

MARCH 15, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Mass Intentions

Monday

6:30 A.M. For Hattie Cooper
8:20 A.M. For Shawn Phillips

Tuesday

6:30 A.M. † All Souls
8:20 A.M. † Ann Burda

Wednesday

6:30 A.M. † Jeanette Pincsak
8:20 A.M. For Tricia Tully

Thursday

6:30 A.M. † Melody Heitz
8:20 A.M. † Edmond Hagedorn

Friday

6:30 A.M. † Jeff Van Lent
8:20 A.M. † Joe Smith

Saturday

8:30 A.M. For Beth Livingston
10:00 A.M. † All Souls
5:30 P.M. For Fr. John Sullivan

Sunday

8:30 A.M. † Cal Wells
10:00 A.M. † Rosalyn Hofpar
11:30 A.M. For the Parish

† STATIONS OF THE CROSS †



Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 2:50 p.m. & 7 p.m. Please join us for this beautiful Lenten Devotion.

SERVERS FOR MARCH 21-22, 2020

SAT. March 21st, 5:30 p.m.: Jack Weston, Alexander Wilke, Anthony Bermudez, Bryce Adams; **Sun. March 22nd, 8:30 a.m.:** Gail Izaguirre Martinez, Angel Huerta, Blake Guenther, Diego Gomez; **10:00 a.m.:** Jackson Roberts, Nicholas Payne, Matt & Will Muff; **11:30 a.m.:** Xavier Tinsley, Seth Thoene, Colton & Hunter Anciaux; ***Please find a sub; if you can't make your appointed time.**

PARISH NEWS

DATES & EVENTS:



MARCH 16, 2020, LENTEN BIBLE STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF MARK - Join us during Lent for a Bible study that goes throughout the entire Gospel of Mark on Mondays from 7-8:30 p.m. **Fr. Kennett said if you can read chapters 7-9, that would be beneficial but not required.** Please join us in this endeavor to prepare for the Risen Christ & to welcome the candidates who will be joining Blessed Sacrament parish at Easter.



MARCH 21, 2020, SPRING CLEAN UP – A great way to get fresh air, meet fellow parishioners, beautify our grounds and get service hours! We will be raking and picking up on Sat., beginning at 9:00 am. Please bring rakes and other lawn care equipment if you have it, but if you don't, please come anyway there is always some tools around and a lot of hand work to do.

MARCH 21, 2020, GIRLS' CHOIR - Many thanks to all the girls who share their gift of music with our parish community! Girls' Choir sings again Sat., March 21st, meeting in the choir loft at 4:15 p.m. & staying to sing for the 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass. All 4th - 8th grade girls are invited to sing with the Girls' Choir anytime; we share our faith & our love of music, praying together and singing hymns to our God. All are welcome, so bring a friend! Contact Hannah Jo Smith for further information:

GREETERS/GIFT BEARERS FOR MARCH 21-22, 2020

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. ~ Paul & Kandi Dion
Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - Wilmer & Linda Wilhelm
10:00 a.m. - Tony & Michelle Humlicek
11:30 a.m. - Tom & Ann Safranek
***Please find a sub; if your are unable to come at your appointed time.**



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MARCH 23, 2020, BLESSED SACRAMENT PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING – will be held Mon., March 23rd, in the school meeting/band room. Our speaker will be Angela Copenhaver founder of “We Teach Think” who will be sharing ideas on great ways to engage people in the pro-life mission. Whether you’re a member of the parish Pro-Life Committee or not, ALL are welcome to this meeting to learn how you can be engaged in the Pro-Life Mission. If you have any questions &/or are interested in joining our team, please contact Mary Ryan at 402-617-2769 or Steph Haddan at 402-540-0355. You are also welcome to drop in at any of our meetings or events, whenever it works for you! Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

MARCH 28, 2020, CHURCH SPRING CLEANING – A great way meet fellow parishioners, beautify our church for the Easter season and get service hours! We will be dusting and doing the up high work starting at 9 a.m. after Mass and then at 10 a.m. we will start on everything down below in the church. Please bring buckets, rags, dusters, cleaning supplies, vacuums, extension cords and any other supplies that may be helpful to making our church beautiful for our Lord. Many hands make light work.

MARCH 29, 2020, SPIRITUAL ADOPTION IS COMING TO BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH - Everyone loves the beauty & innocence of a baby. As an expression of that love, Blessed Sacrament Parish announces an adoption program for young & old alike. The members of Blessed Sacrament Parish family will soon have the opportunity to “spiritually adopt” a child who is newly conceived this month. Not all babies make it to birth. Many parents tragically experience the loss of a child to miscarriage or premature birth. And more than 3,000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. These are the babies you are being asked to “adopt” simply by praying for him or her each day.

