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**4<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday**  
30 April 2023

**4<sup>o</sup> Domingo de la Pascua**  
30 Abril 2023



**Online Giving**

**Masses/Misas**  
Mon.-Fri./Lun.-Vier.—8:15am English; 5:30pm Español  
Saturday/Sábado—8:15am English; Vigil/Vigilia—5:00pm English; 7:00pm Español  
Sunday/Domingo—9:00am English; 11:30am Español

**Confessions/Confesiones**  
Mon.-Sat./Lun.-Sáb.—7:45-8:05am  
Wednesday/Miércoles—6:00-7:00pm  
Saturday/Sábado—4:30-4:50pm; 6:30-6:50pm  
Sunday/Domingo—8:30-8:50am; 11:00-11:20am  
By Appointment/Por Cita

**Mass Intentions/Intenciones de Misa**

**Monday, May 1**  
8:15am- Trenton Rankin+  
5:30pm- Las Vocaciones

**Tuesday, May 2**  
8:15am- Poor Souls in Purgatory  
5:30pm- Maria Cornejo Pedraza+ (anni.)

**Wednesday, May 3**  
8:15am- Wilma Anderson+ (B-Day)  
5:30pm- Reina Ramos+

**Thursday, May 4**  
8:15am- Ron Lorenz+  
5:30pm- Martha Alicia Tercero Tercero, Miguel Bautista Ramos, y su familia

**Friday, May 5**  
8:15am- Veronica Ortiz (B-Day)  
5:30pm- Almas en el Purgatorio

**Saturday, May 6**  
8:15am- Dan Springer  
5:00pm- Frank and Agnes Valenta+  
7:00pm- Modesta Sotelo Valdes+

**Sunday, May 7**  
9:00am- People of the Parish  
11:30am- Jose Guadalupe Ortiz y Concepción murillo

### From the Pastor

It's amazing the things we can kind of get roped into. Even writing this is me getting myself roped into something. And often times it starts off as a joke.

A few months ago, I got a call from a friend of mine named, Paige. She and her husband, Lance, live in Wyoming and are pretty involved in their parish out there. She called me to get some pointers and ideas on some CCD and GodTeen things that they're doing out there and then she said, "Man, you should do a podcast with a bunch of Q&A." So we started to joke about that and how Lance could be my co-host. So we started coming up with funny names and just having a good time. Eventually Lance got involved and we just laughed and laughed. I continued to laugh until I got to my office to find a package on my desk—in it was a microphone.

Apparently, Lance has been wanting to start a podcast for a long time and this was his moment. So we now host a podcast called *Good Old Fashioned Theology*, where we drink old fashions and talk theology. I got roped into what started as a joke. THEN, I made the mistake of telling a parishioner about it later on and now she listens to it. She has asked me several times why I haven't been advertising it—the answer is, of course, embarrassment. But since she has brought it up a few times now, I can only assume it is the Spirit and now I've been roped into exposing my shame to the world. So now you know I can be found on Spotify...please don't.

So the meditation is that we do not often take movements of the Holy Spirit seriously, yet we can find ourselves roped into the very thing we thought we could just ignore. Suddenly we end up in a situation we should have expected but didn't, and now we are in a graced moment when the Holy Spirit can inspire our words or actions to change someone's day or even their life. So when the Spirit ropes *you* into something, what will you do?

### News and Happenings

**We have been missing two plastic folding tables that can also be folded in half.** They have been missing since the Fall Dinner. If you know of their whereabouts, please contact Fr. Stoley or Pat Filip.

**April 30th is "Blue Sunday"** and is a national event where faith communities come together and take time during their weekly service to acknowledge victims of child abuse and neglect. We encourage you to pray on this day on behalf of survivors and victims of child abuse and neglect. Please keep these vulnerable children in your thoughts, take a moment to honor them, and join us in raising awareness of child abuse and neglect.

**Today (April 30) at 6:00pm, we will have a prayer service in honor of St. Joseph.** We have the privilege of having an icon of St. Joseph for our veneration. So we will have a prayer service asking for his intercession and afterward it will be taken to St. Joseph Catholic Church in Friend, NE. Please join us in the church to ask for our father's intercession and protection!

**Cleanup day at the Sacred Heart Cemetery** is on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 10am. If you are able to come out and help, it would be much appreciated!

**At the 9am Mass on May 7<sup>th</sup> the high school seniors of our parish will be recognized and prayed for.** Then there will be coffee and rolls after Mass.

**May 26 and 27 are ordination days!** We have 5 to be ordained deacons and 3 to be ordained priests. One of the men to be ordained is Rev. Mr. Louden Redinger, who was a parishioner here for a time—he was baptized here and has a deep Crete connection. If you are able to go to the ordinations, all are invited! Check the register for more details. You are also invited to the soon-to-be Fr. Redinger's first Mass on May 28. Details to follow.



