

# St. Michael's Catholic Church of Fairbury & St. Mary's Catholic Church of Alexandria

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August 24th & 25th, 2024

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

*To whom shall we go? You have the words of Eternal Life...*

**Welcome Visitors and Parishioners!** *Thank you for worshipping Jesus Christ with us. YOU ARE WELCOME HERE. To register as a new member or to update your information, call or email our Office Administrative Assistance, Shelli Hubka, whose contact details are listed above. May God bless and keep you!*

## **Mass Times and Intentions:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8/26:</b>	9AM	Mildred Zach Funeral, (St. Mike's)	<b>Mildred Zach+</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8/27:</b>	9AM	Cedarwood	<b>Eugene Charles Clemens, Jr.+</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8/28:</b>	5:15PM	St. Mike's Church	<b>Jeannette Steele+(Exposition after, Benediction at 8pm)</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8/29:</b>	8:15AM	St. Mike Basement	<b>Jeff &amp; Shelli Hubka</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8/30:</b>	NO MASS		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8/31:</b>	4PM	St. Michael's	<b>Special Intention of G.G.</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9/1:</b>	8AM	St. Mary's	<b>For Our Parishioners</b>
		10AM	St. Michael's	<b>Fr. Justin Fulton</b>
		12PM	Spanish Mass	<b>Frank Gaydusek+</b>

***CCD begins September 4<sup>th</sup>*** We will meet Wednesdays from 6pm-7:15pm. Please pick up a registration form in the back of the church. Please support & thank our teachers: Georgann Friedrichsen, Dave & Aleece Panko, Kelli Kokoruda, Dave Schwarz, & Fr. Fulton. Thank you for passing on your Catholic faith to your children!

***Holy Communion for the Homebound*** If you know of any parishioner who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please email Fr. Fulton. He brings Holy Communion and visits our homebound parishioners regularly. Thanks!

***Mission Appeal Priest Fr. Russel Raj*** from India will be here 9/6-9/8. He will have the Masses that weekend as he shares about life in India. Envelopes are placed in the back of the churches if you would like to help him out. Any mission outreach envelopes collected during the month of September will go to Fr. Russel's work in India. God bless!

***Please pray for the soul of Mildred Zach***, whose funeral Mass will be Monday at St. Michael's. May she rest in peace. +

***Sign up for Parish Directory Photos Now @ [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com)*** User name: 'ne255' Password: 'photos' Appointments are available 10/28, 10/29, 11/1, 11/2 for both parishes. You do need to set up an appointment online. Photos will be taken at The Center in Fairbury. You get a free directory & free 8x10 simply by getting your photos taken. Please sign up!

\*Bulletin submissions are due by 9AM Wednesday to Shelli. Check our Facebook page regularly for announcements as well.\*

**Sacramental Life: Our Lord Jesus Christ Living in Us**

**Baptism:** Contact the parish for a prep meeting and to schedule this entrance into the Life of Jesus Christ.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3-3:45PM at St. Michael's, Sunday 7:30-7:50AM at St. Mary's. Anytime by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please contact the parish if you are severely ill or are undergoing a major procedure. If you know of any person, Catholic or not, who is in danger of death and may want the Anointing, do not hesitate to contact the parish.

**Holy Matrimony:** Contact the parish at least six months prior to the planned wedding date to participate in marriage formation classes.

**Religious Education/CCD Coordinator:** Contact Georgann Friedrichsen at 402-300-0937.

**NOTE:** Confirmation will be May 8, 2025.

**Interested in joining the Catholic faith and/or needing Confirmed in the Church as an adult?** I'll be happy to give group or individual lessons on the faith through the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, culminating in Baptism/Confirmation/First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil in the Spring. **Lessons begin in September. We currently have 6 folks interested in OCIA.** If you feel called by the Holy Spirit, please email Fr. Fulton if interested.

**Acolyte & Lector Installation** will take place 12/8 in McCook & 1/25 in Lincoln, by Bishop Conley. Fr. Fulton will provide training here simply & locally. Please email Fr. Fulton if you would like to serve Christ & our parishes by being an installed lector or acolyte. God bless you!

**Pastoral Council Guidelines** Guidelines on how the make-up & function of the parish Pastoral Council are in the back of St. Michael's. (Different for St. Mary's due to parish enrollment figures.) There are breakdowns of ex-officio members, parish group members, and age demographic members of the Pastoral Council---including a high school representative. All of this is to aid in pastoral activity, evangelization, & outreach represented by numerous constituencies of our parish. There are dates for terms, but given we are starting anew we will look to have a seated Pastoral Council by Advent. Thank you for your interest in the spiritual health of our parishes!

**Retreat for Moms of Young People** October 5<sup>th</sup>, 8am-4:30pm, at the Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly. Babies under the age of 1 are welcome. Bring your own pack & play. Registration is now open for our retreat for moms of young people. Heck, we'll take you even if your kids are older and you need a day long retreat to reflect on motherhood, spirituality, and the sanctification that exists at their intersection. Hope you can join us!  
<https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/ymretreat>

**Parish Staff Position Opening** Our parish administrative assistant Shelli Hubka is leaving us. We thank her for her years of service to our parishes! God bless her work. Fr. Fulton will be working on a job description. If you have any preliminary interest for this paid position please email a resume to Fr. Fulton. Thanks!

**The Surviving Divorce** program was created to bring hope and healing to divorced and separated Catholics. This 12-week program will be leader facilitated & covers topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, kids, annulment, and much more. The next session begins **October 1, 2024** and will be held at John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln, NE from 7-8:30pm. Contact the Office of Family Life & Discipleship at 402-473-0620, or email [familylifeoffice@cdolinc.net](mailto:familylifeoffice@cdolinc.net)

**THANK YOU** for your gifts to our Lord & to each other!

8/18/2024 Collections	St. Michael's-Fairbury	St. Mary's-Alexandria
Envelopes/Loose Plate	\$1718.04	\$743.00
Online Giving	\$125.00	
<b>Total Weekly Tithe</b>	\$1843.04	\$743.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Expenses</b>	\$2039.84	
<b>Overage/Underage</b>	<b>\$196.80</b>	

**"Have patience with all things but first with yourself. Never confuse your mistakes with your value as a human being. You are a perfectly valuable, creative, worthwhile person simply because you exist. And no amount of triumphs or tribulations can ever change that."** -St. Francis deSales