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

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August 31st & September 1st, 2024 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Be doers of the Word and not hearers only...

<u>Welcome Visitors and Parishioners!</u> *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:

Monday	9/2:	8:15AM	St. Mike's Church	Living & Deceased Cold Family
Tuesday	9/3:	9AM	Cedarwood	Jeff & Sid Fulton Family
Wednesday	9/4:	5:15PM	St. Mike's Church	Special Intention, F.L. (Exposition after, Benediction at 8pm)
Thursday	9/5:	8:15AM	"	Dick Smith+
Friday	9/6:	NO MASS	}	
Saturday	9/7:	4PM St. Michael's		Fulton Grandchildren
Sunday	9/8:	8AM St. Mary's		Liberation of Poor Souls in Purgatory
		10AM St. N	Michael's	Parishioners of the Parishes
		NO SPANISH MASS (Mission Appeal Priest)		

CCD begins this Wednesday, September 4th We will meet Wednesdays from 6pm-7:15pm. Note all classes will meet in the chapel this Wednesday. Thanks!

Mission Appeal Priest Fr. Russel Raj from India will be here 9/6-9/8. Fr. Fulton will be out. 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!

There will be no First Friday Adoration this month with Fr. Fulton out of town. Sorry!

Parish Administrative Assistant Position We are looking for a new admin assistant. If you have a positive attitude & love our people and love Christ perhaps this is the position for you. Bookkeeping, clerical skills, & organizational skills are a plus. We are looking for part-time, paid help--6 guaranteed hrs per week, flexible hours. Please inquire by emailing Fr. Fulton a note and/or resume. Position is open until filled. Please share if you know of a good candidate that may want some PT hours.

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 soon. Thank you!!!

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.) All of this is to aid in pastoral activity, evangelization, & outreach. We will look to have a seated Pastoral Council by Advent.

Sign up for Parish Directory Photos Now @ 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!

Full-ton of Faith A bellowing thank you to all who pitched in, attended, worshipped, and prayed for the parishes last week when Bishop Conley came to town. I feel it was a wonderful celebration of our parishes! Thank you to the PCCW and Knights of Columbus for hosting and the set-up. Thanks to all of the liturgical ministers, music providers, the 4th degree Knights of Columbus, to the Banahan's and Ottensmeier's for providing the brisket and beer, to the Mans' for beer and other drinks. To anyone who donated a side dish to share, a canopy to provide shade in, to Aleece Panko for the floral decorations, to anyone who played a part.....THANK YOU!!!

It was a blessing to see all of us come together to welcome Bishop Conley and worship Jesus together. May we be united in His love as we continue on our journeys to be together forever in Heaven. THANK YOU! All glory and praise to Jesus Christ!

St. Michael's has some of the most beautiful stained glass windows in the state. We have a beautiful church that has been built by many of our relatives and forefathers of our community. Friends and relatives have been baptized here, received absolution and First Communion here, been married here, and buried here. Thinking of them and their contributions in the past, I would like to celebrate Mass exclusively in the upstairs of St. Michael's when celebrating Mass at St. Michael's. Canon law, the law that governs the universal Roman Catholic Church, states in Canon 938 §1. "The Most Holy Eucharist is to be reserved habitually in only one tabernacle of a church or oratory." Thinking of this, I would like to begin saying Mass and praying exclusively in the church beginning this next week. We may use the downstairs if needed in the future, but for now, the Eucharist will be reserved and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated in the church. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me. Thank you for your faith in the Holy Eucharist. May God bless and keep you! Cheers, Fr. Fulton

THANK YOU for your gifts to our Lord & to each other!					
8/25/2024 Collections	St. Michael's- Fairbury	St. Mary's- Alexandria			
Envelopes/Loose Plate	\$3482.95	\$425.00			
Online Giving	\$125.00				
Total Weekly Tithe	\$3607.95	\$425.00			
Weekly Budgeted Expenses	\$2039.84				
Overage/Underage	\$1568.11				

"The past is no longer yours. The future is not yet in your power. You have only the present wherein to do good." -St. Alphonsus Ligouri