian's name _____ Cell phone _____

I grant permission for my child, _____, to participate in events which require transportation.

EVENT: Christmas caroling at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Madonna, Tabitha Senior Care Center, and Bonacum House

ESTIMATED TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 2:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on December 22nd, 2024, from St. Teresa School

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CAROLING EVENT: Vehicles of the School Sisters of Christ the King and volunteer drivers

As parent and/or legal guardian, I remain legally responsible for any personal actions taken by the above named minor (“child”).

I agree on behalf of myself, my child named herein, or our heirs, successors, and assigns, to hold harmless and defend the School Sisters of Christ the King, its officers, directors, employees and agents, and the Diocese of Lincoln, its employees and agents, chaperones, or representatives associated with the event, from any claim arising from or in connection with my child attending the event or in connection with any illness or injury or cost of medical treatment in connection therewith, and I agree to compensate the parish, its officers, directors and agents, and the Diocese of Lincoln, its employees and agents and chaperones, or representative associated with the event for reasonable attorney’s fees and expenses which may incur in any action brought against them as a result of such injury or damage, unless such claim arises from the negligence of the School Sisters of Christ the King or the Diocese of Lincoln.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Emergency Medical Treatment: In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to transport my child to a hospital for emergency medical or surgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor. In the event of an emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the above numbers, contact:

Emergency Contact _____ Emergency Contact Phone # _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Media Release Permission Form

I hereby agree and give my permission for the School Sisters of Christ the King and/or the Diocese of Lincoln to record or photograph my child’s name and image, in any form (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Works”), and to display, publish, distribute or exhibit these Works or any part thereof for the purpose of and in connection with any material that may be created by the School Sisters of Christ the King including, without limitation, for posting on the world wide web. By entering into this informed consent and release and granting the permission as stated therein, I also am releasing the School Sisters of Christ the King and the Diocese of Lincoln and their respective officers, directors, agents and/or employees from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, costs, claims and/or causes of action arise out of or related to daughter’s participation in any media events, including, without limitation, promotional materials or website projects.

I have read this Informed Consent and Release and understand its terms. I sign it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

Child’s Name: _____

Parent/Guardian’s Name: _____

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Holy Innocents

A memorial Mass for those who
have lost a child
through miscarriage, stillbirth,
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All are invited

| 28 DECEMBER |

6:30pm Reading of Names
7:00pm Mass

New names may be submitted by
calling the Office of Family Life
at 402-473-0620 before 5pm on
Dec. 17th or in the vestibule
prior to 6:30.

All names will be permanently
placed on a banner. However,
due to time constraints, only
names submitted since 2016 will
be read aloud.

Mass will be held at John XXIII Diocesan Center
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January 10-11

LDCCW Winter Symposium

Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women
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- John 15:16



January 31- February 2 Unbound: Freedom in Christ

Fr. William Holoubek
Live your baptism and the freedom of deliverance (Prayer teams available)



February 6-9

Living as an Apostle Women's Spiritual Exercises

Fr. Jason Brooks, LC and Regnum Christi
Building the Kingdom of Christ



February 15-16

The Joy of Forgiveness

Sandy Hoening, 2-day retreat
Discover the profound emotional strength of forgiveness



March 5

Ash Wednesday Reflection

Day of Recollection 9:30am - 3pm
Begin Lent with a day of prayer and penance



March 7-9

Flame of Love

Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement
Be inflamed with the power of Jesus' love



March 14-16

Maturing in Prayer

Fr. Chris Kubat
A Lent retreat applying God's word to your prayer



April 4-6

Back to the Garden Young Adult Women

Sarina Stokes and Fr. Kennett
Healing the feminine heart through the Bridegroom, Jesus



April 11-13

Compassion in the Passion

Fr. John Rooney
Pray with the Scriptures to enter into Holy Week



April 17-19

Holy Week Retreat for Young Women

Holy Thursday to Holy Saturday
www.mariansisters.org



May 9-10

The Power of a Praying Mother

Natalie Giford and Kristin Schiff
Women at the Well apostolate
Devotion to Mary and other Saints who were mothers



Full Retreat Schedule



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2025 IGNATIAN RETREATS PRIVATE AND SILENT DIRECTED

Dec. 29-Jan. 1st, 2nd, or 3rd
3-Day, 4-Day or 5-Day
with Fr. Gary Coulter

January 19-24 or 20-24
5 or 6-day with Fr. Coulter,
Sarina Stokes or Matt Simmons

