



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

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

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 30, 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

	<u>5:30pm</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:00am</u>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ronn Brackle		Randy Prellwitz
<b>Lector</b>	Ronn Brackle		Randy Prellwitz
<b>Server</b>			
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<b>Music</b>	Mary Prellwitz		LeAnne Krause
<b>Gifts/Greet</b>			
<b>Collection</b>			
<b>Cleaning</b>			

## Mass intentions Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> - Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

	<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Noon		Special Intention
<b>Wednesday</b>	Noon		Msgr. James Dawson+
<b>Thursday</b>	5:30pm		Special Intention
<b>Friday</b>	Noon		Special Intention
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00am 5:30pm		Alexandria: Special Intention Fairbury: The People of the Parishes
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am 10:00am		The United States of America Special Intention of G.G.

## Parish collection data: Aug. 23, 2020

See note below regarding online giving

Adult	\$1,181.00	\$350.00
Loose Plate	41.00	5.00
Building	15.00	25.00
Online Giving	137.00	
Cemetery		
Flowers		
Holy Day	10.00	
Debt Reduction	80.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,464.00</b>	<b>\$380.00</b>

## Debt Reduction

Loan Total as of January 2020

Joy of the Gospel Rebates	18,180.48
Debt Reduction Envelopes	4,618.62
<b>Due Dec. 31, 2020 (In savings)</b>	<b>\$17,360.33</b>
Balance Due January 2021	<b>52,081.02</b>
<b>Due Dec. 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$17,360.33</b>
Joy of the Gospel Rebates	7,926.20
Debt Reduction Envelopes	2,706.00
<b>Amount toward 2021 Loan Payment</b>	<b>\$10,632.20</b>
<b>Amount needed to pay December 2021 payment</b>	<b>\$6,728.13</b>

## Loan Payment

### PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

It takes \$2,039.84 a week to run St. Michael's Parish.	
Operation Cost	\$2,039.84
This week's Collection	\$1,384.00

**Shortage!!!**

**\$655.84**

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:** Be not angry that you cannot make others as you wish them to be, since you cannot make yourself as you wish to be. -Thomas a Kempis

**Please pray for:** Eddie Lytle \* Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson \* Jo Nease \* Lee Rine  
Evelyn Birkel \* Bob Gibson \* Paul Prellwitz \* Steve Graff \* Duke Williams \* Tim Cary

Joshua Black \* Jose Bonilla \* Mary Kay Bedlan \* Mikey Bray \* Alejandra Ramos \* Heather Cochran

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

**Ite missa est = It is sent.** *(Priest)*  
**Deo gratias = Thanks be to God.**

**BLESSING OF CROSSES**, Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> we will bless crosses after Mass for use in fields, gardens, et cetera. Show & live your faith by bringing the Cross of Christ to your work.

**EMBER DAYS** are September 16, 18 & 19. This year we have wonderful looking crops. It is only good manners to come & say, Thank You to Almighty God for His bountiful blessings.

**WHAT DO I DO**, if my family or friends belongs to/supports a group that openly supports abortion???

**First & foremost** pray for them. Never underestimate the power of prayer & never try to change someone's heart without God's help, it just won't work. **Second**, speak up in defense of the truth & in defense of life! God will reward you for it & you may, save a life & a soul.

**CCD CLASSES** start September 9<sup>th</sup>.

**ON SATURDAY MORNINGS IN ALEXANDRIA** the "ordinary" (those parts that do not change) of the Mass will be in Latin. Booklets are provided to help you follow & respond.

**IF YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE PERFORMING YOUR MINISTRY**, please let us know as we are listing them in the bulletin.

**PARISH COUNCIL** If you would like to be on the parish council (St Michael's / St Mary's) let me know. We have some who are willing but are always looking for those who are interested.

**ONLINE GIVING** People have asked how they can offer their tithe. Online giving is a safe & easy way to do that. Create an account at [www.osvonlinegiving.com/4626](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4626)

**UNDONE RETREAT-** In person or virtual via livestreaming. Ladies –Do you desire to live in greater freedom with your true feminine identity. St. Peter Catholic Parish in Lincoln, NE September 24-26, 2020. Register online [www.jppeihealingcenter.org](http://www.jppeihealingcenter.org) Contact Annette Wemhoff at [JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com](mailto:JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com) for more information.

**HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT SESSIONS** for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one are being offered to assist Catholics in the grief process. The sessions will be held on six weekly Tuesday evenings beginning Sept. 22, 2020, 7:00-9:00 p.m., at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Suggested Donation: \$25 (for materials) To register, please call 402-473-0620. Social distancing measures & precautions will be in place. Attendees are asked to wear a mask for entrance into the building.