

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor: Very Rev. Michael G. McCabe

Associate Pastor: Rev. James J. Morin

Sunday Mass - Schedule: Saturday: 6:30 p.m. & Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule: St. Mary's Hospital Chapel - Monday-Friday - 6:20 a.m.; St. Mary's Church - Monday-Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Perpetual Adoration - St. Mary's Hospital Chapel: Monday - 6:00 a.m. thru Saturday - 12:00 a.m. - Pam Gress, 402-969-0556

Confessions: Saturday, 4-5 p.m. or by appointment CCD Coordinator - Diane Denniston, 402-242-2631

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Wednesday-Friday - 9:00-11:00 a.m. & 1:30-4:00 p.m., 873-3024

Prayer Chain: email: Patrice Wulf, 873-6848 (wulfpak@windstream.net) or calling tree: Kathy Duffy, 873-7576

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017

PRAY FOR THE SICK – Dean Hauptman, Emmett Christiansen, Judy Haas, Sr. Kathleen Kilp, O.S.F., Shirley Gruber, Mike Crunk, Kim Kelly, Lacie Bruns-Morris, Kathy Gilbert, Kala Griepenstroh, Leonard Kreifels, Albert Burger, Boston Thomasson, Janet McVay, Bill Albert, John Davis, Donna Thoms, Lexis Bruns-Morris, Juanita Kreifels, Laurence DuBois, Adam Eppert, Mary Jo Ventre, Pat Bowman, Kenneth Russell and all parishioners who are homebound, hospitalized, in nursing homes and all the intentions listed in our Book of Intentions. Please feel welcome to add names to our prayer list by calling the parish office. Due to the privacy act, the person must grant their permission for their name to be printed in the bulletin. Thank you for your prayers.

PLEASE PRAY for our seminarians James O'Neil and Brian Wirth and vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Thank you.

WELCOME to all our visitors and guests. If you have recently moved to Nebraska City and would like to register as a member of St. Mary's Church, we invite you to stop by or call the parish office.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Please submit all bulletin notices by **Monday at 11:00 a.m.** in writing either by e-mail to stmbulletin@windstream.net (preferred) or to the parish office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: ADORERS NEEDED on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 3-4 p.m. If you are able to be an adorer during these hours, please call Pam Gress. Eucharistic Adoration is held beginning on Monday following the 6:20 a.m. Mass and ends at 12:00 a.m. Saturday morning at CHI Health-St. Mary's Hospital Chapel. If you are not a regular scheduled adorer and would like to be or would like more information, please call Pam Gress, Coordinator, 402-969-0556. Everyone is always welcome to make a visit. Thank you to all of our scheduled adorers.

LAST CALL - BISHOP'S CHARITY & STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: Currently we have received pledges/contributions in the amount of \$52,801.64 with only \$2198.36 to reach our goal of \$55,000.00. \$7122.40 will help in funding the diocesan programs and the remaining balance will be returned to our parish. Please return your card this week. Thank you to all those that generously give to this annual appeal.

YOUR DISHES ARE WAITING FOR YOU: There is a large number of dishes waiting for their owners in the church hall. If you have brought a dish for a parish function or for dinner for the priests recently and have not picked it up, please do so at your earliest convenience. All remaining will be donated to the rummage sale. Thank you.

NO-BAKE, BAKE SALE: The Christian Mothers/Altar Society are sponsoring a No-Bake, Bake Sale and asking each lady of the parish to contribute \$10, \$15, or \$20 to raise additional funds needed to purchase items for the altar and the church. Dues, two annual rummage sales and donations are used to purchase the altar bread, candles, vestment cleaning, ashes, palms, missals, music issues, cleaning supplies and much more. Donations can be placed in an envelope marked "No Bake, Bake Sale" and placed in the collection basket or given to Mary Mills. Thank you in advance for your support and for all you do as a Christian Mother/Altar Society member.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – ST. MARY'S PARISH RUMMAGE SALE will be held on August 3-5. Declutter the cabinets, closets, basement and garage and bring all those good clean used treasures for our semi-annual rummage sale. All proceeds go to purchase items for the altar, candles, altar bread, missals and music issues and much, much more. Help will be needed, so let Anna Mae Kaiser, 402-873-6454 or Mary Mills, 402-873-6247 know that you are able to help by giving them a call.

BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER with Tim Staples, Director of Apologetics & Evangelization for *Catholic Answers* and author of "Behold, Your Mother" will be held on Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln. Tim will speak of the many layers of the meaning to the powerful words of our Lord from the cross when he said to St. John, in the place of all of us, standing at the foot of the cross with the Mother of God. He will take us toward an examination of how we not only need the gift of Mary—the perfect mother and disciple—for our spiritual lives, but that we need each other as members of the body of Christ. Tickets are \$7 and available at beholdlincoln.brownpapertickets.com or spiritcatholicradio.com. See flier in the entrance of the church.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all of you that helped in any way to for our benefit on Saturday, July 8. Thank you to Jackie Loseke for organizing the salads and desserts and to all the ladies for making the wonderful salads and desserts to accompany the sandwiches. Thank you to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, for your attendance and support for us. Thank you to Fr. McCabe, Fr. Morin, Fr. Ventre, Fr. Rolling, Sr. Kathleen, Sr. Anna Maria and Sister Cynthia for your attendance, prayers, thoughts and support. Your presence made us so happy and so thankful. Our hearts are full to have an awesome parish family like you behind us on our journey. May our Good Lord Bless each of you and your family.

Mike & Sharon Crunk

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: In today's reading from the prophet Isaiah, there is a guarantee that the unleashing of God's Word will bear much fruitfulness in the world. The Word of God will accomplish whatever God sends it forth to do. His Word is given to us as a gift to be nurtured, shared and made to "bear fruit." The question is whether or not we are exercising good stewardship over God's Word. Have we been "fruitful" with God's Word? Have we unleashed God's Word? Do we share God's Word or do we leave that task to others?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE – MY RETURN TO THE LORD

July 9: Adult Env.: \$5986.00; Loose: \$338.61; Children's Env.: \$2.00; Online: \$1761.00; Building Fund: \$20.00; Total: \$8107.61

Bishop's Charity & Stewardship Appeal: Goal: \$55,000.00; Received: \$52,801.64; Needed: \$2198.36 (\$212.00 per family)

Franciscan Sisters: \$185.00; Peter's Pence: \$1105.00 Thank you for your generosity.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: "It is the duty of everyone to defend religious freedom and promote it for all people." Pope Francis

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Edward & Anna Penning & Family+	Special Intention	
Tuesday	Mark Detloff+ (Anniv.)	Francis & Louise Ullsperger+	
Wednesday	Gude & Nystrom Families+	Christian Mothers/Altar Society, Liv. & Dec'd & Father Directors	4:00 p.m. Myron Henner+
Thursday	Delores Penning+	Charles & Lorraine Gude+	
Friday	Francis & Vera Lavigne+	Ed Mills+	
Saturday		Delora Roland+	6:30 p.m. Delrosa Riege+
Sunday		Steve Eickhoff+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
USHERS/ GREETERS	Rosemarie Pfeiffer, Mary Lee Duncan Maggie Griepenstroh, Juli Lechner	Jackie Smith, Cathy Thomas George & Mary Kay Hengen	Ric Sevening, Steve Stukenholtz Larry Lance, David Schmitz
SERVERS	Zachary Whitten, Eli McNeely	Grant & Ben Chance Eli Wigington	James Mason, Thomas Ragland
LECTORS	Tyler Mason	Jerry Martin	Jeanette Eilers
ACOLYTES	Tom Wigington	Danny Heng	Tom Gude
OFFERTORY	Bill & Bobbi Aultz	James & Ellen Shank	Wayne & Brenda Kreifels

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - July 17-22 – Joseph Whitney – Steven Walters; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Pat Gress; Reader: Sharon Crunk

READINGS: July 17, Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34-11:1; July 18, Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24; July 19, Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27; July 20, Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30; July 20, Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30; July 21, Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8; July 22, Ex 12:37-42/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18; July 23, Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43.

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: God's word, instructions and guidance are intended for us. Are we listening?

LOURDES CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN NEBRASKA CITY HAS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES! Lourdes Central Catholic is seeking an Administrative Assistant and a Facilities Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. Lourdes Central Catholic is a preschool-12th grade Catholic Life Preparatory School whose mission is "to assist parents in the development of their children by providing a Christ centered environment which promotes spiritual, academic, and social growth in order to prepare students for active participation in the church, in their families, and in society." If the opportunity to be a part of our mission and the Lourdes family is exciting to you, please visit our webpage at www.lourdescentralcatholic.org for more information.

