

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mother Mary Immaculate, our patron, pray for us!

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: Saturday 6:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass: Mon-Fri 6:20 a.m.; Mon-Sat 8:00 a.m. **Holy Day Mass:** See bulletin, website & Facebook group page

Confession: Saturday: 4-5 p.m.; Sunday: 20 minutes before 8 & 10 a.m. Mass; 1st Saturday 7-8 a.m.; or by appointment with priest

Eucharistic Adoration (in church): Mon thru Fri between 6:20 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration (St. Mary Hospital Chapel): Mon 6:00 a.m. to Thu 11:59 p.m.

(Call/Text Janie Ebmeier, jstukenholtz@hotmail.com, 402-450-1993 or Brooke Chaney, brooke-chaney@cdolinc.net, 402-209-1965)

Devotions: *Rosary* 30 mins before most Masses; *1st Saturday* 45 mins before Mass (led by Legion of Mary);
Flame of Love Rosary Cenacle *Thu at 1:30 p.m.*

Pastor: Rev. Thomas J. Schultes **Associate Pastor:** Rev. Jonah A. Brox

In Residence (Chief Administrative Officer of Lourdes School): Rev. Jonathan J. Haschke

New parents should contact the rectory for ***Baptism*** – a class may be required before Baptism.

Engaged couples ***planning to get married*** in our parish need to contact the rectory at least 6 months in advance of your preferred wedding date.

Contact a priest for ***Confession*** and/or especially ***Sacrament of the Sick*** when you or a loved one are preparing for a medical procedure or are seriously ill.
Sacrament of the Sick is not only for those nearing the end of their life.

Diocesan Retreats (Waverly): **OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE:** 402-786-2705; www.goodcounselretreat.org; office@olgcretreat.org

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025:

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekly Highlight:

So, it begins again – Lourdes School begins Thu Aug 14. CCD begins Wed Aug 20. Pray for our teachers, administrators, staff, volunteers, parents, guardians, and especially our students! *Thanks for your continued attention & devotion! ~ Father Schultes*

1: WE PRAY AND WORSHIP TOGETHER! (Mark 12:30)

NEXT WEEK MASS SCHEDULE/PRIEST INTENTIONS & NEXT WEEKEND LITURGY HELPERS

	6:20 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Marcene Klein+	Special Intention	
Tuesday	Myron & Velma Henner+	Willard & Loyola Hiemer+	
Wednesday	Healing Whole Person 2026 Conference	Bill Aultz+	
Thursday	Bob & Mary Lee Duncan+	Karen Lowe+	6:30 p.m. Legion of Mary
Friday	Anton & Maria Stratker+	Patty Kilp+	5:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Saturday		Brian Hiemer+	6:30 p.m. Dillon Wichman+
Sunday		Leo & Sonja Heng+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
<u>Aug 16-17, 2025:</u>			
	<u>Sat 6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>Sun 8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>Sun 10:00 a.m.</u>
USHERS/ GREETERS	Danny & Robin Heng Steve & Stephanie Hackett	Mary Mills, Linda Lollmann Ed & Barb Stukenholtz	Fred & Sheryl Allen
LECTORS	Beth Box	Bob Wulf	Matt Rutt
ACOLYTES	Daren Box	Dan DeFreece	Mike Kearney
SERVERS	Calvin & Julian Weninger, Lyndon Brehm	Leo & Elliott Ramold, Oliver Wigington	Gavin Cumro, Landon DuVal, Kelby Fulton

PRAY FOR parish seminarians Colter Fulton & Joseph Whitney; parish missionaries Joe Allen & Libby (Fulton) Callen; Deacon Bradley Moss and Seminarian Jacob Knutson; Sr. Mary Cecilia (Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters) and an increase in vocations to priesthood, religious life, & Jesus-centered marriages! ***From our prayer chain***, continue praying for: native son Father John Cooper, Ryan Scharp, Phil Timothy and all the sick, homebound, hospitalized, those in nursing homes and in our Book of Intentions. ***To add names to this prayer list, call the parish office.*** Due to privacy, the person must grant their permission for their name to be in the bulletin. Thanks for your prayers. **If seriously ill or hospitalized and would like a visit from our priests, please contact the parish office.** St. Mary Church Prayer Chain: prayerchainstm@gmail.com

PLEASE PRAY for the happy repose of the soul of George Hengen and consolation to his family.

LOURDES SCHOOL BEGINS THU AUG 14: As is custom, the students will be sitting up front and will take the lead on Readings, serving, offertory, and occasional singing. No school Fri Aug 15 because of Holy Day. School resumes on Mon Aug 18 as normal.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION FRI AUG 15 – “ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY” – MASS TIMES: Thu Aug 14 Vigil Mass at 6:30 p.m.; Fri Aug 15 Mass at 6:20 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.

