

# 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 - [stmarysnebraskacity@windstream.net](mailto:stmarysnebraskacity@windstream.net)

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

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 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 Claude Thorne, Jr.

**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 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.

### JOYFUL LIVING, GRATEFUL GIVING

My Dear Parish Family,

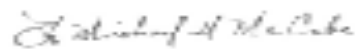
These past few weeks we have discussed with you about our Joyful Living, Grateful Giving Program. Our parish has so much to offer to those in the Nebraska City community. We are a beacon of hope for those in need, for those suffering, for those who are hungry, searching, and need our prayers and assistance in a multitude of ways. We are also there for our parish family through the administration of the sacraments, the celebration of Mass, and the Holy Eucharist. How blessed we are to be able to serve so many in our parish and community!

We are called by God to continue to advance our mission and to build up God's Kingdom here in Nebraska City. There are so many more people who need our assistance. There is so much more work to be done. The reality is that we will always need resources to do God's work. Until the needy are clothed, the hungry are fed, and the Gospel is spread to the ends of the earth, we will need resources.

Many of you have already submitted your Commitment Card to the church and have committed your offertory support to continue to advance our parish mission. Thank you! Many of you have not yet submitted your commitment card. Our goal through this initiative is 100% participation from our parish community. Please turn in your Commitment Card this week, if you have not already done so, but please no later than Sunday, **November 5** in order to be accounted for in the final Summary Report. Please return your card even if you are unable to make a change in your current level of giving. Please pray for our parish. Please become involved in the life of our parish by joining a ministry to help serve those in need. St. Mary's Church is a wonderful parish because of YOU and what each one of you makes of it!

I thank you for your generosity and am humbled by your sacrifice. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

May the Lord continue to bless us and the work we are doing! Sincerely in Christ Jesus,



**TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** - a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith - leads us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. Mission is at the heart of our faith. Live your faith through your gift in today's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith! If you did not bring your envelope today, please do so by next weekend. Please keep the missions in your prayers.

**NO CCD FOR GRADES 1-6** on Wednesday, October 25. Resumes on Wednesday, November 1 beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m.

**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.

**ST. MARY'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will sing at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 29. Practice will be held on Wednesday, October 25 from 3:30-4:15 p.m. All students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and older are welcome to join us to sing. If you have any questions, please email Kay DeFreece at [kay-defreece@cdolinc.net](mailto:kay-defreece@cdolinc.net)

**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.

**MASS ATTENDANCE:** The weekends of October 7-8 & 14-15 a count was taken of those attending Mass. The weekend of October 7-8 there were 472 in attendance and the weekend of October 14-15 there were 465 attending. According to our census there are 1104 registered parishioners of St. Mary's Church.

**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:** In today's Gospel we hear proclaimed a profound teaching by Jesus on stewardship. What belongs to Caesar? What belongs to God? Christian stewards recognize that everything they have belongs to God. God created them, and God has claims on every part of their existence. They also realize that the sovereign is an institution whose nature and purpose is to promote the common good and protect the welfare of its citizenry. As long as it accomplishes this mission while treating every single person with deep respect, justice and compassion, it merits the steward's support and cooperation. Christian stewards know what belongs to the Lord, and they are better citizens when they live their lives according to his Gospel.

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

Oct. 15: Adult Env.: \$10,105.50; Loose: \$335.00; Children's Env.: \$2.51; Online: \$1928.00; All Souls: \$195.00

Stock: \$9221.50; Building Fund: \$20.00; Total: \$21,807.51

Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Over: \$8485.03; Oct. 15: Needed: \$213,159.72; Received: \$186,792.92 Short: **\$-26,366.80** (\$-97.67 per family)

Franciscan Sisters: Need: \$8400.00; Rec'd \$4860.00 Thank you for your generosity.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	9:40 a.m. Adult Choir Practice	Wednesday	3:30 p.m. Youth Choir practice
	5:00 p.m. CCD Class, Grades 7-12, St. Benedict's Rectory		<b>NO</b> CCD for grades 1-6
	6:30 p.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters		6:30 p.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall		7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. Class, Lourdes School
Wednesday	8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory	Thursday	9:00 a.m. Mary Our Queen Program, Franciscan Sisters

