

Saint George Church Morse Bluff

260 Short Street

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 6:00 p.m.
1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays @ 10:00 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sundays @ 8:00 a.m.

Coffee and rolls: 1st Sunday of the month

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 5, 2018

To Know, Love, and Serve God

Sacred Heart Church Cedar Hill

2750 County Road 27

Sunday Masses:
1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays @ 8:00 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sundays @ 10:00 a.m.

Coffee and rolls: 2nd Sunday of the month

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LITURGY SCHEDULE:

MASS INTENTIONS:

FEAST DAY:

| Day | Date | Time | Parish | Intention | Feast Day |
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| Monday | 6 Aug | 6:00 p.m. | St. George | +Lorin, Nadine & Larry Racek and Lorna Pelan | Transfiguration of Lord |
| Tuesday | 7 Aug | 7:00 a.m. | St. George | +Ed & Dorothy Meduna | <i>St. Sixtus II/St. Cajetan</i> |
| Wednesday | 8 Aug | 7:00 a.m. | St. George | +Reginald Zelazny | St. Dominic |
| Thursday | 9 Aug | 7:00 a.m. | St. George | +Bob & Dorothy Meduna | <i>St. Teresa Benedicta</i> |
| Friday | 10 Aug | 7:00 a.m. | Sacred Heart | +Loretta Snitily | St. Lawrence |
| Saturday | 11 Aug | 8:00 a.m. | Sacred Heart | Sanctification of Families | St. Clare |
| | | 6:00 p.m. | St. George | Living/+Deceased St. George Altar Society | Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Sunday | 12 Aug | 8:00 a.m. | St. George | For our parishioners (Missa pro populo) | |
| | | 10:00 a.m. | Sacred Heart | Living/+Deceased Sacred Heart Altar Society | |

Parish Confession Schedule: Confessions usually heard 30 minutes before all weekend Masses, ending 5-10 minutes before Mass. (Confessions before the 10:00 a.m. Mass may be shortened because of priest's travel time between parishes.)

Please indicate -Bulletin- in the Subject line to: dhunt@gtmc.net, st.gmb@nntc.net

Mass Times for USA parishes: <http://www.masstimes.org/>

Parishes: <http://stgmbne.com>



SUNDAY LITURGICAL MINISTERS/SERVERS:

| Parish | Date | Time | Reader | Acolyte | Server(s) |
|--------------|--------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|
| St. George | 11 Aug | 6:00 pm | Volunteer | Volunteer | |
| | | 8:00 am | Galen Johnson | Mike Brabec | |
| Sacred Heart | 12 Aug | 10:00 am | Jim Nemec | Jeff Bauer | |

Announcements

Please pray for Sister John Marion Feldman, Prince of Peace, Kearney, NE, 1st Vows, School Sisters of Christ The King; Sister Teresa Marie Wozny, St. Isidore Parish, Columbus, NE, 1st Vow, School Sisters of Christ The King

Thank you to those who continue to donate to our Pro-Life Collection for those in need. We delivered to Lincoln: 16 ½ lbs for CSS Food Bank, 2 large Laundry baskets full of items for St. Gianna's Home. and 1 Large laundry basket full of items for the Pregnancy Center. May God Bless you for your generosity.

Class in the Catholic Faith – Symbolon (Formed.org)

Monday: August 6, 6:45 – 7:45 pm (Q&A 7:30 pm)

Session 5: **The Paschal Mystery?** The Mystery of Jesus's Death & Resurrection "*The Paschal Mystery*" is a phrase we hear and use in the Mass and sacramental rites, but do we understand what it means in the greater story of Salvation, from the Passover in Egypt to the Last Supper and Crucifixion of Jesus?"

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained: Knowing the Faith.

"Some of us might be so accustomed to seeing images of crosses in our churches, we may not realize that in the ancient world, the cross was a horrifying image. For people living 2,000 years ago, wearing a cross like jewelry around one's neck would be as shocking as wearing a little electric chair around our necks would be today. The cross was a well-known means of capital punishment, just as an electric chair in modern times. And yet the cross is the primary symbol of our faith because it is through Jesus's Death on the Cross that we have been given the gift of salvation and eternal life.

We call Jesus's work of redemption, accomplished principally through his Passion, Death, Resurrection and Ascension into Heaven, the Paschal Mystery. The word Paschal refers to Jesus's offering of his life as the new Passover (or Paschal) lamb for our salvation." – Formed.org

If you missed a session: go online to Formed.org

QUILT RAFFLE -- Sacred Heart will have quilt raffle tickets available after Mass. Tickets are \$1 each OR 6 for \$5. The quilt be displayed then also. The drawing will take place at their soup dinner in November.

The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will meet on Saturday, **August 18th at 8:30 am** in Syracuse NE, St. Paulinus Church. \$12 will cover breakfast and lunch. Send email to: ldccwpresident@gmail.com if you plan to attend. Learn more about the activities of your Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Nationwide Effort - Prayer / Fasting to End Evil of Abortion
I invite and challenge you to join fellow Catholics in a nationwide effort of prayer and fasting to end the grave evil of abortion.

The Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life will include prayer and fasting for the intention that this change in the membership of the Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. The Novena will also include information to help educate the public about how legal abortion is not health care, is bad law, and fails women.

The Novena takes place from Friday, **August 3, to Friday, September 28**. I encourage you to sign up for the Novena as part of the USCCB Call to Prayer at www.usccb.org/pray. You will receive weekly email or text message reminders to pray and fast along with a fact about Roe to share with others.

Let us therefore discover anew the humility and the courage to pray and fast so that power from on high will break down the walls of lies and deceit: the walls which conceal from the sight of so many of our brothers and sisters the evil of practices and laws which are hostile to life. May this same power turn their hearts to resolutions and goals inspired by the civilization of life and love. [Pope John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae, 100].

CatholicsComeHome.org provides a wealth of information about the Catholic Church. See for yourself! The homepage directs visitors to three potential web pages: one for Catholics who have been inactive, one for practicing Catholics, and one for non-Catholics who may be interested in the Catholic Faith

Encounter Jesus

**We will host our missionary priest,
a member of the Herald of Good News, September 1-2.**

The Cloisters on the Platte is a spiritual weekend retreat open to men and women of all faiths that provides an incomparable opportunity for you to reflect peacefully on your life and your relationship with God. With Stations of the Cross
<https://cloistersontheplatte.com/video-and-narratives/>

FORMED.ORG Pick of Week – Lectio: Peter: Session 6: In the Shadow of the Galilean -- The King, the Kingdom, and the Keys -- Did Jesus really entrust His authority to a fisherman from Galilee? In this episode of his enlightening and engaging study on Saint Peter, Dr. Tim Gray unpacks Scripture to reveal Peter's critical role as a bridge between our King, Jesus Christ, and His Kingdom, the Church.

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Children's Pro-Life Craft Projects for St. Gianna's House Sunday, August 5th in the Church basement. Please join the Parish Pro-Life Committee from 10:00-10:30am in the Church basement to make a children's craft to donate to St. Gianna's House. We will be decorating headbands for baby girls and every child who participates will receive a bookmark to keep.

Natural Family Planning-Creighton Model Introductory Sessions for July & August 2018 are scheduled for **Thursday Aug. 9 & Tuesday Aug. 21**. All sessions are held at John XXIII Diocesan Center. Go online to register at www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp

Marriage Saving- the Post Session Phase— The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **Aug.24-26 2018**, call 1-800-470-2230 or www.HelpOurMarriage.org on the web. **Aug 10th** is the last day to sign up for Retrouvaille.

Neumann Fund BBQ Bash Join us on **Saturday, August 18th** from 6:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. at Bishop Neumann to celebrate the kick off to our 2018-2019 Neumann Fund Appeal. Enjoy complimentary burgers, hotdogs, drinks, and music as we officially begin our efforts for the Neumann Fund Annual Appeal. Learn about how the Neumann Fund benefits our Catholic schools and parishes and how you can help us reach our goal of \$250,000. Food will be served from 6:00-8:00 and drinks will be served until 10:00. If you would like to learn more about the Neumann Fund, please visit www.bishopneumann.com/neumann-fund or contact Chad Swanson in the Development Office at chad-swanson@cdolinc.net. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you! (This event is in place of Bus Night and the Guardian Angel Golf Outing).

Chicken Dinner & Bazaar-Holy Trinity Parish in Brainard on August 19 from 10:30am-2:30 pm. The day will begin with Mass at 10:00am. The bazaar will feature a Bake Sale, Games for adults and kids, Raffle and Polka Music. The activities will be held in the church. Dinner features chicken, homemade rolls, kolaches, fresh tomatoes and cucumbers, coleslaw, pies/dessert. Adults \$10, Children 12 and under \$6. Take out meals \$11.

Bishop's Column

Christ suffers with us, in this painful moment

Friday, 03 August 2018 - By Bishop James Conley

When Pope St. John Paul II visited the United States in 1995, he said something I have been reflecting upon in recent weeks.

"There is no evil to be faced that Christ does not face with us," the pope said. "There is no enemy that Christ has not already conquered. There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already borne for us, and does not now bear with us."

He continued, "And on the far side of every cross we find the newness of life in the Holy Spirit, that new life which will reach its fulfillment in the resurrection. This is our faith. This is our witness before the world."

In these days, the Church in the United States is facing a great evil. In the past month, most Catholics have heard the allegations that Archbishop Theodore McCarrick abused and coerced children, seminarians, and priests for decades. Questions have been raised about whether other Church leaders knew about some of this abuse, and about whether they could have intervened to stop it.

Those allegations and question are painful. All of us who have heard them have had to grapple with the feelings they cause: with shame, with anger, with deep disappointment.

Of course, the facts are not all yet clear; we don't yet know the full truth. But justice demands that we seek the facts, and that those who have done wrong be held accountable.

