



Sacred Heart Church-St. James Parish

Crete, NE

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 7, 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>

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).

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS *Anthony Clint Schukei* from St. Teresa Parish, Lincoln, who is in Theology 3 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

FATHER/SON PROGRAM "In His Image" for boys age 10-14 and their fathers will be held Sunday, March 21st, 2021 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center and virtually. This program is designed to educate boys on growing up and becoming a man. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$25 per father/son or \$35 per family in person and \$10 virtually. To register, visit <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/fatherson> Questions, please call the NFP Offices 402-473-0630 or email naturalfamilyplanning@cdolinc.net

The Great St. James Calendar Lottery is under way! Purchase your \$25 ticket for 52 chances to win up to \$250. If you'd like to buy a ticket, contact the school office at 402-826-2318. This is a fun way to support our parish school and a successful lottery fundraiser means we can avoid the need for many small fundraisers throughout the year. Thank you for your support!

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.

Rolls and Coffee ARE BACK! Come join us for coffee and rolls on March 7th after the 9am Mass in the parish hall.

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 8

8:15 am Pro-Life Movement

5:30pm Aurelia Ibarra

Tuesday, March 9

8:15am Rhett James (B-Day)

5:30pm Josefina Gomez de Cruz+

Wednesday, March 10

8:15am Poor Souls in Purgatory

5:30pm Robert McGowan

Thursday, March 11

8:15am Monica Patton

Friday, March 12

8:15am People with Alzheimer's

5:30pm Luis and Karen Castaneda

Saturday, March 13

5:00pm Fr. Paul York+

7:00pm Rosa Marion and Jesus Meza

Sunday, March 14

9:00am People of the Parish

11:30am Joseph and Idella Lorenz+

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.