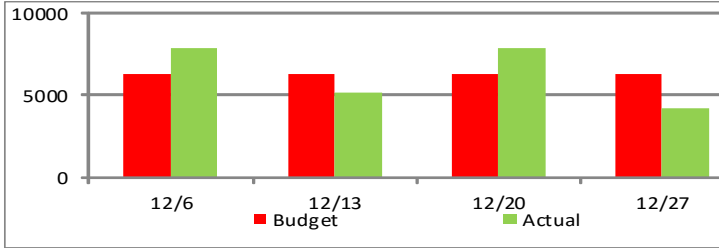


Thank You!

December 26 th & 27 th , 2015 - STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE		
Plate	\$	395.82
Adult envelopes	\$	3,776.00
Children	\$	38.64
Holy Day	\$	0.00
On-Line	\$	0.00
Total	\$	4,210.46

<u>Total Sundays & Holy Days</u>	Actual	Budget
Fiscal year to date	\$149,857.04	\$164,112
Average per week	\$ 5,763.73	\$ 6,312



May the spirit of Christmas endure forever and leave its richest blessings in the hearts of you and yours. Thank you to everyone for your Christmas generosity of \$11,195.

Stewardship – January 3rd - "...the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel." (Ephesians 3:6) Today we celebrate that Christ came to all of us, not just the Hebrews. He made us all one body with Him. We were all given different gifts; we all have different yet equally valuable roles to play in the Body of Christ. Ask God how He wants you to use your gifts so that we may all "be one" in this Year of Mercy.

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: Debbie Burbach, Chris Geidner, Carolyn Linster, Lucille Nelson, Norbert & Elizabeth Dickes, Maria Vallejo, Tony Kochenash, Shirley Fletcher, Larry Haase, Mark Ahmann, Betty Meyer, Derek & Ashley Meyer.
Family/Friends: Nan Johnson (friend of Tiffany Wiese), Diane Wuebben (sister of Vicki Pick), Nathan Staab & Mark Sukup (family members of Dan & Connie Sukup), Millie Beran (mother of Fr. Beran), Joseph Jarecke (grandfather of Anne Ronhovde), Helen Tunink (mother of Sheri Eaton), Jim Kuhlmeier (father of Gloria Kuhlmeier), Shelly Wieseler (daughter of Glendora Wieseler), Adrian Barta (father of Jodene Cantrell), Randy Janke (father of Mindy Haase), Doug Kibbe (son-in-law of Irene Manto), Arvid Sorensen (grandfather of Jilliane Allemann), Joan Sieler (former parishioner), Karla Peter (sister-in-law of Laura Hochstein), Paula Dartman (daughter of MaryEllen Maxey), JoAnne Puckett (friend of Mark & Jolene Klein), 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), 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

As of Monday, December 28th, our parish was at 98.2% of its goal for the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. That percentage reflects pledges and gifts to date from 62 of our parish's households plus a very significant pledge from one anonymous donor outside of the parish. To-date pledges and/or gifts amounting to \$16,575 have been made to the appeal for our parish. Our goal for the appeal is \$16,872.65. Thank you to all who have already submitted their responses to the appeal. If you have not yet had a chance to respond, additional commitment forms are available in a file folder in the church entrance or may be requested from the office. You may also submit a gift pledge at <https://give.archomaha.org/>. We are hoping to have at least 100 of our parish's 340 + households participate in this year's annual appeal.

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. We are thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donations of your choosing. You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: **NE464**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office. God Bless You!

