

# St. Teresa Parish

December 24, 2023

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

### Mass Schedule: December 23-31

+ = *repose of the soul of Pro Populo = for the people*

The Pink Sisters' Chapel, 1040 S. Cotner Blvd: open 7am-8pm. The 7am Masses listed here (7am PS), said at the Chapel, are open to the public. (The Sunday Masses are private).

Day	Time	Intention
12.23	4:00pm	+ James Condon
	8am	Bernard & Alice Brugman
Sun 12.24	10am	+ Charlie O'Grady
	Noon	Pro Populo
	4pm	Jackson Family
	Midnight	Pro Populo
Mon 12.25	8am	+ Gerald Svoboda
	10am	+ Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish
	Noon	+ Richard Aksamit
	6:30am	+ Virginia M Degenhardt
Tue 12.23	7am PS	Lay Adorers, Lectors, Kings Men, Ladies & Youth of the Eucharist
	8:15am	+ Virginia Ellis
	6:30am	+ Michael Metz
Wed 12.27	7am PS	Jacob James Love
	8:15am	+ Jean Wurtele
Thu 12.28	6:30am	Sam & Rhonda Ganz
	7am PS	Michael Scully, Birthday
	8:15am	+ Charlotte J Harper
Fri 12.29	6:30am	End to Abortion & Increase in Adoption
	7am PS	+ Bernice Fay Ruyle
	8:15am	+ Larry Heaslip
Sat 12.30	7am PS	Ella Anne Love, Birthday
	8:15am	+ Terri Schlichtemeier
	4:00pm	+ Monte Moser
Sun 12.31	8am	Pro Populo Shower of Roses
	10am	+ Joe Hamersky
	Noon	In Thanksgiving

### Altar Society Prayer Line

*Parish-wide prayer line*

Requests can be made by e-mailing: levaorationsdeo@yahoo.com or by calling Mary Pat at 402-314-1296.

### Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Mass times: Sun, Dec 24th: 4pm; Mon, Dec 25th: Midnight, 8am, 10am & Noon.

### Christmas Carols at Midnight Mass

Anyone attending Midnight Mass is invited to come early for preludes beginning a half hour before Mass.

### Solemnity of Mary: January 1st

Jan 1st, the Solemnity of Mary falls on a Monday and is NOT a holy day of obligation. Masses for Jan 1st will be Mon, Jan 1 at 8:15 and 10am. There will be no vigil Mass.

### Parish Office Close

The Parish Office will be closed from Fri, Dec 22nd-Mon, Jan 1st. We will re-open on Tues, Jan 2nd.

### St. Veronica Ministry

If you are experiencing or have experienced a miscarriage, we want to offer you our support, prayers, & love as a parish family. Please fill out the Google Form on [stfchurch.org](http://stfchurch.org) > Compassionate Service > Family & Social Ministries > Veronica Ministry. Please complete as much or as little information as you would like and we will be in touch. You may also call the parish offices at 402-477-3979. Please note that we are unable to offer medical advice. All medical questions should be referred to your physician.

### St. Teresa Trivia Night

St. Teresa Trivia Night will be on Sat, Jan 13th at Pius X High School Commons. Come at 6pm for social hour and to set up your table. Trivia begins at 7pm. To register your team or as an individual, go to <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/e2fd71a2-2fa9-4b1c-9806-255d26053e7a> or scan the QR Code. If registering a team, only the team captain should register & pay the full amount for all players. It is up to the captain to be reimbursed by your team members. If you do not have a full table, please register as individuals & you will be assigned to a table, with an option to state who you'd like to sit with. Individual registrations must pay unless you are a first-time player. Registration deadline: January 5th. Tables will be assigned in registration submission order. Questions on Trivia Night contact Steve at [pattystevelincoln@yahoo.com](mailto:pattystevelincoln@yahoo.com).



