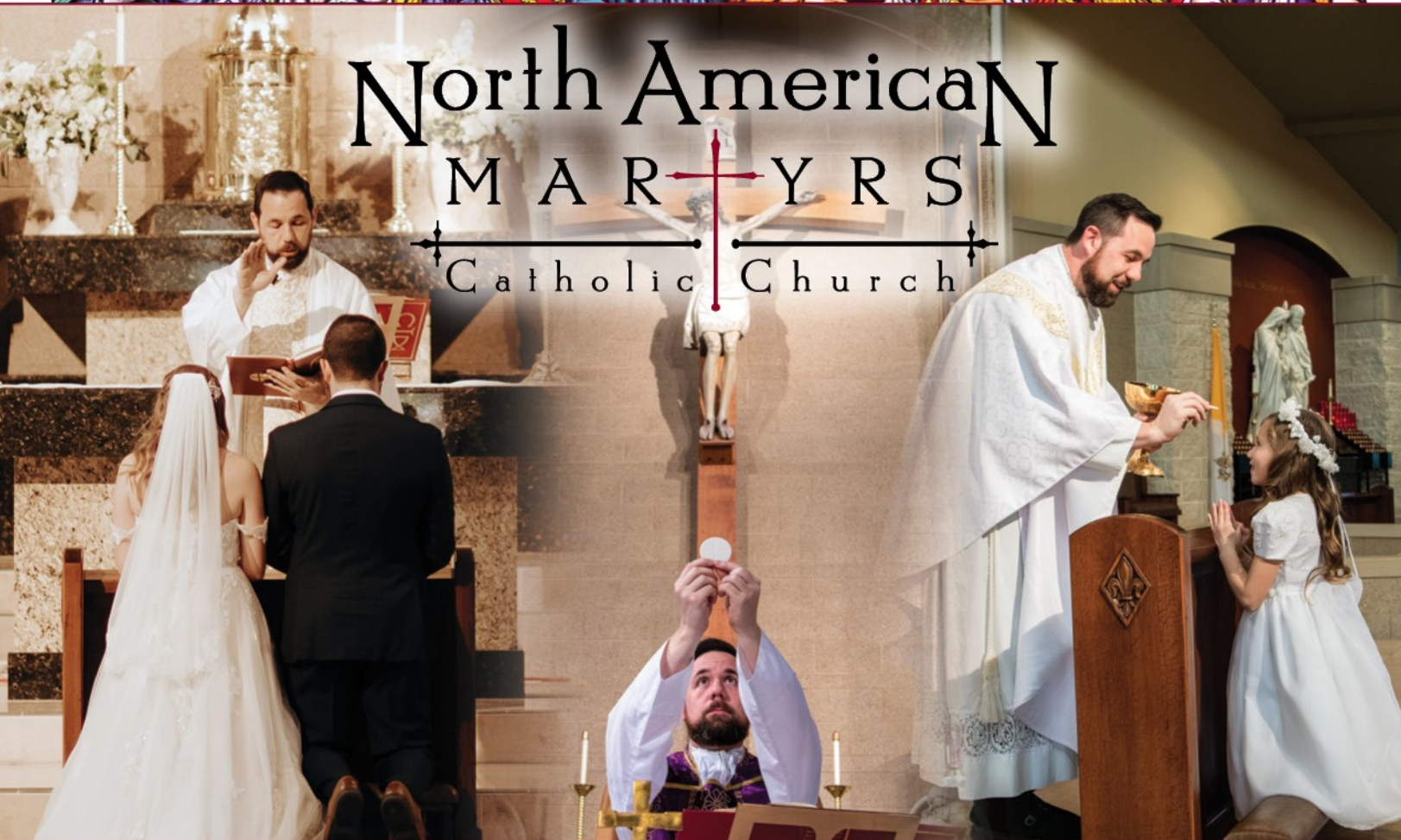




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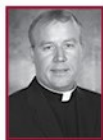
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*Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life*

