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**Pastor: Reverend Mark Beran**  
Deacons: Gary French & Pat Gross  
Religious Education: Laura Hochstein, DRE, 375-2000  
Parish Secretary: Patty Wurdeman  
College Newman Minister: Fr. Mark Beran  
Assistant Newman Ministers: Jilliane Allemann & Amy Woerdemann - 375-1155  
Hispanic Parish Coordinator: Cecilia Modrell  
St. Mary's School & Little Lambs Preschool, 375-2337  
Head Teacher: Mark Evetovich

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** As members of St. Mary's Parish located in Wayne, Nebraska we affirm our belief that together with all whom accept Jesus Christ as the Risen Lord; we are a pilgrim people seeking salvation. We have made the commitment to worship God, to educate by passing on the faith, to witness the Gospel by living a Christian life, and to love and serve each other and our neighbors. We will contribute the time, talent and treasure necessary to further these spiritual purposes. With God's help, and through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God and our patroness, we will make our parish community one which is seen by all as Catholic Christian.

**SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday - 6:00 PM; Sunday - 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM; and Spanish Mass in Emerson NE (402-695-2342).

**WEEKDAY & HOLIDAY MASSES:** See Bulletin.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** You are invited to register at the rectory or see the pastor following Mass.

**RECONCILIATION (Advent Season):** 7:30 AM on Tuesdays through Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:30 PM on Saturdays & 1/2 Hr. before Masses on Sundays or by appointment. Parish Reconciliation Service on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM.

**BAPTISMS:** Contact the Parish Office. Parents are to attend pre-baptismal catechesis prior to the baptism.

**MARRIAGES:** The Archdiocese of Omaha requires a minimal six months waiting period for proper preparation for marriage. Please contact the parish a year in advance. The RC adult and/or the parents should be registered members of St. Mary's Parish.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Celebrated individually upon request. If someone is seriously ill, please call the rectory.

**COLLEGE STUDENTS & VISITORS:** We welcome you and pray that you will feel at home worshipping with us.

**December 11, 2011**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent** – Intentions for December 12 – December 18

Monday	December	12	NO MASS	
Tuesday	December	13	8:00 AM	† Deceased members of the Kluge Family
Wednesday	December	14	8.15 AM	† Carol Carson
Thursday	December	15	8:00 AM	† Cliff Pinkelman
Friday	December	16	8:00 AM	† John & Velma Mostek
Saturday	December	17	8:00 AM	† John Ahmann
Sunday	December	17	6:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday	December	18	8:00 AM	Special Intention
Sunday	December	18	10:00 AM	† Harold Korth

*There stands among you,  
unknown to you,  
the one who is coming after me*

**Dec. 17/18**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

HOSPITALITY  
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\*EMHCs

MUSIC MINISTRY  
COUNTERS

**Dec 24/25**

**The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas!**

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MUSIC MINISTRY  
COUNTERS

**SAT 6:00 PM**

G & J Ruzicka  
G Kallhoff / G Kathol  
M Brady  
S Nuernberger / M Reyes  
C Osten / E Osten  
A Osten / (Deacon)  
D Nuss / T Hypse  
R Gentrup / D& S Fehringer

**SAT 5:00 PM**

C & T Sharpe  
J Reinert / P Monahan  
J Cantrell  
A Claussen / E Claussen  
D Woslager / S Claussen  
R Glass / (Deacon)  
K Kwapnioski / Volunteer  
K White / P Conrad / J Wurdeman / P Wurdeman

**SUN 8:00 AM**

G & J Nemic  
D Sty / M Wieseler  
B Meyer  
G Reynolds / N Reynolds  
L & D Mann  
T Reinke

**SAT 12:00 PM (Midnight)**

Knights of Columbus  
Knights of Columbus  
Knights of Columbus  
Knights of Columbus

D Nuss / T Hypse

**SUN 10:00 AM**

S Salmon / I Borg  
N Fendrick / T Jenkins  
T Garvin  
B O'Reilly / E O'Reilly  
K Kwapnioski / D Harm  
\*M Schlichter / (Deacon)  
K Kwapnioski / J Loberg

**SUN 9:00 AM**

L & K Schmale  
R Hunke / S Mostek  
J Kielty  
A Loberg / E Loberg  
B Jaixen / S Jaixen  
G Kuhlmeier  
D Nuss / V French

**Everyone: PLEASE arrange for a substitute if you cannot come on your assigned date!**

**EMHCs:** The name underlined at the 8 o'clock Mass will take Communion to the Nursing Home.

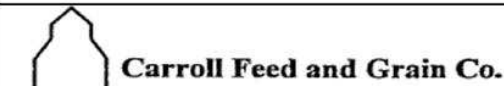
The name underlined at the 10 o'clock Mass will take Communion to the Oaks. The name with the \* by it will take Communion to shut-ins.

