



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 16, 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: Trustees: Bob VanWesten and Bob Bachle

St. Michael's Parish Council, LeAnn Krause, and Mary Prellwitz. Georgann Friedrichsen, Daryl Banahan, Gina Gifford

Trustees: Chris Goeking and Randy Prellwitz

Knights of Columbus: Randy Prellwitz

St. Michael's PCCW: Mary Prellwitz

CCD Coordinator: Georgann Friedrichsen

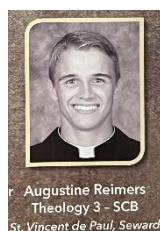
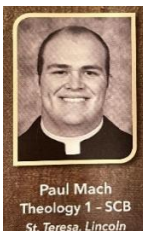
St. Mary's PCCW: Deb Vanwesten

Parish collection data: April 9, 2023			Debt Reduction		Loan Payment	
Adult	\$3,130.00	\$435.00	Loan Total as of Today		\$17,360.36	
Loose Plate	312.00	45.00	AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT		\$5,105.39	
Online Giving	115.00		Due Dec. 31, 2023			
Children Building			AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT		\$17,360.36	
Cemetery	10.00	175.00	To be collected throughout the year		-\$5,105.39	
Flowers					\$12,254.97	
Debt Reduction	170.00					
Total	\$3,737.00	\$655.00	PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION			
			Operation Cost per week		\$2,039.84	
			This Week's Collection		\$3,557.00	
					Overage \$1,517.16	

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



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.

AUGUSTINE XAVIER REIMERS is the son of Jeff & Patricia Reimers of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Seward, NE. He is in his 3rd year of Theology at St. Charles Borromeo seminary.

Mass Intentions for April 17th - 23rd		
Monday	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	5:30pm	Special Intention
Wednesday	Noon	Special Intention
Thursday	9:00am	Special Intention
Friday	5:30pm	Special Intention
Saturday	9:00am 5:30pm	Special Intention Sheila Higgins+
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am No Noon	Bernadette Rehbein+ People of the Parishes No Noon Mass
St. Michael's Minister's Schedule for April 22/23		
	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 April		
Donna Milius		

ST MICHAEL'S has a daily Mass chapel. It is accessed through doors on the west end of the church.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and makes us persevere in a good life. Therefore, the servant of God ought always to be in good spirits."

–St. Philip Neri

AS AN ACT OF REVERENCE AND ADORATION

for our Lord, in the most blessed sacrament, when coming up to Communion, the Bishops recommend: genuflect before you receive. If you aren't able to genuflect, then you may bow, or make the sign of the Cross. Of course, if you receive kneeling, it is not necessary to do either.

TO HELP WITH THE ABOVE, we have placed two prie Dieus in the aisle of St Michael's.

CCD April 19th PCCW will be hosting a dinner for the 1st Communicants and families. Everyone is invited. Meal at 5:30pm – 6:00pm in the Center.

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH COUNCIL

Sunday April 23rd in the Center at about 11:15.

ST. MARY'S TREE REMOVAL The tree in Alexandria was split down near the base. That is the only reason we had it removed.

ST. ANNE'S in Hebron is having their annual Chicken Pie dinner Sunday, April 16th from 11:00am-1:00pm at the Sacred Heart fellowship hall, 4th & Eads Ave.

DATE NIGHT MAKE TIME FOR YOUR VOCATION!

The Family Life & Discipleship Office invites you to a date night out on April 18th, 2023, 6-

9 pm at UNL Newman Center Rosary Hall. \$45 for dinner/drinks/apps for two or come for free to the talk and go out to eat on your own (will also be streamed). Info at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/datenightapr>. Limited free babysitting available!

SPIRIT CATHOLIC RADIO IS 102.7 FM. PLEASE TUNE IN.

DIOCESAN JOB OPPORTUNITY Join our reporting team at the Southern Nebraska Register, the weekly newspaper of the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln. We have an opening for a part-time reporter. Approximately 22 hours per week. You can be based anywhere within the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln geographical boundaries. See the full job at lincolndiocese.org/diocese/employment. If interested, send a cover letter, resume, a completed diocesan application and writing samples to Marsha-Bartek@lincolndiocese.org or Marsha Bartek, Director of Human Resources, Catholic Diocese of Lincoln, 3400 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68506.

LOOKING TO MAKE A RETREAT THIS SPRING?

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly has several retreats for you these next few months. Join us for our 4-Day or 8-Day "Ignatian Directed Retreat" April 21-24, 24-27 or 21-27 with Fr. Barak or Fr. Coulter, "True Devotion to Mary" Retreat with Msgr. Daniel Seiker on April 21-23, and our women's 24-hour retreat "God's Beautiful Beloved" with Sr. Anne Marie Walsh, SOLT on May 12-13. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.