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday  
6:00 p.m.  
Sunday  
7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

### WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Friday  
6:40 a.m. & 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday  
5:00-5:40 p.m. and  
after 6:00 p.m. Mass until finished  
15 minutes before each weekday Mass

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## A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR:



Dear North American Martyrs Family,

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

I want to give a little context on why we can be so joyful because Jesus rose from the dead. Before the time of Christ, people could only guess at what happens to us after we die. All people could do was cling to vague hopes that maybe if we're good then something good happens after we die ... but this was all just conjecture. Perhaps God the Father placed that feeling into the hearts of humans to prepare us for the truth, but again, no one knew for sure.

In the end, when Jesus rose from the dead and then ascended into heaven to go and prepare a place for us (ref. John 14:2), He taught us the truth about heaven. Heaven is the place of permanent, uninterrupted joy. If the totality of our lives can be summarized as "I chose God in this life," then, when we die, God respects our wishes and gives us Himself for all eternity. In full disclosure, the opposite is true too. If our lives are us choosing ourselves over God and neighbor, then God will respect those isolating decisions for eternity as well.

But overall, have joy! Have hope! We know that the struggles and sufferings of this world are nothing compared to the joys that await His faithful when we die (ref. Romans 8:18). Thank you Jesus for letting us know you have power over everything, and that includes death itself.

In Christ, Fr. Hall

## LAY MINISTRY FOR APRIL 15-16

	READERS	ACOLYTES	SERVERS	SAFE SANCTU- ARY	GREETERS
6:00 PM	Barnes	Boesen Volunteer Needed	Nebesniak Schroeder Dowling Tausch	Hergott Miller	Rupp
7:00 AM	Heffley	Hellbusch Fortik	Nguyen Teeters Hellbusch Parr	Becker	
8:00 AM	Brown	Nguyen Hartz	Brown Mares Hartz Peters	Kane	Peters Family
9:30 AM	Bourek	Bassinger McManus	Bourek Morris Nguyen Hoang	Feldhaus Simpson	Bliven Family
11:00 AM	Odgaard	Doty Johs	Fernandes Valish King Murphy	Hannon Douglas	Wemhoff Family



<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 10</b>
6:40 AM	George & Marie Cook
8:00 AM	†Jerry Knobbe
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 11</b>
6:40 AM	†Lilie Stremel
8:00 AM	†Nick Clement
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 12</b>
6:40 AM	†Mary Ngu Nguyen
8:00 AM	†Isaac Beying
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 13</b>
6:40 AM	Thanksgiving, Cuong, Mary, & Family
8:00 AM	Joanne Mosley
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 14</b>
6:40 AM	Kelly & Pape Family, Living And Deceased
8:00 AM	†Florence Schoff
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 15</b>
9:00 AM	†Peter-Nguyen Van Xuan

### Weekend Masses

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 15</b>
6:00 PM	NAM Grounds Crew
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 16</b>
7:00 AM	Our Parish Family
8:00 AM	†Darlen Herchenbach
9:30 AM	†Jasper & Phyllis Newell
11:00 AM	†Eric Clark

## EMERGENCY NUMBER

402-540-0398. Please add this number to your contact list. Call in the event of an emergency if a priest is needed.

## SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP

<b>Received Last Week</b>	04-02-23
Adult Tithe Envelopes	
(201) Families	\$22,732
Adult Electronic Tithe	
(305) Families	\$13,008
Plate	\$1,434
Youth	\$
<b>Total Tithe Received</b>	<b>\$37,174</b>
Weekly Tithing Goal	\$32,229
Received to date	\$1,257,612
Needed for Annual Budget	\$1,289,160
Annual Budget Shortage to Date	(\$31,548)

## NAM

### EASTER BIBLE STUDY SERIES ON THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Happy Easter! Now that we're in the Easter season, this is a perfect time to become acquainted with the Letter to the Hebrews. This letter is packed with rich nuggets about who Jesus is and the meaning of his death and resurrection, as well as insights into the Old Testament, the liturgy, and the Christian life. Whether you're a long-time bible-study devotee or you are brand new to the Bible, please join Fr. Wahlmeier and myself (Mark Heffley) on Wednesday evenings during the Easter season. Each night will include a presentation on a couple chapters of the letter, discussion time, refreshments, and community. No cost, and everyone is welcome to join at any time.

