MARCH 3, 2019
EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

**Monday**
6:30 A.M.  For Jessica Felton & Family
8:20 A.M.  † Justin Pierce

**Tuesday**
6:30 A.M.  † Jim LaFollette
8:20 A.M.  For Teachers & Staff of BSS

**Wednesday**
6:30 A.M.  For Amy Sinclair & Family
8:20 A.M.  † Robert Eickmeier
7:15 P.M.  † Fr. Casey Porada

**Thursday**
6:30 A.M.  For the Priests of the Diocese
8:20 A.M.  † Wallace Podwinski

**Friday**
6:30 A.M.  For Jessica Norton & Family
8:20 A.M.  † All Souls

**Saturday**
8:30 A.M.  For Dan Sullivan
10:00 A.M.  † All Souls
5:30 P.M.  † Fr. Casey Porada

**Sunday**
8:30 A.M.  † Anthony Binh Nguyen
10:00 A.M.  For Jacobsen Family
11:30 A.M.  For the Parish


**PARISH NEWS**

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES**
MARCH 6, 2019

Join us on Wednesday, March 6th, as we begin our Lenten journey together. Services on Ash Wednesday are at 6:30 a.m. and 8:20 a.m., and 7:15 p.m. Although it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, Ash Wednesday is a reminder of our mortality and sinfulness, and it prepares us for a season of penance and prayer.

**SERVERS** – **Wed.**, 7:15 p.m.: Owen Tucker, Ryan Spieler, Gavin Wagner, Koa White
**ACOLYTES** - **Wed.**, 6:30 a.m.: Erich Broer, Ben Mattern, 8:20 a.m.: Scott Clarke, Sam Bethune, 7:15 p.m.: Mark Main, Lou Gasper, **LECTOR/READER** - **Wed.**, 6:30 a.m.: Jan Broer 8:20 a.m.: Paul Olsen 7:15 p.m.: Sheila Stewart

**LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR THE DIOCESE OF LINCOLN** - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.

**FASTING** - means eating only one full meal with two smaller meals, which together do not equal the full meal. No snacks or eating between meals allowed. Fasting obliges all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

**GREETERS/GIFT BEARERS FOR MARCH 9-10, 2019**
Saturday, 5:30 p.m. ~ Mike & Jill Muff
Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - Andy & Jennifer Barry
10:00 a.m. - Darwin & Delia Michalski
11:30 a.m. ~ Chris & Amy Champoux
Please find a sub if you are unable to come at your appointed time.
DATES & EVENTS:

MARCH 3, 2019, FIRST SUNDAY ADORATION: Come pray before our Lord in the Eucharist. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will conclude at 6:00 p.m. Benediction will be at 5:45 p.m. Questions? Contact Fr. Beardslee at 402-474-4249.

MARCH 3, 2019, BAPTISM INSTRUCTION CLASS at 6:30 p.m., in the school meeting room. Pre-registration is not required.

MARCH 5, 2019, PIUS X BAND FUNDRAISER - Due to the bad weather, our fundraiser was postponed last week. So, please join us for one more dine out night to benefit the Nashville trip! This final one will be at Jimmy John’s at 6891 A Street from 5-9 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5th. They will give us 20% of sales. Please tell your family and friends! Thanks for always supporting the band!

MARCH 9, 2019, 30TH ANNUAL USHER’S CLUB LENTEN SOUP SUPPER NON-MEAT ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT! Join us at Blessed Sacrament, from 5-7 p.m. in the School Gym at Blessed Sacrament School, 1725 Lake Street. Serving Clam Chowder, Homemade Tomato, Potato-Cheese, Broccoli & Cheese, Cajun Gumbo, Grilled Cheese & Grilled Peanut butter sandwiches and drink, $7.00 for adults and $3.50 for children ages 6 to 10. Desserts will be included.

