ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

218 N. 6th St., Nebraska City, NE 68410 Telephone: 402-873-3024 Website: stmarysnebraskacity.com 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

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, JULY 30, 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, 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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS COLLECTION: Each year at this time we have a special collection to help with the monthly support of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother – Sr. Ana Maria, Sr. Kathleen, and Sr. Cynthia. Currently our parish contributes \$700.00 per month or a total of \$8400.00 per year. Nebraska City is very blessed to have this community of sisters to help with the education of our children and adults of our parish and for all their prayers. There will a second collection today to help with their support. Please give as generously as you can to show your support of this wonderful gift that God has given to our community. A special envelope is included in your monthly envelopes or donations can be made through Online Giving. Thank you.

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.

PARISH RUMMAGE SALE: Declutter the house and garage and bring all those good clean new or used items for St. Mary's rummage sale scheduled for Thursday and Friday, August 3 & 4 from 9-5 p.m. and Saturday, August 5 from 9-1 p.m. Items can be brought to the church hall anytime but please by Monday, July 31 so items can be priced and displayed. To help our volunteers to prepare for the sale, please sort your donations and **fold or hang clothing**. **Volunteers are needed!!!** If you are able to help, please call Anna Mae Kaiser, 402-873-6454 or Mary Mills, 402-873-6247. **Volunteers are also needed on Saturday, August 5 to help box all remaining items. Students need volunteer hours?**

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 you support and for all you do as a Christian Mother/Altar Society member.

ONLINE GIVING is the best way to take control of your Sunday Stewardship. If you have an Online Account, you can make the changes when you want to and deduct the stewardship payment from your account when you want it to be deducted. You can also review your yearly giving and adjust it at any time. To start your account, go to stmarysnebraskacity.com and click on the Online Giving button. Then follow the directions. All the special collections are available for you to plan your year of giving. If you have changes to your income during the year, take a few moments and review the funds that you have set up and adjust amounts accordingly. Questions or help in setting up your account, please call the parish office, 402-873-3024. Thank you to all those that use Online Giving. "I Give Online Cards" are available in the pews for your convenience for the Offertory Collection.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – GUEST NIGHT: The Stewardship Committee will meet on Wednesday, August 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. If you would like to come and take a closer look at what the Stewardship Committee does in our parish, please feel free to attend. If you would like more information, please call Julie Parker, 402-297-0677, Scott & Jan O'Neil, 402-259-3325 or the parish office.

A STEWARDSHP MOMENT: A profound stewardship prayer is offered by the young king Solomon in today's first reading. He asks the Lord to give him an understanding heart, compassion towards God's people and the insight to distinguish right from wrong. An understanding heart, or wisdom, is a gift from God. It is a gift that enables us to make good decisions and prudent choices. Cultivating and sharing this gift is essential, especially when poor decisions and lack of compassion have consequences that can adversely affect the lives of others. Do we exercise good stewardship over the gift of wisdom? Do we share our compassionate hearts with others?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

July 23: Adult Env.: \$7428.00; Loose: \$954.70; Children's Env.: \$1.00; Online: \$3871.00; Building Fund: \$20.00; Total: \$12274.70

Franciscan Sisters: \$35.00; Peter's Pence: \$200.00 Thank you for your generosity.