You may “adopt” a child individually or as a family by signing up during the weekend of March 28th. Prayer pledges will be collected during Mass. A selection of prayer cards with age-appropriate prayers will be available. It is suggested that you name the child for whom you will be praying, which will remind you that, although you may never meet the child in this life, you truly are praying for a specific child who needs your prayers. Watch the bulletin as well as the Little One posters on the wall for monthly reports describing “your baby’s” development. In Dec. we will celebrate the “births” of our spiritually adopted babies by collecting baby items which will be given to mothers in need of assistance. There are millions of unborn babies desperately in need of your prayers. Won’t you please “spiritually adopt” one & share the love for life that God have given you?

APRIL 11, 2020, CHURCH EASTER DECORATING – we will be decorating the church for Easter starting at 9 a.m. on April 11th; anyone that would like to help is welcome.



ST. FRANCIS FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS - March is one of Blessed Sacrament’s designated months in 2019 to help stock the St. Francis Food Pantry. Food and money donations are needed. Place food donations in the box in the back of the church and money donations in the collection basket in an envelope marked “Food Pantry.” Make checks payable to St. Francis Food Pantry. God bless you for your generosity!

SCRIP NEWS: Please remember to use Scrip when you go to the Runza Dine-Out night! Runza Scrip is available in \$10 gift cards & gives 10% back to Blessed Sacrament on top of what is earned that night!



COKE REWARDS - Turn your Coca-Cola product purchases into donations to Blessed Sacrament School. To donate, visit coke.com/give/schools, select Blessed

Sacramento and scan or enter product codes from participating Coca-Cola products. Get started today!

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

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



MARCH 20, 27, 2020, ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRIDAYS - Serving Baked Fish, Fried Fish, Fish Tacos, & Grilled Cheese. Also serving baked or fried potatoes, salad bar, bread & beverages. Adults \$9.00, Children (6 to 12) \$4.00, Under 6 Free, tax included. Cash, Check or Charge. Desserts can be purchased separately from church organizations. TAKE OUT with limited portion size is available for \$7. An alcohol-free event. All meals served from 5-7 p.m. at the Blessed Sacrament School Gym, 1725 Lake St., on the corner of 17th & Lake St., near Bryan West.

YOUTH, SCHOOL & CCD NEWS

MARCH 16, & 23-27, 2020 – CHEERLEADING INFORMATION MEETING & TRYOUTS - Pius X High School will host Cheerleading Tryouts this March for the 2020-2021 season. Tryouts are open to all students who will be attending Pius X next school year. There will be an Informational Meeting at 6:30 p.m., Tues., March 16th in the

school commons. Tryout Clinic Week is from 4 to 7 p.m. Mon., March 23rd through Fri., March 27th in the school gym. For more information, contact Caycee Hays at caycee.hays@piusx.net.

MARCH 28, 2020, PIUS X UNIFORM INFORMATION REMINDER - All 8th grade students attending Pius X in the fall should, if possible, order needed uniform items from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Sat., March 28th at the Pius X Commons - enter through southeast door #1. Only cash or checks are accepted for payment. For more information go to www.piusx.net, under the Parents tab, click on “School Uniforms”. Questions can be directed to Chananne Slepicka at Chananne-slepicka@cdolinc.net.

MARCH 28, 2020, HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS RETREAT - "Strength. Dignity. Fearless." A day long retreat for high school age girls. Sat., March 28th from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with optional introductory session to follow. A collaboration between the Family Life Office & NFP teachers of the diocese, this retreat will cover topics such as body image, modesty, neuroscience of social media & healthy dating. Cost is \$40 or \$60 with intro session & includes lunch. Register at lincolndiocese.regfox.com/hsgirlsretreat. Questions, please call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

PERPETUAL ADORATION

"I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly. I am the Vine and you are the branches. Whoever remains in union with Me shall bear much fruit for without Me, you can do nothing." (Jn 10:10; 15:5)

Adorers are needed for these open hours: **Sun.** - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 4 a.m., 10 a.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., 12 Mid.; **Mon.** --1 a.m. (three times a month), 2 a.m., 3 a.m.; **Tues.** - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 2 p.m.; **Wed.** 2 a.m., 12 Mid.; **Thurs.** - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3

a.m.; **Fri.** - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m. (twice a month), 12 Mid. (twice a month); **Sat.** 4 a.m.;

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 & abide with Him?”. Hear **HIS** soft & serene voice in the still silence of a retreat. He wants to give you **HIS** Love & **HIS** Mercy & the Peace that only **HE** can give!

