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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

MASS INTENTIONS:

MONDAY, JANUARY 8
7:00 AM: †Alan Hofer/ Peggy Bauer
8:10 AM: †Dave Korth/ Marilyn Bohaty
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9
7:00 AM : Spec intention of Kathy Grundman
8:10 AM: Owens family in Thanksgiving/ J. Owens
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10
7:00 AM : †Ken Cast/ Jim & Anita O'Hare
8:10 AM: †Marty Forst/ Don, Pat & Joyce Forst
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11
7:00 AM: †Janice Makovicka/ Family
8:10 AM: †Darlene Kouma/ Dan & Mary Frisbie
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12
7:00 AM: **NO MASS**
8:10 AM: †Georgia Hackworth/ C & E Jirovsky

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13
8:00 AM: **NO MASS**
5:30 PM: †Tina Schaben/ Family
SUNDAY, JANUARY 14
8:00 AM : For All Parishioners
10:00 AM †Richard D. Bohaty/ Tom & Lynette Pallas

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY	JANUARY 13 5:30 PM
ACOLYTE	Dan Pernicek, Volunteer
SERVERS	Miles Erwin, Michael Kolterman
LECTOR	Paula Gooder
GREETERS	Craig Saalfeld Family
CANTOR	Karen Coufal
SUNDAY	JANUARY 14 8:00 AM
ACOLYTE	Brandon Lindau, Tim Fichtner
SERVERS	Deklan & Kohltyn Lindau
LECTOR	Marilu Fichtner
GREETERS	Dave & Renee Coufal
CANTOR	Jessica Kolterman
SUNDAY	JANUARY 14 10:00 AM
ACOLYTE	Ryne Seaman, Mark Policky
SERVERS	Jack Owens, Dakota Leiting
LECTOR	Ken Reinsch
GREETERS	Tim Masek Family
CANTOR	Hayley Miles

Epiphany Sunday, January 7, 2024

COLLECTIONS

What is God asking of me?

Our response to the Lord last week

Tithing: \$ 9000.00 E-tithing: \$.00
Other: \$ 5067.00

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

UPCOMING PARISH & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

January

- 9 Parish Council Mtg—5:30 pm
- 14 Baptism
- 15 K of C Mtg
- 27 Wedding
- 27 PTO Soup Supper 5-8

MINISTRY OF MOMS



January Hostess Schedule

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,

Pope Francis recently promulgated a document from the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, Fiducia supplicans, which outlines that gives direction for blessings for people, including people that are in same-sex relationships. This action has received criticism from both sides, liberal and conservative Catholics. The liberal side is upset that the Church does not bless unions of same sex couples and recognize their union as a marriage. The Church has a definition of marriage that will not change, and that a marriage is between a man and a woman.

The conservatives are also upset, since there is a feeling that the Church is taking a step in the wrong direction. Pope Francis clearly points out that the blessing is for individuals, not couples, and that it is not to take on any type of liturgical impression. This is a spontaneous blessing, that persons randomly asks for, which is something that we already do. Also, if you think about the blessing at the end of Mass, it is given to all present, which includes, Catholics, non-Catholics, saints and sinners!

The question is, why did the Church see it necessary to make this statement now. I believe that Pope Francis is teaching and trying to draw those on the fringe back to the fullness of the faith. The German Catholic Bishops are trying to push the Pope to redefine marriage and are extremely upset with this statement from the Doctrine of Faith. Pope Francis is praying and hoping that they will return to the fullness of the faith, and is giving them, and the world that wants a re-definition of marriage, a clear teaching, and encouraging all people to ask for God's grace through blessings that the Church can give, to help them live their faith.

I hope this answers some of the questions that you may be receiving, or that you may have about this statement from Rome. God Bless you.

Msgr. Tucker

Seven Sisters

Have you heard about the Seven Sisters groups in our parish? Currently, we have 6 groups. A group to take one day each week & pray an hour for the priest in our parish and for 5 groups for the priests at St. Gregory's Seminary. A total of 43 women are involved. Although, now we are in need of six women. Are you interested or do you feel a calling to help strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest. Do you have additional questions, please give Judy Vandenberg (402-643-4117) or Gloria (402-643-3247) in the church office a phone call.

*Please pray for all Seminarians
Seminarian of the Week*

Jan 7—Jan 13

REV. MR. JONAH BROX/ LINCOLN

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



**Mark your calendars for
our annual**

St. Vincent de Paul School Soup Supper

Saturday, Jan 27th from 5-8pm.

School families will be serving Chicken Noodle, Corn Chowder, Italian Sausage, and Taco soups along with pies. If you would like to donate items for the soup preparation, please see the soup donation area in the narthex for a list of items needed.

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

*Looking for accompanists and cantors.
Call or text Beth Peery at 402-641-3725*

CCD-GP CLASSES RESUME THIS WEDNESDAY

CCD HELPERS NEEDED:

We have teachers who would be grateful for a helper in their CCD class on Wednesday evenings.

This is a wonderful way for parents to be more involved; however, you don't have to be a parent if you are interested. Please contact the CCD Office by emailing carmen-brown@cdolinc.net.

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lindystudios2074@gmail.com.

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Firehawk News Corner

The Epiphany Blessing - is a simple blessing where SVDP students follow Msgr. Tucker through the school as he uses Blessed chalk to mark the upper threshold of the doors in the school. Each door is marked with 20 + C + M + B + 24. The C M B serves two meanings; the initials of the wisemen, and the Latin phrase, Christus mansionem benedicat (May Christ Bless this House) The 20 / 24 marks the beginning of the new year. This is a centuries old tradition that reminds us that our homes (classrooms) reflect the presence of Christ's love!
Happy New Year!