The name in parentheses is an alternate, in case another EMHC cannot show up as assigned.



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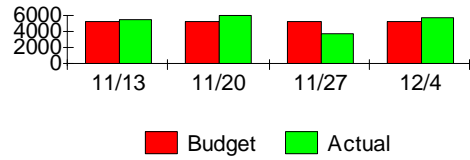


**Thank You!**

December 3 & 4, 2011 - STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Plate	\$	504.98
Adult envelopes	\$	5,180.00
Children	\$	31.41
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,716.39</b>

<b>Total Sundays &amp; Holy Days</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Fiscal year to date	\$115,618.93	\$118,312
Average per week	\$ 5,026.91	\$ 5,144



**Stewardship – December 11** *“The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted...” - Isaiah 61:1* The Lord God has anointed all of us through Baptism and He has sent each of us on a mission. Each of us has been given unique gifts and talents so that we can help fulfill God's mission here on earth. Are you doing the things Jesus sent you here to do?

**St. Mary's Prayer List**

Please pray for those suffering from illness and their families that they may find relief from their burdens, and feel the comforting presence of the Lord.  
**Parishioners:** Clete Sharer, Earl Larson, Betty Meyer, and Derek & Ashley Meyer.

**Family/Friends:** Elizabeth Brumm (former parishioner), Sally Perry (daughter of Emma Haase), Deena Creamer (daughter of Clete & Vona Sharer), Ron Fink (friend of Miron & Louise Jenness), Bev Leonard (friend of Miron & Louise Jenness), Mary Seiler Page (former parishioner), Mary Carroll (daughter-in-law of Ed & Dee Carroll), Larry Bowers (friend of Mark & Jane Ahmann), Kaden Schmale (grandson of Darrell & Dorothy French), Jaime Knehans (friend of Kathy Luhr), Bill Harper (former parishioner), Jan Brumm (former parishioner), Paula Dartman (daughter of MaryEllen Maxey), Alex Ankeny (son of Josh & Heidi Ankeny), Adain Clark (great-grandson of Carol Carson), Marie Pearson (mother of Shelly Anderson), Steven Morse (son of Marilyn Morse), Karen Arndt (sister of Helen Heikes), Linda Hochstein (daughter-in-law of Sally Hochstein).

*Tend Thy sick ones. O Lord Jesus. Rest Thy weary ones. Bless Thy dying ones. Soothe Thy suffering ones. Pity Thy afflicted ones. Shield Thy joyous ones. All for Thy love's sake. St. Augustine*

The Stewardship Committee thanks all parishioners who helped meet our goal for the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. Your generosity attests to responsiveness to the call to stewardship for those served by the Archdiocese of Omaha. There is still time for those who would still like to make a commitment. Forms are available at the parish office.

**RETIRED RELIGIOUS NEED YOUR SUPPORT.** By 2019, it is projected that retired religious will outnumber wage-earning religious by nearly four to one. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps ensure that elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests receive the care they so richly deserve, now and in the future. Please Share in the Care and give generously to the Retirement for the Religious Collection on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #8579

Calendar Winners - \$50 Each

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| Randy Belt, Wayne                               | Mike Garvin, Ankeny, IA |
| Mike Jaixen, Wayne                              | Karen Kwapnioski, Wayne |
| Galen Wisner, Wayne                             | Harder & Ankeny, Wayne  |
| Garry Ruzicka, Wayne                            | Pat & Liz Garvin, Wayne |
| \$100 Christmas Winner - Irene, Fletcher, Wayne |                         |