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Easton Vonderschmidt+	Bryan Palmer+	
Theresa Morin+	Kay Haiar+ (Anniv.)	
Mark Wirth+ (Anniv.)	Robert Beccard+	
Special Intention	Raymond Frana+ (Anniv.)	
Mark & Rosetta Wirth+	Tom Funke II+ (Anniv.)	
	Susan Heng+ Matthew Heng+	6:30 p.m. Francis & Vera Lavigne+
	Betty Beckman+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
6:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Herman & Myla Weber	Don & Pat Ramold	Wayne & Brenda Kreifels
Ed & Barb Stukenholtz	Tim & Nancy Baragary	Duane & Shelli Stuhr
William, Jackson, Dilan Eppert	Aidan & Tyler Kleineweber	Steven Walters, Sam Ebmeier, Reed Hamling
Frank Volkmer	Tom Wigington	Tanya Lee
Fred Allen	Mike Gilson	Bill Olmer
Chris & Tammy Bando Family	Jackie Smith, Cathy Thomas	Larry & Debbie Lance
	Easton Vonderschmidt+ Theresa Morin+ Mark Wirth+ (Anniv.) Special Intention Mark & Rosetta Wirth+ 6:30 p.m. Herman & Myla Weber Ed & Barb Stukenholtz William, Jackson, Dilan Eppert Frank Volkmer Fred Allen	Easton Vonderschmidt+ Theresa Morin+ Kay Haiar+ (Anniv.) Mark Wirth+ (Anniv.) Robert Beccard+ Special Intention Raymond Frana+ (Anniv.) Mark & Rosetta Wirth+ Tom Funke II+ (Anniv.) Susan Heng+ Matthew Heng+ Betty Beckman+ 6:30 p.m. B:00 a.m. Herman & Myla Weber Ed & Barb Stukenholtz Tim & Nancy Baragary William, Jackson, Dilan Eppert Aidan & Tyler Kleineweber Frank Volkmer Tom Wigington Fred Allen Mike Gilson

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - July 31-Aug. 5 - Caleb Howard, Beau Lee; 6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital - Server: Jim Lowe; Reader: Mary Giittinger

READINGS: July 31, Ex 32, 15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35; Aug. 1, Ex 33:7-11, 34-5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43; Aug. 2, Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46; Aug. 3, Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53; Aug. 4, Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58; Aug. 5, Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12; Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/ Mt 17:1-9.

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: Jesus gave everything for us; we must understand that we are the treasure He sought.

60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION! Gene and Marcene Klein are celebrating their 60th Anniversary at an open house on Saturday, August 5 from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Plattsmouth Eagles Club. They were married on August 3, 1947. If you are unable to attend and would like to send them a card, their address is 5903 24th Ave., Murray, NE 68409. Congratulations, Gene and Marcene!

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.

MAGNIFICAT SUMMER PRAYER MEAL will be held on Saturday, August 12 at 9:30 a.m. at Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 E. "O" St., Lincoln. Special guest speaker is Becky Mach Deaver. Join us for "A Magnificat of a Heart's Desire!" Becky is a cradle Catholic raised in Wahoo. After a year in the School sisters of Christ the King as a postulant, God showed her that He wished to fulfill her deepest desires by instead calling her to married life! A busy mom of six children under 10, Church Musician and a co-host of the podcast "Go Forth with Heather & Becky," you'll be filled with Grace as Our Lord Blesses you through Becky's witness. Register by sending \$20 payable to Magnificat, c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N. 56th St., Lincoln, NE 68504. (students \$10) Deadline is August 7. For information call Phonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or Barb Bechtolt at 402-489-6905.

SOLAR ECLIPSE OPPORTUNITY: Lodging and viewing for Total Solar Eclipse 2017: vGood Counsel Retreat House, Waverly is offering lodging and full service for the Aug. 21 Total Solar Eclipse; the Retreat House rooms are available, together with airport transfers, box lunches, and transport to Beatrice for eclipse viewing. See www.goodcounselretreat.com under Retreats

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 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): 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. Aug. 12: Michael & Cara Justice, Scott & Tracy Juranek, Anthony & Michelle Kaiser, Clarence & Anna Mae Kaiser, Joseph Kaiser, Bradley & Catherine Kassube, Mike & Jenny Kearney, Patricia Kleineweber, Brian Kochanowicz. Aug. 19: Sheri Kochanowicz, Arnie Kreifels, Bryan Kreifels, Wayne & Brenda Kreifels, Grant & Shana Lackey, Larry & Debbie Lance, Janelle Krisko, Juli Lechner, Robert & Debbie Lechner, Ronald & Katherine Lechner. 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.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: "In whatever you do, think of the glory of God as your main goal." St. John Bosco