MARCH 9, 16, 23, 30, APRIL 6, & 13, 2019, SATURDAY EVENING LENTEN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – We will be having Eucharistic Adoration for an hour each Saturday evening during Lent after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. We encourage you to stay or come after Mass to spend some time with our Creator and Lord, to reflect and pray in his presence. You will have the opportunity to come close up on the altar to be with our Lord if you want to. We prayerfully hope you consider spending some quiet time with Jesus this Lent.

MARCH 13, 2019, 59 GLOBAL LIVING ROSARY BEADS NEEDED - The Global Living Rosary Beads that will be prayed at St Peter’s on April 4th and at Haymarket Park on May 5th are needed. We need people who can say the 1st half of the Our Father and/or Hail Mary in a foreign language. Contact Mike Davis, Grand Knight at St Peter’s, email: davism72@gmail.com or text: 402-480-0404. Tell me what language(s) you know. A practice will be held on Wed., March 13th at 7 p.m. in St Peter’s Church.

SCRIP News - Please help us use some of our inventory....we have some Shopko Scrip available while supplies last! Good in store and online. Thank you for using Scrip!

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!

FORMED.ORG - Please remember that the parish has paid for the Formed.org subscription. So please go and log on to the following link www.blessedsacramentlincoln.formed.org and set up an account if you have not done so yet. There are many great informative items about the catholic faith on the website.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS †

This year, Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 2:50 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please join us for this beautiful Lenten Devotion.
**ACOLYTE/LECTOR/READER/USHER SCHEDULE**

**MARCH USHERS** - Sat., 5:30 p.m.: Dick Williams, 3 Volunteers Needed; Sun., 8:30 a.m.: Ron Miller, Steve Folmer, Wilmer Wilhelm, Jerry Wright; **10:00 a.m.**: Kurt Ramaekers, Paul Hammel, Perry Demma, Mark Fusco; **11:30 a.m.**: Jesse Hines, Pat Lowery, Stephen Lowery, Greg Colombe;

**MARCH ACOLYTES** - Sat., 5:30 p.m.: Ron Johnson, Mike Montanez; Sun., 8:30 a.m.: Jerry Poppe, Shawn Wilke; **10:00 a.m.**: Ben Mattern, Bob Svoboda; **11:30 a.m.**: Jerry Kruger, Rich Lowery;

**MARCH LECTOR/READER** - Sat., 5:30 p.m.: Mary Lockard; Sun., 8:30 a.m.: Don DeMars; **10:00 a.m.**: Anne Winner Anderson; **11:30 a.m.**: Mark Gdowski;

**APRIL USHERS** - Sat., 5:30 p.m.: David Bouc, Sheri King, Tim Sullivan, Yorleny Sullivan-Diaz; Sun., 8:30 a.m.: Kevin Ostdiek, Lyle Schueth, Mark Tate, Terry Keck; **10:00 a.m.**: Doug Torson, Mark Tvrdy, Chad Baker, John Larson; **11:30 a.m.**: Dick Johnson, Sam Bethune, Marv Evert, 1 Volunteer Needed;

**YOUTH, SCHOOL & CCD NEWS**

**MARCH 9, 2019, CONFIRMATION RETREAT** - Attention Parents of Students Preparing for Confirmation – on Sat. from 9:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. (includes 5:30 Sat. evening Mass) at Blessed Sacrament school/church. The retreat is REQUIRED for all Confirmandi to be confirmed. If there is a serious reason a Confirmand can’t attend the whole retreat, parents will need to contact Fr. Sullivan PRIOR to the retreat. Volunteer sign-up forms and info. regarding the retreat will be sent home with students and need to be turned in as soon as possible. If you have questions email Sheri King at dking6@nebrr.com.

