

<i>Mass Intentions: 3rd week of Advent</i>		
14 December	Mon. 7:00 am	John Kobza
15 December	Tue. 7:00 am	Mary Kubat +
16 December	Wed. 7:00 am	Janet Hyde
17 December	Thur. 7:00 am	Fr. Casey Porada +
18 December	Fri. 7:00 am	Lavern Theisen +
19 December	Sat. 7:00 am Sat. 5:30 pm	Robert Kiolbasa Holy Marriages
20 December	Sun. 9:00 am 11:30 am 4:00pm	People of the parish Los difuntos ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

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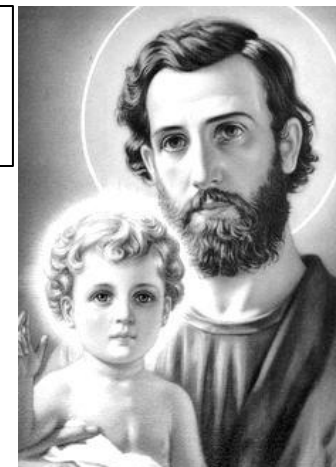
**Advent:** This week is the third Sunday in Advent and is known as "Gaudete Sunday"

Its name is taken from the entrance antiphon of the Mass: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near."

In Latin, the first word of the antiphon is *Gaudete*: which is Latin for "rejoice". On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. For the first two weeks of Advent, the focus can be summed up in the phrase, "The Lord is coming." But beginning with Gaudete Sunday, the summary might be, "The Lord is near." This shift is marked by a heightened sense of joyous anticipation. In times when the focus of our anticipation is often on the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.

## ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

13 December 2020  
3rd Sunday in Advent



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**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 5:00-5:20 pm  
Sunday 8:30-8:50 am, 11:00-11:20 am  
By appointment

**DAILY MASSES:** Mon.-Sat.: 7:00 am.

**SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday Vigil—5:30 pm  
Sunday — 9:00 am  
11:30 am (Español)

### NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

**Installation of Pastor:** Saturday December 19th: Fr. Hazuka, dean of the deanery, will be at the 5:30p.m. Mass to formally install Fr. Morris as pastor.

**Advent Penance Service:** Sunday December 20th at 4:00pm there will be an Advent Penance Service with individual confession available. Fr. Zimmer from Sutton will be here to assist Fr. Morris with confessions. Thank you, Fr. Zimmer.

**Decorating for Christmas:** We will decorate for Christmas after the 9am Mass on Sunday December 20th.

#### **Christmas Mass schedule:**

*Christmas Eve:* 5:30pm, 6:30pm (Bi-lingual) and 8:00pm  
*Christmas Day:* 9:00am and 11:30 am (Spanish)

**Mass of the Holy Innocents: Monday, December 28th.** All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through

miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at **6:30 p.m.** with Mass at **7:00 p.m.** This year, the Mass will take place at **Cathedral of the Risen Christ Church** due to the pandemic and social distancing measures. The Cathedral is located at 3500 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 **before 5:00 p.m. on Fri. Dec. 18th.** If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.

**Seminarian of the Week:** Please join us in praying for John McDonald. He is studying at Mount St. Mary Seminary and is a Theology 2 student.

**-St. Joseph Prayer Chain:**

- +For all the poor souls in Purgatory
- +For the end to abortion
- +For our Holy Fathers-Pope Francis, bishops, priests, sisters and brothers
- +For all seminarians, especially those at St. Gregory the Great Seminary
- +For our youth to accept and grow in vocations
- +For world peace, and our servicemen and women
- +For the Knights of Columbus prayer requests
- +For fallen away Catholics

**For:**

Edith Weber	Jack Paulus	Cecilia Meeza	Delores Leininger
Chuck Preissler +	Virginia Miller	Pat Veik +	Mary Garvin
Brad Oschner	Juan Slazar	Diane Walz	Dennis Reddick
Cesaria Gabriel	Cecilia Martel	Jeff Almond	Erica Lauinger
Bill Kerber	Cathy Kamost	Riley Lewis	Seth Lewis
Jordan Ortmeier	Fr. Allan Phan	Mike Kirwan	Kelem Fabrice
Doris Henvey +	Marlene Ostdiek	Diane Noak	Garry Veik
Kathy Rathman	Brenda Lang	Angel Valdivia	Sharon Reasland

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-772-7381) or Ellie Clark (402-762-5008).

**Healing after Abortion:** If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit [HopeAfterAbortion.org](http://HopeAfterAbortion.org).

**Partners on the Journey:** Partners on the Journey is a marriage enrichment program meant to both inspire and equip couples to form more stable and satisfying relationships. It is designed to nourish couples spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally. This program is meant for any couple who is looking to enrich and improve or enhance their relationship. This compelling series takes both faith and science, weaves them together to help couples through the use of video presentations, exercises and prayer. This program hopes to help couples achieve a more meaningful, stable and satisfying relationship.

For more information, please visit [www.immaculateheartcounseling.org](http://www.immaculateheartcounseling.org) There is an accompanying book to the Partners on the Journey video series, which is available for purchase through our website. Once a book is purchased a link will be provided to the video series. There is no additional charge for the 12 session video series.

**Nebraska Walk for Life:** The 48th Annual Nebraska Walk for Life will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2021. The outdoor event begins on the north steps of the State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. where there will be speakers and greetings from elected officials. The Walk will proceed to the Newman Center at 16th & Q Street. Keynote speaker, Sarah Zagorski will give testimony to her challenging childhood and why every life matters. For more information, go to [www.nebraskarighttolife.org](http://www.nebraskarighttolife.org) or call 402-438-4802