

February 2, 2025 | Presentation of the Lord

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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.

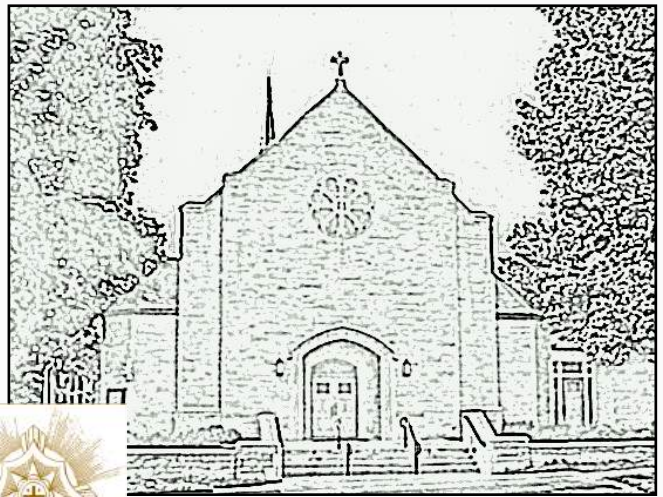
THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP Sunday Collections (January 26, 2025)

Envelopes	\$7,681.00
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Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church & School

FEBRUARY 2, 2025, EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION EVERY SUNDAY after the 11:30 a.m. Mass (or Baptism) to 5:00 p.m. -"Certainly, amongst all devotions, after that of receiving the sacraments, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament holds the first place, is the most pleasing to God, and the most useful to ourselves." - Saint Alphonsus Marie de Ligouri

FEBRUARY 4, 2025, KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW - if you have a little one that is going to be starting Kindergarten come check out Blessed Sacrament School at 1725 Lake St. It starts at 5:30 p.m. in the meeting room. If you have questions, please reach out to Jenn Tran at 402-476-6202 or Jennifer-Tran@cdolinc.net.



FEBRUARY 9, 2025, SWEETHEART BAKE SALE - The PCCW is hosting the SWEETheart Bake Sale just in time for Valentine's Day! Join us on Sun., Feb. 9th after all the Masses. Come support our parish & satisfy your sweet tooth!

Reminder to PCCW Members - Donations needed for goodies! Bring items to the bride's room on Sat. the 8th, or to the gym on Sun. the 9th.



FEBRUARY 8-9, 2025, SOUPER BOWL OF CARING FOR MATT TALBOT KITCHEN OUTREACH - On the weekend of February 8th-9th, millions of Americans will watch the BIG GAME.

There will be parties with abundant food, friendship, and fellowship. You can help make sure everyone has soup in their bowls by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring! Let's join with others around the country as we demonstrate God's love by loving our neighbors through the Souper Bowl of Caring. It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. This year we will be collecting for Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach in Lincoln. For over 30 years Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach has served the homeless and near homeless. Feeding the hungry is at the core of their mission.

Drop \$1 or more in the soup pot as you leave worship on Feb. 8th-9th. Thanks for supporting this effort and helping those most vulnerable in our community.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT: Thank you for your renewed pledge to the parish! If you haven't already done so, please make your adjustment to your tithe commitment, either through adjusting your recurring check amount or making the adjustment to your online giving or setting up your online gift. You can do so by going to the www.blessedsacramentlincoln.org and then clicking on the online giving button or going to https://giving.myparishsoft.io/app/givin_g/bsc and setting up your online gift.

Let us pray together that the Good Lord will pour forth His blessings upon our parish. Thank you again for helping Blessed Sacrament realize our potential! If you have any questions or need assistance, please reach out to us in the church office at cindyuhing@bsc.church or jennifer@bsc.church or 402-474-4249.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - February 1st

