

Assumption Church  
1821 38th Road  
David City, Nebraska 68632



**Pastor:** Fr. Brian Connor, V.F.  
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**Parochial Vicar:** Fr. Sam Beardslee  
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**In Residence:** Fr. Michael Ventre  
CAO Aquinas Catholic Schools

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**Website:** stmarysdavidcity.org

**Assumption Cemetery:** Valerian Svoboda (367-3607)

**St. Mary Cemetery:** Ken Smith (367-3375)

**CCD:** Sr. Mary, M.S. (367-3579 x4)

**Fun-Raising Committee:** Deb Dinkelman (270-1983)

**Catholic Daughters:** Kathy Engel (367-6183)  
Nancy Vrbka (367-8835)

**Prayer Circle:** Dee Lanspa: huskerdelores@gmail.com

**Knights of the Altar (altar servers)**  
Fr. Beardslee (367-3579)

**Knights of Columbus Council #1717**  
Grand Knight: Todd Hilfiker (499-4633)

**St. Mary's Parish Council of Catholic Women (P.C.C.W)**  
Carly Eller (270-4590) Ashley Witmer (367-2323)  
Lori Wessling (641-7328) Karey Adamy (367-7731)

**Assumption Parish Council of Catholic Women**  
Jill Pokorny (367-8842) Judy Polacek (367-3560)  
Tricia Andel (367-9418)

**Perpetual Adoration Hours**  
Brenda Eller (367-3405) Dr. Jo Witter (450-6453)  
Jan Palik (367-4151) John & Melinda Wehrs (989-2022)  
RJ & Cortney Hein (270-0732)

**St. Mary's Guild (funeral dinners)**  
Barb O'Connell (367-4042)

**Scrap Metal:** Kent Longenecker (367-4627)  
Tom Reisdorff: (367-7968)

**Traveling Chalice (Vocations)**  
Kathleen Deavers (542-2505)

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Please call the Rectory to make an appointment to register. Please notify the parish office, if you have a change of address, phone number, or household.

**To proclaim the Good News of  
Jesus Christ by worshipping God in  
Word and Sacrament.**

Saint Mary Catholic Church  
580 I Street  
David City, Nebraska 68632



SECURING OUR FUTURE

*"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." Colossians 3:15*

**Mass Schedule (Horario de Misas)**

Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM,  
Sunday: (Assumption) 9:00 AM  
Daily (M-F) 6:20AM & 5:30PM (Wed: 7:00 PM)  
Daily School Mass: 8:00AM  
Sat.: 8:00 AM  
Holy Days: See Parish Bulletin

**St. Mary's Confessions (Confesiones) Schedule**

Monday - Friday: 6-6:15AM; 5-5:20PM  
Sat.: 7-7:50AM; 4-4:50PM  
Sun.: 7:30 -7:50AM

**Assumption Confessions Schedule**

Sunday: 8:30AM - 8:50AM

**Office Manager:** Heather Oltmer (367-3579 ext 3)

**Evangelization:** Sr. Mary, MS (367-3579 ext 4)

**St. Mary Parish Council Members**

Mike Eller (367-3941) Allan Steinberger (367-7625)  
Kathy Engel (367-6183) Dawn Jakub (367-8233)  
Carm Fiala (367-8188) John Wehrs (954-8728)

**St. Mary Finance Council Members**

Jackie DeWispelare (290-7842) Rob Daro (367-5116)  
Deb Svec (367-9088) Kasey Kadavy (440-6998)

**Assumption Parish Council & Finance Committee**

Mike Kadlec Kevin Andel Jerome Andel

**Aquinas Catholic Schools**

Fr. Michael Ventre: CAO (367-3175)  
Mrs. Katie Smith: (pre-K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) (367-3669)  
Mrs. Sandy Vancura: (6th - 12th Grade) (367-3175)

**Butler County Right to Life:** Brenda Eller (367-3405)

**Bulletin Information: (Due 2pm Wednesday)**  
stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com

**THANK YOU, DAVID CITY DEANERY PARISHES** for your prayers and generous support of Aquinas Catholic Schools  
Assumption, Appleton; Assumption, Dwight; Holy Trinity, Brainard; Immaculate Conception, Ulysses; Presentation, Bellwood; St. Anthony, Bruno; St. Francis, David City;  
St. Joseph, Bellwood; St. Mary's, David City; St. Peter, Bellwood; Sts. Peter & Paul, Abie; Sacred Heart, Shelby; & St. Wendelans, Bee.

