

# 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; 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

1<sup>st</sup> Friday devotions at 7:25 a.m.; 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.goodcounselretreat.org); [office@olgcretreat.org](mailto:office@olgcretreat.org)

**Pastor:** Rev. Thomas J. Schultes (on sabbatical)

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Jonah A. Brox

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

## SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026: PENTECOST SUNDAY

**Weekly Highlight:** Another school year has ended, which means summer has begun! For our diocese, the beginning of summer is marked by our Priesthood Ordinations which were this Saturday at the Cathedral, in which two new priests were ordained, including Father Moss, who served here last summer as a deacon. For many priests, attending ordinations recalls the day that they were ordained a priest of Jesus Christ forever. It also normally happens around the anniversary of their ordination. Father Haschke celebrates 17 years on May 23, Father Schultes celebrates 14 years on May 26, and I will celebrate 2 years ordained on May 25. Praise God for the gift of the priesthood and the abundant blessings that God gives us all through this gift! Keep praying for our priests and for more vocations to the priesthood! St. John Vianney, pray for us! *Thanks for your continued attention & devotion! ~ Father Brox*

**#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.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	Leo & Sonja Heng+ (At Cemetery)	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Kent+ & Cindy McGinnis Family	Nathan & Mary Wigington	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Shirley Sudman+	Cliff Kreifels+	
<b>Thursday</b>	Mary Bartzelle+	Sr. Ana Maria Solis	
<b>Friday</b>	Susan & Matthew Heng+	Aaron Wigington	
<b>Saturday</b>		Dennis & Brian Heng+	6:30 p.m. Viola Snyder+
<b>Sunday</b>		Alex Boes	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
<b>May 30-31, 2026</b>			
	<b>Sun 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Sun 8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sun 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>USHERS/ GREETERS</b>	Carline Moles, Betty Slagle Judy Francois, Jane Lutz	Charles Moyer, Jim Elworth Randy & Gail Walford	Fred & Sheryl Allen Brad & Cathy Kassube
<b>LECTORS</b>	Dan Kostka	Jennifer Howard	Shelli Stuhr
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Matt Nienaber	Adam Howard	Duane Stuhr
<b>SERVERS</b>	Liam Barcenas, Joshua Harris Wade Andrew	Leo & Elliott Ramold Neil Wirth	Hudson Rutt, Landon Wurtele Nick Kearney

**PRAY FOR** parish seminarians Colter Fulton & Joseph Whitney; parish missionaries Joe Allen & Libby (Fulton) Callen; parish permanent diaconate candidate Dan DeFreece (and wife Kay); Seminarians and Jacob Knutson 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, Renee Stehlik 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](mailto:prayerchainstm@gmail.com)

**PRAY THE ROSARY - THE MONTH OF MAY** is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pray to the Queen of Heaven. During this month (at church and home), we offer up to Mary an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. The benefits of God's mercy comes down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: Encyclical on the *Month of May*). We are encouraged to pray the rosary daily, especially in May. The rosary is recited each day at 7:30 a.m. here in our church – come join other parishioners. Other times: Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass – Seven Sorrows Rosary and Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. Flame of Love Rosary. Mary, Queen of the Holy Angels – Pray for Us.

**SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY ROSARY EACH TUESDAY (THRU MAY):** after 8:00 a.m. Mass – in St. Mary Visitation (church) Hall.

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS – MON MAY 25** at 8:00 a.m. at St. Mary Cemetery – moved to church if inclement weather. All invited – bring a lawn chair. **NO** 6:20 a.m. Mass that day, nor usual morning Adoration in church. Pray for all serving our country, for peace and for all souls in purgatory!

**NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION MON MAY 25** at St. Mary's Hospital Chapel. Resumes Tue May 26 at 6:00 a.m.

**CEMETERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to take down flags on **Mon May 25** at 5:30 p.m.

**TOTUS TUUS 2026 – JUNE 7-12:** Grades 9-recent graduates: Jun 7-11 at 6-8 p.m. (includes dinner). Grades 1-8 entering Fall 2025: Jun 8-13 at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All at St. Benedict Church – The Abbey and Lourdes Primary. Cost is \$20 per child, max \$50 per family. Registration forms on big table and near bulletins in church! Fliers posted on church bulletin boards and on Flocknote.

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

**CHURCH CLEANERS (immediately after Sat 8:00 a.m. Mass):** **May 30:** Patty Gude, Tom & Cindy Gude, Tyler & Taylor Gude, Maureen Gygi, Steven & Stephanie Hackett, Mitchell & Chelsea Hagedorn, Mary Lynn Hall, Thomas & Lindsey Hall, Roger & Rachel Hamling. **June 6:** John & Paige Harpham, Jay & Jessica Harris, Bill & Noreen Harris, Deroy Harshman, Kylie Hein, Cristin Hendrickson, Daniel & Robin Heng, Elizabeth Heng, David & Debbie Heng. **June 13:** Rachel Coyan, Lynn & Sharon Heng, Elise Buck, Lauren Bennett, Marco & Samantha Fabiatti, Shawn & Brittny Hermann, John & Linda Hogeland, Drew Holtmeyer, Adam & Jennifer Howard, Taylor & Sarah Johnson. **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. (Current quarter schedule on bulletin board, in weekly Flocknote email, and on Facebook page.)

