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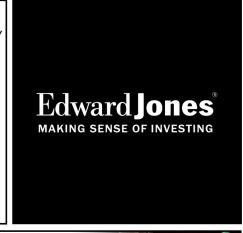




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MASS TIMES:

FOR DAILY MASS TIMES PLEASE CALL (402) 643-3421 SATURDAY 5:30 PM | SUNDAY 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

MSGR. ROBERT TUCKER, PASTOR

CONFESSION TIMES:

Monday thru Friday Confessions will be 20 minutes before 7 am Mass Saturday Confessions will be from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. SUNDAY CONFESSIONS WILL BE 30 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE:

TBD

CANTOR

MASS INTENTIONS:

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| Monday, January 1 | SATURDAY | January 6 5:30 pm |
| 9:00 AM: For All Parishioners | ACOLYTE | Tom McHale, Volunteer |
| TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 | Servers | CJ, Jordan & Quinton Hibbert |
| 7:00 AM: †James & Jolyene Koenig/ Michael Harrison Family 8:10 AM: NO MASS | Lector | Ann Dobesh |
| | Greeters | Hackbart Family |
| WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3 7:00 AM: †Joan Vandenberg/ Gary & Bernie Stava 8:10 AM: †Bern, Carol & Shari Kralik | Cantor | TBD |
| THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 7:00 AM: †Kenneth Holmes/ Terry & Lori Wehrs 8:10 AM: †Bob Brungardt/ Nieces & Nephews | SUNDAY | January 7 8:00 am |
| | ACOLYTE | Jeff Spahr, Jeff Reimers |
| | Servers | Ben O'Brien, Max Santo |
| FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 | Lector | Chuck Kotera |
| 7:00 AM: NO MASS | Greeters | Tim & Marilu Fichtner |
| 8:10 AM: †Marcia Redler/ Family | CANTOR | TBD |
| SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 | | |
| 8:00 AM: NO MASS | SUNDAY | JANUARY 7 10:00 AM |
| 5:30 PM: TEugene Kratochvil/ Elaine Kratochvil | ACOLYTE | Don Biggs, Tim Masek |
| SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 | Servers | Eli Schluckebier, Aidan Summa |
| 8:00 AM: †Kay Cihal/ Family 10:00 AM For All Parishioners | Lector | Michele Kontor |
| | Greeters | Jake Bierbaum Family |

Holy Family Sunday, December 31, 2023

COLLECTIONS

What is God asking of me?

Our response to the Lord last week

Tithing: \$ 14,026.00 E-tithing: \$.00 Other: \$ 12,779.36

DIFFERENT WAYS OF GIVING TO PARISH

- ♦ We have set a basket next to the bulletins this weekend where you can place your envelope,
- E-tithing—See notice on website for a form with instructions or in back of church in narthex .
- You can mail your tithing envelopes directly to the church at:

St. Vincent de Paul Church 152 Pinewood Ave. Seward, NE 68434

Check OUT http://formed.org

Parish Access Code: XGWYQP

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

UPCOMING PARISH & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES January

- Spirit Mtg—6:30 pm
- Blest Art
- Parish Council Mtq-5:30 pm
- **Baptism**
- 15 K of C Mtg

MINISTRY OF MOMS



January Hostess Schedule

January 5 – Janet Bohaty (8:45-10:45) January 10 - Christy Ruhl (8:45-10:45) January 19 – Tess Sousek (8:45-10:45)

January 24 – Whitney Santo (8:45-10:45)

For more info, please call/text Emily (402-640-7144)

LETTER FROM MSGR. TUCKER

Dear Parishioners.

We conclude Christmas this weekend! The Octave of Christmas celebrates Christmas for eight days, and each day is regarded as Christmas day. We still have another week of the Christmas, with next weekend being the feast of the Epiphany. Just like Advent, the Christmas season is really short. As we know, the length of the season does not diminish its importance. Also, the celebration of Christmas is to be carried with us throughout the year. The reflection I had on Christmas day is one that I think we should try to carry with us through the year. Think of the empty manger and think about it as a symbol of our soul. We are blessed with Jesus life entering our soul at baptism. He never leaves, though we can easily put-up barriers in that relationship with sin. Think about fostering your relationship with Him daily. He has made His dwelling with us because He loves us, and work daily on the relationship with Jesus, who is with you! He is Emanuelle, God is with us!

We begin school this week again, and life will again get busy with the many activities that coincide with it. Again, do not let the business of life take you away from working daily on your spiritual journey. We have had the luxury of some days off for Christmas, and hopefully those were relaxing days for you. This weekend the Office of Readings reflects on the silent years of Jesus life. There is little known about his childhood, and those years prior to His public ministry. They are referred to as the silent years. The Church encourages us to enter into the silence in our own lives. Daily find time to silently communicate with God. He will give you insight, strength, wisdom, joy and fulfillment in your life. Make time each day for Him, and He will bless you abundantly in the new year. Happy New Year, and Blessings to you!

Msgr. Tucker

The Corporal Works of Mercy

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the teachings of Jesus and give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise. They "are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their bodily needs" (USCCA). One of the seven Corporal Works of Mercy is listed below:

Visit the sick - Those who are sick are often forgotten or avoided. In spite of their illness, these individuals still have much to offer to those who take the time to visit and comfort them.

> Please pray for all Seminarians Seminarian of the Week

Dec 31—Jan 6

DOMINIC JASTI / LINCOLN

Always check the front section of the bulletin for daily Mass times!



The Eucharist will not be exposed on New Year's Day (Jan 1). Adorers are welcome to come to pray on those days but since the Eucharist is not exposed, attendance is not obligatory.

Baptism

Congratulations to Francesca Lalina Jirovsky, son of Aaron & Saowalack Jirovsky who was baptized on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2023. May she always live as a child of God the Father.

TAKE FLIGHT

Christian Education Conference

Hillcrest Evangelical Church, 2433 Progressive Rd, Seward, NE

(Hosted by various churches of the Seward County Ministerial Association including St. Vincent's)

Saturday, Jan 27th, 8:30 a.m.—1:00 pm

Teachers, parents & guardians are invited

The event will provide strategies & tools for passing on the faith to children & youth while providing continuing education credit for those who need it. You will be equipped with new ideas, inspired by experienced presenters & encouraged through fellowship with other educators & parents. This workshop is provided at NO COST to all. Lunch included.

Complimentary childcare (10 and under) will be provided. For more info, contact Carmen Brown at 402-643-3521

We reached our goal for **Bishop's Appeal for Vocations** 2023

This Year's Goal: \$12,650.00 Total Pledges: \$ 12,908.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

NO CCD-GP until classes resume on January 10.

Solemnity of Mary, Sunday, December 31 | 5:30 pm

Joe Huber. Dan Frisbie Acolytes:

Servers: Michael Frisbie Volunteer Lector: Volunteer Greeters:

Solemnity of Mary, Monday, January 1 | 9:00 am

Roger Grunke Acolytes: **VOLUNTEERS** Servers: Lector: Ken Reinsch

Mitch & Dorothy Marshall Greeters:

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MASSES

Solemnity of Mary

Sunday, Dec 31 @ 5:30 p.m. Monday, Jan 1@9 a.m.



Firehawk News Corner Thank you, Firehawk Moms, for spending time with us!