5:30 P.M. Penelope Blackledge

Sunday - February 2nd

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish

10:00 A.M. † Levi Bowman

11:30 A.M. † Sandy Payne

Monday - February 3rd

6:30 A.M. † Paul Olson

8:15 A.M. † Gary Armstrong

Tuesday - February 4th

6:30 A.M. † Jim McGrath

8:15 A.M. † Deceased Friends & Family of Joe Walton

Wednesday - February 5th

6:30 A.M. Special Intention, FM

8:15 A.M. † John Steinauer

Thursday - February 6th

6:30 A.M. Kristin Minchow

8:15 A.M. Special Intention, FR

Friday - February 7th

6:30 A.M. Tom & Deb Cabela

8:15 A.M. † Wanda Korensky

Saturday - February 8th

8:15 A.M. Physically & Mentally Ill

5:30 P.M. Vestecka Family

Sunday - February 9th

8:30 A.M. † Leo Cunningham

10:00 A.M. † Ned Lustig

11:30 A.M. People of the Parish

PARISH NEWS

DATES & EVENTS:

FEBRUARY 2, 2025, BAPTISM INSTRUCTION CLASS - at 6:30 p.m., in the School Meeting room. Please RSVP to Cindy at cindyuhing@bsc.church or 402-474-4249 to ensure that one of the priests will be present.

FEBRUARY 3, 2025, PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - will host its annual open house for 8th grade students & their parents/guardian at 7 p.m. on Mon., Feb. 3rd. All students in a Catholic school, another private school, public school, or home school are invited. If your son or daughter is not currently enrolled in a Lincoln Catholic school, please RSVP to Shelly. Pick@piusx.net or call 402-488-0931 to ensure a great open house experience. Visit PiusX.net/openhouse to learn more about Pius X.

FEBRUARY 5, 2025, K OF C OFFICER'S MEETING - at 8 p.m. in Kraemer Hall.

FEBRUARY 7, 2025, WELCOMING COMMITTEE MEETING - Is your New Year's resolution to be more involved in the parish? Come join the Welcome Committee & help us welcome new parishioners into Blessed Sacrament to keep our parish a warm and inviting place. Meetings are every first Friday of the month in the meeting room of the school from 5-6 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Riley Jedlicka at 402-909-2514. See you on Feb. 7th at 5 p.m.!

FEBRUARY 7, 2025, COR HOUR OF ADORATION - Followed by Fellowship - All men 18 & older are invited to join us for an hour of adoration from 11:00 p.m. - Midnight to pray for family, friends, parish & community, followed by snacks & fellowship in the school gym. COR is a Christ-centered fellowship, this adoration hour will help put Christ back in the center of our minds & hearts. Don't forget to bring a friend!

FEBRUARY 11, 2025, PRO-LIFE MEETING - Everyone is welcome to attend the Pro-Life Meeting for the month of January. The meeting will be in the meeting room at the school. At the meeting we will discuss when to have the Thank You Potluck for all the volunteers that helped with the election amendments. Any questions contact Mary at 402 617-2769.

FEBRUARY 12, 2025, K OF C GENERAL MEETING - at 8 p.m. in Kraemer Hall.

FEBRUARY 15, 2025, MEN'S COR MEETING - COR Men's Group gathering after the 8:15 a.m. Sat. Mass. This is a gathering for any man of the parish and will be held in the meeting room.

MARCH 29, 2025, SAVE THE DATE - TABLE FOR TEN 2025 - Mark your calendars for Sat., March 29th! Blessed Sacrament will host the annual Table for Ten Endowment Night at the Lincoln Firefighters Hall. This year's theme is "PROM NIGHT".

Interested in joining the planning committee? Some duties include sending emails to solicit donations, picking up donations, decorations, set up and clean up after the event. Please email stefanierash@gmail.com if you want to hear more about getting involved!

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. If you are pregnant or know of someone who is, we're here to help. Our parish contact person is Michelle & is available for you to talk to, she can be reached at 402-432-9122. The yellow-colored packets, in English & Spanish, are in the back of church, next to the St. Joseph statue.



SCRIP NEWS - Thank You to everyone who purchased gift cards through Scrip in 2024! We raised over \$5,800 for Blessed Sacrament which helped pay for things like the new tables in the gym. Did you know that if every adult in the Blessed Sacrament parish bought a \$100 gift card to purchase groceries, we would raise over \$7,000 for our church & school? What if they did it every month for a year? Next time you see the green Scrip sign outside school, stop by & see how quick & easy it is to support Blessed Sacrament without spending any extra money! Until then, visit <http://tinyurl.com/4ucn4t29> or contact Jennie Korth at jenniekorth@gmail.com to learn more!

