

St. Michael's & St. Mary's

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St. Michael's Prayer Chain	Carmen Juarez: 729-3623	

2ND Sunday of Lent

February 20/21, 2016



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. 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: Linda McMurphy

Knights of Columbus: Dan Arner

CCD Coordinator: Mary Mach

Ministers' Schedules for February 27/28, 2016

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Acolyte	Bruce Busing	Bob VanWesten	Steve Graff
Lector	Randy Prellwitz	Rhonda Burkhart	Charlie Barringer
Server	Aldo Ramos		RJ Suey
Server	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey
Music	Mary Prellwitz	Lorrie Hofstetter	Janice Bell
Gifts/Greeters	Maritsja Chavez	Jill & Jason Stewart	Barb Arner
Collection	Bruce Busing / Dave Banahan		
Church Cleaning for February – Deb VanWesten			

- **BULLETIN:** If you have news for the bulletin, please call the Rectory 729-2058 or email info@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, Matthew Kovar in your prayers.

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	February 22	NO MASS		
Tuesday	February 23	8:00AM	St. Michael's	Bill & Arlene Wagner+
Wednesday	February 24	12:10PM	St. Michael's	Rosalie Hamm+
Thursday	February 25	5:30PM	St. Michael's	Jim Courtney+
Friday	February 26	12:10PM	St. Michael's	David DeWald+
Saturday	February 27	5:30 PM	St. Michael's	Msgr Pleskac+
Sunday	February 28	8:00 AM	St. Mary's	People of the Parishes
Sunday	February 28	10:00 AM	St. Michael's	Jim Courtney+
Confessions	St. Michael's	Saturday	4:45 PM to 5:15 PM	
	St. Mary's	Sunday	7:45 AM	

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.

Please pray for:

Susan Hammer
Betty (Mrs. Morgan) Brackle
Eddie Lytle

Marie Kosmacek
Vonja Scheer
Rita Stone

Parish News & Upcoming Events

Parish collection data:

	<u><i>St. Michael's</i></u>	<u><i>St. Mary's</i></u>
2/14/2016		
Adult	\$905.00	\$335.00
Plate	\$65.25	\$38.00
Register	\$135.00	\$40.00
Building Fund	\$50.00	
Children	\$4.00	
Music Fund	\$0.00	
Total	\$1,159.25	\$413.00

St Michael's Debt Reduction current total \$1,160.00.

St Michael's Parish Council will meet Sunday February 28th at 11:15 in the Parish Center.

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, April 15, 2016 - LDCCW Pre-convention Banquet at McCool Junction and Saturday, April 16, 2015 - LDCCW 60th Biennial Convention at St. Joseph, York. Register online at <https://form.jotform.com/60260925221143> or contact Ann Jansky [402-826-0219](tel:402-826-0219) or arjansky@gmail.com.

I am considering providing a St Patrick's Dinner, Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Dessert. By sign-up only. If you are interested, please sign up. Sheet on the back table.

Our Lord, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, is now reserved in the basement Chapel, also. Please worship Him there present when you enter.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday's at 5:00PM, during Lent.

Thought of the Week: *"Lent is a favourable time for conversion."*
Pope Francis

B**YO****B** we will supply the water. Wednesdays we will meet for Bread & water after the 12:10 Mass & after the Stations on NFFF (Non Fish Fry Fridays) in the Center.

L**enten Fish Fry**: The Knights of Columbus will be serving Lenten fish dinners on the following dates: Feb 12 and 26 and March 11. Serving will be from 5:30 pm until 7:00 pm. Fried and baked fish will be served as well as coleslaw, green beans, bread, desserts, with coffee, lemonade and ice tea to drink. Take-out orders can be requested. Cost: free will offering. This is the Knights major fund raiser for the year. Profits support youth, community, church, and family programs.

T**he 40 Days For Life Spring Campaign** begins with a Kickoff event from 6:30 – 7:30 PM on Tuesday, February 9th at Cornerstone Christian Church, 4849 Old Cheney Rd. Weather permitting, we will walk to Planned Parenthood for closing prayers so please bring a flashlight. The 40 Days for Life prayer vigil is from February 10th through March 20th, between 6:00 AM – 8:00 PM daily. Please sign up for your hours on www.40daysforlife.com/Lincoln or at your local parish. (insert parish hours if assigned i.e., Blessed Sacrament has been assigned the hours from 6:00AM – 1:00PM on Wednesday). Many babies have been saved from abortion, abortion workers converted, and abortion centers closed because of the prayerful witness of those participating in the 40 Days For Life Campaign.

D**uring Lent** instead of the traditional Moses Basket collection (kids collection) we will be asking the children to bring up a canned or non-perishable food item. We will keep it all by the statue of Mary until Easter and donate it to the Local Food Pantry! Bring your items on Saturday night also!

F**ORMED.ORG**: What do YOU need to find this material? First, an access code at the website www.formed.org. You should see the registration box. The Saint Michael and St. Mary's parish access code is **ZYD94C**.

Now, you set up a username and password. That's it. You are now set up to use all the great programs on FORMED.org anytime by simply logging in.

Prayer Cards available: with a Prayer of Renunciation, Deliverance & Healing are on the back table.

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 8th street.

The gestures and bodily posture of both the Priest, Deacon, and the ministers, and also of the people, must be conducive to making the entire celebration resplendent with beauty and noble simplicity, to making clear the true and full meaning of its different parts, and to fostering the participation of all. Attention must therefore be paid to what is determined by this *General Instruction* and by the traditional practice of the Roman Rite and to what serves the common spiritual good of the People of God, rather than private inclination of arbitrary choice.

A common bodily posture, to be observed by all those taking part, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the Sacred Liturgy, for it expresses the intentions and spiritual attitude of the participants and also fosters them.

(General instruction of the Roman Missal #42)