ANNUAL MISSION COOP WEEKEND SAT/SUN AUG 16/17: All the missionary priests who speak in our parishes have great needs for which they give the appeal. Some may ask for additional support, such as sponsoring a seminarian or religious for several months, in addition to their appeal at Mass. Our diocesan regulations do not allow this so that people will be able to support the needs of other missionaries who will give appeals in our parish in the future. There are so many needs to be met from so many different dioceses and religious orders, and we must give each different group a fair chance to receive our support each year. Please be generous! (Father James Kariuki from Catholic Diocese of Nakuru in Kenya Africa is our guest priest.)

MON AUG 18 – DEDICATION OF OUR DIOCESAN CATHEDRAL FEAST DAY: Booklets with readings will be in church for morning Masses.

LEGION OF MARY SPONSORED ANNUAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS SUN AUG 24 10:00 A.M. For those with serious, chronic illness (physical or mental); those who are of advanced age; or those about to undergo surgery may receive this Sacrament. A section up front in church will be reserved for those to receive anointing. If questions, call Fr. Schultes, Fr. Brox, 873-3024 or Tom Wigington, 209-5564.

PARISH 155TH BIRTHDAY ALL DAY EXPOSITION ADORATION WED AUG 27: Begins with Exposition/Prayers immediately after 8:00 a.m. Mass with our Lourdes students; will conclude with Benediction, Reposition, Prayers at 6:30 p.m., leading into our monthly Knights of Columbus gathering. Adoration sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EA9AB28A6F58-57684313-wedaug>

2: WE SERVE EACH OTHER! (Matthew 23:11)

MINISTER RECRUITMENT – WHO’S INTERESTED? EMHC (Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion): adult male or female (husband & wife teams ideal) to spend 60-90 minutes on rotating Fridays taking Holy Communion to homebound between 9a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Acolyte: adult males who assist clergy at Mass – distribute Holy Communion, set up and clear altar – greatest need at Sat eve Mass and help with weekday 8:00 a.m. Mass. Dads with son altar servers are most ideal candidates; Lector/Reader: adult male or female who proclaim Scripture & Petitions. Like acolytes, we are in greatest need for Sat eve Mass. Contact one of our priests or the parish office with questions. Training to be scheduled. **Last call (for probably another 2-3 years)!**

CHURCH CLEANERS (immediately after Sat 8:00 a.m. Mass): Aug. 16: Derek & Taylor McGinnis, Kent & Cindy McGinnis, Kylan McGinnis, Jason & Molly McNeely, Shawn & Randi Meade, Brett & Emily Meyer, Tom & Cindy Mick, Charles Moyer, Robert Moyer, Marcia Elshire. **Aug. 23:** Jim & Donna Murphy, Sam & Pat Nanfito, James & Patricia Neu, Aaron & Kelly O'Donnell, Erik & Kilee Olson, Amanda Meyer, Nick Smith, Scott & Jan O'Neil, Tim Peter, Rosemarie Pfeiffer, Robert & Heather Popish, Tom & Rachelle Ragland, Joni Rakestraw, David & Sonja Ramold, Daniel & Theresa Nastase. **Aug. 30:** Amanda Rayhel, Charlene Reese, David Reese, Jeff Reese, Darren & Emma Rettig, Kevin & Deb Rettig, Mike & Janis Riege, Charles & Margaret Rumery, Alicia Smalley, Sarah Soholt, Duane & Julia Russell, Matt & Audra Rutt, Teresa Schlorholtz. **If unable to clean when assigned, families/individuals are responsible for finding a replacement or contacting and paying \$15 for a sub.** Substitutes: Mary Mills, 873-6247 Sharon Crunk 873-4568, Julia Russell 209-2340, Sharon Heng 873-5105, Kris Chaney 209-1186, Loretta Kubik, 984-5646.

DINNER FOR OUR PRIESTS: Aug 11: Janie Ebmeier, Aug 13: Jeanette Eilers, Aug 16: Carol Elworth, Aug 18: Mary Farris, Aug 20: Judy Francois, Aug 23: Lana Gilson, Aug 25: Kathy Grundman, Aug 27: Pat Gude, Aug 30: Noreen Harris, Sep. 3: Megan Brehm, Sep. 6: Sharon Heng, Sep. 8: Jenny Kearney, Sep. 10: Tammy Levins. Please bring dinner between 5:30-6:00 p.m. If you do not use disposable dishes, please put your name on the dishes and pick them up in the church hall. It is preferred that meals be taken to the back door of the rectory. If priests are not home, please put meals in the refrigerator. Questions/to volunteer, call Donna Murphy, 402-639-0397. If you are unable to take a meal on your scheduled day, please find a replacement, donate a gift card, or order a meal to be delivered to the rectory. Thank you.

3: WE ARE IN COMMUNITY TOGETHER! (Matthew 18:20)

WELCOME visitors & guests!

If you have moved to Nebraska City, please stop by, or call the parish office to register.

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00-11:00 a.m. & 1:30-4:00 p.m.

