

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.*

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. Jonathan J. Haschke

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025: THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekly Highlight: Every week there are events and people to be thankful for (Thanksgiving in a month!). This week, thanks to those who supported our KC Annual *Tootsie Roll Sunday*; to Nile Farris and staff and all who supported our *Valentino's Night Out*; to our "Community Night Out" committee for meeting – sales start this weekend; and perpetually to our parish/finance council and maintenance team for discussing various campus projects. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good! *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+	John Gittinger Family	
Tuesday	Virginia Heng+	Kolby Casey	
Wednesday	Sr. Veronica+ & Family	Evelyn Mills+	
Thursday	Candice Herzog+	Amy Cullum Family	
Friday	Bob & Mary Lee Duncan+	Harold Duane Weirich+	
Saturday		Hudson Funke	6:30 p.m. Viola Snyder+
Sunday		Deceased Members KC Council 3152+	10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
<u>Nov. 1-2, 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	Herman & Myla Weber Tim & Brenda Baumann	Tim & Nancy Baragary Clare Kincaid, Gail Walford	Duane & Shelli Stuhr Colin & Teresa Albers
LECTORS	Frank Volkmer	Gail Walford	Jon Borer
ACOLYTES	Tim Baumann	Kevin Rettig	Nate Wigington
SERVERS	Liam Barcenas, Joshua Harris, Wade Andrew	Grant Martin, Gage Greedy	Eli Cunningham, Landon DuVal, Kelby Fulton

PRAY FOR parish seminarians Colter Fulton & Joseph Whitney; parish missionaries Joe Allen & Libby (Fulton) Callen; Deacon Bradley Moss; Seminarians Jacob Knutson and Isaac VanSkiver; Abbey Forward, 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

CONGRATS AND CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Alexis Hoover and Riley Wehling who were married in our church last Saturday!

OCTOBER MASS ATTENDANCE: Each fall our ushers/greeters count the number of people at Mass for diocese/national statistical purposes. This year: Oct 11-12 – 451 in attendance; Oct 18-19 – 371 attending; average of 411 people. We have 877 registered parishioners. In 2024, counts averaged 344 (of 930 at that time). We all have work to do spreading our love of Jesus and the Most Blessed Sacrament to all we encounter (and we pray for numerous parishioners who have moved out of town recently – many to be closer to children and grandchildren!)

SIGN OF PEACE SUSPENSION for winter cold and flu season *again* – *at discretion/memory of celebrant priest*. Stay healthy friends!

"FLAME OF LOVE" PRAYER GROUP EACH TUESDAY EVENING 7-8 P.M. at Franciscan Sisters' Motherhouse. Come whenever you can!

ALL SAINTS' DAY SAT NOV 1 is not a holy of obligation this year because it falls on Saturday – only Mass is our regular Sat 8:00 a.m. Mass.

ST. GERTRUDE PRAYER will be prayed during the month of November for the Souls in Purgatory after praying the Rosary.

1ST FRIDAY & 1ST SATURDAY: We are encouraged to pray for peace by saying a daily rosary and making 1st Fri (Nov. 7) devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and 1st Sat (Nov 1) devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We pray every 1st Fri starting at 7:25 am and every 1st Sat starting at 7:15 a.m. For more info contact a Legion of Mary member or President, Tom Wigington 402-209-5564.

CEMETERY VISITS NOV 1-8: To obtain the plenary indulgence for souls in purgatory *each day*, one must visit a cemetery; pray for the Pope's intentions; receive Holy Communion; and go to Confession (and have no attachment to sin, even venial). Communion must be received each day to gain the indulgence, but we only need to go to Confession once during the period. A good prayer to recite while at the cemetery is the *Eternal Rest*, though any formal or informal prayer for the dead will suffice. We pray for the intentions of the Pope by reciting *one Our Father* and *one Hail Mary* each day we perform the work of the indulgence. <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/library/view.cfm?recnum=3888>.

ALL SOULS DAY/MONTH: Envelopes near bulletins to list names of deceased loved ones you want remembered at Mass during November – drop in collection basket or to parish office. “BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE” near bulletins to write the names of deceased to be remembered.

ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS “MEMORIAL MASS” SUN NOV 2 (ALL SOULS’ DAY) as part of our regular 8:00 a.m. Sun Mass.

BLESSED MOTHER’S PROMISE - HELP PURGATORY SOULS: “If at any moment, while invoking my Flame of Love, you pray 3 *Flame of Love* Hail Marys, a soul is released from Purgatory. During Nov (month of deceased), 10 souls will be released from Purgatory for each Hail Mary – that’s 530 souls released from Purgatory for every Flame of Love rosary recited during the month! “*Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, spread the effect of grace of your Flame of Love over all of humanity, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*” More info: <https://flameoflove.us/>

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

NO MORE BAGS NEEDED: The Catholic Daughters completed their collection for their bench. Thank you for your support.

