

Assumption Church  
1821 38th Road  
David City, Nebraska 68632



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

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CAO Aquinas Catholic Schools

**Website:** [www.stmarysdavidcity.org](http://www.stmarysdavidcity.org)  
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580 I Street  
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**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  
Daily School Mass: 8:00AM  
Sat. 8:00 AM  
Holy Days: See Parish Bulletin

**St. Mary Confession (Confesiones) Schedule**  
Monday -Friday: 6-6:15AM; 5-5:20pm  
Sat. 7-7:50AM; 4-4:50PM,  
Sun. 7:30 -7:50AM  
**Assumption Confession 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) Paul Gahan (430-2855)  
Kathy Engel (367-6183) Sharon DeWispelare (367-7991)  
Jennifer Hein (360-1108) Andrew Daro (367-2984)

**St. Mary Finance Council Members**  
Jackie DeWispelare (290-7842) Rob Daro (367-5116)  
Deb Svec (367-9088)

**Assumption Parish Council & Finance Committee**  
Mike Kadlec Kevin Andel Jerome Andel

**Aquinas Catholic Schools**  
Fr. Michael Ventre: CAO (367-3175)  
Mrs. Sarah Zook: (pre-K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) (367-3669)  
Mr. Spencer Zysset: (6th - 12th Grade) (367-3175)

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

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

We are here to help you live the Sacramental Life.  
Please contact the parish office to register for Holy  
Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation,  
Anointing of the Sick, or Marriage.

**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: [dlanspa@hotmail.com](mailto:dlanspa@hotmail.com)

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

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

**St. Mary Parish Council of Catholic Women (P.C.C.W)**  
Jenny Polacek (641-0405) Jean Meister (641-3709)  
Mindy Schawang (367-8280) Misty Havlovic (367-3726)

**Assumption Parish Council of Catholic Women**  
Michelle Woolsey (539-2060)  
Judy Polacek (367-3560)  
Laura Cox (367-9588)

**Perpetual Adoration Hours**  
Brenda Eller (367-3405) Bob Palik (367-4151)  
RJ & Cortney Hein (270-0732) Dr. Jo Witter (450-6453)

**St. Mary 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. If you have a change of address,  
phone numbers, or household, please notify the parish office.

Estamos para apoyarte a que vivas una vida Sacramental plena. Te  
faltan Sacramentos o sabes de alguien que no tiene todos sus  
Sacramentos por favor comunicate a la oficina de la Parroquia (en  
ingles) O al (402) 527-5648 con nuestra traductora (informes en  
español) para mas información.

THANK YOU, DAVID CITY DEANERY PARISHES for your prayers and generous support of Aquinas Catholic Schools  
Assumption, Appleton, Assumption, Dwight, Holy Trinity, Brainerd, 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. Wenceslaus, Bee.

PARENT ACADEMY  
THE EFFECTS OF DIGITAL MEDIA ON OUR YOUTH

**When:**  
March 5th, 2024

**Time:**  
6:00 PM

**Where:**  
Aquinas High  
School- North  
Gym

**Who:**  
All Aquinas parents



Joy Martin  
Nebraska Department of Education  
School Safety & Security Director

This parent academy will give  
YOU the tools and the  
understanding of social media  
platforms available to your child,  
and to help guide your child  
towards safer platform  
participation.

Mary’s Way of the Cross:  
Every Wednesday during Lent  
at 12:05pm at St. Mary’s Catholic Church.

DCCW is selling raffle tickets at \$1 a ticket. Proceeds are  
to benefit “I’ve Got a Name”, an organization to combat  
human trafficking in the state of NE. Raffle prizes are a 12”  
statue of Mother Teresa made by Sondra Johnson, Rustic  
Church planter, and a wine picnic basket.

To purchase raffle tickets, contact your local PCCW officers  
or Deanery President, Barb Kadlec, 402-910-3673

Lenten  
Parish  
Mission  
March 19, 20, 21

Encountering Christ in the  
Pass and the Eucharist

6PM Meal (GYM) and  
games (bounce house)

Special Speakers

Fr. Holoubek

7PM Praise and Worship

Fr. Phan

Music by Danny Leger  
(Church)

Prayer Teams Available

KINDERGARTEN  
ROUND UP

Aquinas Catholic Elementary  
REGISTRATION & TOUR

TUESDAY, MARCH 12  
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

BRING: Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate,  
& Tax Info. for Scholarships

Questions? Please contact us!  
1026 N 5th St. David City 402-367-3669 Aquinas Catholic.com



CAREER OPENINGS

- Elementary Teacher (2024-2025)
  - Holy Family Director
  - Holy Family Teachers (full & part time)
- APPLY ONLINE OR CALL FOR MORE INFO



February 25, 2024 - Second Sunday in Lent - St. Mary Church, David City / Assumption, Appleton

