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In home party sales of totes, purses, thermals, and organizational items to help you keep your house neat and tidy!



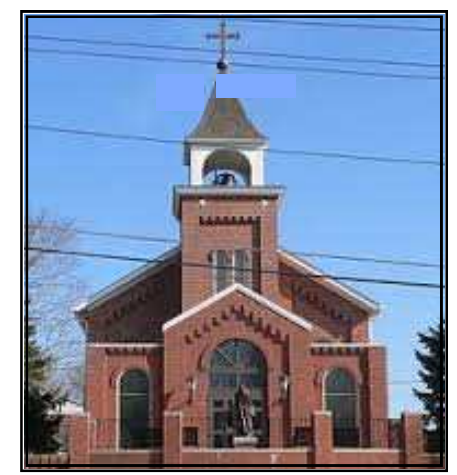
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IN AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE TRY CALLING SAINT MARY'S CHURCH (873-3024) OR LOURDES SCHOOL (873-6154).

*Administrator: Father Michael Ventre*  
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**THE SACRAMENTS**

**Confession:** Offered 30 minutes before weekend Masses.  
**Baptism:** To arrange to have your child Baptized, please try to contact the rectory before the child is born.  
**Marriage:** Contact the rectory at least six months in advance to begin preparations.  
**Change in Health Status:** If you or a family member are homebound or hospitalized or ill and would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick (Extreme Unction), and/or the rectory.

***"Ora et Labora"***  
*(pray and work)*  
 ~ St. Benedict

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**2 DECEMBER 2018**

	<b><u>SCHEDULE OF THE MASSES</u></b>		<b><u>INTENTION</u></b>
Monday	3 Dec	11:00 AM	Fred Gress+
<b>Tuesday</b>	4 Dec	11:00 AM	Lola Milton+
Wednesday	5 Dec	11:00 AM	Fr. Cyza
		5:30 PM	Priest Intention
Thursday	6 Dec	11:00 AM	Intentions of the Franciscan Sisters
Friday	7 Dec	11:00 AM	Priest Intention
		1:30 PM	(Ambassador) Ken Kreifels+
<b>Holy Day of Obligation</b>		<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Pro Populo</b>
		<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>(Mass in Spanish) Priest Intention</b>
Saturday	8 Dec	5:00 PM	Jesus Lopez
Sunday	9 Dec	8:15 AM	Liturgy of the Hours (all are invited)
		9:00 AM	Pro Populo
		12:00 PM	(Mass in Spanish) Priest Intention

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Send prayer requests to  
prayerchainstm@gmail.com

Past, Present & Future Pastors of St. Benedict

Parish Adopted  
Priest  
Msg. Fucinaro

Vocations to the  
Franciscan Sisters of  
Sorrowful Mother

Seminarians at St. Gregory the Great, Seward, NE: James O'Neil Joe Allen and Brian Wirth. Prayers for Br Steve Ohnmacht+ and Fr. Robert Schreiter who grew up in our parish.

Please pray for please pray for Vocations to religious life and the intentions of our Franciscan Sisters.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Advent Recital - at St. Mary's at 6 PM, Dec. 3  
Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration -following  
Mass at noon on Dec. 9 Christmas Mass sched-



**UPDATE ON  
FR. DAVID**

Photo is of Fr. David and the students at the parish school started this Oct at the parish of St. Anthony of Padua. Please keep Father David in your prayers. He is forever grateful to all for your love and support of him and his people.

**PASSING ON OUR FAITH TO  
FUTURE GENERATIONS**

All are invited to prayerfully consider "adopting" a student from Lourdes through our Guardian Angel Fund. Last year we supported 30+ students through our Guardian Angel Fund. Parents/students understand the value of a Catholic education, however are not always financially able to meet the obligations of this awesome opportunity. Please prayerfully consider contributing to our Guardian Angel Fund.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**

Marquette Model of NFP: Bringing technology to NFP for a quick, easy option that can be tailored to women at all stages of fertility! For more information, visit Feminine Genius NFP on Facebook

**OFFERING 25 NOVEMBER 2018**

Envelope: \$ 755.00 Loose : \$ 225.00  
Cloistered Sisters: \$ 767.00

**We need from offertory envelopes each week per our budget an amount of \$ 3,000.00**

Our average weekly offertory envelopes we receive are **24 (24 families)**. We have 213 families/households registered in our parish. We currently have 3 families give monthly electronically.