**ONE BOOK + ONE DIOCESE**  
Featuring Four Books by Fr. Jacques Philippe

**Book Discussion Evening**  
"Fire & Light: Learning to Receive the Gift of God"  
with Fr. Adam Sughrue  
Tuesday, August 26 at 6:00 p.m.  
David City Aquinas H.S.  
Refreshments provided

Parents and Aquinas Community  
*you are invited!*  
**First Friday**  
**ADORATION**  
Friday, September 5  
11:00 am - 3:30 pm  
St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel  
Aquinas Catholic MS/HS  
Sign up for 1 or more  
15-minute slots

**18TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**GUARDIAN ANGEL POKER RUN**  
SUNDAY AUGUST 24TH  
HOLY TRINITY PARISH ELLEN CENTER BRAINARD, NE  
Entry Fee: \$25/person \$35/couple \$10/additional hand  
All Vehicles Welcome  
50/50 Raffle  
Meal Included  
Registration: 9:30am-Noon  
Meal & Awards: 4:00pm  
All proceeds go to the Guardian Angel Fund at Aquinas Catholic Schools  
For more info please contact Ross Janak 402-641-5192

**Save the Date**  
Immaculate Conception - Ulysses  
Chicken & Ham Dinner and Bazaar  
Sunday, September 14  
10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**MONARCH DADS**  
STRONG PAWS | BIG HEARTS  
BRINGING STRENGTH, SUPPORT, AND SERVICE TO AQUINAS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY  
WHO DADS, STEP DADS, GRAS, UNCLAS, OLDER BROTHERS, ANY COMMITED MALE ROLE MODEL  
WHAT MONARCH DADS SERVE IN A VARIETY OF IMPORTANT ROLES ON THEIR VOLUNTEER DAY AT THE SCHOOL  
WHY STUDENTS THRIVE WHEN THEY SEE THAT THE ADULTS IN THEIR LIVES CARE ABOUT THEM AND THEIR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT  
HOW COMPLETE SAFE & SACRED BACKGROUND YOU WILL GET A LINK TO SIGN-UP AND PICK YOUR DAY  
QUESTIONS CONTACT MRS. KOSTERMAN OR MRS. SMITH  
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING AQUINAS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**Booster Club Memberships**  
on sale now!

**Business Membership: \$50**  
Monarch Family Pass: \$180  
Individual Monarch Card: \$90  
Gold Card: donation

**Applications at the Aquinas MS/HS Office**

Aquinas Spirit  
Wear Store  
Open Online






August 24, 2025 - Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time - St. Mary Church, David City / Assumption, Appleton

MASS INTENTIONS 21ST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME		
Mass Time	Intention	Requested By
Monday, August 25 - Saint Louis/St. Joseph Calasanz		
6:20 AM	Russ Hilger +	Dave Schmit Family
8:00 AM	Joe Hanis +	Lane Sabata
5:30 PM	Tim Adamy +	Sharon Reisdorff
Tuesday, August 26		
6:20 AM	Frank & Blanche Medinger+	Tom Medinger Family
8:00 AM	Joe & Emma Capoun +	Clarice Capoun
5:30 PM	Special Intention	Anonymous
Wednesday, August 27 - Saint Monica		
6:20 AM	Bruce Kedingbaugh +	Steinberger Family
8:00 AM	Ray Kansier +	Sr. Mary M.S.
5:30 PM	Bill & Betty Kozisek +	Kozisek Family
Thursday, August 28 - Saint Augustine, Doctor		
6:20 AM	Tammy Talacko	Tom & Delores Medinger
8:00 AM	Jerry & Vi Kopecky +	Dan Sypal Family
5:30 PM	Peter Stoll +	Doris Stoll
Friday, August 29 - Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist		
6:20 AM	Marland Novacek +	Mark Holoubek Family
8:00 AM	Lucille Danaher +	Russ Daro Family
5:30 PM	Betty Kropatch	Bob Staroscik Family
Saturday, August 30		
8:00 AM	Dee Svoboda +	Donna Radford Family
Anticipated Mass for Sunday		
5:00 PM	Mary Emanuel	Jill Eggleston
Sunday, August 31 –Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time		
8:00 AM	Pro Populo	For the People
9:00 AM Assumption	Bob Palik +	Val Svoboda Family
10:00 AM	Henry Ebel +	Sharon Reisdorff

