

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 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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2018

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Everett Tjaden, Carline Moles, Ned Cox, Aaron Mayberry, Angie Childers, Shirley Hackett, 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 our seminarians James O'Neil, Brian Wirth and Joseph Allen 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 **Tuesdays from 2-3 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9-10 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.

COMBINED COLLECTION: Today there will be a second collection for the Combined Collection. Each year during the holy season of Lent as a means of providing an additional opportunity for almsgiving, the national "Combined Collection" is taken up in the parishes of our Diocese. These are all national collections directed to be taken up by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. Although some of the collections are used to help the Church outside of our country, most all of it is to help the cause of the Catholic Church in the United States and some of it stays here within our Diocese. All of us are asked to prayerfully consider the various needs for each of these collections. Thank you.

NO CCD - GRADES K-6 ON MARCH 14: Resumes on March 21.

ST. MARY'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR will sing next Sunday, March 18 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All students in grades 2nd and older are invited to join us. There will be practice on Wednesday, March 14 from 3:30-4:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kay DeFreece at kay-defreece@cclinc.net.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR: March 16 - Stations and Benediction - 5:15 p.m. & Fish Fry - 5-7 p.m.; Communal Penance Service: March 25 - 2:00 p.m.; April 5-7 - Rummage Sale; April 15 - First Communion - 12:00 p.m.; July 15-20 - Totus Tuus.

K OF C FISH FRIES - LAST FISH FRY: Come join the Knights of Columbus for the last Fish Fry this Lent on Friday, March 16 from 5-7 p.m. in St. Mary's Church hall. The Knights will be serving baked and fried fish, shrimp, mac and cheese, potato wedges, coleslaw, bread/butter, choice of dessert and drink. As always, it's free will offering. Please come and support the Knights and their worthy projects.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to Mark & Jeanette Eilers, Duane & Julia Russell, and Tom & Vonna Grooman for chairing this year's soup supper, to Teresa Albers and Jackie Loseke for chairing the raffle, and to Mary Mills and Linda Lollmann for preparing the soups. Thank you to all those that brought salads, pies, items for the country store, donated great raffle prizes and beautiful baskets, purchased raffle tickets, made donations or helped in any way to make our soup supper a great success. Thank you also to all those that attended and brought your friends and family. It was a great day to share in fellowship as we worked together as a parish family. Currently our income is at \$4617.25. If you were unable to attend, donate a salad, pie and something for the country store, donations are still being accepted. Thank for your many gifts of time, talent and treasure.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: Today we hear the Gospel story of Jesus' encounter with Nicodemus, a Pharisee and leader of the Jews who comes to Jesus by night, recognizing Jesus as a teacher from God, but coming in secret for fear of being put out of the synagogue. Jesus rebukes him for his lack of understanding. Good stewards realize that for the sake of this world, God gives his most cherished beloved son. And so they are willing to confess Jesus as their Lord and savior in a public way. They do not keep their faith to themselves, in darkness. The Gospel reading challenges us to profess our faith in word and deed publicly, not to hide it away. Are we willing to accept the Gospel's challenge? Are we willing to get out of our personal "comfort zone" and confess our faith in Christ Jesus in an open, tangible way?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Mar. 4: Adult Env.: \$10335.00; **Loose:** \$536.00; **Children's Env.:** \$2.33; **Online:** \$3931.50; Ash Wednesday: \$10.00; IRA: \$5000.00; **Total: \$19814.83** Franciscan Sisters: \$50.00; Vacuum Cleaners: \$100.00; Memorial: \$40.00; Combined Collection: \$90.00
Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Over: \$6492.35; **Mar. 4: Needed:** \$479,609.30; Received: \$503,406.14; Over: **\$23,796.84** (\$87.17 per family)
Southern Nebraska Register: **Needed:** \$5670.00 - **Rec'd** \$2177.00; **Bal. Needed:** \$3493.00 Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	5:00 p.m. CCD Grades 7-12, St. Benedict's rectory	Wednesday	7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. Class, Lourdes School
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall	Friday	5:00 p.m. K of C Fish Fry, church hall
Wednesday	8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory		5:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Benediction
	NO CCD - Grades K-6, resumes March 21	Sunday	Rosary Sunday

