



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 24, 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

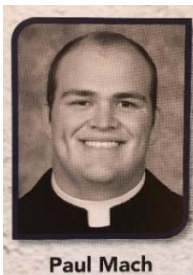
Parish collection data: July 17, 2022			Debt Reduction		Loan Payment
Adult	\$2,465.00	\$365.00	Loan Total as of January 2022		\$34,720.69
Loose Plate	61.00	25.00	Joy of the Gospel Rebates		\$4,386.07
Online Giving	57.00		Debt Reduction Envelopes		\$7,162.00
Cemetery		75.00	Due Dec. 31, 2022		\$17,360.33
Holy Day Building	105.00		AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2022 PAYMENT		\$11,548.07
Debt Reduction	100.00		PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
Total	\$2,788.00	\$465.00	It takes \$2,039.84 a week to run St. Michael's Parish.		
			Operation Cost per week		\$2,039.84
			This Week's Collection		\$2,688.00
			Overage		\$648.16

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jo Nease * Mary Kay Bedlan
Derek Lempka * Jeanette Steele
Helen Koll

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

SR. JOSEPHINE OF THE HEART OF JESUS from Hopkins, MN, SR. MARY MARTHA OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST from Redwood Falls, MN and SR. MARY OF JESUS CRUCIFIED from Kansas City, KS are all Jr. Professed Novices with the Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Religious Order.



PAUL MACH is the son of Keith & Mary Mach of St. Teresa Parish in Lincoln, NE but grew up here at St. Michael's Parish in Fairbury, NE. He is in his 1st Year of Theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia.

Mass Intentions for July 18 th 24 th		
Monday	9:00am	Special Intention
Tuesday	9:00am	Jim Williams+
Wednesday	Noon	Tad DeWispelare+
Thursday	9:00am	Larry Hauschel+
Friday	NO Mass	NO Mass
Saturday	9:00am 5:30pm	Alexandria: Special Intention Carmen Juarez+
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am Noon	People of the Parishes For Family Conversion Spanish: Special Intention
St. Michael's Minister's Schedule for July 30/31		
	5:30pm	10:00am
Acolyte	Ronn Brackle	Randy Prellwitz
Lector	Ronn Brackle	Randy Prellwitz
Server	Aldo Ramos	
Music	Mary Prellwitz	LeAnne Krause
St. Mary's Church Cleaning for August Rhonda Burkhart		

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 the word of God is a light to the mind and a fire to the will. ... For the soul it is a spiritual treasure of merits yielding an abundance of gold and precious stones. Against the hardness of a heart that persists in wrongdoing, it acts as a hammer. Against the world, the flesh and the devil it serves as a sword that destroys all sin.

St. Lawrence of Brindisi.

SUNDAY JULY 24TH is the celebration of the World Day of Grandparents and the elderly. Take some time to remember those special people in your life, with a phone call, card, or a visit. Make sure no one feels alone on this day.

GREAT SERIES ON TV "The Journey Home". Monday nights at 7:00pm on EWTN.

COLLECTION FOR ST. GIANNA'S HOME: The Knights of Columbus will be collecting bath soap, shampoos and moisturizers. These are the small items you get when staying in hotel/motels as you travel throughout the summer. Where possible ask front desk or housekeeping for extra explaining who they are for. A collection box will be placed in the church August 6/7. Thank you for your help.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE Sept. 23--25 in Kearney. Call to ensure a place. Contact Gary & Brenda Granger 303-604-6202.

Spiritual Guidance Corner

"When we come into church from the outside our ears are filled with the racket of the city, the words of those who have accompanied us, the laboring and quarreling of our own thoughts, the disquiet of our hearts' wishes and worries, hurts and joys. How are we possibly to hear what God is saying? That we listen at all is something; not everyone does. It is even better when we pay attention and make a real effort to understand what is being said. But all this is not yet the attentive stillness in which God's word can take root. This must be established before the service begins, if possible in the silence on the way to church, still better in a brief period of composure the evening before."

—Msgr. Romano Guardini, p. 17