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**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.

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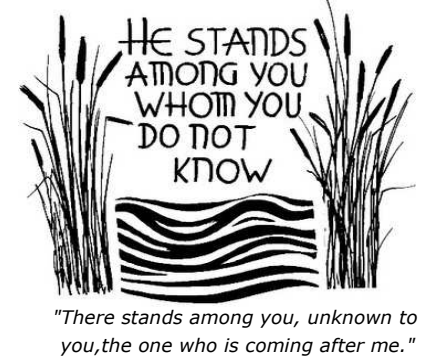
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December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent- Intentions for December 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>

Monday	December	15	5:15 PM	† Carl & Claribel Fank
Tuesday	December	16	5:15 PM	Poor Souls
Tuesday	December	16	NO 9:00 PM MASS	
Wednesday	December	17	8:15 AM	† John Melena
Wednesday	December	17	5:15 PM	† Don Simmons
Thursday	December	18	5:15 PM	† Ray Nelson, Sr.
Friday	December	19	NO MASS	
Saturday	December	20	6:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday	December	21	8:00 AM	† Lyle & Betty Garvin
Sunday	December	21	10:00 AM	† Dan Loberg
Sunday	December	21	NO 9:00 PM MASS	



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<b>Dec 20/21</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent HOSPITALITY USHERS READER SERVERS *EMHCs	<b>SAT 6:00 PM</b> 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	<b>SUN 8:00 AM</b> J Wurdeman / P Wurdeman M Pieper / K Prokop B Meyer G Reynolds / N Reynolds J Fletcher / L Hochstein B Heithold One String One Voice	<b>SUN 10:00 AM</b> M & E Kathol N Fendrick / K Kwapnioski R Rethwisch L Kantai / N Kantai M Schlichter *T & C Lee / (Deacon) Volunteer / J Loberg
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<b>Dec 24/25</b> The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas! HOSPITALITY USHERS READER SERVERS *EMHCs	<b>WED 5:30 PM</b> D & C Linster G Redden / J Lutter D Spieker C Woerdemann / J Woerdemann S Claussen / T & C Lee / (Deacon) Children's Choir	<b>THURS 12:00 Midnight</b> Knights of Columbus Knights of Columbus Knights of Columbus Knights of Columbus Knights of Columbus	<b>THURS 9:00 AM</b> R & B Longe R Hunke / T Jenkins M Barry L Longe / E Longe S Anderson / M Schlichter *S Jaixen/ (Deacon) T Hypse / H Schroeder
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<b>Dec 27/28</b> Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph HOSPITALITY USHERS READER SERVERS *EMHCs	<b>SAT 6:00 PM</b> J & A Fleming B Belt / M Brugger M Brady C Lindsay / G Lindsay A Osten / C Osten E Osten / (Deacon) Volunteer / K White J Wurdeman / P Wurdeman	<b>SUN 8:00 AM</b> C & J Dorcey M Reynolds / D Spieker J Nelsen D Sharpe / J Dorcey G Kallhoff / R McLean T Reinke One String One Voice	<b>SUN 10:00 AM</b> L & J Lindsay T Garvin / D Linster V French A Kaup / M Kaup K Kwapnioski / M Klein *J Kiely / Deacon Sound of Soul
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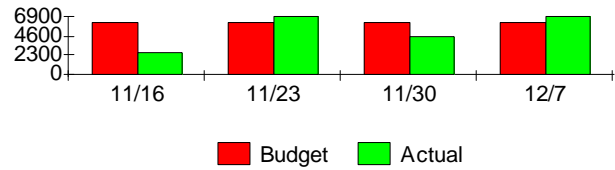
Everyone: PLEASE arrange for a substitute if you cannot come on your assigned date!



**Thank You!**

December 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 - STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE		
Plate	\$	695.00
Adult envelopes	\$	4,337.00
Children	\$	117.17
Holy Day	\$	385.00
On-Line	\$	3,529.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,063.17</b>

<u>Total Sundays &amp; Holy Days</u>	Actual	Budget
Fiscal year to date	\$134,691.85	\$139,679
Average per week	\$ 5,856.17	\$ 6,073



**Stewardship –December 14<sup>th</sup>** *“Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” – 1 Thessalonians 5:16 – 18.* This scripture reading sums up Stewardship. “Rejoice always” means place your trust in God; He will provide all that you need. “Pray constantly” means prayer should be a running conversation with God throughout the whole day, every day. “Give thanks in all circumstances” means even in bad situations, thank God. Suffering a little bit helps build empathy for others in similar situations.

**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:** Freda Hoss (sister-in-law of Sally Hochstein), Delores Lammers (mother of Deb Harm), 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).

*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 grateful to those parishioners who have already responded and to those who will yet respond to help our parish reach its Archbishop’s Annual Appeal goal. Extra forms are available in the church entrance, from the office, or at <https://give.archomaha.org>. As of December 9, 2014, there have been **42** parish households that have pledged **\$13,606** toward our Archdiocesan Annual Appeal goal of \$16,032.40. This is about **84.9%** of our goal. If your household has not yet returned its commitment form, please consider doing so very soon. Please help our parish reach its goal before the end of the calendar year.

Support religious communities. “Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry,” writes a religious sister. Your gift to today’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious provides vital support for the retirement needs of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure that younger members can continue the good works of their elders!