**DINNER FOR OUR PRIESTS:** May 27: Cheryl Wirth; May 29: Emily Wolken; Jun 1: Teresa Albers; Jun 3: Brenda Baumann; Jun 6: Kelly Bequette; Jun 8: Jacque Borer; Jun 10: Beth Box; Jun 13: Megan Brehm; Jun 15: Maureen Chance; Jun 17: Kris Chaney; Jun 20: Kay DeFreece; Jun 22: Janie Ebmeier; Jun 24: Jeanette Eilers. 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. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Nebraska City, NE 68410

**Website:** [stmarysnebraskacity.com](http://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](mailto: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

**NEW AIR CONDITIONER:** We are currently working with an engineer and will be securing bids for a new air conditioning unit. We will be applying for a grant from the Wirth Foundation to help with the funding. As soon as bids come in from contractors, we will know more about the cost. If you would like to help defray some of the costs, envelopes marked "Building Fund" are by the bulletins, use Online Giving or place in envelope marked "A/C." Thank you for your consideration.

**PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY DATES:** Father Haschke 17 years, May 23; Father Brox 2 years, May 25; Father Schultes 14 years, May 26; Native sons: Father Wirth 6 years, May 23; Father Mills 13 years, May 25; Father Cooper 46 years, May 31; Father Mike Volkmer, C.P.P.S. 58 years, June 1! Praise Jesus – keep praying for our priests and more vocations to the priesthood from our parish!

**RELIGIOUS SISTERS VOWS ANNIVERSARY DATES:** Sister Ana Maria, 70 years last Feb 19; Sister Cynthia, 30 years last Apr 14; Sister Kathleen, 38 years last Apr 16; Sister Betsy Moyer, 55 years, May 29; Sister Mary Cecilia Mills, C.K., 28 years, Aug 1. Pray for more religious vocations!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY GATHERING WED MAY 27** in St. Mary Visitation Hall. Rosary at 6:30 p.m.

**FAREWELL PARTY – SAT MAY 30 6:00 P.M. ST. BENEDICT ABBEY:** You are invited to attend as we give thanks for the faithful service of Fr. Haschke & Fr. Daro and offer them our prayers and support as they begin their new assignments. Shredded beef and pork sandwiches and music will be provided. Those attending are asked to bring your own chair, drinks and side dish to share.

**THE ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON IS COMING SOON!!** The luncheon is Wed, Jun 3 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in St. Mary Church Visitation Hall. Bountiful selection of salads. Tickets on sale for \$10 at the door or from members. Hosted by Catholic Daughters of Americas, Emmanuel 1122. Enjoy a feast with friends.

**FR. LYLE JOHNSON'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY AND RETIREMENT PARTY:** All are invited to help Fr. Johnson celebrate on Sunday, June 7 at St. John's Soccer Field & Playground, 7601 Vine St., Lincoln from 12-3 p.m. Picnic fare includes hot dogs, brats, chips, cookies, and bottled water. Entertainment features 1970s music by DJ Joe Cruz and activities for all ages. Limited seating will be available under tents; bringing a lawn chair is encouraged. Additional parking is available at Meadow Lane School at 72<sup>nd</sup> and Vine Street.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL RELIGIOUS APPRECIATION DINNER SUN JUN 7** at Pin High Table Creek Golf Course. 5:00 p.m. social; 6:00 p.m. dinner. Awards and guest speaker. Cost \$25 per person. Contact Matt Nienaber, Don Shoemaker, or message [ncknightsofcolumbus@gmail.com](mailto:ncknightsofcolumbus@gmail.com)

## # 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.

**May 17: Adult Env.:** \$4,600.00; **Loose:** \$661.25; **Online:** \$3,185.00; **Ascension:** \$728.00; **IRA:** \$8,000.00; **Total:** \$17,174.25  
Franciscan Sisters: \$25.00; Cemetery: \$860.00

**Weekly amount needed for our 2025-2026 budget:** \$ 14,500.00; **Amount needed for budget to date (46 weeks):** \$667,000.00  
**Total Contributions July 1, 2025 thru June 30, 2026:** \$659,162.08 **YTD Shortfall:** \$-7,837.92

**ANNUAL CEMETERY ENVELOPE IN YOUR MAY ENVELOPES:** Funds received are used for the upkeep of our cemetery. Donations can be made via that annual envelope (in May envelopes – timed near Memorial Day) or via Online Giving.

**CSA 2026:** 91 pledge cards for \$42,000.00. Goals are \$55,000 total pledged/paid and 50% of our households participating (190 donors). Pledge cards now available through parish office. <https://www.givecentral.org/LincolnDiocese-CSA>