



PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, & JOSEPH

Sunday,
December 31st, 2023

Our Mission

United in the sacraments as the Body of Christ, we the members of Prince of Peace Catholic Parish extend the welcoming arms of Jesus, opening the world to God's presence through works of love, hospitality, mercy, and prayer.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday

5:00pm

Sunday

8:00am & 10:30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday

4:00 - 4:30 p.m. or contact the

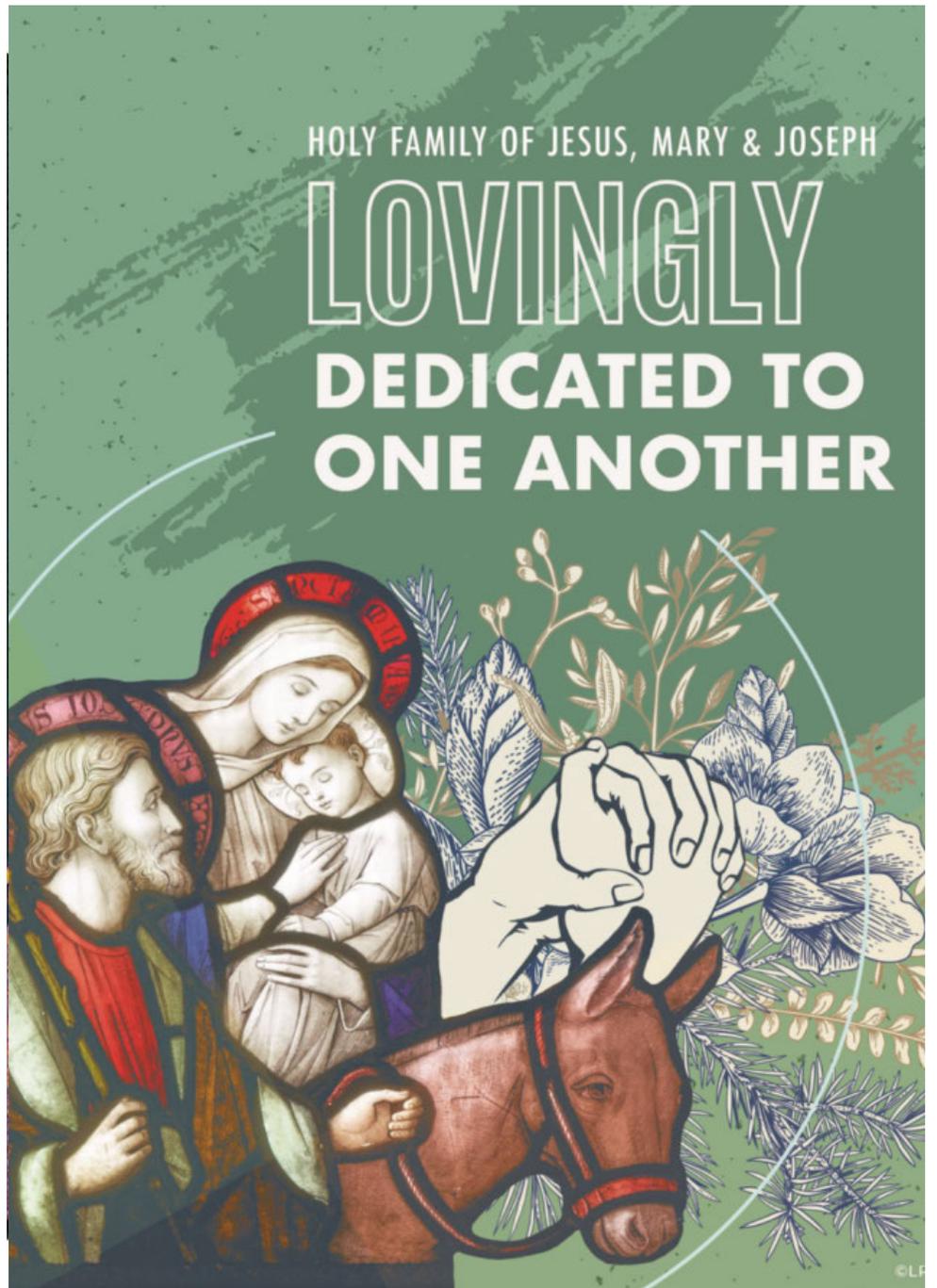
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Fr. Paul Colling

Fr. Paul Colling has served as pastor at Prince of Peace for 11 years assisted by

Deacon Thomas Martin.



