

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor: Rev. Michael G. McCabe

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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

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2012

PRAY FOR THE SICK - Cathy Sawyer, Mercedes Moeller, Lexis Bruns-Morris, Lacie Bruns-Morris, Jo Link, Joyce Kempkes, Lisa Snyder, Isaac Durr, Fr. Bill Kalin, Marie Stoll, Brenda Rickman, Jeff Van Stelton, Delrosa Riege, Zane Clark, Les Kinnison, Pamela Peck, Linda Smith, Billy Howell, Marybeth Grundman 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. Please also call the office if the person is no longer in need of prayers. Names will be listed for 60 days and then transferred into our Book of Intentions. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY for our seminarians, Corey Harrison, Brent Heyen, Rev. Mr. Steven Mills, and John Paul Mitchell. 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.

CAN YOU SPEND ONE HOUR WITH JESUS? ADORERS NEEDED - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION- Thursdays - 1-2 a.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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY: The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed beginning Thursday, November 22 at 12:00 a.m. (midnight) until following the 6:20 a.m. Mass on Monday, November 26 at St. Mary's Community Hospital Chapel. You are welcome to visit the chapel at any time.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: Today we are celebrating Stewardship Sunday. Each family should have received information in the mail. If you did not bring your envelope today, please do so by next Sunday. Thank you to all those that generously give of their gifts of time, talent and treasure.

BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER FOR LOURDES AFTER PROM: Come join the Junior Class for a delicious breakfast on Sunday, November 18 after the 8 and 10 a.m. Mass in St. Mary's Church hall! Serving breakfast casseroles, scrambled eggs, muffins, breads and fruit salad. Free will offering.

A FISH & OYSTER FRY will be held on Sunday, November 18 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at St. Paulinus Church, Syracuse. Serving Pollock, carp, Mt. oysters, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, cole slaw and dessert.

A WELCOME MASS will be celebrated by the Most Reverend James D. Conley, Bishop of Lincoln, on Saturday, November 24 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. A reception will be held in the church hall following Mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS will be at 8:00 a.m. There will not be Mass at the hospital chapel. On this day we give thanks to almighty God for the freedom we have in our country. Around every Thanksgiving table our American families will feel closer to their loved ones and to our blessed Lord. We encourage you to attend this Thanksgiving Day Mass to worship not only as a family, but also as a parish family and give thanks for all the blessings that our Lord has bestowed upon our country and us. All are cordially invited to join in this celebration. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love is everlasting. Give thanks to the Lord of Lords, for his love is everlasting. Cf. *Psalms 136:1*.

A SPECIAL COLLECTION will be taken up during Mass on Thanksgiving Day to support the diocesan cloistered sisters, Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters (Pink Sisters) in Lincoln and the Carmelite Sisters in Agnew. The contemplative community of sisters supports our Diocese by their prayers before the Blessed Sacrament. Envelopes are attached to the bulletin today for this collection. Please make checks payable to St. Mary's. Thank you.

POINSETTIAS & CHRISTMAS TREES will be purchased to decorate our church for Christmas. You may donate \$10.00 per flower as a memorial to a deceased loved one or to honor someone living. Donations are also being accepted to purchase the trees. Special envelopes are available in the entrance of the church for your convenience. Please make donations by **Sunday, December 9** either through the collection basket or to the parish office. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE: Stewardship is not about guilt, but gratitude and service.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - Your Gifts to the Lord

Nov. 11: Adult Env.: \$7523.00; Loose: \$354.78; Child. Env.: \$.75; Total: \$10705.00; Franciscan Sisters: \$100.00; Mission Sunday: \$100.00

Needed Weekly: \$10329.69; Short: **\$2451.16**; Needed: July 1-Nov. 11: \$206,593.80; Received: \$187,750.94; Short: **\$18,842.86**

Thank you for your generosity.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday - 5:30 p.m. CCD Grades 7-12, Lourdes School

Monday - 7:00 p.m. Church History Class, church hall

Wednesday - 8:45 a.m. Legion of Mary, rectory

9:00 a.m. Cup of Grace, church hall

Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. NO CCD Class, Grades K-6, resumes Nov. 28

5:45 p.m. Adult choir practice

7:00 p.m. NO R.C.I.A. class, resumes Nov. 28

Thursday - 9:00 a.m. Bible Study, Franciscan Sisters, call 873-3052

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

	6:20 a.m. (Hospital Chapel)	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Bernice Nanfita+	Gerald & Susan Wirth Family	
Tuesday	Alois, Minnie, Norbert Wenzl+	James Cartoni+ (Anniv.)	
Wednesday	Josephine Nocita+ (Anniv.)	Carl & Nora Kreifels+	Mass at Golden Liv. rescheduled to Nov. 28
Thursday	NO MASS	Robert Lechner+	
Friday	Priest's Intention	John Lehr+ (Anniv.)	
Saturday		Priest's Intention	6:30 p.m. Ron & Mildred Volkmer+
Sunday		Raymond & Helen Frana+	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	Rosemarie Pfeiffer, Lee & Joyce Turner Robert & Mary Lee Duncan	Jackie Smith, Cathy Thomas George & Mary Kay Hengen	Rick Sevening, Steve Stukenholtz Larry Lance, David Schmitz
SERVERS	Grant & William Welsh William Eppert	Alex & Brock Hogeland Grant Chance	Thomas & Alex Gress Jeff Gilson
LECTORS	Frank Volkmer	Orville Oelke	Bill Davis
ACOLYTES	Tim Baumann	Mark Eilers	Brian Lowe
OFFERTORY	Ed & Mary Mills	Tim & Nancy Baragary	Richard Wichman Family