**Retreat:** Join us for a One-day Scriptural Parish Retreat with Fr. Gary Coulter, director of Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House **Saturday Sept 13**, 8am-3pm. For More information or register now: <https://goodcounselretreat.org/rt/309/>  
**Religious Sister of the Week:** **Abbey Forward**, Postulant, School Sisters of Christ the King. Please keep Abbey in your prayers and continue to pray for more vocations for our diocese and throughout the world.  
**Mass Change:** Beginning Wednesday, September 3, 2025 the 5:30pm Mass will be offered at 7pm with confessions beginning at 6:30pm. This schedule will remain in effect for the entire school year.  
*Saint Augustine, pray for us.*  
*Saint Monica, pray for us and for Pope Leo XIV*

<i><b>“Let not your hand be open to receive and clenched when it is time to give.”</b></i> <i><b>Matthew 10:8</b></i>	
ST. MARY TITHE - DAVID CITY - August 17, 2025	
Sunday Tithe: Weekly Budget	<b>\$14,890.16</b> \$16,923.00
ASSUMPTION TITHE - APPLETON	
Sunday Tithe: Weekly Budget	<b>\$1,394.05</b> \$1,307.00

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House schedule:**  
Visit: [goodcounselretreat.org](http://goodcounselretreat.org) to register or for more information about any of our retreats! Come spend some time with the Lord.  
**Save the Date:** St. Mary Harvest Festival, **Sunday, November 2.**  
 **Meal Train:** The parish has a meal train that supplies meals twice a week for the priests (and Sr. Mary when she’s here). Call the parish office or sign up at <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/y30g9y/>. Thank you for your help!  
**Mission Trip:** There will be a mission trip to Mexico City with Hope of the Poor, led by Fr. Carson Kain, January 16-21, 2026. Passports are required, so make plans now to attend this retreat / mission trip / cultural experience. Daily visits to the basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe are coupled with fun, prayer and practical service to the poor in Mexico City. See the posters in the display cases or call the parish office for more information.  
*Saint Alphonsus Liguori, pray for us and for Pope Leo XIV.*

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** is a catechetical program for children 3-6 years old that uses the Montessori method to introduce children to both the liturgical and scriptural life of the Church. It will be offered from September 2025 - May 2026 on Wednesdays from 9-10:30 AM OR 4:30-6 PM. There will be a size limitation to each session and spots will be reserved on a first come basis. Registration forms are in the back of the Church or can be picked up at the Parish Office. Forms are due back by Aug. 29th. We invite all children from 3 to 6 years of age to come listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd.“The sheep hear his voice, as he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they recognize his voice.” John 10: 3-4

**Grace and Glory Retreats:** Need some "Me and Jesus" time? Do you want to focus on being a more virtuous and holy man or woman? You are invited to make a day retreat on **Tuesday, September 18** from 8:30 am to 4 pm, at the St. Benedict Center north of Schuyler. Sr. Mary will give an overview of the day and two talks on the virtue of HOPE. The cost is \$25/per person and includes lunch. If you would like a private room for the day, the cost is \$45. **Register by Wednesday, September 3** by calling or emailing the parish office. Future retreats will be October 22, November 28 and three in 2026. See posters in the display cases.  
**Adult Faith Formation / OCIA** this year will be led by Fr. Connor and Fr. Beardslee on Tuesday evenings at 6:30. Parishioners are encouraged to come and renew their own understanding of the faith. In fact, we pray you will reach out to a non-Catholic and join them in learning about the Catholic Faith. Babysitting can be made available (Contact the parish office) Contact Fr. Beardslee or Fr. Connor with questions.  
**Traveling Chalice** will be in the **Paul Krivanek** household from August 24 – 30. Please call Kathleen Deavers to schedule the traveling chalice. for your home!  
**Garden of Eatin** is in the vestibule of the church. This is a chance to donate your excess produce here and/or take what you need. Free will offerings accepted and appreciated. Thank you

Liturgical Assignments: Weekend of August 30/31				
Mass	Acolytes	Lector / Reader	Servers	Rosary
Saturday 5:00 pm	RJ Hein	Mindy Schawang	Turner Hartman Brecken Romshek, Case Hein	Jean Hicks
Sunday 8:00am	Joe Sisco	Deb Dinkelman	Eli Janak Gregory & Henry Sisco	Ed Meysenburg
Sunday 10:00am	John Svec John Wehrs	Lisa Bales	Nathaniel Hain, Austin Pracheil Ian Sobota, Carter Emorty	Kathleen Deavers

