

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor: Very Rev. Michael G. McCabe

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

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

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

Confessions: Saturday - 4:00-5:00 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 24, 2016

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Dean & Cheryl Hauptman, Dennis Heng, Donna Thoms, Lexis Bruns-Morris, Jerry Thede, Lois Harris, Juanita Kreifels, Laurence DuBois, Adam Eppert, Mary Jo Ventre, Ann Spalti, Pat Bowman, Kenneth Russell 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, Joseph Allen, Brian Wirth and vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY for the success of the renovation and expansion campaign "Visions for a Vibrant and Faith-Filled Future" of Lourdes Central Catholic Schools.

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.

ADORERS NEEDED - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - !!!GREAT NEED!!! WEDNESDAYS FROM 1-2 A.M. & THURSDAYS FROM 1-2 A.M. Also, Wednesdays from 10-11 p.m. (second adorer) and Fridays from 3-4 p.m. and 5-6 p.m. (second adorer). 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. Thank you to all of our scheduled adorers.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet on Wednesday, July 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the church hall.

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, July 28 & 29 from 9-5 p.m. and Saturday, July 30 from 9-1 p.m. Items can be brought to the church hall anytime but please by Monday, July 25 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.** If you would be willing to help prepare or work at the sale, please call Anna Mae Kaiser, 873-6454. Volunteers are also needed on Saturday, July 30 at 1:00 p.m. to box all remaining items. 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.

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 to help with their support next Sunday, July 30. 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. Thank you.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR PARISH RECORDS UP-TO-DATE - CHANGED ADDRESSES, PLANNING TO MOVE? DROPPED YOUR LAND LINE, ADDED A CELL, CHANGED PHONE NUMBERS OR EMAIL ADDRESS? Please call the parish office with your new information. If you are planning to move out of our community, please also, let us know. Thank you.

THANK YOU!! A huge thank you to all who generously supported our Totus Tuus Team this year and to all the members of the Team! A huge thank you to parents who brought snacks, all those families who provided a meal for the team at noon and at supper and for those who donated to the stipend fund for the Totus Tuus team. Thank you to Tom and Dorothy Funke for hosting the women for the week. (The team stays in town for they start at 8 a.m. and finish after 10 p.m. each day Sunday through Friday). A SUPER HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR YOUTH who helped all week during the day to ensure the little ones were fed, watered and safely taken to and from St. Mary's. Also, thank you all those who helped with the planning, registering students and making sure the days went smoothly. Thank you to the Christian Mothers/Altar Society for hosting the potluck. What a great week for our students!!! Thank you!

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: Today's Gospel parable speaks to generosity. In the deep of night, a sleepy friend responds to his neighbor's request for food for an unexpected guest. Jesus suggests that it would be unthinkable that a friend would deny a friend in need. A friend would most certainly give what is asked and more. Through this story, Jesus illustrates God's generosity. Good stewards realize the extraordinary love and graciousness with which God showers us. We need never convince God to be generous. God is already that generous friend. His abundant love bathes us in goodness. This week, prayerfully reflect on God's generosity and what our response should be to that generosity.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

July 17: Adult Env.: \$5225.00; Loose: \$467.40; Children's Env.: \$.25; Online: \$1799.50; Total: \$7492.15

Building Fund: \$125.00; Franciscan Sisters: \$10.00; Guardian Angel Fund: \$5.00; Mission Coop: \$1820.16

Bishop's Charity and Stewardship Appeal: Needed: \$55,000.00; Received: \$52,281.00; **Balance Needed: \$2,719.00**

Lourdes Building & Renovation - Match Contributions: Needed: \$500,000.00; Received: \$36,246.39 Thank you for your generosity.

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Othilda Straube+	Robert & Viola Willson+	
Tuesday	Michaela Stockelman	Mary Schmitz+	
Wednesday	Bryan Stockelman	Ron & Germaine Wulf+	
Thursday	Lena Faillace	Robert Beccard+	
Friday	Maria Ventre	Marie Kilp+ (Anniv.)	
Saturday		Liz Detloff Family	6:30 p.m. Erin Rust+
Sunday		Ed Mills+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m. Saturday	8:00 a.m. Sunday	10:00 a.m. Sunday
USHERS/ GREETERS	Arnie Kreifels, Carline Moles Scott & Jan O'Neil	Jim & Bonnie Lowe Charles Moyer, Gail Walford	Mike Heng, Joe Miller Bill & Mary Jo Olmer
SERVERS	Zachary Whitten, Eli McNeely	James & Joseph Kearney, Bobby Moser	Mason, Cade, Beau Lee
LECTORS	Frank Volkmer	Matt Parsons	Kelly Madden
ACOLYTES	Matt Nienaber	Kevin Rettig	Erik Olson
OFFERTORY	Scott & Jan O'Neil Family	Charles & Margaret Rumery	Tom & Rachelle Ragland Family

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - July 25-30 – Nick & Andrew Bernard; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Dave Heng; Reader: Joan Beccard

READINGS: July 25, 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28; July 26, Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43; July 27, Jer 15:10, 16:21/Mt 13:44-46; July 28, Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53; July 29, Jer 26:1-9/Jn 11:19-27; July 30, Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12; July 31, Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21.

