



Saint Mary Catholic Church

"The Old Cathedral"

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Sunday Obligation Masses:

Saturday 4:00 pm
 Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:30 pm, 5:00 pm

Daily Masses:

Monday - Saturday 12:10 pm,
 Monday - Friday 7:00 pm
 (See bulletin for changes)

Holy Day Masses:

4:00 pm Vigil (day before Holy Day)
 7:00 am, 12:10 pm, 7:00 pm (day of Holy Day)
 (See bulletin for Christmas, New Years, & Holy Week)

Confessions:

Saturday 11:00 am, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
 Monday - Friday 11:30 - 12:00 Noon*
 (See bulletin for Christmas, New Years, & Holy Week)

Baptism & Marriage:

Please contact the Pastor six weeks before the baptism date and six months before the wedding date. All parish/diocesan requirements must be met before the ceremonies take place.

Parish Staff & Organization Heads:

Pastor	Father Joseph Walsh	Director of Religious Ed	Margaret Koperski	Rectory Cook	Gloria Gilroy
In Residence	Father Joseph Finn	Knights of Columbus	John Franssen	Food Net Coordinator	Kathy Johnson
	Father Andrew Heaslip	Altar Society	Anne Schmidt	Maintenance	
	Father Stephen Cooney	Funeral Dinners	Sally Williamsen	Housekeeper	Barb Janssen
Parish Secretary	Teresa Macias	Legion of Mary	Calvin Kroon	Pro-Life Coordinators	Marv Ward
Music Director	Jane Plettner-Nielson	Seven Sisters Apostolate	Rachel Trevizo		Sue Kouma Johnson

This Weekend's Mass Intentions		
Saturday Oct. 23	12:10 PM	Souls in purgatory
	4:00 PM	Porfirio Meza+
Sunday Oct. 24	8:00 AM	Alphonsus Tu Nam+
	10:00 AM	Joe Maestas+
	12:30 PM	Holly Fickel+
	5:00 PM	People of The Parish

This Week's Activities			
Monday Oct. 25	6:00 pm	Legion Rm	Legion of Mary
	6:30 pm	Church	Pro-Life Rosary
Wed. Oct. 27	4:15 pm	School	CCD
Saturday Oct. 30	11:30 am	Flynn Hall	Food Net

This Week's Mass Intentions		
Monday Oct. 25	12:10 PM	Souls in Purgatory
	7:00 PM	Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday Oct. 26	12:10 PM	Rachel Miller
	7:00 PM	Wayne Rowe+
Wednesday Oct. 27	12:10 PM	L. Dee Miller
	7:00 PM	Mark Gaul+
Thursday Oct. 28	12:10 PM	Dain Miller
	7:00 PM	Mary Dang+
Friday Oct. 29	12:10 PM	Katherine Drell+
	7:00 PM	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday Oct. 30	12:10 PM	Souls in Purgatory
	4:00 PM	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday Oct. 31	8:00 AM	People of The Parish
	10:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
	12:30 PM	Don Gaul & Mary Frisch
	5:00 PM	Joseph Conroy+

Next Week Serving Schedule: Oct. 30/31		
Saturday 4:00 PM	Acolyte	Ryan Regnier
	Reader	Ron Grose
Sunday 8:00 AM	Acolyte	Richard Brunner
	Reader	Bev Thompson
Sunday 10:00 AM	Acolyte	Randy Ksionzek
	Acolyte	Luis Fernandez
	Reader	Pat Walbrecht
Sunday 12:30 PM	Acolyte	Richard Mallam
	Reader	Kathy Johnson
Sunday 5:00 PM	Acolyte	Tim King
	Reader	Kadi Lukesh
	EME	Ron Grose


Last Week's Church Support: Oct. 17	
Weekly Envelopes	\$4,951.00
Loose Plate	\$1,834.26
Collection Total	\$6,785.26