WEEKDAY SERVERS: Nov. 19-24 – Cade & Beau Lee

READINGS: Nov. 19, Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43; Nov. 20, Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10; Nov. 21, Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28; Nov. 22, 1 Cor 1:3-9/Lk 17:11-19; Nov. 23, Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48; Nov. 24, Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40; Nov. 25, Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: How would you spend your day if you knew it was the last day you would spend on earth? Undoubtedly, it would not be a normal day. The point of today's Gospel reading is that the end-time is always imminent. The good steward remains prayerfully alert, ready to give an accounting; and living each day in the awareness of the coming judgment and salvation. How do we exercise stewardship over our daily lives? Are we prepared to give an accounting? How will we allow Christ to work in and through us to prepare for the reconciliation of the heavens and the earth?

YEAR END PLANNING: It won't be long until 2012 is just a memory. Have you included your church in your year end gift planning? If you need an additional tax break, please remember your parish. Currently we are \$18842.86 short of meeting our budget goal. If you are able to help with this shortfall, your help is welcomed. Thank you to all of you that faithfully return a portion of gifts to your parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

BELL RINGERS NEEDED: On November 24, Southeast Nebraska community Action (SENCA) will be kicking off their annual Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign. Volunteers are needed to ring bells, so please sign up with the SENCA office. A brief amount of time bell ringing can make a huge difference in the number of families helped throughout the following year. This would also be a way to earn community service hours. Please keep in mind that 90% of all Red Kettle donations stay in Otoe County to assist families experiencing emergency situations. If you are interested in volunteering your time as a Salvation Army Bell Ringer, please contact SENCA at 917 Wildwood Lane, Suite C, email at otoecounty@senca.org or by phone, 402-873-6459.

ADVENT RECITAL: You are invited to celebrate the Christmas season at Nebraska City's annual community-wide Advent Recital, featuring church choirs and other musical groups. The Advent Recital is Sunday, December 2 at 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Refreshments to follow in the church hall. A free-will offering will be held to benefit the local Ministerial Association.

WHAT IS THE "BOX OF SOCKS"? The Catholic Daughters of the Americas supports many charitable organizations. One such organization is the Tutwiler Community Education Center located in Tutwiler, Mississippi. This small rural town is located in the northwest corner of Mississippi called the Mississippi Delta. Besides the programs at the Center, the town has no recreation programs for children or teenagers. There are no maintained parks or public transportation and only a small library open three days a week from 9:00-4:00 p.m. The median income is \$19,000.00 and unemployment rate is around 16.1%. This year, one of the requests made by the Center was athletic socks for children and adults. If you are able, please donate new, clean, athletic socks in the box placed in the vestibule of church! Thank you in advance from your local Catholic Daughters!

MONEY RAISER FOR GUARDIAN ANGEL FUND: Help us make the next "Steal of a Deal" sale another great success. It is scheduled for **Saturday and Sunday, December 1-2**. Mark your calendar... come purchase new items at unbeatable prices at St. Benedict's Parish Hall following all weekend Masses. Will you help us stock our sale tables? We'll accept any donated new items such as school/office supplies, kitchen supplies, household cleaning supplies, hygienic/health supplies, miscellaneous gifts, children's toys. Try to purchase these items through sales, coupons, rebates and/or ad matches. Items may be left in St. Mary's Church foyer in the BOX labeled ... **Franciscan Sisters – Steal of a Deal...** or delivered directly to the Convent (1503 4th Corso). Please mark each item with the original price. This will help us determine the "Steal of a Deal" price. Thank you for your help. God bless.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need of 2-4 volunteers to help the residents of Golden Living Center in Nebraska City with bingo. St. Mary's Church is scheduled for the months of January, April, July and October on Mondays from 2:30-3:30 p.m. If you would be willing to help, please call Sharon Crunk at 873-4568 or 873-3353.

STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT – DINNERS FOR FR. MCCABE AND FR. THOMLISON: Nov. 19: Katie Bebout, Nov. 21: Nan Benscoter, Nov. 24: Kelly Bequette, Nov. 26: Beth Box, Nov. 28: Theresa Brown Dec. 1: Carolyn Kay Bryant, Dec. 3: Fran Casey, Dec. 8: Brooke Chaney. 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.}): **Nov. 24:** Jennifer Booth, Ronda Booth, Daren & Beth Box, Roger & Ranae Brandt, Brian & Mindy Briley, Theresa Brown, Jody Honeysuckle, Carolyn Bryant, Ken & Paula Carlstedt. **Dec. 1:** Chris Carpenter, Kelly Bridger, Mary Causgrove, Sean & Maureen Chance, Brooke Chaney, Natalie Chaney, Kris Chaney, Suzann Cooksey, Logan Crunk, Mike & Sharon Crunk. **Dec. 8:** Will & Sue Daniel, Craig & Joni Davis, Bill & Betty Davis, Dan & Kay DeFreece, Bambi Diaz, David & Melanie Dines, John & Debra Dubas, Laurence & Sally DuBois, Barbara DuBois. **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.