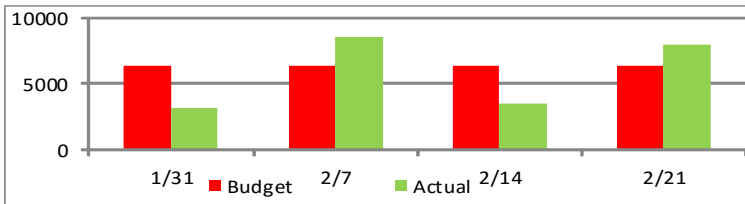


Thank You!

February 20 th & 21 st , 2016 - STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE		
Plate	\$	484.00
Adult envelopes	\$	4,374.00
Children	\$	53.92
Holy Day	\$	0.00
On-Line	\$	3,029.00
Total	\$	7,940.92

<u>Total Sundays & Holy Days</u>	Actual	Budget
Fiscal year to date	\$196,223.78	\$214,608
Average per week	\$ 5,771.29	\$ 6,312



Stewardship –February 28th. *“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’” (Luke 13:7)*
 Are you like the barren fig tree? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

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: Bob Baumert, 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: Luella Alswager (mother of Karen Kwapnioski), Nan Johnson (friend of Tiffany Wiese), Nathan Staab & Mark Sukup (family members of Dan & Connie Sukup), Millie Beran (mother of Fr. Beran), 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), 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

STILL TIME TO BE A PART OF THIS OPPORTUNITY: As of Monday, February 15, our parish was at 104.0% of its goal for the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. That percentage reflects pledges and gifts to-date from 67 of our parish’s households plus a very significant pledge from one anonymous donor from outside of the parish. To-date pledges and/or gifts amounting to \$17,545 have been made to the appeal for our parish. Our goal for the appeal is \$16,872.65. Thank you to all who have submitted their responses to the appeal. Each of you played a key role in helping our parish meet its goal. If you have not yet had a chance to respond, additional commitment forms are available in a file folder in the entryway of the church or may be requested from the parish office. You may also submit a gift pledge at <https://give.archomaha.org/> if you prefer to make your commitment online. We are hoping to have at least 100 of our parish’s 340 + households participate in this year’s annual appeal.

HUNGERING FOR A HEALTHY START. The next stop on our CRS Rice Bowl journey is the African nation of Rwanda, where we’re reminded to care for the unborn. This week we pray for pregnant mothers, that they may have the medical and nutritional support they need to raise healthy, thriving children. Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with *Faith Direct* will provide St. Mary with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! You can quickly sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: **NE464**, or by mailing an enrollment form available in the parish office. God Bless!

“If there were no tribulations, there would be no rest;
 if there were no winter, there would be no summer.”
 - St. John Chrysostom

ST. MARY’S CALENDAR February 28th – March 6th

†**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 Winter/Spring Fest** – Sunday, February 28th from 11 AM to 1:30 PM at the Wayne City Auditorium.
 †**Facilities/Maintenance Meeting** – Tuesday, March 1st at 6 PM at the Rectory.
 †**Family Formation Class Night** – Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:45 PM at Church for K-6th Grade Students & Parents.
 †**7 & 8 Grade & W.I.N.G.S. Religious Ed**–Wednesday, March 2nd at 7 PM.
 †**That Man is You** – Thursday, March 3rd in Holy Family Hall. Breakfast is at 5:45 AM with Session from 6 AM to 7 AM.
 †**Light is On Reconciliation** – Thursday, March 3 from 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM
 †**Hispanic Prayer Group & Rosary** –Thursday, March 3 at 6 PM at Church.
 †**R.C.I.A** – Thursday, March 3rd at 7 PM at the Rectory.
 †**St. Mary’s Pre-K Open House** – Friday, March 4 from 8:30 AM to 11 AM.
 †**Stations of the Cross** – Friday, March 4th at 7 PM at Church.
 †**Reconciliation** – Saturday, March 5th from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM.
 †**Catholic Relief Service Collection** – Saturday & Sunday, March 5th & 6th at all the Masses.