COMETS CORNER - Students in grades 5th-8th were celebrated for their academic achievements after Mass on Thursday. Six students received an Honor Roll certificate with a first semester GPA of 88%-93% and 32 students received a Principal's List certificate with a first semester GPA of 94%-100%. Congratulations to all of our hardworking students and teachers!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED:

ADALYNN MAE STOLZER

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

PERPETUAL ADORATION

"Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy." Jesus told St. Maria Faustina that the Blessed Sacrament is the "throne of mercy on earth," and to daily "Adore, in the Blessed Sacrament, My Heart, which is full of mercy." - Divine Mercy Diary, 300, 1485 & 1572

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., 1 p.m. (twice a month); **Tues.:** 2 a.m., 3 a.m. (three x a month); **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 2025 - 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 month of Feb:



Feb. 2nd-8th: Caleb Hansen (St. Charles Borromeo Seminary)
Feb. 9th-15th: Emmanuel Consbrook (St. Gregory the Great Seminary)
Feb. 16th-22nd: Derrek Sumner (St. Gregory the Great Seminary)
Feb. 23rd-Mar. 1st: Charles Kotopka (St. Gregory the Great Seminary)

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE - in Waverly, NE, offers a variety of upcoming retreats to renew your spirit and draw closer to Christ. See the schedule below and visit goodcounselretreat.org to register: **Feb 6th-9th: Living as an Apostle:** Women's Spiritual Exercises with Regnum Christi and Fr. Jason Brooks, LC, **Feb 15th-16th: "The Joy of Forgiveness"** with Sandy Hoenig, **March 7th-9th: Flame of Love Retreat** with Jill Metz - US National Director, Flame of Love, **March 14th-16th: Maturing in Prayer** with Fr. Chris Kubat, **April 4th-6th: Back to the Garden Women's Retreat** with Sarina Stokes & Fr. Cole Kennett. Our retreats are for either men or women & offered both in-person & online. Scholarships are available, contact the office for more info 402-786-2705. Visit: goodcounselretreat.org to register for any of our retreats!

FEBRUARY 7, 2025, HOLY HOUR - at the Pink Sisters Fri., Feb. 7th, at 7:15 p.m., 1040 S. Cotner Blvd. Singing will be led by the Catholic Singers' Guild - Newman Center Alumni. Please help us pray for good vocations for our Diocese.



FEBRUARY 22, 2025, CATHOLIC MEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT - at 3 locations across the Diocese of Lincoln. Registration is FREE, so register now. At the summit, you will learn how to become an effective leader in your personal life, in your role as a leader of your household, in your parish, & in the community around your parish. You will also learn how to form or join your team of brothers who will accompany you on your mission as a Catholic man. There is more info on the registration site. Go to <https://bit.ly/CatholicMan> or scan the QR Code for registration & more details. There is also telephone & email contact info on the registration page if you have any further questions. Register before Feb. 1st to guarantee breakfast & lunch.

MARCH 1, 2025, RENEW THE BRIDE, THE CHURCH RETREAT FOR ADULTS - Father John Burns, nationally known for speaking at events such as SEEK & the National Eucharistic Congress, will present a day conference called "Renew the Bride, the Church" on March 1st at St. Joseph Church in Lincoln. He established an apostolate called Friends of the Bridegroom, a mission to renew the Church through the healing, renewal, & expansion of women's religious life in America.

MARCH 8-13, 2025, MONASTIC EXPERIENCE - Come, let us Adore - The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life, to a Monastic Experience at their monastery in Clyde, MO. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of monastic life where participants can join the sisters in praying the divine office, attending daily Mass, spending time in personal prayer & opening their hearts to God's call by learning about discernment & prayer. There is no cost to attend, & more details are available at www.benedictinesisters.org - Vocations - Walk With Us. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ext. 127 or vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

ADDITIONAL NEWS

FEBRUARY 6 – MARCH 27, 2025, UNBOUND BASIC MINISTRY TRAINING (8 WEEK VIDEO SERIES) - will be held Thurs., 6:30-8:00 p.m. Feb. 6th - Mar. 27th, at John XXIII Diocesan Center & via Zoom. Would you like to join the Diocese of Lincoln Unbound Team & help

others to experience freedom? This is for those who want Unbound training to be intercessors, & intercessors learning to be a prayer leader (& those who are already prayer leaders for a refresher). The cost is a \$20 workbook. Contact unbound.lincoln@gmail.com or 402-473-0620.

