

<i>Mass Intentions: 1st week of Advent</i>		
30 November	Mon. 7:00 am	The mentally ill
1 December	Tue. 7:00 am	Nancy Sapp (75th B-day)
2 December	Wed. 7:00 am	Nathan Vekved (b-day)
3 December	Thur. 7:00 am	Dec. of Clark & Adams families
4 December	Fri. 7:00 am	Kenneth Hubl
5 December	Sat. 7:00 am Sat. 4:00 pm Sat. 5:30 pm	Poor Souls in Purgatory 1st Saturday Devotions Conversion of Sinners & Return to the Sacraments
6 December	Sun. 9:00 am 11:30 am	People of the Parish People of the Parish

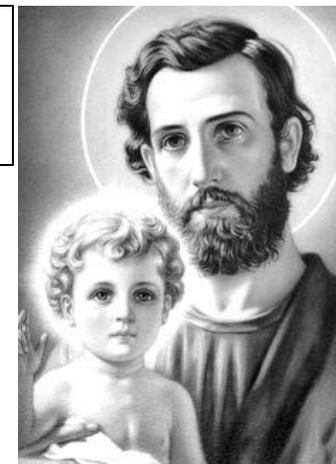
Advent: This week is the first Sunday in Advent and the beginning of the new liturgical year. Advent this year is from November 29th to December 24th and includes all four Sundays plus weekdays. The word Advent comes from the latin "ad venire" which means "to come to". As a liturgical season it has double aspect, to prepare us for the anniversary of the Lord's birth at Christmas as well as a looking forward toward Jesus' second coming at the end of time.

It is a time of remembrance, of preparation, of waiting and of confident expectation. While Advent is not a penitential season (see canon 1250) it is intended to be a period of preparation, much like lent. Prayer, penance, and fasting are especially appropriate during this season. It is also a great time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and many parishes will have additional times available for confessions.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

29 November 2020

1st Sunday in Advent



CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5:00-5:20 pm
Sunday 8:30-8:50 am, 11:00-11:20 am
By appointment

DAILY MASSES: Mon.-Sat.: 7:00 am.

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil—5:30 pm
Sunday — 9:00 am
11:30 am (Español)

NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

First Saturday Devotion: December 5th is 1st Saturday. Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 4pm. Fr. Morris will be available for Confessions beginning at 4:15pm.

New Covid -19 Guidelines: Governor Ricketts announced on Monday new Directed Health Measures that took effect on November 11 and go through November 30th.
<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/COVID-19-Directed-Health-Measures.aspx>

For churches, weddings, and funerals, parties are considered household members only.

Every other pew is to be blocked off in order to help facilitate the 6 feet social distancing requirement.

Encourage people to wear masks.

Priests and acolytes are to wear masks when distributing Holy Communion.

There should be no congregational singing.

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Missalettes and hymnals should not be provided for common use but may be provided for single use.

Seminarian of the Week: Please join us in praying for Augustine Reimers. He is studying at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary and is a Theology 1 student.

-St. Joseph Prayer Chain:

- +For all the poor souls in Purgatory
- +For the end to abortion
- +For our Holy Fathers-Pope Francis, bishops, priests, sisters and brothers
- +For all seminarians, especially those at St. Gregory the Great Seminary
- +For our youth to accept and grow in vocations
- +For world peace, and our servicemen and women
- +For the Knights of Columbus prayer requests
- +For fallen away Catholics

For:

Edith Weber	Jack Paulus	Cecilia Meeza	Delores Leininger
Chuck Preissler +	Virginia Miller	Pat Veik	Mary Garvin
Brad Oschner	Juan Slazar	Diane Walz	Dennis Reddick
Cesaria Gabriel	Cecilia Martel	Jeff Almond	Erica Lauinger
Bill Kerber	Cathy Kamost	Riley Lewis	Seth Lewis
Jordan Ortmeier	Fr. Allan Phan	Mike Kirwan	Kelem Fabrice
Doris Henvey +	Marlene Ostdiek	Diane Noak	Garry Veik
Kathy Rathman	Brenda Lang	Angel Valdivia	Sharon Reasland

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-772-7381) or Ellie Clark (402-762-5008).

Bishop's Appeal for Vocations 2020: *Pre-printed and blank pledge cards are available in the back of the church. Any not picked up will be mailed the first week in December.* The Bishop's Appeal for Vocations supplies some of the cost of the expenses for our seminarians, our future priests, in their studies, training, and formation for the priesthood. The annual Bishop's Appeal for Vocations is an integral part for the future of the diocese, and every person is invited to participate in the future of the Church by helping form our future priests.

The 2019-2020 vocations budget is over \$1.5 million, which is 25% of the Diocese of Lincoln operating budget. The parish goal for this year is \$800,00.

Grief & the Holidays: On December 3rd at 7 pm please join Sandy Danek, founder of Healing Hearts Grief Ministry, as she explores Grief and the Holidays from a Catholic perspective. Open to anyone who has experienced a loss of a loved one or is suffering from infertility or miscarriage, or those who want to know how to better support a loved one experiencing grief. More information and registration is at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/grief>. This event will be at the Harbor Coffeehouse and livestreamed. The event is free.

Harvard People's Project News: Holiday time is fast approaching and once again People's Project will be putting together Christmas boxes to be distributed on December 12th.

We will also be collecting hats, gloves and socks (all sizes) and personal care items (shampoo, toothpaste, etc) in the Christmas box marked "People's Project" in the back of church. All items will be collected on December 9th.

Healing after Abortion: If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit HopeAfterAbortion.org.

Partners on the Journey: Partners on the Journey is a marriage enrichment program meant to both inspire and equip couples to form more stable and satisfying relationships. It is designed to nourish couples spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally. This program is meant for any couple who is looking to enrich and improve or enhance their relationship. This compelling series takes both faith and science, weaves them together to help couples through the use of video presentations, exercises and prayer. This program hopes to help couples achieve a more meaningful, stable and satisfying relationship.

For more information, please visit www.immaculateheartcounseling.org There is an accompanying book to the Partners on the Journey video series, which is available for purchase through our website. Once a book is purchased a link will be provided to the video series. There is no additional charge for the 12 session video series.