

February 4, 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time - St. Mary Church, David City / Assumption, Appleton

MASS INTENTIONS FIFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME		
Mass Time	Intention	Requested By
Monday, February 5 - St. Agatha		
6:20 AM	Wilfred Smith +	John Smith Family
8:00 AM	Sally White +	LaDonna Naiberk
5:30 PM	Dorothy Oltmer +	Oltmer Family
Tuesday, February 6 - St. Paul Miki & Companions		
6:20 AM	David & Jayne Brichacek	Brichacek Family
8:00 AM	Alyvia Oltmer	Oltmer Family
5:30 PM	Tom Bridge/Robert Adamy/ Marie Demuth +	Kay Adamy
Wednesday, February 7		
6:20 AM	Norm Hilger +	Sharon Hilger
8:00 AM	John & Barb Dehner	Dehner Family
5:30 PM	Don & Mary Lou Codr +	Codr Family
Thursday, Feb. 8 - St. Jerome Emiliani/St. Josephine Bakhita		
6:20 AM	Frank & Blanche Medinger +	Tom Medinger Family
8:00 AM	Olga Lehr +	Tom Demarais Family
5:30 PM	Phyllis Lukassen +	Lukassen Family
Friday, February 9		
6:20 AM	Albin Kouba +	Tom Medinger Family
8:00 AM	NO MASS	NO SCHOOL
5:30 PM	Elenor Ketteler	Trent Smith Family
Saturday, February 10 - St. Scholastica		
8:00 AM	Marcie Divis +	Divis Family
Anticipated Mass for Sunday		
5:00 PM	Norma Matulka +	Andrew Kobza
Sunday, February 11 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8:00 AM	Pro Populo	For The People
9:00 AM Assumption	Marvin & MaryAnn Ratkovec	66th Wedding Anniversary
10:00 AM	Donald J. Hilger +	Arnold Vandenberg

Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies is now accepting registrations for spring in-person and online classes. New course offerings include: Ten Chapters All Catholics Should Know Like the Back of Their Hand (Thursdays, 2/22-5/2)and Creation to New Creation: The Prophetic Books (Mondays, 2/19-4/29). In concert with the National Eucharistic



Assumption Coffee and Rolls will be Sunday, **Feb. 11** after the 9am Mass to celebrate World Marriage Day. Group 1 will be in charge.

<i>“Let not your hand be open to receive and clenched when it is time to give.” Matthew: 10:8</i>	
ST. MARY - DAVID CITY - January 28, 2024	
Sunday Collection:	\$19,673.35
Weekly Budget	\$16,923.00
Actual YTD (31 weeks):	\$470,064.55
YTD SHORTAGE:	-\$54,548.45
ASSUMPTION - APPLETON	
Sunday Collection:	\$625.00
Weekly Budget	\$1,307.00
Actual YTD (31 weeks):	\$45,018.58
YTD SURPLUS:	\$4,501.58

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat Schedule:
Day of Recollection: Feb. 14: Various Speakers
LDCCW Winter Symposium: Feb. 16-17: various speakers
Praying with Scripture: Feb.23-25: Emmaus Institute
Young Adult Women'sRetreat: April 19-21. Back to the Garden led by Fr. Cole Kennett & Sarina Stokes

Religious Sister of the Week: **Sr. Mary Confirma**, Professed, with the Holy Spirit Adoration (Pink) Sisters. Please keep Sister in your prayers and continue to pray for more religious vocations.
Seminarian of the Week: **Mr. Peter Foley**, Theology 2 at Mount St. Mary Seminary, son of Mike & Susan Foley, St. Peter Parish, Lincoln. Please pray for Peter and all who are studying for the priesthood.
Pickleball in the gym, Sunday, February. 4 from 2:00-3:30.
Widows Group: to meet on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 11:30am for lunch in the rectory. All widows are welcome. Call Marie at 402-367-3504 or Harriet at 402-641-7776. to RSVP.

