

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, 969-0556 or Kathy Wigington, 209-1341

Confessions: Saturday, 4-5 p.m., 20 minutes before 8 & 10 a.m. Sunday Mass 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 (prayerchainstm@gmail.com) or calling tree: Kathy Duffy, 873-7576

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Kathy Gilbert, Colene Copeland, Mary Lee Duncan, Kala Griepenstroh, Dan Kaiser, Tom Schreiner, Jack Bakula, Janet Frana, Kenneth Russell, Cheryl Hauptman, Everett Tjaden, 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. Additional names have been moved to our book of intentions. Thank you for your prayers.

PLEASE PRAY for our seminarians James O'Neil, Brian Wirth, 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: 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 or Kathy Wigington, 402-209-1341. Beginning December 3, Eucharistic Adoration will be held 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Please prayerfully consider committing an hour in prayer each week at the hospital chapel. Some people pick a friend to take turns with the holy hour so that you have some flexibility each week. Thank you to all of our scheduled adorers.

INCREASED OFFERTORY PROGRAM: Thank you to all parishioners that have completed and submitted their Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter has been mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. 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. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office. We also encourage all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method and to setup your reoccurring offertory gifts electronically.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 - WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and giving. As described by Saint John Paul II, it is "an important day in the life of the Church because it teaches how to give: as an offering made to God, in the Eucharistic celebration, for all the missions of the world." Please keep the missions in your prayers.

OCTOBER 28 - PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY is a special day set aside to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated by the USA Council of Serra International. Thank you to all of our priests for saying "yes" to God's call. Please keep our priests in your prayers.

K OF C TOOTSIE ROLL FUNDRAISER this weekend, October 27-28.

ABLAZE WORSHIP - CASTING FIRE UPON THE EARTH: On Sunday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Benedict's Church, Fr. Michael Voithofer with Omaha's Ablaze Ministry, will lead a powerful evening of worship, prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. You can follow Fr. Voithofer on Facebook to discover what Ablaze is all about and to watch a live stream of other Ablaze events. Everyone is invited to attend.

TRUNK OR TREAT at Lourdes Central Catholic School Main Campus is Monday, October 29 from 6-8 p.m.

NO CCD FOR GRADES 1-6 on Wednesday, October 31. Resumes on Wednesday, November 7 beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m.

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 Wednesday, October 31 at 5:30 p.m. or on Thursday, 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 2 at 8:00 a.m. with Lourdes School K-12 students, faculty and staff at St. Mary's Church. Deceased family and friends of Lourdes will be remembered at this Mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

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.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST will be at St. Mary's next weekend, November 3-4 to promote Eucharistic Adoration in preparation of Advent.

CONSECRATION TO JESUS CHRIST THROUGH MARY: The 33-day preparation period begins Monday, November 5 with Consecration on December 8. Please consider consecrating or re-consecrating yourself this year. "Consecrating yourself to Jesus through Mary" according to the method of St. Louis de Monfort. When you do this consecration the Virgin Mary places her merit with your merit and you receive a super-abundance of grace from Our Lord. Books are available in the entrance of the church. Also, videos to enhance your reading is found on Formed.org.

LOURDES ELEMENTARY SOUP SUPPER will be held on Sunday, November 4 from 4-7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church hall. Delicious soups, salads and desserts will be served. Cost: Adults \$6 & children 3-11 \$4, two and under free, maximum of \$30 per immediate family. Invite your friends and family and support our school.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: After healing the blind man in today's Gospel Jesus told him to go, to be on his way. But the man chose to follow Jesus. Being a disciple of Jesus is a choice. The stewardship way of life likewise involves a choice, in fact many choices. We choose to be grateful, we choose to live generously, and we choose to trust that God will always provide for our needs. These are three choices central to the stewardship way of life. What choices will we make this week that give witness to our decision to follow Jesus Christ?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Oct. 21: Adult Env.: \$6568.00; Loose: \$555.18; Children's Env.: \$.35; Online: \$6241.00; All Souls: \$210.00

Building Fund: \$25.00; Total: **\$13,599.53**

Needed Weekly: \$13,644.41; Short: \$44.88; Oct. 21: Needed: \$218,310.24; Received: \$193,902.93; Short: **\$-24,407.31** (\$-89.40 per family)

