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**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:** 1/2 Hour before Masses on Saturdays & Sundays 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.

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

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**December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent- Intentions for December 8<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>**

Monday	December	8	8:15 AM	† Lambert Beran
Monday	December	8	5:00 PM	Students
Monday	December	8	7:00 PM	People of the Parish
Tuesday	December	9	5:15 PM	† Sherri Bonifas
Tuesday	December	9	9:00 PM	WSC Students
Wednesday	December	10	NO 8:15 AM MASS	
Wednesday	December	10	5:15 PM	† Clete Sharer
Thursday	December	11	5:15 PM	† Jim Keating
Friday	December	12	NO MASS	
Saturday	December	13	6:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday	December	14	8:00 AM	† Jean Coan
Sunday	December	14	10:00 AM	† Kevin Light
Sunday	December	14	NO 9:00 PM MASS	



*I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.*

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<b>December 8</b> Immaculate Conception	<b>MON 8:15 AM</b> St. Mary's School	<b>MON 5:00 PM</b> Newman Club	<b>MON 7:00 PM</b> Volunteers
<b>December 13/14</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	<b>SAT 6:00 PM</b>	<b>SUN 8:00 AM</b>	<b>SUN 10:00 AM</b>
HOSPITALITY USHERS READER SERVERS *EMHCS	M & C Brugger S Hasemann / G Kathol C Wageman C Hasemann / L Hasemann R Glass / R & S Ruhl / (Deacon) Volunteer / T Hypse E Osten / K White / K Morris	J & A Witkowski B Martin / G Nemeck I Fletcher N Reinke / L Reinke <u>R McLean</u> / A Witkowski T Reinke One String One Voice	T & M Jenkins M Barry / D Fehring J Kielty M Jenkins / S Biggerstaff <u>M Klein</u> / S Jaixen *K Kwapnioski / (Deacon) Volunteer / V French
<b>Dec 20/21</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	<b>SAT 6:00 PM</b>	<b>SUN 8:00 AM</b>	<b>SUN 10:00 AM</b>
HOSPITALITY USHERS READER SERVERS *EMHCS	J & C Davis P Monahan / R Ruhl E Osten J Karsky / R Karsky S Claussen / S Hasemann C Osten / (Deacon) Volunteer / T Hypse L & J Lindsay / R & D Wurdinger	J Wurdeman / P Wurdeman M Pieper / K Prokop B Meyer G Reynolds / N Reynolds <u>I Fletcher</u> / L Hochstein B Heithold One String One Voice	M & E Kathol N Fendrick / K Kwapnioski R Rethwisch L Kantai / N Kantai <u>M Schlichter</u> *T & C Lee / (Deacon) Volunteer / J Loberg

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.  
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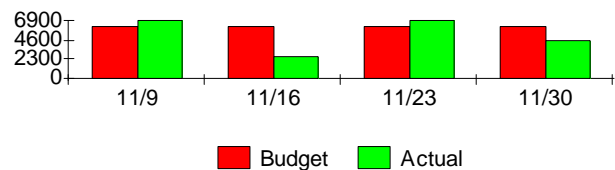
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November 29 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 - STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE		
Plate	\$	1,556.00
Adult envelopes	\$	2,842.00
Children	\$	33.96
Holy Day	\$	0.00
On-Line	\$	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,431.96</b>

<b>Total Sundays &amp; Holy Days</b>	Actual	Budget
Fiscal year to date	\$125,628.68	\$133,606
Average per week	\$ 5,710.39	\$ 6,073



**Stewardship –December 7<sup>th</sup>** *“Prepare the way of the Lord...” - Mark 1:3*  
 We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, does just that – it puts us on the path to holiness and it invites others to be holy, too.

**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:** Jolene Klein, Easton Moos, Ed Leicy, Larry Haase, Dave Sty, Mark Ahmann, Betty Meyer, Derek & Ashley Meyer.

**Family/Friends:** Sally Baumgardner (mother of Karen Parker), Sawyer Aschoff (grandson of Mike & Carolyn Beiermann), Jan Dunn (mother of Tiffany Wiese), Mike Belt (brother of Brian Belt), Arvid Sorensen (grandfather of Jillian Allemann), Merle Sieler, Joan Sieler (former parishioners), Karla Peter (sister-in-law of Laura Hochstein), Jan Brumm (former parishioner), Everly Hope Cappel (granddaughter of Bryan & Mary Heithold), Paula Dartman (daughter of MaryEllen Maxey), JoAnne Puckett (friend of Mark & Jolene Klein), Mary Ann Murphy (mother of Patsy Kallhoff), Justin Walsh (brother of Jilliane Allemann), Gary Mueller (brother of Ann Witkowski), Danita Beadle (sister-in-law of Ray Nelson), Deena Creamer (daughter of Vona Sharer), Mary Seiler Page (former parishioner), Alex Ankeny (son of Josh & Heidi Ankeny), Linda Hochstein (daughter-in-law of Sally Hochstein).