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: Stewardship is an attitude, not an activity.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE – SEPTEMBER 25: During this "Year of Mercy," our parish is planning a bus pilgrimage on Sunday, September 25. We will begin with Mass at the Carmelite Monastery in Agnew. We will also visit Assumption Church and grounds in Dwight and the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. Watch the bulletin for more details.

CONVENIENCE OF ONLINE GIVING: Do you pay your bills online? Do online banking? If your answer to these questions is yes, then why not give to your church online? It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. Getting started is easy – just visit our website at www.stmarysnebraskacity.com and click our **Online Giving** link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account and you can see your contribution record at the click of the mouse. So what are you waiting for, give it a try **TODAY!** **Don't use the computer, but would like to try it?** Call Linda in the parish office and she will be glad to help. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you bank at **Premier Bank**, please make sure that you use this routing number: 104000870.

17TH ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE, August 5-7, at Century II, Wichita, KS. Did you know that there is a Catholic approach to treating depression? Fr. Charles Sikorsky, president of the Institute for the Psychological Sciences, discusses treating mental health issues in light of our Faith. Register online, www.catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to midwconf@cox.net.

MARRIAGE SAVING - THE POST SESSION PHASE: The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **August 26-28** call 1-888-317-5654 or www.retrouvaille.org on the web.

MERCY & MARY WEEKEND RETREAT FEATURING FR. MICHAEL GAITLEY, MIC: Experience the Year of Mercy at a weekend retreat with Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, October 28-30 in Kansas City, KS at the Savior Pastoral Center. 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*. The weekend retreat includes: 5 Conferences with Fr. Gaitley, lodging and all meals included, daily Mass, Rosary and Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Adoration & Benediction, quiet prayer time, opportunities for confession and book signing with Fr. Gaitley and more. For more information or to register go to <http://events.marianmissionaries.org/events/mercy-mary-weekend-retreat-ks>. For carpooling info, contact the parish office.

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STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNERS FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. VENTRE: July 25: Anna Mae Kaiser, July 27: Mary Kaiser, July 30: Jean Kreifels, Aug. 1: Jenny Kearney, Aug. 3: Linda Lollmann, Aug. 6: Jackie Loseke, Aug. 8: Amy Lucas, Aug. 10: Rosie Marcotte, Aug. 13: Suzi Martin, Aug. 15: Cindy McGinnis, Aug. 17: Kristen Miller, Aug. 20: Marliss Miller, Aug. 22: Mary Mills, Aug. 24: Kilee Olson, Aug. 27: Mary Penning, Aug. 29: Mary Pargett, Aug. 31: Rachelle Ragland. 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 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 30:** Mary Lynn Hall, Alissa Harris, Diana Harris, Jay & Jessica Harris, Bill & Noreen Harris, Lois Harris, Deroy Harshman, Aaron Conz, Daniel & Robin Heng, David & Debbie Heng, David & Pat Heng. **Aug. 6:** Lynn & Sharon Heng, Martin & Elaine Heng, Roger Heng, George & Mary Kay Hengen, Julie Parker, John & Linda Hogeland, Alyce Hollesen, Dan & Alice Holtz, Adam & Jennifer Howard, William & Heather Howard. **Aug. 13:** Scott & Tracy Juranek, Anthony & Michelle Kaiser, Clarence & Anna Mae Kaiser, Joseph Kaiser, Mike & Jenny Kearney, Patricia Kleineweber, Brian Kochanowicz, Sheri Kochanowicz, Arnie Kreifels, Bryan Kreifels, Cliff & Jean Kreifels, Wayne & Brenda Kreifels. **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, 873-9160, Mary Mills, 873-6247.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: "Our prime purpose in life is to help others." Dalai Lama



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You're invited to the Next Meeting
July 27, 2016 at 7:30 PM St Mary's Church Hall

We will be selling sweet corn shortly and will be in need of volunteers to help in picking and selling the sweet corn after Mass at both churches. Thanks to Pat and Ray Gress for planting and growing the sweet corn.

