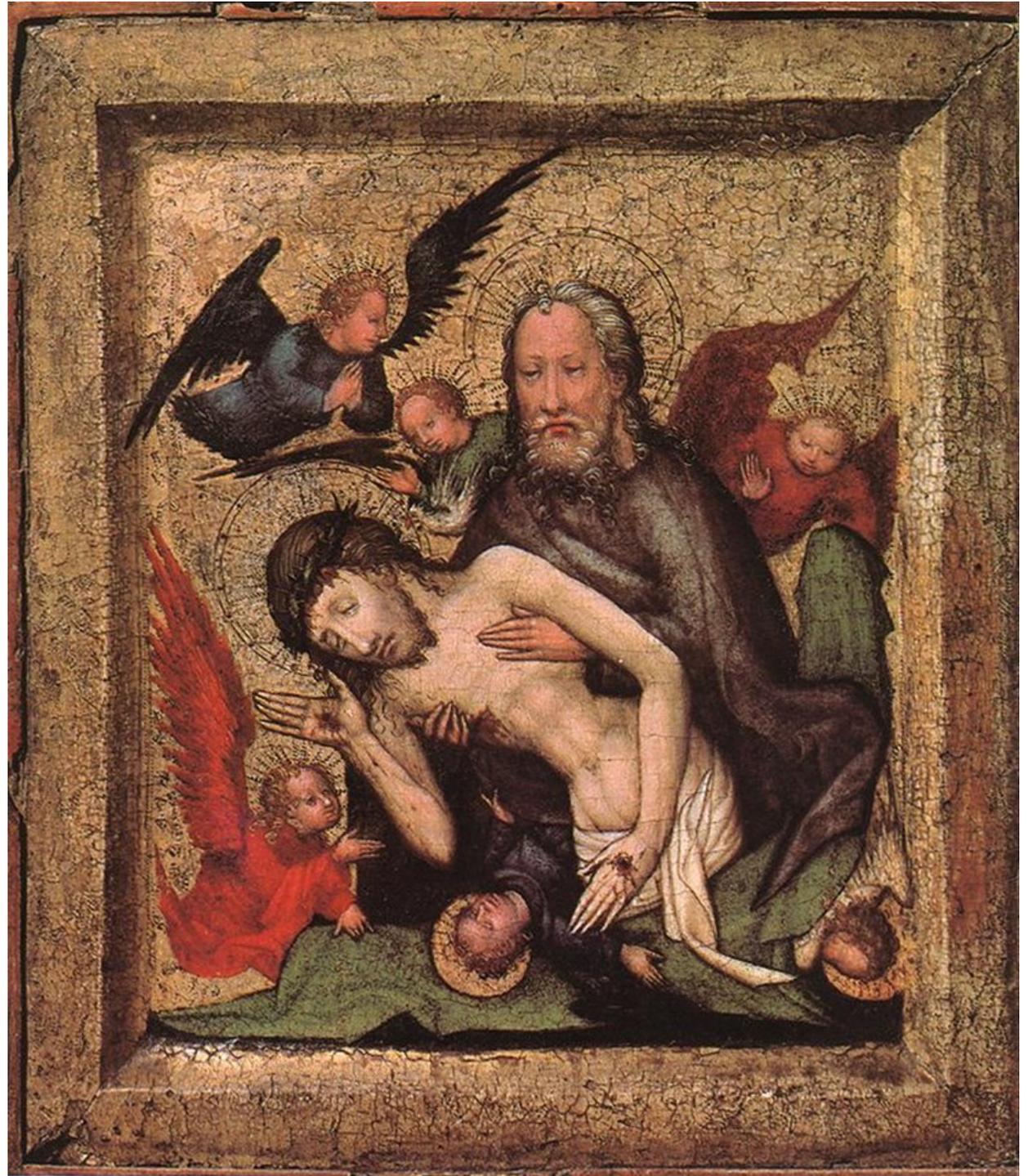


# Saint Mary Catholic Church

## "The Old Cathedral"

THE HOLY TRINITY  
JUNE 12, 2022



Pieter de Grebber, *God Inviting Christ to Sit on the Throne at His Right Hand*.  
1645. Oil on canvas. Museum Catharijneconvent, Utrecht, Netherlands.

