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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

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. DECEMBER 30

7:00 AM: †DON & MARY JO LISKA/ / FAMILY 8:10 AM:: TAUSHA DYBDAL/ JON DYBDAL FAMILY

MSGR. ROBERT TUCKER, Pastor

REV. JAMIE HOTTOVY, Priest in Residence

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 7:00 AM: †ADELINE GEIS/

5:00 PM:: †VIC McGarvey/ PAT McGarvey

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

7:00 AM: FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
9:00 AM: † GARY ARMSTRONG/ FAMILY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

7:00 AM: † LINDA EARNEST/ JIM & ELLEN VARNEY 8:10 AM: †VAL DWORAK/ ALAN & GERALDINE SLEIGHT

FRIDAY. JANUARY 3

7:00 AM: †Kenneth Holmes/ Terry & Lori Wehrs 8:10 AM: †Bonnie Riha/ Dale Yates Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

8:00 AM: †BRADON EWBANK

5:30 PM: †CHERYL MUELLER/ ALAN POLICKY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

8:00 AM: †DEAN MONGAR/ PEGGY OBORNY FAMILY

10:00 AM: FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

LAY MINISTERS:

Saturday, January 4| 5:30 pm

Acolytes: Dan Frisbie, Volunteer
Servers: Tate & Will Ratkovec
Lector: Paula Gooder
Greeters: Bill Morse, Volunteer
Cantor: Janelle Smith

Sunday, January 5| 8:00 am

Acolytes: Brandon Lindau, Jeff Spahr Servers: Nicholas Wanetka, Volunteer

Lector: Clare Bierbaum
Greeters: Dave Coufal Family
Cantor: Lynette Pallas

Sunday, January 5| 10:00 am

Acolytes: Tim Dworak, Ryne Seaman Servers: Matthew Wintz, Eli Schluckebier

Lector: Tim Masek

Greeters: Bill & Ginny Backes
Cantor: Jenny Policky

The Holy Family Sunday of Advent, December 29, 2024

COLLECTIONS

What is God asking of me?

Our response to the Lord last week

Tithing: \$ 20,205.00 E-tithing: \$.00 Other: \$ 833.00

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 DECEMBER

- 29 Baptism
- 30 RCIA—7 pm

JANUARY

- 4 Wedding
- 6 RCIA—7 pm
- 8 Scooter's Gift Gathering—All Day Long
- 8 Come & See Encounter—7pm
- 10 PTO Firehawks Dinner (Potluck)

NOTE FROM PCCW

It is time to collect PCCW dues for 2025. Your annual dues of \$10.00 along with County Fair Pie Booth income is what helps us pay our dues to the deanery and diocese, funds our annual projects and buys the needed supplies for the sanctuary & kitchen.

MESSAGE FROM MSGR. TUCKER

Dear Parishioners,

This week we announced that the Gather and Grow campaign has surpassed the three-million-dollar mark. This is great news, and it is very monumental as the parish has never had a campaign this successful in its history. You may be asking the question what will we do, since we did not reach the goal of \$5.6 million? On January 7th, I am meeting with the Parish Council and Finance Council, and the campaign committee, along with Msgr. John Perkinton to begin addressing that question. We will continue the Gather and Grow campaign, as we still have a lot of contacts that have been made but not completed. We also have gift requests that have been sent to Corporate donors and to friends of St. Vincent's that we are still waiting for a response from. The goal of \$5.6 million is still there, and the completion of the project is still on the horizon, it is now our work to figure out how to attain that goal.

I know that there is reluctance to contribute because of the drop in enrollment in our school. There are also some that are reluctant because a gym will not be built first. There are some that have other reasons not to participate. Please remember that the reason we have the slogan, "Gather and Grow". We are praying this prayer each weekend because this is the heart of our efforts. We are focused on gathering and growing our community, and the life of faith in Seward County. The building will help accomplish these goals, but the primary focus is on bringing the Catholic community together. We have had some great encounter nights over the last two years, we are engaged in making significant changes in the School, and the Parish Council, Finance Council, School Advisory Board and the Campaign committee have been wholeheartedly engaged in this effort. We are gathering and growing, it takes a step at a time, lots of prayer, lots of listening to God, and desiring to do His will. Please pray for this work, and when asked to participate please say yes to whatever you can do. God Bless. -Msgr. Tucker

Special Thanks

A special thanks to all of you who gave of your time and talent thru out this past year of 2024. The parishioners of St. Vincent's are truly known for their generous hearts. There are so many names to acknowledge each and every one of you but hat's off to all who were involved with the music this year. Especially Christmas. Thanks to the many Acolytes, Altar Servers, Readers and Greeters who have helped enhance all of our liturgy thru out the year. Can't forget the "Fort Knox" ladies who help count money. The Eucharistic Ministers who distribute Communion to the Nursing homes and hospital. Also, the decoration committee who spent endless hours. And so many more. Hope all of you had a Merry Christmas and wishing all of you a Blessed New Year!

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

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION 2024 MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 31st—5 pm Wednesday, January 1st—7 am Wednesday, January 1st—9am Additional Masses

Dec 31st (Vigil) - 4:30 pm (Ulysses); 5:00 pm (Bee); 6:00 pm (Dwight)

Jan 1st— 7:30 am (Dwight); 9:00 am (Ulysses)



Monetary Gifts

God Bless you for all your gifts to the parish this year!

Please remember that any monetary gift given to the parish that would need to be reported for 2024 tax donations will need to be in the church office by 4:00 pm on Tuesday December 31st. All gifts given for the Solemnity of Mary that are received at the vigil Mass or Holy Day will be counted for 2025. The Gather & Grow campaign is in full swing and for those of you who have give support so far, will be able to see these donations on the annual tithing statement. May your gifts be returned to you seven times over for all you do to support God's Holy Church!

CCD-GP classes resume on January 8.