UPCOMING RETREATS:

*Men or Women - 7 p.m. - 4-Day Directed Spiritual Exercises - **March 23rd-26th** - Fr. Gary Coulter & Fr. Christopher Barak

*Men or Women - 8 p.m. - Rend Your Hearts: Living a Spirituality of Surrender - **April 3rd-5th** - Fr. Sean Kilcawley

You can register at www.goodcounselretreat.com & 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 & 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 March 2020:

March 15th-21st: Scott James Nemeč

March 22nd-28th: James Robert O'Neil

March 29th-April 4th: Liam Sebastian O'Shea-Creal

ADDITIONAL NEWS

MARCH 15, 2020, DWIGHT ASSUMPTION PARISH SPRING SOUP DINNER & ACCORDION JAMBOREE – at the parish hall in Dwight, NE.

Serving from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. There will be a Bake Sale, Raffle and Accordion Jamboree. Mass is also celebrated at 10:00 a.m.

MARCH 17, 2020, ST. CHARLES COURT #472 CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS MEETING - at 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 6044 South St., Lincoln, NE. Our guest speaker will be Ben Feuerborn, seminarian from Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary in Denton, NE. Please plan on attending and bring a friend. **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.**

MARCH 24, 2020, MARIAN MANTLE MEETING - There will be no Marian Mantle Meeting on March 24th & the scheduled meetings for the following months will be cancelled, due to the Coronavirus, until further notice. Let us all continue our rosaries and prayers, at home, for our country and the healing of all those who are, or will be afflicted with this virus, as well as for the return of our prodigals to the Faith.



MARCH 28, 2020, ST. MARY'S TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER - Join us Sat., March 28th at 7 p.m. in Flynn Hall. Cost is \$20 per person - 8 persons at each table. The team correctly answering the most trivia questions out of 100 wins. Individuals and teams are welcome. Each individual/table brings their own refreshments & tableware to share. RSVP with Teresa at the St. Mary's by March 26th. Phone: 402-435-2125 or E-mail: stmarylincoln@windstream.net. All proceeds go to St. Mary's Church.



MARCH 29, 2020, TABLE OF ST. GREGORY BANQUET - SAVE THE DATE - St. Gregory the Great Seminary will holding its Annual Benefit Banquet to help support the seminarians and various projects at the Seminary. The “Table of St. Gregory” will begin at 4:30 p.m. with sung Vespers (Evening Prayer), followed by Open House, cocktails, music, & concluding with a plated dinner at 6:30 p.m. served by the seminarians. To make reservations or to find out

more info., please call the Seminary at (402) 643-4052 or e-mail us at: events@sngs.edu. We hope to see you there.

MARCH 29, 2020, PRAYER IN ACTION EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & PRESENTATION – at St. Michael Catholic Church in Lincoln, NE at 7501 Yankee Woods Dr. We will do an hour of Adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament then Angela Copenhaver will give a presentation on Human From Day One. Sun., March 29th from 3-5 p.m. All are welcome.

MARCH 30, 2020, POSTPARTUM MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION - The Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center (IHMCC) is offering a new postpartum mental health education and emotional support program for moms and their babies. Titled “Loving Hearts & Little Feet” this group will meet over 5 weeks and is presented by Dr. Natalie Brei and Ann Miller, MS. Meeting time is 9:00-10:15 AM starting Mon., March 30th at John XXIII Diocesan Center-Dawson Hall, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Cost is \$150. Call (402) 489-1834 to register.

ATTENTION, ATTENTION - CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES-is partnering with NE Extension on a new volunteer health initiative! This is a great opportunity for you to become a Master Health Volunteer at Catholic Social Services. You will receive 40 hours of training related to the health issues in our community & learn how to facilitate change through research-based info. Contact Katie at CSS at (402) 474-1600 for more info..

