<u>COLLECTION</u> – Dec 24: Env \$2410; Plate \$370; Votive \$43; Hall Rent \$10; Farm Income \$1460; Foundation \$100; Maintenance \$200 = \$4593

<u>COLLECTION</u> – Dec 25: Env \$1335; Plate \$563; Votive \$20; Cloistered Sisters \$5 =\$1923

Ministry Sc	hedule Acolyte	Lector	<u>Server</u>
Sat Dec 30	Tim Cornwell	Lloyd Ogorzolka	
Sun Dec 31	Jack Ryan	Skip Marsh	Gage
Date	Servers of Coffee and Rolls		Roll Runner
Jan 7	Tanner/Miranda Teel	Myrna Haag	Don/Pam
Jan 14	Rick/Crinda McConville	Bill/Steph Haag	Dale
Jan 21	Linda Thayer	Chuck/Barb Tines	Don/Donna

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Prayer Intentions: Nolan Davidson, Wayne Crawford, Don Reiners; Shane Hoelcher; Jeff Dudensing (deployed in Egypt)

Sisters Vocation and Seminary Prayer List: Please pray for Sr. Juanita Marie, and seminary Rev. Mr. Jonah Brox.

End and begin the year in the presence of the Lord by going on a retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly. 4-Day or 8-Day Ignatian Retreat with Matt Simmons or Fr. Barak on Dec. 29-Jan. 1, Jan. 2-5 or Dec. 29-Jan. 5, 4-Day, or 8-Day Ignatian Retreat with Fr. Barak or Sarina Stokes (on Jan. 8-11) Jan. 8-11, Jan. 11-15, or Jan. 8-15, and "Laborers in the Vineyard" Retreat for Men on January 12-13. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

The Knights of Columbus Thanks the parish for their donation to the Tootsie Roll drive, we collected \$364.00 dollars. \$182.00 will go to South West Area Training in McCook.

Meetings and Events

Jan 1 – New Year's Day

Jan 1 – Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Jan 28 - Parish Council Meeting

LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive: The final

numbers are in and the parishioners of the Lincoln Diocese have again shown how <u>Pro-Life</u> they are. The cash received has been converted to diapers giving us a total of 159,742 diapers donated. WOW!! God bless you all.

Winner of the Dec Knights Gun raffle was Benny Gengerich Maywood, NE.



As we celebrate Holy Family Sunday, let us remember that God's love for us is reflected in the love for each other in our family. Why not celebrate and encourage that love by giving your spouse the gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: February 9-11,

2024 in Lincoln, NE. For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 720-213-8833 Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early. For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org.

LADIES OF THE PARISH: Thank You So Much for your food donations. Please check in the kitchen as there are LOTS of nice dishes still left. Thank You for picking them up.

Life is Hard. Help is just a phone call away. Need to talk to someone that you can trust? Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska's Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center, 402-489-1834

Legion of Mary - St. Louis de Montfort wrote that "the salvation of each individual is bound up with the Hail Mary." This prayer that names the holy name of the Mother of God "brought to a dry and barren world the Fruit of Life. It will cause the Word of God to take root in the soul and bring forth Jesus."



Pastor's Notes:

As we celebrate the New Year tomorrow on Monday, please remember that there is no Mass obligation because the holy day (Mary, the Holy Mother of God) falls on a Monday. However, you are more than welcome to start the year on the right foot by attending the one Mass that day at 9 A.M., to ask God's blessing in the coming year. It is fitting that we begin by remembering the mystery of the Incarnation of God which took place through a human being, Mary, who can truly be called Theotokos or Mother of God because her Son, Who was truly human, was also truly divine, the pre-existent Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, Who is one divine Person, truly God (divine nature) and truly Man (human nature) in a "hypostatic union" which is without confusion or change, without division or separation (Ecumenical Council of Chalcedon in 451). Mary's title was given to her at the Ecumenical Council of Ephesus in 431 to emphasize the truth about Who her Son was. Happy New Year to all of you!

The Pope's Intention for the month of January: For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation. Priest Day Intention: Pray for the Holy Father. The Holy Father's Intention reminds me of the Knights of Columbus and their commitment to the Special Olympics program, as well as their annual Tootsie Roll drive.

Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus and the CYO students for setting up the crèche in church (and for taking it down after next Monday?). Thanks also to Tom Davidson, for working on the sacristry door to make sure it continues to open onto our beautiful new stairs. Thanks also to the teachers and families of our CCD students for their Christmas program and the CYO members, along with their teachers and families for the great soup supper!

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. This time of the year, as we remember and spend time with family, we remember that each and every one of us belongs to a spiritual family as well, St. Catherine's parish. God bless!

St. Catherine's Catholic Parish

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Parish website: https://www.stcatherineindianola.org

Online Giving: https://www.osvhub.com/stcatherineindianola/funds (new address)
Parish Hall 308-364-2228

Mass Schedule: Sat 5pm Sun 9am Confessions: Sat 3:30-4:30pm Sun 8:15-8:45 or on request

Parish Council Members: Skip Marsh, Steve Conroy, Janet Cornwell, Kyle Teel, Rick McConville, Roger Buschkoetter, Lloyd Ogorzolka and Nanci Stritt.

Altar Society, meets 2nd Sun, 10:15 am, Knights of Columbus, meets 2nd Sun, 10:15 am

Misa, Domingo- 4:00 pm, Iglesia de San Patricio, McCook Fr Lorenz 308-414-1195

 $\underline{\textbf{Weddings}}\textbf{-}\textbf{Call 8 months in advance} \ (\textit{Engaged Encounter weekend and Fertility Care required})$

Fertility Care Instructors: *McCook* Kate Siegfried, 345-5812

ABC Pregnancy Help Center, McCook- 308-350-0126

Grief Support Group (Community Hospital, McCook) 308-344-2650.

Newcomers: If you have moved into our parish, please register by filling out a form in back of Church, or call the rectory at 308-364-2428.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph– December 31, 2023

DAY DATE TIME MASS INTENTION

Sat. 12/30 5:00pm Marilyn Vontz +

Sun. 12/31 9:00am People of the parish

Mon. 01/01 9:00am Joe and Klare Haag Family Tues. 01/02 7:30am Knights of Columbus L&D

Wed. 01/03 6:30pm St. Catherine Altar Society

Thurs. 01/04 7:30am Jay Wood + Fri. 01/05 7:30am Nellie Ryan + Sat. 01/06 7:30am Don High +

Sat. 01/06 5:00pm People of the parish

Sun. 01/07 9:00am Perry Kuhn +

