



# Sacred Heart Church-St. James Parish

Crete, NE

## Divine Mercy Sunday

April 11, 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>

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### Confessions:

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS** *Paul Charles Mach* from St. Teresa Parish, Lincoln, who is in College 3 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

## Jesus, I trust in You!

**Starting May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the dispensation to miss Mass due to Covid-19 will be lifted. This means that the obligation to return to Mass in Person will be reinstated, and we will no longer be streaming the Masses.

There will be a **Day Long Retreat** for couples or individual spouses experiencing primary or secondary infertility held on **May 1st, 2021 from 9 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**, led by Fr. Tim Danek with other guest speakers at John XXIII Diocesan Center in Lincoln or virtually. Cost is \$15/35/60 for virtual/individual/couple and in person includes Mass and brunch. Sign up/more information at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/ifretreat>

**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.

**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.

**Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions for April 2021** – We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

**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.

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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

##### Monday, April 12

8:15 am Marion Turanne+

5:30pm Higinio Ortiz Lopez+

##### Tuesday, April 13

8:15am Blake James

5:30pm Karen Manson

##### Wednesday, April 14

8:15am Poor Souls in Purgatory

5:30pm Susana Lima+

##### Thursday, April 15

7:00pm Joseph and Idella Lorenz+

##### Friday, April 16

8:15am John Stoeckinger

5:30pm Luis y Karen Castaneda

##### Saturday, April 17

5:00pm People of the Parish

7:00pm Herminida Luna Garcia+

##### Sunday, April 18

9:00am Doug Valenta

11:30am Higinio Ortiz Lopez+

#### FEBRUARY, 2021 OPERATING BALANCE UPDATE

**02/01/21 Beginning Operating Balance** **\$78,677.10**

Adult Envelopes \$29,441.91

Direct Deposits 6,860.00

Maintenance Donations 430.00

On-Line Giving 1,794.75

Loose Cash 5,153.00

Stole Fee 195.00

Joy of the Gospel Rebate 890.40

Donations 0.00

New Hall Rentals 325.00

School Tuition Payments 5,018.50

2<sup>nd</sup> ½ Good Shepherd Scholarships 21,450.00

**February Regular Income** **55,891.03**

Dillon Grant Restricted Reduction 16,853.54

**TOTAL INCOME** **\$72,744.57**

Parish Payroll Expenses 3,439.19

Diocesan Assessments 2,236.83

Admin. Expenses 430.35

Property Insurance 978.17

Maintenance Repairs, Supplies 0.00

Parish Utilities 1,864.12

Rectory Supplies 681.90

Education 1.50

Liturgical Expenses 990.17

School Pay and Benefits 37,034.31

School Admin. Expenses 363.84

School Teaching Supplies, Textbooks 286.03

School Property Costs 701.20

School Utilities 1,904.07

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$50,911.68**

**02/28/21 Ending Operating Balance** **\$100,509.99**