Who: Anyone

When: **Wednesdays | April 19<sup>th</sup> – May 24<sup>th</sup> | 6:00-7:15pm**

Where: Parish Hall

## SCHOOL NEWS

### APRIL 21

1 p.m. Early Dismissal

Dear Martyrs Families...If you are a First Responder and would be willing to share with students what your job is all about please contact Crystal Gose ([crystal-gose@cdolinc.net](mailto:crystal-gose@cdolinc.net)). We welcome presentations to possibly include equipment/vehicles or anything that accompanies your job. The presentations would be for 15-minutes at a time, outdoors, with students rotating from presenter to presenter, on Friday, May 19, from 1-2:30 pm. In appreciation for taking the time to do this, you can count it towards parish volunteer hours.

## CCD NEWS

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Class 6-7:30 p.m.

## NAM CALENDAR

### MONDAY, APRIL 10

6 p.m. Nineveh 90 meets in the cry room

7 p.m. Knights of Columbus in the parish hall

### TUESDAY, APRIL 11

Noon—6 p.m. Blood Drive in the parish hall

6:30 p.m. PCCW in the Kateri room

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

6:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society in the Kateri room


6:30 p.m. Serendipity Bible Study in the cry room

### FRIDAY, APRIL 14

7 p.m. Pitch Night in the multi-purpose room

### SATURDAY, APRIL 15

7:30 a.m. Martyrs Men in the parish hall



An Easter Bible Study Series on  
**The Letter to the Hebrews**

April 19th - May 24th  
Wednesday Evenings | 6:00-7:15 PM  
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**RE-  
DISCOVER  
JESUS**

Led by Mark Heffley and Fr. Wahlmeier, this series will dive into the person of Jesus Christ, the meaning of his death as a sacrifice, the liturgy, the shape of the Christian life, and more.

Each night will include a presentation, discussion, food, and community.

## NAM NEWS

### BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross and Knights of Columbus invites you to donate blood on Tuesday, April 11th from Noon-6 p.m. in the parish hall. Visit [RedCRossBlood.org](http://RedCRossBlood.org) and enter [NorthAmericanMartyrsLincoln](http://NorthAmericanMartyrsLincoln) to schedule an appointment.

### 10 POINT PITCH

We are hosting our monthly Pitch Tournament on Friday, April 14 from 7-10 p.m. in the Multi-purpose room. All skill levels are welcome; you can 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. Snacks and lemonade will be provided, but feel free to bring snacks or a party food to share with others along with your own refreshments (no alcohol).

### SENIOR MASS

Senior Mass and reception will be held Saturday, May 6th at 6 p.m. All high school seniors are invited to come and celebrate all of your accomplishments and be a part of this special Mass.

### SMALL GROUP LEADERS

Small Group Leaders: If you currently lead a small group and have not heard from Mark Heffley, he would love to hear about your group! Please call the parish office or email Mark at [mark-heffley@cdolinc.net](mailto:mark-heffley@cdolinc.net). Let him know if your group is open to new members, and if it is, if you would like it advertised online and/or at the upcoming ministry fair.

### CONCESSIONS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Saltdogs and Husker Baseball season is here! All parishioners ages 16 and older are invited and needed to help with Husker Baseball games. Those who help with concessions are given the opportunity to receive funding assistance for tuition. Please contact Diana at [dketch21@yahoo.com](mailto:dketch21@yahoo.com) or 402-304-4477 or use this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DACA82F4-concession> if you can help.

## rites

### BAPTISMS

We welcome those who have been newly baptized. Please pray for them as they continue to grow in Christ.

