



# St. Michael's / St. Mary's

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

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 14, 2018

**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 (402) 729-2058.

**St. Mary's Parish Council:** Duane Bartek & Ritchie Burkhart

*Trustees:* Bob VanWesten and Bob Bachle

**St. Michael's Parish Council:** Chris Goeking, LeAnn Krause, Mary Prellwitz, John Ragland, Deb Jones, and Megan Grant

*Trustees:* Keith Mach and Randy Prellwitz

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

**BULLETIN:** If you have news for the bulletin, please call the Rectory 402 729-2058 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

**Knights of Columbus:** Randy Prellwitz

**St. Michael's PCCW:** Carmen Ragland

**CCD Coordinator:** Beth Hansmire

Ministers' Schedules October 20/21, 2018				Mass intentions October 15 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup>		
	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM			
				<b>Monday</b>	<b>Noon</b>	Sherrie Brandenburg+
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ronn Brackle	Bob VanWesten	Dan Arner	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Noon</b>	Karen Nutsch+
<b>Lector</b>	Chris Higgins	Scott DeWald	Randy Prellwitz	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Noon</b>	Rosella Prellwitz+
<b>Server</b>	Salvador Chavez		RJ Suey	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	Special Intention of Elaine Cortney
<b>Server</b>			Braden Suey	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Noon</b>	Huber Families Living & Deceased
<b>Music</b>	Mary Mach	Lorrie Hofstetter	Janice Bell	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Intention of Celebrant
<b>Gifts/Greeters</b>	Annette Barber	Sasha & Katie Lemke	Beth Hansmire and Girls		<b>5:30 pm</b>	Sherrie Brandenburg+
<b>Collection</b>	Mary Prellwitz/John Ragland			<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	People of the Parishes
Church Cleaning for October - Deb VanWesten					<b>10:00 am</b>	Rosella Prellwitz+

## Parish collection data:

Oct. 7, 2018	St. Michael's	St. Mary's
Adult	\$2,055.00	\$365.00
Loose Plate	203.00	109.00
Debt Retirement	50.00	
Cemetery		50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,308.00</b>	<b>\$524.00</b>

## Debt Reduction

## Loan Payment

<b>Loan Total</b>	<b>104,162.01</b>
<b>Current Totals: Due Dec. 2018</b>	<b>\$17,360.33</b>
Joy of the Gospel Rebates	7,445.37
Debt Reduction Envelopes	11,672.00
<b>Amount towards NEXT Years Payment</b>	<b>\$1,757.04</b>
<b>PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION</b>	
It takes \$2,089.36 a week to run St. Michael's Parish.	
Operation Cost	\$2,089.36
This week's collection	\$2,258.00
<b>Overage!!!!...</b>	<b>\$168.64</b>

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:** It is not that I am eager for the gift; rather, my concern is for the ever-growing balance in your account.

## Please pray for:

Frank Kosmacek \* Eddie Lytle \* Vonja Scheer \* Steve Graff \* Megan Vales

Tom Huber \* Evelyn Birkel \* Bob Gibson \* Paul Prellwitz \* Tim Cary

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 VOCATIONS**

**SR. PETER MARIE LEWANDOWSKI** of  
Ascension Parish in Overland Park, KS and  
**SR. MARY IMMACULATA BADER** of  
Immaculate Conception Parish in  
Ulysses/Gresham, NE both in their 1<sup>st</sup> Vows  
at the School Sisters of Christ the King.

**YOU MAY COME FORWARD** as soon as the 4<sup>th</sup> bell rings. If you are in Alexandria & would like to come to receive as a family please feel free to do so, even if it means the group before you are only one or two people.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CCD IS IN NEED OF A CCD TEACHER.** If you are interested in guiding our youth in our faith, please contact Beth Hansmire.

**COATS FOR KIDS.** There will be a collection box or bucket in back of the church for cash donations to buy coats to be distributed to needy kids this winter probably through the Fairbury school system. Knights have pledged 250.00 towards these plus whatever donations we receive in the collection box or bucket.

**LDCCW OCTOBER PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE**  
A baby in one year will use approximately 2,100 diapers, that's an average of only 6 diapers per day. The LDCCW goal is to collect 90,000 diapers. Diaper sizes 4, 5 and 6 are most needed. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank you to those that have already donated. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements.

**INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY WEEKEND.** This weekend Oct 13/14 the Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations to provide funding for statewide programs the support those who have intellectual disabilities. 50% of the funds collected will go to Villa Marie in Waverly. As a thank you, the Knights will give you a Tootsie Roll. Knights will be in front of the church or Just inside the doors if raining. Your generosity in 2017 helped double what was donated in 2016. Thank you.

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS.** Final sale of cards will take place in the parish center on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> during the pancake feed.

**PCCW MEETING** October 15<sup>th</sup>, Janet Beranek and Deb Jones hosting.

**SUNDAY BRUNCH** is October 28<sup>th</sup>, Donna Winslow, Sabrina Wanamaker, Beth Hansmire hosting.

**ST. STEPHEN'S ALTAR SOCIETY IN EXETER** is having their Salad Luncheon and Card Party on Thursday, October 25 in the St. Stephen's Parish Hall at 204 N. Union Ave. Doors open at 11:00am, serving begins at 11:30am. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** Monday November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm there will be a memorial Mass for deceased members of our Knights council #4434 and all family members and parishioners are invited to attend with refreshments to follow in the center after Mass.

**ST. MARY'S FALL DINNER & BAZAAR - WYMORE** is Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm-7:00pm at 115 N. 11<sup>th</sup>. Turkey, ham and trimmings - adults \$10. Ages 6 to 10-\$5 and children 5 and under are free.

**THE ANNUAL ST. MICHAEL'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** is scheduled for Dec 1st, 2018 from 8am-4pm. If you or someone you know would be interested in reserving a table for this event, please contact Raven Gerths @ 402-380-4691 or Beth Hansmire @ 402-300-0868. Don't wait, spots fill up fast!

**CALL FOR ARTISTS!** Seeking Catholic/Christian artists to participate in St. Gianna's Art and Gift Gallery to be held December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Lincoln. No table fee to display and sell your work. We will give 15% of our sales to support the work of St. Gianna's Home for Women. For more information email Ryan Fischer: [rfischer@cssisus.org](mailto:rfischer@cssisus.org) or Jake Mousel: [jmousel@cssisus.org](mailto:jmousel@cssisus.org).

**ST MICHAEL'S PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES**  
*There is interest in making a new parish directory. We are going to look into that, including doing it "in house". As noted in the Bulletin each week, our financial situation is critical in that we hardly ever bring in what is needed to run the parish & have been taking money out of savings to pay our bills. Eddie & Gyra Lytle have donated an eight-camera security system that needs to be installed. For security & safety we discussed installing "crash bars" on the two exit doors that do not have them so we could lock dangerous people out while maintaining safe escape routes for parishioners in the event of an emergency. Judy (Quam) Huber came to me & returned to the parish three of the four (one sibling wants to keep hers.) candle stands her dad, Sig, bought years ago. They need some work but we are looking into what they need. They are the larger size of our stands & we are very grateful to her & the family for donating them to the parish!*