

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 Mass; *Flame of Love Rosary* Cenacle Thu at 1:30 p.m.

1st Friday devotions at 7:25 a.m.; *1st Saturday devotions* at 7:15 a.m. (led by Legion of Mary)

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

Pastor: Rev. Thomas J. Schultes

Associate Pastor: Rev. Jonah A. Brox

In Residence (Chief Administrative Officer of Lourdes School): Rev. Benjamin J. Rynearson

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026:

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHT: Thanks to our CCD team, including coordinators from our parish (Jenny & Emily!) for two weeks of class already; thanks to our parents who came to the annual beginning of the year parent-priest-coordinator meeting at St. Benedict Church this past Wednesday. Thanks to our Lourdes 3rd grade boys and teachers for the annual multi-session altar server training that began this past week – Father Brox and myself train all the Catholic 3rd grade boys to help with 8am St. Mary daily Mass and then after they are trained approve them to assist at their home parish for Sunday Masses – usually starting in October or November. *Continue to pray for us priests and know of our continued prayers for each of you! 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	Susan & Matthew Heng+	Special Intention	
Tuesday	Frank Wisnieski+	Laurence DuBois+	6:00 p.m. CDA Court Emmanuel 1122
Wednesday	Bob & Mary Lee Duncan+	Leta Harshman+	
Thursday	Agnes Wheeler+	Betty Davis+	
Friday	Renee Box+	Children of Danny & Robin Heng	
Saturday		Marv Giittinger+	6:30 p.m. Viola Snyder+
Sunday		Donald Gardner+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
<u>Sep. 5-6, 2026</u>			
	<u>Sat 6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>Sun 8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>Sun 10:00 a.m.</u>
USHERS/ GREETERS	Herman & Myla Weber Tim & Brenda Baumann	Tim & Nancy Baragary Clare Kincaid, Gail Walford	Duane & Shelli Stuhr Colin & Teresa Albers
LECTORS	Frank Volkmer	Jennifer Howard	Joshua Whitney
ACOLYTES	Lynn Heng	Adam Howard	Bryan Bequette
SERVERS	Ryder & Hunter Reeves, Henry Holmes	Leo & Elliott Ramold	Jack & William Ebmeier

PRAY FOR parish seminarians Colter Fulton & Joseph Whitney; parish missionaries Joe Allen & Libby (Fulton) Callen; parish permanent diaconate candidate Dan DeFreece (and wife Kay); Seminarian Jacob Knutson, Sr. Rita Marie of the Holy Trinity, and an increase in vocations to priesthood, religious life, & Jesus-centered marriages! **From our prayer chain,** continue praying for: Sr. Cynthia Young, native son Father John Cooper, Lacie Bruns-Morris, 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, contact the parish office.** St. Mary Church Prayer Chain: prayerchainstm@gmail.com

PRAY FOR PEACE SEP 4 & 5: All Catholics are encouraged to pray for peace by saying a daily rosary and making First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. These are requests made by Jesus and His Mother You can do them individually or as a group. At St. Mary, we pray these Devotions every ***1st Friday*** starting at 7:25 a.m. and every ***1st Saturday*** starting at 7:15 a.m. (as noted in main box above). For more information contact any member of the Legion of Mary.

LOURDES ANNUAL “GROTTO MASS” FRI SEP 4 9:30 A.M.: We will keep our normal daily Mass schedule in church – 6:20 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. If weather affects the Grotto Mass, that Mass will move to our church.

NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION MON SEP 7 (LABOR DAY) at St. Mary Hospital Chapel. ***Resumes Tue Sep 8*** at 6:00 a.m.

SEPTEMBER ROSARY BEFORE MASS INFORMATION (THANK YOU LEGION OF MARY!): ***Sep 8*** Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; ***Sep 12*** Holy Name of Mary; ***Sep 14*** Exaltation of the Holy Cross; ***Sep 15*** Our Lady of Sorrows. To honor our Blessed Mother, between the decades of the Rosary, we will sing the refrain “Ave Maria.” To honor the Holy Cross of Jesus and the Sorrows of Mary, we will pray the Stations of the Cross prayers after the Rosary “We adore Thee O Christ and we praise Thee because by Thy Holy Cross Thou Hast redeemed the world” and “at the Cross Her station keeping, stood the mournful Mother weeping close to Jesus to the last.”

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

CHURCH CLEANERS (immediately after Sat 8:00 a.m. Mass): **Sep. 5:** Tom & Kathy Wigington, Alan & Megan Wirth, James & Cheryl Wirth, Emily Wolken, Robert & Patrice Wulf, Jamie Wurtele, Gayle Wurtele, Randy & Connie Wurtele, Anna Young, Jon & Amber Zaturm. **Sep.**

12: Rachel Coyan, Lynn & Sharon Heng, Elise Buck, Lauren Bennett, Marco & Samantha Fabietti, Shawn & Brittny Hermann, John & Linda Hogeland, Drew Holtmeyer, Adam & Jennifer Howard, Taylor & Sarah Johnson. **Sep. 19:** Carl Abbott, Colin & Teresa Albers, Molly Albus, Fred & Sheryl Allen, Katherine Andrade, Michelle Andrew, Melanie Aultz, William & Kathy Aultz, Roberta Aultz, Logan Bakula, Mark & Heather Bakula. **If unable to clean when assigned, families/individuals are responsible for finding a replacement or contacting and paying \$20 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. (*Schedule on bulletin board, in weekly Flocknote email, on Facebook page.*)

