



Sacred Heart Church-St. James Parish

Crete, NE

5th Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021



Online
Giving

Masses:

Monday-Friday: 8:15 am English; 5:30 pm Spanish

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm English; 7:00 pm Spanish

Sunday: 9:00 am English; 11:30 am Spanish

Stream Masses here: <https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartCrete>

Pastor: Fr. Chris Stoley

402-802-8792

Parish Office Phone:

402-826-2044

Email: crete-SH@cdolinc.net

Website:

www.sacred-heart-crete.org

Confessions:

Before all weekend Masses, Wednesdays from 6-7pm, and by Appointment

*Please check extra times listed on doors for Lent

Stations of the Cross: 2:20pm, 6pm (Spanish), 7pm (English).

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS *Caleb James Hansen* from St. Joseph Parish, Lincoln, who is in College 1 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

Once again, members of Doane University's Newman Club are helping those who are in need of assistance to complete service projects. Jobs the members would complete include mowing lawns, raking leaves, picking up sticks/other debris, sweeping, trimming, pulling weeds, or other outdoor work. This would be for people living in Crete and would occur on April 17th. Please sign up in the back of church if interested or contact Michael Coffey at (402) 418-4208 for more information.

Do you like to mow? Need service hours? Even if you don't, are you looking for ways to serve the parish? Brian Carnes is unable to do our mowing for us this summer. If you are interested, please let Fr. Stoley know. Many hands make light work, so even if we have a lot of people volunteer, that will be great. Thanks!

From the Diocese: The recent approval of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine by the FDA to combat the COVID-19 pandemic has raised new moral concerns about the use of these vaccines. Unlike the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines, Johnson & Johnson uses a line of stem cells procured from abortions performed over 30 years ago in the production of its vaccine. Both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines used an abortion-derived cell line in testing them, but not in their production. The [Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith teaches](#): "when ethically irreproachable COVID-19 vaccines are not available... it is morally acceptable to receive COVID-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process." If people have the option, they should choose the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines over the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. However, if that choice is not possible, it is morally permissible to receive the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused great physical, emotional and spiritual suffering throughout the world and has led to more than 2.5 millions deaths. Being vaccinated can be an act of charity in service to the common good in stopping the spread of the virus. Nevertheless, abortion is an intrinsic evil that takes innocent life and is never morally permissible. We should continue to insist that pharmaceutical companies produce and test these vaccines without using abortion-derived cell lines. We pray that all people recognize the value of every human life.

Holy Week: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper-7:00pm; Good Friday Stations of the Cross-3:00pm; Good Friday Liturgy-7:00pm; Holy Saturday Tenebrae-8:00am; Easter Vigil-8:30pm

Divine Mercy Sunday is April 11, the Sunday after Easter. The Image of The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord requested to be solemnly blessed and venerated on this day is displayed in our Church below the statue of St. Joseph. Pope John Paul II said that the image portrays the Risen Jesus Christ bringing Mercy to the whole world. Our Lord said *"I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish"* (Diary, 341 and 48). Please take the time to come to Sacred Heart Church on Divine Mercy Sunday from 3-4pm to respond to our Lord's invitation TO YOU to venerate Jesus, Who is Divine Mercy itself.

For anyone receiving First Holy Communion this year, there is a mandatory meeting on March 16th at 6:30pm in the parish hall. Parents MUST attend if you want your child to receive First Communion.

PCCW will attend mass in Crete at 8:15 am on Thursday, March 25 in honor of the Feast of the Annunciation. Fellowship will follow. All are welcome.

CONFIRMATION is on Monday March 22, 2021 at 7 pm. Bishop Conley Presiding.

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions for March 2021 – We pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF SOUTHERN NEBRASKA has funds available for rent, utilities, and emergency cash assistance help. We have funds set aside for every region of southern Nebraska, not just the towns where we have offices. So please, if you know of anyone that needs help they can call in to apply for assistance. Lincoln area, please call (402) 327-6211 on Mondays beginning at 9 a.m. We have a bilingual English/Spanish speaker at this number.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 22

8:15 am Fr. Marjor and Fr. Daro

5:30pm NO MASS

Tuesday, March 23

8:15am Joseph and Anna Chrastil

5:30pm Confirmation Students

Wednesday, March 24

8:15am Poor Souls in Purgatory

5:30pm Tyson Greenwalt (B-Day)

Thursday, March 25

8:15am Colleen Dowd

Friday, March 26

8:15am James and Mae Houdek+

5:30pm Anton Vodicka+

Saturday, March 27

5:00pm Harry Heimann+ and Cecilia Heimann+

7:00pm Eufemia Gallegos+

Sunday, March 28

9:00am Robert McGowan

11:30am People of the Parish

JANUARY, 2021 OPERATING BALANCE INFORMATION

01/01/21 Beginning Operating Balance \$69,957.96

Adult Envelopes \$28,608.99

Direct Deposits 6,410.00

Maintenance Donations 555.00

On-Line Giving 1,098.79

Loose Cash 4,716.00

CSA Rebate 720.00

Donations 97.00

PCCW Fall Dinner Letter ½ Split 5,665.00

CCD Registration 35.00

School Tuition Payments 7,985.25

TOTAL INCOME 55,891.03

Parish Payroll Expenses 3,783.40

Diocesan Assessments 3,078.83

Admin. Expenses 193.92

Property Insurance 978.17

Maintenance Repairs, Supplies 772.00

Parish Utilities 1,781.18

Rectory Supplies 394.24

Liturgical Expenses -923.00

School Pay and Benefits 33,752.37

School Teaching Supplies, Textbooks 722.63

School Property Costs 860.55

School Utilities 1,777.60

TOTAL EXPENSES \$47,171.89

01/31/21 Ending Operating Balance \$78,677.10

You can **LEAVE CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE GRAY STEEL BOX** in front of the podium in church. It is emptied weekly. You can also use text-to-give: text the word **GIVE** to **402 303-3122** and follow instructions at the link you get back. Or, you can use our new QR code at the top of the bulletin for online giving if you'd like to use that.