FEBRUARY 14-16, 2025, WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - Is your marriage being tested? Bring it to God on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on: Feb. 14th-16th, Lincoln, NE; Sept. 19th-21st, 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 & Facebook! @worldwidemarriageencounter.

FEBRUARY 14-16, 2025, RETROUVAILLE - Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Retrouvaille offers a welcoming & loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different & better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled & to move into their futures believing that God loves them & with His help & their efforts, their marriages can be healed & restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more info. about Retrouvaille, go to www.helpourmarriage.com, or www.retrouvaille.org. An upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend will be held on Feb. 14th-16th at the St. Benedict Center in Schuyler, NE. To register call 1-800-470-2230.

FEBRUARY 17, 2025, EMMAUS INSTITUTE SPRING COURSES - Registration for Emmaus Institute spring courses is now open, including a free course, Theology of the Body, taught by Dr. John Kincaid. For the 1700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea, Chad Steiner is teaching a course titled The Nicene Creed: What Christians Believe & Why It Matters (Tues.). Other courses include The New Testament Letters & Revelation (Mon.), Elementary Biblical Greek II (Wed.), & Laughing with God: Humor in the Bible (Thurs.). Courses are either six or twelve weeks in length, beginning the week of Feb. 17th & concluding the week of May 13th. Learn more & register via the QR code or at www.EmmausInstitute.net.



FEBRUARY 22, 2025, LET'S PLAY BINGO! Fun for all Ages Sat., Feb. 22nd, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Knights Hall - 6044 South St. Free Will Offering. Prizes and snacks. Helps support our Catholic Daughters charity programs.

FEBRUARY 22, 2025, SPIRIT CELEBRATION DINNER - This year, we'll be joined by Catholic Answers' Senior Apologist, podcast host, & author, **Jimmy Akin!** Jimmy is a convert to the Faith & has an extensive background in the Bible, theology, the Church Fathers, philosophy, canon law, & liturgy. Jimmy is a weekly guest on the national radio program Catholic Answers Live, a regular contributor to Catholic Answers Magazine, & a popular blogger & podcaster. Join us on Feb. 22nd, at the Mid-America Center in Council Bluffs. Social hour begins at 5 p.m. with the Dinner & Program to follow, starting at 6 p.m.. General Admission is \$75 per seat. Please make your reservation by Feb. 14th! Priests are free to attend the Spirit Celebration Dinner! Register at <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/jimmy/>.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS OF NE OSN is seeking a highly motivated & organized individual to assist PT with scholarship implementation & administrative support. Ideal candidates have a passion for educational freedom/school choice, have strong organizational & administrative skills, & enjoy providing support to parents & schools via phone, email, & text. Candidates must be skilled in Excel & navigating database systems. Position is PT (20-25 hours per



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week) with the potential to grow to a FT position. Pay commensurate with experience & skills. Questions & interest can be directed to Jeremy at info@nebraskaopportunity.org.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - SCHOOL PRINCIPAL - St. Vincent de Paul in Seward, NE, looking for an energetic Catholic leader 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 W. of Lincoln. Interested, qualified candidates can ask for application info by contacting Msgr. Robert Tucker at msgr.robert-tucker@cdolinc.net or call (402) 643-3421.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - SPANISH TEACHER - St. Joe's School - Lincoln, NE, is seeking a faith-filled, dynamic teacher for the 2025-26 school year. PT with potential to expand. Must have a solid working knowledge of Spanish (fluency preferred) & age-appropriate means of promoting language development for all grades PreK-8. Strong skills in communication, collaboration & relationship-building are essential. The position involves furthering the mission of St. Joe's by contributing to a positive Catholic learning environment. Start date Aug. 2025. Salary based on educational background & experience. Please send resume, & references from educational supervisors, to kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Council

1/22/25 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

A parish council meeting of Blessed Sacrament Church was held on 1/22/25 at Blessed Sacrament School, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Chris Beardslee, Jason Danner, Katie Kudron, Ben Mattern, Fr. Morin, Clem Pella, Jennifer Ramaekers, Fr. Reimers, Matt Richardson, Hai Tran, and Jennifer Tran.