DINNER FOR OUR PRIESTS: Aug 31: Maureen Chance; Sep 2: Kris Chaney; Sep 5: Kay DeFreece; Sep 9: Janie Ebmeier; Sep 12: Jeanette Eilers; Sep 14: Carol Elworth; Sep 16: Mary Farris; Sep 19: Judy Francois; Sep 21: Lana Gilson; Sep 23: Kathy Grundman; Sep 26: Pat Gude; Sep 28: Noreen Harris; Sep 30: Sharon Heng. 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 Visitation (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: Loretta Kubik, Emma Rettig, Kent Schreiner (*thru 2026*); Beth Box, Lynn Heng, Jenny Kearney (*thru 2027*); John Langley, Lu Marcotte, Hope Weninger (*thru 2028*); Matt Nienaber, 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 (Council 3152): Matthew Nienaber; **Catholic Daughters of Americas Regent (Court Emmanuel 1122):** Julie Volkmer

THANKS TO OUR MULTI-PARISH LEGION OF MARY for organizing our annual Anointing of the Sick Mass.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MONTHLY GATHERING TUE SEP 1 6:00 P.M. MASS with installation of officers and meeting to follow in Visitation Hall. All ladies of St. Mary, St. Benedict, St. Joseph, St. Bernard, St. Paulinus, and Holy Trinity are invited to be a part of Catholic Daughters!

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR FORMS DUE WED SEP 2: As discussed at our parent-student-priest meetings earlier this calendar year, the Confirmation Sponsor forms are due to the parish office (or CCD classroom teacher). See the form in the packet you received at those parent/student/priest meetings (also has been included in the weekly Flocknote bulletin email)!

CCD WED SEP 2 for grades 1-8 from 5:30-6:45 p.m. in St. Benedict Abbey. Registration forms in the entrance of the church.

OCIA ADULT FAITH FORMATION THU SEP 3 AT 6:30 P.M. at St. Benedict Abbey. Study/discussion of Catholicism/to become Catholic, and to continue lifelong relationship with Jesus and His Church. Doctrine, Bible studies, prayer and Adoration. For more info call 402-873-3047.

KC ALTAR SERVER-DAD-GRANDPA TAILGATE PARTY SUN OCT 18: Save the date! 2nd half of Chargers-Chiefs game, followed by supper and 1st half of beloved Cowboys versus Packers! Further details developing. Stay tuned.

“CONFIRMED FOR MISSION” RETREAT SAT OCT 24 hosted by our parish! Our Nebraska City Confirmation Masses are the next Saturday (Oct 31), so we hope the majority of our confirmand and their parents and sponsors will attend this diocesan sponsored retreat day. Register at: <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/catechist-resources/confirmation-retreat>

“COMMUNITY NIGHT OUT” SPONSORED BY SAINT MARY’S FRI NOV 20: Fun Pianos dueling pianos show RETURNS to help us celebrate our 5th annual event. As is custom, happy hour (5:30 p.m.), buffet supper (6:30 p.m.), and approximately two hours of entertainment (7:30 p.m.) – a fun night out, to meet and greet other parishioners in our community, hosted at Veterans Memorial Building! Save the date!

SIXTH ANNUAL PARISH FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Interested? Chat with Fr. Schultes or Fr. Brox. Draft date TBD -- begins Wed Sep 9! So far: Fr. Schultes, Fr. Brox, Fr. Kilcawley, Jameson DeFreece, Mary Allgood, Mitch Gude, Tyler Gude, Deb/Larry Lance, Jon Borer.

4: WE SHARE GOD’S GIFTS TO US! (Proverbs 3:9)

“STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE” – MY RETURN TO THE LORD *Thanks for your generous support of our parish and its apostolates.*

Aug. 23: Adult Env.: \$3,891.00; **Loose:** \$609.52; **Online:** \$3,940.00; Assumption: \$205.00; IRA: \$200.00; **Total: \$8,845.52**
Franciscan Sisters: \$125.00; Mission Coop: \$570.00; Peter’s Pence: \$50.00; Cemetery: \$100.00
Cemetery Endowment: \$5,000.00; Parish Endowment: \$10,150.00

Weekly amount needed for our 2026-2027 budget: \$ 14,650.00; **Amount needed for budget to date (8 weeks): \$117,200.00**
Total Contributions July 1, 2026 thru June 30, 2027: \$76,397.27; Short: -\$40,802.73

YOU ARE INVITED!! OUR ADULT CHOIR invites you to share your gift of song at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. The choir practices around 9:45 a.m. for each Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass. They have special Wednesday evening practices for holidays and special events during the year. If you like to sing, join us. You do not have to attend every Sunday, only when available. High school students interested in community service hours are invited and welcome to come and would be greatly appreciated. Cantors also needed. Questions, contact Dan Giittinger, 873-4635.

THANK YOU for hospitality given to Fr. Francis Mondeddu, who shared with us about the needs of the missions. Please remember him and his diocese/religious order in your prayers. It is a very noble to desire to give ongoing support to a missionary; however, each missionary that comes to our parish needs your help. Therefore, please help support the larger missionary needs of the universal Catholic Church by supporting the different missionary dioceses or orders who give appeals in our parish each year and by supporting all the dioceses and parishes who cannot even afford to send a missionary to this country by supporting annual **World Mission Sunday** collection on the third Sunday of October.

PARISH ENDOWMENT: In your August envelopes is an annual invite to celebrate **our Aug 27 birthday (156 in 2026!)** by contributing to our Parish Endowment. Donations through that envelope, Online Giving, using an envelope marked “endowment,” or contacting the Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska directly. Thank you.

SEMI-ANNUAL ENDOWMENT DISTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED for six months *ended June 30, 2026:* \$8,209.08 parish and \$1,245.55 cemetery. *Cumulative* distributions since origination: Cemetery (*established Mar 2020*) \$6,856.72; Parish (*established Sep 2020*) \$46,479.23. Thanks for supporting these endowments.