

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor: Rev. Jonathan J. Haschke

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, 402-209-2498

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

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

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST - SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Jack Bakula, Janet Frana, Kenneth Russell, Aaron Herold, Cheryl Hauptman, Myron Penning, Everett Tjaden, Ned Cox, Aaron Mayberry, Angie Childers, Trini Lipp, Emmett Christiansen, Sr. Kathleen Kilp, O.S.F., Mike Crunk, Kim Kelly, Lacie & Lexis Bruns-Morris, Kathy Gilbert, Kala Griepenstroh, Albert Burger, Janet McVay, Bill Albert, John Davis, Donna Thoms, Laurence DuBois, Adam Eppert, Pat Bowman 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 the happy repose of the soul of Camille Wolken.

PLEASE PRAY for our seminarians James O'Neil, Brian Wirth, Joseph Allen, Caleb Hile, Sr. Mary Agnata Fritz, Sr. Marie Amata D'Amico 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 **Wednesdays from 5-6 a.m.** 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. Everyone is always welcome to make a visit. If you are not a regular scheduled adorer and would like to be or would like more information, please call Pam Gress, 402-969-0556. Thank you to all of our scheduled adorers. **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:** Adoration will conclude on Tuesday, July 3 at 12:00 a.m. and resumes on Thursday, July 5 following the 6:20 a.m. Mass.

ONLY ONE WEEK REMAINS OF OUR 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR that ends on June 30. Currently we are short -\$11,240.19 (-41.17) per family) in reaching our budget needs. Between now and July 1, please prayerfully ponder about the gifts and graces that you have received from God and the portion that he asks of us to return for the ministry of His Church. Give yourself the opportunity to listen to His call to not only serve His Church with the financial gifts that He gives to you but the gifts of time and talent that you can use through the many ministries of our parish and community. Thank you to all of you for your generous and continued support of our parish, to all those that have increased their giving this year or given an extra gift and to all of you that serve our parish family. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

BISHOP'S CHARITY & STEWARDSHIP APPEAL: Currently we have received pledges/contributions in the amount of \$48,155.00 with only \$6745.00 to reach our goal of \$55,000.00. If you received your pledge card in the mail, please return by next weekend so we can finalize the campaign. Thank you to all those that generously give to this annual appeal.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: Next weekend, our diocese will take up the annual Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are sufferings. Envelopes are attached to the bulletin today.

REGISTER TODAY - TOTUS TUUS (TOTALLY YOURS) is a Catholic youth program for students entering grades 1-12 dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness and Eucharistic worship. The goal of Totus Tuus is to help young people grow in the understanding of and strengthen their faith in Jesus Christ. Totus Tuus is being held Monday-Friday, July 16-20 from 9:00-3:00 p.m. for students entering grades 1-8. The day includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games and recess. For grades 9-12, the program runs July 15-19 from 8-10 p.m. TOTUS TUUS combines catechesis and having FUN!!! The youthfulness and energy of the team is contagious, come out and join us!!! Everyone is invited to a potluck dinner on Wednesday, July 18 at 5:30 p.m. and daily Mass at 11:30 a.m. Registration forms are available on our website or in the entrance of the church. Registration forms and payment can be returned to the parish office, through the collection basket or dropped off at Lourdes School. Cost is \$25 per child for the first two children in the family and \$10 for each additional child. For more information, please call Jennifer Dierksen, 402-873-6154.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR: July 15-20 - Totus Tuus; August 2-4 - Rummage Sale; October 20-21 - Ministry Fair.

MASS INTENTIONS: Currently the calendar has a number of openings for scheduling a Mass intention for a friend or loved one such as the anniversary of their death, birthday, or other occasion. Some dates have already been scheduled, so please be flexible. The suggested Mass stipend is \$10.00. Masses can be scheduled by stopping by the parish office.

SOUTHERN NEBRASKA REGISTER - NO EXPIRATION: Thank you to all those who continue to make \$15 payments for their Southern Nebraska Register. Because the parish is billed monthly for each family to receive a Register, there is no deadline for contributions. If you have not made a contribution for our diocesan newspaper, please consider one. Our annual subscription bill is \$5670.00 and we have received contributions totaling \$2422.00 leaving a balance of \$3248.00.

80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Friends and family of Carolyn Gress are invited to an open house in celebration of her 80th birthday on Sunday, July 1 from 2-4:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church hall. If you are unable to attend and would like to send her a card, her address is 403 S. 6th St. Nebraska City, NE 68410. Happy Birthday, Carolyn!

