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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: 4:30 PM-5:30 PM on Saturdays, 5:30 PM-6:30 PM on Wednesdays for Religious Ed. families, 5:30 PM-7 PM on Thursdays (except Dec. 13th) & ½ Hr. before Masses on Sundays & weekdays & after every weekend Mass as long as people come, or by appointment.
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.
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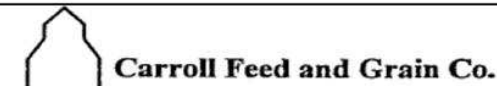
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December 16, 2012

3rd Sunday of Advent – Intentions for December 17th – December 23rd

Monday	December	17	NO MASS	
Tuesday	December	18	8:00 AM	Special Intention of the Schwartz Family
Wednesday	December	19	8:15 AM	† Terry Meyer
Thursday	December	20	8:00 AM	† Earl Larson
Friday	December	21	8:00 AM	† Hazel Leonard
Saturday	December	22	NO 8:00 AM MASS	
Saturday	December	22	6:00 PM	† Clarke Kai
Sunday	December	23	8:00 AM	† Hazel & Bill Leonard
Sunday	December	23	10:00 AM	People of the Parish
Sunday	December	23	NO 9:00 PM MASS	



"What then shall we do?"

Dec 22/23

4th Sunday of Advent
HOSPITALITY
USHERS
READER
SERVERS
*EMHCs

SAT 6:00 PM

G & J Ruzicka
G Kallhoff / B Grone
M Brady
B Kallhoff / L Kallhoff
C Osten / A Osten
E Osten / (Deacon)
Volunteer / K White
M Kathol / G Kathol / B Belt

SUN 8:00 AM

R & J Poehlman
K Prokop / M Reynolds
B Meyer
C Hochstein / R Trenhaile
K Hochstein / L Hochstein
T Reinke

SUN 10:00 AM

D & S Fehringer
R Gentrup / K Kwapnioski
C Pfeifer
Z Schenk / W Moos
J Kielty
*M & J Klein / (Deacon)
Volunteer / D Gentrup

Dec 24/25

The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas!
HOSPITALITY
USHERS
READER
SERVERS
*EMHCs

MON 5:00 PM

C & T Sharpe
J Reinert / P Monahan
Sr J Gilligan
C Korth / R Korth
G Kallhoff / S Claussen
S Hasemann / (Deacon)
Karen Kwapnioski/ Choir

MON 12:00 Midnight

Knights of Columbus
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TUES 9:00 AM

R & S Hunke
D Linster / R Lutt
J Nelsen
C Barnes / S Biggerstaff
C & T Lee /
M Schlichter / (Deacon)
Taylor Anson / Terri Hypse

MUSIC MINISTRY COUNTERS

Dec 29/30

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
HOSPITALITY
USHERS
READER
SERVERS
*EMHCs

SAT 6:00 PM

J & C Sinniger
G kathol / L Haase
C Wageman
C Lindsay / G Lindsay
A Sty / C Widner
D Woslager / (Deacon)
Volunteer / T Hypse
P Wurdeman / J Wurdeman

SUN 8:00 AM

K & S Prokop
R Ruhl / J Sperry
D Spieker
S Hochstein / J Karsky
A Witkowski
R & S Ruhl

SUN 10:00 AM

R & D Gentrup
S Mostek / L Schmale
R Rethwisch
E Longe / L Longe
K Kwapnioski / S Anderson
*J Ahmann / (Deacon)
Volunteer / J Loberg

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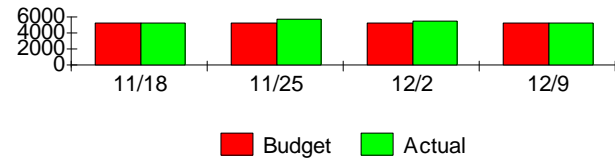
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Thank You!