PRAYER & WORSHIP

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Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 | MASS 9:00 AM *HOLY DAY

9:00 AM THERESA OGORSOLKA † & FAMILY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 | NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM LARRY DAVENPORT

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 | MASS 12:05 PM

12:05 PM ETHEL HEENEY †

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30 AM SEMINARIANS OF THE G.I. DIOCESE

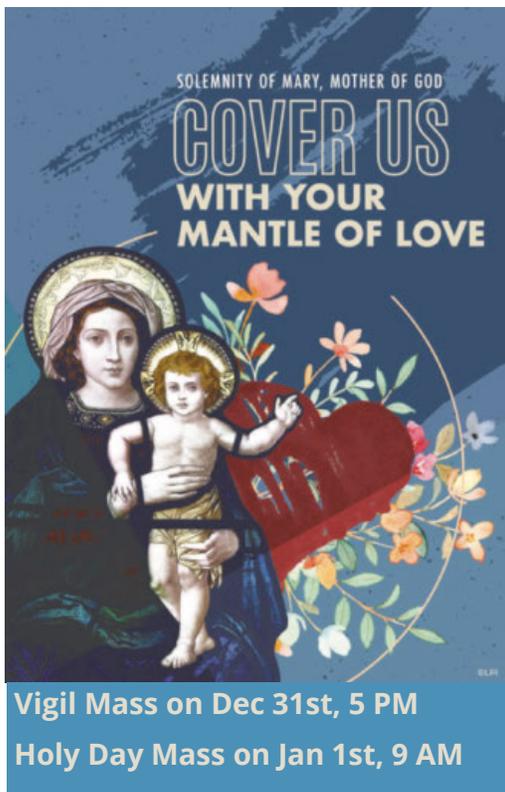
SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 | MASS 5:00 PM

5:00 PM JERALD JONAS †

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 | MASS 8:00 AM | MASS 10:30 AM

8:00 AM DAN SPEIRS †

10:30 AM PRINCE OF PEACE PARISHIONERS



Join us for
breakfast!

Coffee Donuts,
Breads & Juice

Sunday, January 7th
following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Sponsored by the Parish Social Committee

Bulletin Deadline:

Information is
needed by 10
a.m. on Friday,
January 5th for
the Jan. 14th
bulletin.



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Christmas Flower Offerings

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Lorraine Book

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Ruth Cisneros

Paul & Bette Conroy

Shawn Czaplewski

Jack & Adeline Freeling

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Albert & Mary Gancos

Elizabeth Hamik

Francis & Leona Hershiser

Virgil & Judy Holz

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Walter & Alice Kelly

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Richard Kowalski

Steve & Margaret Kowalski

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The Menke Family

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Fr. James Novakowski

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Jackson James Stott

Jim & Maxine Thatcher

Lee & Betty Trumm

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Bruce White

Vernon & Mary Lou White

Jeanette Wozniak

Lee Zeman

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

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PRAYER SERVICE

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

ERIC PULLIAM (COUSIN OF ADELL RYAN)

DAN O'DEA

FAMILY OF JOANN JOHNSON

MICHELLE LEWIS (DAUGHTER OF LINDA GIESLER)

BRENNEN GIESLER (SON OF LINDA GIESLER)

DON PERSINGER (FRIEND OF BARRY JEFFS)

RITA JEFFS (SISTER-IN-LAW OF BARRY JEFFS)

MRS. RAE PALMER

DON & MIKE SOUCHEK (COUSINS OF MARG & GARY LITTLE)

DAN O'DEA

FR. MARTY EGGING

HEATHER EDWARDS (DAUGHTER OF ROGER & JUDY WALKER)

ASHLI HOOS (NIECE OF SHELLIE BERRY)

CAROLYN (RAY) MENKE (SISTER-IN-LAW OF JERRY & CAROLYN MENKE)

AND ALL OTHERS IN NEED OF PRAYER.