**ST. MARY'S CALENDAR December 11<sup>th</sup> –18<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

†The Rosary is prayed ½ hour before the weekend Masses. The 7:30 AM Rosary on Sunday will be prayed for the unborn.  
 †Communal Penance Service –Sunday, December 11 at 2 PM  
 †School Christmas Program – Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in the school basement. Everyone is invited.  
 †St. Mary's School Book Fair – Ends Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.  
 †Hispanic Prayer Group & Rosary – Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM at Church.  
 †Facilities & Maintenance Meeting – Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the Rectory.  
 †R.C.I.A. – Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Rectory.  
 †Prayer Shawl Meeting – Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM at the Rectory.  
 †Ecumenical Prayer Group – Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 12:30 PM at St. Mary's. It's open to all religions & ages.  
 †St. Mary's Ring the Bells for the Salvation Army – Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 PM to 8 PM at Pamida & Pac-n-Save.  
 †Catholicism 101 – Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM in HFH.

*From the Pastor's Desk*

With the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe coming up on Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, I see this is a good opportunity to share the story of this wonderful image. It is the most powerful religious event in this part of the world and among the most powerful religious events of all time. While I do not like quoting articles here, this one from [www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org) is a good description of this feast.

“Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12 (USA): When we reflect on the feast of [Our Lady of Guadalupe](#) we learn two important lessons, one of [faith](#) and one of understanding.

Missionaries who first came to [Mexico](#) with the conquistadors had little success in the beginning. After nearly a generation, only a few hundred Native Mexicans had converted to the [Christian](#) faith. Whether they simply did not understand what the missionaries had to offer or whether they resented these people who made them slaves, [Christianity](#) was not popular among the native people.

Then in 1531 miracles began to happen. Jesus' own mother appeared to humble Juan Diego. The signs -- of the roses, of the uncle miraculously cured of a deadly illness and especially of her beautiful image on Juan's mantle -- convinced the people there was something to be considered in Christianity. Within a short time, six million Native Mexicans had themselves baptized as Christians.

The first lesson is that [God](#) has chosen [Mary](#) to lead us to Jesus. No [matter](#) what critics may say of the devotion of Mexicans (and Mexican descendants) to Our Lady of Guadalupe, they owe their [Christianity](#) to her influence. If it were not for her, they would not know her son, and so they are eternally grateful. The second lesson we take from [Mary](#) herself. [Mary](#) appeared to Juan Diego not as a European madonna but as a beautiful Aztec princess speaking to him in his own Aztec language. If we want to help someone appreciate the gospel we bring, we must appreciate the culture and the mentality in which they live their lives. By understanding them, we can help them to understand and know Christ. [Our Lady of Guadalupe](#) is patron of the Americas.”

This is truly an incredible story of Mary's motherly love for her children. To find out more about Our Lady of Guadalupe, there are many books or you can check out:

<http://www.ewtn.com/saintsHoly/saints/O/ourladyofguadalupe.asp>

May Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the Americas, continue to pray for us and lead us, her children, to Christ.

Fr. Beran

**Daily Scripture Readings**

**Monday, December 12** (Our Lady of Guadalupe): Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelation 11:19a and 12:1-6a, 10ab; Judith 13:18, 19; Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47.  
**Tuesday, December 13** (St. Lucy): Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13; Psalms 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Matthew 21:28-32.  
**Wednesday, December 14** (St. John of the Cross): Isaiah 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Psalms 85:9ab-14; Luke 7:18b-23.  
**Thursday, December 15** (Third Thursday of Advent): Isaiah 54:1-10; Psalms 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Luke 7:24-30.  
**Friday, December 16** (Third Friday of Advent): Isaiah 56:1-3a, 6-8; Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; John 5:33-36.  
**Saturday, December 17** (Third Saturday of Advent): Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Psalms 72:3-4, 7-8, 17; Matthew 1:1-17.  
**Sunday, December 18** (Fourth Sunday of Advent): 2Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Psalms 89:2-5, 27, 29; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38.

*Take a moment each day to read and reflect on these passages from Sacred Scripture. It's a wonderful way to join our personal prayer with public prayer of the Church.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

**Class Night Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Kindergarten – 7<sup>th</sup> grade meet at church – 6:45-8:00 PM  
 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade meet at the Middle School – 7:00-8:15 PM  
 W.I.N.G.S. will meet at 7 PM at Tacos & More

St. Mary's Confirmation Class will be hosting Hospitality Sunday on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> after the Masses in Holy Family Hall.

