



**St. James Catholic Church**

**December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**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.

**Pastor**

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**Facebook/Mass  
Livestream**

[www.facebook.com/stjamesmead](http://www.facebook.com/stjamesmead)

9:00 am every Sunday

**Your Contributions last week**

Adults	\$4014.30
Plate	\$1090.70
For the Poor	\$ 35.00
Online Giving	\$2140.80
Hall Rental	\$ 150.00

**Total: \$ 7430.80**

**Weekly Obligations**

St. Wenceslaus School	\$ 809.00
Bishop Neumann	\$2047.00
Other Parish Expenses	\$1700.00

**Total Parish Weekly Expenses: \$4556.00**

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Monday	December 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</b>	
	<b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	Special Intentions
		<b>6:00 pm</b>	Mark Luetkenhaus
Tuesday	December 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Randy Zima
Wednesday	December 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Janet Woster
Thursday	December 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Susan Hageman
Friday	December 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 am	Lewis & Pauline James
Saturday	December 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:30 pm	Jim Wimer
Sunday	December 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Sue Schomer

**Ministry Assignments for Next Week**

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Reader: Bob Sabata**

**Acolyte: Ron Morrissey**

**Servers: VOLUNTEER**

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Reader: Patty Benal**

**Acolyte: Al Luetkenhaus**

**Servers: Owen & Corbin Sutter**

**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 church on the bulletin board and return by placing it in the collection basket.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Our Catholic tradition prays for those who have gone before us.

Each Mass includes prayer intentions for the whole church, living and deceased. Within these prayers, there is a place to recall a particular person/s or a special intention. We honor them by remembering that they were a gift from God to us; we are grateful for the gift they gave us and the inspiration we carry into our lives; we pray for the reparation of any sins they may have committed and the purification of their souls. You can remember someone who has died recently or many years ago, you can even remember all your deceased family, friends, and benefactors at one Mass. The intentions do not have to be just for the dead: they make beautiful gifts for any special occasion: birthday; anniversary; in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, an intention for someone who is struggling with a serious illness or other life trauma, who desires the Lord's support for them in their need. Mass intention envelopes can be found in the back of church on the table. The suggested offering is \$10.00. Just fill one out and place it in the regular collection basket or place it in the drop box at the office.

**Reminder: Bulletin announcements need to be in by 9 am on Wednesdays.**

**PARKING LOT UPDATE**—Reminder to please continue with your pledge payments. Thank you so much for your sacrifices. Pledge payments for November were \$ 4,882.81. The balance remaining is \$ 12,879.00. – Fr. Gross

**HOLY DAY** – Immaculate conception holy day on December 8<sup>th</sup> is moved to December 9<sup>th</sup> because the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of advent takes precedence. It is still considered a holy day of obligation on the 9<sup>th</sup>. So mass times will be on Monday at 7:00 am & 6:00 pm ( NO VIGIL MASS ON SUNDAY EVENING)

**HAT & GLOVE DRIVE** – During Advent we will be accepting hats, gloves, mittens, socks and under garments for men & women. Please leave your donations in the back of church in the bin. Donations will be accepted until December 15<sup>th</sup>; they will be taken to Catholic Social Services.

**COFFEE & ROLLS** – will be **TODAY**, Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> after Mass.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING** – Will take place on **NEXT SUNDAY, December 15<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 am Mass. Your time and help would be greatly appreciated!**

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** – On the table by the bulletins you will find envelopes for Christmas flowers. Remember a loved one during this special time of year with a memorial contribution, which will be displayed over the Christmas season. Our parish Council of Catholic Women will purchase Christmas flowers for the beautification of the Church with the money donated. Suggested donation is \$15.00.

**PIE FUNDRAISER**– Student Leaders at Bishop Neumann are running a fundraiser to support the general fund & LEAD team. They are selling Pie Vouchers to R&K Country Store for \$18.00 with \$5.00 going back to Neumann Pie vouchers are good until 2/1/2025. If you would like to buy a voucher or for further information contact: [jillian-johnson@365.cdolinc.net](mailto:jillian-johnson@365.cdolinc.net) or [jacob-rezac@365.cdolinc.net](mailto:jacob-rezac@365.cdolinc.net) or [Megan-Kumpula@cdolinc.net](mailto:Megan-Kumpula@cdolinc.net) Flavors available are: Apple, Peach, Cherry, Pumpkin, Apple Crunch, Banana Cream, Coconut Cream, Chocolate Cream, Strawberry Rhubarb (depending on store availability) For more information see the flyer on the bulletin board.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT UPDATE** - In January, all volunteers and staff involved with minors in the Diocese of Lincoln will be required to take the safe environment training again. No exceptions. Please contact Jeff Holen if you would like more information [jeffholen@lincoldiocese.org](mailto:jeffholen@lincoldiocese.org) or 402-314-2899.

## CHRISTMAS EVE MASS SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

**4:00 pm & 7:00 pm**

### Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am**

**NOTE:** There will be NO CONFESSION before 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup> and before 9:00 am on December 25<sup>th</sup>.

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

### Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

Time	Location (# priests)
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<b>10:00 am</b>	Mead (2)
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<b>2:00 pm</b>	Ashland (2)
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	Morse Bluff (2)
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<b>4:00 pm</b>	Colon (2)
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	Prague (2)
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	Davey (2)
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<b>5:00 pm</b>	Weston (3)
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<b>5:30 pm</b>	Valparaiso (9)
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### Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

Time	Location (# priests)
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<b>7:00 pm</b>	Wahoo (ALL)
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