PLEASE CALL HELEN AT THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE IN NEED OF PRAYER. NAMES WILL REMAIN FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE A NAME TO REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR LONGER.



O Holy Family, bless and protect all the families of the world; safeguard their unity, fidelity, integrity and dignity. Enable them to live according to God's law that they may fulfill their sublime vocation. May their lives be a reflection of yours and may they enjoy your presence forever in heaven.
Amen.

<https://www.nazarethfamily.org/>



Registration for Little Fish Preschool at St. James and Prince of Peace is now open! To register your child for the 2024-25 school year, please call or text Crystal Vanderbeek at 308-224-6507 or email littlefishpreschool@gmail.com.

Registration for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**

is available for all high school juniors. Please fill out a registration form and return it to the parish office. There will be a parent information meeting on Sunday, January 7th following the 10:30 Mass. Contact the parish office with any questions. Registration forms can be found on our website www.princeofpeacekearney.com/confirmation or call the office and we can email you a form.



Men: Have you made Watchmen part of your unbreakable New Year's resolutions yet?

We will start meeting again at St. James on Tuesday evening, January 9th, at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday morning, January 11th, at 6:15 a.m.. Breakfast starts at 5:45 a.m..

Greetings to you all! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas! The Christmas Masses were wonderful! There are so many involved in assisting us in having such holy beautiful Masses: greeters, lectors, servers, music ministers, extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist, deacons, the staff, and of course the priests. During the Christmas season the Art and Environment Committee and local florists work hard to make our church shine in a special way. Thank you one and all!

Christmas we celebrated Jesus' birth, December 29th we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. During the Christmas season we can have romantic ideas of what life was like for the Holy Family: Jesus, Holy Mary, and St. Joseph. They indeed received special graces to raise their unique child. Nevertheless, they still lived in the world and without the modern conveniences of today.

St. Joseph had to work to sustain his family, and I imagine that sometimes it might have been challenging. Holy Mary had to cook, clean, and haul the water for drinking, bathing, and washing. It wasn't easy. And Jesus had to help his stepfather, learning the trade of carpentry and attending school. They experienced the joys of life such as weddings and birthdays, and the sorrows such as the death of a loved one. In fact, if it wasn't for Jesus, the family of Holy Mary and St. Joseph would not have been remembered. It is Jesus that took that ordinary family and made it extraordinary.

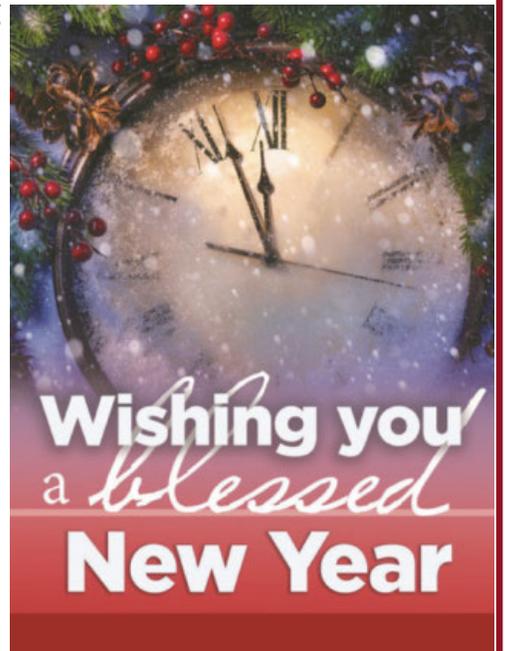
On the Feast of the Holy Family I encourage to

make Jesus the center of your family life. Pray together, attend Mass together, read the Holy Bible together, and your family can become extraordinary! When we invite Jesus in the day-to-day lives, our families can be Holy Families.

