



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

4th Sunday of Advent

December 20, 2020

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.

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. Michael's PCCW: Mary Prellwitz

St. Mary's PCCW: Deb Vanwesten

Knights of Columbus: Randy Prellwitz

CCD Coordinator: Georgann Friedrichsen

Ministers' Schedules

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

Mass intentions Dec. 21st - 27th

Monday	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	Noon	Lindsey Rickstrew+
Wednesday	Noon	Special Intention
Thursday Christmas Eve	3:00pm 4:15pm	(St Michael's) Special Intention (St Michael's) All the people on our tree of Memories
Friday Christmas	8:00am 10:00am	(St Mary's) Special Intention (St Michael's) People of the Parishes
Saturday	9:00 am 5:30pm	Alexandria: No Mass People of the Parishes
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am	The United States of America Jack & Helen Steele+

Parish collection data: Dec. 13, 2020

See note below regarding online giving

Adult	\$960.00	\$245.00
Loose Plate	50.00	100.00
Building		
Online Giving	137.00	
Holy Day	100.00	
Pastor Discretion	250.00	
Cemetery	30.00	25.00
Debt Reduction	160.00	

Total \$1,687.00 \$370.00

Debt Reduction

Loan Total as of January 2021

Joy of the Gospel Rebates

Debt Reduction Envelopes

Due Dec. 31, 2021

Amount toward 2021 Loan Payment

Amount needed to pay December 2021 payment

Loan Payment

\$52,081.02

8,968.92

4,111.00

\$17,360.33

\$13,079.92

\$4,280.41

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 \$1,497.00

Shortage!!!

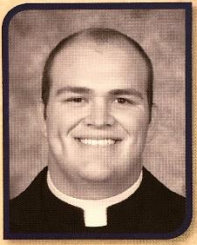
\$542.84

Please pray for: Eddie Lytle * Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson * Jo Nease * Lee Rine
Evelyn Birkel * 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

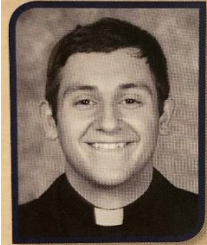
PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach
College 3
St. Gregory the Great



REV. MR. JOHN
PANKRATZ JR.



Dominic Winter
Theology 3
St. Charles Borromeo

Loving mother of the Redeemer, gate of heaven, star of the sea, assist your people who have fallen yet strive to rise again. To the wonderment of nature you bore your Creator, yet remained a virgin after as before. You who received Gabriel's joyful greeting, have pity on us poor sinners.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

-TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parish for their support during Intellectual Disabilities Weekend (Tootsie Rolls). A total of \$338.30 was collected which included \$78.90 from a canister placed at Globe Drug Store. Thank you Globe for your help. A check for \$169.15 will be sent to Villa Marie School in Waverly. The rest will be use by the Knights State Foundation for additional support statewide.

-KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS (KCIC). Card sales totaled \$174.50 during the KCIC campaign. This amount will be combined with additional council funds to total \$500.00 annually for seminarian support for Paul Mach. Although person to person sales contact was lacking due to COVID 19 restrictions, the honor system was a success and will be used next year. Thank you for your support.

-LEAVE NO NEIGHBOR BEHIND There is a shopping cart in the back of church where you may leave your unperishable items.

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

THE ANNUAL MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS will be celebrated on Monday, December 28th. Reading of names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. This year, the Mass will take place at Cathedral of the Risen Christ Church, 3500 Sheridan Blvd., due to the pandemic and social distancing measures. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 before 5:00 p.m. on Fri. Dec. 18th. If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.

DOMINIC WINTER is the son of James & Cheryl Winter of St. Joseph Parish and St. Mary Parish in Lincoln, NE.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Sunday, December 20:

Fairbury from 1:00pm-2:00pm

Hebron from 6:00pm-7:00pm

Both here & in Hebron: Two Priests,
I and Father Major

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve – Fairbury

3:00pm & 4:15pm

Christmas – Alexandria 8:00am

Fairbury 10:00am

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: “And then he thought of something, he hadn't thought of before. Maybe Christmas doesn't come from a store! Maybe Christmas means something just a little bit more.”

-The Grinch