This Week's Scripture Readings	
Today	Jer 31:7-9; Psa 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52
Monday	Rom 8:12-17; Psa 68:2-21; Luke 13:10-17
Tuesday	Rom 8:18-25; Psa 126:1-6; Luke 13:18-21
Wednesday	Rom 8:26-30; Psa 13:4-6; Luke 13:22-30
Thursday	Eph 2:19-22; Psa 19:2-5; Luke 6:12-16
Friday	Rom 9:1-5; Psa 147:12-20; Luke 14:1-6
Saturday	Rom 11:1-29; Psa 94:12-18; Luke 14:1-11
Sunday	Deut 6:2-6; Psa 18:2-51; Heb 7:23-28; Mark 12:28-34

Church Bell Schedule: Oct. 25-29	
09:00	"Almighty Fortress"
12:00	"Done Made My Vow To The Lord"
15:00	"Somebody's Knocking At Your Door"
18:00	"Rock of Ages"

Saint Mary's Prayer List
Ernie Polivka, Alice Gyhra, Zerita Hendricks, Ray Navratil, Ida Gomes

St. Louis Marie de Montfort established a devotion known as Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. It involves 33 days of prayers. Books will be in the vestibule the weekend of October 30-31. The first day of prayers begins on Friday, Nov. 5. The Consecration day is on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Wednesday, December 8, 2021. Sponsored by the Legion of Mary.



From The Pastor's Desk.....

Finance Council Meeting. The finance committee met this past Tuesday. We reviewed the first quarter financial activity of the parish. The first quarter showed a profit of \$12,889. Most expense items were in line with budgeted projections. The Council recommended that we set up a payment plan with the utility company to spread the cost evenly through the year. The Council had been asked to discuss whether the parish should hold the Winterfest and Fish Fry events this year. It was recommended that we continue these parish events and Bernice Polivka agreed to speak to the leadership of the events and encourage them to get started. It was suggested that we survey parishioners for time and talent opportunities in the parish and Fr. Walsh will discuss this with John Ferrone who is planning a parish survey in the coming months. Father Walsh presented information on fundraising for the restoration project and some major repair expenses that we incurred in early October to repair some rectory plumbing issues and the church HVAC system-noting that the budget we had set for repairs has already been met with 8 months remaining in our budget year. Father also discussed Catholic school assessments and it was agreed that we would review our current policy and address any changes to the policy at our next Finance Council meeting, scheduled for January 18, 2022. Overall, the Council wishes to express gratitude to God and to our parishioners for the blessings of the first quarter and the financial stability of the parish.

Angels next to the Tabernacle. The ladies in the rectory were in the basement a few weeks ago looking for kneelers we could use for our parish weddings, and came upon the angel figures that now adorn the Tabernacle. They found them on the feast of the Archangels, Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Coincidence? Not likely! We decided to display them and get the community's reaction. If folks liked what they saw, we would keep them in the sanctuary. To date, I have heard positive responses about how nice they look and how happy people are to have the angels next to the Tabernacle. I imagine them as guardians, with lighted torches, who stand at the gate of heaven. I hope you like them too.

Gloria's Retirement. Gloria Gilroy has decided to retire as our rectory cook. I am most grateful to her for the many years of goodness she gave to the priests of the rectory. I believe she was hired in the first years of Fr. Dietrich's pastorate, which means over 15 years ago. Imagine the number of potatoes, heads of lettuce, pounds of hamburger, bags of rice, slices of bread, gallons of ice cream and happy faces that were part of that long run. God reward her! Thank you Gloria.

Restoration Committee Meeting. The Church Restoration Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 26 at 7:45pm in the classroom beneath the rectory. Sorry, no Gloria pumpkin bars!

Saint Mary's Parish News

40 days for Life is going on now thru October 31. St. Mary's is assigned Saturday afternoons, from 1-8PM. You can sign up online at 40daysforlife.com/Lincoln or in person at the back of church. Park at Cornerstone Christian Church.

