

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor: Very Rev. Michael G. McCabe

Associate Pastor: Rev. Steven W. Thomlison

Sunday Mass - Schedule: Saturday: 6:30 p.m. & Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule: St. Mary's Community Hospital Chapel - Monday-Friday - 6:20 a.m.; St. Mary's Church - Monday-Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Perpetual Adoration - St. Mary's Community Hospital Chapel: Monday - 6:00 a.m. thru Saturday - 12:00 a.m. - Pam Gress, 873-4948

Confessions: Saturday - 4:00-5:00 p.m. or by appointment CCD Coordinator - Diane Denniston, 242-2631

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Wednesday-Friday - 9:00-11:00 a.m. & 1:30-4:00 p.m., 873-3024

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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2013

PRAY FOR THE SICK - David Heng, Sr., Phyllis Paap, Dolores Paap, Laurence DuBois, Leonard Harris, Norbert Lechner, Mary Johnson, Emmett Christiansen, Kay Bryant, Bill Davis, Bill Carroll, Martha Detloff, Cathy Sawyer, Mercedes Moeller, Lexis Bruns-Morris, Lacie Bruns-Morris 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. Please also call the office if the person is no longer in need of prayers. Due to the privacy act, the person must grant their permission for their name to be printed in the bulletin. Names will be listed for 60 days and then transferred into our Book of Intentions. Thank you for your prayers.

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul of Shirley Young.

PLEASE PRAY for our seminarians, Brian Wirth and Joseph Allen and vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY for the success of the renovation and expansion campaign "Visions for a Vibrant and Faith-Filled Future" of Lourdes Central Catholic Schools.

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.

ADORERS NEEDED - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - Thursdays - 1-2 a.m. and Fridays - 10-11 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 St. Mary's Community Hospital Chapel. If you are not a regular scheduled adorer and would like to be or would like more information, please call Pam Gress, 873-4948. Everyone is always welcome. Thank you to all of our scheduled adorers.

THE APPLE CORP will share their gift of song on Sunday, August 25 prior to the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/ALTAR SOCIETY ROSARY FOR ALL CHILDREN OF ST. MARY'S PARISH: All ladies of the parish are invited to attend the Christian Mothers/Altar Society rosary and meeting on Tuesday, August 27 at 6:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Hall. As Christian Mothers, one of our main roles in the parish is to pray for all "OUR" children. Please join us for a special rosary on this evening, followed by a short meeting. Questions, please contact Lana Gilson, 873-6519.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet on Wednesday, August 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the church hall.

CCD (CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE) for students not attending Catholic school. Classes begin for **GRADES 1-6** on Wednesday, September 4 at Lourdes Primary. Registration will be held in conjunction with the first day of class in the basement of the school. CCD for students in kindergarten will begin on January 8. **REGISTRATION FORMS** are available in the entrance of the church. CCD fees/Activity fees are \$35.00 each for the first two children and \$12.00 each for each additional child. **2nd Grade** students only are to include an additional **\$8.00** for the 1st Communion Banner. Payment is due and payable at the time of registration. Please either drop completed registrations in the collection basket or mail to the parish office. If the fee is a financial burden, please contact Fr. McCabe, or Fr. Thomlison and special arrangements will be made. For more information, please call Diane Denniston, CCD Coordinator, 242-2631 or the parish office, 873-3024.

CONFIRMATION for students in grades 4-6 or higher that have not been confirmed will be held in the fall of 2014. All students wishing to receive the sacrament of confirmation that are not attending Lourdes School must be registered for the 2013-14 CCD program and attend one year of the preparation class. Watch the bulletin for more details and upcoming date for parents and students to meet and receive information.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS COLLECTION: Each year at this time we have a special collection to help with the monthly support of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother - Sr. Ana Maria, Sr. Kathleen, and Sr. Cynthia. Currently our parish contributes \$700.00 per month or a total of \$8400.00 per year. Nebraska City is very blessed to have this community of sisters to help with the education of our children and adults of our parish. Please give as generously as you can to show your support of this wonderful gift that God has given to our community. A special envelope is included in your monthly envelopes. Thank you for your support.

THANK YOU to everyone for all of the words of sympathy and prayers for the repose of the soul of my mother, Shirley Young. May God bless you for your Spiritual Work of Mercy. In Christ Jesus, *Sister Cynthia, O.S.F.*

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: The Gospel reading today starts with a question: "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" Jesus offers only a simple reply: Strive to enter through the narrow gate. Many will try to enter and will not be able. Good stewards know there is only one, narrow gate. Not everything will fit. This narrow gate has no room for our accomplishments. No room for our money. No room for our possessions. No room for anything else but those who've been good stewards of the Gospel. We can't custom build our own gates either. There is only one, narrow gate that happens to be open for a time, but for how long? What is our plan of action to get through that gate?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Aug. 18: Adult Env.: \$5376.00; Loose: \$530.20; Child. Env.: \$4.00; Online: \$4891.00; Assumption: \$2544.80; Total: \$13,346.00

Needed Weekly: \$10,708.47; Over: **\$2637.53**; Needed: Aug. 18: \$74,958.85; Received: \$83,974.91; Over: **\$9016.06**

Building Fund: \$165.00; Franciscan Sisters: Needed: \$8400.00; Received: \$3077.00; Mission Coop: \$170.00 Thank you for your generosity.

