

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Website: [stmarysnebraskacity.com](http://stmarysnebraskacity.com)

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](mailto:stmarysnebcity@windstream.net)

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

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 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 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](mailto:stmbulletin@windstream.net) (preferred) or to the parish office.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: ADORERS NEEDED** on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3-4 p.m., Mondays from 9-10 p.m. and Tuesdays from 6-7 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.

**INCREASED OFFERTORY PROGRAM:** Our Increased Offertory Program Commitment Sunday is this weekend at all Masses. We encourage all parishioners to complete and turn in your commitment cards to the church. The Commitment Card contains information on how to plan your increased offertory gift to the church and asks for your commitment over the next year. If you have any questions regarding this program, or how to give electronically, please contact the parish office.

**LIFE CHAIN - RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY - OCTOBER 1**, as designated by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Southeast Nebraska Right-To-Life cordially invites you to stand in silent, prayerful witness to human life at the annual Life Chain in Nebraska City on **Sunday, October 1** from 1:00-2 p.m. along Eleventh Street. Pick up signs at the parking lot south of Arbor Bank at **12:45 p.m.** Refreshments will be served following the life chain. Your prayers for success in this endeavor would be greatly appreciated. For information, please call Pam Gress, 402-969-0556 or Noreen Harris, 402-209-1450.

**ATTENTION: THE MARY OUR QUEEN PROGRAM** presented by the Franciscan Sisters will be held on Monday, October 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Franciscan Sisters' Convent and will not be held on Wednesday, October 4 (this week only).

**THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE** will meet on Monday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Guests welcome.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAS OPEN HOUSE!** Please join us on Tuesday, October 3 at 6:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church hall for refreshments and a chance to learn more about what Catholic Daughters is all about. We will also have our monthly meeting. Bring a friend and be entered to win a door prize. Every Catholic woman in a 30 mile radius is welcome to come and learn more about CDA. If you are already a member but haven't been to a meeting for a while, we'd love to have you come. If you have any questions, call Barb Stukenholtz at 402-209-4976 or Barb Jensen at 402-321-6819. We look forward to seeing you there.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** There are a number of openings for Mass Intentions thru the end of the year. If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one who has passed away, for a family member or friend that is in need of prayers or in thanksgiving, please call the parish office. Customary stipend is \$10.00 per Mass. Please be flexible in scheduling as some dates might not be available.

**LDCCW OCTOBER PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE:** The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) is sponsoring the 8th Annual October Pro-Life Diaper Drive, collecting diapers throughout the month of October in each of the Lincoln Diocese parishes. The assistance of everyone in the Lincoln Diocese is requested. Donations will be shared with the Nebraska Pro-Life organizations and Catholic Social Services across the Diocese and St. Gianna Women's Homes. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements. The goal is to collect 90,000 diapers, sizes 4, 5 and 6. Last year we collected 1,522. Let's see how many we can collect this year. A box is available in the entrance of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**NEW 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 are only \$4 and books are \$6. Your generous donations help continue our ministry and we are able to purchase additional CDs, books and booklets.

**A LIGHT OF THE WORLD (LOTW) PARISH RETREAT** will be offered at St. Joseph Church, Auburn, Saturday, October 7 - 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Sunday, October 8 - 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Fr. Oldham (Rulo) will be assisting with the retreat. "Light of the World" is a Gospel message first proclamation retreat. Pope Francis explains this form of evangelization with these words: "Jesus Christ loves you; He gave His life to save you; and now He is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you." (Joy of the Gospel pp.164) This first proclamation is called "first" not because it exists at the beginning and can then be forgotten or replaced by other more important things. It is first in a qualitative sense because it is the principal proclamation, the one which we must hear again and again in different ways. (Evangelii Gaudium—Joy of the Gospel pp. 164). Come listen to God's message...hear faith stories of others...respond to God's message in your own mind and heart...the rest is up to Him. Please prayerfully consider joining us! It's a great opportunity to make a retreat but still go home to sleep in your own bed. Call Fulton's for sign up or with questions: Bill--402-274-7454; Lana--402-274-7462. If you would like more information about Light of the World retreats, you can visit [lotwem.org](http://lotwem.org).