Area News and Events

DATE NIGHT Make time for your vocation! The Family Life Office invites you to a date night out on October 26th, 6-9 pm at UNL Newman Center Rosary Hall with Fr. Sean Kilcawley. \$45 for dinner/drinks/apps for two, \$15 for drinks/apps, or come for free to the talk and go out to eat on your own (will also be streamed). More info/registration at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/octoberdatenight>

 **Saint Teresa Thrift Store Christmas Boutique.** October 29-30 from 9am-5pm at the KOC Hall: 6044 South Street. Come to browse Christmas items in anticipation of the Advent and Christmas Seasons!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas St. Charles Court will have a Mass for deceased members November 2, 2021 at 5:00 PM. The Mass will be held at the Pope St. John XXIII Center 3700 Sheridan Blvd. A pot-luck dinner will follow the Mass. Guests are welcome.

Are you looking for healing and peace? Thursday, October 28th, from 7-9PM in the chapel at John XXIII. Praise and worship, adoration, a brief teaching and prayer teams.

Holy Hour First Friday, November 5, at 7:15 pm will be held at the **Pink Sisters'** Chapel, 1040 South Cotner Blvd. Singing will be led by the St. Teresa's Men's Choir.

All are welcome to join us in prayer for the return of our prodigal children to the Faith. October 26th at 4PM at Cathedral of the Risen Christ; 35th and Sheridan Blvd. Meet in Rectors Hall in the lower level of the Cathedral. The Divine Mercy Chaplet and a Rosary will be said as well as petition prayers for our prodigals and members. Mass at 5PM for those who wish to attend. Contact kneugeba@gmail.com

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND IN HASTINGS Nov. 5--7 'Finding a renewed couple-communication and heartfelt love between us'. Call us right-away to save a place. Contact couple Pat & Janelle Benson Pat 308-940-0670 Janelle 308-940-1105 pjbbben@yahoo.com

Pray for Our Seminarians

Scott Nicholas Schieuer from St. Joseph parish in Lincoln, entered the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in 2018, and is currently a Theology I student. His parents are Kevin and Heidi Schieuer and he has 2 sisters.

Dear Members of St. Mary's:

My name is Ted Czerniak, chairman of the St. Mary's Church Restoration Committee. As you know, our church needs major repairs. We started the process by hiring Clark & Enersen to look at all aspects of the building, inside and out. They have identified 3 things that need to be fixed now before further damage takes place: the front steps, the kitchen ceiling and the level of humidity in the church walls. We are considering the options for addressing the humidity in the church, and have taken action on the other two items.

Over the past few months, four people in the parish have generously given \$100,000 dollars as challenge gifts to help us raise the money we need for immediate repairs and for start-up costs for this project. To date, we have matched the challenge gifts with \$63,000. If we match the challenge in full, we will have \$200,000 dollars to start our restoration work.

Built in 1888, St Mary's has been a landmark around the Capitol, visited by Catholics from across Nebraska and other guests of downtown Lincoln. Restoring our church is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to make a difference and leave something to the future, something that our kids, grandkids, friends and tourists can appreciate because of our love for this building and our desire to keep St. Mary's in the heart of the city and a faith-filled witness on the Capitol Square.

The committee is asking for your help in matching the remaining \$37,000 to reach our goal of \$200,000 and provide us the resources we need to begin the restoration of St. Mary's. If you cannot help financially, kindly tell your friends, the companies you work for, as well as foundations and businesses you are familiar with about our restoration project. St. Mary's is dear to us and to our entire State and we want our church to reflect our love for Mary and our pride in our Catholic faith.

God reward you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Ted Czerniak', written in dark ink.

Ted Czerniak
Chair, Church Restoration Committee
theodoreczerniak@gmail.com

P.S. Remember, you can give tax free money from your IRA. Thank you!

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