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Gude & Nystrom Families+	Jake Myers+	5:15 p.m. Priest's Intention
Tuesday	Juanita Kreifels+	Kathy Duffy	
Wednesday	Lester Kinnison+	Sue Meidlinger+	5:15 p.m. Mary Morin+
Thursday	Francis & Vera Lavigne+	Leta Harshman+ (Anniv.)	
Friday	Robin Harding+	Mary Pudenz+	
Saturday		Raymond & June Yost+	6:30 p.m. Lois Harris+
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	Danny & Robin Heng Family	Tim & Jill Travis Mary Mills, Linda Lollmann	Mike Heng, Bill & Mary Jo Olmer
SERVERS	Zachary Whitten, Eli McNeely	James & Joseph Kearney Bobby Moser	Nick Fedoris, Gage Schmitz Harper Weldon
LECTORS	Lisa Whitten	Gerry Wirth	Ron Schmitz
ACOLYTES	Fred Allen	Mike Gilson	Andy Fedoris
OFFERTORY	Bill & Kathy Aultz	Gail Walford, Jane Lutz	Mary Wright Family

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - Mar. 12-17 – Robert Honeysuckle, Gabriel Baxa, Ethan Bruggeman; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Dale Kreifels; Reader: Denise Davis

READINGS: Mar. 12, Is 65, 17-21/Jn 4:43-54; Mar. 13, Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16; Mar. 14, Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30; Mar. 15, Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47; Mar. 16, Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30/Mar. 17, Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53; Mar. 18, Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33.

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: Stewards trust in God, rely on God and cling to God in many ways.

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

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TO THE CATHOLIC PRESS? Each household should be receiving our diocesan paper *The Southern Nebraska Register*. Our diocesan paper has international, national and local news including our parish and school along with information on how to grow in our faith. The cost to our parish is \$5670.00 and currently we have received \$2177.00. Suggested donation is \$15.00 to help defray these costs. If you are able to contribute more than \$15.00, your help is appreciated. Thank you.

ST. MONICA'S PRAYER: During the month of March, all ladies of the parish are urged to attend daily Mass and pray this Prayer of St. Monica each day: "O God, You are the comfort of those who mourn and the Savior of all who trust in You. Blessed Monica's loving tears moved you to convert her son, Augustine. Help us who pray to You for the salvation of our sons and daughters, too. May we also grieve for our own sins and win the grace of your pardon through the intercession of this loving Saint, through Christ our Lord. Amen. St. Monica, pray for us!"

ADDITIONAL MASSES DURING LENT – STATIONS AND BENEDICTION: Two Masses have been added - Monday & Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. thru Wednesday, March 21. Daily attendance at Mass is a good, positive undertaking for the season of Lent. On **Fridays at 5:15 p.m.** there will be Stations of the Cross and Benediction.

LENTEN REGULATIONS: ABSTINENCE: All Catholics who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat on All Fridays of Lent. **EASTER DUTY:** All the faithful who have received First Communion are to receive Communion at least once through the Easter Season that is between the First Sunday of Lent and Holy Trinity Sunday.

EASTER FLOWERS & LILIES: We are accepting donations of \$10.00 to purchase Easter Lilies and flowers to decorate the altar. Special envelopes are in the entrance of the church for your convenience. Contributions may be dropped in the collection basket. Please indicate along with your contribution if you wish to make a memorial or dedication to someone; kindly do this by **Sunday, March 25**. Thank you.

K OF C FISH FRY & ALTAR SOCIETY BAKE SALE hosted at St. Paulinus Church, Syracuse from 5-9 p.m. will be held March 16. Serving carp, pollock, catfish nuggets, scalloped potatoes, vegetable and dessert.