February 10-14, 14-18 or 10-18
4 or 8-day with Fr. Coulter,
Sarina Stokes or Matt Simmons

March 13-17, 17-21 or 13-21
4 day or 8 day with Fr. Coulter or
Matt Simmons

April 13-17 or 14-17
3 or 4-day with
Fr. Coulter or Matt Simmons

**April 30-May 4, May 4-8 or
April 30-May 8**
4-day or 8-day with Fr. Barak or
Matt Simmons

May 16-19, 20-23 or 16-23
4 or 8-day with Fr. Barak,
Fr. Coulter or Matt Simmons

2025 DESERT DAYS (QUIET DAYS)

Tuesday January 7
Tuesday February 11
Wednesday March 5
(Ash Wednesday)
Friday April 25
Tuesday May 20



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December 17, 2024

O Sapientia

To the Clergy, Religious, and Lay Faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln,

It is with great joy and hope, that I write to you as we prepare for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Pope Francis has proclaimed this a sacred time of grace and mercy with the theme: *Pilgrims of Hope*. I would encourage each of you to be intentional in your planning to make this a year of personal growth in faith as we journey together.

We will begin our observance of the Jubilee Year in the Lincoln Diocese with an Opening Mass on **Sunday, December 29, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. I would encourage all priests, religious and parishioners across the diocese to join us as we begin this important year filled with prayer, reflection and celebration.

The Jubilee tradition is based in Sacred Scripture, particularly in the Book of Leviticus, where the Lord commands His people to celebrate a year of release, restoration, and renewal every fifty years. It was a time for debts to be forgiven, slaves to be set free, and land to be restored to its rightful owners—a tangible expression of God’s mercy and forgiveness.

Pope Boniface VIII proclaimed the first Christian Jubilee in the year 1300, offering the faithful an extraordinary opportunity for spiritual renewal through prayer, pilgrimage, and the Sacraments. Since then, they have occurred every 25 years. Over the centuries, Jubilee Years have become profound moments of grace, reminding us of our eternal destiny and our call to live as disciples of Christ.

Each Jubilee Year brings with it the opportunity for the faithful to gain a Jubilee Indulgence. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) defines an indulgence as “a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints” (CCC 1471).

In other words, an indulgence flows from the treasury of the Church, and is contingent upon the faithful’s reception of the Sacraments, their desire to grow in holiness and rejection of even the attachment to sin as the barrier to their relationship with Christ. Jesus taught us that whatever the Church, through the Successor of St. Peter, “bind[s] on Earth will be bound in Heaven, and whatever [she looses] on Earth will be loosed in Heaven” (Matthew 19:18-20).

Holy Mother Church, out of love for her children and her desire for them to grow in holiness, provides unique moments of grace by which even the *stain of sin* may be wiped away, after the sin itself has been forgiven through Sacramental Confession. While there are many indulgences available to the faithful throughout the year, because the Jubilee Year is one of supreme mercy and forgiveness, the Church provides even more opportunities of spiritual cleansing through Jubilee Indulgences.

These plenary indulgences require the faithful to have no attachment in their heart to sin, even to venial sins. However, should total detachment to sin not be attainable, in these moments the Church still provides a *partial* indulgence to her children who are working towards holiness but are still attached, in some capacity, to their sinful inclinations. The normal conditions to receive an indulgence are: (1) sacramental Confession 20 days before or after the indulgenced activity, (one confession can count for many indulgences); (2) reception of Holy Communion; (3) and prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father ('Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be' is a good option). Finally, a plenary indulgence may be obtained once a day, and may be applied to yourself or to a deceased person—which can be a great way to pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

A way to obtain a Jubilee Indulgence is to visit one of the eight sites in our diocese I have designated as Jubilee pilgrimage sites. These sites are:

The Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln
The Pink Sisters Chapel, Lincoln
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, North Platte
St. Benedict, Nebraska City

St. Mary, Orleans
St. Anthony, Steinauer
Assumption, Dwight
Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Arapahoe

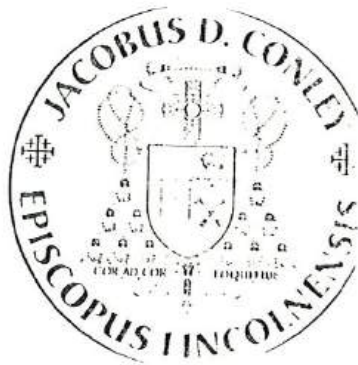
In addition to pilgrimages to these local sanctuaries, or to national or international designated holy sites, one can also obtain an indulgence through works of mercy and acts of penance. This is a year to strive to rediscover the Sacrament, imitate the mercy of the Father by feeding the hungry, visiting the sick and comforting the sorrowful, and spend time in prayer and reflection.