**Al Kresta**, a national Catholic journalist, broadcaster and author, is coming **Tuesday, May 2, to St. Peter Catholic Church in Lincoln** at 7pm. He hosts a lively call-in program on **Spirit Catholic Radio** weekdays from 3-5pm called, **Kresta in the Afternoon**, which features Catholic life through the lens of Scripture and the teachings of the Church. His topic is **"The American Future, the Catholic Faith, and the Eucharist."** Tickets are on sale now for this event for **\$5 for one ticket or \$20 for 5 tickets.** Become an Evangelist and invite your friends and neighbors. Go to **spiritcatholicradio.com** for more info and to purchase tickets!

### Education and Formation

**4th Grade Teacher:** St. James Catholic School in Crete is seeking a faith-filled, enthusiastic and loving person who is gifted with solid instructional techniques and classroom management skills and is certified to teach in Nebraska. To inquire or apply, contact Sister Mary Alma at 402-826-2318 or sr.mary-alma@cdolinc.net. Please email a cover letter, resume and references.

**Are you a retired teacher? Do you have a Bachelor's degree? Are you interested in substitute teaching?** St. James School is looking to expand our substitute teacher list. Please contact Sister Mary Alma at 402-826-2318. For those who do not hold an educator certificate, there are two substitute options, 1. A local substitute permit. (Main requirements are at least 60 college hours and a human relations course). 2. If you previously held an educator certificate, you may qualify for a state substitute permit. You can go to the NDE website to fill out the applications or if you want more information email dave-friesen@cdolinc.net or call at 402-473-0613.

**GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS** will be honored on May 7 at the 9:00 Mass. Seniors should wear their cap and gown and meet in the back of the church prior to Mass. Please stay for a picture after Mass.

**CK Sisters Outdoor Spring Workday** Sat., May 6, 1:30-4:30 p.m. We will be planting our vegetable garden, cleaning up flower beds, mulching and cutting trees. Helpful items to bring include wheelbarrows, shovels, gloves, pruning/lopping shears, hoes, pickups and chainsaws. Children are also welcome! Mark your calendars now and contact Sister Mary Angela at sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net if you would like to come and help. Please also print and complete a liability form (one per adult; children added to adult form.) Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56th St., about 2 miles west and south of Pioneers Park. (Walk-ins also welcome.)

**PCCW** will hold it's regular monthly meeting in the hall Wednesday May 10th @ 6:30PM. All are welcome.

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30p: St James K-6<sup>th</sup>** will be putting on their spring concert! *Music across America* will include bell choir, patriotic songs, and dancing! It will be in the school gym.

**Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket for the St. James Calendar lottery.** The list of winners is posted in the back of church and checks were mailed last week. We were able to raise \$10,000 this year, thank you for your continued support of our school!

**St. James students in 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade** enjoyed making spring greeting cards after school on April 18, thanks to volunteers Charlotte James and Jo Lisee. Kara Yeager visited all the grades to speak to the students about protecting their skin from the sun.

**PCCW/ALTAR SOCIETY**  
Group 2 is in charge of cleaning church this month. Come @ 9 a. m. on Saturday. Call your group leader with any questions. Group 2 – Pat Filip home: 826-2605 cell: 418-4263

**POPE'S MAY PRAYER INTENTION: For Church Movements and Groups**  
We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own Charisms at the service of needs in the world.

### Del Párroco

Es asombroso como nos metemos en cosas. Incluso me metieron en escribir esta meditación. Y muchas veces empieza como broma y llega a ser "obligación."

Hace unos meses, me llamó una amiga llamada, Paige. Ella y su esposo, Lance (otro amigo mío) viven en Wyoming y son bien involucrados en la parroquia allí. Ella me llamó para pedirme consejos e ideas para sus grupos de jóvenes y de doctrina. Me dijo, "Híjole, tú debes hacer un podcast con preguntas y respuestas." Empezamos a bromear y crear nombres, y eventualmente Lance empezó a bromear con nosotros. Nos reímos muchísimo. Seguía riéndome cuando llegó una caja y dentro de la caja encontré un micrófono.

Aparentemente, Lance siempre ha querido empezar un podcast y le llegó su momento. Ahora tenemos un podcast llamado *Good Old Fashioned Theology*, el podcast donde tomamos old fashions y hablamos de teología. Me metí en algo que pensaba que era una broma. DESPUÉS, hice el error de decirlo a una feligresa y ahora ella lo escucha. Me ha preguntado unas veces porque nunca lo he anunciado a la parroquia y la respuesta es simple—la vergüenza. Pero porque ya me lo ha preguntado unas veces, solo puedo asumir que es el Espíritu Santo y ahora estoy "obligado" a exponer esa vergüenza al mundo. Ahora saben que me puedes encontrar en Spotify... no me busques por favor.

Entonces la meditación es esto: a veces no tomamos en serio los movimientos del Espíritu, y de todos modos nos encontramos metidos en un plan que ignoramos antes. De repente nos encontramos en una situación que deberíamos haber esperado, y no lo esperamos. Y ahora estamos en un momento agraciado cuando el Espíritu Santo puede inspirar nuestras obras o palabras para cambiar el día de otra persona o a cambiar toda su vida. Entonces, cuando el Espíritu te meta a ti en algún trabajo, ¿cómo vas a responder?