**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](http://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 TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Sep. 24: Adult Env.: \$6624.00; Loose: \$448.00; Children's Env.: \$1.50; Online: \$3766.00; Building Fund: \$20.00; Total: **\$10,859.500**

Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Short: \$-2462.98; Sep. 24: Needed: \$173,192.28; Received: \$125,113.83 Short: **~~\$-48,078.45~~** (\$-178.06 per family)

Franciscan Sisters: Need: \$8400.00; Rec'd \$4650.00; Hurricane Relief: \$100.00 Thank you for your generosity.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	1:00 p.m. Life Chain	Wednesday	8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory
	5:00 p.m. CCD Class, Grades 7-12, St. Benedict's Rectory		5:30 p.m. Grades 1-6 CCD, Lourdes Primary
	6:30 p.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters		6:30 p.m. <b>NO</b> Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters
Monday	6:30 p.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters		7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. Class, Lourdes School
	7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting		7:30 p.m. K of C Meeting, church hall
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall	Thursday	9:00 a.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters
	6:30 p.m. CDA meeting, church hall		

**PRAY THE ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE - Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for Us!**

## MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
<b>Monday</b>	William Wolfe+	Larry & Ethel Brouillette	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Special Intention	Jakeb Myers+	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Scott Schreiner+	Susan & Matthew Heng+	
<b>Thursday</b>	Delrosa Riege+	Harry & Clara Bruggeman+	
<b>Friday</b>	Ewald & Rosa Beilman+	Ron Fullenkamp+	
<b>Saturday</b>		Linda Schreiner+	6:30 p.m. Betty Beckman+
<b>Sunday</b>		Herbert Detloff+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
<b>USHERS/ GREETERS</b>	Arnie Kreifels, Bryan Stukenholtz Jason & Kim Esser	Charlene Reese, Jeff Reese Pete & Nancy Lutz	Richard Gibson, Kent & Cindy McGinnis Jeff & Hettie Funke
<b>SERVERS</b>	Tristian & Alex Peter Severin Stukenholtz	Tanner Kochanowicz, Sam Williams Caleb Stukenholtz	James Mason, Thomas Ragland
<b>LECTORS</b>	Buck Shawhan	Jim Wirth	Cindy McGinnis
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	John Hogeland	Adam Howard	Bill Olmer
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Laurence & Sally DuBois Family, Barbara DuBois	Tim & Nancy Baragary Family	Tom & Cindy Mick

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:** - Oct. 2-7 – Severin Stukenholtz, Dane Lyons, Braedon Watkins; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Marv Penning; Reader: Denise Davis

**READINGS:** Oct. 2, Zec 8:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10; Oct. 3, Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56; Oct. 4, Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62; Oct. 5, Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6b-12/Lk 10:1-12; Oct. 6, Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16; Oct. 7, Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24; Oct. 8, Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43.

**“MARY ULBRICK’S STYLE CHICKEN DINNER** will be held in St. Benedict’s Church hall on Sunday, October 15 from 4-6 p.m. featuring recipes from the cookbook of Mary Ulbrick. Serving pan fried chicken, chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, frog-eye salad, creamed cabbage, creamed corn, green beans, kraut salad, hard rolls, and dessert. Cost: Adults \$10. Children 3-12 years \$5. Children 2 yrs & younger free. Advance ticket sales available under “online” giving tab at stbens.org Insert memo: “Ticket purchase for dine-in or take out” TAKE OUT AVAILABLE by calling 402-949-0360 on October 14 at a cost of \$10.00. Take outs are on October 15 and can be picked up after 4:00 p.m.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!** The Catholic Daughters of Americas is sponsoring a drive for St Gianna’s Home for Women. St Gianna’s is in need of cleaning supplies, baby wipes and small toys for boys ages 7-12. There will be a box in the entrance of the church for these items. Please drop them off between September 24 and October 31. St Gianna’s is a home for women and their children escaping abusive relationships. Thank you.

**FEED YOUR SOUL:** Our bodies need nourishment every day. So we feed them. We give them water. We make sure we get enough rest. Our souls need nourishment every day, too. With spiritual wisdom from Matthew Kelly and other leading Catholic authors of our time, Daily Reflections will help you focus on what really matters so you can become the-best-version-of-yourself. Sign up for free today at [dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com)

**ALL CATHOLICS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE AN ANNUAL RETREAT:** Upcoming retreats at Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly: Upcoming retreats are October 6-8 for men and women with Fr. Gary Coulter “The Fruits of Our Lady of Fatima: 100 Years and October 20-22 for men and women with Fr. Craig Doty “Jesus, Please Heal Me.” Register at [www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com) “God has created me to do some special service. God has committed some work to me, which has not been committed to another. I have a mission.” Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman

**ABLAZE WORSHIP - LINCOLN, WITH FR. MICHAEL VOITHOFER:** October 6, 7:00–9:00 pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center. Everyone is invited! Old and young! Ablaze is a time of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. Helping God’s faithful to know and experience friendship with the Holy Spirit through praise and worship of His Eucharistic Heart. Sacred Heart of Jesus, furnace of divine charity, set us Ablaze! Come, worship the Lord and experience His great love for you! Sponsored by St. Benedict Prayer Team.