I would especially encourage you to meditate on the Nicene Creed. The Jubilee Year marks the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea (325 AD), which gave us the Nicene Creed. This prayer is an enduring expression of our shared faith. It is recited at every Sunday Mass and unites us as one body, proclaiming the truths of the Trinity, the divinity of Christ, and the Church. My hope is each time we pray the Nicene Creed, we renew our commitment to live our faith and allow it to shape our lives.

Throughout the Jubilee Year, we in the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln will have the opportunity to celebrate together by participating in special events, prayerful observances and

unique reminders of our faith. We will read and discuss several books together as one diocese. There will be specific nights of adoration when we can pray together. We will invite guest speakers so we can learn together. We will even share 52 “Moments of Hope” together. More details on these and other initiatives will be forthcoming as we work to observe this Holy Year in a significant way.

I look forward to embarking on this journey of faith with you. Let us be inspired by the words of St. Paul: *“Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer”* (Romans 12:12). May this Jubilee Year of 2025 be a time of profound grace for our diocese and for each of you. Together, may we move forward in faith as pilgrims of hope!

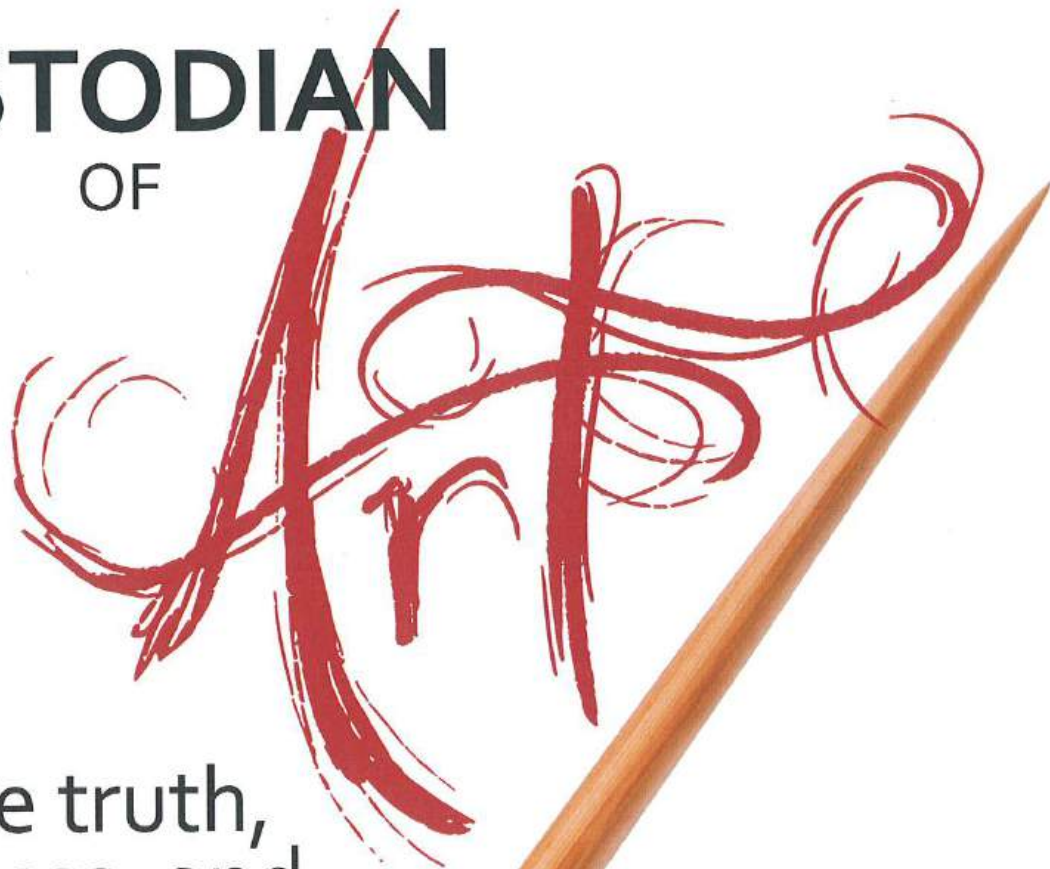


Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James D. Conley".

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