December 8th & 9th, 2012 - STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Plate	\$	590.28
Adult envelopes	\$	3,839.00
Children	\$	58.00
Immaculate Conception	\$	688.00
On-Line	\$	0.00
Total	\$	5,175.28

Total Sundays & Holy Days	Actual	Budget
Fiscal year to date	\$132,811.26	\$127,200
Average per week	\$ 5,533.80	\$ 5,300



Stewardship – December 16th *“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.” (Philippians 4:6-7).* St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. When we trust that God will take care of us, it is easier for us to share what we have been given.

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:** Rick Haase, Bill Kaup, Clete Sharer and Derek & Ashley Meyer.

Family/Friends: Justin Walsh (brother of Jilliane Allemann), Dennis Spangler (friend of Scott & Mary Kay Hasemann), Jenny (Sheldon) Overhue (friend of Miron & Louise Jenness), Amy (Patterson) Bishop (great-great niece of Miron & Louise Jenness), Gary Mueller (brother of Ann Witkowski), Karla Peter (sister-in-law of Laura Hochstein), Shirley Clayton (niece of MaryEllen Maxey), Pat Brady (brother of Jeff Brady), Kristin Ewing (daughter of Donna Ewing), Danita Beadle (sister-in-law of Ray Nelson), Deena Creamer (daughter of Clete & Vona Sharer), Mary Seiler Page (former parishioner), Mary Carroll (daughter-in-law of Ed & Dee Carroll), Kaden Schmale (grandson of Darrell & Dorothy French), Jaime Knehans (friend of Kathy Luhr), Bill Harper (former parishioner), Jan Brumm (former parishioner), Alex Ankeny (son of Josh & Heidi Ankeny), Marie Pearson (mother of Shelly Anderson), Linda Hochstein (daughter-in-law of Sally Hochstein). **Please pray for the repose of the soul of:** Steven Morse (son of Marilyn Morse). May God grant him eternal rest and give comfort to his family and friends.

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

2012 FALL STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

ALMOST THERE! Our parish is currently at just under 100% of our parish goal for the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. We are very, very close to meeting that goal. Please help ensure that the goal is achieved. Extra commitment forms are available

from the parish office or from the Archdiocesan website. Thank you to all of those who have helped get us this close to the goal.

🎵 St. Mary’s Youth Christmas Choir Practice 🎵
Sunday, December 16th at 11 AM in Holy Family Hall.

ST. MARY’S CALENDAR December 16– December 23

†**The Rosary** is prayed ½ hour before the weekend Masses. The 7:30 AM Rosary on Sunday will be prayed for the unborn.
† **St. Mary’s Penance Service** – Sunday, December 16th at 2 PM.
† **Ecumenical Prayer** – Monday, December 17th at 3 PM at PMC Chapel.
† **Hispanic Prayer Group & Rosary** – Monday, December 17th at 5 PM at the Church.
† **Religious Ed Classes** – Classes on Wednesday, December 19th.
† **St. Therese Hour** – St. Therese Hour on Wednesday, Dec 19th.
† **St. Mary’s School 2 PM Dismissal** – Friday, December 21st.
† **St. Mary’s Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army** – Friday, December 21st from 5 PM to 8 PM at Pac-N-Save & Shopko.

From the Pastor’s Desk

With the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Wednesday, December 12th, 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 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 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.”

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

Fr. Beran
Year of Faith Assignment: John the Baptist encourages people to follow God in the midst of their everyday lives. How is God calling you to be more like Jesus at work, home, in school, or in another area of your life?

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Thank you for donating \$1,015.50 to the Retirement Fund for Religious. A Sister from Pennsylvania writes, “In our prayers, all the sisters remember in a special way the faithful of the dioceses who support the {Retirement Fund for Religious} collection. We realize that their sacrifices and generosity have made this {financial} assistance possible. May God reward them.”

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PLEASE PICK-UP YOUR BOWLS and PANS in HOLY FAMILY HALL. THANK-YOU!

