

# St. Michael's & St. Mary's

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*St. Michael's and St. Mary's Parishes would like to extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting us or are new to the area. If you are not currently registered at St. Michael's or St. Mary's and consider this your Parish, please call the Rectory at 729-2058.*

St. Michael's	PO Box 406, Fairbury, NE 68352	Phone: 729-2058
St. Mary's	5th & Amanda Streets, Alexandria, NE	
St. Michael's Prayer Chain	Carmen Juarez: 729-3623	
St. Michael's/St. Mary's Secretary	Carolyn Osborne: 729-5387	Mobile: 300-0148

**St. Mary's Parish Council:** Duane Bartek, Ritchie Burkhart, Peggy Niederklein, Rhonda Burkhart and Donna Rut **Trustees:** Bob VanWesten and Bob Bachle

**St. Mary's PCCW:** Deb Vanwesten

**St. Michael's Parish Council:** Mary Mach, Eddie Lytle, Devin Lovgren, Doug Kapke, LeAnn Krause, Dave Panko, Dave Banahan and Bruce Busing **Trustees:** Keith Mach and Randy Prellwitz

**St. Michael's PCCW:** Lorraine Borch

**Knights of Columbus:** Dan Arner

**CCD Coordinator:** Mary Mach

# Parish News & Upcoming Events

- **BULLETIN:** If you have news for the bulletin, please call the Rectory 729-2058 or contact Carolyn 729-5387 or email [carolyn@stmichaelsfairbury.org](mailto:carolyn@stmichaelsfairbury.org) News must be in Thursday by 10:00 AM to be in the week's bulletin.
- **ADOPT A PRIEST:** Our Deanery is taking part in the "Adopt a Priest" program. St. Michael's has adopted **Fr. Leo Seiker**; please keep him in your prayers.
- **SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK:** Please keep our Seminarian of the week, **Dale Alder** in your prayers.

## Ministers' Schedules for Next Weekend

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
<b>Acolyte</b>	Joe Busing	Jim VanWesten	James Huber
<b>Lector</b>	Keith Mach	Rhonda Burkhart	Devin Lovgren
<b>Server</b>	Ryan Umland		Paul Mach
<b>Server</b>	Aldo Ramos		Devin Wanamaker
<b>Organ/Piano</b>	Carolyn Osborne	Lorrie Hofstetter	Allen Scheer
<b>Gifts/Greeters</b>	Diana Armstrong	Bob & Trish Endorf	Ron & Shana Rickstrew
<b>Collection</b>	Bruce Busing & Dave Banahan		

<b>Our Offering to God Last Weekend</b>		<b>Adult</b>	<b>Plate</b>	<b>Children</b>
	<b>St. Michael's</b>	\$1702.00	\$53.00	\$9.00
	<b>St. Mary's</b>	\$265.00	\$12.00	
	<b>St. Michael's Debt</b>	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Total</b>	
		\$205.00	\$8390.00	

## ***THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE***

Monday	October 5	<b>NO MASS</b>	St. Michael's	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tuesday	October 6	<b>8:00 AM</b>	St. Michael's	World Refugees
Wednesday	October 7	12:10 PM	St. Michael's	Norman Medina+
Thursday	October 8	5:30 PM	St. Michael's	Walter & Dorrine Milius+
Friday	October 9	12:10 PM	St. Michael's	Bill & Arlene Wagner+
Saturday	October 10	5:30 PM	St. Michael's	Leslie & Mary Naiman+
Sunday	October 11	8:00 AM	St. Mary's	The People of the Parishes
Sunday	October 11	10:00 AM	St. Michael's	Don Gregory+

<b>Confessions</b>	St. Michael's	Saturday	4:45 PM to 5:15 PM
	St. Mary's	Sunday	7:45 AM

