



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25/26, 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 September 1/2, 2018				Mass intentions August 27 th - Sept 2 nd		
	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Monday	No Mass	MO MASS
Acolyte	John Ragland	Bob VanWesten	James Huber	Tuesday	Noon	The 7 Sisters
Lector	John Ragland	Scott DeWald	Lorraine Borch	Wednesday	Noon	Special Intention
Server	Aldo Ramos		CJ Goeking	Thursday	5:30 pm	Special Intention
Server			Devin Wanamaker	Friday	Noon	Fr Donald J Keefe, S.J.+
Music	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	LeAnn Krause	Saturday	9:00am	Special Intention
Gifts/Greeters	Lori Arnold	Mike Hofstetter Family	Keith & Mary Mach		5:30 pm	Special Intention
Collection	Chris Goeking/LeAnn Krause			Sunday	8:00 am	People of the Parishes
Church Cleaning for September - Peggy Niederklein					10:00 am	Special Intention of Keith Mach

Parish collection data:

Aug 18, 2018	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Adult	\$945.00	\$193.00
Loose Plate	68.75	
Children	5.00	
Holy Day	60.00	35.00
Debt Retirement	400.00	
Total	\$1,478.75	\$228.00

Debt Reduction

Current Totals: Due Dec. 2018

Loan Payment

\$17,360.33

Joy of the Gospel Rebates

6,498.37

Debt Reduction Envelopes

10,322.00

Amt. needed for Loan Payment

\$539.96

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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

Operation Cost

\$2,089.36

This week's collection

\$1,078.75

SHORTAGE!!!!...

\$1,010.61

Printing in Black & White to save money

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: All of you should be like-minded, sympathetic, loving toward one another, kindly disposed, and humble. Do not return evil for evil or insult for insult. Return a blessing instead. This you have been called to do, that you may receive a blessing as your inheritance.
-1 Peter 3:8-9

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Amy Fischer of St. Peter Parish in Lincoln, NE is a Postulant and **Sr. Faustina** of St. Mary's Parish in Shenandoah, IA is a Novice both of the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln.

LOAN AMOUNT The current loan amount is \$104,162.01. Our yearly loan payment of \$17,360.33 is due on December 31st and as you can see above we only have \$539.96 to go towards this year's payment.

PARENTS MEETING FOR CCD is Monday the 27th at 7:00pm in the Center.

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

SEMI POT LUCK Saturday September 1st after Mass. Sign up sheet on the back table.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be hosting the Silver Rose Celebration this year on September 16. The celebration will start immediately after Mass, with a FREE pancake feed in the parish center. Pancakes, Sausages, Orange Juice, Coffee and other items will be available to all in attendance. At 12:00 P.M. The Celebration will continue in the church with a special celebration of the Silver Rose. The Silver Rose program has been a large part of the Knights of Columbus and their commitment to the sanctity of human life since 1960. Only a few parishes get the honor to host the Silver Rose each year, and we are very happy to be one of them. Please mark this on your calendars and come enjoy the celebration with us.

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.

JOY OF THE GOSPEL REBATES We received Joy of the Gospel Rebates this week. St. Michael's was for \$780.05 and St. Mary's was for \$500.00.

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/

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.