### Diocese of Lincoln:

#### Christmas Masses & Confessions

Christmas Mass and Confession times for parishes across the Diocese of Lincoln can be found at [lincolndiocese.org/Christmas](http://lincolndiocese.org/Christmas).

### St. T | Weekly Calendar: December 24-31

Sun 12.24	4pm: Mass for Christmas <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Mon 12.25	Midnight, 8am, 10am, Noon: Masses For Christmas <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Tue 12.26	4pm: Baptism (CH) 4:30pm: Baptism Reception (KH) <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Wed 12.27	9:30am-2:30pm: STAGE (KH) 2-10pm: STAGE Set Build (KH) <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Thu 12.28	2-10pm: STAGE Set Build (KH) <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Fri 12.29	2-10pm: STAGE Set Build (KH) <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Sat 12.30	9am: Legion of Mary (MR) 2-10pm: STAGE Set Build (KH) <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>
Sun 12.31	11am-5pm: CK Event (KH) 1pm: Baptism (CH) <i>No Eucharistic Exposition</i>



### St. Teresa School News

#### Christmas Break

Christmas Break began on Dec 21st. School will resume on Thurs, Jan 4th.

#### Teammates

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community? Would you be interested in mentoring a young person in a school setting? If you think you would be interested in mentoring one-on-one at St. Teresa Catholic School, please contact Chris Jacobsen at 402-477-3358. <https://teammates.org>.

#### Pius X Dance Team Kiddie Camp

The Pius X Thunderettes are hosting a fun-filled dance camp for grades Pre-K-5th on Jan 6th from 9am-Noon. The kids will learn one dance in their age group and one dance as a big group. There will be games and snacks! The kids will perform their routines for parents at Noon. They will also have the opportunity to perform at a Pius X Varsity Boys Basketball game! Please visit <https://linktr.ee/piusxrettes> for more information and to sign up for the camp.

#### Planned Parenthood Mass

Every Tuesday 9:30-10:30am at 5632 S. 48th Street, Lincoln. Pray for an end to abortion with fellow Catholics every Monday. Rosary: 9:30am outside Planned Parenthood. Mass: 10am at the Right to Life Center.

Collection Report				
Week ended		December 16, 2023		
Adult Envelope				\$ 26,284.04
Loose Plate				1,158.06
				\$ 27,442.10
2023	Actual	Budgeted	Above	Cum. YTD
-	Sunday	Sunday	(below)	Above(Below)
2024	Collection	Collection	Budget	Budget
Jul	105,178	103,250	1,928	1,928
Aug	85,007	82,600	2,407	4,335
Sep	85,041	82,600	2,441	6,776
Oct	96,681	103,250	(6,569)	206
Nov	79,407	82,600	(3,193)	(2,987)
Projected weekly tithing based on total prior year giving \$20,650.				
We submitted a break-even budget to the diocese for FY 2023/2024				

### St. Teresa Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop made **\$2,881** last weekend.

#### Hours for business:

Fridays 4-8 and Saturdays 9-3  
*Please donate during business hours.*



### Eucharistic Adoration

The following hours are still open for adoration. Please consider taking an hour. The link to the online sign-up is included in the parish e-mail and is on our website:

Home>Authentic Worship>Adoration

#### Open Holy Hours:

Tues 4-5pm; Wed 10-11am;  
Fri: 10-11am, 11am-Noon, 3-4pm;  
Sat 9-10am, 3-4pm

#### Free Throw Contest

The St. Teresa's Knights of Columbus Council 833 will be hosting its annual Free Throw Contest for boys & girls ages 9-14 at St. Teresa's Gym on Fri, Jan. 19th, 4pm. Check-in begins immediately after school at 3:15pm. In addition, if you have a conflict that day, we can get you to shoot first if you need to leave by a certain time. Awards will be given for 1st & 2nd place. Everyone will receive a participation certificate as well. Contact Brad Behne at [brad\\_behne@yahoo.com](mailto:brad_behne@yahoo.com) or 402-570-8585 for any questions or for more information.