**Daily Mass: Please check Mass schedule carefully for Mass times this week!!!**

**Please pray for:** Betty (Morgan) Brackle, Bob Seigel, Iola Busing, Rose O'Keefe, Vonja Scheer, Lorraine Callison, Doug Wiedel, Leona Gaydusek, Norma Bernasek, Jim Cortney, Rozella Prellwitz, Zachary Rowe, Noelle Salazar, Bernie Boerner, Brad Eveleth, Kathy Blobaum, Bob McCord, Ed Lytle, Rita Stone, Graysen Snyder, Brandi Warnke, Darren Martinez, Marie Kosmacek, Viola Scheer, Robert Keith Guillory, Francis Nutsch, Knoxley Gerths, Military Personnel, all the unborn children & their parents, pro-life legislation, and anyone else who maybe ailing. *If you or someone you know would like our parish family to join you in prayer for their special needs, please contact the parish office.*

## **NEW ITEMS**

- **St. Michael's Parish Council** will have a meeting on Sunday, October 11 at noon. This is a closed meeting, members of the council & trustees only. The meeting will be in the Parish center.

- **Intellectual Disabilities Weekend:** The annual collection by the Knight of Columbus to raise funds for K of C Intellectual Disabilities Foundation of Nebraska will take place prior to weekend Masses on October 17 and 18. All funds collected remain in the state to support non-profit organizations that assist those with disabilities. One half of the money collected is returned to the local council for further distribution. The funds collected at St. Michael's are forwarded to Villa Marie in Waverly. To thank you for your support a candy treat will be given to you.



- **Theme Baskets:** Please don't forget to turn in your Theme Basket sheet for our fundraiser at the Soup Luncheon, October 25th. Any questions, call Mary Prellwitz (729-6647).



- **The Holy Family Shrine Walk of Faith** will take place on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. We will gather at Schramm State Park and prayerfully walk the 6 miles to the Shrine. Reconciliation will start at 11 a.m. with Mass following at noon. Shuttle service will be provided. Please bring banners and flags honoring the Holy Family and in support of the 2015 World Meeting of Families of Philadelphia. To get to the Shrine take 1-80 to exit 432, turn south and go 1 mile on highway 31. Turn right onto Pflug road and go 1 mile west. Please visit their website [www.hfsgretna.org](http://www.hfsgretna.org) or call 402-332-4565.
- **Knights of Columbus:** The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting, October 12<sup>th</sup>, beginning with Rosary at 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the center.
- **March for Life-Washington DC** for high school students, Jan 19-24, 2016. Join the hundreds of thousands who lend their voices to the voiceless! Cost: \$395 includes transportation, hotel, the march and metro and tourist sites. To register, go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/march-for-life>. Deadline is Dec. 13, 2015.

- **Raffle Donations:** If anyone would like to donate items for the Christmas Bazaar Raffle, please contact Janice Bell at 729-5203.
- **Quest Retreats** for freshmen and sophomores in high school: October 24-25, Holdrege, NE. Cost: \$60. To register go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/quest>.
- **TEC Retreats** for juniors and seniors in high school: November 20-22, McCook. To register, go to <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/retreats/tec>.
- **Diocese Canoe Trip** for sophomores, juniors, seniors and college students. Two trips down the Niobrara: June 26-28 and June 28-30, 2016. To register, go to: <http://www.lincolndiocese.org/camps/diocesan-canoe-trip>.



- **Save the Date:** St. Michael's PCCW will be hosting their Annual Soup Luncheon, Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the school gym. ***Mark your calendar and help support the PCCW by attending and donating your time and talent.*** Please invite friends and family.

- **Penny Harvest:** The CCD is collecting money for the Blue Valley Giving Tree Project during the months of October and November. They are asking the parish to help with their project. A Penny Harvest Jar is located on the back table of the church. Please be as generous as possible with your change to help the less fortunate.



- **LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive:** The Diaper Drive continues through the end of October. The Centers we serve advise us that the Diaper sizes 3, 4, & 5 are in greatest demand. Your diaper donations are greatly appreciated. Cash donations or checks made to the order of the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) will be accepted and should be mailed to the LDCCW Service Commission, Kay Wessel, 3600 W. Wittstruck Rd., Martell, NE. 68404. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements.

