



ST. MICHAEL'S ST. MARY'S

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2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Jan 13/14, 2018

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

Ministers' Schedules for January 20/21, 2018

| | 5:30 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM |
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| Acolyte | John Ragland | Bob VanWesten | Randy Prellwitz |
| Lector | Keith Mach | Scott DeWald | Devin Lovgren |
| Server | Connor Gerths | | RJ Suey |
| Server | Salvador Chavez | | Braden Suey |
| Music | Mary Banahan | Lorrie Hofstetter | Donna Winslow |
| Gifts/Greeters | Barb Arner | Bob & Trish Endorf | Linda Hermsmeier & Deb Jones |
| Collection | Megan Grant & Deb Jones | | |

Church Cleaning for January – Donna Rut

Mass intentions for the week of January 15th – 21st

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| Monday | NO MASS | St. Michael's | NO MASS |
| Tuesday | NO MASS | St. Michael's | NO MASS |
| Wednesday | Noon | St. Michael's | Rosa Juarez |
| Thursday | 5:30 PM | St. Michael's | Jerry Pugsley+ |
| Friday | Noon | St. Michael's | Special Intention |
| Saturday | 9:00 AM | St. Michael's | Special Intention |
| | 5:30 PM | St. Michael's | Special Intention |
| Sunday | 8:00 AM | St. Mary's | Janet Landkamer+ |
| | 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:

Randy Wilhelm
Vonia Scheer
Evelyn Birkel

Frank Kosmacek
Steve Graff
Bob Gibson

Eddie Lytle
Tom Huber
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:

| January 7, 2018 | <u>St. Michael's</u> | <u>St. Mary's</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Adult | \$1,156.00 | \$315.00 |
| Plate | 58.00 | 38.25 |
| Children | 9.00 | |
| Holy Days | 155.00 | |
| Debt Reduction | 80.00 | |
| Total | \$1,458.00 | \$353.25 |

| Debt Reduction Current Totals: | Loan Pmt Due December 2018 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | \$17,360.33 |
| Joy of the Gospel Rebates | 1,976.42 |
| Debt Reduction Envelopes | 80.00 |
| Amount needed for Loan Payment | \$15,303.91 |

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent and believe in the Gospel.
-Mk 1:15

James Michael Beran son of Michael & Colleen Beran Risen Christ Cathedral in Lincoln, NE is in his 1st Year of Theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

I HAVE BRONCHITIS & the Doctor says I will be contagious until, at least, the middle of the week.

IF THE WEATHER IS SUCH that it's not safe to be out, then not coming to Mass is not a sin.

St Michael's Parish Council meeting Sunday January 21st at 11:15 in the Parish Center.

NUMBER PLEASE, we are updating our parish records. Please send us your mobile telephone numbers, preferably by email. Thank you!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE FEED will be held Sunday January 14th following Mass.

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

It takes \$2,089.36 a week to run St. Michael's Parish.
Operation Cost \$2,089.36
This weeks collection \$1,378.00

SHORTAGE!!!!... \$711.36
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.

WE SUPPORT VOCATIONS & PRAY FOR

Sr. Regina Marie of St. Joseph Parish in Lincoln, NE and Sr. Mary Gabriel of St. Thomas in Camp Point, IL are both in their 1st vows at the School Sisters of Christ the King.

UNBOUND Retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, **January 19-21**, 2018 with Fr., William Holoubek. This weekend retreat is geared towards men and women who have already read the book or watched the video series, and will provide opportunities for praying the five keys with a prayer team. Please register at www.goodcounselretreat.com.

ONE ROSE/ONE LIFE: On the weekend of Jan 20/21, the Knights of Columbus will conduct the annual campaign, to support pro-life activities in Nebraska. This is the major source of income for the Culture Of Life Foundation. The major beneficiary of these funds is the Bishop's Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, as well as placing ultrasounds in crisis pregnancy centers. All donations remain in Nebraska. Knights will be handing out donation envelopes after weekend Masses on Jan. 13/14 and will collect them prior to the Masses on Jan. 20/21.

THE BANK GIRLS – RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM 9th ANNUAL SPAGHETTI FEED is January 28th from 11am-1pm in at the VFW Hall in Fairbury.

FOR MEN & WOMEN SEEKING HEALING FROM DIVORCE: The next session will begin **February 5, 2018** and is held at John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln, NE from 7-9pm. Classes are kept small. Register by calling the Family Life Office at, 402-473-0620, or catholicflo@cdolinc.net

"HEIGHTEN OUR HEART-TO-HEART COMMUNICATION"

Marriage Encounter-weekend in Lincoln, Feb. 9--11. Contact couple Pat & Janelle Benson

Janelle 308-940-1105

Pat 308-940-0670

Home 308-946-3568

HEALING: Bringing the Gift of God's Mercy to the World at St. Thomas Aquinas Church/UNL Newman Center on **Feb. 24** from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Registration for this presentation is \$10. Register <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/healing-presentation>.

HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT

SESSIONS The sessions will be held on six weekly Tuesday evenings beginning February 13, 2018, 7:00-9:00 p.m., at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials) To register, please call 402-473-0620.

JOY & HOPE ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION MASS

and reception for all married couples will be held Sunday, February 11, 2018 at the regular 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. Bishop James Conley will be the Main Celebrant at the Mass for this celebration of Christian Marriage. Special recognition will be given to those couples celebrating 10, 25, 40 and 50 years or more who have registered. Family guests are welcome. Suggested donation of \$10 per couple to cover reception costs appreciated! Registration forms are available [in the church], or call the Family Life Office, (402) 473-0620.