FALLS CITY FISH FRY, FRIDAY, MARCH 16: The Knights of Columbus is hosting their annual Lenten Fish Fry at Prichard Auditorium, 312 West 17th St, in Falls City. Serving from 5-8:00 p.m., fish, au gratin potatoes, coleslaw, bread & butter, ice cream, and drink. Cost is \$11 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under with takeout orders available for \$1 extra. Proceeds support Catholic education at Sacred Heart School.

MAGNIFICAT is sponsoring a **Women's Life In the Spirit Retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House**, Waverly, on March 16-18 with Susan Potvin and members of the Living Praise Worship Team (livingpraiseworship.com) who have produced six CDs and traveled around the world. Register at goodcounselretreat.com, 402-786-2705, or goodcounsel@cdolinc.net.

HOLD THE DATES MOTHERS OF GIRLS 10-13 YRS: Please join us for the upcoming "Fearfully & Wonderfully Made Mother-Daughter Program" Saturday, March 24 from 9-12 p.m. This program is designed to educate and empower girls as they approach and experience puberty; all in light of God's design. Cost is \$20/girl or \$30/family. Registration required by March 17. To register contact Jennifer Davis at 402-261-6375 or jmdavis17@gmail.com

THE 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet on Sunday, March 18 for the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's Church.

MAGNIFICAT WINTER PRAYER MEAL: Sunday, March 18 at 4:00 p.m. at Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O St, Lincoln. Special guest speaker is Susan Potvin, Worship Leader for the Living Praise Worship Team. Susan longs for all women to know the power of God's Love and Healing in the midst of their lives and their families. Come hear Susan's testimony of adopting four children, her son's battle with drug addiction, and how **the Lord can heal broken families** through the power of His forgiveness! Register by sending a \$25 check payable to Magnificat c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 St, Lincoln NE 68504 (students \$15). Deadline is March 13. For information call or text Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or Barb Bechtolt at 402-489-6905.

A FATHER/SON PROGRAM FOR AGES 10-14 YRS will be held at Lourdes School on March 18 from 2-4 p.m. Guest speakers will be Fr. Cyza, Dr. DeFreece, and Dr. Crotty. Questions, contact Patrick Gress @ 402873-0326 or patrickgress@yahoo.com.

DIocese LAUNCHING ROSARY CRUSADE: The Diocese of Lincoln is encouraging families to pray the rosary or a daily decade of Scripture Rosary. A powerful prayer like the rosary being said by a family can make families stronger and deepen their love for Mary and the rosary. Next Sunday, March 18, is “Rosary Sunday” in the Nebraska City area. Each family attending Mass will receive a pledge card to be completed during Mass and offered as a spiritual tithe for the parish and the diocese during the offertory.

RAFFLE WINNERS: \$350 Meat Gift Certificate - Rock Creek Swine – Teresa Albers; \$250 - W & H Manufacturing – Julie Volkmer; Angel Wood Carving - Mike Riege – Elaine Heng; \$100 - Brandt, Horan, Hallstrom, & Stilmock Lawyers – Linda Lollmann; \$100 - Sunflower Sales Vinyl Fencing – Fr. Morin; \$100 - 7 Mile Style – Anna Mae Kaiser; \$100 - Bernard Real Estate & Auction – Julie Volkmer; 1 hr Massage - Nebraska City Chiropractic – Mary Lynn Hall; \$50 - Pathfinder Wealth Advisors – Laurence & Sally DuBois; \$50 - Gas Card Easter & Associates – Sam Nanfito; \$50 – Borns Financial Planning, Inc – Don Loseke; \$50 - Moser’s U-Save Pharmacy – Amber Shawhan; \$50 – Scott O’Neil, DDS – Julia Russell; \$50 Gift Certificate - Table Creek – Roger McConnell; Thirty-One Bags - Tammy Bando – Mary Kay Hengen; Nativity – Keeping Room – Amber Shawhan; One Month Membership – Ambassador Wellness Center – Amber Shawhan; Gift Tote Pkg. – Premier Bank – Marlene Fey; Hair Product – LaReese’s Beauty Salon – Mark Eilers; \$25 Pampered Chef Gift Basket – Carol Stehlik - Deb Heng; \$25 - Gude Mortuary – Barb DuBois; \$25 – Molly McNeely, DDS – Marlene Frana; \$25 Gift Card – Valentino’s – Janelle McKain. **Baskets:** Margaret Rumery, Cheryl Wirth, Vonna Grooman, Beth Box, Barb Stukenholtz, Maggie Gripenstroh, and Kathy Duffy. Thank you to all those that donated prizes and baskets and those that sold and purchased tickets. Your generosity it greatly appreciated.

