

# 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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** - Camille Wolken, Don Thomson, Kenneth Russell, Aaron Herold, Cheryl Hauptman, Myron Penning, Everett Tjaden, Ned Cox, Aaron Mayberry, Angie Childers, Shirley Hackett, Trini Lipp, Emmett Christiansen, Sr. Kathleen Kilp, O.S.F., Mike Crunk, Kim Kelly, Lacie & Lexis Bruns-Morris, Kathy Gilbert, Kala Griepenstroh, Albert Burger, Janet McVay, Bill Albert, John Davis, Donna Thoms, Laurence DuBois, Adam Eppert, 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Adorers needed on **Tuesdays from 2-3 p.m.** 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. Thank you to all of our scheduled adorers.

**FR. MCCABE HAS BEEN REASSIGNED** to serve at St. Joseph Church, Lincoln and will also be the superintendent at St. Joseph School. Fr. McCabe has served the parish and the community for the past 20 years and will be greatly missed. Please pray for him as he prepares for this transition. Fr. Jonathan Haschke, who is currently serving at Sacred Heart in Roseland and Assumption in Juanita, will be the new pastor of St. Mary's beginning June 18.

**THE BISHOP'S CHARITY & STEWARDSHIP APPEAL** begins today. This year's theme is "Stewardship: Cultivating Love in Deed and Truth." Our parish goal is \$55,000.00 (at 270 contributing families, this averages \$203.70 per year, \$16.98 per month or \$3.92 per week) of which \$8466.00 will help fund the many ministries of the diocese with the balance returned to St. Mary's Church. Pledge/contribution cards are available in the entrance of the church. Donations can be given by check, thru credit card or direct debit with an email address with several payment options. There will be two tables in the entrance of the church - A-L on the West and M-Z on the East. Each family has a pre-printed card and is asked to complete a card.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CARD IS SIGNED & PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THE CARDS HOME.** Thank you to all those that support the Bishop's Charity and Stewardship Appeal. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

**COME PRAY FOR PEACE - SURROUND THE BORDER: BISHOP JAMES CONLEY** is inviting every Catholic to join him on Sunday, April 29, from 8-8:30 pm for the HuskerCatholic Candle-lit Rosary for Peace surrounding the border of the University of Nebraska, Lincoln (please be in place by 7:45 p.m.). It will take 3300+ people (100 from Nebraska City, Palmyra, Syracuse, Tecumseh) are needed to completely surround the 2.5 mile perimeter. Visit [www.rosarylincoln.org](http://www.rosarylincoln.org) for a map with assigned parish locations. There is a parish sign-up after all Masses.

**THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS** will have their next meeting on Tuesday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m. in St Mary's Church hall. We will be discussing our June salad luncheon. Hope to see you there. If you are not a member, please join us and see what we are about. If you haven't been to a meeting for a while, we'd love to have you back. Call Barb Stukenholtz at 402-209-4976 for more information.

**THE PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS THE MUSICAL "GUYS & DOLLS":** Performances are May 4 & 5 at 7:00 p.m. and May 6 at 2:00 p.m. in the Wirth Theatre. Premium seats are \$13 and General seating is \$10. For more information and ticketing, please visit the school website [lourdescentralcatholic.org](http://lourdescentralcatholic.org) or go to Tix.com and search for Guys & Dolls. Also, Lourdes box office hours in the music room are April 30-May 4 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** There are a number of openings on the calendar to schedule a Mass for an intention of thanksgiving, for a living or deceased friend or family member for their birthday, wedding anniversary or anniversary of their death or other occasion. If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please call the parish. Suggested donation per Mass is \$10.

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** June 6 - CDA Salad Luncheon - 11-1:30 p.m.; July 15-20 - Totus Tuus; Ministry Fair - October 20-21.

**FORMED - THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND:** STUDY...WATCH...LISTEN...READ... The best Catholic content all in one place. Register today on Formed.org or if you haven't visited the website for awhile, take a look today and be inspired! Parish code: BHRREJ.

**BISHOP CONLEY'S 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF EPISCOPAL ORDINATION:** Bishop Conley was ordained a Bishop on May 30, 2008, at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Denver, Colorado. In thanksgiving to God for the 10 years of Episcopal leadership, we will present to Bishop Conley a spiritual bouquet at his anniversary celebration. A sign-up sheet is available in the entrance of the church for your offering.

**DIOCESEN ROSARY CRUSADE:** The Diocese of Lincoln is encouraging families to pray the rosary or a daily decade of Scripture Rosary. A powerful prayer like the rosary being said by a family can make families stronger and deepen their love for Mary and the rosary. Each individual or family is asked to complete a pledge card and offered as a spiritual tithe for the parish and the diocese. If you have not completed a card and would like to be a part of the Rosary Crusade, please drop your card in the collection basket. Cards are available in the entrance of the church.