News and Notes from the Pastor’s Desk

We are in the middle of Lent. This is a good time to ask ourselves (and God) how the season is going. Here are some suggestions:
 If you never really got started with your Lenten penances (prayer, fasting, or almsgiving), it is not too late to start. If you did one thing this Lent, you would feel a difference when Holy Week arrives. You could schedule 15 minutes of prayer into your day. This could even be done in the car if you drive a distance to work or school. Another suggestion would be to visit someone in the nursing home once a week. With both of these, the important part is putting it on your calendar.

Many people start out Lent well, but the energy fades in the first few weeks. If you have given up on your Lenten practices, start over. Whatever you do, don’t just give up. Even if you did not start Lent well, you can still finish Lent in the right way. You may have taken on too much. If you tried to do a whole bunch of sacrifices and prayers this year, you may have bitten off more than you can chew. If this is the case, make it simpler for yourself. Pick a few things that you can do well for God.

Be sure to make Confession/Reconciliation a part of your Lent. This is the best time of year to receive the forgiveness of Jesus. He loves to forgive us! There are plenty of times for this Sacrament [see this bulletin for time]). Jesus is waiting for you!

Try to remember the true objective of this holy season. The goal is not to see how much self-control we have. The point of Lent is to draw closer to Jesus. You can give up pop, sleep on your floor, take cold showers, give all your money to the poor, and spend every night in prayer, but if your relationship with Jesus has not been renewed, it is all for nothing.

In the heart of the Lenten season, may we walk with Jesus on His journey to the Cross, so that we can celebrate His Resurrection with complete joy.

Mary, Mother of God and our patroness, pray for us.

Fr. Beran

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 would like to sign up or have questions, call Mandy Parker at [402-369-0557](tel:402-369-0557).

Ecumenical Lenten Prayer Service is hosted at St. Mary’s on Wednesday, March 2nd at 12 Noon followed by a light lunch. The service is about 20 minutes long - so anyone who has an hour for lunch will be able to attend the service and have lunch with us. A free will offering will go to WACAM. All are welcome!

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, February 29 (Third Monday of Lent): 2Kings 5:1-15b; Psalms 42:2-3 and 43:3,4; Luke 4:24-30.
Tuesday, March 1 (Third Tuesday of Lent): Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Psalms 25:4-5b, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Matthew 18:21-35.
Wednesday, March 2 (Third Wednesday of Lent): Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Psalms 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Matthew 5:17-19.
Thursday, March 3 (St. Katharine Drexel): Jeremiah 7:23-28; Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9; Luke 11:14-23.
Friday, March 4 (St. Casimir): Hosea 14:2-10; Psalms 81:6c-11b, 14, 17; Mark 12:28b-34.
Saturday, March 5 (Third Saturday of Lent): Hosea 6:1-6; Psalms 51:3-4, 18-21b; Luke 18:9-14.
Sunday, March 6 (Fourth Sunday of Lent): Joshua 5:9a, 10-12; Psalms 34:2-7; 2Corinthians 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

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, March 2nd
 K-6th Grade Class Night – Students & Parents – 6:45 PM at Church
 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

RESURRECTION EGGS – For our Activity Night on Wednesday March 9th we will be making Resurrection Eggs. Everyone is invited to come to Holy Family Hall at 6:45 PM and join in this fun activity.

P.S. We are looking for donations of plastic eggs. You may bring them to the parish office by Monday, March 7th. Thank-you!!

Director of Religious Education – Opening for 2016-2017
 10-20 Hours/week during the school year. Supervise K-8 religious education and sacramental preparation, recruit and assist teachers, connect with parents. Must have a heart for sharing faith with families. For more information, call the office [402-375-2000](tel:402-375-2000).

