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### MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

### WEEKDAYS

Monday through Friday - 6:40 & 8:10 a.m.  
Saturday - 9:00 a.m.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday - 4:00-4:40 p.m.  
and after 5:00 p.m. Mass until finished.  
15 minutes before each weekday Mass.

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## A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR...

Dear Martyrs Family,

We had such a blessed Christmas! The liturgies were so beautiful. There is a long list of people to thank for that. Tom Kathe for being head sacristan; he planned, organized, taught, answered questions, helped lead the decorating along with Ken. Thank you to all our readers who proclaimed the Word! Thank you to all our acolytes and altar servers who helped serve our Lord, bringing Him to the people. **Huge thank you to the musicians!** Music is probably the number one thing that truly connects us to Christmas. You're paving the way for another generation to experience this reality.



I had the honor of being the celebrant for the 4pm Mass. Our church sure was packed! We got a lot of compliments about how welcoming our parish is (there were quite a few families who brought some who have been away from the Church or new to the Church...they really affirmed the positive experiences their guests had). Our goal of celebrating the birth of our Lord and bringing His Gospel to the world continues. Pray that the seeds planted may grow!

Now, don't let the Christmas season end yet! The Catholic Church still celebrates till the Epiphany. Continue to have the joy, generosity, and positivity of the season with you wherever you go. Return to our Sunday liturgies to be supported in this endeavor.

May the Lord bless you!

In Christ,  
~Fr. Hall

## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE (JANUARY 11TH & 12TH)

5:00pm, Sat.	7:00am, Sun.	8:00am, Sun.	9:30am, Sun.	11:00am, Sun.
READERS				
Rupp	Sullivan	Bourek	Brown	Drehs
ACOLYTES				
Boesen Matulka	Bousquet Ketchmark	Volkmer Arndt	Bassinger Wordekemper	Johs Wemhoff
SERVERS				
Brack Ortiz (2) Schroeder, A	Nguyen, Thomas Codr	Bourek (2) Peters Ackermann	Sindelar Johnson, D Hoang, Peter Rappl	Wemhoff McIntyre Meza Nguyen, David
SECURITY				
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GREETERS				
<i>Sub Needed</i>		Peters	West	McIntyre

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Weekday Masses

#### Monday, January 6

6:40am †Robert Cook  
8:10am St. Faustina

#### Tuesday, January 7

6:40am †Flaviano Ruiz-Mateos Reales  
5:30pm Nathaniel & Veda Smith

#### Wednesday, January 8

8:10am All Souls  
7:00pm Barb & Keith Rupp

#### Thursday, January 9

6:40am Jean Kallhoff Family  
8:10am †Mike Royse

#### Friday, January 10

6:40am Kelly & Pape Families, Living and Deceased  
8:10am Bogumil Spicha

#### Saturday, January 11

9:00am Sr. Maximilian Ruskamp

### Weekend Masses

#### Saturday, January 11

5:00pm Tim Miller Family, Living and Deceased

#### Sunday, January 12

7:00am Our Parish Family  
8:00am †Bill Koenig  
9:30am †Duane Trouba  
11:00am †Michael Rouse

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please call the Parish office to have a name added or taken off of the prayer list:

Carolyn Allen, Leah Bernard, Angela Dudek, Bella Cox, Earl Franklin, Tina Frenzel, Steve Frey, Sonja Gates, Maryls Goodwater, Ben Gray, Billy Hall and Family, Diane Herms, Brenda Kroos, Britt Lee, Traci Lee, Tony Leitschuck, Judy Lindholm, Clint Lochner, Deb Mazour, Becky Medina, Leo Meduna, Kathy Miller, Pery Mitchell, Nancy Murphy, Will Parish, George Schaub, Jessica Schidler, Jean Skrdlant, Carol Speicher, Adam Stitt, Reagan Thompson, Nicholas VanAckeren, and all those who are ill.

## EMERGENCY NUMBER

402-540-0398

*Please add this number to your contact list. Call in an emergency if a priest is needed.*

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL TRAINING

Reminder for all clergy, employees and Volunteers who work with minors: Starting January 1, 2025, all safe environment-certified persons in the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln must renew their safe environment training in January of 2025, even if you completed the training within the last 12 months.

