



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

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

**1st Sunday of Advent**

**November 28, 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

**Knights of Columbus:** Randy Prellwitz

**CCD Coordinator:** Georgann Friedrichsen

**St. Mary's PCCW:** Deb Vanwesten

<b>Parish collection data: November 21, 2021</b>		
Adult	\$1442.00	\$385.00
Loose Plate	37.42	5.00
Online Giving	97.00	
Building Upkeep	40.00	50.00
Christmas Flower	15.00	
Pink Sisters	10.00	
Cemetery	6.00	
Debt Reduction	110.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,757.42</b>	<b>\$440.00</b>

## Debt Reduction

Loan Total as of January 2021

Joy of the Gospel Rebates

Debt Reduction Envelopes

**Due Dec. 31, 2021**

**2021 Loan payment of \$17,360.33 has been reached!**

**AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2022 PAYMENT**

## Loan Payment

\$52,081.02

\$10,050.40

\$11,616.00

**\$17,360.33**

**\$4,421.07**

## PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

It takes \$2,039.84 a week to run St. Michael's Parish.

Operation Cost per week

\$2,039.84

This Week's Collection

\$1,631.42

**Shortage**

**\$408.42**

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Jo Nease \* Mr & Mrs Wayne Severson Lee Rine  
 Tim Cary \* Steve Graff \* Mikey Bray \* Duke Williams  
 \* Patty McMurphy Barnts \* Wilma Bonilla \* Joshua  
 Black \* Jose Bonilla \* Mary Kay Bedlan \* Alejandra  
 Ramos \* Terry Harms \* Heather Cochran \* Isaac  
 Robertson \* Spencer Feldkamp \* Jim Diller  
 Suzanne Huber \* Jordyn Larmeu \* Jonah Moxley  
 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.

## **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:**

A dead thing can go with the  
 stream, but only a living  
 thing can go against it.

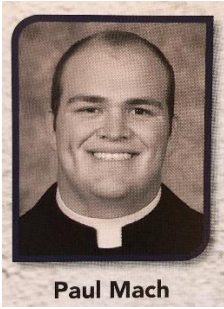
-GK Chesterton

## **Mass Intentions for Nov. 29th - Dec. 5th**

<b>Monday</b>	9:00am	Larry Hauschel+
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	Eric Conrad+
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	5:30pm	Special intention of G.G.
<b>Friday</b>	9:00am	Special Intention of Genevieve Cuba
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00am 5:30pm	Alexandria: Special Intention John Stenka
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am 10:00am	People of the Parishes Paul Prellwitz+
<b>St. Michael's Minister's Schedule for Dec 4/5</b>		
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Luis Ramos	Randy Prellwitz
<b>Lector</b>	Ronn Brackle	Randy Prellwitz
<b>Server</b>	Aldo Ramos	
<b>Music</b>	Mary Prellwitz	LeAnne Krause

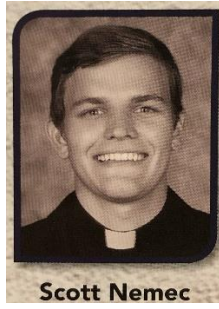
For months I have been offering a Mass for United States of America. If anyone would like to take up this cause you may put an envelope in the collection with a stipend "Suggested offering \$10".

## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach

**PAUL MACH**



Scott Nemeč

**SCOTT NEMEC**

**SCOTT JAMES NEMEC** is the son of Mark & Beth Nemeč of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Seward, NE & St. Wenceslaus Parish in Bee, NE. He is in his 3rd Year of Theology at Mount St. Mary Seminary.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** Mass on Sunday, December 12th at noon. **ADORATION** December 3rd starting at 9:30am. Sign up sheet in the back of church.

### **PCCW NEWS:**

\* **Christmas Bazaar** will be held December 4th in the St. Michael's gym. The bazaar will again include vendors, crafters, homemade cookie and candy and a raffle. Thank you to all who have made donations to the raffle items for 2021 bazaar.

\* **Sunday, December 5th** there will be soup and sandwiches following mass. Raffle Winners will also be announced.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING** has been scheduled for Saturday December 11th at 9:00am. Please come and enjoy getting the church ready for Christmas while enjoying in fellowship! We have some new trees that need to be put together and we have our other trees that will need to be carried from the school to the church. We will be adding another memorial tree so if you have a loved one that has joined our Heavenly Father please consider bringing a memorial ornament and hang on the tree. You may write or attach a tag with the name of your loved one. All

are welcome to come and help! Thank you, and if there are any questions please feel free to call Alece Panko (402)419-4691.

**FOOD DRIVE** The Knights are doing a Helping Hands food for families drive. There will be a shopping cart in the back of church where you can put your donations.

### **SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE CORNER**

**FAITH** – To believe something because you trust the person who told you.

**ADVENT IS STARTING** what is your plan check out **FORMED.ORG** a Catholic devotional website. It is free to sign up.

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE** Join an online Advent Retreat Series, Mondays at 7pm Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, and 20 - come one week or all four: "Learning to Trust in God" with Connie Rossini, free-will offering at [goodcounselretreat.org](http://goodcounselretreat.org).

**"GRIEF AND THE HOLIDAYS"** On December 6th at 7 pm. Open to anyone who has experienced a loss of a loved one, is suffering from infertility or miscarriage, or those who want to know how to better support a loved one experiencing grief. Go to <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/grief> for more information.

**THE ANNUAL MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS** will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 28th. Reading of names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. 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 Dec. 17th. If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.