**One Holy Hour Opening: All Hours have been filled**  
***What Eucharistic adoration is NOT:*** *\*a parish activity \*a committee that requires work \*a weekly responsibility \*a commitment with expectations \*prayer when everything else in life is in order.*  
***What Eucharistic adoration IS:*** *\*your personal appointment with Jesus \*your time for silence with Jesus\* an opportunity to grow in your relationship with Jesus\* prayer time that Jesus makes possible with trust in Him. The perfect Healer is at the door and knocks...*  
**Mass of Healing** on Sunday, **September 14** at the John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd in Lincoln. Schedule: 1:15pm Confessions begin; 1:30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet; 1:50pm Blessing of Articles and 2:00pm Healing Mass. All are welcome and invited to bring a loved one for this special grace.  
**Walking Toward Eternity - Making Choices for Today** is a journal-based scripture study designed to help you live your faith more fully through daily prayer meditations with Scripture (Lectio Divina), It will be offered on Friday mornings at 10am beginning September 5 and will run for 10-weeks with Sr. Mary. There will be a video by Jeff Cavins which will support the themes each week. The journals are essential and will cost \$20 per book. Sign up will be required so journals can be purchased. RSVP by August 28 at <https://stmarycatholicchurch22.flocknote.com/signup/221161> or call the parish office.

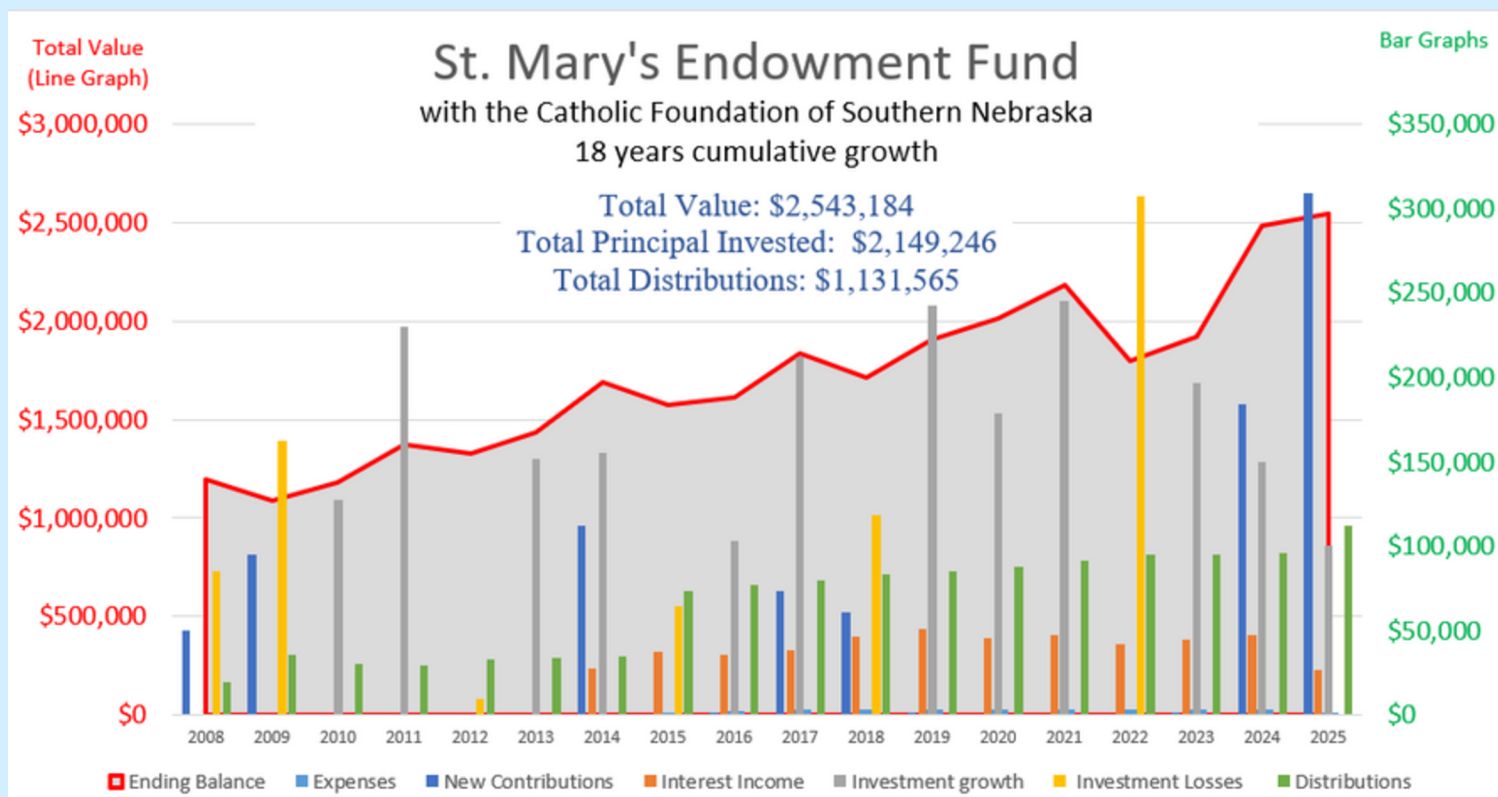
**Come renew your faith by praying with the Scriptures!** This year's bible studies (which begin after Labor Day) led by Sr. Mary (beginning after labor day) will include:

- Acts of the Apostles (men or women)- Monday 6:10 pm (Jeff Cavins, video-based)
- Women’s Lectio Divina - Monday 7:30 pm & Thursday 10:00 am
- Walking Toward Eternity - Fridays at 10:00 am **Registration required** ( <https://stmarycatholicchurch22.flocknote.com/signup/221161> or call the parish office.

**Pastor’s Corner**  
Dear St. Mary & Assumption Parishioners:  
Last Sunday, I was able to attend the 25th anniversary celebration for Sr. Janelle Buettner, Sr. Melissa Moxley and Mother Ann Marie Zierke at the Motherhouse in Waverly. I have known all these wonderful sisters and had Sr Janelle as our principal for 9 years at North American Martyrs. The day began with Mass, followed by a nice brunch with the Marian Sisters, jubilarians, their families and a few priests. Afterwards, three sisters gave a talk celebrating each of them which provided plenty of laughter. Then they had a 12 minute video with baby pictures, family pics, graduations, professions and their ministry in the diocese and beyond. Afterwards, they prepared for the Open House to which several hundred loving friends came to show their joy with the jubilarians. It was so nice to be surrounded by their loving community and see the 100-fold reward the friends received in the Church when we leave it all to follow Christ in imitation of St Francis and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

<b>August Assignments</b> <b><u>St. Mary Church Cleaners:</u></b> St. Deborah Circle <b><u>St. Mary Cassock Cleaners:</u></b> Courtney Hein Melissa Yindrick <b><u>Assumption Cleaners:</u></b> Judy Polacek Valerie Divis
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Fr. Barnhill, who is a few years older than me, said he remembered these families in the 80s at St Mary’s Old Cathedral. All three of them we very involved in Youth Ministry. It struck me that God must be very pleased with parents who devote themselves above and beyond their families, so help grow the faith of other young people, so much as to bring a consecrated religious sister into their families.  
If there are any parents wanting to help with youth ministry at St Mary’s or Appleton, please contact me. I know that we are always big into support of our Catholic Schools, and that they do many wonderful things with our youth. We also have CCD (starting Sept 3). But, parish Youth Ministry has not been strong of late. It takes young couples to succeed.  
On another different matter, I am very happy to include a summary of our Endowment Fund in the Flocknote email. You will see that we have had excellent growth in the past three years due to a major gift from Phillis Lukassen and \$300,000 from your donations to our recent campaign (HOPSOF). The value is over \$2.5 million. Fortunately, at 5% we will receive about \$125,000 in distributions this coming year (up \$20K from 24-25). Also, we have our St Mary’s Fund, which has been established and has about \$40,000 invested thus far from Campaign donations. This is also invested with the Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska, just like the other endowments, but is liquid, and so we can draw from it when needed. Thanks to all of you who are writing checks to the “St Mary’s Parish Fund” to build this up.  
On the graph, you can see that value has grown by \$393,938 over the years, above and beyond what has been invested and the distributions of over \$1M. We are not able to withdraw from that value over principal (I thought I could a year ago).  
I have decided to not include the summary total of the Sunday collection each week in the bulletin. I will still report what we receive, but I think the fact that we get behind and remain behind the whole year is a downer and depressing. I would rather be grateful for the sacrificial gifts, overjoyed that there are people who tithe, happy that parishioners are making steps towards tithing, growing in faith thru what they give of their money (income, salary, investments, SS, retirement....). I want to make a paradigm shift and try to trust more in God, that he will provide for our parish and take the weekly worry, downer out and just know, that God will not abandon us, our needs, and that he will help people grow in stewardship and take care of us.  
Everyone knows that we have a significant need to receive stewardship (gifts of time, talent and treasure) from our dear people, and that the need to give is always greater than the need to receive.  
God bless you and yours, Fr. Brian Connor



## St. Mary Catholic Church Endowment

Endowments are designed to provide a long-term source of funding by allowing them to grow and sustain over time.