**“JESUS MY FRIEND RETREAT”:** On October 28 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Omaha’s St. Robert Bellarmine Knights of Columbus Council #10108 is sponsoring a retreat for adults 18 years and older who have developmental, cognitive and/or physical disabilities. The *Jesus My Friend* retreat is designed for adults 18 and older who have developmental, cognitive and/or physical disabilities. It is an interactive morning filled with stories, scriptures, music and games focusing on helping participants understand Jesus as their best friend. It is designed to provide the participants with an opportunity to experience Jesus as Friend and deepen their understanding of Christ’s personal love for each one of them. A variety of volunteers ranging from moms of developmentally disabled individuals to special education teachers will present the simple lessons based on scriptures. Rev. Eugene McReynolds, OSB will also be present for some of the day and will lead the opening session. Fr. Eugene has served as a Chaplain at Boys Town, and is deeply sensitive to the needs of these special adults. Fr Eugene will be assisted by the Knights of Columbus of St. Robert’s Council whose special warmth creates a unique atmosphere for the attendees to encounter Christ and one another as Friend. Registration will be limited to 50 participants, so register early! The suggested donation is \$10, to help defray costs of the retreat which includes a special t-shirt for each participant. Register Early! (Deadline 10-14-17) For more information and registration form visit <http://jesusmyfriendretreat.weebly.com/> or call Bob Burns, 402-618-1540 or email at [srkc10108@yahoo.com](mailto:srkc10108@yahoo.com)

**JUNIORS AND SENIORS—COME ON A TEC RETREAT!** Take a weekend for yourself as an opportunity to encounter Christ with other teens. The next retreats are October 7-9 in Hastings and November 17-19 in McCook, NE. For more info or to register: [www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec) .

**YOU’RE INVITED TO THE NEXT QUEST RETREAT!** Quest is a retreat for freshmen and sophomores in high school. Rooted in the love of God, Others, and Ourselves, we learn to live in JOY! Quest #33 is October 7-8 at St. Patrick School in McCook, NE. Quest #34 will be November 4-5 at St. Stephen Church in Lawrence, NE. For more information: [www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/quest](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/quest) .

**ALL SOULS DAY INTENTIONS:** Special envelopes are available in the entrance of the church to list names of deceased family and friends that you would like to have remembered at Mass on All Souls’ Day and throughout the month of November. Envelopes may be placed in the collection basket or dropped by the parish office.

**2-DAY UNBOUND CONFERENCE:** Participants will learn about Unbound through live presentations & videos and how it teaches 5 simple “keys” to break the chains of emotional, spiritual and mental bondage and unlock the doors to freedom. Join us at **St. Vincent de Paul’s Parish-Seward, NE** Friday, October 20 - 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, October 21 - 8-5 p.m. The event is free and registration is required. Please register at: [www.lincolndiocese.org/unbound](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/unbound)

**HELP NEEDED – ST. FRANCIS GIFT & THRIFT STORE** in Auburn. Catholic Social Services has been providing emergency services to many in the surrounding communities through the items that you donate or purchases you make help the store provide these services. We cannot do this work for God without you! We need your donations, we need your purchases and we need your prayers. We are in great need of more volunteers. This can consist of a 2 hour shift one time a month, once every other week, or one time a week. We have a calendar with open times so it is your choice as to what time will work. But, we first need everyone to fill out a volunteer form, which includes a background check. This a requirement in most businesses in a world where we all have to protect ourselves from potential problems. The information is kept confidential. If you are able to help, please call 402-274-4818. Messages can be left and a call will be returned. Store hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 2-6 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, 10-2 p.m. Closed Sunday, Monday, holidays and Holy Days.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN:** Oct. 2: Pat Heng, Oct. 4: Sharon Heng, Oct. 7: Elaine Heng, Oct. 9: Mary Kay Hengen, Oct. 11: Alyce Hollesen, Oct. 14: Jennifer Howard, Oct. 16: Anna Mae Kaiser, Oct. 18: Mary Kaiser, Oct. 21: Jean Kreifels, Oct. 23: Jenny Kearney, Oct. 25: Linda Lollmann. Oct. 28: Jackie Loseke, Oct. 30: Amy Lucas. 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}):** **Oct. 7:** Robert & Sarah Racek, Tom & Rachelle Ragland, Merle & Muriel Rakes, David & Sonja Ramold, Amanda Rayhel, Laura Recker, Charlene Reese, David Reese, Dean & Diane Reese, Jeff Reese. **Oct. 14:** Ellen Reeves, Kevin & Deb Rettig, Nicole Richardson, Mike & Janis Riege, Luke & Colleen Ritz, Charles & Margaret Rumery, Christine Runyon, Duane & Julia Russell, Matt & Audra Rutt, Louis Santi, Christina Scharfen. **Oct. 21:** Teresa Schlorholtz, David Schmitz, Nick Schmitz, Nick Schmitz, Ron Schmitz, Donald & Lynell Schomaker, Kevin & Elizabeth Schomerus, Ronald & Diane Schomerus, Clarence & Carol Schram, Steve Schreiner. **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.