



St. Patrick Parish

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Parish Website: www.stpatricklincoln.com

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 22, 2020

Pastor: Fr. Troy Schweiger
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Samuel Beardslee
Priest in Residence: Fr. David Bourek
Deacon: Deacon Stephen Kuchar
Principal: Mrs. Kristine Placek

Saturday Vigil: 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass: 6:30 a.m. Mon-Fri .8:00 a.m.

Mon-Sat and 5:30 p.m. Thursday

Holy Days: Please check bulletin

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-5:00, 7:30-8:00 p.m.
and by calling the rectory to schedule an appointment

Baptisms: Those expecting a baby should contact the rectory 1-4 months before the baby is born for baptismal instructions

Weddings: Engaged couples must contact a priest at least 4 months (preferably 6-8 months) before the tentative wedding date

RCIA: Classes are held on Mondays in Finigan Hall at 7 p.m.

Religious Education Classes: Grades K-8.
Wednesdays 5:15-6:30 p.m. during school year

New Parishioners: Pick up a form at the rectory

Altar Society: First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Finigan Hall

Legion of Mary: Saturday morning after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in Finigan Hall
Betty Northup 402-540-7340

Home & School: Natashia Packard, 402-480-0442

Knights of Columbus: First Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Finigan Hall
Grand Knight Jim Bunch 402-681-9344 or
Kofc13576@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul: Second & fourth Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 p.m. in Finigan Hall

FCSLA: Second Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m. , Youth Council after 11:30 Mass.

God Teens: Meet Wednesday nights 7:00 p.m., for more information call 402-466-2752

Eucharistic Adoration Program: Mary Doher, 402-499-8665





From the Pastor's Desk

Fr. Troy Schweiger

March 22, 2020

Cancelled. That seems to be the word we have heard the most this past week (ok, maybe "Coronavirus" or "Covid-19" is the most. . .). While this can be an unsettling time as all of our normal work, school, home, spiritual and social routines are being upended and recast, what is CONSTANT is God's love for us and His abiding presence in our midst! God has not "Cancelled" his infinite love for us or retreated away from us in any way. He is present! In a profound sense, the best Lent is not a Lent where WE choose our sacrifice, but where our sacrifice is thrust upon us. In that regard, this Lent has the potential to be awesome! We here at St. Patrick's are adjusting and seeking to be creative in how we continue to live as a family of God. Some of these changes are going to take some days to get implemented, others will be starting up. St. Patrick Parish and School are not closing, we are changing the routines of our operation and continuing to be a light to the nations and a home of faith and encounter with God. This has not changed, nor will it ever change. In that light, I would like to alert you to some of our new initiatives to continue to be that home of faith.

1. Starting THIS Sunday, March 22nd, we will be **Live Streaming a Sunday mass** celebrated by either Fr. Beardslee or myself at **9:30 AM** on Sunday morning for the duration of this pandemic. I would like to thank Fr. Beardslee for all of his work in getting this set up. The steps to access this live stream are very simple.
 - A. Log in to your Facebook account.
 - B. Search for "Fr-Samuel Beardslee" (note the dash, not a period). You do NOT need to be Facebook "friends" with him, it is open to ALL people.
 - C. Click on the tile that shows the church with "Live" in the upper corner
2. The sacrament of Confession will still be offered as scheduled on Saturdays from 4 – 5 pm and 7:30 – 8 pm at the church. Please follow common sense social distancing when praying in the church. We ask that you prepare for the sacrament while praying in the church, and then a priest will be available in the social hall, in the middle of the room. Our local health department has recommended that we have confessions in a wide open room and not in a small enclosed space. Please follow prudent social distancing if there is a line waiting to go into the social hall for confession. Please feel free to line up

YOUR GIFTS TO THE LORD MARCH 15, 2020

Adult Offering: \$ 5357.00
Loose Offering: \$ 365.00
 Total: \$ 5722.00

Weekly collection needed to meet expenses \$10,500
Monthly Mortgage \$31,500

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along the south side of the social hall, with appropriate gaps.