**Electronic tithing is available. Contact Dotti at 402-297-1211 for more information**



**ST BENEDICT MEDAL EMBLEM**

The Altar Society is selling car emblems of the St. Benedict Medal. 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$20. See bulletin insert for the meaning of the St. Benedict Medal. Please continue to pray for the intercession of our powerful Patron Saint.

**ADVENT ANGEL TREE**

If you would like to help families from **St. Benedict** by purchasing a \$25 SCRIP card from Walmart, place your donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked Advent Angel Assistance.

**MEMORIAL FLOWERS**

If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia this Christmas in memory of a loved one, place the name of your loved one along with \$10 in the offertory basket. Flowers will be used to decorate the sanctuary this Christmas. Your loved one will also be remembered at the Christmas Masses

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA**

Will have their Christmas party Dec. 4th at the Keeping Room at 6:30. Please bring a small unwrapped game to donate to the Tuttwiller Commu-

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**

CDA will be working together with LDCCW to collect more items for the homeless. Items needed: hand and feet warmers, socks, hats, gloves, scarves, individually wrapped snacks, water proof sleeping bags, and small personal hygiene products. There is a collection box in the vestibule, thank you in advance for your generosity.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Sat., Dec. 8: A reminder that this year, Dec. 8, 2018, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, falls on a Sat. Since this is the patronal feast day of our country (and of our diocese) it is always a Holy Day of Obligation. It should be pointed out that people will need to attend two distinct Masses, one for the Immaculate Conception and one for the 2nd Sun. of Advent. Attending one evening Mass on Sat. eve. will not suffice to fulfill the Mass obligation for both the Sun. & the Holy Day. ~Fr. Rayer  
**Mass at St. Ben's will be Fri at 5:30 PM & 7 PM in Spanish. Mass at St. Mary's at 8 AM Sat**



**IN KEEPING WITH  
ST. BENEDICT  
CHARISM OF  
HOSPITALITY**

All are invited to stop and pray. Frequent visits to Jesus in the Tabernacle is encouraged for all!!!

**Mexi Food & Fun**

2ND FRIDAY EACH MONTH  
at St. Benedicts  
Serving 3:30 - 6:30 PM

**MEXI FOOD AND FUN NIGHT**

will be **Dec. 14 from 3:30-6:30 PM** at St. Benedicts church hall. We will be serving Tacos, Quesadillas, Rice, Beans, etc. all proceeds will go to the Guardian Angel Fund. This fund is for families who desire a Catholic education for their children, but are not able to financially afford it. Take out available by calling 402-209-3510.

**ADORATION UPDATE FROM  
FATHER HASCHKE**

We would like to thank all the Eucharistic Adorers who pray a holy hour at the hospital chapel each week. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the monstrance each Monday following the 6:20 AM Mass and is reposed each Sat. at 12 AM. However, all are invited to come to the chapel to pray any day or time, **including weekends**. The doors are always open and the lights are always on. Adoration is available 24/7 whether the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the monstrance or reposed in the tabernacle. **We currently have a need for an adorer each Wed. from 12-1 AM.**

We also have many hours still available for both Sat. & Sun. Please know that if you would like to commit to a particular hour any day of the week please contact the Day Captain for that day or the coordinators: Kathy Wigington 402-209-1341 or Pam Gress 402-969-0556.

**MAILINGS FOR FATHER CYZA**

Please continue to keep Fr. Cyza in your prayers. **Letters of encouragement and love for him are much appreciated and can be sent to:**  
Fr. Goodwin, % Fr. Cyza, Diocese of Lincoln, Chancery Office, 3400 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln, NE 68506-6125.

Or you may place your card in the collection basket and weekly mailings will be sent to him from the parish.

**LAY MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS**

<b>Acolyte:</b>	<b>Dec. 8</b>	Stan Ohnmacht	<b>Dec. 9</b>	Patrick Gress
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Dec. 8</b>	Stan Ohnmacht	<b>Dec. 9</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>Rosary Leader:</b>	<b>Dec. 8</b>	Kris Barrett	<b>Dec. 9</b>	Rosine Lemrick
<b>Volunteers needed:</b>	Servers, Ushers and Offertory Family's for each weekend Mass and Holy Day			
<b>Church Cleaners:</b>	Week of Dec. 3: Flora Gomez Week of Dec. 10: Valerie Green Cleaning for the week assures the church is clean for funerals, Baptisms, etc.			
<b>Refreshments at the Ambassador</b> on Dec. 7: Rita Bishop & Ruth Bebout				
<b>NO refreshments following the 9 AM Mass on Dec. 3. Rather, the Altar Society will be selling soup and desserts.</b>				