Last weekend there was an insert with many Catholic traditions revolving around Christmas and New Years. I encourage you to use the New Year's blessing for your home!

A personal note: Thank you to all who were so kind to remember me at Christmas with Christmas goodies, cards, and gifts. I also want to thank all who made my birthday so special with cards, notes and gifts. God bless you, one and all! May you have a blessed New Year!

-Fr. Paul Colling



Parish Support

Our Sacrificial Giving

FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GIVING

December Budget	\$87,500.00
Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023	\$17,083.29
Immaculate Conception	\$ 907.00
Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023	\$15,917.56
Sunday, Dec. 17, 2023	\$32,149.05
Sunday, Dec. 24, 2023	\$
Sunday, Dec. 31, 2023	\$
December to Date	\$66,056.90

Contribution Statements

2023 donations will be recorded until January 12, 2024. Checks dated in December of 2023 and received before or by January 12th will be recorded as 2023 contributions.

Contribution statements will be postmarked no later than January 31, 2024.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Your own issue shall be your heir."
The Lord took Abram outside and said,
"Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can.
Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be."
(Gn 3:4-5)

Psalm:

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever. (Ps 105)

Second Reading:

By faith he received power to generate,
even though he was past the normal age
—and Sarah herself was sterile. (Heb 11:11)

Gospel:

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him. (Lk 2:40)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God's timing is not always our timing. Sometimes, we have to wait years for the answer to our prayer. Never despair. Remember that God keeps His word.

Observances for the week of December 31, 2023

- Sunday:** The Holy Family; New Year's Eve
Monday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day, World Day of Peace
Tuesday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
Wednesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Thursday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Friday: St. John Neumann, Bishop
Saturday: St. André Bessette, Religious
Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord



Saint of the week

Venerable Mary Elizabeth Lange was a trailblazing black Catholic who founded the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the first congregation of black religious sisters in the USA. Her faith and perseverance helped break down barriers and create new opportunities for black Catholics.

Prayer

Almighty and Eternal God, You granted Mother Mary Lange extraordinary trust in Your providence. You endow her with humility, courage, holiness, and an extraordinary sense of service to the poor and the sick. You enabled her to fund the Oblate Sisters of Providence and provided educational, social, and spiritual ministry especially to the African American community. Mother Lange's love for all enabled her to see Christ in each person, and the pain of prejudice and racial hatred never blurred that vision.

Deign to raise her to the highest honors of the altar in order that, through her intercession, more souls may come to a deeper understanding and more fervent love of You.

Heavenly Father, glorify Your heart by granting also this favor (state your request) which we ask through the intercession of Your faithful servant, Mother Mary Lange.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://nolacatholic.org/news/black-catholic-history-month-mother-mary-lange#:~:text=Prayer,the%20poor%20and%20the%20sick.>)

Contact Us

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For a full listing of staff with emails please go to the website at

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Welcome

packets for new

parishioners available at each church entrance.



Meetings & Activities

The full calendar is available on the website & app.

Monday, January 1st	Happy New Year!!! No Food Pantry	
Tuesday, January 2nd	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	OCIA
Wednesday, January 3rd	No Classes Today!!	
Thursday, January 4th	8:00 a.m.-Midnight 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Adoration Food Pantry Restarts
Friday, January 5th	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Adoration
Saturday, January 6th	4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	Confession
Sunday, January 7th	9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Continental Breakfast Confirmation Meeting Life Teen

Pro-Life Calendar of Events

Dec. 28 Feast of Holy Innocents, Healing Mass, 5:15 pm, Cathedral in Grand Island

Jan. 5-6 Nebraska Pregnancy Care Alliance Gala and Conference

Jan. 7 Pro-Life Youth Art and Essay Contests begin

Jan. 16-24 9 Days for Life Novena <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>

Jan. 19 March for Life, Washington DC

Jan. 21 Sanctity of Life Sunday

Jan. 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn, 6:00 pm, Eucharistic Adoration, Cathedral in Grand Island