Go to [lincoln.cmgconnect.org](http://lincoln.cmgconnect.org) and login in to your account to complete the annual safe environment training renewal. Instructions for completing the safe environment renewal training are available at link [lincolndiocese.org/safe-environment/policies](http://lincolndiocese.org/safe-environment/policies) and you can contact Connie Stephens for any questions at [connie-stephens@cdolinc.net](mailto:connie-stephens@cdolinc.net).

### WORD AMONG US

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## SCHOOL NEWS

Jan. 7 –School Resumes from Christmas Break

Jan. 20 –No School (Teacher Work Day)

Jan. 26-31–Catholic Schools Week

Jan. 31–1pm Dismissal

### A Message from Ms. Fairbanks:

*Dear North American Martyrs Families,*

*On behalf of all the faculty and staff at North American Martyrs School, I want to express our sincere gratitude for your generous Christmas bonus donation. Your thoughtful contribution will be greatly appreciated by the NAMFAM. Not only is a gift valued during the season of giving, but it is also nice to recognize all of our faculty and staff, as each member plays an important role in educating the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical development and growth of the 480 children who attend North American Martyrs School.*

*From all of us: It is truly a blessing to be a part of the North American Martyrs family and a privilege to educate your child(ren). From our family to yours, we wish you a blessed Christmas and New Year. We hope you have prosperity, joy, and moments of light during this Christmas season!*

*-Ms. Fairbanks*

## CALENDAR

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**, Tuesday, January 7th, 7:00pm, *Kateri Room*

**CCD CLASSES**, Wednesday, January 8th, 6:00-7:30pm, *NAM School*

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY**, Wednesday, January 8th, 6:00-7:30pm, *NAM School Room 8B*

If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today. Join Financial Peace University class and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. Visit <https://www.fpu.com/710182> to sign up for classes. Contact Joe Brandl at 402-477-1895 with questions. First 10 people are free.

**OCIA**, Wednesday, January 8th, 6:00-7:30pm, *Parish Hall*

Topic: Baptism and Confirmation

**SEEKING THE TRUTH BIBLE STUDY**, Wednesday, January 8th, 6:00-7:00pm, *Multi-purpose Room*

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**, Wednesday, January 8th, 6:00-7:00pm, *Kateri Room*

**PITCH NIGHT**, Friday, January 10, 7:00-10:00pm, *Multi-purpose Room*

Do you need a night out? Do you like to play 10 point pitch? NAM has you covered! All skill levels are welcome. Bring a partner or come by yourself and we will match you up with a partner. A \$5 entry fee is suggested and prizes will be given out. Feel free to bring snacks or a party food to share with others along with your own +refreshments (no alcohol). Water, lemonade, and popcorn will be provided.

**STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL**, Saturday, January 11, 9:30am, *Kateri Room*

**CHRISTMAS DECORATION TEAR-DOWN**, Sunday, January 12, following the 11:00am Mass, *Church*

Volunteers are needed to help take down Christmas decorations in the church immediately following the 11am Mass. This is a great way to get volunteer/stewardship hours. We looking forward to seeing you there!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR BEDMAKING**, Monday, January 20, 4:00pm, *Good Council Retreat House, Waverly, NE*

**FAITH FORMATION BIBLE STUDY**, Sundays, following 9:30am Mass, *Multi-purpose Room*

Come and explore the hidden treasure in the Bible as we study the book of Ephesians. You're welcome to join at any time. Contact Ryan Bliven for any questions at [rbliven@hotmail.com](mailto:rbliven@hotmail.com)

**RIM FORMATION**, Sundays, following 9:30am Mass, *Parish hall*

All are welcome! Food and childcare provided. For questions, please contact Max Chapman at (904) 536-2359.

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# CHILI COOK-OFF

1.25.25 **BRING THE HEAT!** 6:00 PM

Hot Prizes for the best chili (child and adult category) and best decorated!

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