



**St. James Catholic Church**

**March 15<sup>th</sup> ,2026  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**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 – 3:55 pm  
Sundays 8:00 - 8:25 am  
or by Appointment

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

First Saturdays/Sundays between  
weekend Masses.

**Pastor**

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**Facebook/Mass  
Livestream**

[www.facebook.com/stjamesmead](http://www.facebook.com/stjamesmead)

9:00 am every Sunday

**Your Contributions last week**

Adults	\$ 1591.00
Plate	\$ 1163.00
For the Poor	\$ 18.00
Catholic Press	\$ 50.00
Online Giving	\$ 2698.28
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5520.28</b>

**Weekly Obligations**

St. Wenceslaus School	\$ 857.50
Bishop Neumann	\$ 2018.00
Other Parish Expenses	\$1800.00

**Total Parish Weekly Expenses: \$4675.50**

**Ministry Assignments for Next Week**

**Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Reader: Chism Wilson**

**Acolyte: John Dunn**

**Servers: VOLUNTEER**

**Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Reader: Darla Brazda**

**Acolyte: Gregg Eckardt**

**Servers: Billy & Ben Walz**

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Monday	March 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	No Mass
Tuesday	March 17 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Diane Chada
Wednesday	March 18 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Janet Woster
Thursday	March 19 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Linda Herman
Friday	March 20 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Neta Styles
Saturday	March 21 <sup>st</sup>	4:30 pm	Larry & Marty Mach
Sunday	March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 am	John Vogt

**LENTEEN REGULATIONS FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE**

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting 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 snacking or eating between meals is allowed. Fasting obliges all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

**Abstinence** means eating no meat, and no soup or gravy made from meat. Abstinence obliges all Catholics over the age of 14. Sickness, hard manual labor, pregnancy, etc automatically excuses a person from these obligation. Nevertheless, it should be pointed out that these are serious obligations. In case if doubt or question, consult your priest.

**FOR EMERGENCIES** – Fr Gross will be attending the EMS Conference in Kearney **THIS Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**. For emergencies or Anointing of the Sick, please call St Wenceslaus Church at 402-443-4235. This Conference is for continuing education hours for his paramedic certification. Monsignor John Perkinton will celebrate Saturday evening Mass & Fr Steven Mills will celebrate Sunday Mass.

**\*\*\* STATIONS OF THE CROSS – will be on Fridays at 6:30 pm during Lent. \*\*\***

**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.

**ST JAMES CONFIRMATION HELP NEEDED** – Parish Confirmation will be Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. We are in great need for the following ministries that night: **3 altar servers**. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church if you could help us out. ~ Fr. Gross

**MONEY COUNTER TEAMS** - We are still in need of volunteers to help count the collection right after Mass on Sundays. Individuals and couples are encouraged to sign up, and we will assign you to a team. (There are 3 people to a team). Sign-up sheet is in the back of church. Urgent help is needed!

**NO APRIL ADORATION** – April 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> - Due to Easter being this weekend, we will not have Adoration.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** – Each weekend we need 6 individuals to help take up the collection at each mass. Sometimes we are short of help, so please look back and if not enough people please volunteer.

**HOLY HOUR REPLACEMENT** – The time slot of Saturday 11-12 pm is in need of someone to full. If interested please contact Fr. Gross.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY** – Serving every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) from 5-7:30 pm in the St Wenceslaus Church Basement. Cost: All you can Eat:\$21, Adult Meals:\$16, Kids Meals: \$7

**ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL FUNDRAISER** - Will began March 2nd. School families will be selling Lottery chances for \$50. Each ticket will be included in the daily drawings to win money during the 2026 calendar year. Winners will be announced and checks mailed out each quarter. Lottery tickets will be sold March 2, 2026, through March 17, 2026. Total prize giveaway is \$21,900. You are also welcome to stop by the school office for more information or to purchase a lottery ticket. Thank you to all for supporting this major school fundraiser.

**PARISH SANCTUARY UPDATE** – The voting on which option you which to have will take place the weekends of March 21-22 & 28-29 before and after Masses. Those eligible to vote MUST be registered in the parish. 1 vote per family. Extra letters of explanation are still available in the back of Church. Please prayerfully consider your choice that will enhance the beauty and reverence of the Church.

**ANNUAL SAUNDERS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS GALA** - Will be on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Starlite Event Center. This year's theme is *Boots, Bowties and Bling!* This is the largest annual benefit event supporting all three of our Catholic schools. It is always a wonderful evening with great food, fellowship, and exciting auction items. Proceeds support facility improvements and special projects across our schools. We hope you will join us! Tickets are available at: <https://onecau.se/scsgala26>

**Holy Week Penance Services**

**Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup>**  
9:45 am Mead (2)  
2:00 pm Ashland (2)  
Morse Bluff (2)  
4:00 pm Prague (2) Davey (2)  
5:00 pm Weston (3)  
5:30 pm Valparaiso (9)  
**Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**  
7:00 pm Wahoo (10)

**Holy Week Liturgy Schedule**

**Holy Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
No Morning Mass  
**Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
7:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
No Morning Mass  
**Holy Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass  
\*\*\*\*\* No 4:30 pm Mass \*\*\*\*\*  
**Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00 am Easter Mass

**Ministry Assignments**

**Holy Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Reader: Darla Brazda  
Acolyte: Ron Morrissey  
**Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Readers: John Grandgenett & Patti Benal  
Acolyte: Gregg Eckardt  
**Holy Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Readers: Bob Sabata & Bobbie Feldhaus  
Acolyte: Al Luetkenhaus  
**Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Readers: Darla Brazda  
Acolyte: Allen Chohon

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