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.

PRAY THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY FOR OUR COUNTRY: Please join others in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the nine days leading up to July 4, beginning June 25-July 3 specifically imploring God's mercy on our country. For more information go to thedivinemercy.org/pray4USA

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: Today we celebrate the birth of St. John the Baptist. This prophet, who practiced austerity in the desert, proclaimed the kingdom of God, a coming judgment, and baptism as a sign of repentance. With deep humility, John directed attention not to himself but to Jesus. John's attitude was, "He must increase, I must decrease" (John 3:30). John's birth, days after the summer solstice when daylight hours begin to decrease, contrasts with Jesus' birth days after the winter solstice, heralding daylight's increase. Like John the Baptist, stewards turn attention away from themselves and towards Jesus. The stewardship question for us is whether or not we ourselves are prepared to "decrease" and allow Jesus to "increase" in our hearts, minds, words and actions.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

June 17: Adult Env.: \$8711.00; Loose: \$601.79; Children's Env.: \$17.96; Online: \$1916.00; Total: **\$11246.75** Guardian Angel Fund: \$10.00
Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Short: **\$2075.73**; June 17: Needed: \$679,446.50; Received: \$668,206.31; Short: **-\$11,240.19** (-\$41.17 per family)

Southern Nebraska Register: Needed: \$5670.00 - Rec'd \$2422.00; Bal. Needed: **\$3248.00**; Cemetery: \$20.00

Bishop's Charity & Stewardship Appeal: Goal: \$55,000.00; Pledges/Contributions: \$47,980.00; Bal. Needed: **\$7020.00**

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: "Do not let a day pass without doing some good in it." St. Philip Neri

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Fr. Casey Porado+	Charles Moore+	
Tuesday	T. R. Morin+	Loretta Sarraillon+	
Wednesday	Margaret Morin+	Robert Beccard+	
Thursday	Peter Morin	Walt & Rita Wenzl	
Friday	Lester Kinnison+	Charles & Lorraine Gude+	
Saturday		Karen McQuillan+	6:30 p.m. John & Mary Wenzl
Sunday		Fr. Steven Mills	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
USHERS/ GREETERS	Herman & Myla Weber Ed & Barb Stukenholtz	Don & Pat Ramold Tim & Nancy Baragary	Wayne & Brenda Kreifels Duane & Shelli Stuhr
SERVERS	Damon, Garrett, Robert Honeysuckle	Eli Wigington, Tanner Kochanowicz Caleb Stukenholtz	Cade & Beau Lee Paul Shawhan
LECTORS	Tyler Mason	Jerry Martin	Kelly Madden
ACOLYTES	Fred Allen	Mike Gilson	Bill Olmer
OFFERTORY	Robert & Heather Popish Family	Nathan & Mary Wigington Family	Tammie Gigstad Family

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - June 25-30 – Tyler & Aidan Kleineweber; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Dale Kreifels; Reader: Marv Giittinger

READINGS: June 25, 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Mt 7:1-5; June 26, 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Mt 7:6, 12-14; June 27, 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Mt 7:15-20; June 28, 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Mt 7:21-29; June 29, Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19; June 30, Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Mt 8:5-17; July 1, Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Jump start your Catholic spirituality with an hour of adoration and prayer in Eucharistic Adoration. Consider spending quality time with our Lord in a quiet and intimate setting. The fruit of spending time in adoration is bountiful. Jesus awaits all to come to Him and richly rewards those who take the time and make the sacrifice of their time. See for yourself. Several options exist for you to get involved: regular adorer, substitute adorer or temporary adorer to cover open hours until they are filled. Please pray about this. Many graces are given to all who spend time with our Eucharistic Lord.

FORMED – THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND: STUDY...WATCH...LISTEN...READ... The best Catholic content all in one place. Register today on Formed.org or if you haven't visited the website for awhile, take a look today and be inspired! Parish code: BHRREJ.

PRAYMORENOVENAS.COM: Get Novena prayers delivered to your inbox! Feel the power of praying together with 282,262 people! Never forget to finish a Novena again! The novena to St. Maria Goretti will begin on Wednesday, June 27. Sign-up today.

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. Thank you.

HOLY WATER BOTTLES are available for use for taking holy water home. If you take a bottle, please bring it back for a refill. If you have extras at home, please return them for others to use. Thank you.