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Sunday | 9:40 a.m. Adult Choir Practice | Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall |
| | 3:00 p.m. Diocesan Eucharistic Procession | | NO CCD Grades 1-6, resumes November 7 |
| | 4:00 p.m. Lourdes School Soup Supper, church hall | | 7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. Class, Lourdes School |
| | 5:00 p.m. CCD Class, Grades 7-12, St. Benedict's Rectory | Thursday | 9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Studies, Franciscan Sisters |
| Wednesday | 8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory | | |

THOUGHTS TO PONDER: "Our humanity comes to its fullest bloom in giving." Fr. Henri Nouwen

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

| | 6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel) | 8:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. |
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| Monday | Loretta Lowe Kaeding+ | Robert Heng+ (Anniv.) | |
| Tuesday | Gude & Nystrom Families+ | Susie Scholl+ | |
| Wednesday | Kenny Kreifels+ | Margaret Heng+ | 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish |
| Thursday | Priest's Intention | Ed Mills+ | 5:30 p.m. Myron & Velma Henner+ |
| Friday | Juanita Kreifels+ | Boyd Hayden+ | |
| Saturday | | Loretta Sarraillon+ | 6:30 p.m. Don Garrett+ |
| Sunday | | Stratker, Koerber & Lutz Children | 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 | Rylan Esser, Andrew Bakula Eli McNeely | Ben Chance, Caleb Stukenholtz Brady Schnitzer | Nick Fedoris, Gage Schmitz Luke Chaney |
| LECTORS | Buck Shawhan | Jim Wirth | Tanya Lee |
| ACOLYTES | Ted Bernard, Mark Loseke | Kevin Rettig | Jason Esser |
| OFFERTORY | Steve & Stephanie Hackett | Dave & Debbie Heng | Paul & Angie Madison |

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - Oct. 29-Nov. 3 – Reed Hamling, Oscar Krog, Alex Schnitzer (Nov. 1 – 8:00 a.m.); **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Dave Heng; Reader: Terry Smith; **All Saints: Servers:** Oct. 31 – 5:30 p.m. Johnny Heng, Zachary Whitten; Nov. 1 – 5:30 p.m. Harper Weldon, Jaxson Reese, Hudson Rutt; **Lectors:** Oct. 31 – 5:30 p.m. Dan DeFreece; Nov. 1 – 6:20 a.m. Tom Wigington; 8:00 a.m. Gerry Wirth; 5:30 p.m. Jeanette Eilers

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: Live in faith as a follower of Christ.

READINGS: Oct. 28, Eph 4:32-5:8/Lk 13:10-17; Oct. 30, Eph 5:21-33/Lk 13:18-21; Oct. 31, Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30; Nov. 1, Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a; Nov. 2, Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11; Nov. 3, Phil 1:18b-26/Lk 14:1, 7-11; Nov. 4, Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34.

MEALS FOR OUR PRIESTS: Each week on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday volunteers prepare a meal for our priests. Maureen Chance will be working on the calendar for 2019 and if you are not currently on the rotation list and would like to prepare a meal, please call Maureen at 402-874-9411. **CO-CHAIR NEEDED:** If you would be willing to help Maureen with scheduling and phone call reminders, please call Maureen. Thank you to all those that prepare the delicious meals for our priests. Your time and talent is greatly appreciated.

LOURDES CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY is holding their annual 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 Christmas is just around the corner. Our hours and location: November 4, 11-7 p.m., November 5-8, 3:30-7:30 p.m. in Lourdes High School library, 412-2nd Ave. All profits from the book fair directly support our school's libraries. This event is open to the public!