**NO EXPIRATION:** Thank you to all those/ who continue to make \$15 payments for their Southern Nebraska Register. Because the parish is billed monthly for each family to receive a Register, there is no deadline for contributions. If you have not made a contribution for our diocesan newspaper, please consider one. Our annual subscription bill is \$5670.00 and we have received contributions totaling \$2377.00 leaving a balance of \$3293.00.

**ATTENTION STUDENTS - TOTUS TUUS (TOTALLY YOURS) - July 15-20 - REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE:** Save the date for another fun, faith-filled summer catechetical youth program for students entering grades 1-12 held at Lourdes School. Don't miss it, so save the date. Registration forms are available in the entrance of the church.

**THANK YOU** to all of our friends and family for the helping us celebrate our 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and our 75 years in the hardware business. Thank you for your cards, visits, prayers and calls. We so appreciate you being a part of our day. *Walt & Rita Wenzl*

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:** Jesus offers a quintessential stewardship statement in today's Gospel reading: "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Jesus Christ offers us the fullness of eternal life. Do our lives reveal that this is what we want? Do we believe that by hearing the Word of the Lord and responding we not only produce "good fruit," but abide in the very life of God.

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

Apr. 22: Adult Env.: \$6925.00; Loose: \$374.01; Children's Env.: \$5.35; Online: \$4871.00; Easter: \$30.00; Total: \$12,205.36  
Needed Weekly: \$13,322.48; Short: \$1117.12; Apr. 22: Needed: \$572,866.66; Received: \$582,936.23; Over: \$10,069.57 (\$36.88 per family)  
Southern Nebraska Register: Needed: \$5670.00 - Rec'd \$2377.00; Bal. Needed: \$3293.00; Guardian Angel: \$10.00

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	8:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast, church hall	Tuesday	6:30 p.m. CDA meeting, church hall
	5:00 p.m. Grades 7-12 CCD, St. Benedict rectory	Wednesday	8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall		5:30 p.m. CCD - Grades K-6, Lourdes Primary

## MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
<b>Monday</b>	Delrosa Riege+	Walt & Rita Wenzl	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Robin Harding+	Susan & Matthew Heng+	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Lester Kinnison+	Patria Yacabin+	
<b>Thursday</b>	Juanita Kreifels+	Charles Wirth+	
<b>Friday</b>	Carol O'Flaherty+	Charles & Lorraine Gude+	
<b>Saturday</b>		Priest's Intention	<b>6:30 p.m.</b> Lois Harris+
<b>Sunday</b>		Alice Oelke+	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
<b>USHERS/ GREETERS</b>	Herman & Myla Weber Ed & Barb Stukenholtz	Don & Pat Ramold Tim & Nancy Baragary	Wayne & Brenda Kreifels Duane & Shelli Stuhr
<b>SERVERS</b>	Zachary Whitten, Eli McNeely	Hayden Cline, Brayden Tift Blayne Rumery	Quinten Vasa, Alex Bebout Tyler Mucha
<b>LECTORS</b>	Buck Shawhan	Mary Kay Hengen	Cindy McGinnis
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Lynn Heng	Mike Gilson	Andy Fedoris
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	William & Heather Howard Family	Charlene Reese, Jeff Reese	Laurence & Sally Dubois Family Barbara Dubois

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:** - April 30-May 5 – Jaxon Reese, Simon Bruggeman,, Joseph Roberts; **6:20 a.m. Mass at Hospital** – Server: Dale Kreifels; Reader: Terry Smith

**READINGS:** Apr. 30, Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26; May 1, Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a/Mt 13:54-58; May 2, Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8; May 3, 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14; May 4, Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17; May 5, Acts 16:1-10/Jn 18:21; May 6, Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17.

**STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE:** Are you using your gifts to build the community and to serve others?

**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.

**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 only \$3 and books are \$6. Your generous donations help continue our ministry and we are able to purchase additional CDs, books and booklets.

### DIOCESAN YOUTH ACTIVITIES

**TEC (TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST)** is a weekend experience for high school juniors and seniors on a Catholic journey of faith, which emphasizes the relationship of Jesus in your life. During TEC you experience: a chance to meet other high school seniors and juniors; a time to reflect on your life through the eyes of Jesus; an opportunity for prayer and sharing with others; a God you can believe in, encountering Christ risen and alive! The weekend begins in the morning at 10:00 a.m. and concludes on the final day at about 4:00 p.m. You will need to be there the entire time. The final TEC of the school year will be June 9-11 at David City Aquinas. To register, go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec>.

**THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL YOUTH PILGRIMAGE,** Steubenville Mid-America Youth Conference, will be held July 13-15 at Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. There is an exciting lineup of speakers, musicians and presenters, to challenge Catholic youth to stand firm in their faith, to rely upon the awesome power of Jesus Christ as their guide, friend and Savior, and to show them that faith to the world. The trip is open to all high school students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade and those who have just graduated. This event can be a real launching point of deeper spiritual engagement for many young people. It is a high intensity weekend that comes in waves with great witness to the faith. The speakers are authentic evangelists who discuss the difficulties of living a moral life, and the joy that comes from a life of discipleship. This year's keynote speaker is Jason Evert, a nationally known speaker with a compelling message for youth. The cost is \$389 per student and includes the transportation from Lincoln, conference and all meals during the conference, lodging and event t-shirt. For more information or to register today at [www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/steubenville-youth-conference](http://www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/steubenville-youth-conference).

**THE DIOCESAN CANOE TRIPS ARE COMING UP!** This three-day outdoor adventure for sophomores through graduating seniors, includes daily Mass, confessions, talks, private reflection time, and other opportunities for youth to grow in their relationship with Christ. A Campfire, skits and rosary fill the evening hours. Dates are July 8-10 and July 10-12, cost is \$100. To register, go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/camps/diocesan-canoe-trip>.

**FOR MEN & WOMEN SEEKING HEALING FROM DIVORCE:** The **Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide** was created to bring hope and healing to divorced and separated Catholics. This 12 week program will be leader facilitated & features 30-minute DVD segments that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, kids, annulment, and much more. The next session will begin **June 4, 2018** and is held at John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln, NE from 7-9pm. Classes are kept small. Cost is \$50. Register by calling the Family Life Office at, 402-473-0620, or [catholicflo@cdolinc.net](mailto:catholicflo@cdolinc.net)

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA AND LOURDES:** Is Christ calling you to be a pilgrim? Fathers Dan Rayer and Craig Doty of the Diocese of Lincoln will be leading a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines of Fatima, Portugal, and Lourdes, France, from September 12-23, 2018. The cost is \$3,995 per person with double occupancy with air travel out of Omaha. In addition to Lourdes and Fatima, there will be several stops in Spain in Salamanca, Avila, Segovia, Zaragoza, Montserrat, and will conclude in Barcelona. If you have any questions about the pilgrimage or traveling to the Marian Shrines, feel free to contact Fr. Rayer at 402-488-0921 or [fr.dan-rayer@lincolndiocese.org](mailto:fr.dan-rayer@lincolndiocese.org) or Tekton Ministries, the Catholic organization that is planning the journey, at 317-574-4191. To register for the pilgrimage or see a brochure go to <https://www.tektonministries.org/home/upcoming-pilgrimages/>.

**19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE:** Join radio and television host Dr. Ray Guarendi at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference on August 3-5 while he talks about how laughter can help your family overcome trials. Save up to \$30 with early Bird Registration by July 6. Register online at [catholicfamilyconference.org](http://catholicfamilyconference.org) or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to [info@catholicfamilyconference.org](mailto:info@catholicfamilyconference.org) See bulletin board for more information and registration form.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNER FOR FR. MCCABE & FR. MORIN:** April 30: Allison Weddle, May 2: Hope Weninger, May 5: Kathy Wington, May 7: Cheryl Wirth, May 9: Emily Wolken, May 12: Teresa Albers, May 14: Bobbi Aultz, May 16: Heather Bakula, May 19: Chris Bando, May 21: Brenda Baumann, May 23: Katie Bebout, May 26: Kelly Bequette, May 30: Beth Box. 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.

**YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!!! CHURCH CLEANING – JUST A REMINDER TO ALL FAMILIES OF THE PARISH:** All families of the parish are asked to help with the cleaning of our church. Sometimes there are a number of volunteers that come to work together to clean our church. Sometimes there are two or three or sometimes just one. **Please be considerate** of those that you are scheduled to serve with to clean the church. If you are not able to come, **please find a substitute** from the list below or call Kathy Duffy for assistance. All families are only asked to help clean the church two or three times each year. Be kind, do your part as a member of our parish. If you forget, please come the next week. Please also sign the notebook in the entrance of the church so that we know that you have come to serve your parish. If you have traded or substituted for someone, please also, notate that. Thank you to all those that faithfully clean our Lord's home.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME – CHURCH CLEANERS (following the Saturday 8:00 a.m. Mass {8:30 a.m}):** **May 5:** Ron Schmitz, 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. **May 12:** Elizabeth Slagle, Shannon Slater, Jackie Smith, Jolene Spevak, William & Teresa Stanberry, Bruce Stanley, Carol Stehlik, Jena Stoll, Duane & Shelli Stuhr, Bryan & Shawn Stukenholtz. **May 19:** Ed & Barb Stukenholtz, Steve Stukenholtz, Cathy Thomas, Gerald & Donna Thoms, Judy Thorne, Phillip & Mary Timothy, Brent & Darci Travis, Mark & Melissa Travis, Tim & Jill Travis, Lee & Joyce Turner. **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:** "Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve You as You deserve." St. Ignatius of Loyola