



St. Michael's & St. Mary's

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15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 15/16, 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 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: Dan Arner

CCD Coordinator: Beth Hansmire

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

Ministers' Schedules for July 22/23, 2017

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Acolyte	John Ragland	Bob VanWesten	James Huber
Lector	Keith Mach	Rhonda Burkhart	Ronn Brackle
Server	Connor Gerths		RJ Suey
Server	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey
Music	Mary Mach	Lorrie Hofstetter	Janice Bell
Gifts/Greeters	Lori Arnold	John & Donna Rut	Barb Arner
Collection	Fr. Birkel		
Church Cleaning for July – Katie Lemke			

Mass intentions for the week of July 17th – 23rd, 2017

Monday	NO Mass	St. Michael's	NO Mass
Tuesday	Noon	St. Michael's	Special Intention
Wednesday	Noon	St. Michael's	Special Intention
Thursday	5:30 PM	St. Michael's	Charlie Barringer+
Friday	Noon	St. Michael's	Special Intention
Saturday	9:00 AM 5:30PM	St. Michael's	Special Intention Special Intention
Sunday	8:00 AM	St. Mary's	People of the Parishes
Sunday	10:00 AM	St. Michael's	Edward Robert Carraher+

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:

Randy Wilhelm
Vonia Scheer
Evelyn Birkel

Frank Kosmacek
Steve Graff
Bob Gibson

Eddie Lytle
Tom Huber

- **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:

7/9/17

	<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>St. Mary's</u>
Adult	\$925.00	\$150.00
Plate	95.00	49.00
Children	6.00	
Building	67.00	
Cemetery		50.00
Total	\$1,083.00	\$249.00

Debt Reduction Current Totals:	Loan Pmt - 12/17
	\$17,360.33
Joy of the Gospel Rebates	4,327.38
Debt Reduction Envelopes	4,340.00
Balance Needed to Pay loan	\$8,692.95

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

My best Friend walked on
water.

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK:

Tony Clint Schukei is in his 1st Year of Pre-Theology at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. He is from St. Teresa Parish, Lincoln, NE.

Unbound: A Practical Guide to Deliverance by Neal Lozano

SUNDAY BRUNCH IS JULY 23RD Mary Kay Bedlan, Cyndi Shinn and Barb Arner are the committee.

THE PRAYER AUXILIARY OF ST. MONICA was established

by the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women in 1978. It is intended to reach out to alienated members of our family, to pray for the return of our youth to the Church, and for the works of the LDCCW. The Fairbury Deanery has been assigned the Month of July to pray to St. Monica. The week of July 17 -23 the parishes of Fairbury and Alexandria will be encouraged to pray to St. Monica. Please include in your daily prayers the prayer to St. Monica. it is as follows: O God, You are the comfort of those who mourn, and the Savior of all who trust in You. Blessed Monica's loving tears moved you to convert her son, Augustine. Help us, who pray to You for the salvation of our sons and daughters,

too. May we also grieve for our sins, and win the grace of Your pardon, through the intercession of this loving saint, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. *-Thank you, Janice Bell*

WE ARE IN NEED of someone to install two deadbolt locks and grab bars. If you could help please contact Father Birkel.

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH: Last fall the Knights gave each family a booklet, "The Family Fully Alive" outlining activities, prayers and meditations. These booklets will be available to those who did not receive one or lost theirs. If you have adult children living in another city you are welcome to take an extra copy.

THE STEUBENVILLE MID-AMERICA CONFERENCE will be July 21-23. There is an exciting lineup of speakers, musicians and presenters, to challenge Catholic youth to stand firm in their faith, to rely upon the awesome power of Jesus Christ as their guide, friend and Savior, and to show them that faith to the world. For more information or to register today at www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/steubenville-youth-conference.

MATT MAHER CONCERT - Bishop Neumann High School in Wahoo, NE is excited to announce a summer Christian Music Concert on August 11th, featuring Matt Maher, a well-known Catholic Christian recording artist. Maher has written and produced seven albums, three of which have reached the Top 25 Christian Billboard chart and 4 of his songs have reached the Top 25 Christian Songs Chart. He was awarded the Songwriter of the Year in 2015 and he performed at World Youth Day in Poland in 2016. The concert will be held at 7 p.m. Aug 11 at Bishop Neumann, 202 S. Linden, Wahoo and there will be a Pork Sandwich meal served starting at 5:00PM. Tickets are available online at www.lincolndiocese.org/youth. They can also be purchased at Bishop Neumann High School, or from the Diocese of Lincoln Youth Ministry Office at the John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Tickets are \$15 - plus a \$2 handling fee if they are not picked up in person. With questions, call 402-443-4151.