### Noticias y Eventos

**El 30 de abril es el "Domingo Azul"** y es un evento nacional donde las comunidades religiosas se reúnen y toman tiempo durante su servicio semanal para reconocer a las víctimas de abuso y negligencia infantil. Le animamos a orar en este día en nombre de los sobrevivientes y víctimas de abuso y negligencia infantil. Por favor, mantenga a estos niños vulnerables en sus pensamientos, tómese un momento para honrarlos y únase a nosotros para crear conciencia sobre el abuso y la negligencia infantil.

**Hoy (el 30 de abril) a las 6:00pm vamos a tener un servicio de oración en honor de San José.**

Celebramos el privilegio de tener la imagen de San José para venerarlo. Entonces vamos a ofrecer una liturgia de oración pidiendo su intercesión y después se va para la parroquia San José en Friend, NE. Por favor, venga a la iglesia a orar con nosotros pidiendo la protección e intercesión de nuestro padre.

**Les pedimos ayuda el día 6 de mayo a las 10 de la mañana** para limpiar el cementerio del Sagrado Corazón. Si tienen tiempo a ayudarnos, lo agradeceríamos mucho.

**Celebramos las ordenaciones de nuevos diáconos y sacerdotes el 26 y 27 de mayo.** 5 hombres se van a hacer diáconos y 3 se van a hacer sacerdotes. Uno de los que van a ser sacerdotes se llama Louden Redinger. Él fue bautizado aquí y tiene una conexión profunda con Crete. Si puedes ir a las ordenaciones, todos son invitados. Vamos a dar más detalles cuando se acerque más el día.

### Educación and Formación

**¡Muchas felicidades a los alumnos que recibieron su Primera Comunión este fin de semana!** Oren por ellos y por sus familias, para que experimenten una intimidad mas profunda con el Señor.

**Maestra de 4o grado:** La Escuela Católica St. James en Crete está buscando una persona llena de fe, entusiasta y amorosa que esté dotada de técnicas de instrucción sólidas y habilidades de gestión del aula y esté certificada para enseñar en Nebraska. Para solicitar o presentar una solicitud, comuníquese con la hermana Mary Alma al 402-826-2318 o sr.mary-alma@cdolinc.net. Por favor, envíe por correo electrónico una carta de presentación, currículum vitae y referencias.

**Los GRADUADOS DE ÚLTIMO AÑO DE SECUNDARIA** serán honrados el 7 de mayo en la Misa de las 9:00. Las personas mayores deben usar su gorra y bata y reunirse en la parte trasera de la iglesia antes a Misa. Por favor, quédese para una foto después de la misa.

**Las Pláticas de Bautismo 2023:**

<del>Enero 22</del>	<del>Febrero 19</del>	<del>Marzo 19</del>
<del>Abril 16</del>	-Mayo 21	-Junio 18
-Julio 16	-Agosto 20	-Septiembre 17
-Octubre 22*	-Noviembre 19	-Diciembre 17

Las pláticas de bautismo son el tercer domingo de cada mes a las 7pm en el salón parroquia. Pero en octubre de 2023, será el cuarto domingo porque el Padre Stoley estará en la Tierra Santa el tercer domingo.

Todavía hay clases de catecismo, aunque hemos terminado con la preparación sacramental. Por favor, que continúen a llegar sus hijos.

**PCCW** celebrará su reunión mensual regular en el salón el miércoles 10 de mayo @ 6:30PM. Todos son bienvenidos.

**2 de mayo a las 6:30 p.m.: ¡St James K-6th** presentará su concierto de primavera! ¡La música en todo Estados Unidos incluirá coro de campanas, canciones patrióticas y baile! Será en el gimnasio de la escuela.

**Gracias a todos los que compraron un boleto para la lotería St. James Calendar.** La lista de ganadores está publicada en la parte trasera de la iglesia y los cheques fueron enviados por correo la semana pasada. Pudimos recaudar \$ 10,000 este año, ¡gracias por su continuo apoyo a nuestra escuela!

**Los estudiantes de St. James en 3er a 6to grado** disfrutaron haciendo tarjetas de felicitación de primavera después de la escuela el 18 de abril, gracias a las voluntarias Charlotte James y Jo Lisee. Kara Yeager visitó todos los grados para hablar con los estudiantes sobre cómo proteger su piel del sol.

### PCCW/SOCIEDAD DEL ALTAR

El Grupo 2 se encarga de limpiar la iglesia este mes **Ven @ 9 a. m.** el sábado. Llame al líder de su grupo si tiene alguna pregunta. Grupo 2 – Pat Filip casa: 826-2605 celular: 418-4263

### INTENCIÓN DE ORACIÓN DEL PAPA EN MAYO:

**Para movimientos y grupos eclesiales**  
Oremos para que los movimientos y grupos eclesiales puedan redescubrir cada día su misión de evangelización, poniendo sus propios carismas al servicio de las necesidades del mundo.