**ST. MARY’S CALENDAR December 14<sup>th</sup> – December 21<sup>st</sup>**

- †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 Parish Reconciliation Service – Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at Church.
- †Hispanic Rosary & Prayer Group – Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at Church.
- †Catechists Meeting – Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the Rectory.
- †That Man is You – will NOT meet Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>
- †Reconciliation – Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 PM-6:45 PM.
- †R.C.I.A. – will NOT meet Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>
- †Reconciliation – Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 PM-5:30 PM.

*News and Notes from the Pastor’s Desk*

This week is another addition of, “Why do Catholic do that?” You will notice that the deacons and I will wear rose (pink) colored vestments and the rose (pink) colored candle will be lit on the Advent wreath. Have you ever wondered why? Here is the answer.

The official name for this Sunday is Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete Sunday is the Third Sunday of Advent. The Introit for Gaudete Sunday, in both the Traditional Latin Mass and the Novus Ordo, is taken from Philippians 4:4, 5: "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). So the word, “gaudete”, simply means “rejoice”.

Like Lent, Advent is a penitential season, so the priest normally wears purple vestments. As a penitential season, Advent is a time when we can focus more on prayer, fast from food or bad habits, and give alms in service to the poor. Even though Advent is penitential, on Gaudete Sunday, having passed the midpoint of Advent, the Church lightens the mood a little, and the priest may wear rose vestments. The change in color provides us with encouragement to continue our spiritual preparation—especially prayer and fasting—for Christmas.

For this same reason, the third candle of the Advent wreath, first lit on Gaudete Sunday, is traditionally rose-colored.

Gaudete Sunday has a counterpart in Lent: Laetare Sunday. I hope and pray this gives you a better understanding of this great Advent tradition in the Church. Also, I hope this helps you when people ask you, “Why do Catholic do that?”

Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

Fr. Beran

**PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 2 PM**

The Season of Advent is a time to prepare our hearts to receive Christ as He comes to us anew. This preparation calls us to examine our conscience, identify our sinfulness, confess these failures, express our contrition, and to celebrate the forgiveness and love that God has for us. In our Catholic tradition, the great Sacrament of Reconciliation gives us a visible, tangible way to enter into this celebration. Please plan now to join us for a joyful celebration of God’s love and mercy.

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**Daily Scripture Readings**

- Monday, December 15** (Third Monday of Advent): Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a; Psalms 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Matthew 21:23-27.
- Tuesday, December 16** (Third Tuesday of Advent): Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13; Psalms 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23; Matthew 21:28-32.
- Wednesday, December 17** (Third Wednesday of Advent): Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Psalms 72:3-4, 7-8, 17; Matthew 1:1-17.
- Thursday, December 18** (Third Thursday of Advent): Jeremiah 23:5-8; Psalms 72:1, 12-13, 18-19; Matthew 1:18-25.
- Friday, December 19** (Third Friday of Advent): Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a; Psalms 71:3-4a, 5-6b, 16-17; Luke 1:5-25.
- Saturday, December 20** (Third Saturday of Advent): Isaiah 7:10-14; Psalms 24:1-4b, 5-6; Luke 1:26-38.
- Sunday, December 21** (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.*

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

**RELIGIOUS ED – WEDNESDAY, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**

Catechists Meeting – 6 PM at the Rectory  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade meet at school from 7 PM to 8 PM  
The Confirmation Class will meet at The Oaks at 6:45pm to celebrate Christmas playing bingo  
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:**

Have a great Christmas break! Congratulations to our graduates!

**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.

Christmas is the season for kindling the fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial flame of charity in the heart. ~Washington Irving

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We pray for new parents: that they may receive support and help from family and friends in caring for their newborns.

**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 Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

**Living Nativity** - Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. St. Gerald Parish in Omaha brings the birth of Christ to life, Sunday, December 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m., with its Living Nativity. Come see live animals, have some drinks and desserts, and most importantly, see Jesus exposed in Perpetual Adoration in the chapel. This event is free, and sponsored in loving memory of Theresa Lynn Anderson. For more information, contact [Amanda Forman](mailto:Amanda.Forman@402.331.1955) at 402.331.1955.

**Blue Christmas Service** – “Service of the Longest Night” will be on Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM at Grace Lutheran Church, Wayne. The Blue Christmas Service is intentionally planned as a blessing for anyone for whom Christmas is not going to be a joyous holiday. If your Christmas is not going to be that joyous occasion because of bereavement or any kind of loss (physical or emotional), please come to the Blue Christmas Service. There will be opportunity to hear God’s Word, offer prayer, sing, light a commemorative candle, and receive a prayer shawl. The Blue Christmas Service, prayer shawls, and fellowship/refreshment time following the service are sponsored by the Stephen Ministers of Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne.

**Karly Jurgensen Concert** - Join us for a concert in Celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM at the Holy Family Shrine in Gretna. Local artist Karly Jurgensen, noted for her work with Manheim Steamroller will perform a selection of holiday favorites, wedding songs, and her own original pieces that will delight the whole family. The Celebration continues with Mass at 2 PM.

**Stress in Your Marriage?** – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don’t know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program call 1-888-317-565 or go to [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

Advent – a time to reflect and prepare for Christmas

Now through December 24<sup>th</sup>