



### Assumption Church

1821 38th Road  
David City, Nebraska 68632

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**CAO Aquinas Catholic Schools**

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### Saint Mary Catholic Church

580 I Street  
David City, Nebraska 68632

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

#### Parish Staff

Office Manager: Heather Oltmer (367-3579 ext 3)  
Evangelization / CCD: Sr. Mary, MS (367-3579 ext 4)

#### St. Mary Parish Council Members

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

#### St. Mary Finance Council Members

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

#### Assumption Parish Council & Finance Committee

Mike Kadlec Kevin Anandel Jerome Anandel



**Parish Email:** [stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com)

**Facebook:** [@stmarysdavidcity](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysdavidcity)

**Parish App:** text stmaryccapp to 833-245-6541

**Website:** [stmarysdavidcity.org](http://stmarysdavidcity.org)

### 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 (M-F) 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 (Wed: 6:30 pm)  
Sat. 7-7:50AM; 4-4:50PM  
Sun. 7:30 -7:50AM

#### Assumption Confession Schedule

Sunday: 8:30AM – 8:50AM

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you.

**January 11, 2026**  
**Baptism of the Lord**

## THANK YOU, DAVID CITY DEANERY PARISHES for your prayers and generous support of Aquinas Catholic Schools

Assumption, Appleton, Assumption, Dwight, Holy Trinity, Brarnard, 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.

### Dwight Assumption Parish

**GOD BLESS AMERICA**  
**Dinner & Live Auction**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026**  
**Assumption Parish Hall**

Social Hour Starting at 4:30 pm  
Nebraska Wine Grab  
Prime Rib or Chicken Breast Dinner at 6:00 pm  
Followed by Live Auction

Meal Reservations Needed to Attend  
Meals - \$30 per person  
No Reservations Sold at the Door

Visit [dwightassumption.weebly.com](http://dwightassumption.weebly.com) for Reservation Forms  
Or Contact Parish Rectory 402-566-2765

Come and Enjoy an Evening of Fun With  
Family and Friends!

And a voice came from the heavens, saying,  
"This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well pleased."

## UNBOUND January RETREAT 16-18

Weekend Retreat for Men or Women  
at St. Mary Parish, David City

Given by Fr. Bill Holtenbeck, at St. Mary's,  
Friday, Jan 16 to evening, ending Sunday, Jan 18  
in the afternoon.  
Cost: \$25



**Call or Email St. Mary Parish to Register**  
[stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com)  
**402-367-3579**

*Grace & Glory*  
*Day Retreat*

*Wednesday, Jan 21, 2026*

RSVPs due 2 weeks  
before the day  
Email or call the parish  
office to register  
402-367-3579  
[stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com)

**SCHUYLER RETREAT CENTER**  
**8:30 - 4:15**

\$25.00 / person (lunch included)  
Private day use rooms available  
(\$20 additional)

### Catholic Daughters Education Contest

Grades 4 - 12

Art | Poem | Essay | Computer Art | Music | Photography

Theme: The Least of These: Matthew 25:40  
The Least of These: Lifting Others Up

Learn all the details  
and find the entry forms online

[Aquinas-Catholic.com/catholic-daughters-education-contest/](http://Aquinas-Catholic.com/catholic-daughters-education-contest/)



Saints Peter & Paul in Abie, and Saint Anthony in Bruno are looking to hire a part-time, Administrative Assistant. The Administrative Assistant will provide bookkeeping, operational, and clerical support as directed. Establish the efficient operation of the parish office, communications and data management. Represents the Church with the heart of the Gospel and is mission driven. For more information or to submit an application, please email Father Hile at [abiebrunochurches@gmail.com](mailto:abiebrunochurches@gmail.com) or call 402-543-2233.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Catholic Schools Week: Jan. 25-31  
St. Mary's Garage Sale: Feb. 7-9  
Knights of Columbus Pregame Brunch: Feb. 8  
Aquinas SOUL Club Raffle: Feb. 10  
Catholic Daughters Taco Bar (Aquinas game) Feb. 10  
Trivia "Knight" Fundraiser: Feb. 28



