



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

EPIPHANY

January 5, 2020

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 Jan. 11/12, 2020

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	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Monday	Noon	The Seven Sisters
Acolyte	Luis Ramos	Bob VanWesten	Randy Prellwitz	Tuesday	NO MASS	No MASS
Lector	Chris Higgins	Scott DeWald	Randy Prellwitz	Wednesday	Noon	Charlie Barringer+
Server	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey	Thursday	5:30pm	Special Intention
Server				Friday	Noon	Fr Donald J Keefe, S.J.+
Music	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	Janice Bell	Saturday	9:00am	Alexandria : Special Intention
Gifts/Greet	Barb Arner	Jill & Jason Stewart Family	Ronda Cary		5:30pm	Special Intention
Collection	Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland			Sunday	8:00 am	LupeMedina+
	Church Cleaning for January - Donna Rut				10:00 am	The People of the Parishes

Parish collection data: Dec. 29, 2019

	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Adult	\$2,005.00	\$1,710.00
Loose Plate	168.00	8.25
Building	3.00	
Online Giving	140.00	
Children	28.35	
Debt Reduction	100.00	
Total	\$2,444.35	\$1,718.25

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

3,633.62

Amount needed for 2020 Payment

\$3,416.44

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

\$2,344.35

Overage!!!!

\$304.51

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Let us follow the star of inspiration and divine attraction which calls us to the crib, and let us go there to adore and love the Child Jesus and offer ourselves to him.

-St. Jane Frances de Chantal

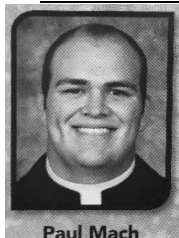
Please pray for: Frank Kosmacek * Eddie Lytle * Vonja Scheer * Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson

Jo Nease * Lee Rine * Evelyn Birkel * Bob Gibson * Paul Prellwitz * Steve Graff * Duke Williams

Tim Cary * Joshua Black * Deb Jones * 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.

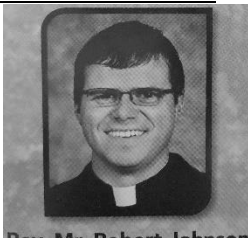
PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach



John
Pankratz
Jr.



Rev. Mr. Robert Johnson
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Robert is the son of Jimmy & Theresa Johnson from St. Thomas Parish in Lincoln; NE he is in his 4th year of Theology at Mount St. Mary Seminary.

THANK YOU!!!

For all the cards, gifts, & prayers I have received this Christmas. I am truly grateful & I look forward to serving you in this coming year! May Our Heavenly Father bless each of you & your families.
Fr. John

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

* The Knights are sponsoring a Free Throw Contest for all boys and girls ages 9-14 at the Fairbury High School Gym on Sunday January 12th. Registration starts at 1.00 PM with competition to follow. Must bring copy of birth certificate and parent or guardian must be present to sign registration form. Questions contact Randy Prellwitz at 402-300-0076

PCCW NEWS:

ON JANUARY 6TH THE PCCW WILL BE SERVING SOUP AT 6:00PM.

* January 6th at 6:00 pm we will be having our PCCW meeting to put the 2020 booklet together. If you would like to change the committee that you are on or be added to a committee please come and let us know. Please come and join us in doing the Lords work.

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.

I WANT TO PERSONALLY take time to give many thanks to all involved. My students and I are so appreciative to be able to use the Catholic school gymnasium for our physical education classes. Through the first semester I have watched my students grow and get better at skills like: throwing and catching, understanding spatial awareness, locomotor movements, and most importantly cooperation and being kind to others. Without the gymnasium it would be very difficult for students to improve upon these skills as quickly as we have. As their physical education teacher I want to say thank you on behalf of the Central School students for letting us use the facility. you need to raise a child and I am happy to have Saint Michael's a part of ours. May God bless you all and may you have a very special and happy holiday season. Thank you to all involved with the Saint Michael's Catholic Church. With many thanks and blessings, Mr. Cory Schweitzer K-6 grade Physical Education Fairbury Public Schools

FAIRBURY RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE will be at the Fairbury Elks Lodge – 525 G Street, on Tuesday, January 14th from 11:30am – 5:30pm. For appointments call 402-729-2592.

DIVORCED? The twelve-week video series begins on February 3rd, 7-9pm, at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. A suggested donation of \$50 to cover costs. Classes are kept small and may be registered for by contacting the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620 or catholicflo@cdolinc.net

JOY & HOPE ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION MASS and reception for all married couples will be held Sunday, February 9, 2020 at the regular 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. Please register with the Family Life Office. Special recognition will be given to those couples celebrating 10, 25, 40 and 50 years or more. Suggested donation of \$10 per couple is appreciated! Family guests are welcome. Register at the Family Life Office at (402) 473-0620.