Members absent: Collin Aldrich, Perry Demma, and Aaron May.

Council Status

After welcoming newly elected members to the Council (see members listed below), some discussion took place to make those nominated to the Council more recognizable at the time of voting.

Reports

- *Building & Grounds – Chris Beardslee Reporting*
 - The snow fence near the school entrance is an experiment to see if the leaves and trash that tend to land near the school entryway can be reduced with some kind of barrier.
 - The parish and school recently received a grant to improve exterior lighting. Contract negotiations are underway, and the hope is that the work can be done this summer.
- *School – Jennifer Tran Reporting*
 - Efforts are underway to increase enrollment by contacting every family with a school-aged child. The focus is on the transition grades (from pre-school into kindergarten and the public school's fifth grade into sixth grade.) The Kindergarten Preview is scheduled for February 4th.
 - Catholic Schools Week is coming up, beginning with "Fam Jam" on Sunday night.
- *Altar Society – Katie Kudron Reporting*
 - The Altar Society hosted a Christmas Bake Sale and will host a Valentine's Bake Sale in February.
 - Preparations are beginning for Confirmation, hosting the priests' meal and the reception following Mass.
 - The next evening of Praise and Worship will take place on March 19th.
 - The next Altar Society Social will be an evening of Bunco.
- *Knights of Columbus – Matt Richardson Reporting*
 - Upcoming events include a 12/14/24 Christmas party, 1/11/25 Sloppy Joe dinner, 1/12/25 breakfast burritos, and the annual free throw contest in January.
- *Finance Council – Fr. Morin Reporting*
 - Through the first three months of the fiscal year, Sunday giving was significantly less than budgeted but has regained the difference by the end of December.

- The Finance Council has begun the process to develop our budget for the July 2025 to June 2026 fiscal year.
- The annual Stewardship Program has concluded on a very positive note. Results will be published soon.

Liturgy

- Fr. Morin presented a list of twelve people who spoke either just before or just after Sunday Masses in 2024, concerned about the possibility that we might be having too many over the course of the year. The Council was satisfied an average of once a month was not too frequent.
- The 75th anniversary of the church's dedication is April 26th this spring. Plans to celebrate are underway.
- The Council discussed the Jubilee Year of Hope. Plans for a pilgrimage are underway.
- Eucharistic Exposition will take place on Sundays after the 11:30 a.m. Mass (or Baptism) until 5:00 p.m.

Financial

- Enough funds are in the SCRIP account to pay for the rectory roof replacement and to offer a contribution for a tabor that would be used during Eucharistic Exposition.
- The Council is attracted to the idea of supporting a sister parish in a developing country. Efforts are underway to try to find a good fit for our parish.

Other Items

No other items were brought forward. The next meeting is March 26th. The meeting concluded at 7:10 p.m.

Parish Council Members

Collin Aldrich Elected (to 10/2026)
 Chris Beardslee, Building & Grounds
 Jason Danner, Elected (to 10/2027)
 Perry Demma, Trustee
 Katie Kudron, PCCW President
 Ben Mattern, Trustee
 Aaron May, Elected (to 10/2025)
 Fr. Morin, Pastor
 Clem Pella, Elected (to 10/2025)
 Jennifer Ramaekers, Elected (to 10/2027)
 Fr. Reimers, Parochial Vicar
 Matt Richardson, K.C. Grand Knight
 Hai Tran Elected (to 10/2026)
 Jennifer Tran, Principal

Our Place of Hope & Promise

NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Dear Blessed Sacrament Parish Family,


I am so grateful to serve as the pastor of this parish because I have the opportunity to witness your wonderful generosity in serving Our Lord through the various works of our parish. It is the manifestation of how we follow Christ in our lives.

Your faithfulness and generosity makes a huge impact. We celebrate sacraments with reverence and joy, nurture disciples who carry the Light of Christ into the world, provide outreach to those facing adversity, and continue to provide a place of solace for all seekers on their faith journey.