Thank you to Duane Stuhr for continuing to coordinate the lawn mowing for the Franciscan Sisters. If you are able to help, please contact Duane. This is a great opportunity for High School students to get community service hours this summer.

Update on the Right To Life sign: We installed the frame work on the posts and will be installing the new signs in August. Thanks to Pat Gress for providing the tractor and bucket to get this done and to Ben, Jerry and Luke Jensen for assisting.

Your dues at work: What is per capita? Where does it go? How much is it? Where do the assessed numbers come from? These are some of the frequently asked questions when it comes to the per capita billing. Following are answers to each of these questions. Hopefully this will help everyone understand the per capita assessment. What is per capita? Per capita is an assessment on every member of the Knights of Columbus in all jurisdictions. Only Disabled and Honorary Life members are excluded from this yearly per capita assessment. Both the State Council and Supreme have a per capita assessment. Where does the money go? The state assessment is designed to assist the State Council in funding items such as programs, conventions, Knights Courier, and the other expenses that are associated with running an organization like ours. How much is it? State per capita assessment, Your state per capita invoice is received two times each fiscal year. Invoices are sent directly to your council's Financial Secretary and are to be paid from your council's annual dues. As part of these dues, \$8.75 per member per year is currently assessed by the State Council and is your council's State per capita billing. One half will be billed July 1, 2016 and due by September 1, 2016 for \$4.38 per member. The second half will be billed \$4.37 per member on January 1, 2017 and due by March 1, 2017. Supreme per capita assessment Supreme's per capita assessment is currently \$4.50 per member per billing (twice yearly) and is your council's Supreme per capita billing. These invoices are billed by Supreme directly to your council's Financial Secretary. Where do the assessed numbers come from? For both per capita invoices, the State Council uses the number of members that each council has on Supreme's membership roster as of July 1 of that current fiscal year. This is another reason why it is important that your council's Financial Secretary accurately maintains and updates your membership records with Supreme.

WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR KNIGHTS WITH BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST:
Deroy Harshman, Wayne Kreifels, Laurence DuBois, Brad Kreifels, Jason McNeely, Gary Sasse, Kent Koerber, Kenneth Kreifels, Thomas Ragland, Sr., Randy Kreifels, Randy Denniston.

Knights with membership anniversaries in August are: Tom Funke 37 years, Kevin Rettig 34 years, James Lowe 32 years, Roger Kreifels 30 years, Mark Francois and James Jameson 23 years, Mark Bakula, Daren Box, Horacio Perdomo and Tom Giffie 5 years, Florian Brown 4 years, Joe Allen, John Anthens, Jerry Jensen and Luke Jensen 3 years, John Hogeland, Brett Meyer, Darrell Navrkal and Allen Smith 2 years. Thank you for your service to the Knights. It's great to see a mix of long term and new members.

Next Meeting will be August 31.

CHARITYUNITY***FRATERNITY***PATRIOTISM***

A VISIT WITH A FRIEND

The day is long, the headaches many;
I look for peace, but can't find any.
Amid relentless rush and noise,
life seems devoid of all its joys.

I long for comfort, someone kind,
whose love might ease my troubled mind;
but in this world of constant hurry,
each person has his own deep worry.

There is a place where I can go,
Someone to hear my tale of woe;
One who always has the time
to share the load, to ease the mind!

I open the door and go inside,
where peace and quiet still abide.
Treading softly down the aisle,
I greet Him with a tired smile.

“How good it feels to be with you!
Please help me, tell me what to do!”
At first, this is my fervent plea;
but silence soon descends on me.

It stills my heart, the turmoil ends—
no words are needed between two friends.
At peace with Him, and He with me,
I know I'm where I ought to be.

With Him I'm sure to find the way
to cope with living day by day.
And when I leave, our visit through,
He'll say, “I'm always here for you.”

I know that next week I'll return,
to talk and listen, to think and learn;
to find life's meaning and true reward
before our eucharistic Lord.



INVITATION TO PERPETUAL ADORATION

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is held at CHI Health - St. Mary's Hospital Chapel from Monday following the 6:20 a.m. Mass to Saturday at 12:00 a.m. An hour spent each week with Jesus will bring many graces, not only to your family, but also to the community and the world.

Yes, I am willing to spend one hour a week with Jesus, who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Please sign your name and phone number and drop in the Sunday collection basket or call Pamela Gress, 402-969-0556.

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Day and Time Available _____