*Layla Irene Bogus*  
*Daughter of Kyle & Ngan Bogus*

*Wesley Thanh Nguyen*  
*Son of Luan & Ngoc Nguyen*

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

### BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated for our parishioners on Sundays after the 11 a.m. Mass. First time parents must attend a preparation class. The next baptism class is scheduled for Sunday, April 16th at 1 p.m. To inquire, contact Tamra Tran in the parish office.

### MATRIMONY

To be married at North American Martyrs, one or both persons of the engaged couple must be a practicing Catholic. To inquire about celebrating a wedding at NAM, call Fr. Nathan Hall at 402-476-8088.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, & CONFIRMATION

To register for preparation for the sacraments or for more information about catechesis for children for ages 3-18, call Carrie Odgaard at 402-782-1428.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA is modeled after how people were brought into the Church in the first centuries. The process is designed for those seeking baptism or confirmation as well as anyone simply wanting to learn more. Classes are Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend.

## ADORATION NEWS

*"I encourage Christians regularly to visit Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament, for we are all called to abide in the presence of God". (St. John Paul II)*

**Monday:** 1 p.m. & 3 p.m.

**Tuesday:** 1 p.m.

**Wednesday:** 10 a.m., 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.

**Thursday:** 7 a.m. & 8 a.m.

**Friday:** 9 a.m., 11 a.m. & 4 p.m.

To sign up for a regular perpetual adoration hour, please use the signup genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A9A92B0-perpetual>. There you will be able to sign up for the available hours. In addition to those who have signed up for a Holy hour, all are welcome to come and adore Him.

## PRAYER LIST

*We pray with special love and concern for all those who are ill. Remember our sick: Ruthie Robertson Anderson, Reece Banks, Jordan Barry, Lilly Boeselager, Greg Bothe, Jennifer Brase, Hannah*

*Elizabeth Carver, Jason Carver, Joshua Carver, Sue Coupe, Bella Cox, Jacob & Jaxson DaCunha, Britt Douglas, Kathy Everman, Earl Franklin, Steve Frey, Marlys Goodwater, Fran Green, Gene Helget, Diane Herms, Mary Jarecke and family, Glee Komen-da, John Kool, Biniyam Kummant, Mary Langenberg, Clint Lochner, Dean Oswald, William Parish, Marcia Redler, Pete Reyes, Joan Riha, Richard Rink, Charles Rise, Jesse Roberts, Chris Royal, Bob Ruskamp, Derek Ruth, Suzie Schlautman, Maggie Sharer, Connie Skoglund, Pat Steiner, Rose Stehno, Barb Sypal, Paulette Trouba, and Alice Verzal.*

***Names will be removed from list after three months unless otherwise notified.*** Please call the parish office to have a name added or taken off of the prayer list. God bless.



## THANK YOU

The Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW) would like to thank all those who donated for our Easter flowers and plants. A special thank you to Rose Braun for volunteering to water our Easter Plants. To avoid over watering please coordinate with Rose before watering.

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone that attended the Lenten Fish Fries. Our average number of meals served per night was 924. Your support for the Friday Fish Fry enables the Knights to contribute to 20 different charities, religious orders, & seminarians.

## SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK

Our Seminarian of the week is Santiago Izquierdo. Please pray for Santiago as he continues his seminary formation.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!"

**During Mass we turn to each other and say, "Peace be with you!" As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box you say, "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.**

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### S.T.A.G.E.

Student Theatre will be offering a One Day Workshop, "Let's Face It" on **April 11<sup>th</sup>** from 10am-2pm.

Students, ages 10-15 years, can learn about Theatre Make Up and it's application. We will create aging effects as well as animal or fun character faces. Supplies provided. Please see the registration and sign up at [stage4kids.com](http://stage4kids.com).