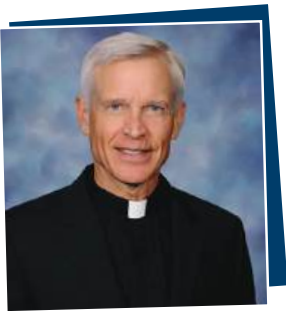
Through your support of our *Our Place of Hope & Promise* program and renewed commitments to the parish offertory collections, we can not only sustain our present efforts but truly live them in the gift of the hope that we receive by the Holy Spirit. Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church remains a place of hope and promise!

May God bless you abundantly!

Sincerely in Christ,



Fr. Mike Morin
Pastor



Highlights:

220

families returned a
commitment card

\$9,199

in one-time gifts

\$63,762

in additional
offertory commitments
(contributions not yet realized)

If you have not already done so, please renew your commitment to our parish today.
Your faithful generosity allows us to serve with the heart of Christ!

Join us in:

**CELEBRATING
the Sacraments**

**SERVING
Our Community**

**FORMING
Disciples of Christ**

**BUILDING UP
the Kingdom of God**





*Blessed Sacrament
PCCW's*



SWEETHEART Bake Sale



*Sunday, February 9
After all Masses*



*Free will donation
for all items!*



JOIN US FOR THE 2025 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

On **Sunday, February 9**, people all over the United States will be gathering to watch the big game. Who will you be cheering on? Either way, we hope you'll join us in being game changers and champions for those in our community who need help tackling hunger.

Items most needed...

- ✓ Soup
- ✓ Cereal
- ✓ Oatmeal
- ✓ Boxed potatoes
- ✓ Pasta sauce
- ✓ Canned beef or chicken
- ✓ Deodorant
- ✓ Men's gloves
- ✓ Tampons
- ✓ Granola bars

How your donation helps:

- \$12 - the cost of 3 nutritious meals
- \$20 - provides a meal for a family of 5
- \$50 - provides milk for all guests during lunch and dinner for a single day

Join Matt Talbot in tackling hunger! You can help make sure everyone has soup in their bowls by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO PARTICIPATE OR VISIT [MTKO.ORG/EVENTS!](https://mtko.org/events)



St. Monica's

second annual

PACK THE POD



February 1, 2025 - February 28, 2025
120 Wedgewood Dr. Lincoln, NE 68510

Please join us as we "Pack the Pod" once again with Hygiene Products. Each new client that comes to St. Monica's receives a welcome bag full of personal hygiene products.

Items of need:

Ethnic Hair Care Products
(gels, conditioners, combs, ties)
Deodorant
Tooth Brushes and Paste
Razors and Shaving Cream

Shampoo and Conditioner
Hair Styling Tools
Body Wash and Soap
Lotion
Feminine Hygiene Products

This year, we have heard
from the women we serve
that there is a need for
underwear, bras, and socks
(in all sizes)

Want to donate
instead of
shop?



Thank you to our partners:



Upcoming Retreat



Feb. 6-9

Women's Spiritual Exercises Retreat

Step away and join your sisters in Christ for a meaningful retreat. Be inspired by the Holy Spirit, trust, surrender, and rest in the Father's hands.

Open to all women!

Hosted by Regnum Christi, a Christ-centered Catholic movement focused on building the Kingdom of Christ worldwide and

Fr. Jason Brooks, LC

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Basic Ministry Training (8-week series) Feb. 6 - Mar. 27, 2025

6:30 - 8:00pm

**Thursday evenings at John XXIII Diocesan Center
and via Zoom.**

3700 Sheridan Blvd.

Would you like to join the Diocese of Lincoln Unbound Team and help others to experience freedom? This is for those who want Unbound training in order to be intercessors, and for intercessors learning to be a prayer leader (and for those who are already prayer leaders for a refresher.)

Cost is a \$20 workbook (check or cash.)

[Sign up here to attend!](#)

Contact unbound.lincoln@gmail.com or 402-473-0620

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FEBRUARY 7, 2025 ★ 6-10PM

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Tickets &
more info
HERE!



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Visit wwme.org to learn more information.

February 14-16/2025 - Lincoln, NE

August 8-10/2025 - Littleton, CO

September 19-21/2025 - Grand Island, NE

For more information or dates:

Call or text Gary & Brenda Granger

402-370-5839

or scan the QR code above

or visit www.wwme.org

2025

Upcoming Nebraska Retrouvaille Retreats

14-16
FEB.

