



St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 14, 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: April 7, 2024		
Adult	\$1,505.00	\$505.00
Loose Plate	99.00	24.00
Online Giving	125.00	
Children	47.65	
Holy Land		
Cemetery		
Flowers		
Debt Reduction	5.00	
Total	\$1,781.65	\$529.00
PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
Operation Cost per week		\$2,039.84
This Week's Collection	\$1,781.65	
Shortage		\$258.19

Mass Intentions for April 15 th - 21 st		
Monday	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	9:00am	Cedarwood: McCloud Family
Wednesday	Noon	Ben Burke
Thursday	9:00am	Cedarwood: For the liberation of those in most need of prayers in purgatory
Friday	9:00am	Living & Deceased Members of the Cold Family
Saturday	4:00pm	Special Intention of S.H.
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am <i>Noon</i>	Travis Bartek+ The People of the parishes Missa Español
St. Mary's Church Cleaning for April Donna Milius		

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Cordelia Mumm * Jo Nease

THE 2ND K OF C ANNUAL PRIEST APPRECIATION DINNER will be held Friday, April 12th at the Superior Country Club. Address is 400 NE-14 Superior, NE. Dinner will be at 6:30pm. Guest Speaker is Fr Bernie Kimminau. Everyone is welcome. Please RSVP to Roger Retzlaff call or text 402-200-0111 or email at roger_retzlaff@yahoo.com. Dress is casual.



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.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK
The law of the Lord is perfect,

It revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
It gives wisdom to the simple. -Psalm 19B

PCCW WILL MEET Monday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. - Rosary at 6:30 p.m. - All women are invited to attend

THE PCCW WILL BE HONORING THE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES on May 5th after Mass. If you are a Junior Parent and would like to help, please let Vickie Banahan know as soon as possible to help with planning - 402-314-8614.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, ODELL, is having a pork chop dinner on Sunday, April 28, 2024, from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Serving pork chop, baked potato, green beans, roll, dessert and drink. \$12 for adult, children 6-12 \$7. Basement is handicapped accessible.

Come to St. Robert Bellarmine in Omaha on April 26 and 27, 2024 to hear friends from EWTN and Catholic Answers speak on THE EUCHARIST: The Source and Summit of our Faith. Jack Williams, General Manager of EWTN Radio, will serve as our emcee as we explore the Eucharist. The symposium will be held from 7 - 9:30 pm Friday, April 26, and 9 am - 4:30 pm Saturday, April 27. Tickets are \$25 each. For more info and to purchase tickets, go to spiritcatholicradio.com/April

DIOCESAN NEWS

Clergy Appointments 2024

Appointments are effective June 17, 2024

Deans

Rev. Steven Major is appointed Dean of the Fairbury Deanery. He retains all other assignments.

Rev. John Sullivan is appointed Dean of the York Deanery. He retains all other assignments.

Pastors

Rev. Anthony Bedient is appointed pastor of St. Mary Church in Dawson and St. Anne Church in Shubert, and teacher at Sacred Heart High School in Falls City. He is released from his appointment as advocate on the Diocesan Tribunal.

Rev. Kenneth Borowiak is appointed pastor of St. Joseph Church in Friend.

Rev. Luke Fleck is appointed pastor of St. Joseph Church in Colon, and St. Mary Church in Cedar Bluff; and teacher at Bishop Neumann High School in Wahoo. He retains his appointment as co-chaplain for the Legion of Mary. He is released from his appointment as advocate on the Diocesan Tribunal.

Rev. Justin Fulton is appointed pastor of St. Michael Church in Fairbury, and St. Mary Church in Alexandria.

Rev. T. Cole Kennett is appointed pastor of St. Michael Church in Lincoln.

Rev. Allan Phan is appointed pastor of St. Vincent Ferrer Church in Osceola and St. Mary Church in Pilzno. He retains his appointment as advocate on the Diocesan Tribunal.

Parochial Vicars

Rev. Prageeth Chamara, a priest on loan to the Diocese of Lincoln from the Archdiocese of Colombo, Sri Lanka, is appointed parochial vicar of St. Michael Church, and teacher at St. Cecilia's High School in Hastings.

Rev. Robert Froeschl is appointed parochial vicar of St. Patrick Church in McCook and teacher at St. Patrick School. He retains all other assignments.

Rev. Liam O'Shea-Creal is appointed parochial vicar of North American Martyrs Church in Lincoln, and teacher at Pius X High School. He retains his appointment as advocate on the Diocesan Tribunal.

Rev. Mark Pfeiffer is appointed senior parochial vicar of Church of the Holy Spirit in Plattsmouth.

Special Appointments

Rev. Thomas Au is appointed to Nursing Home and Hospital Ministry in the Lincoln Deaneries. He is to take up his residence at Kucera Hall.

Rev. Kenneth Hoelsing is appointed to Hispanic Ministry in the Hastings Deanery. He is to take up his residence at St. Joseph Church in Harvard.

Very Rev. Brian Kane is appointed as Director for Ongoing Formation of Junior Clergy. He retains all other assignments.

Rev. Matthew Kovar is appointed priest in residence at North American Martyrs Church in Lincoln. He retains his present assignments of teacher at Pius X High School, advocate on the Diocesan Tribunal, and studies in Educational Administration.

Rev. James Morin is appointed Vice Chancellor of the Diocese of Lincoln. He retains all other assignments.

Rev. Daniel Rayer is released from his present assignment as Vice Chancellor of the Diocese of Lincoln. He retains all other assignments. He is to take up his residence at Kucera Hall.

Rev. John Rooney is appointed Spiritual Director of St. Gregory the Great Seminary. He retains his positions as Assistant Professor and Director of Technology at the seminary, and is released from all other assignments.

Rev. Christian Schwenka is appointed to continue his studies in educational administration at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kan. He is released from his appointment as advocate on the Diocesan Tribunal.

Rev. Leo Seiker is appointed priest in residence at St. Patrick Church in Lincoln, and to Nursing Home ministry in the Lincoln Deaneries.

Retire/Sabbatical

Very Rev. John Birkel, V.F., is appointed as a supply priest and granted a three (3) month sabbatical. He is released from all other assignments.

Rev. David Bourek is granted retirement and is released from all assignments.

Very Rev. M. James Divis, V.F. is granted retirement and is released from all assignments.

Rev. Lee Jirovsky is granted a six (6) month sabbatical. He is released from all assignments.