**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>	Francis & Vera Lavigne+	Josh & Katie Kaiser	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Robin Harding+	Tom Sawyer+	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Delrosa Riege+	Louise Weigle+	
<b>Thursday</b>	Myron & Velma Henner+	Ron Fullenkamp+	
<b>Friday</b>	Jill Catlin+	Jakeb Myers+	
<b>Saturday</b>		Kathleen McGoey+	6:30 p.m. Robert M. Lechner+ (Anniv.)
<b>Sunday</b>		Evelyn Mills+ (Anniv.)	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, Carline Moles Wayne & Brenda Kreifels	Jim & Bonnie Lowe Charles Moyer, Gail Walford	Mike Heng Bill & Mary Jo Olmer
<b>SERVERS</b>	Rylan Esser, Andrew Bakula Trevor Bennett	Colby & Caleb Howard	Jack & Will Funke
<b>LECTORS</b>	Sharon Crunk	Jerry Martin	John Dubas
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Daren Box	Sean Chance	Larry Lance
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Mark & Judy Francois	Lacie & Lexis Bruns-Morris, Phil Hauptman	James & Patricia Neu

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:** - Oct. 23-28 - Robert Honeysuckle, Levi Anthens, Gabriel Baxa; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Jim Lowe; Reader: Joan Beccard

**READINGS:** Oct. 23, Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21; Oct. 24, Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38; Oct. 25, Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48; Oct. 26, Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53; Oct. 27, Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59; Oct. 28, Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16; Oct. 29, Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40.

**STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE:** Everything comes from and belongs to God.

**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.

**MAGNIFICAT FALL PRAYER MEAL:** Saturday morning, November 11 at 9:30 a.m. at Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O Street, Lincoln, NE. Special guest speaker Kris Sarver. Join us for **“A Magnificat of forgiveness and healing”!** Kris was baptized Catholic but renounced her Faith when she was 10 years old, claiming to be an atheist and later an agnostic. Concentrating on becoming “Wonder Woman” and marrying a man she made into a “personal god”, circumstances brought her to her knees! **Come hear Kris’ testimony of her journey of great joy, seeking Christ’s Will to be with Him forever in Paradise!** Register by sending a \$20 check payable to *Magnificat c/o* Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. (students \$10) **Deadline is November 4.** For information call Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or Barb Bechtolt at 402-489-6905.

**SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS’ DAY:** November 1 is the feast of All Saints and is a holy day of obligation. All Catholics are invited to attend Mass either at a vigil on Tuesday, October 31 at 5:30 p.m. or on Wednesday, November 1, All Saints Day, at 6:20 and 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. all at the church. The Feast of All Saints honors all those who have died and now live in God’s presence in heaven. This feast is immediately followed by All Soul’s Day on which we pray for those who have died and may not be in God’s presence in heaven. These feasts are celebrated in November as we approach the end of the church year, and because fall is the season in which nature sleeps or “dies” in preparation for the spring (resurrection).

**ALL SOULS’ DAY** will be celebrated on Friday, November 3 at 8:00 a.m. with Lourdes School 3-12 students, faculty and staff at St. Mary’s Church School. Deceased family and friends of Lourdes will be remembered at this Mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

**PLENARY INDULGENCE:** Remember that the Church gives a wonderful opportunity to pray for our deceased loved ones and the other poor souls in purgatory. An indulgence is granted to those who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray for the dead. The indulgence is applicable only to the souls in purgatory. It’s a plenary indulgence from November 1 through November 8 and one full indulgence can be gained each day (the other days of the year is only a partial indulgence). The other requirements for an indulgence are also needed: Attend Mass; Go to Confession; Be free from an attachment to Sin; Pray an Our Father & Hail Mary for the Intentions of the Pope.

**LDCCW OCTOBER PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE:** One of the non-truths in the abortion debate is the notion that pro-life advocates care about the child in the womb and do nothing for pregnant women or for the children once born. The Diaper Drive is a great opportunity to support the women that choose life rather than abortion. Let’s all work together to make this Pro-Life Diaper Drive a great success. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements. **Need diapers sizes 4, 5 and 6.** Last year we collected 1,522. Currently our total is 587. 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 in Waverly: 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)

**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.

**LOURDES CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY** is holding a book fair. We once again invite everyone to come and enjoy the wide selection of books for every age. Whether you are 2 or 92, books make wonderful gifts and remember that Christmas is just around the corner. Come visit us November 5 from 11-7 p.m. or November 6-9 from 3:30-7:30 p.m. in the Lourdes high school library, 412-2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. If you have any questions, please call the school and ask for Dorothy or Kim or check out the book fair website at <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/lourdescentralcathsch>. We look forward to seeing you at the book fair and remember that book fair sales directly benefit our school library.

