

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Pastor: Very Rev. Michael G. McCabe

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](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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2017

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** - Dean Hauptman, Emmett Christiansen, Sr. Kathleen Kilp, O.S.F., 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 the happy repose of the soul of Shirley Gruber and Avis Gilson.

**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., 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:** Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted their Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, please complete your card and return by next Sunday. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report. We also encourage all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method "Online Giving" and to setup reoccurring offertory gifts electronically. Go to our website and click on the Online Giving icon. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

**"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](http://stbens.org) Insert memo: "Ticket purchase for dine-in."

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT:** Just a reminder to students that will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation that there is a mandatory Confirmation Retreat on Friday, October 20. Students are to meet at Lourdes School at 8:00 a.m. to depart to St. Joseph Church at Paul and return to Lourdes School at 1:00 p.m. If you have questions, please contact Fr. Morin at [fr.james-morin@cdolinc.net](mailto:fr.james-morin@cdolinc.net).

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invited the entire Church to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, Pacific Islands and parts of Latin American and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. There will be a second collection for your donations. Thank you.

**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.

**A BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** is available in the entrance of the church for those that would like to write the names of deceased loved ones to be remembered at Mass in the prayer intentions during the month of November.

**GREETERS/USHERS NEEDED:** Two people or a couple is needed for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday at the 6:30 p.m. Mass and one person is needed for the 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you would be willing to serve as a greeter/usher, please call Wayne and Brenda Kreifels, 402-873-6001.

**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.

**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 items off before October 31. St Gianna's is a home for women and their children escaping abusive relationships. Thank you.

**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.

**FORMED.ORG?** FORMED, the Catholic Faith on Demand with 24/7 access to the best Catholic teaching content on any device, including your computer, tablet or smart phone with internet access. With FORMED you will find video programs that explains the Catholic faith, explore the deepest meaning of marriage, receive Bible studies on a variety of topics and inspiring audio talks. To get FORMED, go to [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) and click on "Register. Sign-up using your parish code."BHRREJ." Get the FREE FORMED APP.

**THANK YOU** to all those that helped or participated in the Life Chain. Your prayers and support for the unborn is greatly appreciated.

**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:** There are certain Bible verses Christian stewards have memorized. One of them is in Saint Paul's letter to the Philippians found in today's second reading— "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (4:13). Most people define themselves either by their problems or their possibilities. Fearful people wake up each morning ensnared by their problems. Christian stewards wake up reflecting on their possibilities with confidence and hope. Some stewardship reflection questions for the week: What challenges do you back away from because you doubt that you are up to them? What would you attempt tomorrow if you were sure God would help you?

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Oct. 8: Adult Env.: \$7399.00; Loose: \$1332.15; Children's Env.: \$.55; Online: \$3098.00; All Souls: \$120.00

Grain: \$6135.48; Building Fund: \$90.00; Total: \$18157.88 Guardian Angel Fund: \$10.00

Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Over: \$4835.40; Oct. 8: Needed: \$199,837.24; Received: \$164,985.41 Short: **\$-34,854.83** (\$-129.08 per family)

Franciscan Sisters: Need: \$8400.00; Rec'd \$4850.00 Thank you for your generosity.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	9:40 a.m. Adult Choir Practice	Wednesday	5:30 p.m. Grades 1-6 CCD, Lourdes Primary
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Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall	Thursday	9:00 a.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters
Wednesday	8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory		

## MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
<b>Monday</b>	Jill Catlin+	Tom Funke II+	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Emil Koubek Family+	Susan Heng+	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Thelma Nielsen+ (Anniv.)	Rosetta Wirth+ (Anniv.)	4:00 p.m. Christian Mothers/Altar Society, Liv. & Dec'd & Father Directors (NC Care & Rehab)
<b>Thursday</b>	Mildred Schreiter	Robert Beccard+	
<b>Friday</b>	Gude & Nystrom Families+	Boyd Hayden+	
<b>Saturday</b>		Tom Sawyer+ (Anniv.)	6:30 p.m. Lois Harris+
<b>Sunday</b>		Steve Eickhoff+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
<b>USHERS/ GREETERS</b>	Rosemarie Pfeiffer, Mary Lee Duncan Maggie Griepenstroh, Juli Lechner	Jackie Smith, Cathy Thomas George & Mary Kay Hengen	Ric Sevening, Steve Stukenholtz Larry Lance, David Schmitz
<b>SERVERS</b>	Zach Whitten, Eli McNeely	Grant & Ben Chance Eli Wigington	Quinten Vasa, Tyler Mucha Alex Bebout
<b>LECTORS</b>	Frank Volkmer	Jennifer Howard	Lee Turner
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Tim Baumann	Mike Kearney	Duane Stuhr
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Jim & Dawna Fitzsimmons Family	Jack & Jeanine Blevins	Scott & Kristin Miller Family

