

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

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September 28th & 29th, 2024

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

*The law of the Lord refreshes the soul...*

**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:

**Monday 9/30:** Fr. Away **Maureen Neville+**  
**Tuesday 10/1:** “ **Special Intention G.G.**  
**Wednesday 10/2:** “ **Lauren Hubka**  
**Thursday 10/3:** “ **Arielle McVay**  
**Friday 10/4:** “ **Dick Smith+**  
**Saturday 10/5:** 4PM, **Kokoruda Arbuth Brahmall Families**  
**Sunday 10/6:** 8AM **Eugene Charles Clemens Jr.**  
10AM **Our Parishioners**  
12PM (Spanish) **Special Intention**

## *Events This Week*

Fr. Fulton will be away M-F this week. If there are Sacramental emergencies, please call Fr. Major in Hebron at 402-768-1764.

*Wed.* CCD, 6pm-7:15pm

*Sat.* Seminarian Colter Fulton speaking @ Mass, (BAV)

*Sun.* Seminarian Colter Fulton speaking @ Masses, (BAV)

*Sun.* Blessing of Pets, 1pm, St. Michael's, Between Church & School

***Bishop's Appeal for Vocations (BAV)*** Next weekend kicks off the annual BAV drive. We are blessed to host a **seminarian** to our parishes to speak about formation at St. Gregory the Great in Seward. **Colter Fulton** is the son of Terry & Misy Fulton of St. Mary's Parish in Nebraska City. He is in his last year of college formation at SGGS in Seward. He's a graduate of Lourdes Central High School and attended the University of Nebraska-Omaha prior to entering seminary. He was also a ROTC scholarship winner, but left all of that behind to enter seminary to potentially become a priest for our Diocese.

The Diocese assesses each parish a certain amount to cover seminarian tuition. If we do not hit the assessed amount, the Diocese takes from our regular collection. Last year neither St. Michael's nor St. Mary's hit our assessments of \$3700 & \$800 respectively. Let's make sure we support those who are willing to give their lives to bring us Jesus in the Sacraments. Their sacrifice should never go unsupported. Pledge cards will out at next week's Masses. If you yourself do not feel compelled to help seminarians financially through the BAV, please pray that someone else might be inspired to do so. Thank you & God bless you!

*\*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.

**Lincoln Diocese Seminarian of the Week** Please pray for Dominic Jasti, from St. Thomas Aquinas Parish-Lincoln. Alvin is at Mt. St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, Maryland and is in his first year of Theology formation. May God bless him & all willing to give their lives to become priests for God's people.

**Pet Blessing in Honor of St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day** Fr. will have a short pet blessing on Sunday, 10/6 at 1pm between St. Mike's & the old school. Bring your pets for a blessing in honor of St. Francis, the patron of pets. His Feast Day is October 4<sup>th</sup>. The blessing should only take 10 minutes. May we thank God for the gift of joy that so many pets give us!

**PCCW Raffle Fundraiser** Contact Vickie Banahan by October 3rd if you have an item you would like to donate for this year's fundraiser raffle. A potluck dinner will be held November 17<sup>th</sup> & winners of the raffle will be identified at that time. You can email Vickie at [atsbanahan@hotmail.com](mailto:atsbanahan@hotmail.com).

**St. Gianna House Collection:** The Knights of Columbus will be collecting personal care products for the residents of St. Gianna's House in Lincoln. Products requested are soap, shampoo, lotions, toothbrushes, paste and floss. A labeled grocery tub will be located at the St. Mike's church entrance. Collection will be October 12 and 13. **Thank you!!!!**

**Sign up for Parish Directory Photos @ [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. Please make your appointment ASAP!

**LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive** The LDCCW is sponsoring the 15th Annual October Pro-Life Diaper Drive, collecting diapers throughout the month of October in each of the Lincoln Diocesan parishes. The assistance of everyone in the Lincoln Diocese is requested. Donations will

be shared with Pregnancy Centers across the Diocese, Catholic Social Services, and St. Gianna Women's Homes.

**Full-ton of Faith** You ever wonder why we make the Sign of the Cross when we enter the Church? It is always good to know the "why" behind the "what"! Simple thoughts here.....first, we remind ourselves we are in God's presence. When we touch the Holy Water and cross ourselves, we remember that we are saved by the Cross and Baptized (hence the Holy Water) into the Cross as well. However, we recall the Cross does not have the last word. As we recognize Jesus' Cross and accept the Cross in our lives as well through Baptism, we also accept His Resurrection. We recall that all of the pains and sufferings are trumped by Eternal Life. Let us thank Jesus for dying for our sins and forgiving them as well. God bless you! Cheers-Fr. Fulton

<b>THANK YOU for your gifts to our Lord &amp; to each other!</b>		
<b>9/22/2024 Collections</b>	<b>St. Michael's-Fairbury</b>	<b>St. Mary's-Alexandria</b>
<b>Envelopes/Loose Plate</b>	\$3037.77	\$445.00
<b>Online Giving</b>	\$125.00	
<b>Total Weekly Tithe</b>	\$3162.77	\$445.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Expenses</b>	\$2039.84	
<b>Overage/Underage</b>	\$1122.93	

**"There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist."** – St. John Paul II, Letter to Priests, Holy Thursday, 2004.

*Please financially & spiritually support our seminarians through the Bishop's Appeal for Vocations.*