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14th & K Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

Rectory: 1420 "K" Street

Telephone: 402-435-2125

## Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday | 8:30am-5:00pm

Saturday & Sunday | by appointment only

## Parish Social Media:

Website: [www.stmarylincoln.org](http://www.stmarylincoln.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stmarylincoln](http://www.facebook.com/stmarylincoln)

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXTequddVlsGnfoH5KLLsSA>

## Parish Staff & Committees:

Pastor ..... Fr. Joseph Walsh  
In Residence..... Fr. Joseph Finn,  
..... Fr. Andrew Heaslip,  
..... Fr. Stephen Cooney  
Parish Secretary..... Teresa Macias  
Music Director..... Jane Plettner  
Director of Religious Ed..... Muggs Koperski  
Knights of Columbus ..... John Franssen  
Altar Society ..... Anne Schmidt  
Funeral Dinners ..... Sally Williamsen  
Legion of Mary..... Calvin Kroon  
Seven Sisters Apostolate..... Rachel Trevizo  
Restoration Chair ..... Ted Czerniak  
Finance Council..... Bernice Polivka  
Rectory Cook ..... David Nguyen  
Food Net Coordinator..... Kathy Johnson  
Housekeeper..... Barb Janssen  
Pro-Life Coordinators ..... Marv Ward,  
..... Sue Kouma Johnson

## 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.

## Adoration:

"Come to me..." Jesus invites, "and I will give you rest." The church is open for personal prayer and adoration during the week, between 8am and 8pm.

*The Mission of St. Mary's Catholic Church is to worship, serve, and build communion in Jesus Christ, with Mary our Mother and guide.*

# LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

## **Thank you Fr. Heaslip**

This weekend we bid farewell to Fr. Andrew Heaslip, who has lived in residence at St. Mary's parish for the past 8 years and served our community in a variety of ways, including hearing confessions, offering Mass and providing spiritual direction and counsel to many people. We had the good fortune of his expertise in education, faith formation, and media which was tapped frequently to help with the pastoral work of the parish. Many have enjoyed his contribution to the Tuesday morning Spirit Catholic Radio program, Ask a Priest. The radio audience learned what the parish has known for years: Fr. Heaslip is well educated and a born teacher! He enjoys sharing the faith.

Shortly after his ordination, Father Heaslip was assigned to St. Cecilia in Hastings as my assistant, and served the Hastings Catholic community for three years. I knew he came from a family that valued teaching and practiced this art and science with the highest level of professionalism. Alexis Heaslip, his mother, served St. Mary's school for over 25 years and some may still remember how she taught them the names of the books of the Bible. I encouraged Fr. Heaslip to let the Diocese know his interest in teaching. Perhaps doors might be opened for him to pursue this vocation within his vocation in a more deliberate manner. I think the conversation happened because his life flowered into a teaching position at St. Gregory the Great Seminary, and now, a position on the faculty of St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

I am very happy for him. This is where God has called him, and he will bring his best work forward to serve the Church in this role.

Thank you, Fr. Heaslip. Our prayers and best wishes accompany you as you open this new chapter of your life!

## **The Pentecost Vigil**

On June 4, we celebrated a Pentecost Prayer and Praise Vigil, from 7pm to 9pm, which included Eucharistic adoration, song, confessions, anointing, prayer teams praying with and over people, and benediction. We also recited the Novena Prayer to the Holy Spirit. Following the Vigil, we invited attendees to come into the courtyard area (between the church and rectory) for a small reception of food and drinks.

I was very pleased that we offered this spiritual experience and believe it touched all those who participated. I was told that the four prayer teams were busy throughout the time, and I served many people through the sacraments of confession and anointing. The music was beautifully done, and the church lent itself to an inviting encounter with the Lord in the Eucharist. It was a beautiful gift of love for God and from God. Special thanks to Julia and Josef Lang and Seth Dwyer for organizing the event, to the Lincoln Equipping Team who provided the prayer ministry, and to Stacy Pfeifer from North American Martyrs, who pinch hit for us at the last moment to provide our music. Most especially, we thank the Lord and the Holy Spirit for showering us

with their blessings during this very special time.

## **Update on the Vision Work**

This past week, a subcommittee of our Vision Team met and discussed a set of bylaws that are being proposed to create a new structure in the parish, called a Leadership and Administration Council. The Planning Team will meet this week (Tuesday, June 14) to discuss the bylaws, make changes, and approve the creation of the Council.

