



St. James Catholic Church
November 19th , 2023
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Times

Your Contributions last week	
Adults	\$ 4080.00
Plate	\$ 1213.00
For the Poor	\$ 28.55
Online Giving	\$ 967.15
Total:	\$ 6288.70

Weekday Mass Schedule:
 7:00 am Tuesday, Wednesday,
 Thursday, Friday

Weekend Mass Schedule:
 4:30 pm Saturday
 9:00 am Sunday

Confessions:
 Saturdays 3:30 - 4:00 pm
 Sundays 8:00 - 8:30 am
 or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:
 First Saturdays/Sundays between
 weekend Masses.

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www.facebook.com/stjamesmead
 9:00 am every Sunday

Weekly Obligations	
St. Wenceslaus School	\$ 809.00
Bishop Neumann	\$2047.00
Other Parish Expenses	\$1700.00
Total Parish Weekly Expenses:	\$4556.00

Mass Intentions for the Week			
Monday	November 20 th	7:00 am	No Mass
Tuesday	November 21 st	7:00 am	Wilma & William Weston
Wednesday	November 22 nd	7:00 am	Howard & Virginia Huddle
Thursday	November 23 rd	9:00 am	(Thanksgiving) Jim Edins
Friday	November 24 th	7:00 am	Alice Patocka
Saturday	November 25 th	4:30 pm	Dean Frye Sr
Sunday	November 26 th	9:00 am	Barbara Huddle

Ministry Assignments for Next Week

Saturday, November 25th
Reader Connie Eckley
Acolyte Ron Morrissey

Sunday, November 26th
Reader Patty Benal
Acolyte Gfregg Eckardt

New Parishioners & Visitors

We are grateful you are here! In our parish community, all families and individuals are welcome! If this is your new parish, you are asked to pick up a registration form in the back of church on the bulletin board and return by placing it in the collection basket.

MASS INTENTIONS:

A Mass can be offered for a person who is still living.

Though we often think of having Mass said for those who have died. Masses can be offered for those who are still alive. The Council of Trent says that Mass be said “ for the living and the dead, for sins, punishment, satisfaction, and other necessities.” In other words, if you know someone who could benefit from the spiritual graces that come with having a Mass said on their behalf, there is no need to delay in doing so.

You can have a Mass said in Thanksgiving or for a celebration.

Again, most people remember to have a Mass said for the death of a loved one and a few may think to have a Mass offered for special intention or friend who is suffering, but rarely do we think of having a Mass offered for a celebration! Is there a better way to show our gratitude to God? Masses can be said for birthdays. Anniversaries, in celebration of the reception of the sacraments, or for prayers that have been answered.

Mass intention envelopes can be found in the back of church on the table. Suggested offering is \$10.00. Just fill one out and place it in the regular collection basket or put in the drop box in the back of church.

MORE INFORMATION ON THE BACK

PANCAKE FEED THANK YOU – The St. James pancake committee wishes to thank everyone (parishioners and non-parishioners) for their cash donations, craft/baked sale items, volunteers, helping with set-up, cooking, table cleaners, clean-up crews, etc. who helped make the pancake feed a success. We could not have provided the great service nor kept things running smoothly without your help! **Raffle Winners:** Quilt – Pam Krienert Grill – Gregory Knuth Rifle – Paula Elgert

PARKING LOT UPDATE—Reminder to please continue with your pledge payments. The quicker we pay off the debt, the less interest we will owe, saving all of us money! Thank you so much for your sacrifices. Pledge payments for October were **\$12,615.00**. The balance remaining is **\$45,833.00**. – Fr. Gross

ST JOHN PRAGUE CRAFT FAIR – Will be held Sunday, November 26th at the Parish Hall in Prague from 9 am – 2 pm. Admission is FREE. They will have a bake stand, lunch stand, & a wine bar. If you need a vendor table, contact McKenzie @ praguecraftfair@hotmail.com.

PLEASE NOTE – If you need to email Fr Gross, please use the following email for a quicker response, the office email is only checked once a week, or you may call the rectory phone and leave a message. Email Address: fr.gary-gross@lincolndiocese.org

ORGANIST NEEDED – St James is looking for a musician that can play the piano, organ or guitar for Sunday & Holiday Masses. Sundays would alternate every other week. Inquiries can be made to Fr. Gross or Kristi Kavan (kristinmkavan@gmail.com)

HAT & COAT DRIVE – During Advent we will be accepting hats, gloves, mittens, socks and under garments for men & women. Please leave your donations in the back of church in the bin. Donations will be accepted until December 17th, they will be taken to Catholic Social Services.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING – Will take place on **Sunday, December 17th** after the 9:00 am Mass. Your time and help would be greatly appreciated!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – On the table by the bulletin board you will find envelopes for Christmas flowers. Remember a loved one during this special time of year with a memorial contribution, which will be displayed over the Christmas season. Our parish Council of Catholic Women will purchase Christmas flowers for the beautification of the church with the money donated. Suggested donation is \$15.00.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS – Will be meeting on Monday, November 27th @ 2:00 pm at the St Wenceslaus Church. The meeting will start with a special memorial mass for the deceased member. They will also be having a Food Shower for the Marian Sisters. The Mass is open to anyone who had a family member that belonged to the Catholic Daughters. We welcome anyone interested in joining Catholic Daughters to attend as a guest.

SEEK CONFERENCE - This year 11 seniors from Bishop Neumann will be attending the SEEK conference in St. Louis, Missouri, January 1st-5th. Parishioners include **Grace Chohon, Lily Bolden, and Chisum Wilson**. SEEK is a conference offered to high school seniors and college students focusing on learning about the faith, being encouraged in their vocation, and experiencing the love, hope, and real presence of Jesus Christ through His Church. The cost of the conference is \$400, excluding transportation, housing, and meals. Any parishioner that is interested in helping with costs for these students is welcome to send a tax-deductible check to Bishop Neumann. Please put SEEK in the memo. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Bishop's Appeal for Vocations

The Bishop's Appeal for Vocations is an annual fundraising campaign for the support of our seminarians. The Diocese of Lincoln depends on your support to find the formation and education of our future priests. We rely on your generosity.

To make donation to the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations, please pick up your pledge form in the back of church, return and deposit in the collection basket. **The parish assessed goal is: \$3,810.00.** Any difference in what is donated, and the goal assessed will be assessed to the parish during the fiscal year. **Pick up your pledge cards in the back of church.**

REMINDER: Bulletin announcements need to be in by 9 am on Wednesdays.