January 11, 2026 - Baptism of the Lord - St. Mary Church, David City / Assumption, Appleton

Mass Intentions <i>First Week in Ordinary Time</i>		
Mass Time	Intention	Requested by
Monday, January 12		
6:20 am	Bernie Kohout +	Dan Smith Family
8:00 am	Virginia Rerucha +	Bob Moravec Family
5:30 pm	NO MASS	NO MASS
Tuesday, January 13 - Saint Hilary, Doctor		
6:20 am	Dan Engel Sr. +	Engel Family
8:00 am	Poor Souls +	David Hovorka Family
5:30 pm	NO MASS	NO MASS
Wednesday, January 14		
6:20 am	Dorothy Gillespie +	Kerkman/Kobza Families
8:00 am	Russ Hilger +	Ron Cemper Family
7:00 pm	Don & JoAnn Supancheck	Jennifer Supancheck
Thursday, January 15		
6:20 am	Dee Svoboda +	Peters Family
8:00 am	Jan Sypal	Dan Sypal
5:30 pm	NO MASS	NO MASS
Friday, January 16		
6:20 am	Russ Hilger +	Etherton Families
8:00 am	Virginia Rerucha +	Ray Metzner Family
5:30 pm	NO MASS	NO MASS
Saturday, January 17 - Saint Anthony		
8:00 am	Corinne Dineen	Koranda Family
Anticipated Mass for Sunday		
5:00 pm	Jane Trowbridge +	John Dehner Family
Sunday, January 18 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8:00 am	Joe & Lucille Fiala +	Carm Fiala
9:00 am Assumption	Mary Ann Ratkovec +	Rose Aken
10:00 am	Missa Pro Populo	For the People

**Widows & Widowers** ARE INVITED to the Annual Dinner, Monday, January 26, 2026, 12 noon, in the Didier Room. Father Connor is roasting a turkey. Others are bringing mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry salad, etc. You may bring a side dish or not. Please call Marie at 402-367-3504 or Harriet at 402-641-7776 to help us get a count or if you have questions.

St. Mary Parish - Tithe - January 4, 2026	
Sunday Tithe	<b>\$14,509.65</b>
Weekly Budget	<b>\$16,923.00</b>
Assumption Parish - Tithe	
Sunday Tithe	<b>\$1,155.00</b>
Weekly Budget	<b>\$1,307.00</b>

LOCAL NEWS

**Holy Hour Openings: All hours are filled! 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...*

**Unbound Retreat** Fr. Bill Holoubek will be giving the Unbound retreat at St. Mary's, Jan 16-18, 2026. It is recommended that the first 6 chapters of the book be read before the retreat - books are available for \$15 at the parish office.

**Financial Peace University:** St. Mary's Parish is offering Dave Ramsey's 10 week course beginning on Thursday, January 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Didier Room and continuing through March 12. This class comes highly recommended by parishioners! Thanks to Dr. Robert Daro and Connie Novacek for helping offer the classes. To register, contact the parish office.

**Traveling Chalice** will be in the Connor Lepper household from January 11 – January 17. Please call Kathleen Deavers to schedule the traveling chalice for your home!

**31 Club:** Thank you to all who have faithfully prayed for vocations to the priesthood and religious life as members of the 31 club. There two days available - the 28<sup>th</sup> and the 31<sup>st</sup> of each month. We need two faith-filled people or families to commit to offering a Mass or Holy Hour for Church vocations to the priesthood or religious life. Home-bound can make their holy hour by offering their prayers and sufferings. Contact Sr. Mary by email or phone (Parish office) if you are willing to take one day.

**Christmas Flowers** may be taken by those who made a donation after Masses this weekend.

**Confirmation:** Information about Confirmation Classes will be coming out soon. Students not yet confirmed in grades 5-8 are eligible. Dates to know: Confirmation is Monday, April 27. Parent meeting will be March 4 at 6:00 pm. There will be three required student classes and one required practice - dates TBA.