MATT MAHER is coming to Wahoo! Come join us for contemporary Christian music artist Matt Maher in concert. Friday, August 11 at 7:00 p.m. at Bishop Neumann High School, 202 South Linden, Wahoo, NE. Tickets are available online at <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/youth>, and can be purchased at Bishop Neumann High School or the Diocese of Lincoln Youth Ministry Office at 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. Tickets are \$15 (plus a \$2 handling fee if not picked up in person). Any questions, please call 402-443-4151.

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGE: Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the August program beginning with a weekend on Aug 25-27, call 1-888-317-5654 or www.retrouvaille.org on the web.

MERCY & MARY WEEKEND RETREAT FEATURING FR. MICHAEL GAITLEY, MIC: Experience the TIME of MERCY! The Mercy and Mary Retreat with Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC will be held on September 15-16 at St. Gerald Church in Omaha. Fr. Gaitley is the author of 33 Days to Morning Glory, Consoling the Heart of Jesus, 33 Days to Merciful Love, The One Thing is Three and The Second Greatest Story Ever Told. Cost is \$49.95. For more information or to register go to events.marianmissionaries.org. For more information: 413-944-8500 Ext. 10. **Retreat Details** (Retreat times subject to change): The retreat begins on Friday evening, September 15 with Fr. Gaitley's first conference. The conference will begin around 7:15 p.m. (participants will be notified of exact times) and it will be the only event of the evening. Open to the public – Friday's conference and Saturday morning Mass with Fr. Gaitley will be open to the public. Please invite friends and family who may be on the fence about attending this life-changing retreat – Free of charge! If tickets are still available, there will be an additional opportunity to register for the rest of the retreat on Saturday after Mass. 8:00 a.m. Retreat Mass, Retreat Check-in/Registration/Coffee and Donuts, Conference #2, Break, Conference #3, Lunch Break & Fr. Gaitley begins Book Signing, Personal Testimonies – More about the Marian Missionaries, Conference #4, Break, Adoration/Chaplet/Benediction, Conference # 5, 5:00 p.m. Retreat Officially Concludes. For those who would like to join us, registered attendees are invited to come back Saturday evening for optional Q&A with Fr. Gaitley. This will take place around 7:15 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN: July 17: Hope Weninger, July 19: Kathy Wigington, July 22: Cheryl Wirth, July 24: Emily Wolken, July 26: Teresa Albers, July 29: Bobbi Aultz, July 31: Kathy Aultz, Aug. 2: Heather Bakula, Aug. 5: Chris Bando, Aug. 7: Brenda Baumann, Aug. 9: Katie Bebout, Aug. 12: Kelly Bequette, Aug. 14: Beth Box, Aug. 16: Brooke Chaney, Aug. 19: Maureen Chance, Aug. 21: Suzanne Cooksey, Aug. 23: Kay DeFreece, Aug. 26: Sally DuBois, Aug. 28: Janie Ebmeier, Aug. 30: Jeannette Eilers. The time to bring dinner for your designated day is between 5:30-6:00 p.m. If you do not use disposable dishes, please put your name on the dishes and pick them up in the church hall. It is preferred that meals be taken to the back door of the rectory, and if the priests are not home, please put the meals in the refrigerator. Questions or if you would like to volunteer, please call Maureen Chance, 874-9411. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME – CHURCH CLEANERS (following the Saturday 8:00 a.m. Mass {8:30 a.m}): **July 22:** Patty Gude, Tom & Cindy Gude, Tyler & Taylor Gude, Maureen Gygi, Steven & Stephanie Hackett, Mary Lynn Hall, Roger & Rachel Hamling, John & Paige Harpham, Alissa Harris, Diana Harris, Jay & Jessica Harris. **July 29:** Bill & Noreen Harris, Deroy Harshman, Kylie Hein, Andrea Heng, Aaron Conz, Daniel & Robin Heng, David & Debbie Heng, David & Pat Heng, Lynn & Sharon Heng, Martin & Elaine Heng, Roger Heng. **Aug. 5.** George & Mary Kay Hengen, Shawn Hermann, Becky Hippen, John & Linda Hogeland, Alyce Hollesen, Dan & Alice Holtz, John Horan, Adam & Jennifer Howard, William & Heather Howard, Austin Jesz, Skyler Bentley, Robb & Maggie Johnson. **If you are unable to clean the week assigned, families or individuals are responsible for finding a replacement or contacting and paying a substitute \$15.00.** **Substitutes:** Kathy Duffy, 873-7576, Linda Smith, 873-7576, Sharon Crunk, 873-4568, Julia Russell, 402-209-2340, Mary Mills, 873-6247, Sharon Heng, 873-5105.