



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

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

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

September 22, 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 Higgins, Bethany Hansmire, LeAnn Krause, Mary Prellwitz and John Ragland.

*Trustees:* Chris Goeking 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 pray for him.

**Knights of Columbus:** Randy Prellwitz

**St. Michael's PCCW:** Carmen Ragland

**CCD Coordinator:** Georgann Friedrichsen

## Ministers' Schedules Sep. 28/29, 2019

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
<b>Acolyte</b>	Luis Ramos	Bob VanWesten	Randy Prellwitz
<b>Lector</b>	Chris Higgins	Rhonda Burkhart	Randy Prellwitz
<b>Server</b>	Aldo Ramos		CJ Goeking
<b>Server</b>			Devin Wanamaker
<b>Music</b>	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	Janice Bell
<b>Gifts/Greet</b>	Bob & Shirley Gibson	Mr. & Mrs. Ken Milius	Georgann Fredrichsen
<b>Collection</b>	Chris Goeking/LeAnn Krause		
	Church Cleaning for September – Peggy Niederklein		

## Mass intentions Sep. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>

	Monday	No Mass	No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	Noon		Special Intention of K.M.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Noon		Special Intention of Genie Czuba
<b>Thursday</b>	5:30pm		Special Intention
<b>Friday</b>	Noon		Special Intention of BM
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00am		Alexandria: Special Intention
	5:30pm		Special Intention
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 am		The People of the Parishes
	10:00 am		Leonard & Pat Stolzer

## Parish collection data:

September 15, 2019	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Adult	\$1,324.00	\$210.00
Loose Plate	35.00	32.00
Children	6.00	
Online Giving	50.00	
Cemetery	40.00	
Holy Day	10.00	
Building Upkeep	45.00	50.00
Debt Reduction	10.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,520.00</b>	<b>\$292.00</b>

## Debt Reduction

Loan Total

69,441.35

Current Totals: Due Dec. 2020

\$17,360.33

Joy of the Gospel Rebates 9,050.27

Debt Reduction Envelopes 1,788.62

**Amount needed for 2020 Payment \$6,521.44**

## PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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

Operation Cost \$2,039.84

This week's Collection \$1,510.00

**SHORTAGE!!**

**\$529.84**

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:** Stay with me, Lord! As poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for you, a nest of love. – St. Pius' prayer after Holy Communion

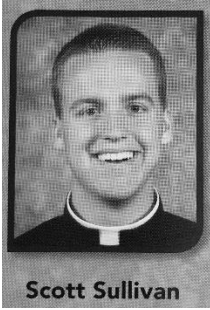
**Please pray for:** Frank Kosmacek \* Eddie Lytle \* Vonja Scheer \* Steve Graff

Megan Vales \* Jo Nease \* Lee Rine \* Evelyn Birkel \* Bob Gibson \* Paul Prellwitz

Tim Cary \* Joshua Black \* Deb Jones \* Elaine Eisenmenger \* Linda Telecky \* Ameer Tynan

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**



**Paul Mach &  
John Pancratz, Jr.  
SCOTT SULLIVAN**  
son of Dan & Shelly  
Sullivan from St. Teresa  
Parish in Lincoln, NE is in  
3<sup>rd</sup> year of College at St.  
Gregory the Great  
Seminary.

**PCCW BRUNCH** After Mass on  
September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Verna Horky, Sherry  
Morehead and Jennipher Barber  
Hosting.

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> IS SAINT  
MIACHAEL'S FEAST DAY.** Special  
readings and prayers will be used for  
those Masses.

**IN TRUE GRATITUDE I WOULD LIKE**  
to express on behalf of the entire parish  
our sincere thanks to the people who  
responded to the call for restoring the  
sacred vessels. There was an  
overwhelming response and all of the  
vessels we wished to plate have been  
done. God bless you. \$8,685.00 was  
donated toward this most noble cause.

**HEALING PRAYER** I do believe this  
works... I never realized or visualized  
Mary and Jesus listening...to be honest.  
But, I have done this ... deeply feeling  
the pain and suffering and waiting for  
God to work in my life. This is a great  
message and a technique, if you will,  
that is effective. It may take allot of  
practice...maybe years but I definitely  
think we are made this way. We are  
made to listen and God heals us when  
we pour ourselves out to him...when we  
turn inward and Pray and listen. Amen.

**COLLECTION ENVELOPES** Please do  
not Tape, staple or glue your collection  
envelopes closed. They are very hard to  
open and when taped, stapled or glued  
they frequently tear the check or cash in  
the envelope when trying to open them.

**NEW LAY MINISTRY ASSIGNMENT**  
sheets are in the back of church and on  
the website.

**ST MARY'S PARISHIONERS** If you  
would like to be included in a group text  
for cancelling of Mass due to snow,  
please contact Fr. Birkel.

**VOTIVE CANDLES** Please light candles  
for loved ones and give your intention to  
the Lord.

**ANYTIME THERE IS A STORM OR  
DISASTER** you may put money in the  
collection marked for Catholic Social  
Services & we will send it along.

**CCD SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS** are  
needed. If you are interested or able to  
help with this please contact Father.

**PCCW** is looking for you to take over as  
President as of January 1st, 2020.

**ST. GIANNA'S HOUSE:** The summer  
drive to collect soaps, bottles of  
shampoo & lotion was a great success.  
The volunteers at CSS were pleased  
with the donation. A grocery was filled  
to the top and two plastic bags were also  
full. The Knights of Fairbury Council  
4434 thanks the parish for their  
donations.

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL  
RETREAT HOUSE** in Waverly  
announces its new schedule of 2019-  
2020 retreats. To see the full schedule  
of upcoming retreats and themes visit  
[www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com).

**HARVEST FESTIVAL** at the  
Presbyterian Church, 2310 H St,  
Fairbury on Sunday October 13 from  
5:00pm-7:00pm.

**2-Day UNBOUND** at St Leo Church  
Hall, Palmyra, NE, Friday, October 18,  
6-9pm & Saturday, October 19, 8am-  
5pm. Please register by going to:  
[lincolndiocese.org/unbound](http://lincolndiocese.org/unbound)