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**St. Michael's**

 **St. Mary's**

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 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Nov 11/12, 2017

***St. Michael's and St. Mary's Parishes*** *would like to extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting us or are new to the area. If you are not currently registered at St. Michael's or St. Mary's and consider this your Parish, please call the Rectory at (402) 729-2058.*

**St. Mary’s Parish Council:** Duane Bartek & Ritchie Burkhart

*Trustees*: Bob VanWesten and Bob Bachle

**St. Mary’s PCCW:** Deb Vanwesten

**St. Michael’s Parish Council:** Mary Prellwitz, John Ragland, Deb Jones, Megan Grant, Mary Mach, Eddie Lytle.

*Trustees*: Keith Mach and Randy Prellwitz

**St. Michael’s PCCW:** Beth Hansmire

**Knights of Columbus:** Randy Prellwitz

**CCD Coordinator:** Beth Hansmire

**Confession schedule:** Saturday 4:45 PM to 5:15 PM

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| **Ministers' Schedules for November 18/19, 2017** |
|  | **5:30 PM** | **8:00 AM** | **10:00 AM** |
| **Acolyte** |  | Bob VanWesten | Randy Prellwitz |
| **Lector** | Randy Prellwitz | Scott DeWald | Devin Lovgren |
| **Server** | Aldo Ramos |  | CJ Goeking |
| **Server** |  |  | Devin Wanamaker |
| **Music** | Mary Banahan | Lorrie Hofstetter | Janice Bell |
| **Gifts/Greeters** | Ronn & Betty Brackle | Jim & Ellen VanWesten | Rosalie Tynan |
| **Collection** | Mary Mach / Eddie Lytle |
| **Church Cleaning for November – Donna Rut** |

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| **Mass intentions for the week of Nov 13th – 19th**  |
| ***Monday*** | Noon | St. Michael’s | Al & Phyllis Boerner+ |
| ***Tuesday*** | Noon | St. Michael’s | Norma Bernasek+ |
| ***Wednesday*** | Noon | St. Michael’s  | Al & Phyllis Boerner+ |
| ***Thursday*** | 5:30 PM | St. Michael’s | Paul & Iola Busing+ |
| ***Friday*** | Noon | St. Michael’s | Al & Phyllis Boerner+ |
| ***Saturday*** | 9:00 AM 5:30PM | St. Michael’sSt. Michael’s | Intention of the Celebrant Norma Bernasek+ |
| ***Sunday*** | 8:00 AM | St. Mary’s | Cary Steele+ |
| ***Sunday*** | 10:00 AM | St. Michael’s | The People of the Parishes |

*If you or someone you know would like our parish family to join you in prayer for their special needs, please contact the parish office.*

**Please pray for:**

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| Randy Wilhelm | Frank Kosmacek | Eddie Lytle |
| Vonia Scheer | Steve Graff | Tom Huber |
| Evelyn Birkel | Bob Gibson | Rozella Prellwitz |

* **BULLETIN:** If you have news for the bulletin, please call the Rectory 729-2058 or email st.michael.fairbury@gmail.com.Deadline for additions - Thursday by 10:00 AM.
* **ADOPT A PRIEST:** Our Deanery is taking part in the "Adopt a Priest" program. St. Michael's has adopted **Fr. Leo Seiker;** please keep him in your prayers.

Parish News & Upcoming Events

 **Parish collection data**:

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| **November 5th, 2017** | ***St. Michael’s*** | ***St. Mary’s*** |
| Adult | $1,069.00 | $325.00 |
| Plate | 87.00 | 56.75 |
| Children | 1.25 |  |
| Holy Day | 90.00 | 135.00 |
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| Debt Reduction | 135.00 |  |
| Donation |  |  |
| ***Total*** | $1,382.25 | $516.75 |

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| ***Debt Reduction Current Totals:*** | **Loan Pmt – 12/17** |
|  | **$17,360.33** |
| Joy of the Gospel Rebates | 4,327.38 |
| Debt Reduction Envelopes | 9,510.00 |
| **Balance Needed to Pay loan** | **$3,522.95** |

***Thought of the Week:***

It is a good and pious thing to pray for the dead. II Maccabees.

**PRAY FOR SISTER VOCATION:**

Sr. Fiat Marie of St. Mary’s in David City, NE and Sr. John Marion of Prince of Peace in Kearney, NE are both Novice’s at School Sisters of Christ the King.

**I will be leaving Sunday** November 12 & returning December 07. Monsignor Herbek will be coving all Priestly functions. God bless you!

**The Knights of Columbus** Council #4434 will be meeting this Monday November 13th at 7:00pm in the parish center. Rosary will be held at 6:30pm, prior to the meeting, in the basement chapel.

**PCCW Meeting November** 20th. Rosary 6:30pm, business meeting at 7:00pm, in the Parish Center.

For those who follow along in the Missal, and especially for those who read, i.e. set the Lectionary, Saturday evening December 2 we begin the season of Advent & the readings switch to year B.

**Congratulations Saint Michael’s** for going OVER the assessed goal for the Bishop’s Appeal for Vocations!!

**Calendars for 2018** are available. They are on the back table.

**A musical note, ☺** In the Penitential Seasons of Advent & Lent, instrumental music pieces are only allowed on the 3rd Sunday of Advent & the 4th Sunday of Lent.

**PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

It takes $2,089.36 a week to run St. Michael’s Parish.

*Operation Cost*  $2,089.36

*This weeks collection* $1,247.25

***Shortage!!!!...***  $842.11

That does NOT include the money needed to make our loan payment, $333.85 per week but Joy of the Gospel rebates also go towards that.

**Lectors/Readers** A Sunday Missal is available for you in the Sacristy.

**St. Michael's Annual Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair** will be held on December 3rd from 8am-4pm.  The Bazaar consists of various vendors/crafters to help make your Holiday shopping easier. If interested in more information about reserving a spot or know someone that would be interested, please contact Raven Gerths @ 402-380-4691 or Beth Hansmire @ 402-300-0868.

**ST. MARY’S DINNER & BAZAAR** is Sunday, November 12th from 4pm – 7pm at 115 N 11th in Wymore, NE. Adults - $9.00, ages 5-12 - $4.00 and children 4 and under are free.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council #4434** will be having their pancake feed following Mass on November 12th. There will be pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, fruit cocktail, Juice, coffee and water .This is a gift to the parishioners from the Knights. ***No offering will be accepted.*** Please come and enjoy.

**Leona Gaydusek will turn 90** years young on November 14th. A card shower is held in her honor. Please send cards to: Leona Gaydusek, Gardenside Longterm Care, Room 115, 2200 North H Street, Fairbury, NE 68352.

**SOLE TO SOUL** will be held on Saturday, November 18th from 9am to noon at Church of Christ, 924 Grant St. in Beatrice, NE. Anyone who is in need of gently used shoes are welcome and encouraged to come to this giveaway. No monetary donations are necessary.

**Keep Christ In Christmas:**  The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cards 1/2 hour before and after weekend Masses in the parish center. Sales will start October 28 and end November 19. Each box contains 15 or 16 cards and are priced between $7.00 and $12.00. All profits will go towards seminarian support.

**NOVEMBER IS FOOD PANTRY CHALLENGE** American Lutheran Church has issued a challenge for the entire month of November to area churches to see which church can donate the most food to the food pantry. Bring food to Blue Valley Community Action at 624 5th St. between 9am and 4pm Monday through Thursday.