**MARCH 12, 2019, ATTENTION – CONFIRMATION** - is at 7:00 p.m. Confirmandi will meet in the gym at 6:00 p.m.

**MARCH 17, 2019, FATHER/SON PROGRAM** - “In His Image” for boys age 10-14 & their father will be held Sun., March 17th, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center. This program is designed to educate boys on growing up & becoming a man. Pre-registration is required. Cost is $20 per father/son or $30 per family. To reg., visit [https://lincoln diocese.regfox.com/father-son-program](https://lincoln diocese.regfox.com/father-son-program). Questions, please call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net.

**MARCH 6, 2019, OFFICER’S MEETING** - Wed., March 6th at 8:00 p.m. Kraemer Hall.

**MARCH 13, 2019, GENERAL MEETING** - Wed., March 13th at 7:00 p.m. Kraemer Hall.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** - 40 Days for Life will begin on Ash Wed., March 6th & go to April 14th at Planned Parenthood, 5631 S. 48th St. To date 99 abortion centers where 40 Days for Life vigils have been held have gone out of business. Pregnancy resource centers now outnumber abortion providers 3-1. Sign up will be available in the back of church, on the website 40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/Lincoln, or by contacting Mary at 402-617-2769. Please consider participating in this powerful witness by signing up for an hour as a means of prayer & fasting (from your time & comfort) during Lent. Blessed Sacrament has been assigned the hours between 6 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wed. Join other parishes in prayer if those times do not work with your schedule. Their lives depend on us.
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 March 2019:

March 3rd - 9th: Alec Jeffrey Sasse
March 10th - 16th: Matthew James Schilmoeller

March 6, 2019, Spirit 102.7-FM - Change Your Life This Lent - As Lent approaches, you might be thinking about what you plan to “give up”. What if this Lent you “take up”? Join Spirit Catholic Radio and take up praying for someone you’ve never met through the Pray it Forward project, or deepen your faith by listening to some of the most influential Catholic speakers from around the world by tuning into Spirit 102.7-FM. Visit spiritcatholicradio.com for more information and Lenten opportunities.

March 9, 2019, Men’s Lenten Afternoon of Reflection - Lent provides a good time to “reset” your spiritual life through examination, sacrifice, and penance. Men of the diocese are invited to get their Lent off to a great start by reflecting on those ideas and others during a Men’s Lenten Afternoon of Reflection on Sat., March 9th. The afternoon will be directed by Father Robert Matya, and will start at 2 p.m. and include spiritual talks geared specifically toward men, Eucharistic Benediction and Exposition, and Confession. Father will detail the role of the Examen Prayer in your spiritual life and voluntary mortification. The afternoon will wrap up with a 4 p.m. vigil mass with families invited to join. All will take place in the Chapel at the John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., in Lincoln. The afternoon is free of charge.

March 11–April 8, 2019 Spiritual Disciplines Lenten Series – The theme for the 2019 Lenten Series is Spiritual Disciplines &

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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 Spiritual Enrichment

Perpetual Adoration
Would anyone in the parish be willing to take one of the open hours (or to share an hour or be a sub) as a special sacrifice just during Lent? Our Lord will greatly reward you for any sacrifice you make.

Adorers are needed for these open hours: Sun. - 3 a.m., 4 a.m., 5 a.m., 2 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 Mid.; Mon. -1 a.m. (three times a month), 2 a.m., 3 a.m.; Tues. - 3 a.m.; Wed. 2 a.m.; Thurs. - 2 a.m., 3 a.m.; Fri. - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m. (twice a month), 4 a.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 12 mid. (twice a month); Sat. - 4 a.m., 11 p.m., 12 Mid.

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will be held at St. Teresa’s, 36th & Randolph St. in Lincoln from 7:30-8:30 p.m. on the Mons. of Lent, March 11th-April 8th.

**MARCH 24, 2019, MASS WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING** – at John XXIII Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, NE. Please join together to pray for healing for yourself, your family, friends, for our Church and our Nation.