**A SOUP & SALAD LUNCHEON** will be held on Wednesday, November 8 from 11-1:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church. Serving chicken noodle, chili and broccoli cheese soup, breadsticks and various salads. Cost is \$5.00 per person and tickets maybe purchased at the door.

**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.

**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).

**STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN:** 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, Nov. 18: Rachelle Ragland, Nov 20: Margaret Rumery, Nov. 22: Julia Russell, Nov. 25: Jacqueline Smith, Nov. 27: Pat Stoner, Nov. 29: Shelli Stuhr. 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, 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. 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. **Nov. 11:** Judy Thorne, Phillip & Mary Timothy, Brent & Darci Travis, Mark & Melissa Travis, Tim & Jill Travis, Lee & Joyce Turner, Brad & Jo Vasa, Karen Vaughn, Frank & Julie Volkmer. **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:** *It is easy to find truth; it is hard to face it, and harder still to follow it.* Venerable Fulton Sheen



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You're invited to the upcoming meeting  
**October 25 - 7:30 p.m. St. Mary's Church Hall**

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Come and join your fellow Knights and hear the next installment of: "Into The Breech" by Bishop Thomas Olmsted, presented by Father Mark Cyza.

Mark your calendars for the Annual Memorial Mass, Wednesday November 15 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Benedict's. There will be a meal following in St. Benedict's Church hall. This is a family event, anyone interested may attend.

The Knights of Columbus Food Bank continues to serve our community, open every Saturday morning. We are always in need of donations of food, hygiene products or monetary gifts. Thanks to Ron Schmitz and Marv Giittinger and the rest of the volunteers for making the Food Bank work for our community.

Father John V. Wallace Knights of Columbus Council #10047 in Gretna is hosting a Major Degree Exemplification at St. Patrick's Church in the Parish Hall, 508 W Angus Rd, Gretna on **Sunday, November 5**. Any First-Degree Knight interested in taking the next step to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree in the order, here is your chance. We can organize a car pool for this by calling Bruce at 402-297-5530 to let him know and make arrangements.

**WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR KNIGHTS WITH BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER:**

Martin Heng, Andrew Krog, Stanley Ohnmacht, Robert Moser, Jr., James Lowe, Jesse Dorman, Bryan Bequette, Scott Juranek, Patrick Gress, Leo Heng, Mark Easter, Thomas Wigington, Francis Volkmer, Arvon Marcotte and Darrell Navrkal

**KNIGHTS WITH MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES IN NOVEMBER:**

Henry Stratker-68; Allen Everman-57; Marvin Giittinger-56; William Olmer-49; Arvon Marcotte and Edward Miller-44; Herman Weber-37; Daniel Giittinger-26; Pete Bell, Daniel DeFreece, Charles Fedoris, Brian Kochanowicz, Duane Stuhr and Evert Whitten-21; Jeff Bradley, Scott Miller and Keith Morrison-18; Douglas Boes, and Daniel Carlstedt-17; Brian Stander-15; Fr. Michael Ventre-14; and Bryan Bequette-3

**Congratulations to all and thank you for your service.**

The meeting will be the Memorial Mass to honor our departed Brother Knights on November 15.

Vita Jesus

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# Diaper "Roundup"

**The LDCCW (Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) needs your help to make the Diaper Drive a success for all the little buckaroos in the Lincoln Diocese.**

Collected diapers will again be given to the Pregnancy Centers and Catholic Social Services across the Lincoln Diocese and St. Gianna Women's Home. Diapers will be collected throughout the month of October and a collection container will be available in the entrance of the church to corral your much needed donation.

**Newborns need a diaper change 8-10 times per day. As they get older, they use less. But a new mother can expect to use at least five a day for the first year of life. This comes out to about 2,500 - 3,000 diapers for one year.**

The goal for the Lincoln Diocese is to collect 90,000 diapers, sizes 4, 5 and 6. Last year our parish collected 1,522. With your help we can exceed that number this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