3. Beginning Monday, while public masses are not allowed, I would be happy to come to your home for a private mass for you and your family. If you are interested in having me come for a private mass, please call the rectory and let Kathy know. On Monday morning we will randomly draw from whoever has called in to set up a schedule week by week. Obviously I will not be able to get to everyone, hence the random drawing.
4. We are working on a solution to try and make communion available to people. We are trying to be creative while still abiding by the health department recommendations. I am hopeful that we will have a safe and acceptable method by next Sunday.
5. Baptisms are still able to be held, within the guidelines of no more than 10 people at the ceremony. Please feel free to call the rectory if you have a new child that is in need of baptism.
6. I know that this can be a financially stressful time for our families, there are many community organizations and church organizations that are stepping forward to help. I will be trying to put together a comprehensive list and posting it on our website.
7. Along with so many others, St. Patrick parish is also experiencing a financial stress during this time. I would humbly ask that you consider continuing your weekly offering. You can either drop it off at the rectory mailbox (it is a locked mailbox with a mail drop slot), or you may consider going to our website and clicking on the "E-Giving" tab and setting up an electronic donation. Our website is: <https://www.stpatricklincoln.com/>
8. The church will remain open during our regular hours (6 am – 8 pm) for private prayer and adoration.
9. Know that you can contact the rectory if you would like to speak with a priest or have some other pastoral need. 402-466-2752.
10. Continue to stay close to the Lord as He is close to you!

Have a great week! Fr. Troy Schweiger

Please check the St. Patrick website for updates and information as we deal with this public health issue. The web address is: www.stpatricklincoln.com You can also call the rectory.

SCRIP: SCRIP (gift cards) are still available for all your shopping needs. They can be purchased at the rectory.

Thank you to all our wonderful parishioners, their families, friends, and co-workers who purchased and or sold tickets, and who contributed prizes for the St. Patrick's festival raffle. Thanks to all of you, we had our best year ever! A huge shout out to our school children who doubled their ticket sales from previous years. Thank you to Diane Neujahr who coordinated the raffle ticket sales at our school.

THERE WILL NOT BE AN APRIL Altar Society Meeting, due to Holy Week.

Please submit bulletin entries prior to 5 p.m. on Mondays.
Email to: stpatrick1893@gmail.com

School news:

St. Patrick School in Lincoln is taking applications for the following full-time positions to begin Fall 2020:

- Jr. High Social Studies and Religion
- K-8th Music (joint full-time position with Blessed Sacrament School)

St. Patrick School is PreK-8th grade school, located in northeast Lincoln, serving 185 students. For more information please contact Principal Kristine Placek at Kristine-Placek@cdolinc.net or apply online at: <https://stpatriklincolnschool.com/employment/>

History Glimpse

With Confirmation coming up soon for St. Patrick children, it is interesting to note the size of some past Confirmation groups. The number of St. Patrick families was rapidly increasing in the 1950s when the Lincoln airbase reactivated. Perhaps that is the reason for the unusually large Confirmation classes during those years. Many of these classes included adults, perhaps due as well to the number of new families joining the parish. For example, in 1952, there were 55 children and 26 adults who were confirmed. As school enrollment increased, so did the size of the Confirmation classes. In 1955, 156 were confirmed. A note was added that the confirmandi along with their sponsors nearly filled the church! In May of 1959, 142 children and 38 adults were confirmed. That year no second graders were confirmed due to lack of space in church. Add in the sponsors for those being confirmed and one wonders how families managed that event.

Tithes may be dropped off at the rectory, mailed in, put in the rectory mail box or you can use online giving.

Deadline for bulletin articles for Palm Sunday is Friday, March 27. Please note the change in date, as the bulletin will need to be submitted early to get printed on time. **The deadline for Easter Sunday articles will be Friday, April 3.**

Prayer:

“Lord, I have friends and neighbors all around me. Remind me of their needs and make me generous to assist other people.”

During this difficult time, please reach out to those who may need assistance like the elderly or those with health issue who should not be out in public. When you get ready to run to the grocery store, the drug store, etc. call someone in need and see if you can pick up items for them. Or just call to check on them; being homebound can be taxing on a person. Also, remember those who are currently unemployed and may be struggling financially. Please continue to donate to the local food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, etc.

Easter Flowers: Anyone interested in making a donation for Easter flowers to help decorate the altar for our Risen Christ may put money in an envelope marked “Easter flowers” and drop it off at the rectory, place it in the rectory mail box or mail it in. Please list your name and state if it is in honor or memory of someone, also noting their name/names. Thank you!

Lenten Fish Fry: Apr. 3, is still on at this time. Watch for updates (note March 27 has been cancelled). Dinners will be served from 5-7:00 p.m. The menu will be baked Tilapia, fried Pollock, macaroni and cheese, French fries, baked potato wedges, corn, coleslaw, rye bread, pickles, coffee, iced tea, lemonade and water. All-you-can-eat, \$10 for each adult and high school student, \$5 for children ages 5-13 and free for age 4 and under. A maximum of \$35 for a family, consisting of 2 adults and 2 or more children. A \$.50 discount per dinner is available for a donated can of food.

Pro-Life Education Series scheduled for Sunday March 29, at 7 p.m. in our Finigan Hall has been postponed till the fall. Speaker Dr. Pat Castle will contact us with a new date for his talk. Watch the bulletin for this announcement to hear him speak on "Countering Planned Parenthood Strategy."