- **Word Among Us:** We have FREE copies of the Word Among Us for the month of **October**. Please pick yours up today and take home for daily devotions.
- **St. Stephen's Altar Society Salad Luncheon & Card Party:** Thursday, October 22. Doors open at 11:00 a.m., serving starts at 11:30 a.m., at St. Stephen's Parish Hall, 204 North Union, Exeter, NE. Bridge and Pitch in the afternoon. Tickets are \$10.00 at the door.
- **Prince of Peace Catholic Church will host Sarah Hart** in a free concert on Sunday evening, October 11 at 7:00 p.m. The concert titled *An Evening of Praise* promises to be an inspirational evening of music and praise led by Grammy nominated Christian singer/songwriter Sarah Hart. Prince of Peace is located at 2407 West 56<sup>th</sup> Street in Kearney.
- **CCD:** Classes are from 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please do not drop your children off before 6:35 p.m., because there will not be any adult supervision. **We are in need of substitute teachers, please contact Mary Mach (300-0321) or Fr. John (729-2058).** Please remember to enter the driveway on E street and exit on 8<sup>th</sup> street.
- **Rosary:** We are looking for volunteers (men and women) to lead the Rosary before Mass during the month of October. A sign-up sheet on the back table for anyone interested in leading the Rosary. Please start the rosary 20 minutes before Mass will begin. Thank you!!
- **Thought of the Week:** We give of ourselves in loving service, committing our lives to Christ forever.
- **A Father/Son Program** to promote respect for human sexuality and chastity will be presented on Sunday, October 18, 2015 from 2:00-4:00 pm at St. Joseph Church Resurrection Hall, 1940 S. 77<sup>th</sup> in Lincoln, NE. Boys 10-14 years old and their fathers are invited to register. (Registration forms will be sent home with CCD students). Cost is \$10 per family. This program is presented by the Lincoln FertilityCare Center and the Family Life Office.



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- **The Year of Consecrated Life** continues until February 2, 2016. Make a pilgrimage, adopt a community, and find out more ways to celebrate our Religious at [www.lincoln.diocese.org/ycl](http://www.lincoln.diocese.org/ycl).
- **A Mother/Daughter Program** to promote respect for human sexuality and chastity will be presented on Sunday, October 25, from 2:00-4:30 pm at St. Joseph Church Resurrection Hall, 1940 S. 77<sup>th</sup>, in Lincoln. Girls 10-13 years old and their mothers are invited to register. (Registration forms will be sent home with CCD students). The program is presented by the Family Life Office and the Lincoln FertilityCare Center.
- **October Church Cleaning for St. Mary's:** Deb VanWesten
- **Mass times when you are traveling:** Traveling?? There are web-sites to find the time of Masses at different locations. <http://masstimes.org>
- **Guide to Planning a Catholic Funeral:** On the back table, are copies of "A Guide to Planning a Catholic Funeral". The booklets have Scripture readings, music selections and a planning guide to help you plan for funerals. **You may fill these out now, so your family will know what your wishes are, in the time of passing it will be something they will not have to worry about.** You may turn them in to the office or you may keep at your home.
- **Prayer for Rain:** O God, heavenly Father, who by the Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all those who seek thy kingdom and its righteousness all things necessary to sustain their life: Send us, we entreat thee, in this time of need, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth, to our comfort and to thy honor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.







# St. Michael's Fall Soup Luncheon

Sunday, October 25

11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

In the St. Michael's School Gym

Serving: Chili, Chicken Noodle, and Potato Soup  
Sandwiches and Pie  
Free Will Donation  
(Suggested Donation-Adult \$7.00, Children \$3.00)

***Take-out orders available call 729-2058 or 300-0148 by Friday,  
October 23***

**Silent Auction on a Variety  
of Gift Baskets** (Great gifts  
for weddings, showers,  
birthdays, and Christmas Gifts)