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of:** Rod Schwanke (brother-in-law of Maxine Schwanke). May God grant him eternal rest and give comfort to his family & 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*

We are gradually getting to our Archbishop’s Annual Appeal goal. Thank you for your response to the Annual Appeal and to our parish stewardship drive. Extra forms are still available in the entryway of the church, from the parish office, or at <https://give.archomaha.org>. As of December 1, 2014, there have been 38 parish households that have pledged \$12,006 toward our Archdiocesan Annual Appeal goal of \$16,032.40. This is about 74.9% of our goal. If your household has not yet returned its commitment form, please consider doing so very soon.

Give thanks for religious. A parishioner writes, “We thank God today and every day for every religious sister who taught us in school, not only our ABC’s but also to love God.” Share your gratitude for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who made a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to next weekend’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

**PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!**

**THEY ARE ON THE TABLE IN BACK OF CHURCH.**

**ST. MARY’S CALENDAR December 7<sup>th</sup> – December 14<sup>th</sup>**

- †**The Rosary** is prayed ½ hour before the weekend Masses. The 7:30 AM Rosary on Sunday will be prayed for the unborn.
- †**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade First Reconciliation** – Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM with reception following in Holy Family Hall.
- †**Immaculate Conception Mass Times** – Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 AM at Church, 5 PM at WSC Gardner Hall Audi & 7 PM at Church. (Holy Day of Obligation).
- †**Hispanic Rosary & Prayer Group** – Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at Church.
- †**Board of Education Meeting** – Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Rectory.
- †**Devotions at the Oaks** – Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM.
- †**That Man is You** – Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> in Holy Family Hall. Breakfast is at 5:45 AM with Session from 6 AM-7AM.
- †**Reconciliation** – Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 PM-6:45 PM.
- †**R.C.I.A.** – Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Rectory.
- †**Reconciliation** – Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 PM-5:30 PM.
- †**Retirement Fund for the Religious Collection** – Saturday & Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> at all Masses.
- †**Hospitality Sunday** – Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> after both morning Masses. Hosted by the Confirmation Class.
- †**St. Mary’s Parish Reconciliation Service** – Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at Church.

*News and Notes from the Pastor’s Desk*

One challenge that faces every Christian family this time of year is how to keep the emphasis on Jesus. Here are a few suggestions:

1. Make a Nativity Set the centerpiece of your decorating. By putting it in a central place in your home, it can visibly say that the birth of Jesus is at the heart of this season. One thing my mother would do during Advent was to have Mary and Joseph journey through the house, from room to room, arriving at the Nativity scene on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Eve or Christmas morning, you can make it a big deal to finally place the baby Jesus in the manger.

2. To avoid kids being too focused on presents, one idea could be to give each kid only three gifts. Why? You can explain to them that Jesus got only three gifts when He was born (gold, frankincense, and myrrh). Ask your kids what they received last year for Christmas? They will probably remember one or two, if any. The memories that will stay with them will be time with family. Isn’t that what you remember from being a kid?

3. Especially on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, read the account of the birth of Jesus in the Gospel of Luke. With young kids, using a Bible geared towards kids (with pictures) could help.

4. With all the money spent this time of year, budget some money for charitable causes. Even better, volunteering some of your time to help those in need. This way you honor Jesus who was born to a poor couple and was placed in the feeding trough for animals (a manger).

5. With all the stories of Santa Claus, help your family understand who Saint Nicholas was. Doing something small on the Feast of Saint Nicholas (December 6) can help. One suggestion is having kids leave a pair of shoes outside their bedroom door at night and them finding a bit of candy in them in the morning. In some parts of the world, this is a big tradition on his feast day.

These are just a few suggestions on how to keep the focus of this time of year on Jesus.

Mary, Mother of Jesus, pray for us.

Fr. Beran

St. Mary’s Children’s Choir – If you’re interested in being a part of the Children’s Choir for the Christmas Vigil Mass on Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, call the office at 402-375-2000.