Telephone: 402-873-3024

Mailing Address: 218 N. 6th St., Nebraska City, NE 68410

Website: stmarysnebraskacity.com

Facebook Group Page: “St. Mary's Catholic Church, Nebraska City, NE”

Cemetery Database included here: <https://www.windyprairie.com>

BULLETIN NOTICES: Submit by **Mon at 11:00 a.m.** in writing either by e-mail to stmbulletin@windstream.net (preferred) or to the parish office.

Parish Corporate Trustees: Colin Albers & Mary Mills

Parish/Finance Council: Deroy Harshman, Adam Howard (*thru 2025*); Loretta Kubik, Emma Rettig, Kent Schreiner (*thru 2026*); Beth Box, Lynn Heng, Jenny Kearney (*thru 2027*); Jason Esser, Mary Mills, Ed Stukenholtz, Pam Boes (*annual organization reps*)

Cemetery Board: Tom Gude, Tyler Gude, Jeff Lollmann, Dave Ramold, Kevin Rettig, Mike Riege, Ed Stukenholtz, Frank Volkmer, Linda Willson.

Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Matthew Nienaber; **Catholic Daughters of Americas Regent:** Julie Volkmer

CLERGY WHEREABOUTS: Fr. Schultes chaplain for Engaged Encounter Aug 8-10 weekend and then on vacation Aug 11-15.

CCD BEGINS WED AUG 20: Mass at 5:30 p.m. at St. Benedict – fun, interactive activity to follow. Regular classes on Wed Aug 27.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CONTINUES THU AUG 21 (EACH 1ST & 3RD THU) 6:45-8:00 P.M. at St. Benedict Abbey. Fr. Brox main priest.

FIFTH ANNUAL PARISH FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Who is interested? So far 2-time champion Mary Allgood, Tyler Gude, Mitch Gude, Fr. Schultes and Fr. Brox. Chat with Fr. Schultes or Fr. Brox. Draft date TBD -- season begins Thu Sep 4, with everyone's favorite Cowboys playing that evening!

“SAINT MARY’S NIGHT OUT” FRI NOV 21: Music Bingo and Catered supper this year! Save the Date!

4: WE SHARE GOD'S GIFTS TO US! (Prov 3:9)

“STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE” – MY RETURN TO THE LORD

Thanks for your generous support of our parish and its apostolates.

Aug. 3: Adult Env.: \$5,100.00; **Loose:** \$285.80; **Online:** \$5,725.00; **Assumption:** \$10.00; **Bldg. Fund:** \$25.00; **Total: \$11,145.80**
Franciscan Sisters: \$1,192.00 (Cumulative: \$3,302.00); Parish Endowment: \$75.00

Weekly amount needed for our 2025-2026 budget: \$ 14,500.00; **Amount needed for budget to date (5 weeks):** \$72,500.00

Total Contributions July 1, 2025 thru June 30, 2026: \$64,436.05 YTD Shortfall: -\$8,063.95

THANK YOU to all who contributed to our Franciscan Sisters Collection. Our parish contributes \$700/month (\$8,400/year), towards their annual living expenses. Current contributions total \$3,302.00 (to offset total stipend to them). Our Sisters help with the education of our children and adults and are a prayerful intercession for our parishes and school. Thanks for your generosity & thanks Sisters for your work in our community!

FRANCISCAN SISTERS BENCH: Save your bags from produce, stores, ice, zipper bags, bread, and dry cleaning, cereal box liners, case overwrap, newspaper sleeves, paper towels/toilet paper wrap, bubble wrap and plastic mailers. Place in the box in the entrance of the church.

“FIVE TO THRIVE” INITIATIVE: Several local non-profits including St. Mary, St. Benedict, and Lourdes are working together to promote educational workshops for the large amount of wealth-transfer in the next ten years in Otoe County. Workshops **Tue Aug 19** and **Thu Aug 21 – RSVP via 5tothrivenc@gmail.com**. We know how important Nebraska City and its organizations are to so many of our citizens and hope they will consider remembering our organizations in their wealth-transfer decision making. <https://www.nebcommfound.org/news/the-transfer-of-wealth/>

PARISH ENDOWMENT: In your August envelopes is an annual invite to celebrate **our Aug 27 birthday** (155 in 2025!) by contributing to our Parish Endowment – we have received nearly \$24,000 in earnings since endowment began in fall of 2020. Donations through that envelope, Online Giving, using an envelope marked “endowment,” or contacting the Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska directly. Thank you.

LEAVE A LEGACY TO ST. MARY CHURCH by including the church in your estate planning. IRAs can be given directly to the church and there are no tax consequences to the family. You can include St. Mary Church as one of the beneficiaries of your IRA or 401K. Life insurance policies are another way to support the church. When making end of life preparations, include memorials to be given to the church. Past bequests have helped fund our emergency savings, cemetery care and so much more. For more information, contact the parish office.