



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

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

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

**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

Parish collection data: Apr. 25, 2020		
Adult	\$1,510.00	\$345.00
Loose Plate	115.00	5.00
Online Giving	137.00	
Catholic Press		
Flowers		
Pastor Discretion	250.00	
Building	10.00	
Debt Reduction	125.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,147.00</b>	<b>\$350.00</b>

Debt Reduction	Loan Payment
Loan Total as of January 2021	\$52,081.02
Joy of the Gospel Rebates	10,050.40
Debt Reduction Envelopes	9,281.00
<b>Due Dec. 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$17,360.33</b>
<b>2021 Loan payment of \$17,360.33 has been reached!</b>	
<b>AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2022 PAYMENT</b>	<b>\$1,971.07</b>

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	\$2,022.00
<b>Shortage!!</b>	<b>\$17.84</b>

**Please pray for:** Eddie Lytle \* Jo Nease

Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson \* Lee Rine \* Tim Cary

Evelyn Birkel \* Paul Prellwitz \* Steve Graff

Duke Williams \* Patty McMurphy Barnts

Mikey Bray \* Joshua Black \* Jose Bonilla

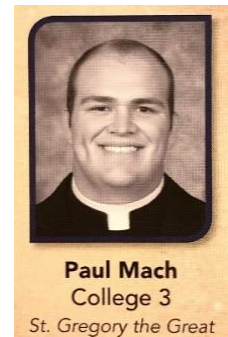
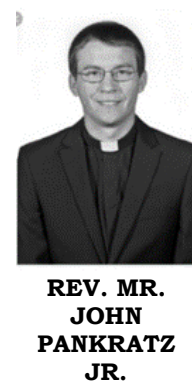
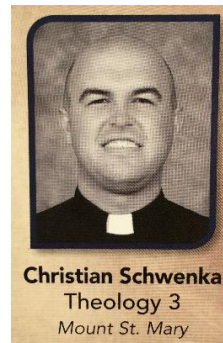
Mary Kay Bedlan \* Alejandra Ramos

Heather Cochran \* Isaac Robertson \* Wilma 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

Mass Intentions for May 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup>		
Monday	No Mass	NO Mass
Tuesday	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	5:15pm	All Souls Intention of Bernard Boerner
Thursday	9:00am	Special Intention
Friday	5:30pm	Eric Conrad+
Saturday	9:00am	Alexandria: Special Intention
	5:30pm	People of the Parishes
Sunday	8:00am	Special Intention
	10:00am	The United States of America
St. Michael's Minister's Schedule for May 8 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup>		
	5:30pm	8:00pm
Acolyte	Luis Ramos	Randy Prellwitz
Lector	Ronn Brackle	Randy Prellwitz
Server	Aldo Ramos	
Music	Mary Prellwitz	LeAnne Krause

## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



CHRISTIAN SCHWENKA is the son of Dean and Mary Schwenka of Holy Family Parish in Heartwell, NE.

### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:**

No matter what obstacles we encounter, we must not allow them to turn us aside from the joy of that heavenly feast. Anyone who is determined to reach his destination is not deterred by the roughness of the road that leads to it. Nor must we allow the charm of success to seduce us, or we shall be like a foolish traveler who is so distracted by the pleasant meadows through which he is passing that he forgets where he is going.

*-St Gregory the great, Pope*

**MOM CONTINUES TO DECLINE.** If you plan to come to daily Mass you may find that we are not having it. You might want to text or call first. Please pray for her & everyone on the prayer list.

**WE HAVE A RIDING LAWN MOWER FOR SALE.** Contact Fr. Birkel for more information.

**LOAN PAYMENT AMOUNT HAS BEEN REACHED** We have reached donations towards the loan payment of \$17,360.33 that is due December 31, 2021 and have \$1,971.07 towards our December 31, 2022 payment. Thank you everyone who has donated towards our debt reduction.

### **PCCW**

\* Dues for 2021 are now due. Envelopes are provided on the back table. Put your name and donation inside and put in collection basket.

\* Please save your PCCW booklets for 2020 as we will use them again for 2021.

\* Prices to purchase votive and altar candles have gone up. Votive candles will now be \$3.00 large and \$1.00 small.

**UNVEILED** Now offered in-person AND virtually via livestream! Discover how the great mystery of Christ's love can restore passion, purpose and intimacy in your marriage. This retreat is open to singles discerning marriage, dating and engaged couples, and couples who have been married for many years! The Newman Center – St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church is hosting this Unveiled retreat July 15-17, 2021. Learn more and register for this amazing experience at: [www.jprihealingcenter.org](http://www.jprihealingcenter.org).

**PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR UNBORN BABIES** Multinational Pro-Life Prayer Event Begins May 7<sup>th</sup>. "It is really simple to be a participant," said Patrick Benedict, director of the Saint Michael the Archangel Organization. "A person needs to pray at least one Rosary on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> for the following intention: For an end to the surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn human persons. "Though not necessary, it is hoped each participant will also register on our website or by mail. And, everyone is very much encouraged to let other people know about the ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES," added Benedict. The website [www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org](http://www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org) has information