



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18/19 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. Michael's Parish Council: Chris Goeking, LeAnn Krause, Mary Prellwitz, John Ragland, Deb Jones, and Megan Grant

Trustees: Keith Mach and Randy Prellwitz

St. Mary's PCCW: Deb Vanwesten

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

Knights of Columbus: Randy Prellwitz

St. Michael's PCCW: Carmen Ragland

CCD Coordinator: Beth Hansmire

| Ministers' Schedules August 25/26, 2018 | | | | Mass intentions August 20 th - 26 th | | |
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| | 5:30 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM | Monday | No Mass | NO MASS |
| Acolyte | Ronn Brackle | Bob VanWesten | Randy Prellwitz | Tuesday | Noon | Special Intention |
| Lector | Keith Mach | Rhonda Burkhart | Randy Prellwitz | Wednesday | Noon | Special Intention |
| Server | Salvador Chavez | | RJ Suey | Thursday | 5:30 pm | Special Intention |
| Server | | | Braden Suey | Friday | Noon | Special Intention |
| Music | Mary Banahan | Lorrie Hofstetter | Donna Winslow | Saturday | 9:00am | Special Intention |
| Gifts/Greeters | Barb Arner | Bob & Marilyn Bachle | Jim & Janice Bell | | 5:30 pm | Special Intention |
| Collection | Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland | | | Sunday | 8:00 am | Special Intention |
| Church Cleaning for August - Rhonda Burkhart | | | | | 10:00 am | People of the Parishes |

| Parish collection data: | | | Debt Reduction | | Loan Payment | |
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| Aug 5, 2018 | St. Michael's | St. Mary's | Current Totals: Due Dec. 2018 | | \$17,360.33 | |
| Adult | \$1,769.00 | \$165.00 | Joy of the Gospel Rebates | 5,718.32 | | |
| Loose Plate | 180.00 | 81.00 | Debt Reduction Envelopes | 9,922.00 | | |
| Children | 33.00 | | Amt. needed for Loan Payment | \$1,720.01 | | |
| Building Upkeep | 60.00 | | PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION | | | |
| Cemetery | | 20.00 | It takes \$2,089.36 a week to run St. Michael's Parish. | | | |
| Holy Day | 10.00 | | Operation Cost \$2,089.36 | | | |
| Total | \$2,052.00 | \$266.00 | This week's collection \$2,052.00 | | | |
| | | | SHORTAGE!!!!... | | \$37.36 | |
| Printing in Black & White to save money | | | | | | |

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: The holy martyrs followed Christ even to shedding their life's blood, even to reproducing the very likeness of his passion. They followed him, but not they alone. It is not true that the bridge was broken after the martyrs crossed; nor is it true that after they had drunk from it, the fountain of eternal life dried up. I tell you again and again, my brethren, that in the Lord's garden are to be found not only the roses of his martyrs. In it there are also the lilies of the virgins, the ivy of wedded couples, and the violets of widows. On no account may any class of people despair, thinking that God has not called them. Christ suffered for all. What the Scriptures say of him is true: He desires all men to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.

Please pray for:

Frank Kosmacek * Eddie Lytle * Vonja Scheer * Steve Graff
Tom Huber * Evelyn Birkel * Bob Gibson * Paul Prellwitz

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.

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK
Skyler Lawrence Woita

Son of Joel & Rachel Woita from St. Wenceslaus Parish in Wahoo, NE is in his 2nd Year of College at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

SUNDAY BRUNCH Aug 26th, Suzy Busing, Linda Kapke and Kellene Polson serving

TEAM BALTIMORE Sent a Thank You again for hosting the 4K team and wanted to let us know they made it home.

THE U.S. BISHOPS urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3–September 28. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray/!

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN will meet on Saturday, August 18th at 8:30 am in Syracuse NE, St. Paulinus Church. \$12 will cover breakfast and lunch. Send email to: LDCCW president@gmail.net if you plan to attend. Learn more about the activities of your Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

I FEEL REALLY GREAT: about myself, my life & everything! Then, ugh, life is horrible & I am not worth anything. The world would be better off if I had never been born. Ever fell like that, in the span of about 20 seconds???? Want to know how come? Come to the Center on **Tuesday evening August 21st at 7:00** & we will have a session on what Saint Ignatius of Loyola says about that very thing. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE AGAIN!**

THE LINCOLN MOMS GROUP needs babysitters. If you know someone interested please contact Karla Frese at: KarlaLFrese@gmail.com. Mothers on a Mission (MOMs) is designed to serve Catholic Mothers within a community that understands the many roles of a mother's life. The group meets every 1st Saturday 8:30-10:30 a.m. The Guadalupe Center at Gianna's Java & Gelato. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LincolnMOMs/about/>

2-DAY UNBOUND CONFERENCE: at John XXIII Diocesan Center-Lincoln, NE, Friday, August 24th- 6-9pm & Saturday, August 25th- 8-5pm. The event is free but registration is required. Please register by going to: lincolndiocese.org/unbound

INTRODUCTION TO DELIVERANCE The Diocesan Office of Evangelization & Unbound Ministry will be hosting an evening consisting of four 20-minute talks. Join us at St. John the Apostle-Lincoln on Tuesday, September 4th, 7-8:30pm. Questions? Contact Matt at matthewsimmons@cdolinc.net or call 402-805-9668.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER PROGRAM “Fearfully and Wonderfully Made” for girls age 10-13 and their mother will be held Saturday, September 22, 2018 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon at John XXIII Diocesan Center. This program is designed to educate girls on growing up and becoming a woman. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$20 per mother/daughter or \$30 per family. Register at: lincolndiocese.regfox.com/mother-daughter Questions, please call Jen Davis at 402-261-6375 or email jmdavis17@gmail.com

HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT SESSIONS The sessions will be held on six weekly Tuesday evenings beginning September 25, 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.

2nd ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION RETREAT “Love Made Visible” **Sept. 27-30.** Register online at: goodcounselretreat.com. Or call 402-786-2705 for more information.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS The Knights of Columbus will again be offering spiritual Christmas cards. Now is the time to check you supply as cards will go on sale after pancake feeds and Sunday brunch's this August until November. A display will be set up in the parish center. Cards are priced from \$7-\$12 per box and contain 12-16 cards. If you have cards or send family photos as cards, consider buying a box and donating it to a nursing home. All profits go to a seminarian.