



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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CONFESSIO SCHEDULE: Saturday 3:15 PM to 3:45 PM

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2024

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: Jan. 14, 2024		
Adult	\$950.00	
Loose Plate	55.00	
Online Giving	115.00	
Children		
Holy Day		
Catholic Press	10.00	
Debt Reduction	100.00	
Total	\$1,120.00	
PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
Operation Cost per week	\$2,039.84	
This Week's Collection	\$1,120.00	
Understandable Shortage		\$919.84

Mass Intentions for Jan 15 th - 21 st		
Monday	<i>No Mass</i>	No Mass
Tuesday	9:00am	All Souls Intention for Kathleen Selig
Wednesday	Noon	Frank & Leona Gaydusek+
Thursday	9:00am	Chuck Hubka
Friday	9:00am	Fr. Birkel
Saturday	4:00pm	Gayle Andres
Sunday	8:00am	All Souls Intention of Mark Hergott
	10:00am	The People of the parishes
	<i>Noon</i>	Missa Espanol
St. Mary's Church Cleaning for January Donna Rut		

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“Do to no one what you yourself dislike. Give to the hungry some of your bread, and to the naked some of your clothing. Seek counsel from every wise man. At all times bless the Lord God, and ask him to make all your paths straight and to grant success to all your endeavors and plans.”

-Tobit

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.

THOMAS RAJEWSKI is the son of John & Patricia Rajewski of Sacred Heart Parish in Lincoln, NE. He is in Pre-Theology 2 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

SR. MARIA JOSEPH HANG BUI of Lincoln, NE is a Jr. Professed Sister with the Sisters of Mary, Queen of Mercy.

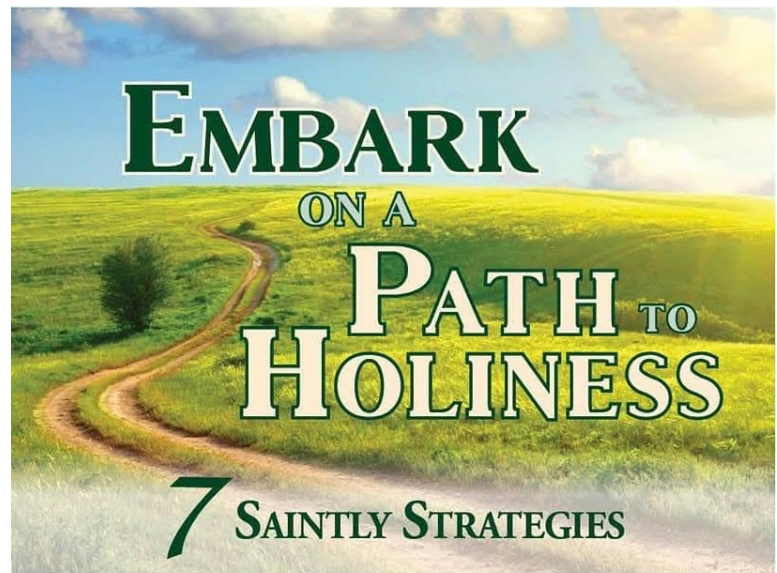
THE RESCUE PROJECT is a compelling nine part video study by Fr John Riccardo that dives into why Jesus' entrance into humanity was so earth-shattering but necessary. All are welcome to join us in the St Michael's parish center, Saturday evenings 6:00pm from January 20 through March 16.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK Feb. 7-14 and Feb. 11, 2024.
foryourmarriage.org/celebrate-national-marriage-week

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER February 9-11 in Lincoln, NE. For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839. For more information, please visit www.wwme.org.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE upcoming retreat: "Freedom in Christ" on February 2-4. Register at www.goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

SPIRIT CATHOLIC RADIO'S 2024 Spirit "Silver" Celebration Dinner will be held Saturday evening, **February 24, 2024** at the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs, IA! This year, our special keynote speaker will be **Dr. Ray Guarendi**. He is the host of ["The Dr. Is In"](#) that can be heard weekdays at Noon on Spirit Catholic Radio and he is a frequent guest on our **Spirit Mornings** show. **General Admission is only \$50 per seat.** Please make your reservation by February 16, 2024. To



- 1. STOP COMPLAINING AND GOSSIPING.**
"If you judge people, you have no time to love them." *St. Theresa of Calcutta*
- 2. START PRAYING MORE INTENTIONALLY.**
"Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you." *St. Augustine*
- 3. FOCUS ON OTHERS, IN SMALL WAYS.**
"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." *St. Teresa of Calcutta*
- 4. CONFESS YOUR MORTAL AND VENIAL SINS FREQUENTLY.** "Strive always to confess your sins with a deep knowledge of your own wretchedness and with clarity and purity." *St. John of the Cross*
- 5. STUDY THE HOLY MASS.** "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy." *St. Jean Marie Vianney*
- 6. ASSIST AT HOLY MASS.** "It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do without Holy Mass." *St. Pio of Pietrelcina*
- 7. LEARN AND LIVE THE TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH.** "To save our souls we must live according to the maxims of the Gospel, and not according to those of the world." *St. Alphonsus de Liguori*

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purchase tickets or to get more info visit spiritcatholicradio.com/dinner