WAYNE STATE CATHOLIC NEWMAN NEWS

Facebook: Wayne State Catholic Newman 375-2000

Upcoming WILDCatholic Events:

Sunday, February 28: 6pm Last Sunday Supper (Free, All are welcome) in the Parish Hall
 Sunday, February 28: 8:30pm Confessions, 9pm Mass, Confessions after Mass
 Tuesday, March 1: 5:45-9pm Adoration, 8-9pm Confessions, 9pm Mass, Community Night
 Thursday, March 3: 11:30am-1pm TNT in the Cafeteria
 Thursday, March 3: 5:45-6:45pm Light is On Confessions in the Church
 Friday, March 4: 1-2pm Visit the residents at Careage
 Friday, March 4: 7pm Stations of the Cross and Benediction at Church
 Sunday, March 6: NO 9pm Mass due to Spring Break

Help Our College Students - In March, Catholic WSC students are going on a Spring Break Service Trip to Denver to help the poor. The hope is that these young men & women will have a powerful experience that will empower them to help the poor in Wayne and their home towns. We are seeking monetary donations to help them attend. We are also looking for items to give to the homeless (Socks, hand warmers, gloves, Snack foods, water bottles & toiletries). Call Amy Woerdemann or Fr. Beran for details at [402-375-2000](tel:402-375-2000). Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office.

A Beginning Experience (BE) Weekend Retreat for the widowed, separated and divorced is March 4-6 at the Archdiocese Retreat Center, St. Joseph’s Hall, 3330 North 60 Street, Omaha. The weekend begins Friday at 7 PM and ends Sunday at 4 PM. The loss of a loved one through separation, divorce or death is one of life’s most traumatic experiences. This retreat is designed to be a time to heal and turn the pain of loss into an adventure of grace. The retreat is open to individuals of all faiths. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$100 semi-private or \$125 private room. Go to www.beginningexperienceofomaha.org or call/email Kay Buhrman at the Center for Family Life at [402-551-9003 Ext. 1304](tel:402-551-9003), ekbuhrman@archomaha.org for more information and an application

ST. MARY’S CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...

WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET

St. Mary’s Catholic School Opening for 2016-2017 School Year:

Teacher Facilitator - Full or Part-Time position

Supports teachers, connects with parents, teaching kids, and administrative responsibilities. Current teaching certificate is required. Must be committed to helping kids grow in mind, body, and spirit. Salary based on qualifications and experience. For more information, call the office at [402-375-2000](tel:402-375-2000).

Even though it still feels like winter outside, we are already thinking about the next school year! We will be hosting our Pre-K Open House on Friday, March 4th from 8:30 AM-11:00 AM and Kindergarten Round-Up on Friday, March 11th from 8:30 AM-11:00 AM. We would also like to send our sincere thanks, appreciation, and prayers to all those who volunteered to be Prayer Partners for our students and to those who so generously donated items from our Giving Tree. Be sure to look for the Giving Tree at the Winter/Spring Fest. Some new items have been added. Again, we are so thankful for the "angels" among us who are there to help.
 Mrs. Allemann and Mrs. Sty

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the Booster Club Bake Sale last Sunday. There was such a variety of baked goods! Special thanks to Jeanne Brink, Gina Reinke, & Endia Agoumba for helping to run the sale. Over \$500 was raised for our school! The Booster Club



We pray for young people: may they discover the freedom and peace that comes from following Jesus’s call to purity.

Next week, March 5th & 6th, our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ’s love and respect to all people. Please give generously to the Catholic Relief Services Collections and help Jesus in disguise.

The Light is On - This Lent, Catholics in the Archdiocese of Omaha, especially those who have been away from the Church or the sacraments are invited to experience God’s mercy and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For information on The Light is On and parish resources (Preparing for the Sacrament of Penance, How to Make a Good Confession, etc.) go to: www.archomaha/ministries/the-light-is-on/.

