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

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#### Office Information:

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#### Pastor:

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#### **Parish Administrative Assistant:**

Brandi Warnke, <u>brandi-warnke@lincolndiocese.org</u>, (o) 402-729-2058 *Brandi's Office Hours:* Tuesday-Thursday, 9am-11am

Bulletin submissions are due by 9am Thursday to Brandi. Check our Facebook page regularly as well.

November 23rd & 24th, 2024 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe My Kingdom is Not of This World...

<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 Parish Administrative Assistant, Brandi Warnke, whose contact details are listed above. May God bless and keep you!

#### **Mass Times and Intentions:**

Mon 11/25: 10am Betty Smith+ Funeral

Tues 11/26: 9am (Cedarwood) Maureen Neville+

Wed 11/27: (Fr. Fulton Gone) Aborted Children & Families

Th 11/28: " Gina Gifford Fri 11/29: " Cameron Connelly

Sat 11/30: 4pm Geri Connors
Sun 12/1: 8am Our Parishioners

10am **Special Intention G.G.** 

### **Events This Week**

Sun. 5pm, Betty Smith Vigil/Rosary (Gerdes-Meyer)
5pm, Community Thanksgiving Service, 5pm, First
Christian Church-Fairbury

*Mon.* 10am, Betty Smith Funeral Mass. Luncheon afterwards, St. Michael's. Burial after luncheon, St. Mary's.

Wed. No CCD, Adoration, Exposition or Benediction

Wed-Fri. Fr. Out (Thanksgiving), Available on cell phone

Sat. Coffee Talk @ School Gym, 9am. Topic: St. Joseph

*Prepare & Proclaim* The Diocese has a great website loaded with free links to help prepare one's self (and their kids!!) for every Sunday Mass. There are coloring kits & trivia for the kids, quick Scripture preps for adults, links to free videos, explanations on what happens at Holy Mass, & lots of free resources to deepen your experience with Christ. You can also sign up for free weekly emails for the kids. Give it a look at <a href="https://www.lincolndiocese.org/prepareandproclaim">https://www.lincolndiocese.org/prepareandproclaim</a>

Advent is Only 1 Week Away We are planning to decorate St. Michael's after the 10am Mass on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please pitch in! We need style, grace, muscles, & laughter....We need you! May we prepare our church & our hearts for the Birth of Our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. May His Joy Flood the World and Touch Your Families This Year!

*Community Action Partnership* food & personal products drive. A reminder during the month of November that a food & products drive is going on at Blue Valley Community Action Partnership. Bring any items down & let them know you are a parishioner at St. Michael's or St. Mary's. St. Michael's now has a grocery cart in the back of the church too. Products will stay locally to help those who need a hand-up. God reward you for sharing the heart of Christ with our neighbors!

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord. And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them. May Their Souls & All the Souls of the Faithful Departed, Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

## 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.

Free 4-Part Video Series on Eternal Rest at the belowlinks

https://watch.formed.org/eternal-rest

https://watch.formed.org/eternal-restespanol

*Lincoln Diocese Seminarian of the Week* Please pray for Peter Foley, from Lincoln-St. Peter's. Peter, the son of State Auditor Mike & Susan Foley, is in Theology 3 at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmittsburg, MD. May God bless him & all willing to give their lives to become priests for God's people.

Knights of Columbus Seminarian Fundraiser Keep Christ in Christmas Sales

Cards 12/box: \$10 per box

Car Magnets: \$5

Christmas Seals: \$1 per sheet

Items displayed in the back of the church. Envelopes provided. You can place your payments in an envelope & in the collection basket. Thanks!

Upcoming Holy Day of Obligation, the Immaculate Conception

December 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>

Masses that Fulfill the Obligation

St. Mary's: Sunday Dec. 8th, 4pm

St. Michael's: Sunday Dec. 8th, 5:30pm, Monday Dec. 9th, 5:30pm

YouTube

Diocese of Lincoln Media Sites: www.lincolndiocese.org https://www.youtube.com/@CatholicDioceseofLincoln

All Parish Potluck Dinner & Gift Exchange

Mon 12/9 in the School Gym, 6:30pm

PCCW & K of C Meetings Afterwards

Please Bring a \$10 Gift for Exchange & Enjoy the Fun!

Use your Rosary beads as a counter to thank God for 50 things/people per day to develop a heart of gratitude to God for everything. Give Him one "Alleluia" for each blessing & relationship. Thanks be to God! +

*Full-ton of Faith* Please have a joy-filled Thanksgiving Season! A spiritual director once told me that a good practice is to give thanks to God **daily** for what you have in your life, thinking that if you do not give Him thanks for those things, you may not have them tomorrow. Everything from simple things like running water, toothpaste, deodorant, a chair to sit in, a house, clothes, to jobs & relationships, finances, health, family, etc. Perhaps give that to thanksgiving prayer daily. Give thanks to God daily for everything you enjoy & have, thinking that you may not have those things or people if your life tomorrow. May we give thanks. +

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS TO OUR LORD & TO EACH OTHER!

Collections Nov. 17	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Envelopes/Loose Plate	\$2482.00	\$335.00
Online Giving	\$125.00	\$0.00
Total Tithe	\$2607.00	\$335.00
Budgeted Expenses	\$2039.84	
Overage/Underage	\$567.16	

"If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is 'thank you,' it will be enough."-German Priest & 14th Century
Theologian, Meister Eckhart

Thank you, dear Parishioners, for your faith in Jesus Christ & His Catholic Church!