#### Confirmation Retreat

Confirmed for Mission for confirmands & at least 1 parent (Sponsors welcome) on Mar 23rd at Cathedral of the Risen Christ, 10am-4pm. \$20/person (lunch provided). Details or to register visit [www.lincolndiocese.org/mission](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/mission) or contact Michele-chambers@cdolinc.net or call 402-473-0631.

### St. Teresa Parish Office 402-477-3979

Mon-Thu: 9am-4pm | Fridays: Closed  
Jeanne Kee: Financial Secretary  
*Billing, Giving, Financials*

Mon-Thu, 9-4 | [Jeanne-Kee@cdolinc.net](mailto:Jeanne-Kee@cdolinc.net)  
Theresa Kottwitz: Parish Secretary  
*Records, Sacraments, Scheduling, Bulletin*  
Mon-Thu: 9am-2pm  
[Theresa-Kottwitz@cdolinc.net](mailto:Theresa-Kottwitz@cdolinc.net)

### Holy Innocents Mass

All are invited to a memorial Mass for those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death, or abortion will be held on Thurs, Dec. 28th, 7pm at John XXIII Diocesan center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Reading of names at 6:45pm. New names may be submitted by calling the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620 before 5pm on Dec 21st or in the vestibule prior to 6:45. All names will be permanently placed on a banner. However, due to time constraints, only names submitted since 2015 will be read aloud.

### Marriage Encounter Experience

Learn the tools needed to keep you marriage strong by attending a Marriage Encounter on Feb 9-11 in Lincoln. "Finding a oneness of heart we all desire." Advance registration required. Contact Gary & Brenda Granger at 303-604-6202

### Shine Like the Stars:

#### Villa Marie Dance & Auction

Join us for dancing & a whole lot of fun & good food on Feb 9th, 6-10pm at Sandhills Global Event Center, for the Villa Marie Annual Dance & Auction Fundraiser. Dress in an outfit from your favorite era: medieval princess, a 70's go-go dancer, 80's Rockstar, a prancing poodle skirt & leather jacket couple, or just going for the "I just left the office in 2023" look! Tickets are on sale as well as our 60th anniversary merchandise. Pre-orders available for pick up at the dance. For tickets/merchandise, go to [onecau.se/villamdance60](http://onecau.se/villamdance60) or scan the QR Code.



#### LDDCW Convention

A warm thank you & many prayers & blessings upon each of you for the work you do in your parishes. All ladies are welcome to attend the LDDCW Convention at John XXIII Center on Fri evening, April 26 & Sat, April 27 from 9am-3pm. For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Caroline Helget, Deanery President, [chelget@gmail.com](mailto:chelget@gmail.com), 402-202-0406.

#### Childcare Staff Opening

Catholic Social Services is hiring full & part-time childcare teachers for their soon-to-be open childcare center. To apply/info, visit [csshope.org/careers](http://csshope.org/careers).

### Parish Ministry Schedules

Current schedules are available on the Parish Website at <https://stfchurch.org>. From the Home Page, go to Compassionate Services>Liturgical Ministries>

† **Acolytes**

† **Lectors**

† **Altar Servers**

### Upcoming Retreats by Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House

[www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com) | [goodcounsel@cdolinc.net](mailto:goodcounsel@cdolinc.net) | 402-786-2705

Dates	Retreat Master	Topic
Dec 29-Jan1 Jan 2-5 Dec 29-Jan5	Matt Simmons or Fr. Coulter Matt Simmons or Fr. Barak Matt Simmons or Fr. Barak	4-Day or 8-Day Ignatian Retreats
Jan 8-11 Jan 11-15 Jan 8-15	Fr. Barak, Fr. Coulter, or Sarina Stokes	4-Day or 8-Day Ignatian Retreats



*Members of St. Teresa Parish: Altar Society or Men's Club will pay for half of the cost of a standard retreat once per retreat-year! (Ignatius retreats are non-standard)*