St. Mary Guild will meet on Wednesday, February 7 at 1:30pm in the Rectory Basement.
Traveling Chalice will be in the **Jerome Andel** household from Feb. 4 - February 10. Please continue to pray for vocations.
Be Healed: You are invited to join a book study (lead by Sr. Mary) on Dr. Bob Schuchts book, *Be Healed*. Books are still available for \$15 at the parish office. Come join us Fridays at 10:00 am, at the parish rectory.
Childrens Envelopes are available at each exit. **Please make sure your child’s name is on the envelope.** Thank you!
Mass Intentions Reminders: Please make checks out to St. Mary’s or Assumption Church. .
Parish Bookkeeper/secretary: St. Anthony, Bruno Flexible hours. Contact Fr. Holoubek at frbhol@gmail.com if you are interested.
Annual Red Mass: The annual "Red Mass" to pray for all in the legal profession is **Tues. Feb. 13**, 7 am at St Mary, Lincoln. A breakfast will follow Mass, with a talk given by Joe Heschmeyer, Catholic Answers apologist. All are invited to this free event sponsored by the Catholic Lawyers Guild.



St. Mary Coffee and Rolls will be on Sunday, **Feb. 11** after both Masses to celebrate World Marriage Day. All are invited.

Dynamic Catholic: *Best Lent Ever* is based on the book 33 days to Eucharistic Glory. We are at a critical time in history, and consecrating ourselves, our families, our country, and indeed, the whole world to the Eucharist may make all the difference. Join us now for BEST LENT EVER and be one of the first people in history to go on this journey! Prepare for an Explosion of Grace in your life! dynamiccatholic.com/lent

Liturgical Assignments: Weekend of February 10/11

Mass	Acolytes	Lector / Reader	Servers	Sacristan
Saturday 5:00pm	Bryan Hein	Andrew Buresh	Stellan Wessling Tristan & Trey Davis	Brenda Eller
Sunday 8:00am	Kevin Stara	Ray Kobza	Turner Hartman Gregory & Henry Sisco	Maggie Gahan
Sunday 10:00am	Mark Holoubek Paul Gahan	Willow Holoubek	Brendan Adair, Austin Pracheil D. Bohuslavsky, Carter Emory	Mark Chermok

Holy Hour Openings: **Friday, 1am and Tuesday at 10am.** Please consider taking an hour as a family or group. A group, like the Knights of Columbus or Catholic Daughters, bible study group, Moms group, Teens for Life, etc. Come spend an hour with Our Lord in our beautiful St. Joseph Adoration Chapel. Please contact **Brenda Eller**.
St. Mary Garage Sale: Feb. 10 8-3pm and Feb. 11 8-12pm. You can drop off your CLEAN UNMARKED items to the Didier room at Aquinas Grade School 8am-6pm starting Saturday Feb. 3 Please enter through the Didier room door. Do Not enter through school! **We ask that all small items be dropped off BEFORE Thursday Feb. 8.** Please make sure your clothing items are CLEAN no stains or pet hair and in good condition. Please put your bags of clothing (only) into the trailer parked behind the Didier room they will be sorted at another location. Large items can be dropped off Friday Feb.9 after 4pm at St. Marys gym. Baked items can be dropped off Sat. 8am.
If you can help price items during the week or help during the sale call Heather at the Rectory 367-3579 or sign up in the back of church. **We will NOT accept:** Shoes, Appliances, TV’s, computers, or exercise equipment, we will take all furniture. Large items to be picked up Friday call **Deb 270-1983**.
Strategic Plan Open Forum Meeting: Aquinas Catholic Schools will be hosting an Open Forum Meeting on **February 20th at 7pm** at Aquinas for parents, parishioners and supporters. There are 59 members of the Strategic Planning team that have been meeting over the past few weeks to create a draft of the plan and we’d like to get your input. Please plan to attend the meeting to help build the future of Catholic education in Butler County. For further information, contact our Strategic Plan consultant, Eva Fujan, at efujan@yahoo.com.
St. Mary Guild donated money for, and purchased a refrigerator for the Didier Room. It is to be used by any parish organization when they are using the room for their event. We only ask that they remove ALL of their items when they leave so the next group will have a clean and empty refrigerator. If any items are left, they will be discarded at the end of the week. Thank you!
SERMONS A LA CARTE will begin on Friday, February 16. The series theme this year is “Guided to the Cross”. St. Mary will host the first session.
Back to the Garden: All young adult women are invited to come join our retreat on April 19-21 at the Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly. Fr. Cole Kennett and Sarina Stokes will be hosting and presenting on to heal the feminine heart with Jesus, the Bridegroom. You can register at: goodcounselretreat.org/our-retreats/
Save the Dates: April 13 - Variety and Dinner Show. **June 15-21** - Totus Tuus at St. Mary. **Feb 14**-Ash Wednesday; **March 31** -Easter.

