



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

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

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

March 1, 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 -Wednesday by 9:00 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:** Mary Prellwitz

**CCD Coordinator:** Georgann Friedrichsen

## Ministers' Schedules March 7/8, 2020

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	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Monday	NO MASS	NO MASS
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ronn Brackle	Bob VanWesten	Dan Arner	<b>Tuesday</b>	Noon	Special Intention of G.G.
<b>Lector</b>	Ronn Brackle	Scott DeWald	Lorraine Borch	<b>Wednesday</b>	Noon	Fr. James M. O'Connor
<b>Server</b>	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey	<b>Thursday</b>	5:30pm	Msgr. James Reinert+
<b>Server</b>				<b>Friday</b>	Noon	7 Sisters
<b>Music</b>	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	LeAnne Krause	<b>Saturday</b>	9:00am	Alexandria: Special Intention
<b>Gifts/Greet</b>	Lori Arnold	Mark & Peggy Niederklein	Barb Arner		5:30pm	The Honorable Donald J Trump President of the United States of America
<b>Collection</b>	Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland			<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 am	Charlie Barringer+
	Church Cleaning for March - Ellen VanWesten				10:00 am	The People of the Parishes

## Parish collection data: Feb 23, 2020

Adult	\$1,491.00	\$405.00
Loose Plate	110.00	53.00
Children	8.00	
Online Giving	50.00	
Building		
<b>Debt Reduction</b>	75.00	
<b>Total</b>	\$1,734.00	\$458.00

## Debt Reduction

Loan Total as of January 2020

Joy of the Gospel Rebates

Debt Reduction Envelopes

**Due Dec. 31, 2020 (In savings)**

Balance Due January 2021

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**Amount toward 2021 Loan Payment**

**Amount needed to pay December 2021 payment**

## Loan Payment

69,441.35

18,180.48

4,598.62

**\$17,360.33**

**52,081.02**

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5,418.77

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**\$5,418.77**

**\$11,941.56**

## 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 \$1,659.00

**Shortage!!!!**

**\$380.84**

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:** I cried to you, Lord, and you healed me. I will praise you forever.

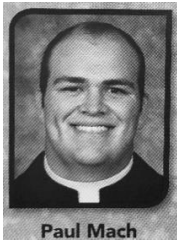
**Please pray for:** Frank Kosmacek \* Eddie Lytle \* Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson \* Jo Nease \*

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

Tim Cary \* Joshua Black \* Deb Jones \* Jose Bonilla \* Madeline Kapke

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.

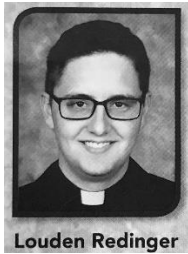
## PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach



John  
Pankratz Jr.



Louden Redinger

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Redinger

Louden is the son of Brian & Kelleen Redinger from Sacred Heart Parish in Shelton/Kenesaw, NE. He is in his 1<sup>st</sup> year of Theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays in Lent at 5:00pm

**FISH FRIDAYS** – Friday's in Lent from  
5:30pm to 7:00pm  
March 13<sup>th</sup>  
March 27<sup>th</sup>

**WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY** of this week are Ember Days. I've had several Farmers mention that 2019 was not a great year..... come & pray that 2020 is!

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** of Our Blessed Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament is from noon Mass till midnight on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. The sign-up sheet is on the back table.

**SEMI-POT LUCK** Saturday cancelled, due to Bible study.

**WE RECEIVE JOY OF THE GOSPEL REBATES** this week in the amounts of \$7,870.21 (St. Michael's) and \$881.00 (St. Mary's). This rebate gives us the remainder of this year's loan payment. WELL DONE!!! We are going to put that money in savings & earn interest on it, since our loan does NOT accrue interest. We will list the amounts in the Bulletin & that is what it means.

**CHANGE IN BULLETIN DEADLINE** the deadline for bulletin notices is Wednesdays at 9:00am.

**STOLE FEES:** (A stole fee is given at baptisms, weddings, funerals, etc.) A change in Diocesan policy, all stole fees will go to the Parish. The exception is if you specifically state that this is to go to the Priest.

**HEALING AFTER ABORTION** - If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit [HopeAfterAbortion.org](http://HopeAfterAbortion.org).

**DAY OF ADVOCACY** at the Nebraska State Capitol on March 4, 2020! We begin at St. Mary's in Lincoln with Mass at 8 a.m., and the program will be at 9 a.m. with speakers, lunch, and lobbying activities until 1:30 p.m. For more information and to register at [necatholic.org](http://necatholic.org) or call 402-477-7517.

**A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT RETREAT** at North American Martyrs Catholic Church, March 27- 29th, 2020. Registration is \$25, and a free will offering for the Sisters. Please send your name, parish, check and any special needs to [julie-crawford@cdolinc.net](mailto:julie-crawford@cdolinc.net) or 1101 Isaac Drive, Lincoln, NE 68521.

**SAVE THE DATE** for Sunday, March 29th! St. Gregory the Great Seminary will be holding its Annual Benefit Banquet to help support the seminarians and various projects at the Seminary. To make reservations or to find out more information, please call the Seminary at (402) 643-4052 or e-mail us at: [events@sngs.edu](mailto:events@sngs.edu).

**HIRING** Willow Center in Beatrice is seeking an Executive Director to execute the functions of its pro-life mission to help women in SE Nebraska and NE Kansas choose life. This is a part time position. Hours can be set to a schedule workable for the director. Pay is up to \$18 per hour depending on credentials. Provide your resume and contact [info@willowcenter.net](mailto:info@willowcenter.net).