**Daily Scripture Readings**

- Monday, December 8** (Immaculate Conception): Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalms 98:1-4; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38.
- Tuesday, December 9** (St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin): Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalms 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Matthew 18:12-14.
- Wednesday, December 10** (Second Wednesday of Advent): Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10; Matthew 11:28-30.
- Thursday, December 11** (St. Damasus I): Isaiah 41:13-20; Psalms 145:1, 9-13b; Matthew 11:11-15.
- Friday, December 12** (Our Lady of Guadalupe): Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelation 11:19a and 12:1-6a, 10ab; Judith 13:18bc, 19; Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47.
- Saturday, December 13** (St. Lucy): Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13.
- Sunday, December 14** (Third Sunday of Advent): Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11; Luke 1:46-50, 53-54; I Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28.

*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.*

**ST. MARY’S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

**RELIGIOUS ED – WEDNESDAY, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade meet at school from 7 PM to 8 PM
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade meet at school from 7 PM to 8 PM
- W.I.N.G.S. will meet in Holy Family Hall from 7 PM to 8 PM

**WAYNE STATE CATHOLIC NEWMAN NEWS**

Facebook: Wayne State Catholic Newman 375-2000

**Upcoming WILDCatholic Events:**

- Sunday, Dec 7: 6pm Last Sunday Supper in Parish Hall (All are welcome)
- Sunday, Dec 7: 8:30pm Confessions, 9pm Mass, After Mass Confessions
- December 8: Holy Day of Obligation--Immaculate Conception 5pm Mass in Gardner Hall Auditorium

Good luck on Finals and have a great Christmas Break!

God bless our December graduates!

Remember that having a break from school does not mean having a break from God. In fact, it is a chance to deepen your prayer life, especially in this holy season.

**Mark Your Calendar:**

- January 1-5 SEEK National FOCUS Conference in Nashville, TN.
- February 6-8: Spiritual Boot Camp Retreat

In this season of Advent, we are continuously preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christ’s birth into this world. Why not help our own parish prepare for the coming new year by signing up with *Faith Direct*? By supporting St. Mary through *Faith Direct*, both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions. You can sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **NE464**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

Prayer Requests - The Family Life Office would like to keep you and your loved ones in their prayers this Advent and Christmas season. Go to [www.archomaha.org/family-life/prayer-requests](http://www.archomaha.org/family-life/prayer-requests) to submit your prayer request. The requests will be printed and hung on the Family Life Office’s Christmas tree. All prayer requests will be delivered to the Poor Clare Sisters in January.

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\$100 Christmas Drawing Winner – Mary Brady, Wayne

Advent - a time to reflect and prepare for Christmas  
 Now through December 24<sup>th</sup>

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

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St. Mary’s Booster Club will offer a gift-wrapping service on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 7 PM at the Rectory for a free-will donation to benefit new playground equipment.

- Bring your unwrapped gifts to the rectory and we’ll wrap them for you!
- Donate wrapping supplies (paper, bows, labels, boxes, tape). These can be dropped off at the rectory!
- Spread the word to your family and friends about this fundraiser!
- Volunteer to wrap for a shift!

Any questions, you can call Mollie Spieker at 375-2869 or Amy Miller at 369-3569. Thanks!



We pray for people: that we may express compassion, gentleness, patience towards others this Advent season and always.

**St. Mary’s Annual Bake Sale** is Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Rotary Loaded Baked Potato & Pie Luncheon at the Wayne City Auditorium from 11 AM to 1:30 PM.

**HEARTSAVER CPR/AED CLASSES** – *You don’t have to be a doctor or a nurse to take a CPR/AED class, they are for anyone. We have an AED in Church; as many as possible should know how to use it.* If interested, please call Jodie Thompson, Laura Gamble or Janet Noe at 402-375-3800. Class Times are from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, or Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

St. John Vianney Living Nativity December 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>

Load the kids in the car and drive through the luminary path to the beautiful manger scene, December 12-13, 7 PM to 9 PM at St. John Vianney, 5801 Oak Hills Drive in Millard. Stop inside after for hot chocolate, cider and treats. For more information, contact [Mary Johnson](mailto:Mary.Johnson@stmaryscatholic.org), at 402.895.0808.

**HEALING MASS** at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church on Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Confessions will be heard at 6 PM. Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:25 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend. The Holy Spirit provides this loving time of healing for us. Any need for healing, we pray for in this healing service. Any questions call 402-892-3464.

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**RAINBOW WORLD CHILD CARE CENTER** – Craft Supplies: Markers, Glue, Popsicle sticks, Poms, etc., Facial Tissues, Baby Wipes.

All items may be left in church entrance or bring to the Parish Office. Thank you and God Bless!