**Trivia “Knight” Fundraiser** will be held Saturday, February 28th at the Butler County Event Center. \$120 per Table (8 persons per team / 18 yrs. min) Please Register in Advance (Limited Tables) Doors Open @ 5:00 p.m. Trivia Starts @ 7:00 p.m. Cash Prizes for 1st and 2nd; Serving Chili & Cinnamon Rolls; Cash Bar Served by Butler County Ag Society. Please register soon - proceeds to benefit the charitable causes of the David City Knights of Columbus. Contact Shawn Koranda (402) 443-6425 or davidcityknights@gmail.com to reserve a table today!

**Rosary:** A brownish rosary in a pouch was found in church. Contact the parish office if it's yours.

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS: WEEKEND OF JAN 17/18				
Mass	Acolytes	Lector / Reader	Servers	Rosary
Saturday 5:00 pm	Andrew Buresh	Sharon DeWispelare	Brecken Romshek Turner Hartman, Caelan Olson	Camille Dalton
Sunday 8:00 am	Rob Daro	CeCe Bechtel	Cesar Venegas Noah Polacek, Kyle Coufal	Carm Fiala
Sunday 10:00 am	Mark Holoubek Mike Eller	Willow Holoubek	Carter & Camden Emory Nathaniel Hain, Brendan Adair	KC Choir

DIOCESEAN NEWS

**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. Use the code SMDCHALF when registering and the parish will pay half.

**Seminarian of the Week:** Henry Stuhr, Propaedeutic Stage at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. Son of Kevin & Betsy Stuhr of St. Wenceslaus parish, Wahoo. Please pray for Henry and all who are studying for the priesthood.

**Religious Sister of the Week:** Please pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood in our Lincoln Diocese.

**Pilgrimage:** Father Hile, pastor of Bruno & Abie, will be leading a pilgrimage to Poland and the Czech Republic from July 19–30 in 2026. More info at below website.

[https://www.tektonministries.org/pilgrimage\\_pages/pilgrimage-to-poland-the-czech-republic-july-19-2026/](https://www.tektonministries.org/pilgrimage_pages/pilgrimage-to-poland-the-czech-republic-july-19-2026/) **2026 Nebraska Walk for Life** on January 31 begins at the State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. The Walk is preceded by the Mass across from the Capitol at St. Mary's Catholic Church, at 9:00 a.m. For questions, contact Nebraska Right to Life, 402-438-4802, [nebraskartl@gmail.com](mailto:nebraskartl@gmail.com)

**Bruno/Abie Parishes:** Fr. Hile is looking for an administrative assistant. This position would be part-time approximately 12-18 hours a week. Call his parish office if you or anyone you know is interested 402-543-2233.

**Camp Kateri Registrations OPEN:** Camp Kateri offers various programs for different ages. The schedule includes one family camp, two Catholic Adventure Camps for children in grades 3-4, SKY Camp – Summer Camp for Youth – for grades 4-6 and SKY Games for grades 7-8. A new program, SKY High – will be available for grades 9-12. Visit [campkateri.org](http://campkateri.org) to register or for more information.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear St Mary's and Assumption Parishioners,

We may have to cancel the **Unbound** retreat due to a lack of people signed up. Mildly disappointing as it is a powerful, impactful, helpful retreat for those who have suffered from the sins of others. I hope we are not avoiding an opportunity to find inner healing out of fear. I don't want the Devil to keep us from accomplishing something good and holy. We will revisit the numbers on Monday afternoon and make the decision.

Last week there was an **error** is the numbers reported in my Pastor's corner. It should have said we had pledges of \$1,584,115 to our campaign, for which we are so very grateful.

We had our first meeting to plan for the **Light of the World (LOTW) retreat**, March 13-16 this week via Zoom.

