



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

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Divine Mercy Sunday

April 22/23, 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 April 29/30, 2017

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
<b>Acolyte</b>	Luis Ramos	Bob VanWesten	Randy Prellwitz
<b>Lector</b>	Keith Mach	Rhonda Burkhardt	Ronn Brackle
<b>Server</b>	Aldo Ramos		RJ Suey
<b>Server</b>	Salvador Chavez		Braden Suey
<b>Music</b>	Mary Mach	Lorrie Hofstetter	Donna Winslow
<b>Gifts/Greeters</b>	Ronn & Betty Brackle	Jill & Jason Stewart & Family	Kellene Polson
<b>Collection</b>	Fr. Birkel		
<b>Church Cleaning for April – Donna Milius</b>			

## Mass intentions for the week of April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017

<b>Monday</b>	No Mass	St. Michael's	No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	Noon	St. Michael's	Special Intention
<b>Wednesday</b>	Noon	St. Michael's	Derek & Sarah Schroeder
<b>Thursday</b>	5:30	St. Michael's	Special Intention
<b>Friday</b>	Noon	St. Michael's	Special Intention
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00AM 5:30PM	St. Michael's	Father Francis Murphy Special Intention
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 AM	St. Mary's	People of the Parishes
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 AM	St. Michael's	Emma Fryda+

*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](mailto: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:

	<b>4/16/17</b>	<u><b>St. Michael's</b></u>	<u><b>St. Mary's</b></u>
<b>T</b> hought of the <b>W</b> eek 'Merciful Jesus, we trust in You: have mercy on us and on the whole world.'	Adult	\$1,250.00	\$450.00
	Plate	256.00	60.25
	Building	60.00	
	Debt Reduction	40.00	
	Register		20.00
	Cemetery		300.00
	<b>Total</b>		\$1,606.00

<b>Debt Reduction Current Totals:</b>	<b>Loan Pmt - 12/17</b>
	<b>\$17,360.33</b>
Joy of the Gospel Rebates	4,327.38
Debt Reduction Envelopes	2,560.00
<b>Balance Needed to Pay loan</b>	<b>\$10,472.95</b>

**S****EMINARIAN OF THE WEEK:** Louden Daniel Redinger is in his 3<sup>rd</sup> Year of College at St. Gregory the Great seminary. He is from Sacred Heart Parish in Shelton/Kenesaw, NE.

**D****ivine Mercy Holy Hour** is Today (Sunday) April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00-2:00PM, in the Lower Chapel.

**S****PRING BUFFET** has been postponed.

**P****CCW HIGHLIGHTS** Important announcements were:  
 #1 The Fairbury Deanery Meeting will be held in Beatrice St. Joseph Church 1:30 April 30. More details are elsewhere in the bulletin.  
 #2 Spencer Feldkamp, student at The Benedictine College in Atchison, KS, will be joining the FOCUS Group--Fellowship of Catholic Students on a Mission to Trinidad to evangelize to the very poor through teaching sports and donating the equipment to them. He needs our parish prayers and monetary support for this mission.  
 The Spring Buffet will be held at a later date to be set at the May meeting. Sherrie Brandenburg, Secretary

**A****TENTION GRADUATING SENIORS:** The Knights of Columbus Council #4434 announces the Scholastic Achievement Award

process to assist with college expenses. Graduating seniors of St. Michael's Parish can apply by sending a letter of request including your future plans and High School and Church activities to: Grand Knight Dan Arner, 70610 563<sup>rd</sup> ave, Fairbury, NE. 68352. Letters must be turned in by April 26th.

**SAINT ANNE'S ALTAR SOCIETY OF** Hebron is having their Annual Chicken Pie dinner, Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11:00-1:00 at the Sacred Heart fellowship hall. Suggested donation Adult \$8.00, Children \$5.00.

**FAIRBURY DEANERY OFFICERS AND ALTAR SOCIETY**  
**OFFICERS:** The Fairbury Deanery will be having their Spring Open Meeting on Sunday, April 30, 2017 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Beatrice. Registration will begin at 1:30 p.m., with the meeting starting at 2:00. Note: Registration is a \$1. There will also be a containers for donations to the Burse Fund (Priests) and Funds for Nuns.

The program for that day will be by Mallory Einfalt. Mallory is the President of Pi Alpha Chi Sorority (Catholic woman's sorority) at the University of Nebraska. This is one of the programs that the LDCCW supports. I have heard their presentation and it is very informative and interesting.

**MAGNIFICAT SPRING PRAYER MEAL** Saturday morning May 6, 9:30 am at Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 Eats O Street, Lincoln, NE. Special guest speaker Ashley Stevens. A convert to the Catholic Faith, Ashley became a FOCUS Missionary. Many of you prayed for her when she and the other women Missionaries were in a tragic car accident while going to a Retreat. Ashley was the most seriously injured and the doctor said he didn't think she would survive. Hear how God walked with her during her deepest valley of her life! Register by sending \$20 check payable to Magnificat c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56<sup>th</sup> St., Lincoln, NE 68504. (Students \$10) Deadline is April 29<sup>th</sup>. For information call Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or Barb Bechtolt at 402-489-6905.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH** on 1630 I Street in Fairbury, is having there "Garage/Plant Sale on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 6:00pm, and Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 1:00pm.