- Sacrament of Confession, beginning 1:15 p.m.
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 1:30 p.m.
- Praise and Worship 1:40 p.m.
- Blessing of salt/water/religious articles immediately before Mass begins at 2:00 p.m.
- Anointing of the Sick after the homily.
- Eucharistic Exposition & Healing Prayer after the Mass.

**SUPPORT GROUPS & EDUCATION**

**MARCH 12, 20, & 28, 2019, NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** - Creighton Model Introductory Sessions, Tues., March 12th, Wed., March 20th, Thurs., March 28th, at 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required. For more info, call 402-488-2040 or go online to register or download a registration form at www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp.

**MARCH 19, 2019, HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT SESSIONS** - for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one are being offered to assist Catholics in the grief process. The sessions will be held on 6 weekly Tues. evenings beginning March 19th 7-9 p.m., at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Suggested Donation: $25 (for materials). To register, please call 402-473-0620.

**ADDITIONAL NEWS**

**MARCH 10, 2019, SOUP LUNCHEON AT STS. MARY & JOSEPH CHURCH** - in Valparaiso NE, on March 10th. Serving time from 10:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Serving **ALL YOU CAN EAT SOUP** Homemade Chicken Noodle, Chili & Vegetable Beef soups, Sandwich, pie/dessert & drink. Free-Will Offering. Raffle (1st prize - 65" Smart TV), Silent Auction, Cake Walk & Grab Bag.

**MARCH 16, 2019, ST. PATRICK’S 30TH FESTIVAL** – St. Patrick Catholic Church in Lincoln, NE is holding their annual Festival on Saturday, March 16th, in the parish hall from 11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. It will be a fun filled day of good food, Irish music, and carnival games.

**MARCH 19, 2019, OUT OF THE DARKNESS IS BORN IN THE LIGHT - ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA** - This Lent you’re invited to an evening of prayer & reflection with a backdrop of the arts taking place in the natural beauty of Holy Family Shrine on Tues. evening, March 19th from 6-8:30 p.m. Music by Nikolas Barger & Karla Fitz beginning at 6 p.m. Mass starting at 6:30 p.m. An art exhibit will follow in the atrium & a brief presentation & book signing by artist & author of Light Collection, Diane Reiber. Holy Family Shrine is located at 23132 Pflug Rd, Gretna, NE. For those wishing to purchase Light Collection please bring cash or check.

**APRIL 7, 2019, TABLE OF ST. GREGORY BENEFIT BANQUET** - Save the Date for Sun., April 7th! St. Gregory the Great Seminary is holding its 1st Benefit Banquet to help support the seminarians & various projects at the Seminary. The “Table of St. Gregory” will begin at 5 p.m. with sung Vespers (evening prayer) presided by Bishop Conley, followed by cocktails & Open House, & 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 email us at events@sggs.edu. We hope to see you there!

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY** - Our diocesan newspaper, the Southern Nebraska Register, is looking for more volunteer proofreaders. The team meets Tues. at 10 a.m. at the John XXIII Center in Lincoln to edit the week’s newspaper. Experience or knowledge of newspaper styles is appreciated. If interested, please email register@lincolndiocese.org.
### Employment Opportunity - Student Support Intern

The Education Technology department for the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Lincoln have an immediate opening for a Student Support Intern. Applicants must be college students who do not graduate before May 2021, is at least 21 years old, & able to work 15-30 hours a week. This student intern position will prepare equipment for deployment to the schools, including assembly, disassembly & configuration of various hardware components, as well as installation & configuration of software. This position will also be responsible for maintenance of said equipment at the schools. For more info., see the full job description at https://www.lincolndiocese.org/school-employment. To apply, send letter of interest & resume to jobs@cdolinc.net. No calls, please.

#### Survey - Help CSS Help You

Please take a brief moment to help the Immaculate Heart of Mercy Counseling Center of CSS. The center seeks the input of all the faithful of the Diocese of Lincoln. A survey is found at www.cssius.org to allow input on what parishioners, families, & citizens might need in terms of counseling services. Thank you!

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