



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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CONFESION SCHEDULE: Saturday 4:45 PM to 5:15 PM

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time **October 15, 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: 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

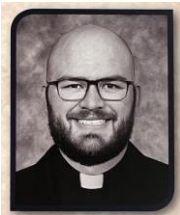
St. Mary's PCCW: Deb Vanwesten

CCD Coordinator: Georgann Friedrichsen

Knights of Columbus: Randy Prellwitz

Parish collection data: October 8, 2023			Debt Reduction		Loan Payment
Adult	\$1,575	\$200	Loan Total as of Today		\$17,360.36
Loose Plate	132	10	AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT		\$10,585.39
Online Giving	115.00		Due Dec. 31, 2023		
Children	14.09		AMOUNT TOWARDS DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENT		\$17,360.36
Building			To be collected throughout the year		-\$10,585.39
Cemetery		50			\$6,777.97
Holy Day					
Mission Coop					
Debt Reduction					
Total	\$1,836.09	\$285.00			
			PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
			Operation Cost per week	\$2,039.84	
			This Week's Collection	\$1836.09	
			Shortage		\$203.75

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



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.

JOSEPH HEIMBRECHT is the son of Kurt & Mary Heimbrecht of St. John in Lincoln, NE. He is in the Propaedeutic Stage at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

HANNAH TICHY of Laurie, MO who is a Postulant with the School Sisters of Christ the King of the Diocese of Lincoln.

Mass Intentions for Oct. 16th – 22nd

Monday	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	9:00am 5:30pm	No Mass Special Intention of Genie Cuba
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am Noon	For the people of the parishes Fr. Birkel Spanish Next Mass Oct. 29th
Acolyte Oct 7th & 21st Bruce Busing		
St. Mary's Church Cleaning for October Deb VanWesten		

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
LINDA LOWE

Send requests to
St.michael.fairbury@gmail.com

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Train yourself for the life of piety, for while, physical training is to some extent valuable, the discipline of religion is incalculably more so, with its promise of life here, and here after. You can depend on this as worthy of complete acceptance.

1 Timothy, 4

IT WAS BROUGHT THROUGH THE PARISH COUNCIL to have Saturday Mass at 4:PM. The council & Trustees all agreed we should try it. So, I have decided that starting Saturday November 4th, 2023 the Saturday evening Mass will be at 4:00PM. Confessions 3:15-3:45.

ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CCD

STUDENTS, families and teachers we sincerely thank the PCCW for the delicious supper meal they had for us on Wednesday. May God Bless You!

There will be no CCD November 1, 2023
Next PCCW meal will be November 8, 2023
FATHER WILL BE gone October 16th-25th
Emergencies call: Hebron 402-768-6293;
Wymore 402-641-0116; Beatrice 402-223-2923.

and Shelli will be gone from the 9th -22nd. If you have something that needs to be published you can email the office at st.michael.fairbury@gmail.com and we will be able to send out an email to at least everyone on the email list.

FOR OUR DISCERNMENT, it is important to note that Satan exploits our wounds.

If we struggle with depression, he will do everything he can to exaggerate our depressions, including filling the person's mind with depressing thoughts, hopelessness, despair and even suicidality. If fear is our weakness, he will exaggerate our fears and tempt us to be terrified of him and not trust in God. If we have been abused in childhood, the Evil One will fill our minds with feelings of worthlessness, self-hatred, and isolation. Satan uses peoples' wounds as portals to enter and torture their lives.

PLEASE JOIN US for Thursday Mass at Cedarwood 9:00am. Starting in November, Tuesdays & Thursdays Mass at 9:00AM at Cedarwood.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

1. The Knights are selling boxes of Tootsie Rolls (50 in a box) again this year for \$10.00 a box. It is a great Halloween

treat to give and helps People with intellectual disabilities in our state. Contact Randy Prellwitz @ 402-300-0076 or catch me at church. Also our church tootsie roll drive will be the weekend of October 14th and 15th.

3. **Keep Christ in Christmas (KCIC)**: The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cards, car magnets, and Christmas seals during October and November. The cards are \$10.00 for a box of 12 cards all the same design, car magnets are \$5.00 each, and sheet of 50 Christmas seal for \$1.00 each. 100% of the profits are given to seminarian Paul Mach. This is part of the K of C's program for seminarian support. For each \$500.00 given, the Supreme Council returns \$100.00 to local councils for use in support of religious programs. The funds given are to help with personal expenses like hygiene products or pizza night. The honor system will be used again, with envelopes available for payment. Please place in collection plate.

PCCW will be conducting a Diaper Drive during the month of October. A bassinet will be 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.

THE 2023 NEBRASKA MEN'S ROSARY MARCH will be held at 11:00am, on October 14th, in Lincoln at the Lincoln Newman Center. Men of all ages will pray the rosary as they march through downtown Lincoln to the state Capitol, where they will rally for speeches, fellowship, and food! Please bring any holy items, and your rosary.

"NEEDING TO FALL IN LOVE WITH OUR LORD AGAIN?" "Holiness for Mom's" Day of Reflection with Fr. Christian Shwenka on Oct. 21. Register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.