To help you meet your Sunday Mass obligation as we deal with this public health issue, here are some additional ways to watch or listen to Mass both daily and on Sunday:

Spirit Catholic Radio (102.7) airs daily Mass Monday thru Friday at 10:30 a.m., Sunday Mass at 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

EWTN TV airs daily and Sunday Mass at 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Check your local listing for the channel.

Internet various websites offer Masses. Check your search engine for times and days.

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center (IHMCC) is excited to announce the expansion of counseling services for those located outside current in-person service areas. The expansion of services is made possible through telehealth capabilities, allowing an individual to receive professional counseling services in the comfort and convenience of his or her own home. Telehealth is offered through an electronic health platform that maintains confidentiality and is HIPPA compliant. In order to participate in telehealth, the following are necessary: a computer, tablet, or phone (no applications or software to download); an external or integrated webcam; an external or integrated microphone and an internet connection. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact the IHMCC office at 402-489-1834 or 1-800-961-6277 to further discuss this option.

Adoration Program Below are the open time slots for St. Patrick's Eucharistic Adoration Program.

Sun: Midnight, 1-4AM
Mon: Midnight, 1-2AM, 11AM, 9PM, 10PM, 11PM
Tues: Midnight, 1-3AM
Wed: 1AM, 11PM
Thurs: 2-3AM, 10AM, 1PM, 7PM
Fri: Midnight, 1-2AM, 4AM
Sat: 1-2AM, 5AM, 5PM, 7PM, 8PM, 11PM

If you are interested in spending one hour a week with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Mary Doherty at medoher@hotmail.com; Text or call 402-499-8665.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, March 23, 2020

+Eric Kudron
Mrs. Jessica Cech

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

+Jerry Bartch
+Irene Luna

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

+Jeanne
+John Luna

Thursday, March 26, 2020

+Fred Pearson
Phil Malleck
June Tvrdy and Debra Tvrdy

Friday, March 27, 2020

Steven and Rosemary Morrison and Family
Jo Bartels

Saturday, March 28, 2020

Priests of the Diocese of Lincoln L&D
+Helen Benes

Sunday, March 29, 2020

People of St. Patrick's
Jeremiah Wilkerson
+John Reinsch
+Stella Tyson

ART AND SPANISH TEACHERS NEEDED: St. Joseph School, Lincoln, is seeking faith-filled and dynamic certified teachers for two separate full-time positions. Both involve furthering the mission of St. Joseph Catholic School by teaching students in grades K-8. Art requires an endorsement or minor in art. Spanish requires an endorsement or minor in Spanish, with fluency preferred. Start date is August 2020. Salary based on educational background and experience. Please send resume and references to kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net.

The Diocese of Lincoln offers several summer camp opportunities for youth entering grades 5 through 9. Students entering grades 10 through 12 can apply to be a camp volunteer. For dates, prices, and online registration go to www.campkateri.org

The Planned Parenthood activities for March 31 have been postponed.

The NAVEX hotline is an anonymous hotline to assist persons in making reports of misconduct in the Diocese of Lincoln. The hotline is not a substitute or alternative to calling law enforcement; it is intended to offer the maximum alternative to ensure any wrong in the Church is uncovered and reported. Nebraska law requires all suspicions of child abuse or neglect to be reported to law enforcement or DHHS.

NAVEX 1-844-527-0596
Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-652-1999
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator 402-613-2488
Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator 402-314-2899

Acolyte/Lector/Server/Usher Schedule

28-Mar	6:30 p.m.	29-Mar	7:00 a.m.
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector		Lector	
Server		Server	
Server		Server	
Usher		Usher	
Usher		Usher	
29-Mar	8:30 a.m.	29-Mar	10:00 a.m.
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector		Lector	
Server		Server	
Server		Server	
Usher		Usher	
Usher		Usher	
29-Mar	11:30 a.m.	Communion Call Sched- 3/29/2020 After 8:30 a.m. Mass Pyx 1: Pyx 2: After 10:00 a.m. Mass Pyx 3:	
Acolyte			
Lector			
Server			
Server			
Usher			
Usher			

The new Ministry schedule is available in the sacristy.

Cleaning is temporarily suspended while Mass is not open to the public.
Families responsible for church cleaning next Saturday are listed below. At least one member from each family should be present to assist after 8:00 a.m. Mass. If someone from each family comes, it should take no more than one hour. Thank you!

Saturday, March 28, 2020

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Saturday, April 4, 2020

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- 7.

Please Pray for the Seminarian of the week: James Robert O'Neil from St. Mary's in Nebraska City. May God bless him in his ministry.

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