



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 8, 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 Dec. 14/15, 2019

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	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Monday	6:30pm	Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus
Acolyte	Ronn Brackle	Bob VanWesten	Dan Arner	Tuesday	Noon	Leona Gaydusek+
Lector	Ronn Brackle	Scott DeWald	Lorraine Borch	Wednesday	NO MASS	NO MASS
Server	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey	Thursday	5:30pm	Al & Phyllis Boerner+
Server				Friday	Noon	Special Intention
Music	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	Janice Bell	Saturday	9:00am	Alexandria: Special Intention
Gifts/Greet	Mary Feldkamp	Bob & Trish Endorf	Beth Hansmire & Girls		5:30pm	Special Intention
Collection	Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland			Sunday	8:00 am	The People of the Parishes
	Church Cleaning for December - Peggy Niederklein				10:00 am	Lupe Medina+

Parish collection data: Dec. 1, 2019

	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Adult	\$1,705.00	\$265.00
Loose Plate	88.00	60.00
Children	4.00	
Online Giving	90.00	
Flowers	104.00	10.00
Pink Sisters	25.00	
Debt Reduction	115.00	
Total	\$2,131.00	\$335.00

Debt Reduction

Loan Total

Loan Payment

69,441.35

Current Totals: Due Dec. 2020

\$17,360.33

Joy of the Gospel Rebates

10,310.27

Debt Reduction Envelopes

2,998.62

Amount needed for 2020 Payment

\$4,051.44

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 \$1,991.00

Shortage!!

\$48.84

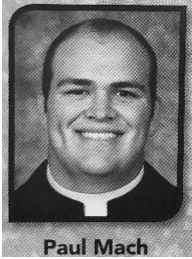
THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: But man, a breath divine within a body of clay, possessed of reason and intelligence and capable of knowing God, both through his natural powers and through the agency of creation, is urged by his own self and by all creatures to bow before God in Humble adoration.

-Adolphe Tanqueray

Please pray for: Frank Kosmacek * Eddie Lytle * Vonja Scheer * Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson
Jo Nease * Lee Rine * Evelyn Birkel * Bob Gibson * Paul Prellwitz * Steve Graff * Duke Williams
Tim Cary * Joshua Black * Deb Jones * Linda Telecky * Ameer Tynan * Jose Bonilla

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.

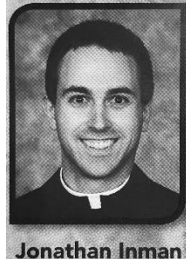
PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach



John
Pankratz Jr.



Jonathan
Inman

Jonathan's parents are deceased, he is from Risen Christ Cathedral in Lincoln; NE is in his 1st year Theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

MASSES FOR THE FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

on December 9th are as follows:

Sun. Dec. 8th - 5:30pm - **Alexandria**

Mon. Dec. 9th - 6:30pm - **Fairbury**

ST. MICHAEL'S CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR
ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL GYM
8TH & E STREETS, FAIRBURY NE
LOCAL BUSINESSES & VENDORS

WOOD CRAFTS & HOMEMADE FOOD
HANDMADE DECOR & GIFTS
ORNAMENTS & SIGNS
PLUNDER JEWELRY
MARY & MARTHA ESSENTIAL OILS
PAMPERED CHEF
CLOTHING
BOOKS
+ MORE!!

8AM - 4PM
SATURDAY
DECEMBER 7TH

COFFEE
COOKIES &
SWEET TREATS

FREE ADMISSION

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!

YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED is the last Register that we do the Communion antiphon at slightly the wrong time. That is because we need volunteers to do it but until then, it's very hard for me to do it at the correct time.

THANK YOU TO WHOMEVER removed the leaves from the courtyard!!!

KNIGHTS DECEMBER MEETING Monday after 6.30 Mass.

CCD KIDS that go to Jefferson could meet at the office after school on Wednesday December 11th at 3.45 pm we will present to the school the Christmas gift packages that were made on last Wednesday's class.

KNIGHTS DECEMBER BREAKFAST Sunday December 8th after 10.00 am Mass in the center. PCCW will also draw for their raffle.

ALL PARISH carry-in supper is Dec. 16th in the parish center. Meat will be furnished. Serving at 6:30. Hostesses are Monica Cervantes, Diane Stone and Sabrina Wanamaker.

EMBER DAYS 18, 20 & 21. If you had a good year, come and offer thanks to God.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

12/24 St Michael's 4:00pm

12/25 St Mary's 8:00am,

St Michael's 10:00am

MEMORIAL ORNAMENTS that you would like to add to our memorial tree can be brought to church and placed in the box in the back of church labeled Memorial Ornaments or you may place it on the memorial tree once it is up. Please just attach the name of your loved one to the ornament and bring it with the box for safe keeping. Any questions please contact Aleece Panko (402)419-4691.

CHURCH DECORATING will be Wed. Dec. 11th at 6:45. The knights will be moving the large decorations into the parish after church on Monday Dec. 9th. Please consider coming to decorate and enjoy Hot Cocoa and Cookies afterward. Questions please contact Aleece Panko (402)419-4691

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

*Monday December 9th is the feast of the Immaculate Conception. During the evening Mass, the Knights of Columbus will honor all the deceased Knights from council 4434, with the monthly meeting and refreshments to follow in the center after the 6:30pm Mass. Everyone is welcome.

*Knights will have their pancake feed on Sunday December 8th following Mass.

*Keep Christ in Christmas: The Knights will be selling Religious themed Christmas Cards in the coming months. Cards are priced between \$6.50 and \$11.50. There will be some boxes marked with \$1.00 off stickers. Boxes contain between 12-18 cards. Profits from sales will go for seminarian support (this year Paul Mach). Cards will be on sale during second Sunday pancake feeds, forth Sunday brunch and the craft fair. Your continued support in keeping Christ in Christmas is appreciated.

PCCW NEWS:

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

TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WORTHILY:

Do what you do well.

Humility, Jesus is great, I am not.

Stir up an ardent desire to be one with Jesus Adoration

Sweet conversation with Jesus, quote Scripture

Give thanks for the gifts He has given

Promise sacrifice & reform

Pray for dear ones & for the Church

Ask for grace.