



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 22, 2023

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, and Mary Prellwitz.

Trustees: Chris Goeking and Randy Prellwitz

St. Michael's PCCW: Mary Prellwitz

St. Mary's PCCW: Deb Vanwesten

Knights of Columbus: Randy Prellwitz

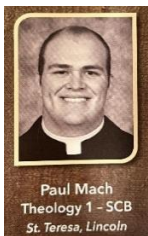
CCD Coordinator: Georgann Friedrichsen

Parish collection data: Jan 15, 2023			Debt Reduction		Loan Payment	
Adult	\$1,253.62	\$520.00	Loan Total as of Today		\$17,360.36	
Loose Plate	181.00		AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT		\$3,485.39	
Online Giving	115.00		Due Dec. 31, 2023			
Holy Day Building	5.00		AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT		\$17,360.36	
Register			To be collected throughout the year		-\$3,485.39	
Cemetery	\$40.00	25.00			\$13,874.97	
Debt Reduction	100.00		PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION			
Total	\$1,475.62	\$545.00	Operation Cost per week		\$2,039.84	
			This Week's Collection		\$1,568.58	
					Shortage \$564.22	

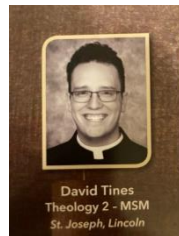
PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jo Nease * Mary Kay Bedlan * Jeanette Steele * Helen Koll * Joe Hynek * Colleen Fyfe * Hillary Christ

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Paul Mach
Theology 1 - SCB
St. Teresa, Lincoln



David Tines
Theology 2 - MSM
St. Joseph, Lincoln

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 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia.

MATTHEW DAVIS is the son of Joachim & Vicki Davis. He is in his second year at Our Lady of Guadalupe seminary in Denton.

David Tines is the son of Patrick & Mary Tines of the Cathedral. He is in his 2nd year of theology at Mount St Mary's seminary in Maryland

Mass Intentions for Jan. 23rd - 29th

Day	Time	Intention
Monday	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	9:00am	Brad Birkel+
Wednesday	Noon	Special intention
Thursday	9:00am	All Souls Intention of Kathleen Selig
Friday	5:30pm	Msgr Vap+
Saturday	9:00am	Special Intention
	5:30pm	Special Intention
Sunday	8:00am	All Souls of Robert & Donna Milius
	10:00am	People of the Parishes
	Noon	Noon: No Mass

St. Michael's Minister's Schedule for Jan 21/22

	5:30pm	10:00am
Acolyte	Ronn Brackle	Randy Prellwitz
Lector	Ronn Brackle	Randy Prellwitz
Music	Mary Prellwitz	LeAnne Krause

St. Mary's Church Cleaning for January Donna Rut

ST MICHAEL'S has a daily Mass chapel. 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 frbirkel@hotmail.com

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Life begins at conception. Anyone who tells you it is OK to murder a baby is from the devil. Monsignor Bill Smith

THE UNITED STATES BISHOPS have designated this year & next as a time to increase our devotion to Our Blessed Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. If you have a suggestion, you are invited to give it to me, provided you sign it. You may put it in the collection basket but I only read those things which are signed.

CONGRATULATIONS to NICKALIN ILEEN EVANS, Daughter of Ryan & Amy Engle-Evans, who was baptized last Sunday after Mass.

Spiritual Corner

Work on your lists of people for whom you will pray. One for those living & one for those deceased.

PCCW BOOKLETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.

KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS Next Sunday January 22nd, the Knights are putting on a Free Throw Contest at the Fairbury High School 89 gym. It is for 9 through 14 year old boys and girls. Registration will start at 1pm. Need to bring copy of birth certificate that can be left with the registration form.

ON JANUARY 28TH & 29TH the Knights will be leading the Rosary before the weekend Masses for 5th Sunday Rosary.

KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS will hand out the envelopes this weekend and people can bring them back next week and put them in the collection basket. This money goes to the Nebraska Culture of Life Foundation to support Pro Life organizations and events throughout the state of Nebraska.

IT'S TIME TO WALK FOR LIFE! Join thousands of Nebraskans for the annual Pro-Life Mass and the Nebraska Walk for Life on January 28th. The Pro-Life Mass will be held at St. Mary's in downtown Lincoln at 9:00 AM, to be celebrated by Archbishop Lucas. Immediately following, the Nebraska Walk for Life begins at 10:00AM at the North Capitol steps. Bring friends, signs, and your voice to advocate for a culture of life in a Post-Roe Nebraska!

3 DAY IGNATIAN RETREAT

OPPORTUNITY God speaks to you in the silence. Are you ready for some quiet time away after the holidays? Steep yourself in the sacred space of the Creighton University Retreat Center, just one hour east of Omaha, to be still and open yourself up to the graces God has for you. You will meet with an Ignatian-trained spiritual director daily to reflect on what's stirring in your heart. Opportunity for mass daily and confession. Retreat cost including room and meals is \$350. Choose one of the 4 opportunities to attend. February 23-26, 2023, April 13-16, 2023, May 4-7, 2023. Register at Creighton.edu/curc

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE

Waverley has several retreats to help foster your relationship with God. Join us Women's Spiritual Exercises" retreat, "Unbound: Freedom in Christ" with Fr. William Holoubek on Feb. 3-5, and the "Winter Symposium" with the LDCCW on Feb. 10-11. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

BECOMING-ONE IN HEART AND LOVE TOGETHER THROUGH OUR COUPLE-COMMUNICATION.

Marriage Encounter Experience, Feb. 10-12 in Lincoln. Call Gary & Brenda Granger (303)604-6202.

JOIN YOUR SPIRIT CATHOLIC RADIO family for a wonderful evening of faith and friendship! Our 2023 Spirit Celebration Dinner will be held Saturday evening, **February 4, 2023** at the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs, IA! This year, our special guest speaker, **Jeff Cavins**, will present on *Life of a Disciple – Taking your Faith to the Next Level*. Reserve your seat by January 20, 2023 for \$50. For more details and ticket purchasing, visit spiritcatholicradio.com/dinner