



# St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

**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 March 9/10				Mass intentions Mar. 4 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup>		
	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Monday	NO MASS	NO MASS
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ronn Brackle	Bob VanWesten	James Huber	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Noon</b>	Special Intention
<b>Lector</b>	Ronn Brackle	Scott DeWald	Randy Prellwitz	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30am 5:30pm 7:00pm</b>	Special Intention (St. Michael's) The Seven Sisters (St. Mary's) Special Intention (St. Michael's)
<b>Server</b>	Salvador Chavez		RJ Suey	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	Special Intention
<b>Server</b>			Braden Suey	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Noon</b>	Charlie Barringer+
<b>Music</b>	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	LeAnn Krause	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Special Intention
<b>Gifts/Greet</b>	Dianna Armstrong	Sasha & Katie Lemke	Kenny & LeAnn Krause		<b>5:30 pm</b>	Special Intention
<b>Collection</b>	Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland			<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Tucker Juarez+
Church Cleaning for March - Ellen VanWesten					<b>10:00 am</b>	The People of the Parishes

## Parish collection data:

Feb. 24, 2019	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Adult	\$777.00	\$130.00
Loose Plate	7.00	<b>Snow</b>
Children	3.00	<b>Day</b>
Register	115.00	<b>Mass</b>
Online giving	90.00	<b>Cancelled</b>
Cemetery	20.00	<b>Sunday</b>
Building Upkeep		<b>Feb 24<sup>th</sup></b>
Debt Reduction		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,012.00</b>	<b>\$130.00</b>

## Debt Reduction

## Loan Payment

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

Joy of the Gospel Rebates 5,174.53  
Debt Reduction Envelopes 5,420.59

**Amount needed for 2019 Payment \$6,765.21**

### 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 \$992.00

**Shortage!! \$1,097.36**

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:** God always has something for you: A key for every problem, a light for every shadow, a relief for every sorrow and a great plan for every tomorrow. - Unknown

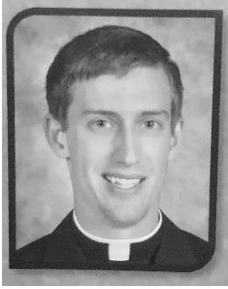
## Please pray for:

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**



### **REV. MR. CARSON**

#### **JEROME KAIN**

son of Fritz & Tama Kain  
from St. Patrick Parish in  
McCook, NE is in his 4<sup>th</sup>  
Year of Theology at St.  
Charles Borromeo  
Seminary.

### **LENTEN REGULATIONS**

*Ash Wednesday/ Good Friday*  
are days of **fast and abstinence.**

*All Fridays in Lent*  
are days of **abstinence.**

**Fasting** means eating one full meal with two smaller meals, which together do not equal the full meal. No snacking or eating between meals is allowed. Fasting obliges all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

**Abstinence** means eating no meat, and no soup or gravy made from meat. Abstinence obliges all Catholics over the age of 14. Sickness, hard manual labor, pregnancy, etc. automatically excuse a person from these obligations. Nevertheless, it should be pointed out that these are *serious* obligations. In cases of doubt or question, the priest who hears a person's confession should be consulted.

**CEMETERY ENVELOPES** are included in St. Michael's envelopes but any money that comes in goes to St. Mary's Cemetery in Alexandria.

**SEMI-POT LUCK** Saturday, March 2nd after Mass.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** meeting will be moved up to Monday March 4th with Rosary 6.30 pm in the lower chapel and meeting to follow at 7 pm in the center.

**FIRST FISH FRY** Friday March 8th in the school gym, serving from 5 to 7 pm.

**ST. MICHAEL'S WOMEN** All women of St. Michael's Parish are invited to say 3 prayers daily for the healing and protection of our families, our church and our community. Pamphlets with the prayers are in the back of the church and can be said any time of the day. Please call

Deborah Jones at 402-424-3665 with any questions. May God bless each of you!

**AGAIN, THANK YOU, AGAIN,** to those who cleared the walks of snow! God bless you & your families.

**PCCW BOOKLET** Anyone who would like to pick up a PCCW booklet may do so. They will be on the back tables.

**HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS** please remember to gather your family everyday & pray the Saint Michael prayer, the Our Father & Hail Mary & to sprinkle your family with holy water.

**PLEASE USE: ONLINE GIVING** We are now online and you can make your contributions online. All you need to do is create an account at:

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4626>

**EMBER DAYS** will be coming up March 13, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, please consider attending Mass, fasting, or praying a rosary for good planting weather.

**HELP CSS HELP YOU:** Please take a brief moment to help the Immaculate Heart of Marcy Counseling Center of CSS. A survey is found at [www.cssisup.org](http://www.cssisup.org) to allow input on what parishioners, families, and citizens might need in terms of counseling services.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** call Pat & Janelle Benson (308) 940-1105 or visit [WWME.org](http://WWME.org). *Upcoming dates:* March 29-31 in Hastings/August 2-4 in Lincoln/October 18-20 in Chadron. \*Deadline to register is 1 month prior to the date of the weekend\*

**A SINGLE LADIES INTRODUCTORY SESSION** is being held April 4, 2019 at 7 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center. Learn how to chart with Creighton Model; includes a particular emphasis on reproductive and gynecological health. Must preregister at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/single-ladies>

**2-DAY UNBOUND CONFERENCE:** Join us at St. Patrick's Elementary School-McCook, NE, Friday, April 5th- 6-9pm & Saturday, April 6th- 8-5pm. All registrants are highly encouraged to read the first nine (9) chapters of the book Unbound, by Neal Lozano which is available at [heartofthefather.com](http://heartofthefather.com) website or on Amazon. The event is free but registration is required. Please register by going to: [lincolndiocese.org/unbound](http://lincolndiocese.org/unbound).