Archbishop Lucas wants to hear from you on Tuesday, March 15th from 6:30 PM to 8 PM in Holy Family Hall! As he seeks to more effectively shepherd the faithful of the Archdiocese of Omaha, Archbishop Lucas is hosting listening sessions to hear from as many people in the Archdiocese as possible as he discerns a Pastoral Priority Plan for our future. For more information and to RSVP for a session, go to www.archoma.org/listen/.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #8579
 40 CANS FOR LENT**

Donate 1Canned Food & Say 1 Prayer every day. You have done 1 Corporal & 1 Spiritual Work of Mercy. Canned food donations may be placed in the totes at church and all donations will go to the Wayne Food Pantry. Thank you.

IT’S HERE! IT’S HERE! IT’S FINALLY HERE!

ST. MARY’S WINTER/SPRING FEST – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28th

11 AM TO 1:30 pm AT THE WAYNE CITY AUDITORIUM

Turn in all money & raffle tickets (Unsold tickets, too)!
 Take desserts to the Wayne City Auditorium on Sunday!
 Take Theme Baskets/Items to the City Auditorium on Sunday!
 Come for a mouth-watering Sunday Dinner!
 Take a chance on a Raffle! Make a bid on a Basket!
 Enjoy a good time with Family & Friends!

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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.

February 28th, 2016
3rd Sunday of Lent – Intentions for February 29th – March 6th

Day	Month	Day	Time	Mass
Monday	February	29		NO MASS
Tuesday	March	1	5:15 PM	Richard & Millie Beran
Tuesday	March	1	9:00 PM	WSC
Wednesday	March	2	8:15 AM	Gary & Evie Hassebrook
Wednesday	March	2	5:15 PM	Rebecca Rodriguez
Thursday	March	3	5:15 PM	† Caroline Gordon
Friday	March	4	8:00 AM	Poor Souls
Saturday	March	5	6:00 PM	† Maureen Soules
Sunday	March	6	8:00 AM	† Clem & Mary Ann Venteicher
Sunday	March	6	10:00 AM	† Jim Keating
Sunday	March	6		NO 9:00 PM MASS



If you do not repent, you will perish.

Mass	March 5/6	SAT 6:00 PM	SUN 8:00 AM	SUN 10:00 AM
4 th Sunday of Lent	HOSPITALITY	J & A Fleming	R & J Poehlman	G & M Redden
USHERS	G Kathol / P Monahan	M Fehringer / D Hochstein	L Schmale / P Fehringer	
READER	C Wageman	M Barry	D Harm	
SERVERS	E Tyson / J Arroyo	M Fehringer / L Kallhoff	G Redden / S Redden	
*EMHCS	S Claussen / R Glass	<u>A Witkowski</u> / R McLean	<u>K Kwapnioski</u> /	
MUSIC	S Hasemann	G Kallhoff	*T & C Lee	
COUNTERS	Volunteer / T Hypse	One String One Voice	Volunteer / Volunteer	
	B Meyer / S Frevert / J Nelsen			
5 th Sunday of Lent	SAT 6:00 PM	SUN 8:00 AM	SUN 10:00 AM	
HOSPITALITY	L & E Haase	J & R Sperry	C & T Sharpe	
USHERS	R Woslager / B Belt	B Martin / G Nemeč	R Gentrup / M Jaixen	
READER	V French	M Brink	J Kielty	
SERVERS	S Agoumba / E Ankeny	J Lutt / N Reinke	I Walsh / C Wiese	
*EMHCS	C Osten / E Osten	<u>I Fletcher</u> / B Heithold	<u>S Jaixen</u> / S Anderson	
MUSIC	T Hypse	T Reinke	*G Kuhlmeier	
MINISTRY	Volunteer / K White	One String One Voice	Volunteer / Volunteer	
COUNTERS	R & MA Lutt / T Kay			

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 Brookdale. The name with the * by it will take Communion to shut-ins.