In the weeks and months to come, the Church's investigations may well turn up more information, and while that might lead to clarity and understanding, it might also lead to more painful and difficult moments. Just this week in a blog post, a former priest of the Diocese of Lincoln, now laicized, leveled accusations against a deceased priest of the diocese.

I am committed to ensuring that, in the Diocese of Lincoln, we maintain the high standards of chaste behavior to which the Lord calls us; I ask any priest, religious, seminarian, or lay Catholic with any information or concerns about past or current sexual immorality in a parish, school, or apostolate of the diocese to contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection or, if suspected as criminal, to the Child & Elder Abuse Reporting Hotline, 1-800-652-1999, or any law enforcement agency. Here is the good news: Jesus Christ faces all evil alongside us. He bears all crosses along with us. He has already conquered the enemy. And he promises us new life.

If we are in pain, Christ knows our pain. If we are angry, Christ knows our anger. If we are disappointed, Christ knows our disappointment. He is with us. And he is the way, the truth, and the life.

Human sexuality is one of most beautiful gifts that the Lord has given us. Sexuality, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, "affects all aspects of the human person in the unity of his body and soul." Sexuality, it says, "is not something simply biological, but concerns the innermost being of the human person as such."

But sexuality "is realized in a truly human way only if it is an integral part of the love by which a man and woman commit themselves totally to one another until death." And all people are called to chastity, which the Catechism calls "a school of the gift of the person," which "leads him who practices it to become a witness to his neighbor of God's fidelity and loving kindness."

If we learn to be chaste, we learn to love. If we sin against chastity—if we do not ask the Lord to order our sexuality to real love—we move further from the Lord, and we become focused on our own pleasures, ever less able to love.

The Catechism puts it plainly: "either man governs his passions and finds peace, or he lets himself be dominated by them and becomes unhappy." Because sexuality is such a powerful gift, I believe that the evil one—Satan—tempts us to sin against chastity, and to misuse and abuse our sexuality, because doing so can cause great harm to the Lord's beloved children. We live in a world in which chastity is ever more difficult, and ever more challenged. We can see, all around us, the ways in which sins against chastity cause real and serious harm.

It is well known that sexual abuse and coercion are not unique to the Catholic Church. Children are most often abused by those they know well, and regrettably, this often includes their own family members. This also sometimes includes their teachers, their coaches and mentors, and, tragically, their pastors. When sexual abuse and coercion take place in the context of the family, they make it hard to trust in the goodness of God the Father; the same is true when abuse takes place in the context of the Church.

We should weep for those who struggle to trust God's love because—in any context—they have been abused. And we should pray for them, daily.

We should also, at this difficult moment, pray for all Catholics who are angry, disappointed, or hurt. We should pray that Jesus, suffering alongside us, will reveal himself. And that he will show us the path to renewal, resurrection, and new life.

We should pray, especially, dear brothers and sisters, for the gift of chastity. We should pray that the Lord will give us a renewal of chastity, and that all who have been harmed by sins against chastity will be healed.

In 2009, Pope Benedict XVI wrote to victims of sexual abuse in Ireland. "Speaking to you as a pastor concerned for the good of all God's children... I pray that, by drawing nearer to Christ and by participating in the life of his Church—a Church purified by penance and renewed in pastoral charity—you will come to rediscover Christ's infinite love for each one of you. I am confident that in this way you will be able to find reconciliation, deep inner healing and peace."

I share that prayer, and that confidence.

As a bishop, I apologize to anyone who has been harmed by the failures of the Church's own leaders to live according to the Gospel, and especially to those who have suffered the pain of abuse or coercion. It might be difficult to believe, but Jesus suffers alongside you. He bears the cross along with you. So too do the many members of the Church—priests, deacons, and bishops among them—who are striving for chastity, and for holiness.

Christ promises new life. May he renew his Church, and renew the hearts of those who are suffering.

Southern Nebraska Register

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2-Day UNBOUND Conference - Participants will learn about Unbound through live presentations & videos and how it teaches 5 simple “keys” to break the chains of emotional, spiritual and mental bondage and unlock the doors to freedom. Join us at John XXIII Diocesan Center-Lincoln, NE, **Friday, August 24th- 6-9pm & Saturday, August 25th- 8-5pm**. The event is free but registration is required. Please register by going to: lincolndiocese.org/unbound

Roast Beef Dinner-Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish in Plasi will sponsor a roast beef dinner at the Prague Parish Hall in Prague, on Sunday, **August 26**. Dinner will be served from 11:00am-2:00pm. Cost: Adults \$10, Children 10 & Under \$5, Preschool under 5 Free. Festival includes Live Auction, Silent Auction, Cake Walk, Bake Sale featuring Czech specialties and Raffle.

Still Suffering from the shame of a past abortion - Attend a confidential healing Rachel’s Vineyard retreat September 28-30 in Omaha. Partial scholarships available. Information? Helpingrachel@yahoo.com or 402-253-9936. Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats are also offered in Kansas City, MO on **October 26-28**, 2018. KC contact info is (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to start the healing, or to learn more visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org or www.rachelsvineyard.org