The Leadership and Administration Council is designed to provide leadership, administration, and governance assistance to the pastor in his duty as shepherd and administrator of the parish. The Church calls for this collaborative leadership model, and though the Pastor is the final authority in the administration of the parish, the engagement of the laity is crucial, not only for the expertise they bring to non-Clerical church and parish functions, but in order to allow the laity to pursue an apostolic approach to living their Catholic faith. This means recognizing the gifts of the Spirit within the community; active participation and co-responsibility for the care of the parish; and collaborative decision making, not only with the pastor but among one another. This structure will advance a new culture in our community, one that will help us own and pursue the vision we believe the Holy Spirit is calling us to live.

*Fr. Walsh*

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday & Sunday, June 11/12

12:10 pm Gabriel & Adriana Fernandez  
 4:00 pm Souls in Purgatory  
 8:00 am †Clarence & Jackie Kaspari  
 10:00 am †Jose Cabral  
 12:30 pm People of The Parish  
 5:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

## Monday, June 13

12:10 pm †Fran & Duane Dowd  
 7:00 pm †Leo & Eileen Dowd

## Tuesday, June 14

12:10 pm †Lash Drell  
 7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

## Wednesday, June 15

12:10 pm †Thomas Tinkham  
 7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

## Thursday, June 16

12:00 pm †Lee Miller  
 7:00 pm Josephine & Lorenzo Hernandez

## Friday, June 17

12:10 pm †Jane Wooten  
 7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory



## CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Monday, June 13

6:00 pm Legion of Mary Meeting  
 6:30 pm Pro-Life Rosary

### Tuesday, June 14

7:00 pm Visioning Meeting

### Saturday, June 18

11:30 am FoodNet

### Sunday, June 19

All Day Father's Day

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 18/19

### Saturday, 4:00 pm

Acolyte John Franssen  
 Reader Pat Walbrecht

### Sunday, 8:00 am

Acolyte Alan Pendleton  
 Reader Jessica Pendleton

### Sunday, 10:00 am

Acolyte Randy Ksionzek, Al Allen  
 Reader Melinda Pearson

### Sunday, 12:30 pm

Acolyte Paul Edwards  
 Reader Kathy Johnson

### Sunday, 5:00 pm

Acolyte Tim King  
 Reader Mike Kluck

### Sunday, EME

Randy Ksionzek

# Parish Support

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June 5

Weekly Envelopes	\$ .00
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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday:** Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15
- Monday:** 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7/Mt 5:38-42
- Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16/Mt 5:43-48
- Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday:** Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7/Mt 6:7-15
- Friday:** 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18/Mt 6:19-23
- Saturday:** 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34/Mt 6:24-34
- Next Sunday** Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17



## STEM CELL RESEARCH

### Question:

Why is the Church against stem cell research, especially if it offers the possibility of cures for diseases like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's?

### Answer:

Like so many issues, the truth about stem cell research is more complicated than a few sound bites and vague promises of cures. For the Church, the problem is with *embryonic* stem cell research, not the research itself. The destruction of human life, even for a seemingly noble cause, is never acceptable. The ends cannot justify the means. Stem cells can be obtained in other ways, including from the placenta as well as from adults. So research is possible without the destruction of other life.

On the other hand, stem cell research shows much promise, but no concrete results. Some scientists also dispute what diseases might be cured by new discoveries. The research is still in its early stages. The question for our country is whether we should invest a lot of money in research now, looking for cures that will probably remain out of reach for most people, or should we invest that money in other programs with more immediate benefits, especially those that stress prevention and education. It is indeed a complex issue that requires close scrutiny and investigation before we jump to inaccurate conclusions or make decisions based on good, but misinformed, intentions.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** The Most Holy Trinity
- Monday:** NA
- Tuesday:** Flag Day
- Wednesday:** NA
- Thursday:** NA
- Friday:** NA
- Saturday:** NA
- Next Sunday:** The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; St. Romuald, Abbot; Father's day



## SAINT GERMAINE COUSIN | JUNE 15

Saint Germaine was born in Pibrac, France in 1579 to poor parents. Her story is a heart wrenching one. She was born with a deformed right arm and hand, and her mother died when she was an infant. Her father remarried, but her stepmother brutally abused and neglected her.

As a child Germaine suffered from scrofula, a disfiguring form of tuberculosis which causes swelling and lesions on the side of the neck. Already sick, abused, and starving, she was forced to sleep in barn with sheep she tended.