Late Winter Weekend Retreat

Retrouvaille begins with a weekend experience in which couples are helped to re-establish communication and to gain new insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple.

FRI PM THRU SUNDAY

8-10
AUG

Summer Weekend Retreat

The Retrouvaille Weekend provides tools to help couples with communication, forgiveness, and trust. It teaches a dialogue process of meaningful communication.

FRI PM THRU SUNDAY

FOLLOW-UP
SESSIONS

The Post Weekend Sessions

A series of follow-up sessions is the next important phase of the Retrouvaille healing process. The hurt and pain of a struggling marriage cannot be healed in a single weekend experience.

TBD

**MORE
INFORMATION**

1 (800) 470-2230
helpourmarriage.org



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UPCOMING RETREAT

The Joy of Forgiveness



FEBURARY 15-16

**The Joy of Forgiveness 2-Day Retreat for
Men & Women
with Sandy Hoenig**

Join Sandy Hoenig for a transformative retreat on forgiveness, beginning Saturday at 9:00 AM and ending Sunday with a noon lunch at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House. With 25 years of experience, Sandy will guide participants through a healing journey, teaching the power of forgiveness and strategies for overcoming hurt.

Retreat Includes:

- Understanding forgiveness
- Forgiving yourself and others
- Personal empowerment through forgiveness
- Why people hurt us
- The six stages of forgiveness
- Healing service and the choice to let go
- Music, activities, Mass, Adoration
- Confessions

Scan to register



SHOWING TIME: SUNDAY,

FEBRUARY 16, 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.

**St. Patrick's Finnegan Hall,
6146 Morrill Avenue, Lincoln**

Purgatory Movie

While 79% of regular Mass-goers believe in purgatory, only 57% of those who rarely attend Mass have an understanding that purgatory is real.

The film begins around the life of Polish Catholic mystic Fulla Horak.

The docudrama uses Fulla's book and Padre Pio to introduce the subject of purgatory in ways easily understandable by the laity (we average Catholics)

Purgatory tells the story of immortal souls living both in human bodies and those that have already left this world.

Purgatory examines the fate of the soul once it leaves the body after death. This is information, it would seem, to be of benefit for people to understand.

Ignatius Press: "Purgatory. Using evidence from science of near-death experiences and mystical revelations of St. Faustina and St. Padre Pio docudrama presents solid proof for reality of Purgatory."

Further, "Combining expert testimony with dramatizations, it draws the viewer into an exploration (of) the existence of Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory, and offers a compelling summons to the importance of praying for the dead."

SPONSORED BY: Knights of Columbus—

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SPRING COURSES AT EMMAUS

IN PERSON AND ONLINE

FREE COURSE SPOTLIGHT:



Theology of the Body

Feb 20 - May 1, 2025, online asynchronous, (John Kincaid)

ADDITIONAL COURSES:



Creation to New Creation: New Testament Letters & Revelation

Feb 17-May 12, 2025, Mondays, 6:30 - 8:30pm (Joshua Burks)



The Nicene Creed: What Christians Believe and Why it Matters

Feb 18 - May 13, 2025, Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm (Chad Steiner)



Elementary Biblical Greek II

Feb 19 - May 14, 2025, Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30pm (Vern Steiner)



Laughing with God: Humor in the Bible

Feb 20 - March 27, 2025, Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm (Vern Steiner)

REGISTER AT:
WWW.EMMAUSINSTITUTE.NET



Schoenstatt Events



February 1

Holy Mass / Brunch 9:00 AM

February 15

**Valentine Dinner with Mass and
Renewal of Vows 4 PM \$25 per person**

Call or text 402.314.7219 to register

Seating is limited

February 20

Holy Mass / Supper 6:00 PM

Please join us at the Cor Mariae Shrine!

340 State Highway 103

Crete, NE 68333

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

A free course on St. John Paul II's teachings on love
and the human person.