MASS INTENTIONS SECOND WEEK IN LENT		
Mass Time	Intention	Requested By
Monday, February 26 - Lenten Weekday		
6:20 AM	Ron Cyza +	Anonymous
8:00 AM	Don Semin +	Gerald Jakub Family
5:30 PM	Donna Wik +	Mark Masur Family
Tuesday, February 27 - Lenten Weekday		
6:20 AM	Jeff Stewart	Joe Hall Family
8:00 AM	Dennis Sypal +	Dan Sypal Family
5:30 PM	Eugene Brecka +	Sharon Brecka
Wednesday, February 28 - Lenten Weekday		
6:20 AM	Jason Saafeld +	Yvonne Wendt & Don Saafeld
8:00 AM	Gerry Haselhorst	Bryan Hein Family
5:30 PM	Eugene Coufal +	Jim Redler Family
Thursday, February 29 - Lenten Weekday		
6:20 AM	Dan Engel Sr +	Randy Belsky Family
8:00 AM	Tony Buresh +	Art Dobesh Family
5:30 PM	For Salvation	Eudes Family
Friday, March 1 - Lenten Weekday ( First Friday)		
6:20 AM	Margaret Klenda +	Brenda Eller
8:00 AM	Rita Polak +	Polak Family
5:30 PM	Joe Reisdorff +	Sharon Reisdorff
6:45 PM Assumption	Charles & Marie Sabata +	Greg Sabata Family
Saturday, March 2 - Lenten Weekday (First Saturday)		
8:00 AM	Ryan Jesse +	Fr. Brian Connor
Anticipated Mass for Sunday		
5:00 PM	Eugene Divis +	Divis Family
Sunday, March 3– Third Sunday in Lent		
8:00 AM	Pro Populo	For The People
9:00 AM Assumption	Charles Sabata +	Sabata Family
10:00 AM	Dennis Riha +	Aldeen Riha Family

**Knights of Columbus Trivia “Knight”** Saturday, March 16 at the Butler County Event Center. Doors open at 5pm Trivia starts at 7pm. Cash Bar available, Chili and Cinnamon Rolls available for purchase. Cash prizes and awards for a “Knight” time of fun. \$120 per table of 8.

**Coffee and Rolls** will be served on Sunday, March 3 at Assumption Parish after the 9am Mass. Group 2 is 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 - February 18, 2024	
Sunday Collection:	\$16, 944.65
Weekly Budget	\$16,923.00
Actual YTD (34 weeks): YTD SHORTAGE:	\$519,534.55 -\$55,847.45
ASSUMPTION - APPLETON	
Sunday Collection:	\$1,116.00
Weekly Budget	\$1,307.00
Actual YTD (34 weeks): YTD SURPLUS:	\$48,938.58 \$4,500.58

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat Schedule:**  
*Young Adult Women'sRetreat:* April 19-21. Back to the Garden led by Fr. Cole Kennett & Sarina Stokes  
*Walking with Mary to the Cross:* March 15-17: Fr. Waskowiak

**Vocations to the Religious Life:** Continue to pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood in our Diocese of Lincoln Motherhouses.  
**Seminarian of the Week:** Mr. Caleb Hansen, Theology 1 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, son of Corey & Monica Hansen, St. Joseph Parish, Lincoln. Please pray for Caleb and all who are studying for the priesthood.  
**NO Pickleball** this Sunday, February. 25  
**Traveling Chalice** will be in the **Cork DeWispelare** household from Feb. 25 - March 2. This Lent, lets keep vocations as a priority. Please call Kathleen Deavers to schedule the traveling chalice for your home  
**Lenten Book:** There are still copies of the Lenten book / Journal available—please take one if you will use it. There are weekly videos to accompany it — please make use of these aides and have a spiritually fruitful lent!  
**Variety and Dinner Show** -This year’s show theme will be the FAB 50’s. Oh my, we have so many fun and creative ideas already that is sure to rock your socks off! If you have a great idea to share, contact Deb 270-1983. The show is **April 13** so get working on your costume if you want to attend in the spirit of the 50’s! Fun-Raising Committee

**THANK YOU:** Who would have thought an idea around a kitchen table would still be going strong after 20 years! **\$9,500** was made this year on our Garage and Bake sale. Thank you to everyone who donated, priced items, helped work the day of the sales, spent time setting up tables or cleaning up the gym in time for pickle ball and everything in between! Your effort was much appreciated. Fun-Raising Committee.  
**Easter Monday Pilgrimage:** Join Fr. Coulter for an **Easter Monday Pilgrimage** to Gower, MO Benedictines of Mary and incorrupt Sr Wilhelmina on **Monday, April 1st.** Begin at St. Michael in Lincoln with 7:00 AM Mass, and stop at Cathedral of St Joseph, MO. Prayers throughout the day, return by 6:15 PM. \$70 includes charter bus, snacks and lunch. Make your reservations early at [frcoulter.com/EasterMonday](http://frcoulter.com/EasterMonday) or call Good Counsel Retreat House at 402-786-2705  
**Msgr Adrian Herbek** will turn 90 years old on March 13. If anyone would like to send him a card, his address is: Bonacum House, 3301 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln, NE 68506.  
**Bubble Wrap Needed:** contact Deb Dinkelman 270-1983.  
**LDCCW Biennial Convention** will be held on April 26 & 27 at St. John XXIII Center in Lincoln. Our local DCCW are selling raffle tickets for \$1 each with proceeds to benefit “I’ve Got a Name” organization to combat human trafficking in Nebraska. Contact Barb Kadlec, Denise Carter or Diane Kovar if interested.