UNBOUND: The Office of Evangelization will be hosting an evening consisting of four parts (about 20 minutes each), The Meaning of Deliverance, Unbound Ministry, Witness to the Power of Deliverance, Questions and Answers on Thursday, July 5 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. This is open to anyone who would like a better understanding of the meaning of deliverance and how each person can benefit from it. See flier in entrance of the church for more information.

REVIVE: YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE for adults ages 22-40 is an opportunity for networking, encounter with Jesus, and renewal in the faith! It will take place at the Newman Center in Lincoln on July 13-14. Keynote speaker, Mass and BBQ with the Bishop and live entertainment! For more information: olaurae@gmail.com and to register visit: <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/revivelnk>

19TH ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE: Start a new family tradition by coming to the Midwest Catholic Conference August 3-5 in Wichita, KS. Listen to great speakers and take advantage of daily Mass, adoration, and a beautiful Eucharistic procession. Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by July 16. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to info@catholicfamilyconference.org. See bulletin board for more information and registration form.

MARRIED SINGLES LIFESTYLE: The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program on the weekend of August 24-26, call 1-888-317-5654 or visit www.retrouvaille.org

INSPIRATIONAL CATHOLIC CDS AND BOOKS: Want to enrich and strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ and your understanding of the Catholic faith? Stop in the entrance of the church today to see what is new from Lighthouse Catholic Media. CDS only \$3 and books are \$6. Your generous donations help continue our ministry and we are able to purchase additional CDs, books and booklets.

THE LEGION OF MARY invites families of the parish to host the traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima. As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of Mary's appearance at Fatima, we encourage our parish families to host the statue in their homes for 1-2 weeks to renew and encourage devotion to Our Lady and to pray for peace in our Nation and the world. It is said that Our Lady has bestowed special graces on the host families. If you would like to host Our Lady of Fatima in your home or would like more information, please contact Nora Gottwald, 402-209-0322 or Kathy Wigington, 402-209-1341.

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 or email the parish office with your new information. If you are planning to move out of our community, please also, let us know. Thank you.

IRA REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION AT 70 1/2: Did you know that you could save money on your taxes by donating your annual required minimum distribution directly to St. Mary's Church? You can make up to \$100,000.00 or \$200,000.00 if your spouse is also 70 1/2 in donations to a charitable organization. Direct-from-your-IRA donations are called qualified charitable distributions, or QCDs. They are tax-free and no deductions are allowed for them, so QCDs don't directly affect your tax bill. However, they count as withdrawals for purposes of meeting the required minimum distribution (RMD) rules that apply to your traditional IRAs after age 70 1/2.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: The convenient way to return a portion of your gifts back to our Lord. It's easy to set up, safe, secure and you can check as often as you like to see what you have given to the church and special collections throughout the year. Go to our website at www.stmarysnebraskacity.com. If you have any questions, please call the parish office. Thank you to all those that are already using online giving.

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. HASCHKE, FR. MORIN, AND SEMINARIAN, CALEB HILE: June 25: Lynn Gibson, June 27: Lana Gilson, June 30: Maggie Gripenstroh, July 2: Vonna Grooman, July 7: Kathy Grundman, July 9: Stephanie Hackett, July 11: Noreen Harris, July 14: Pat Heng, July 16: Sharon Heng, July 18: Elaine Heng, July 21: Mary Kay Hengen, July 23: Alyce Hollesen, July 25: Jennifer Howard, July 28: Anna Mae Kaiser 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 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.): **June 30:** Richard Blobaum, Caroline Bolin, Richard & Gail Bond, Marcia Boone, Jennifer Booth, Ronda Booth, Daren & Beth Box, Roger & Ranae Brandt, Theresa Brown, Jody Honeysuckle, Carolyn Bryant. **July 7:** Joseph Carey, Ken & Paula Carlstedt, Mary Causgrove, Sean & Maureen Chance, Joe & Brooke Chaney, Richard Sevenson, Kris Chaney, Marianne Chesterman, Suzann Cooksey, Logan & Jessica Crunk, Mike & Sharon Crunk. **July 14:** Jeffrey & Meredith Cumro, Craig & Joni Davis, Denise Davis, Dan & Kay DeFreece, Jesse & Kimberly Dorman, John & Debra Dubas, Briana Dubas, Laurence & Sally DuBois, Barbara DuBois, Nina Durr, Donald & Kasey DuVal. **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.