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:** - Oct. 16-21 – Maverick Weninger, Cy Walton, Brady Schnitzer; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Dave Heng; Reader: Terry Smith

**READINGS:** Oct. 16, Rom 1:1-17/Lk 11:29-32; Oct. 17, Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41; Oct. 18, 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9; Oct. 19, Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54; Oct. 20, Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7; Oct. 20, Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7; Oct. 21, Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12; Oct. 22, Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21.

**STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE:** God works through us.

**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.

**SALAD LUNCHEON:** The First Lutheran Church Women are hosting their annual Fall Salad Luncheon on Thursday, October 19 from 11-1:30 p.m. at the church, 315 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased at the door or from the women of the church. Also, a quilt raffle. Each year the salad luncheon proceeds benefit a local, state and global project. This year's salad luncheon will benefit the Nebraska City Food Pantry and Lutheran World Disaster Response for U.S. Hurricane Relief.

**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. Currently our total is 242. 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.

**ALL CATHOLICS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE AN ANNUAL RETREAT:** Upcoming retreats at Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly: Upcoming retreats are October 20-22 for men and women with Fr. Craig Doty "Jesus, Please Heal Me," October 27-29 for men and women with Fr. Mark Cyza, Legion of Mary Retreat, November 3-5 for women with Fr. Michael Mitchell, LC and Fr. Peter Krezalek, LC Regnum Christi: Spiritual Exercises and November 17-19 for men and women with Fr. Steve Thomlison "Seven Sorrows of Mary." Register at [www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com)

**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)

**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 #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).

**LOURDES ELEMENTARY SOUP SUPPER:** Please join us on Sunday, November 5 from 4-7 p.m. for Lourdes Elementary Soup Supper in St. Mary's Church hall. Delicious soups, salads and desserts will be served and you'll have the opportunity to win some wonderful raffle prizes; all while supporting Lourdes School! Cost: Adults \$6 & children 3-12 \$4, two and under free.

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

**A MOTHER-DAUGHTER CHASTITY PROGRAM** will be held on Sunday, November 12 from 2-4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. The program explores God's special gift of human fertility and becoming a woman. Cost is \$20/child or \$30/family (non-refundable). Reservations are required by November 5. Space is limited. Please contact Jennifer Davis at 402-261-6375 or [jmdavis17@gmail.com](mailto:jmdavis17@gmail.com) to register.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** Come along April 16-25, 2018, to visit and walk many of the sacred grounds where Jesus walked! We'll visit Tiberias, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem and so much more! Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way, and we'll renew wedding vows in Cana and baptismal vows along the Jordan River! Cost is \$3,799 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, Immaculate Conception Parish, P.O. Box 658, Cherokee, Iowa 51012 or call 712-225-4606 or email [frdanguenther@gmail.com](mailto:frdanguenther@gmail.com)

**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 or Lourdes Capital Campaign? 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.

**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.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN:** 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, Nov. 1: Tamara Levins, Nov. 4: Suzi Martin, Nov. 6: Cindy McGinnis, Nov. 8: Mary Mills, Nov 11: Kilee Olson, Nov. 13: Mary Penning, Nov. 15: Mary Pargett. 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. 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. **Oct. 28:** Keith & Arlene Schreiter, Ted & Carmen Schreiter, James & Ellen Shank, Buck & Amber Shawhan, Elizabeth Slagle, Shannon Slater, Jackie Smith, Jolene Spevak, William & Teresa Stanberry. **Nov. 4:** Bruce Stanley, Carol Stehlik, Jena Stoll, Duane & Shelli Stuhr, Bryan & Shawn Stukenholtz, Ed & Barb Stukenholtz, Steve Stukenholtz, Mary Ann Sturm, Cathy Thomas, Gerald & Donna Thoms. **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:** Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else. St. Francis of Assisi