EASTER EGG HUNT: The Knights of Columbus Easter Egg hunt will be held Saturday, March 24 at 11:30 p.m. on the practice football field behind the Lourdes high school. There are four age groups: 3 and under, 4-5, 6-7 and 8 and up. Rain date will be Saturday March 31. Questions? Contact Jerry Jensen, 402-874-0581.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE: **MASS:** Palm Sunday - Saturday, March 24 - 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, March 25 – 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.; Monday-Wednesday, March 26-28 - 8:00 a.m.; Holy Thursday, March 29 - 7:00 p.m.; Good Friday Services, March 30 - 12:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.; Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 31 - 8:30 p.m.; Easter Sunday, April 1 - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.; **CHI HEALTH – ST. MARY’S HOSPITAL CHAPEL:** Monday-Wednesday, March 26-28 – 6:20 a.m. **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday, March 24 - 4-5 p.m.; Sunday, March 25 – 2:00 p.m. Lenten Penance Service; Wednesday, March 28 – 12:00-1:00 p.m.; Thursday, March 29 – 8:00-9:00 p.m.; Friday, March 30 - 11:15-12:00 p.m. & 6:00-6:45 p.m.; Saturday, March 31 - 4-5 p.m. & 7:30-8:00 p.m.; Or by appointment.

HOLY WEEK RETREAT: The Marian Sisters invite you to their annual Holy Week Retreat. The retreat will provide an opportunity for single young women (high school seniors through the age of 32) to enter more deeply into the Passion and Death of our Lord. The silent retreat will be held at the Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly on March 29-31. The cost is \$30 for students and \$40 for non-students. For more information or to register, please visit marian-vocations@cdolinc.net or by phone 402-786-2750.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE - RICE BOWL: We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community—and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Pick up your family’s rice bowl from the entrance of the church today. Visit crsicebowl.org for more information.

LOOKING FOR WAYS TO GROW SPIRITUALLY DURING LENT? Attend daily Mass, pray the Rosary at St. Mary’s Church each morning at 7:30 p.m. or at home, or sit with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary’s Hospital Chapel. Check out **WORD ON FIRE** - Sign-up for free Gospel reflections from Bishop Robert Barron during Lent <http://www.lentreflections.com/>; **BEST LENT EVER** - A free email program that will guide you on an incredible 40-day journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself, making this a truly life-changing Lent <https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever>; **CATHOLIC FAMILY FAITH** <http://www.catholicfamilyfaith.org/lent.html>; **AVE MARIA PRESS** - Lent is a great time to do some spiritual reading, find plenty of books at <https://www.avemariapress.com/category/PM70/Lent-Resources/>

ATTENTION LEGAL PROFESSIONALS -THE RED MASS WITH BISHOP CONLEY to pray for all in the legal profession will be Thursday, March 22 at 7:00 a.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center, Lincoln. A breakfast will follow Mass, with a talk given by Joshua McCaig on religious liberty issues for lawyers. All are invited, see redmass2018.eventbrite.com.