ST. MARY'S CALENDAR January 3rd – January 10th
 †The Rosary is prayed ½ hour before the weekend Masses.
The 7:30 AM Rosary on Sunday will be prayed for the unborn.
 †Knights of Columbus Rosary – Monday, January 4th at 7 PM with meeting following in Holy Family Hall.
 †Family Formation Class Night – Wednesday, January 6th at 6 :45 PM at Church for K-6th Grade Students & Parents.
 †7 & 8 Grade & W.I.N.G.S. Religious Ed– Wednesday, January 6th at 7 PM
 †That Man is You – Thursday, January 7th in Holy Family Hall. Breakfast is at 5:45 AM with Session from 6 AM to 7 AM.
 †Hispanic Prayer Group & Rosary – Thursday, January 7 at 6 PM at Church
 †NO R.C.I.A – Thursday, January 7th
 †Hospitality Sunday – Sunday, January 10th after 8 AM & 10 AM Mass in Holy Family Hall. Hosted by Right to Life.

News and Notes from the Pastor's Desk
 As we start 2016, it is a great time to thank God for the year that has passed. 2015 was full of blessings for St. Mary's. Here are some of the highlights:
 --We had 31 Baptisms, 19 Confirmations, 16 First Communions, and 4 Weddings. Thanks be to God!
 --The Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy began on December 8th. It is a call for the whole church to know the forgiving love of Jesus and to share it with others.
 --St. Mary's School got a new electrical system and air conditioning. This was made possible through the Ignite the Faith Campaign. New playground equipment is here too. The school has also more than doubled its student population over the last 8 years.
 --Catholic ministry at WSC continues to grow!
 --"Little Saints" was started at the 10am Sunday Mass. It is great to be able to help all of our young kids and their families. I do not have the best memory, so I am sure I forgot as many things as I listed. I encourage each of us to make our own list. I am sure that each of us has been blessed by God in numerous ways this past year. This week, make your own list. I know mine would include 3 new nieces and nephews along with turning 40. What would your list be? As you think about 2015, thank God for all the ways He has shown His goodness to you. In this way we can be like Mary, who "kept all these things, pondering them in her heart".
 Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

Fr. Beran
 The Seminary Collection will be held the weekend of January 9-10. The Archdiocese of Omaha is currently blessed with thirty men studying for the Priesthood. We humbly ask for your continued prayers, sacrifices and generous financial support.

Little Saints is a program for young children during the 10 AM Mass on Sundays. Toddlers through preschoolers can go to the hall, discuss that Sunday's Gospel reading, and do an activity. They rejoin their families before the collection. We are looking for adult volunteers to help once every other month. If you already volunteered, please check the calendar at the back of church for your date or to sign up for one. If you would like to sign up or have questions, call Mandy Parker at [402-369-0557](tel:402-369-0557).

REGISTRATIONS - If you are new to the parish, please fill out a registration form. You may get them in the church entrance, the parish office or call and one can be mailed to you! Thanks!
PHONE NUMBERS - Many parishioners are having their landline phones removed and just using cell phones. Please call the parish office with your new phone numbers. Thank-you!

FREE COATS, HATS, GLOVES, MITTENS TO ANYONE IN NEED
 Tuesday – Friday Mornings 9 AM to 12 NOON
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Daily Scripture Readings
Monday, January 4 (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton): IJohn 3:22 to 4:6; Psalms 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25.
Tuesday, January 5 (St. John Neumann): IJohn 4:7-10; Psalms 72:1-4, 7-8; Mark 6:34-44.
Wednesday, January 6 (St. Andre Bessette): IJohn 4:11-18; Psalms 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mark 6:45-52.
Thursday, January 7 (St. Raymond of Penafort): IJohn 4:19 to 5:4; Psalms 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Luke 4:14-22a.
Friday, January 8 (Friday after Epiphany): IJohn 5:5-13; Psalms 147:12-15, 19-20; Luke 5:12-16.
Saturday, January 9 (Saturday after Epiphany): IJohn 5:14-21; Psalms 149:1-6a, 9b; John 3:22-30.
Sunday, January 10 (Baptism of the Lord): Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Psalms 29:1-4, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22.
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
 FAMILY FORMATION / RELIGIOUS ED – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6TH
 K-6th Grade Students & Parents meet in Church at 6:45 PM
 7th Grade meet at the High School – 7 PM-8 PM
 8th Grade meet at the High School – 7PM-8PM
 W.I.N.G.S. will meet in Holy Family Hall – 7 PM-8PM
WAYNE STATE CATHOLIC NEWMAN NEWS
 Facebook: Wayne State Catholic Newman 375-2000
Upcoming WILDCatholic Events:
 Have a great Christmas break! Jesus is born!
Mark Your Calendars:

- February 5-7: Spiritual Bootcamp Retreat
- March: Spring Break Service trip in Denver
- THANK YOU to the following for donations given for Christmas Flowers**
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Ahmann – John & Dee Ahmann
 Mrs. Shelly Anderson - Gordon Pearson
 Mr. & Mrs. Mike Barry - Clarence & Isadora Fischer
 Mrs. Terri Davis – Lois Nuernberger
 Mrs. Kristi Foote - Red & Carol Carson
 Mrs. Dorothy French - Darrell French, Leonard & Kaden Schmale
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Klein – Grandparents of Mark & Jolene Klein
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 Mr. & Mrs. Larry Lindsay - Walden & Olga Brugger, Auburn & Cameron Lindsay
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 Mrs. Diane Wurdinger – Rich Wurdinger, Dwayne & Gladys Van Auker, John & Josephine Wurdinger
- OTHERS: Ms. Mary Adams, Mr. Darius Agoumba, Mrs. Darlene Barge, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Beiermann, Mrs. Lisa Biggerstaff, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Carroll, Mrs. Iris Borg, Mrs. Sarah Claussen, Mrs. Irene Fletcher, Mr. Tim Garvin, Mr. & Mrs. Chad Dorcsey, Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Grone, Mrs. Donna Hawley, Ms. Terri Jeffrey, Mr. & Mrs. Ken Kwapnioski, Mr. & Mrs. William Kranz, Mrs. Barb Meyer, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Sok, Ms. Clara Osten, Mr. & Mrs. David White, and Mr. Jeff Wurdeman

"God made Christmas happen, friends & family make Christmas beautiful, music makes Christmas festive, giving makes Christmas joyous, love makes Christmas complete!"
 Thank you everyone for making our Christmas Masses Special!

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 Thanks to everyone who participates in these programs and we encourage everyone to help St. Mary's School by continued participation. For more information on any of these programs, call the office at 402-375-2000.


Choose Life
 We pray for unborn children everywhere: may each child be welcomed with joy, as the Christ Child was welcomed by the Magi.
 Our Pro-life Breakfast is coming up on Saturday, February 13th at 9:30 am! We have a meeting on Tuesday, January 5th at 7pm in Holy Family Hall to finalize plans. We would like to invite anyone who is interested in helping to come to the meeting! If you cannot come to the meeting but could help or bring food for the breakfast, please call or text Bonnie at [402-375-8960](tel:402-375-8960). Our menu -egg casserole, muffins/breads, fruit, & juice.
 The next date to pray at Planned Parenthood in Sioux City is Friday, January 8th. We need more people to come and pray for 15 minutes up to 2 hours. We would like people to come from 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM (all or part of this time) to inform the girls coming that they do not have to take the second pill. If you can't come, consider praying and fasting that day. Thanks for your prayers and all you do for pro-life. God bless you and your efforts!

A Christmas Gift from Congress - President Obama signed the Tax Increase Prevention Act of 2015 (HR 5771) approved by Congress. This legislation included a one year extension of expired tax provisions retroactive to January 1, 2015. This reauthorizes the IRA charitable rollover through December 31, 2015. Donors age 70 ½ and older may transfer up to \$100,000 from their IRA to a qualified public charity such as the Archdiocese of Omaha. The transfer will be made free of federal income tax and the gift qualifies for the donor's 2015 required minimum distribution (RMD). The Archdiocese of Omaha is impacting countless people in our archdiocese every day through programs and ministries such as our Catholic schools, sacramental preparation, youth ministry and support for our priests, deacons and seminarians. Your support will allow us to continue to grow these programs and ensure that people throughout our community receive the gift of God's love and joy. Please contact Tom Crowley or Kaitlyn Maloney at 402-557-5650 with any questions.