Liturgical Assignments: Weekend of March 2/3

Mass	Acolytes	Lector / Reader	Servers	Sacristan
Saturday 5:00pm	Bryan Hein	Tony Smith	Kalen Stouffer, Ryan & Case Hein	Brenda Eller
Sunday 8:00am	Andrew Buresh	Deb Dinkelman	Kyle Coufal Colby & Wesley Miller	Maggie Gahan
Sunday 10:00am	Mike Eller Cork DeWispelare	CeCe Bechtel	Simon & Gus Grady Robert & Will Dalton	Kathy Jones

**Holy Hour Openings: Friday, 1am.** 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**.  
**Strategic Plan Open Forum Meeting:** Aquinas Catholic Schools will be hosting an Open Forum Meeting on **March 20th at 7pm** (NOTE DATE CHANGE) 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](mailto:efujan@yahoo.com).  
**SERMONS A LA CARTE:** Friday, March 1 at 12:05pm. The series theme this year is “Guided to the Cross”. Redeemer Lutheran Church will host this weeks session.

**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](http://dynamiccatholic.com/lent)  
**Mary’s Way of the Cross:** Every Wednesday during Lent at 12:05pm at St. Mary Church. All are invited.  
**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday evening during Lent after the 5:30pm Mass. (Approx. 6pm) All are invited and encouraged to attend.  
**Healing Mass** will be held on Sunday, March 3 at Pope St. John XXIII Center Chapel in Lincoln. All are invited to attend and pray for healing, both physical and spiritual.  
**Save the Dates: March 19, 20 & 21** - St. Mary Parish Mission! Each evening there will be a supper at 6:00 (free will donation), Music by Danny Leger (Hope of the Poor) and a talk by a guest priest. **March 31**-Easter; **April 8:** Feast of the Annunciation (transferred from March 25 as it falls during Holy Week); **June 15-21** - Totus Tuus

**Surviving Divorce, Support for Divorced Catholics:** beginning March 12th from 6:30—8:00pm at St. Mary Rectory. Suggested donation \$50 for the cost of the program. Small classes. Register by contacting the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620.  
**Parish Bookkeeper/secretary:** St. Anthony, Bruno Flexible hours. Contact Fr. Holoubek at [frbhol@gmail.com](mailto:frbhol@gmail.com) if you are interested.

**Mass Intentions Reminders:** Please make checks out to St. Mary or Assumption Church. We will do our best to schedule when requested or as close to the date as possible. Since we are only allowed to keep Mass intentions on the books for **one year**, it is possible that some Masses will be handed on to other priests/parishes to be offered. Thank you for understanding.

**St. Mary Guild** will meet on Wednesday, March 6, at 1:30pm in the Didier Room.

February Assignments

**St. Mary Church Cleaners:**  
St. Theresa Circle  
**St. Mary Cassock Cleaners:**  
Kristi Pohl & Lori Wessling  
**Assumption Cleaners:**  
Jean Brown & Lori Focher

Assistant Pastor’s Corner

Dear St. Mary/Assumption Parishioners,  
I have always loved the outdoors and the many ways in which God formed so beautifully creation. Of all the features in a beautiful landscape, I am most interested in trees. Unlike mountains and rocks, trees are living and changing. And unlike the smaller understory vegetation, the larger species of trees have such a dynamic effect on the landscape.  
The redwoods in northern California blow my mind! What is so remarkable about them is just how crazy tall they get. Of these giants one has made a name for itself, it is called Hyperion. Hyperion is the tallest known living tree in the world with a height of 380 ft. Looking at pictures of it, or any other large redwood, leaves me in awe asking, “how does something grow that tall?!”  
But the reality is that it took time...a lot of time. It is estimated that Hyperion in 600-800 years old. As we enter into this season of Lent we might have the expectation and hope to become spiritual giants. The desire to have great growth in our spiritual life is certainly a good thing, but we must remember it might take time. It took Hyperion hundreds of years to become a mighty redwood. That means it might take us more than one season of Lent to get to where we want to be.  
So, the question this Lent is not, “what is God calling me to become?” We know he is calling us to all be saints. The question we need to be asking and discerning this Lent is “how is God calling me to become more of the saint I am called to be?” This Lent is an opportunity for another season in our spiritual life to put on growth, just like Hyperion has been putting on growth little by little for hundreds of years.

In Christ,

Fr. Schukei