PARKING LOT UPDATE

I'm humbled and amazed at the tremendous response to the pledge drive for our new entrance and the replacement of the parking lot. CURRENTLY, we only need **$7,140.00** more in pledges to achieve our original goal.

As the project continues, the Diocese reminded us that we should expect that on average, 10% of the pledges may not be fulfilled because some families who made the pledge in good faith, may, due to unforeseen circumstances, be unable to complete them. Second, because the project was delayed until this Spring as we were in the process of raising the funds, there will be some increase in the cost of concrete that we should prepare for, and the contractor is doing all he can to keep the unknown increases to a minimum.

As the project developed, ***WE WERE GIVEN THE OPTION*** to add additional parking stalls to the East of the new drive and the placement of a trash dumpster slab in the Southeast corner, so the truck comes in/out in one location and not through the whole parking lot each week. ***THE ESTIMATED COST WOULD BE $15,605.00***. We will need to make a final decision regarding this option. So, we ask that those who have not contributed to the project if you would please pray about it and then fill out a pledge card in the back of church and return it asap. The pledge can be paid over a period of 5 yrs. The project not only benefits us now, but also your children and our parish for years to come. **Please check with your employer or company to see if they have a matching grant program for non-profit organizations which the church qualifies for. This would double your contributions and help us out tremendously.**

Thank you for all your support. Weekly updates are posted in the back of church. God Bless.

—Fr. Gross and the Project Committee

God forgave you but you can't forgive yourself? Attend a confidential Rachels Vineyard weekend retreat for post-abortion healing Mar 4-6. Scholarships are available. Contact helpingrachel@yahoo.com or call Heather 402-671-3749.

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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.

St. James Catholic Church

January 16, 2022

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

RCIA For those wishing to learn more about their faith, or those of another faith considering joining the Faith, I'm available for individual instructions almost anytime. **Please contact Fr. Gross by email or phone.**

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 the church on the bulletin board and return and place it in the collection basket.

Mass Intentions			
Monday	Jan 17	No Mass	
Tuesday	Jan 18	7:00 am	†Helen LaCroix
Wednesday	Jan 19	7:00 am	†Helen LaCroix
Thursday	Jan 20	7:00 am	†Joseph Wisnieski
Friday	Jan 21	7:00 am	†Bill Sabata
Saturday	Jan 22	4:30 pm	†Richard Brabec
Sunday	Jan 23	9:00 am	†Janet Woster *Livestreamed*

Ministry Assignments for Next Week

	Sat Jan 22	Sun Jan 23
Readers	Connie Eckley	Darla Brazda
Acolytes	Mike Determan	Ray Casey

Your contributions last week

Adults	$ 2535.00
Loose	648.00
Second Collection	24.00
Solemnity of Mary	2457.16
Total:	$5664.16

Weekly Obligations	
St. Wenceslaus School	$786.00
Bishop Neumann	2,047.00
Other Parish Expenses	1,367.00
Total Parish Weekly Expenses:	$4,200.00

Bulletin Submissions You may offer submissions to the bulletin by calling the rectory by noon on Wednesday or email: office@stjamesmead.com *or* fr.gary-gross@lincolndiocese.org
This week's bulletin can also be found on the web-site at **www.stjamesmead.com/bulletin**

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

Though we often think of having a Mass said for those who have died. Masses can be offered for those who are still alive. The Council of Trent says that Mass may be said "for the living and the dead, for sins, punishments, satisfactions, 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 a 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 the church on the table. Suggested offering is $10.00. Just fill one out and place it in the regular collection basket or drop off at the office.

COMMUNION CALLS TO SHUT INS: Looking for volunteers to be added to the list to take communion to shuts in after the Sunday Mass for Yutan and/or Ithica. A sign up sheet is in the back of church. Once signed up, we will contact for instructions.

ST. WENCESLAUS BREAKFAST BURRITO FUNDRAISER

Saturday, January 22nd

Drive Thru Only
Bishop Neumann South Parking Lot
8am-12pm & 5pm-7pm

Sunday, January 23rd

Dine-In/Drive Thru,
Bishop Neumann Cafeteria
(Featuring Games & Silent Auction)
8am-1pm

Large Meal $8.00, Small Meal $4.00

11TH ANNUAL KC TRIVIA NIGHT— Saturday, January 29th at the Vet's Club, Wahoo. Doors open at 5:30pm, Trivia starts at 7pm. Limited to 22 teams. $160/ table; must be 21 or older to attend. Questions? Call Andy 402-802-4702 or Terry 402-890-0820. To register online: *www.stwencwahoo.org/knights-of-columbus/events*

ST. WENCESLAUS GRADE SCHOOL FUTURE KINDERGARTEN (2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR) meeting for parents AND students will be ***Tuesday, February 1st at 6:30 p.m***. Parents will be given information about our School, the Before and After School Care/Summer Care Program and registration details. Students will get the opportunity to meet the Kindergarten teachers and explore their new learning environment. Students should be 5 years old by July 31, 2022. Call the School office at 402-443-3336 to register for the meeting. When coming to the meeting, please enter through the west door of the School.

ST. WENCESLAUS GRADE SCHOOL FUTURE PREKINDERGARTEN (2022 -2023 SCHOOL YEAR) meeting for parents will be ***Monday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m***. Call the school office at 402-443-3336 to register for the meeting. Prospective students must be 4 years old by July 31st, 2022. Presently there are several options for PreK classes your child can attend: Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to noon with the opportunity to sign up for extended care for the afternoon (12:00 noon to 3:25 p.m.); Tuesday and Thursday all day. If after initial sign-up neither option reaches full capacity, parents can request their child attend full-time, both options Monday through Friday. Students can also attend the Before School Care (6:45 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.) or After School Care (3:25 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) When coming to the meeting, please enter through the west door of the School.

IMPORTANT PARKING LOT INFO ON BACK. PLEASE READ! →