



St. Michael's & St. Mary's

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4TH Sunday of Easter

May 6/7, 2017

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, Deb Jones, Megan Grant Trustees: Keith Mach and Randy Prellwitz

St. Michael's PCCW: Beth Hansmire

Knights of Columbus: Dan Arner

CCD Coordinator: Beth Hansmire

Confession schedule: Saturday 4:45 PM to 5:15 PM

Ministers' Schedules for May 13/14, 2017

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Acolyte	Ronn Brackle	Bob VanWesten	Dan Arner
Lector	Keith Mach	Scott DeWald	Lorraine Borch
Server	Aldo Ramos		RJ Suey
Server	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey
Music	Mary Banahan	Lorrie Hofstetter	Donna Winslow
Gifts/Greeters	Bob & Shirley Gibson	Bob & Donna Milius	Jim & Janice Bell
Collection			
Church Cleaning for May – Trish Endorf			

Mass intentions for the week of May 7th, 2017

Monday	No Mass	St. Michael's	No Mass
Tuesday	Noon	St. Michael's	Charlie Barringer+
Wednesday	Noon	St. Michael's	Special Intention
Thursday	5:30	St. Michael's	Special Intention
Friday	Noon	St. Michael's	Derek & Sarah Schroeder
Saturday	9:00AM 5:30PM	St. Michael's	Special Intention Special Intention
Sunday	8:00 AM	St. Mary's	People of the Parishes
Sunday	10:00 AM	St. Michael's	Special Intention

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:

Randy Wilhelm
Vonia Scheer
Evelyn Birkel

Frank Kosmacek
Steve Graff

Eddie Lytle
Tom Huber

- **BULLETIN:** If you have news for the bulletin, please call the Rectory 729-2058 or email st.michael.fairbury@gmail.com. Deadline for additions - Thursday by 10:00 AM.
- **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.

Parish News & Upcoming Events

Parish collection data:

	<u>4/30/17</u>	<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>St. Mary's</u>
T hought of the W eek: Jesus loves you.	Adult	\$1,796.00	\$355.00
	Plate	62.00	25.50
	Cemetery		200.00
	Debt Reduction	200.00	
	Children	5.00	
	Donation	60.00	
	Rice Bowl	341.62	
	Total	\$2,464.62	\$580.50

Debt Reduction Current Totals:	Loan Pmt – 12/17
	\$17,360.33
Joy of the Gospel Rebates	4,327.38
Debt Reduction Envelopes	2,825.00
Balance Needed to Pay loan	\$10,207.95

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK: Andrew Schwenka is in his 2nd Year of Theology at the Pontifical North American college, Rome, Italy. He is from Holy Family in Heartwell, NE.

St. Mary's will have a **Mothers Day breakfast** on Sunday May 14 after church. Everyone is to bring rolls. Thank you!

PLEASE JOIN US on Sunday, May 7th for a brunch in honor of St. Michael's High School Graduates. It will be held immediately after the 10:00am Mass and will be in the parish center. Egg casseroles, rolls, coffee cake, juice and coffee will be served. Join us in congratulating Paul Mach and Garret Ragland.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #4434 will meet Monday May 8th. Rosary at 6:30, and the meeting at 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

ST. GERMANUS CATHOLIC CHURCH & OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE
SARAPAHOE, NEBRASKA The parishioners of St. Germanus Catholic Church invite you to celebrate 100 years of Our Lady of Fatima. **Saturday, May 13th (7am)** Join in a 16 mile pilgrimage walk ending in Arapahoe at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine. **Pre-registration is required. (\$20 entry). Sunday, May 14th (10am)** Bishop James Conley will celebrate Mass at the Shrine. *Free dinner to follow.* For more information and to register, Email: OurladyoffatimaNebraska@gmail.com

Relics of **St. Pio of Pietrelcina** Coming to the Cathedral in Lincoln: As part of a U.S. tour to celebrate the 130th

anniversary of his birth and the 15th anniversary of his canonization, relics of the renowned 20th century mystic and healer, Saint Pio of Pietrelcina – better known as Padre Pio – will be at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ, 3500 Sheridan Blvd., in Lincoln on Saturday, May 13. The relics will be visible for veneration from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. A vigil Mass will be celebrated at 5 p.m. in honor of St. Pio. The relics include a fingerless glove that the saint used to cover his stigmata, a piece from the bed upon which he slept, and a piece of cloth that he used to clean his stigmata. More information can be found on the Diocese of Lincoln website at <http://www.lincolndioocese.org/>.

Trinity Dome National Collection: The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops approved a one-time national collection to be taken up on the weekend of May 13-14, 2017, to help support the completion of the mosaic adorning the central Trinity Dome of the Great Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. Bishop Conley has decided that this will be an optional collection in the Diocese of Lincoln taken up at the pastor's discretion. Any proceeds from this collection should be remitted to the Chancery Finance Office by June 15 and clearly labeled as the Trinity Dome collection. Checks should be made payable to the "Catholic Bishop of Lincoln."

ONE BOOK + ONE DIOCESE: This spring, the Diocese of Lincoln Evangelization Office is recommending *An Introduction to the Devout Life* by St. Francis de Sales. Addressed as a personal letter, the book genuinely represents our desire to lead a devout and holy life, how we should approach God in prayer and the Sacraments, the practice of 16 important virtues, how to resist temptations and be firm in our practice of devotion. It is a book to be read again and again, and to use as a guide for the rest of your life. No one will come away without being profoundly impressed and without being motivated to begin their spiritual journey . . . which leads ultimately to God and to Heaven. An online study guide for use as individuals or groups is available at: https://static1.squarespace.com/static/57082740746fb9895f9277d8/t/5768348f893fc0d9d35ab5af/1466446992402/dis_devout_life.pdf

EASTER SEASON

"The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one 'great Sunday' (St. Athanasius, *Epistula festalis*: PG 26, 1366). These are the days above all others in which the Alleluia is sung" (Universal Norms, 22).

- The paschal candle, a symbol of the presence of the risen Christ among the people of God, remains in the sanctuary near the altar or ambo through Vespers on Pentecost Sunday. Its use is encouraged at all liturgical celebrations, especially Mass and the liturgy of the Hours.
- Infant baptisms could fittingly be celebrated on any Sunday of the Easter Season, including Pentecost day. It is also appropriate that children receive their first communion on one or other of the Sundays of Easter.