AS PART II OF THE EUCHARISTIC FAMILY ROSARY CRUSADE, Bishop Conley is leading a diocesan-wide Eucharistic Procession on Sunday, November 4 at 3:00 p.m. around the State Capitol. The goal is 5,500 Catholics praying for Peace and Unity. In order to achieve this goal, each parish within 100 miles of Lincoln, has been given a target goal based on the number of families registered. Our parish target is **45**. There will be four Altar Areas on the Southside of the Capitol and our parish is assigned **Altar Area # 3**. Please be in place by 2:30 p.m. If you are planning to attend, please sign the sign-up sheet in the entrance of the church, call the parish office, 402-873-3024 or email at stmarysnebcity@windstream.net. Maps are available in the entrance of the church or can be emailed upon request. Help our parish to meet or exceed our targeted goal, commit today! See the invitation at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN2KdrnSGtI>. This is such a great opportunity to come together with others in our parish diocese to witness the great love and devotion to our Lord. All 2018 First Communicants are invited to process (please wear your formal attire and girls please bring a basket for throwing rose petals) two servers from each parish (with cassock and surplice) are invited to process with our Lord.

MASS ATTENDANCE: The weekends of October 13-14 & 20-21 a count was taken of those attending Mass. The weekend of October 13-14 there were 473 in attendance and the weekend of October 20-21 there were 438 attending. According to our census there are 1032 registered parishioners of St. Mary's Church.

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS will meet on Tuesday, November 6 at 6:30 p.m. in St Mary's Church hall. We will be putting together care packages from all the donations we have collected. Please plan to join us. Call Barb Stukenholtz at 402-209-4976 with any questions.

SNOW REMOVAL BID: Lourdes Central Catholic School is inviting you to bid for snow removal of its sidewalks and parking lot for the 2018-2019 winter season. All interested parties may obtain a packet from the Main School Office, located at 412 2nd Avenue, detailing the areas for snow removal. For a walk around of the areas contact the school office at 402.873.6154. Bids should be done in three separate parts which include Lourdes Central Catholic School (412 Second Avenue), St. Mary's Catholic Church (520 First Avenue) and St. Benedict's Catholic Church (411 5th Rue).

LDCCW OCTOBER PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE: The LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive will soon be coming to a close, but you still have an opportunity to donate. Would you like the LDCCW to shop for you? You can mail a check payable to LDCCW to Kay Wessel, 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell NE 68404. The LDCCW can purchase the needed diaper sizes in volume at a discounted price. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements. Thank you to those that have made a donation. God Bless You.

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.

OPPORTUNITY IS STILL KNOCKING! Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Robert Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ. See how **THE MASS** brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from His people, the Church, and most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist. **THE MASS** will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. Join us for this final **3-week session**. Classes are being held: **Wednesday, Nov. 7 and 14 6:30-8:00 p.m. (Note, no class on Oct. 31); Thursday, Nov. 1, 8 and 15 9:00- 0:30 a.m.; Sunday, Nov. 4, Nov. 11 and 18 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Choose the day that best fits your availability. These study sessions have been carefully designed to help us discover the powerful way that God is present to us in the Eucharist, inviting us into an intimate union with Himself. We will examine the effects of the Sacrament and its setting in the Mass, explore the scriptural foundation of the Sacrament, and discover the beauty of Holy Communion and the transformative power of the grace God offers us in this Sacrament. **All classes will be held at: The Franciscan Sisters' Convent, 1503 4th Corso, 402-873-3052**

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. HASCHKE AND FR. MORIN: Oct. 29: Janie Ebmeier, Oct. 31: Jeanette Eilers, Nov. 3: Mary Farris, Nov. 5: Marlene Fey, Nov. 7: Janet and Marlene Frana, Nov. 10: Judy Francois, Nov. 12: Lynn Gibson, Nov. 14: Lana Gilson, Nov. 17: Maggie Griepenstroh. 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}): **Nov. 3:** Laura Recker, Charlene Reese, David Reese, Dean & Diane Reese, Jeff Reese, Kevin & Deb Rettig, Nicole Richardson, Mike & Janis Riege, Scott Riley, Luke & Colleen Ritz. **Nov. 10:** Charles & Margaret Rumery, Christine Runyon, Duane & Julia Russell, Matt & Audra Rutt, Louis Santi, Christina Scharfen, Teresa Schlorholtz, David Schmitz, Nick Schmitz, Ron Schmitz. **Nov. 17:** Brett & Melanie Schnitzer, Donald & Lynell Schomaker, Kevin & Elizabeth Schomerus, Ronald & Diane Schomerus, Clarence & Carol Schram, Steve Schreiner, Keith & Arlene Schreiter, Ted & Carmen Schreiter, James & Ellen Shank, Buck & Amber Shawhan. **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.