THE STAMP COLLECTION GOES THROUGH LENT! Catholic Daughters of America are collecting new postage stamps for Lourdes School. Our Lenten drive will last until April 2. There will be a tote box in the back of church if you would like to donate. Lourdes School is such a blessing to our community, we are happy to help support them anyway we can. Please call Barb Stukenholtz with questions, 402-209-4976.

ALL CATHOLICS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE AN ANNUAL RETREAT: Upcoming retreats at Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly: March 16-18 for women, Magnificat with Susan Potvin, “Life in the Spirit Retreat,” March 19-22 for men and women with Fr. Gary Coulter, 4-Day Ignatian Retreat and March 29-31 for men and women with Fr. Thomas Dunavan, “Saints for Today.” Register at www.goodcounselretreat.com

CAMP KATERI DUELING PIANOS BENEFIT: Camp Kateri is hosting its annual benefit dinner on Friday, April 13 at Stone Creek Reception Hall in McCool Junction. The entertainment is The Fun Piano Show, by 176 Keys. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. The Dueling Piano Show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person and \$350 for a reserved table of eight. To order tickets, please email CampKateriT@gmail.com or call [402-724-2596](tel:402-724-2596).

A THOUGHT FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT - DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT? ■ Fast from hurting words and say kind words. ■ Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude. ■ Fast from anger and be filled with patience. ■ Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope. ■ Fast from worries and trust in God. ■ Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity. ■ Fast from pressures and be prayerful. ■ Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy. ■ Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others. ■ Fast from grudges and be reconciled. ■ Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

ONLINE 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.
PLEASE NOTE: If you bank at **Premier Bank**, and are still using Farmers Bank checks, please make sure that you use tjos rpitomg mi,ber” 104000870.

YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES: Visit www.lincolndiocese.org under the tab “YOUTH MINISTRY” to find out youth spiritual growth opportunities scheduled for this summer. **SKY CAMP, RETREATS, CANOE TRIP, ETC**

STUDENTS – SAVE THE DATE – JULY 15-20 - TOTUS TUUS (TOTALLY YOURS), for another fun, faith-filled summer catechetical youth program for students entering grades 1-12. Don’t miss it, so save the date. More details to come.

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, April 5 & 6 from 9-5 p.m. and Saturday, April 7 from 9-1 p.m. Items can be brought to the church hall, but please by Monday, April 2 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, April 7 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 dishes remaining at rummage sale time will be donated. Stop and pick yours up today. Thank you.

TRAVELING OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE: The Legion of Mary is sponsoring a traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima for families to host in their home for one-two weeks. A special prayer to be said each day will be supplied. 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 call Nora Gottwald, 402-209-0322 or Cathy Sawyer, 402-873-7250.

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE FOR THE LOURDES EVENT, "ESCAPE TO THE TROPICS" ON APRIL 7 AT LOURDES CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL. The Lourdes Event is our annual fundraiser that supports the goals and operations of Lourdes Central Catholic School. The Event is a fun evening that starts with Mass at St. Mary's Church, followed by a social hour and silent auction, dinner and grand auction at Lourdes. We hope you will join us for the evening and we also welcome any donations for the silent or live auction! We appreciate any item handmade or purchased, large or small, vacations, weekend getaways, tickets to sporting events or concerts, etc. If you would like to volunteer, have a gift you would like to donate, or would like more information about the Lourdes Event, please contact Brooke Chaney 402-873-6154 or brooke-chaney@cdolinc.net

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN, LOURDES & FATIMA: Come along November 5-15, 2018, to some of the most sacred places in all of Europe! We'll visit both of the great Shrines to Mary, Lourdes in southern France and Fatima in Portugal, and many great places in Spain. Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$3,249 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, St. Mary's Parish, 311 - 4th St. N., Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or call 515-332-2856 or email frdanguenther@gmail.com

12 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY AND THE VATICAN: Roundtrip from Lincoln June 4-15, 2018. Priest escort Fr. Rand Langhorst. See Rome, The Vatican, Assisi, Eucharistic Miracle Sites, San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio), and Cascia. \$3795.00 per person double occupancy. Includes flights, lodgings, breakfast and dinner daily. Contact fr.randlanghorst@gmail.com. to be sent an electronic brochure or one via postal mail or Visit on the web at via www.tektonministries.org.