<u>February Assignments</u>
<u>St. Mary Church Cleaners:</u> St. Theresa Circle
<u>St. Mary Cassock Cleaners:</u> Kristi Pohl & Lori Wessling
<u>Assumption Cleaners:</u> Jean Brown & Lori Focher

Pastor’s Corner

Dear St. Mary/Assumption Parishioners,
My re-inculturation to David City is more complete now having learned to make strudel and just returned from Mexico City. I say this because St. Mary’s in David City has had parishioners go on this trip at least five times. It was a wonderful retreat, mission and pilgrimage with Hope of the Poor led by Craig Johring, Danny Leger, Romero, and Fr. Carson Kain. Each of them did an impressive job in their own respect to help us encounter Jesus Christ in the poor. I was so blessed to be able to make the trip and experience firsthand what so many of you have told me about.
It was a relaxing and easy trip in a sense as I had no “responsibilities” other than to respond to the moments offered. We did have a couple sacrifices. First was getting up at 2 a.m. to make our 5:05 flight from Omaha. Two from our group decided to stay the night near the airport and they ended up missing the flight (shuttle did not operate until 4 a.m.) but we all eventually made it there. The other was a cold shower which I gave up catching the chilly water in a bucket (no wasting there). Next day I learned F was cold and C was hot. We stayed adjacent to a convent with a beautiful chapel, good beds and the meals that were tasty and healthy.
It was reminiscent for me of when I spent two months as a sem-inarian in the Bronx and Manhattan with the Missionaries of Charity Sisters helping in a soup kitchen/ men’s shelter and at a home for men dying from AIDS. In Mexico we visited an orphanage with about 75 nonverbal adults. We met a dozen families in a park for food and games. We walked the streets and visited the poor, inviting them to come with us to 1 p.m. Mass at the neighboring church. We prepared meals for about 60 for homeless who sleep and hang out in the shadows of the Ba-silica of Guadalupe. We learned about how Hope of the Poor reaches out in many ways to the poor and how they help people escape being home-less, drugs, prostitution and begin living a Catholic life as children of God.
The trip was truly a pilgrimage. We were blessed to go to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe at least once each day. We were fortunate to have Mass on the Main altar on Monday. We walked in the foot-steps of St. Juan Diego and stood on the spots where Our Lady appeared to him. We read the definitive account of their encounters at these places. The other reason it was a pilgrimage was because we just took each ex-perience as it came. The main thing I had heard was about going to the dump where thousands live and through recycling plastics, metal, and glass they salvage pesos for their families who live at the dump. After a couple of days, I had to ask about the dump. Craig explained that politics did not allow us to go there at this time. The government is socialist and does not wish for Christian Missionaries to overcome this less than desir-able way of life in Mexico City. Hopefully, the Missionaries will return soon.
Nonetheless, Craig and his team gave us many opportunities to see Christ in the poor, in each other, in the Eucharistic and beautiful weather. It was a life-changing experience that I will never forget. You will hear more about it, trust me.
God bless you, FBC.