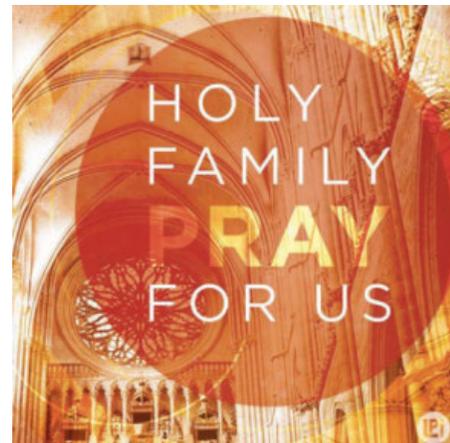
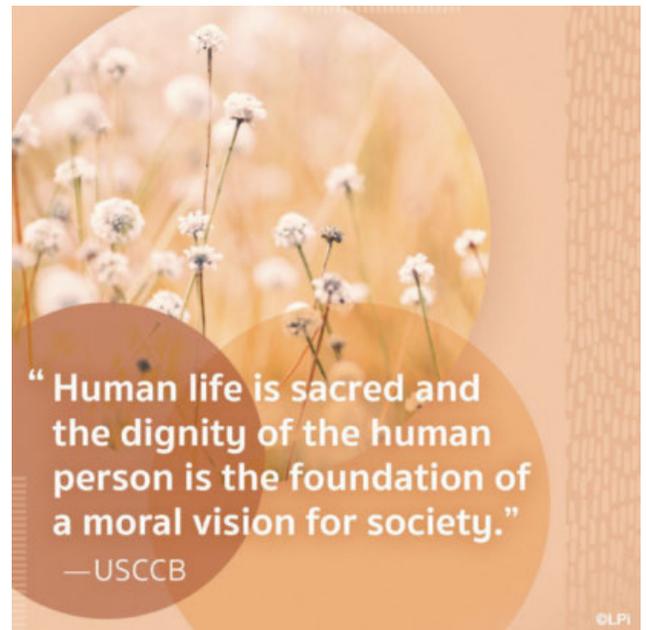
Jan. 26 Nebraska Right to Life Gala, Lincoln <https://nebraskarighttolife.org/>

Jan. 27 Pro-Life Mass and Walk for Life, Lincoln

Feb. 17 Pro-Life Coffee, Riverside Golf Club, Grand Island.

Mar 6 Catholics at the Capitol, Lincoln

Apr. 8 Annunciation of the Lord, Blessing of the Child in the Womb. (time and location pending)





NATIONAL Eucharistic Congress
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The Grand Island Diocese is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress. They have 100 discounted tickets, and are hoping to fill two buses. Registration information can be found at <https://gidiocese.org/national-congress-registration>.

The National Eucharistic Procession will be traveling through the Grand Island Diocese June of 2024 with 5 stops including Sidney, Ogallala, North Platte, Lexington, and Grand Island. You can learn more about the National Procession at <https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/> Details regarding the Grand Island stops will be provided in the New Year.



worldwide marriage encounter

- ◆ Christ gave us a great gift of Himself on Christmas. He calls us to give of ourselves to everyone, especially our spouse.
- ◆ Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn how to be the best gift you can be for your spouse.
- ◆ Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: February 9-11, 2024 in Lincoln, NE
- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.wvme.org

3-Day Silent Directed Ignatian Retreat

Creighton University Retreat Center

If you are looking for a more personal retreat experience, consider one of the dates below. These retreats start with check-in between 4-5 p.m. for the 6 p.m. supper and conclude at 3 p.m. the final day. You would be assigned a spiritual director who you would meet with each day. Directors are guided with the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Thurs-Sun Jan 18-21, 2024
 Thurs-Sun March 21-24, 2024
 Thurs-Sun May 2-5, 2024
 Sun-Wed July 14-17, 2024

The cost is \$375 for room, all meals and private sessions. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 would be requested at registration. Register at Creighton.edu/retreatcenter/scheduleofretreats.



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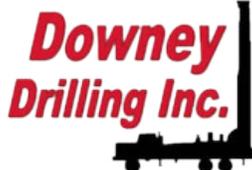
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