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.

INDULGENCES: The faithful can receive a partial indulgence if they recite the following prayer after Communion before a crucifix or other image of Christ crucified. On the Fridays of Lent, the indulgence is plenary. **Prayer Before A Crucifix:** Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus, while before Your face I humbly kneel, and with burning soul pray and beseech You to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity, true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment; while I contemplate with great love and tender pity Your five wounds, pondering over them within me, and calling to mind the words which, long ago, David the prophet spoke in Your own person concerning You, my Jesus: "They have pierced My hands and My feet; they have numbered all My bones." To receive an indulgence, the recipient must go to confession a few days before or after, receive holy communion and recite one Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be for the intentions of the Pope.

WITHOUT CHANGING YOUR WILL, YOU CAN LEAVE A GIFT TO OUR PARISH: Designate St. Mary's Church as the beneficiary of all or a portion of your IRA or 401K. Your funds have grown tax free in your IRA or 401K, and your heirs could be taxed at a high rate when the funds are distributed. If you donate these funds, the money passes directly to our parish, tax-free. Contact your IRA or 401K plan administrator for a change of beneficiary designation form. Leave your Savings Account or Certificate of Deposit (CD) to our parish. Simply change the beneficiary to make the Savings Account or CD payable upon death to the parish. The parish will receive the funds when you are deceased. For more information contact your financial institution. Contact Les Mach, Planned Giving Officer Diocese of Lincoln, les-mach@cdolinc.net or 402-443-3866 for help and additional options for planned gifts.

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN: Mar. 12: Jenny Kearney, Mar. 14: Tamara Levins, Mar. 17: Linda Lollmann, Mar. 19: Jackie Loseke, Mar. 21: Amy Lucas, Mar. 24: Suzi Martin, Mar. 26: Patricia McConnell, Mar. 28: Cindy McGinnis, Mar. 31: Mary Mills, April 2: Kilee Olson, April 4: Mary Penning, April 7: Mary Pargett, April 9: Rachelle Ragland, April 11: Margaret Rumery, April 14: Julia Russell. 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.

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE: All families of the parish, except those unable due to health, are scheduled on a rotating basis according to the alphabet to clean the church two or three times per year on Saturday mornings following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Those scheduled for the next three weeks are listed in the bulletin along with a list of substitutes. If you are not able to clean the date assigned, please be considerate of the others that are scheduled and find a substitute prior to your scheduled day. Thank you to all those that faithfully help in keeping clean our Lord's home.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME – CHURCH CLEANERS (following the Saturday 8:00 a.m. Mass {8:30 a.m}): Mar. 17: Gail Walford, Jane Lutz, Kelly & Sue Madden, Mark & Jennifer Madison, Paul & Angie Madison, Emily Magel, Arvon & Lu Marcotte, Clint & Lori Martin, Jerry & Suzi Martin, Tyler & Kelli Mason. Mar. 23: Rita Mathews, Aaron & Dana Mayberry, Bailey Mazzulla, Riannon Jeffery, Roger & Patricia McConnell, Derek & Taylor McGinnis, Kent & Cindy McGinnis, Susan McGowen, Jason & Molly McNeely, Brett & Emily Meyer. Mar. 30: Laci Meyer, Stephen Meyer, Tom & Cindy Mick, Joe & Marliiss Miller, Scott & Kristin Miller, Mary Mills, Robert & Kristine Moser, Charles Moyer, Robert Moyer, Jennifer Mucha, Sam & Pat Nanfito. **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: "If God sends you many sufferings, it is a sign that He has great plans for you and certainly wants to make you a saint." St. Ignatius of Loyola