

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Trini Lipp, 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 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 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 PROGRAM: Thank you to all those that have returned your commitment card and have committed your offertory support to continue to advance our parish mission. Currently out of 427 cards mailed, 179 families have responded (42%) leaving 248 that have not. Our goal through this initiative is 100% participation from all of our parish community. If you have not already done so, please turn in your Commitment Card 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 and the success of this program. Thank you.

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).

CCD FOR GRADES 1-6 resumes on Wednesday, November 1 beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by class.

ALL SOULS' DAY will be celebrated on Thursday, 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.

GREETERS/USHERS NEEDED: Two people or a couple is needed for the 5th Sunday at the 6:30 p.m. Mass and one person is needed for the 3rd/5th 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

PARISH STATISTICS FOR 2016-17: Baptism: 20; Reception into Faith: 1; First Communions: 18; Confirmations: 2; Marriages: 10; Deaths: 22; Households: 432; Individuals: 1107. Please notify the parish office of births, children leaving home as adults, address changes, phone numbers, etc. at 402-873-3024 or email at stmbulletin@windstream.net. Thank you.

LOURDES ELEMENTARY SOUP SUPPER: Please join us on Sunday, November 5 from 4-7:30 p.m. for Lourdes Elementary Soup Supper 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. Save \$1 off by purchasing your tickets in advance. Tickets will be available following all Masses.

THANK YOU - WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - THANK YOU for your generous support on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$1498.61. While only some are called to go to the Missions to serve, all of us are called, by our Baptism, to support the Church's missionary work with our prayers and financial help. Thank you for your support.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: There is one word or command that summarizes today's Gospel: Love. For Jesus there is no distinction between these two commands of loving God and neighbor. One naturally flows from the other. In fact, for Jesus, these commands constitute a way of life for Christian stewards; a unique approach to life and to their relationship with others. Our neighbors include everyone with whom we come into contact: family members, friends, people we don't like, strangers and particularly those most in need of our love and compassion. Love is always for doing well and helping others grow closer to the Lord. What are ways in which we might do better at following Christ's love command?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Oct. 22: Adult Env.: \$8360.50; Loose: \$548.06; Children's Env.: \$1.01; Online: \$4708.00; All Souls: \$110.00

IRA: \$250.00; Building Fund: \$20.00; Total: **\$14,007.57** Mission Sunday: \$1498.61

Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Over: \$685.09; Oct. 22: Needed: \$226,482.20; Received: \$200,800.49 Short: **\$-25,681.71** (\$-95.12 per family)

Franciscan Sisters: Need: \$8400.00; Rec'd \$4870.00 Bishop's Charity & Stewardship Appeal: \$8571.25 Thank you for your generosity.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	5:00 p.m. CCD Class, Grades 7-12, St. Benedict's Rectory	Wednesday	5:30 p.m. Grades 1-6 CCD, Lourdes Primary
	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
		Sunday	4:00 p.m. Lourdes Soup Supper, church hall

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Emily Koubek Family+	Ralph Causgrove+ (Anniv.)	
Tuesday	Francis & Vera Lavigne+	Linda Schreiner+	5:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Wednesday	Gude & Nystrom Families+ (AT Church)	Tom Funke II+	5:30 p.m. Priest's Intention
Thursday	Robin Harding+	Tom Duffy+ (Anniv.)	
Friday	Dave Sanders+	Jake Myers+	
Saturday		Scott Schreiner+	6:30 p.m. Myron & Velma Henner+
Sunday		Charles & Lorraine Gude+	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	Damon, Garrett & Robert Honeysuckle	Aidan & Tyler Kleineweber	Steven Walters, Sam Ebmeier Reid Hamling
LECTORS	Tyler Mason	Gerry Wirth	Jeanette Eilers
ACOLYTES	Ted Bernard	Paul Madison	Jason Esser
OFFERTORY	David & Pat Garris	Sean & Maureen Chance Family	Erik & Kilee Olson Family

WEEKDAY SERVERS: - Oct. 30-Nov. 4 – Sam Ebmeier, Reed Hamling, Callen Schnitzer; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Marv Penning; Reader: Sharon Crunk

SERVERS: October 31 – 5:30 p.m. William, Jackson, Dilan Eppert; November 1 – 5:30 p.m. Cade & Beau Lee; **LECTORS:** October 31 – 5:30 p.m. Gail Walford; November 1 – 6:20 a.m. Dan DeFreece; 8:00 a.m. Tom Wightington; 5:30 p.m. Ryan Ebmeier

READINGS: Oct. 30, Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17; Oct. 31, Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21; 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, Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6; Nov. 4, Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11; Nov. 5, Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12.

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: Who except God can give you peace? Has the world ever been able to satisfy the heart? St. Gerard Majella

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 **1753**. A box is available in the entrance of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAS Please join us on Tuesday November 7 at 6:30 p.m. in St Mary's Church hall for our monthly meeting. 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 back. If you have any questions call Barb Stukenholtz at 402-209-4976 or Barb Jensen at 402-321-6819. We look forward to see you there.

MAGNIFICAT FALL PRAYER MEAL: Remember to make your reservation and send your check for the Fall Magnificat Prayer Meal on **Saturday, November 11.** "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits; He pardons all your iniquities, He heals all your ills" (Ps 103:2-3) **Kris Sarver** will share her journey from Atheism to Catholicism through forgiveness and healing. "Be a Friend and Bring a Friend!" Pre-paid registration only. Send a \$20 check payable to Magnificat, (students \$10) c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504 by **November 4.** For information Rhonda Litt [402.525.6396](tel:402.525.6396) or Barb Bechtolt [402.489.6905](tel:402.489.6905).

ALL CATHOLICS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE AN ANNUAL RETREAT: Upcoming retreats at Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly: 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

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.

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, 412-2nd 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 to register.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: Come join us on Friday, November 17 at **6:30 p.m.** at Table Creek Restaurant, 5633 I Rd. Fr. Michael McCabe and Fr. James Morin will be the guest speakers. Come and prepare your heart in gratitude to God for all our blessings and make Christ our King. Food will be available for purchase beginning at **6:00 p.m.** - menu will be pulled pork, salad, cheesy hash brown potatoes and dessert for \$12.00 (Includes tax & tip). Beverages also available for purchase. No reservations needed. Everyone is invited to attend.

LOURDES CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN NEBRASKA CITY IS LOOKING FOR TWO LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES! Middle School/High School Science (mid-January through mid-February) and Fourth Grade (mid-February through mid-April). Lourdes Central Catholic is a preschool-12th grade Catholic Life Preparatory School whose mission is "To assist parents in the development of their children by providing a Christ centered environment which promotes spiritual, academic, and social growth in order to prepare students for active participation in the church, in their families, and in society." If the opportunity to be a part of our mission and the Lourdes family is exciting to you, please visit our webpage at www.lourdescentralcatholic.org for more information. For questions or to apply, contact Mr. Feilmeier, Principal, at 402-873-6154 or curt-feilmeier@cdolinc.net.

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN: 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, 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. 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. **Nov. 18:** Adam Walters, Derek Walters, Herman & Myla Weber, Robert & Jody Weddle, Christopher & Allison Weddle, Erin Weldon, Monica Welsh, Duane & Hope Weninger, John & Mary Wenzl, Joshua & Carolyn Whitney. **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

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