

***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 / St. Mary's**

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***St. Michael's*** PO Box 406, Fairbury, NE 68352

***St. Mary's*** 5th & Amanda Streets, Alexandria, NE

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

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| 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time **September 24, 2023** |
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***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:** Ritchie Burkhart *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

**St. Michael’s PCCW:** Vickie Banahan  **CCD Coordinator:** Georgann Friedrichsen

**St. Mary’s PCCW:** Deb Vanwesten **Knights of Columbus:** Randy Prellwitz

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| ***Parish collection data: September 17, 2023*** | | | ***Debt Reduction***  *Loan Total as of Today*  ***AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT***  ***Due Dec. 31, 2023***  ***AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT***  ***To be collected throughout the year*** | | ***Loan Payment***  *$17,360.36*  ***$10,400.39*** | |
| Adult  Loose Plate  Online Giving | $941.00  215.07  115.00 | $550.00  115.00 |
| Children  Building  Cemetery  Holy Day  Mission Coop | 15.00  35.00 | 30.00 | **$***17,360.36*  ***-$10,400.39***  ***$6,932.97*** | |
| Debt Reduction | 100.00 |  | ***PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION*** | | | |
| Total | $1,451.07 | $695.00 | Operation Cost per week | | $2,039.84 | |
|  |  |  | This Week’s Collection | | $1,316.07 | |
| **Shortage** | | **$723.77** |

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| **Mass Intentions for Sept. 25th – Oct. 1st** | | |
| **Monday** | No Mass | No Mass |
| **Tuesday** | 9:00am | Fr. Paul Quinter |
| **Wednesday** | Noon | Maureen Neville+ |
| **Thursday** | 9:00am  Cedarwood | Special Intention |
| **Friday** | 5:30pm | Special Intention of Genie Cuba |
| **Saturday** | 9:00am  5:30pm | Alexandria: Special Intention  Leonard Stoltzer |
| **Sunday** | 8:00am  10:00am  Noon | For the people of the parishes  Special Intention of G.G.  Spanish Noon Mass |
| **St. Mary’s Church Cleaning for September**  **Peggy Niederklein** | | |

**St Michael’s** has a daily Mass chapel. It is accessed through doors on the west end of the church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Send requests to

[St.michael.fairbury@gmail.com](mailto:St.michael.fairbury@gmail.com)

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

May we never risk the life of our souls by being resentful or by bearing grudges.

-*Saint Gregory of Nyssa, bishop*

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| ***PRAY FOR VOCATIONS*** |
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| **PAUL MACH** is the son of Keith & Mary Mach of St. Teresa Parish in Lincoln, NE. He is in second Theology at St Charles Borromeo seminary in Philadelphia.  **MATTHEW DAVIS** is the son of Joachim & Vicki Davis. He is in his third year (of 7) at Our Lady of Guadalupe seminary in Denton.  **THOMAS MATYA** is the son of John & Lisa Matya of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Omaha.  **MAX SUMMA** is the son of John & Cathy Summa of St. Vincent DePaul in Seward, NE. He is in the Propaedeutic Stage at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.  **SR. MARY CHIARA** of Gretna, NE who is in her 1st Vows with the School Sisters of Christ the King of the Diocese of Lincoln. |

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for year end 2022-2023** Can be found in the back of the church or online at <https://stmichaelsfairbury.org/bulletin/>.

**Please join us** for Thursday Mass at Cedarwood 9:00am.

**CCD** No CCD Wednesday September 27, 2023. Welcome to Kelli Kokoruda as our new 3-4th grade teacher. Thank you so much for joining our team.



**PCCW** will be conducting a Diaper Drive during the month of October. A bassinet will be located in the back of church for your donation. Sizes 5 and 6 are in the greatest demand. Monetary donations are also accepted. Put your donation in an envelope marked “Diaper Drive” in the Saturday or Sunday collection. Thank you.

**Join the Bishops of Nebraska at the Pro-Life Banquet and Conference** on Oct. 6th and 7th. Visit necatholic.org to register by October 1st before it’s too late!

**RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE** Tuesday, October 10th from 11:30am – 5:15pm at the Fairbury Elks Lodge – 525 G St. For appointment call 402-300-1767.

**Opportunity Scholarships Empower Parents and Students:** See www.lincolndiocese.org/opportunity for more details.

**"Come away to a quiet place and rest awhile"** Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly upcoming retreat. "Rekindling Eucharistic Amazement" with Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM on Sept. 30-Oct. 1. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

**Relic of St. Jude** (the Apostle of the Impossible) will be touring the U.S. and making four stops in Nebraska. This is an amazing opportunity for healing as the arm of St. Jude, patron saint of impossible causes, travels through the U.S. from its original place of dwelling in Italy. For more information visit spiritcatholicradio.com/jude

**Sept. 27** – St. Michael Catholic Church, Lincoln – Veneration 4pm to 10pm – Mass at 6pm

**Sept. 28** – St. John Vianney Catholic Church, Omaha – Veneration 1pm to 10pm – Mass at 6pm

**Sept. 29** – St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, Omaha – Veneration 1pm to 10pm – Mass at 6pm

**Sept. 30** – St. Patrick Catholic Church, Fremont – Veneration 1pm to 10pm – Mass at 12pm, Noon