ATTENTION, ATTENTION - The Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center (IHMCC) is excited to announce the expansion of counseling services for those located outside current in-person service areas. The expansion of services is made possible through telehealth capabilities, allowing an individual to receive professional counseling services in the comfort and convenience of his or her own home. Telehealth is offered through an electronic health platform that maintains

confidentiality and is HIPPA compliant. In order to participate in telehealth, the following are necessary: a computer, tablet, or phone (no applications or software to download); an external or integrated webcam; an external or integrated microphone and an internet connection. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact the IHMCC office at 402-489-1834 or 1-800-961-6277 to further discuss this option.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - BEYOND THE BELL DIRECTOR – ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL - Are you thinking about that perfect part-time job of just a few hours a day with summer & Holy days off? Do you love working with kids & have some experience in doing so? Then perhaps our Beyond the Bell Enrichment Program at St. Joseph School in Lincoln is for YOU! Our program director is retiring so now is your opportunity to work 3-5:30 p.m. only on school days. You will be managing the daily program activities with a few staff to assist you. The start date can be from now until Aug., depending on your needs. If you have more questions you can contact our current director at cinda-hicks@cdolinc.net, or send a resume to St. Joseph School, c/o Principal, 1940 S. 77th St., Lincoln, NE 68506.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY-PARISH ENGAGEMENT DIRECTOR - ST. JOSEPH CHURCH - in Lincoln is seeking a Parish Engagement Director. This position will contribute to the accomplishments of St. Joseph Church by identifying, cultivating & challenging all parishioners to practice a stewardship way of life by sharing their Time, Talent & Treasure with a focus on fulfilling the mission statement of the Parish. Overall responsibilities are to establish, maintain & execute a plan to help support annual fundraising goals & promote the increase giving programs established at the parish. Additional duties will include daily execution of all elements of a strategic plan. Emphasis is placed on face-to-face contact with parishioners. Teamwork is the key to success & collaboration is necessary. This position requires a practicing Catholic & prefers a Bachelor's degree

with five years of experience in management, fundraising, or customer relations. Send application or inquiries to: human-resources@stjosephlnk.org.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - ST. PATRICK SCHOOL - is Lincoln is taking applications for the following full-time positions to begin Fall 2020:

- * Jr. High Social Studies & Religion
- * K-8th Music (joint full-time position with Blessed Sacrament School)

St. Patrick School is PreK-8th grade school, located in NE Lincoln, serving 185 students. For more info, please contact Principal Kristine Placek at Kristine-Placek@cdolinc.net or apply online at: <https://stpat.icklincolnschool.com/employment/>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - ART & SPANISH TEACHERS - St. Joseph School, Lincoln, is seeking faith-filled & dynamic certified teachers for two separate full-time positions. Both involve furthering the mission of St. Joseph Catholic School by teaching students in grades K-8. Art requires an endorsement or minor in art. Spanish requires an endorsement or minor in Spanish, with fluency preferred. Start date is Aug. 2020. Salary based on educational background & experience. Please send resume & references to kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS: DAE REH & NAN BU & FAMILY, FRANCISCO & ZUGUEY BALDERAS-HERNANDEZ & FAMILY, CASEY & JILL OLSON



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED: CHRISTINO MEREH

PRO-LIFE NEWS



PRAY TO END ABORTION at Planned Parenthood, 5631 S. 48th St., on Tuesdays by attending the Rosary at 9:30 a.m., attending Mass at 10 a.m. at the Pro-Life Center across the street from Planned Parenthood or pray anytime between 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. For inspiration go to www.humanfromdayone.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE is in the second week. Please consider joining those praying at Planned Parenthood to end abortion. Blessed Sacrament's hours are from 6 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Wednesdays. If these hours do not work for you, stop by on Tuesdays (which is all parish participation, the day abortions are performed) or any day between the hours of 6 a.m. - 4 p.m. through April 5th. We especially ask for someone to join the "one" person praying during the 9-10 a.m. hour. Planned Parenthood is located at 5631 S. 48th St. To help stop the anti-life push in the United States of America, the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, encouraged the spiritual adoption of the unborn child. This is done by praying daily the following prayer: *Jesus, Mary, & Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child, that I have spiritually adopted, that is in danger of an abortion.*

MARCH 29, 2020, PRO-LIFE EDUCATION SERIES - continues Sun. March 29th, 7 p.m. in St. Patrick's Finnegan Hall. The speaker is Dr. Pat Castle. Title of talk: "Countering Planned Parenthood strategy" Presentation will include "the four strategies of PP since 1973" -- year of Roe v. Wade, the US Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion across our nation. Talk will also include "reaching an abortion-minded mother, why mothers regret their abortion" & much more. Dr. Pat is a nationally, recognized speaker. His 'Pro-Life moments' can be heard on KVSS (102.7). All PLES programs are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC -- FREE OF CHARGE. Co-sponsors are St. Pat's Knights of Columbus & St. Pat's Altar Society.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collections (March 8, 2020)	
Envelopes	\$ 20,812.50
Plate	542.94
Online Giving	6,374.50
Total Stewardship:	\$27,729.94
Total Weekly Parish Need:	\$18,095.00