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Ruth Fitzekam+	Naomi Schomerus+	
Tuesday	Ted Woods+	LaVerne Clark Family	
Wednesday	Gude & Nystrom Families	Mark & Judy Francois	
Thursday	Kriste Knoll-Woods+	Timothy Ebeler+	
Friday	Poor Souls - Airline & Airport Personnel+	Special Intention	
Saturday		Gene Marron+	6:30 p.m. Kevin Pfeiffer+
Sunday		Betty Beckman+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
	6:30 p.m. Saturday	8:00 a.m. Sunday	10:00 a.m. Sunday
USHERS/ GREETERS	Herman & Myla Weber Bob & Debbie Lechner	Don & Pat Ramold Tim & Nancy Baragary	Lee & Joyce Turner Tom & Dorothy Funke
SERVERS	Nick & Zachary Whitten John Heng	Bret & Tanner Kochanowicz Caleb Stukenholtz	Thomas Ragland, David Dines Thomas McCoppin
LECTORS	Bruce Stanley	Orville Oelke	Cindy McGinnis
ACOLYTES	Tim Baumann	Sean Chance	Andy Fedoris
OFFERTORY	Bryan & Shawn Stukenholtz Family	Leo & Sonja Heng	Laci Meyer Family

WEEKDAY SERVERS: Aug. 26-31 – Sam Draus – Jonathan Onate

READINGS: Aug. 26, 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22; Aug. 27, 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26; Aug. 28, 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32; Aug. 29, 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mk 6:17-29; Aug. 30, 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13; Aug. 31, 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30; Sep. 1, Sir:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14.

STEWARDSHIP – OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE: A steward’s job is to sow the seeds, not to worry about who harvests the crop.

LOURDES/ST. BENEDICT’S PRESCHOOL is still taking enrollment for the 2013/2014 school year. We have openings in the 3 year old program that meets Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00-1:30. There is also one morning and one afternoon opening in the PreK everyday program. Call Linda Hogeland 873-9336 or Kathy Aultz 873-3739 if you have any questions.

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!!! CHURCH CLEANING – JUST A REMINDER TO ALL FAMILIES OF THE PARISH: 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.

PIPE ORGAN – 100+1 YEAR OLD: The pipe organ at Peru Community Church, 6th & Nebraska, is 100 + 1 year old and they are celebrating on Sunday, August 25 at 3:00 p.m. There will be three guest performers, raffle, and refreshments. Everyone is invited to attend. Free will offering to support pipe organ maintenance. See flier in the entrance of the church for more information.

CATHOLICISM 101 (R.C.I.A. – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Everyone is invited to come and learn more about the Catholic faith or learn more about becoming Catholic. Fr. Thomlison and Fr. Cyza will be offering weekly classes on the teachings of the Catholic Church beginning on Wednesday, September 4 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Lourdes School. Come join us to learn all about the beauty and splendor of the Catholic Faith. To pre-register, please call the parish office, 873-3024.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOK OF REVELATION ~ St. Mary’s Parish Hall ~ 7:00-8:30 P.M. All must pre-register to attend. Required Text/ Materials Fee \$15.00. Payment and materials can be picked up on the "first day" of class, **Monday, September 16**. This six month study will make Scripture, prophecy, and history come alive. You'll find that God's plan for the future of the world is not filled with darkness and disaster, but with light, mercy and hope. **Call the Franciscan Sisters (402-873-3052) and register today. Registration ends Sunday, September 1st.** This study will satisfy your curiosity, enrich your mind, and increase your desire for worship.

DO YOU LIKE TO SING? If you like to sing, consider sharing your gift with your parish by joining the adult choir. Weekly practice begins on Wednesday, September 4 at 5:45-6:45 p.m. and will sing at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays beginning September 9. Students in grades 9-12 are also invited to join. This is a great way to honor God through the gift of song. For more information, please call Dan Giittinger, 402-873-4635.

MAGNIFICAT prayer meal will be held on Saturday, September 7, 9:30 a.m., at the Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 O St., Lincoln. The featured testimony will be given by Joan Leischeski, a member of St. Joseph’s parish in Lincoln. Joan is active in her parish, and also involved in many ministries outside the parish. Deadline August 31, space is limited so register early. Mail \$15.00 check payable to Magnificat to Annette Wemhoff, 931 W. Harvest Rd, Lincoln, NE 68521. Student price \$10:00. No walk-ins please. For information call Rhonda 402-489-3819.

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNERS FOR FR. MCCABE AND FR. THOMLISON: Aug. 26: Mary Paap, Aug. 28: Rachele Ragland, Aug. 31: Janis Riege, Sept. 2: Margaret Rumery, Sept. 4: Diane Schmitz, Sept. 7: Jacqueline Smith, Sept. 9: Pat Stoner, Sept. 11: Shelli Stuhr, Sept. 14: Shawn Stukenholtz. 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 the 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 you would like 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.): Aug. 31: Gail Walford, Jane Lutz, Pete & Nancy Lutz, Kelly & Sue Madden, Paul & Angie Madison, Arvon & Lu Marcotte, Mark & Rosemary Marcotte, Clint & Lori Martin. **Sep. 7:** Jerry & Suzi Martin, Rita Mathews, Aaron & Dana Mayberry, Bailey Mazzulla, Darrel & Jackie McAlexander, Corrine McCoppin, Diane McCoppin, Kent & Cindy McGinnis, Jason & Molly McNeely, Brett & Emily Meyer. **Sep. 14:** Laci Meyer, Stephen Meyer, Tom & Cindy Mick, Joe & Marliss Miller, Scott & Kristin Miller, Ed & Mary Mills, Carline Moles, Robert & Kristine Moser, Charles Moyer, Robert Moyer. **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, 873-9160, Mary Mills, 873-6247.