



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 9, 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 402 729-2058 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 December 15/16, 2018				Mass intentions Dec. 10 th - 16 th		
	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Monday	NO MASS	NO MASS
Acolyte	Ronn Brackle	Bob VanWesten	James Huber	Tuesday	Noon	Gary Richard+
Lector	John Ragland	Scott DeWald	Randy Prellwitz	Wednesday	Noon	Special Intention
Server	Salvador Chavez		RJ Suey	Thursday	5:30pm	Special Intention
Server			Braden Suey	Friday	Noon	Evelyn Jenkins+
Music	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	LeAnn Krause	Saturday	9:00 am	Special Intention
Gifts/Greeters	Dianna Armstrong	Jill & Jason Stewart	Rosalie Tynan		5:30 pm	Special Intention
Collection	Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland			Sunday	8:00 am	Gary Richard+
Church Cleaning for December - Peggy Niederklein					10:00 am	People of the Parishes

Parish collection data:

<u>Nov. 25/Dec 2, 2018</u>	<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>St. Mary's</u>
Adult	\$1,990.00	\$230.00
Loose Plate	196.00	
Children	.61	
Total	\$2,186.61	\$230.00

Debt Reduction

Loan Payment

Loan Total 86,801.68
Current Totals: Due Dec. 2019 \$17,360.33

Joy of the Gospel Rebates 0.00
Debt Reduction Envelopes 4,355.59

Amount needed for 2019 Payment \$13,004.74

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

It takes \$2,089.36 a week to run St. Michael's Parish.
Operation Cost for 2 weeks \$4,178.72
These **TWO** week's Collection 2,186.61

SHORTAGE!! \$1,992.11

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: John the Baptist's cry reaches from generation to generation: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" (Luke 3:4). -St. John Paul II

Please pray for:

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

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

SR. RACHEL of Roscoe, IL is a Postulant at Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE

St. Michaels Sun. Dec. 16: 1:30pm-2:30

Beatrice Sun. Dec. 16: 3:30pm-5:30pm

Hebron Tues. Dec. 18: 7:00pm-7:45pm

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Dec. 24 at 4:00pm – St. Michael's

Dec. 25 at 8:00am – St. Mary's

Dec. 25 at 10:00am – St. Michael's

OPERATING LOAN PAYMENT for 2018 has been made and we already have \$4,355.59 towards our 2019 payment! Thank you to everyone who contributes extra to our debt reduction to make this possible.

OUR 2018 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR is over and what a success it was. Thank you to all who participated, donated, or enjoyed. The results of our raffle are: One hour plane ride with Randy goes to Megan Grant, \$125 cash prize to Barb Arner, Storage table with Ivory throw from Barbers Furniture to Rosalie Tynan, Mary and Martha tray and gift card goes to Teresa Frase, Gold Bucket and 2 movie passes from Bonham theater to Valentina Chavez, Home Decorating Session with Jan Klaus goes to Vickie Banahan, Knitted Afghan to Kathy Coil, the outdoor Golf Toss Game to Judy McGee, Ham donated by Livingston Enterprises goes to Jade Schmit, NE Womens basketball tickets to Shelli Hubka, and \$50 gift certificate to Den's Meat to Maria Burkley. This raffle, cookie sales, and shopping with vendors was sponsored by the St. Michaels PCCW. Thank you to all for your support.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING FOR THE CHURCH is scheduled for Sunday December 9th following mass! Let's come together to start the celebration of Christ birth!

PCCW MEETING December 10th is the Carry-In Dinner with the Knights of Columbus and Spouses. The Committee is Mary Feldkamp, Sandra Phelps, Sabrina

Wanamaker and Co-Chairs – Monica Cervantes and Diane Stone.

The 4th OF 4 CANDLE STICKS HAVE BEEN RETURNED thanks to Karen Mattes in honor of her parents Sig and Ellen Quam, and the restoration is underway.

ST. MARYS will have a Christmas breakfast on Sunday December 16 after church. Everyone is to bring rolls.

STILL IN NEED OF A CCD TEACHER Please contact Beth Hansmire.

FAIRBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH is having their Holly Jolly Christmas Boutique and Bakery on Dec. 8th from 9:00am – 4:00pm and Dec. 9th from 11:30am – 1:30pm at 605 E Street.

RELIGIOUS AWARD CEREMONY FOR BOYS & GIRLS! The Diocesan Mass and Award Ceremony is March 24, 2019 at 2:00pm with Bishop Finn. Award applications are due: Youth Ministry Office by February 8, 2019. Visit www.lincolndiocese.org/scouting for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Michele at 402-473-0625.

HOLY INNOCENTS MASS A memorial Mass for those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion on December 28th, 6:30pm – Reading of Names and 7:00pm Mass at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. in Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered and added on the banner for this year, please call the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620 before 5:00pm on December 19th.

THE CATHOLIC COFFEE HOUSE "Navigating the church now" on Dec. 16th, Jan. 13th, and Feb. 17th at the Gianna's Java and Gelato Guadalupe Center at 2241 O St. in Lincoln from 7-8: 30pm.

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