Taught by Dr. John Kincaid
(by recorded video)

10 weekly sessions starting February 20th

REGISTER AT:
WWW.EMMAUSINSTITUTE.NET





Get Your Boots On

AND SCOOT ON OVER FOR THE

ST. JOHN'S

Barn Dance



Saturday, February 22

7:00-10:00 PM (LESSONS AT 6:30)

7600 PANAMA RD, HICKMAN, NE

SEVEN WILLOWS BARN

LIMITED SPOTS - MUST

REGISTER ONLINE

\$11/PERSON

21 YEARS & OLDER

Register &
more info
HERE!



Renew the Bride, the Church

A Day Retreat for Adults with Father John Burns and Women Religious of the Diocese

Convinced of the indispensable role of women religious for the whole Body of Christ, Father John Burns founded Friends of the Bridegroom whose mission is to renew the Church through the healing, renewal and expansion of women's religious life in America. Friends of the Bridegroom seeks to establish a strong culture of vocational discernment among young women and within the family.

March 1, 2025
9:30 - 2:30

Saint Joseph Catholic Church
Lincoln, NE

Parish Mass will be offered at 8:15,
followed by a light breakfast
Lunch will be provided

Every member of the Church
has a part to play
in the work of renewal.
Join us!

Registration



<https://forms.office.com/r/9tZSQr2PiM>



FRIENDS of the
BRIDEGROOM
<https://www.renewreligious.org/>



*School Sisters
of Christ the King*



Come, let us Adore.

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE

In-person, for single women, ages 18-40

MARCH 8-13, 2025

**INFO: CONTACT SISTER MARIA VICTORIA, VOCATION DIRECTOR
(660) 944-2221 EXT. 127 | VOCATION@BENEDICTINESISTERS.ORG**

OR VISIT BENEDICTINESISTERS.ORG THEN CLICK VOCATIONS - WALK WITH US



*Benedictine Sisters
of Perpetual Adoration*





Silent Ignatian Retreat

with Fr. Larry Gillick, S.J.
March 13-16, 2025

Creighton University Retreat Center
16493 Contrail Ave., Griswold IA 51535

LENTEN PRAYER, not for SELF-IMPROVEMENT but for SELF-DEEPENING

This retreat invites you into a deepening of relationship with God as you enter the Lenten journey. These three days of prayer and reflection will center on God's meeting Abram and three of His Apostles as they are. We'll journey with them as they are invited to a deepening of their relationship with God. No pointing of Divine Fingers but more the invitation to experience God's fidelity to our human fears and questions. Time will be spent in *being* who we are in God's loving gaze rather than preparing or changing our behavior to do what we *should*.

Retreatants are asked to check-in between 3:00-5:00 p.m. on Thursday and the retreat concludes on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. The cost of the retreat is \$425 per person, that includes room and all meals. A non-refundable deposit of \$75 will be requested at registration.



Register at <https://www.creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats/3-day-silent-ignatian-retreat>

Or use this code



Creighton University Retreat Center

Terri Lou Duggan

712-778-2466

curc@creighton.edu

April 4-6, 2025



Back to the Garden

Healing the Feminine Heart
with Jesus, the Bridegroom

A retreat for young adult women

ages 21 - 39

with Fr. Cole Kennett & Sarina Stokes

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Waverly, NE 68462



Register Here



Choir and Pilgrimage:

Frank La Rocca's Mass of the Americas Diocese of Lincoln Festival Choir October 3-9, 2025 in Mexico City



- Friday, October 3, 2025 - Arrival Day and opening rehearsal
- Saturday, October 4, 2025 - Experience the background to the Mass of the Americas
- Sunday, October 5, 2025 - Mass and rehearsal day
- Monday, October 6, 2025 - Walking tour and dress rehearsal day
- Tuesday, October 7, 2025 - Mass of the Americas at the Basilica
- Wednesday, October 8, 2025 - Anthropology Museum and final concert
- Thursday, October 9, 2025 - Departure

-Participants do not have to sing. Spouses/friends/family are welcome to join!-

COST PER PERSON - LAND ONLY: \$2,795 Per person in double occupancy - This does not include airfare - if we get to 15 participants, we will be able to get a group rate on airfare.

To sign up and for more information, go to <https://tri.ps/93e1E> or scan here:



Register Soon!

You can also email Stacy Pfeifer for more information/questions @ stacyleedickes@hotmail.com
or call 402-560-0931