CHURCH CLEANERS (immediately after Sat 8:00 a.m. Mass): **Nov. 1:** Kris Chaney, Robert Collet, Logan & Jessica Crunk, Sharon Crunk, Jillian Owen, Jeffrey & Meredith Cumro, Justin & Molly Cunningham, Carson & Trisha Cusick, Craig & Joni Davis, Denise Davis. **Nov. 8:** Kevin & Jennifer Dechant, Dan & Kay DeFreece, Briana Barnes, John & Debra Dubas, Sarah Graham, Gary Denniston, Sally DuBois, Donald & Kasey DuVal, Kristen Easley, Mark Easter, Marcia Fox. **Nov. 15:** Ryan & Janie Ebmeier, Mark & Jeanette Eilers, Jim & Carol Elworth, Jason & Kim Esser, David & Lori Everett, Miguel Farfan, Nile & Mary Farris, Andy & Joan Fedoris, Wilber & Marlene Fey. **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. (*Entire current quarterly schedule on bulletin board, in weekly Flocknote bulletin email, and on Facebook page.*)

DINNER FOR OUR PRIESTS: Oct. 27: Kris Chaney, Oct. 29: Kay DeFreece, Nov. 1: Jeanette Eilers, Nov. 3: Carol Elworth, Nov. 5: Mary Farris, Nov. 8: Judy Francois, Nov. 10: Lana Gilson, Nov. 12: Kathy Grundman, Nov. 15: Pat Gude, Nov. 17: Noreen Harris, Nov. 19: Sharon Heng, Nov. 22: Jenny Kearney, Nov. 24: 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 (Council 3152): Matthew Nienaber; **Catholic Daughters of Americas Regent (Court Emmanuel 1122):** Julie Volkmer

WEEKLY CCD: Grades 9-12 Sun 7-8 p.m. at St. Benedict Abbey; Grades 1-8 Wed 5:30-6:45 p.m. at St. Benedict/Lourdes Primary.

PARISH FANTASY FOOTBALL: Week 7 winners: “No Chance Lance” (6-1); Tim Kreifels (3-4); Tyler Gude (5-2); Mitch Gude (3-4); Team Geneski (3-4). Top matchup this week: 6-1 “No Chance Lance” vs. 5-2 “Late Round Kicker (Tyler Gude)”

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY GATHERING WED OCT 29 7:00 P.M. in the church hall. Rosary at 6:30 p.m.

ALL HALLOWS EVE SAINT PARTY FRI OCT 31 5-7 P.M. at St. Benedict Abbey. Bring a game and a treat to share! Dress as a saint.

CLERGY WHEREABOUTS: Fr. Haschke will be away from the parish on a pilgrimage thru Oct 31. Fr. Schultes will be away for a retreat at the John Paul II Healing Center Nov 2-10 – the same organization in charge of the “Healing the Whole Person” Diocesan Retreat at North American Martyrs in mid-April 2026. <https://jpiihealingcenter.org/event/healing-the-whole-person-weekend-2026-lincoln-ne/>

RED AND GREEN PORK TAMALES: \$25 per dozen. **Order by Nov 1. Pick-up Nov 8** - 4-6 p.m. at St. Benedict Abbey. Want to help? Sign-up in the entrance of St. Benedict Church to learn how or to help make the tamales.

STS. PETER AND PAUL (FALLS CITY) TURKEY DINNER & BAZAAR SUN NOV 2 4-7 P.M. at Prichard Auditorium, 312 W 17th Street. Dine in or carryout meal. Adult meal is \$17, children \$10. Country Kitchen and Gift Booth open 3-7 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MONTHLY GATHERING TUE NOV 4 6:30 P.M. in the church hall. All parish women are welcome to attend.

TURKEY BINGO SUN NOV 9 12-3 P.M. at NEW St. Joseph Parish Hall (Paul). Lunch begins at 12:00 p.m. with bingo from 1-3 p.m.

“COMMUNITY NIGHT OUT” SPONSORED BY SAINT MARY’S FRI NOV 21: Music Bingo and buffet supper! Ticket sales underway – after Mass and through parish office. 5:30 p.m. Happy Hour; 6:30 p.m. Supper; 7:30 p.m. Entertainment. \$75/person.

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.

Oct. 19: Adult Env.: \$3,580.00; **Loose:** \$328.75; **Online:** \$5,080.00; **IRA:** \$4,043.35; **Bldg. Fund:** \$25.00; **Total: \$13,057.10**
Franciscan Sisters: \$40.00; **Mission Sunday:** \$790.50; **Retired Priests:** \$1,200.00; **So. NE Reg.:** \$1,000.00

Weekly amount needed for our 2025-2026 budget: \$ 14,500.00; **Amount needed for budget to date (16 weeks):** \$232,000.00

Total Contributions July 1, 2025 thru June 30, 2026: \$190,230.06 **YTD Shortfall:** -\$41,769.94

OCTOBER PRO-LIFE DIAPER DRIVE: Size 5 & 6 diapers most needed. Place diapers in collection box in church entrance. Cash donations should be placed in the envelopes provided on the side of the box and put in the collection basket.