



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 30, 2022

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: January 23, 2022 | | |
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| Adult | \$1,774.00 | \$525.00 |
| Loose Plate | 122.00 | |
| Online Giving | 97.00 | |
| Building | 5.00 | 25.00 |
| Catholic Press Cemetery Copier | | 1,500.00 |
| Debt Reduction | 5.00 | |
| Total | \$2,003.00 | \$2,050.00 |

Debt Reduction

Loan Total as of January 2022

Joy of the Gospel Rebates

Debt Reduction Envelopes

Due Dec. 31, 2022

AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2022 PAYMENT

Loan Payment

\$34,720.69

\$4,386.07

\$1,085.00

\$17,360.33

\$5,471.07

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 \$1,998.00

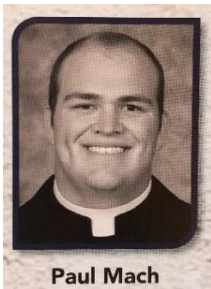
Shortage

\$41.84

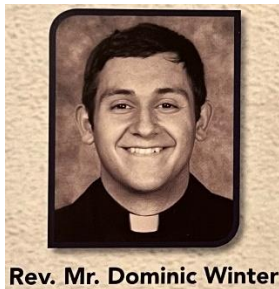
PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jo Nease * Mary Kay Bedlan * Derek Lempka
Jeanette Steele

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach



Rev. Mr. Dominic Winter

REV. MR. DOMINIC WINTER is the son of James & Cheryl Winter of St. Joseph & St. Mary's Parish in Lincoln, NE. He is in his 4th Year of Theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

Mass Intentions for Jan. 31st - Feb 6th

| Monday | No Mass | No Mass |
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| Tuesday | 9:00am | Special intention of G.G. |
| Wednesday | Noon | Jack & Jeanette Steele |
| Thursday | 9:00am | All Souls intention of James & Ellen VanWesten |
| Friday | 9:00am | Special Intention of Genevieve Cuba |
| Saturday | 9:00am 5:30pm | Alexandria: Special Intention The United States of America |
| Sunday | 8:00am 10:00am | All Souls Intention of Robert & Donna Milius People of the Parishes |

St. Michael's Minister's Schedule for Feb. 5/6

| | 5:30pm | 10:00am |
|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Acolyte | Bruce Busing | Randy Prellwitz |
| Lector | Ronn Brackle | Randy Prellwitz |
| Server | Aldo Ramos | |
| Music | Mary Prellwitz | LeAnne Krause |

ST MICHAEL'S has a chapel. We have daily Mass in this chapel. It is located under the church. It is accessed through doors on the west end of the church.

I SEND OUT MY HOMILIES

Daily via email. If you would like to receive them, please email me at frbirkl@hotmail.com

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

For those moving toward God,
The enemy is leading you into error ... but not in any way to make you fall into a sin that would separate you from God our Lord. He tries rather to upset you and to interfere with your service of God and your peace of mind.

CCD THERE will be no CCD February 1st and 2nd.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS Are in the back of church. If you do not see yours and need one contact the rectory at st.michael.fairbury@gmail.com.

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS every other Sunday (2/6, 2/20, 3/6, 3/20) at noon in Fairbury there will be a traditional Latin Mass. It will count for your Sunday.

What do you need to know to attend:

1. You don't have to say anything.
2. After the Sanctus you should kneel until it's time for communion.
3. a. Communion is to be given only on the tongue with the exception of medical reasons.
b. The Priest says the Amen for you.
c. You open your mouth and put out your tongue and the host will be placed upon it.
d. If it all possible you should receive kneeling.

GERMS are less likely to be spread when a Communicant receives on the tongue while kneeling. Lifesightnews.com.

ICY DAYS When there's ice, please try to use the sidewalks on the south side of the church. It's extremely difficult to melt the ice on the north side of the church since the sun never hits it.

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE CORNER

Saint Paul tells us to stir into flame the gift of faith that we have been given.

Great!!! How????

Well the most perfect prayer is the Mass. To paraphrase one of our Spiritual Directors in Philadelphia, If the only time we even come to the words of the Mass is during Mass, we will never fully love the Mass. We need to take the words of the Mass to our private prayer time so we can grow in love of them and at the same time, grow in love of the Mass.

PCCW NEWS

* Also, we are updating our PCCW booklet, we are asking for current emails and cell numbers. These will be for church use only. These will make notifying persons easier AND

MORE efficient. Please use the sheet on the back table for this updated information.

* Deanery meeting on January 27th at 10:00am with coffee and rolls at 9:30am. Meeting in St. Michael's center. All women from St. Michael's PCCW are invited and encouraged to attend. We are hosting women from Alexandria, Hebron, Wymore, and Beatrice. Hope to see you at the Fairbury Deanery meeting.

* Church dinner for parishioners on Saturday, January 29th after evening Mass. All parishioners are invited to come for meal and fellowship in the center. Nobody needs bring anything but themselves.

SAVE THE DATE for Sunday, March 20th! St. Gregory the Great Seminary is holding its Benefit Banquet to help support the seminarians and various projects at the Seminary. The "Table of St. Gregory" will begin at 5:00 p.m. with sung Vespers (Evening Prayer) with Bishop Conley presiding, followed by cocktails and Open House, and concluding with a plated dinner at 6:30 p.m. served by the seminarians. To make reservations or to find out more information, please call the Seminary at (402) 643-4052 or online at betterunite.com/tableofstgregory. We hope to see you there!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2022

As the cost of education increases annually, the Good Shepherd Scholarship Fund helps close the gap for families who want to choose Catholic education but may not otherwise be able to afford tuition. For decades, the Lincoln Diocese has tirelessly supported its Catholic schools, and we see the fruits of this investment the life of the Church, especially in the number of vocations to the priesthood and religious life that are fostered through Catholic education. Now, more than ever, we must work together to aid our schools in welcoming, educating and evangelizing all students for the future of the Church. If you prayerfully decide to join the hundreds of people across the diocese and beyond who support our Catholic schools and families through the Good Shepherd Scholarship Fund, there are forms in the back of the church.



Employment Opportunities: *ST. GREGORY THE GREAT SEMINARY*

St. Gregory the Great Seminary (SGGS), a fully accredited college located in Seward, NE, is seeking to hire two part-time, adjunct (non-tenure) faculty members. One will teach Spanish, the other will teach Biology. By the witness of their personal and professional lives, all SGGS faculty and staff members must assent to our mission; to form Catholic men as disciples of Jesus Christ and assist their discernment of a priestly vocation to serve God and His Church. Contact Fr. Brian Kane or Fr. Matthew Rolling at St. Gregory the Great Seminary (402-643-4052) for more details.