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, December 17 (Third Monday of Advent): Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Psalms 72:3-4, 7-8, 17; Matthew 1:1-17.
Tuesday, December 18 (Third Tuesday of Advent): Jeremiah 23:5-8; Psalms 72:1, 12-13, 18-19; Matthew 1:18-25.
Wednesday, December 19 (Third Wednesday of Advent): Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a; Psalms 71:3-6, 16-17; Luke 1:5-25.
Thursday, December 20 (Third Thursday of Advent): Isaiah 7:10-14; Psalms 24:1-6; Luke 1:26-38.
Friday, December 21 (St. Peter Canisius): Song of Solomon 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Psalms 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Luke 1:57-66.
Saturday, December 22 (Third Saturday of Advent): 1Samuel 1:24-28; 1Samuel 2:1, 4-7, 8abcd; Luke 1:46-56.
Sunday, December 23 (Fourth Sunday of Advent): Micah 5:1-4a; Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45.
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

Classes - Wednesday, December 19th - 6:45 PM to 8 PM
Kindergarten-6th grade meet in Church
7th Grade meets at Wayne Jr./Sr. High Room 207
8th Grade meets at Wayne Jr./Sr. High Room 404
W.I.N.G.S. will meet at Church

WAYNE STATE CATHOLIC NEWMAN NEWS

Facebook: Wayne State Catholic Newman 375-2000

WILDCATHolic Events:

Have a great Christmas! Congratulations graduates! God bless!

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Novelty Purse – Savannah Leseberg

Husker Snowman – Cindy Lee

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Precious Moments Figurine – Ann Witkowski

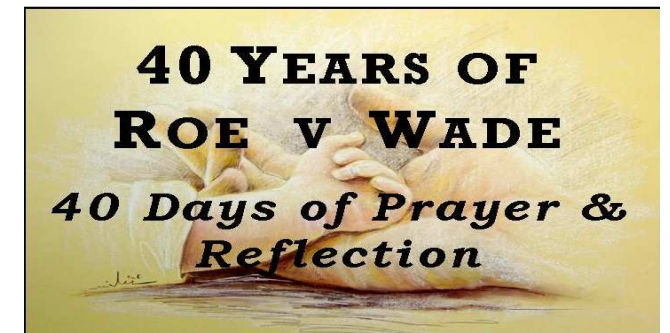
Ladies Watch/Socks/Pen – Claire Jean Kohn

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**ST. MARY’S CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...
WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET**

(Continued) Once again he reached into his bag and removed a WREATH and placed it on the tree. “Teach the children that the wreath symbolizes the real nature of love. Real love never ceases. Love is one continuous round of affection.” He then pulled from his bag an ORNAMENT of himself. “Teach the children that I, Santa Claus, symbolize the generosity and good will we feel during the month of December.” He then brought out a HOLLY LEAF. “Teach the children that the holly plant represents immortality. It represents the crown of thorns worn by our Savior. The red holly berries represent the blood shed by Him. Next he pulled from his bag a GIFT and said, “Teach the children that God so loved the world that he gave his begotten son.” Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift. Santa then reached in his bag and pulled out a CANDY CANE and hung it on the tree. “Teach the children that the candy cane represents the shepherds’ crook. The crook on the staff helps to bring back strayed sheep to the flock. The candy cane is the symbol that we are our brother’s keeper.” CONTINUED NEXT WEEK!



December 12, 2012-January 22, 2013

For the poor, that their physical and spiritual needs will be abundantly met in ways that reflect their inherent dignity; Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.....

Looking for that perfect gift? Plan your next date night!

You are invited to attend a celebration of marriage on Saturday, February 9 at St. Mary’s-Norfolk! Join Fr. Dan Andrews and Christians Encounter Christ (CEC) couples Jason & Vanessa Ash and Jeff & Jill Dominisse on Saturday for “Crossing the Threshold of Spiritual Intimacy in Marriage” beginning with Rosary, Mass and candlelit dinner with wine and dessert; 5:00-9:30pm; \$50 per couple; seating limited. For registration and more information visit www.archomaha.org under Events or call 402.551.9003, 888.800.8352.

BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY – St. Marys will ring the bells on Friday, December 21st from 5 PM to 8 PM at Pac-N-Save and Shopko. Sign-up sheet in Church entrance.

“Gifts to Kids” - Pick up a tag at Shopko and return a gift for a local family. December 22 deadline.

**PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH 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.