S.T.A.G.E. Theatre will also be holding auditions on **April 27, 28, 30** for their summer musical production, *The Princess and the Mustard Seed*, a fun twist on fairy tale characters who learn the value of faith, the size of a mustard seed. Ages 9 and up. Great roles for teens! We are also looking for students with some dance background. Performances will take place June 23-25, June 30-July 2. visit [stage4kids.com](http://stage4kids.com) to use signupgenius for auditions.

### JOIN US AT RISEN!

The Cathedral of the Risen Christ would like to invite everyone to Risen 2023, a joyful celebration of our Risen Lord! The event is **Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** at the Pla Mor Ballroom, beginning at 7:00pm. Featuring Angie Kriz and the Polkatoons, DJ Craig Estudillo, Heavy Hors D'Oeuvres, Polka Dance Lessons and MORE. Cost is \$60.00 per person.

Tickets are on sale NOW at <https://RisenCathedral.eventbrite.com>. The proceeds will help fund various projects on the Cathedral Campus. Questions? Please email [risencathedral@gmail.com](mailto:risencathedral@gmail.com).

### BENEDICT XVI: THE DEBT WE OWE AS CHURCH AND ACADEMY

The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies is hosting a seminar titled *Benedict XVI: The Debt We Owe as Church and Academy*, featuring Dr. Christopher Blum, Provost of the Augustine Institute in Denver. The seminar will be held at the UNL Newman Center on **April 15**, at 9:00am, with Mass preceding at 8:00am. For more information and to register, visit [www.emmausinstitute.net](http://www.emmausinstitute.net).

### DATE NIGHTS

April: Make time for your vocation! The Family Life & Discipleship Office invites you to a date night out on **April 18<sup>th</sup>**, 2023, 6-9 p.m. at UNL Newman Center Rosary Hall with Rachael Tvrdy, our new Family Life Office and Discipleship Director talking about the Family, Become What You Are and how we can support it in parish life. \$45 for dinner/drinks/apps for two or come for free to the talk and go out to eat on your own (will also be streamed). More info/registration at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/datenightapr>. Limited free babysitting available!

### RED MASS

The annual "Red Mass" with Bishop Conley to pray for all in the legal profession is **Tues. Apr. 18**, 7 am at the Newman Center, Lincoln. A breakfast will follow Mass, with a talk given by Conor Gallagher, CEO of TAN Books. All are invited to this free event sponsored by the Catholic Lawyers Guild.

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Please join us for our Marriage Encounter Experience, "Heart inside our couple-love" on **April 21-23** at the Holiday Inn Express in Lincoln. Call right-away to reserve a place. Contact-couple Gary & Brenda Granger, 303-604-6202. For more information visit our website at: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)

### 2023 MARIAN MANTLE SILENT STRENGTH PRAYER GROUP

All are welcome to join us in prayer for the return of our prodigal children to the Faith. We meet at 4:00 p.m. at Cathedral of the Risen Christ; 35th and Sheridan Blvd. in Rectors Hall in the lower level of the Cathedral. The Divine Mercy Chaplet and a Rosary will be said as well as petition prayers for our prodigals and members. Mass is at 5:00 for those who wish to attend. Contact [kneugeba@gmail.com](mailto:kneugeba@gmail.com) for more information. Meeting dates: **April 25**, May 9 & 23, June 13 & 27, July 11 & 25, August 8 & 22, September 12 & 26, October 10 & 24, & November 14 & 28.

### AL KRESTA

Al Kresta, a national Catholic journalist, broadcaster and author, is coming **Tuesday, May 2**, to St. Peter Catholic Church in Lincoln at 7pm. He hosts a lively call-in program on *Spirit Catholic Radio* weekdays from 3-5pm called, [Kresta in the Afternoon](http://www.spiritcatholicradio.com), which features Catholic life through the lens of Scripture and the teachings of the Church. His topic is "The American Future, the Catholic Faith, and the Eucharist." Tickets are on sale now for this event for \$5 for one ticket or \$20 for 5 tickets. Become an Evangelist and invite your friends and neighbors. Go to [spiritcatholicradio.com](http://spiritcatholicradio.com) for more info and to purchase tickets!

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