Toolbox for Interiority, January 22 – 24, retreat for women at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler. This retreat will help, at any stage of your life, to learn the fine art of listening and responding deeply to God's call in your life. It offers many useful "tools for interiority," explained and practiced during the weekend. Teresa Monaghan, AO, Father Thomas Leitner, OSB, and a team of consecrated and lay women will present various aspects of discernment, share life stories, and give a chance for personal input and reflection. We will have silence, Mass, Confession, fellowship, brief conferences, and spiritual direction with retreat directors. Friday, 7:30 PM to Sunday, 3:30 PM. For more information, call [402-352-8819](tel:402-352-8819) or visit www.StBenedictCenter.com
Listen! Be Attentive!, Jan. 29 – 31, retreat for men at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler. This retreat offers many useful "tools for attentiveness," explained and practiced during the weekend, along with time for prayer and spiritual direction. It will assist you, whatever your stage in life, to learn the fine art of listening and responding deeply to God's call. *Brother Damian Cayetano, OSB, Teresa Monaghan, AO, Father Thomas Leitner, OSB*, and a team of consecrated life members will present various aspects of discernment, share life stories and give a chance for personal input and reflection. We will have silence, Mass, Confession, fellowship, brief conferences, and spiritual direction with retreat directors. Friday, 7:30 p.m., to Sunday, 3:30 p.m. For more information, call [402-352-8819](tel:402-352-8819) or visit www.StBenedictCenter.com

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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: ½ 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.

January 3rd, 2016
 Epiphany of the Lord – Intentions for January 4th – January 10th

Monday	January	4	NO MASS
Tuesday	January	5	5:15 PM † Earl Larson
Tuesday	January	5	NO 9:00 PM MASS
Wednesday	January	6	8:15 AM † Lambert & Alma Beran
Wednesday	January	6	5:15 PM † Clete Sharer
Thursday	January	7	5:15 PM † Ruth Berglund
Friday	January	8	8:00 AM † Paul Tunink
Saturday	January	9	6:00 PM People of the Parish
Sunday	January	10	8:00 AM † Red & Carol Carson
Sunday	January	10	10:00 AM † Jim Keating
Sunday	January	10	NO 9:00 PM MASS



They saw the child with Mary his mother.

January 9/10 Baptism of the Lord	SAT 6:00 PM	SUN 8:00 AM	SUN 10:00 AM
HOSPITALITY	J & A Fleming	S Wieseler / P Fehringer	L & J Lindsay
USHERS	B Belt / J Davis	M Fehringer / D Hochstein	J Lutter / S Mostek
READER	C Osten	I Fletcher	R Rethwisch
SERVERS	A Ankeny / C Ankeny	L Spieker / O Spieker	M Jenkins / B Kruse
*EMHCS	C Claussen / R & S Ruhl	<u>L Hochstein</u> / B & K Hochstein	<u>M Schlichter</u> / S Anderson
MUSIC MINISTRY	Volunteer / T Hypse	One String One Voice	*S Jaixen
COUNTERS	B Meyer / S Eaton / S Frevert / J Nelsen		Volunteer / Volunteer

January 16/17 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	SAT 6:00 PM	SUN 8:00 AM	SUN 10:00 AM
HOSPITALITY	B & S Grone	T & J Barnes	K & J Loberg
USHERS	M Brugger / G Kathol	T Jacobsen / S Lutt	B Owens / G Redden
READER	D Spieker	B Meyer	T Garvin
SERVERS	E Ankeny / S Belt	A Wieseler / M Fehringer	A Jones / K Jones
*EMHCS	T Hypse / C Osten	<u>B Heithold</u> / G Kallhoff	<u>G Kuhlmeier</u>
MUSIC MINISTRY	E Osten	T Reinke	*M & J Klein
COUNTERS	Volunteer / K White	One String One Voice	Volunteer / V French
	L & J Lindsay / D Wurdinger		

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.