Despite everything, Germaine lived each day tending her flock with joy and in prayer. Mary and Jesus became her friends. She shared what little she had and taught the children of the village about God's love. A rosary made of string knots was her constant companion. She attended Mass every day, leaving her sheep in care of guardian angels. Her flock was never attacked by wolves and never wandered. Some claimed to see the waters of the flooded river part so she could get to Mass.

She is often portrayed with an apron full of flowers because one winter day her stepmother accused her of stealing bread from the house and hiding it her apron. But when she was seized and forced to open the apron an abundance of spring flowers tumbled forth. It was this incident that compelled the villagers and even her parents to recognize her holiness. Germaine died at 22, her poor body was found by her father, in the barn where she slept. She was buried in the village church. More than forty years later, her body was accidentally exhumed and found to be incorrupt. She was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1867 and inscribed into the canon of virgins.

# SAINT MARY'S PARISH NEWS

## CHURCH BELL SCHEDULE

June 13-17

- 09:00 Hymn To Joy
- 12:00 How Great Thou Art
- 15:00 Done Made My Vow To The Lord
- 18:00 Just A Closer Walk With Thee

## Pray for Our Seminarians

*Please pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood.*

Pray for **Sr. Rita Marie of the Holy Trinity** from Indiana, Novice, of the Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Pray for **Sr. Mary Jacinta of the Immaculate Heart**, of Nigeria, Novice, of the Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Knights of  
Columbus



### KNOW THE Knights

Congratulations to the following recipients of Knights of Columbus recognition for the month of May, 2022: Parishioner (POM) Dan Effle, Family (FOM) Alan & Jessica Pendleton Family, and Knight (KOM) George Pavlas. Certificate presentations at the parish BBQ.

Thank you to those donating to Birthright through the Annual Mother's Day Carnation collection sponsored by the Knights and Altar Society. Also thank you to those who Attended the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary last week.

The Knights will be holding the annual parish BBQ on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> following 4:00 Mass until 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Our Altar Society is providing deserts to go with the Hamburger and hotdog meal. Parish recognition certificates will be presented, and a 50/50 raffle will also take place.

- ◆ Our next meeting is Tues., June 7th.
  - ◆ Chamber set-up 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Rosary 6:45 p.m. and meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

Congratulations to  
**Ryan Fischer and Danielle Aylward**,  
Married at St. Mary's on  
June 4, 2022.



*Be devoted to one another in Love. Honor one another above yourselves. ~Romans*



### CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

**Question:** Which two Gospels include the passages known as 'the Beatitudes'?

*Answer:* Matthew and Luke



### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ernie Polivka, Alice Gyhra, Zerita Hendricks, Ray Navratil, Ida Gomes, Richard Fischer, Chuck Kehr, Duane Thoene, Special Intention-1 Special Intention-2



### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Life can leave us feeling very distracted and detached. Perhaps this is why many people seek things that make them "feel good," wrongly believing those things actually provide a sense of meaning and purpose. In truth, they are simply more distractions. When we discover real silence, we can realize that the stirrings and impulses in our hearts desiring connection, meaning, and purpose are really God desperately trying to pull us toward His Divine Heart. Once we submit to God's pull, we are led to the beauty of God's presence. This holy presence carries us to the heights of mountains, the vastness of ocean depths, the beginning of things and their end, and the majesty of universal wonder. We meet the Father. Then, gently carried to the tenderness of compassion, love, mercy, and forgiveness we touch the innocence and vulnerability of life. We see the poor and those who are broken. We meet the Son. Finally, we are directed toward the seasons that change, the ebb and flow of life, the inspirations that surprise, and the wonder, awe, and joy of life. We embrace the Holy Spirit.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

The Chancery has an immediate opening for a Director of Communications. To apply please send resume, cover letter and two writing examples (concise press release and full length story) to Marsha Bartek [marsha-bartek@lincolndiocese.org](mailto:marsha-bartek@lincolndiocese.org)



Villa Marie School near Waverly has an opening for a full-time para position for the 2022-2023 school year. Please contact Sister Jeanette Rerucha at 402-786-3625 or [sr.jeanette-rerucha@cdolinc.net](mailto:sr.jeanette-rerucha@cdolinc.net).



VILLA MARIE



Cathedral School is hiring a 6th grade teacher that will have a focus in Language Arts and Geography. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to [angela-miller@cdolinc.net](mailto:angela-miller@cdolinc.net).

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