**WAYNE STATE CATHOLIC NEWMAN NEWS**

Facebook: Wayne State Catholic Newman 375-2000

**WILDCATHolic Events:**

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** -8pm Confessions, 9pm Mass  
**Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** -8:30pm Rosary/DMC, 9pm Mass  
**Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** - 11:30-1pm TNT in Cafeteria  
 No more events until Sunday night Mass on January 8  
 Have a great Christmas Break!

"The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us!"

**Mark Your Calendars for 2012!**

**Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** - Nebraska March for Life in Lincoln  
**March 5-9** - Spring Break - Service Trip to St. Louis to work with Mother Teresa's Sisters the Missionaries of Charity

**CONGRATULATIONS! ST. MARY'S RAFFLE WINNERS**

- \$25 Pamida Gift Card – St. Mary's School
- \$25 Pac-N-Save Gift Card – Connie Wageman
- \$25 Pac-N-Save Gift Card – Scott Hasemann
- \$25 Quality Foods Gift Card – Sr. Deana Case
- \$25 Quality Foods Gift Card – Fr. Beran
- Rotating Belgian Waffle Maker – Teresa Isom
- 1-Cup Coffeemaker – Ron Gentrup
- Winter Neck Scarf – MaryAnn Lutt
- Ladies Watch – Rubi Martinez

Set of Hand-Embroidered Dish Towels – Ann Witkowski

- Denim Quilt – Margie Melena
- Husker Women's Watch – Penny Volbracht
- Handcrafted Santa – Mary Heithold
- Crocheted Doll Cradle & Doll – Alicia Bilbrey
- Crocheted Doll Cradle & Doll – Germaine Kaup

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**Children's Choir Practice – Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM for the 5 PM Christmas Vigil Mass.**

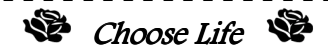
**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...**

**WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET.**

Dear Jesus,  
 Jesus I love you forever. Jesus, thank you for my family.

Courtney Brink, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Mrs. Hochstein would like to build an igloo in her Kindergarten classroom. To accomplish this she will need 155 one-gallon milk jugs. We would appreciate it if the milk jugs still had the lids and are washed thoroughly. Please drop off the milk jugs at the school anytime from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Thank you.



We pray for those who sacrifice to care for elderly relatives: that God will reward their generosity and inspire others to assist them.

**"In the beginning..."**

**The Miracle of Life** (week 38) Chris is now considered full-term but continues to gain and grow every day. Lungs are days from completion. I'm practicing breathing with my amniotic fluid. It is easy to grasp things with Chris' little fingers. Typically, boys will weigh more than girls at birth. Only 4% of babies are actually born on their due date. Mom, pack your bags and don't forget the camera for those all-important pictures of the baby. *"They will see the glory of the LORD, the splendor of our God."* Isaiah 35:2

**Mary's Choice Raffle** - beautiful gold framed 20"x25" Madonna with Child. Drawing December 28. Need not be present to win. See Bonnie Hoffman to buy tickets or call her at (402) 287-2161. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Mary's Choice, a new pregnancy resource center located at 4415 Stone Ave, Sioux City, Iowa. Its purpose is to provide services to women who might otherwise contemplate having an abortion at the Planned Parenthood clinic. According to the web site [www.maryschoice.org](http://www.maryschoice.org): "We have provided services to many women, babies and families. What a great joy to help them through difficult times and to help them with many of the resources available." Some of the resources mentioned are limited ultrasound services, information on Natural Family Planning, pregnancy tests, help obtaining outside medical insurance for necessary prenatal care, discussion of adoption services, diapers, clothing, baby beds and formula, as well as love and compassion. The web site states: "We do tell the mothers we ask nothing in exchange for the items [received] other than if they ever encounter someone considering abortion that they let them know we are here to help them in any way we can."

**PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 2 PM**

The weary world needs peace. And so do we. Let's not doubt God when he tells us what will make us happy. Let's not be afraid to seek true happiness rather than the fleeting and unsatisfying pleasure of the world. And where we have failed, we acknowledge our failings with tears of joyful hope. For the Lord is kind and merciful.

**BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY**

St. Mary's will ring the bells on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 PM to 8 PM at Pac-N-Save and Pamida.

Sign-up sheet in Church entrance.