January 2026 Assignments

**St. Mary Church Cleaners:**

St. Mary Circle

**St. Mary Cassock Cleaners:**

Jean Hovorka

Jennifer Hein

**Assumption Cleaners:**

Michelle Andel

Nicole Sylvester

I am really excited about our team and what will be offered in David City. Please prayerfully consider coming and join me in praying for a good number of signups and a powerful weekend.

I am glad to say there is a weekly **SA meeting** in David City, Seward and Columbus, plus about 10 in Lincoln. You can see the schedule at [sanebraska.org](http://sanebraska.org). I spoke with a friendly retired gentleman who promotes SA and is willing to help answer questions about the program. His name is Gus and his number is 402-770-2272.

This week has been **busier** with school back in session, Parish Council, Aquinas Finance meeting, etc. I am also preparing for my aunt's funeral in KC on Saturday, the faculty party Saturday night etc.

My aunt and Godmother Carol Shaughnessy Miller died at age of 89. She was the last of her generation in my family. He brother died in 1978 from cancer. My mother and other aunt lived into late 80s. Carol and Bob Miller were the ones who welcomed the Aquinas students to stay at their home on our World of Fun, Royals (Oceans, Truman museum, Nelson Art Gallery, Gates BBQ etc) trips.

She had an amazing charism for hospitality. She always said, “sure you can bring a bus load as long as they behave”. They even said, if we are not here, you can still come and stay. We had minor problems like clogged toilets, overflowing jacuzzi, and one kid who climbed out the basement window during the night for some reason (he could have walked out any one of three doors). We enjoyed their game rooms, basketball hoops, breakfasts and morning Mass outdoors on the patio.

Carol and Bob had a house built for entertaining and they did that for all kinds of Catholic groups. With New Year Eve, Easter, Serra Club, and all kind of family gatherings, it was normal for them to host 50-100 people for meals and socials. Their door was literally always open.

Carol got into the travel business because she loved to travel (in her blood from parents). She went on a dozen pilgrimages to Medjugorje in Croatia where the Marian apparitions. In her living room, she had a collection of over 50 Marian icons from world travels.

I was blessed to go to the Holy Land with her and Bob, seven priests and my parents, a group of 40 in January 2000. It was a trip for my lifetime. I will really miss Aunt Carol and was blessed to see her at Christmas and have a nice visit at Thanksgiving with her. God bless you all, FBC

# *Poinsettias*

The Christmas flowers in our churches are donated in loving memory or honor of loved ones by family and friends.

Randy & Barb Belsky — Deceased Family Members

Betty Betzen — Lee & Gladys Yindrick; Eric Betzen

Sharon Brecka — Eugene Brecka; Shirley Marintzer

John & Maureen Coufal — Deceased Family Members

Russ & Loretta Daro — Raymond & Celestine Vanis;  
Walter H. Daro; Eveliene Daro

Nadine Danaher — Jerry Danaher; Chas & Mary  
Lanspa; Dr. Eugene & Bernice Lanspa; Robert &  
Menaldeen Wendt

Leslie & Rachel Duke — Deceased Family Members

Greg & Brenda Eller — William & Marcella Eller;  
Terrance & Mary Theresa Eller; Jerome & Margaret  
Klenda

James M. Egr Family — Deceased Egr Family Members;  
Deceased Lankas Family Members

Richard & Vicki Hain - Deceased Family Members

Orletha Havlovic — Ray Havlovic

Ed & Gwen Hein — Patricia Brabec; Norman Brabec

Harriet Jakub — Rudy Jakub

Mary Lou Hilger — Donald P. Hilger; Louis & Mary Vanis

David & Jean Hovorka — Deceased Family Members

Marvin & Monica Marushak — Louise & Mary Marushak;  
Lula Novacek

Ron & Monica Lyons — Tom & Adele Lyons; John &

Lucille Havlovic Julie Plasek — Steve Plasek

Robert & Nancy Moravec — Richard, Virginia & Robert  
Rerucha

Dale & Vickie Kerkman — Robert & Dorothy Gillespie;  
Tony & Clara Kerkman; Janice, Judy, Tom & Ann  
Kerkman; Abel Mooberry; Pat Montag

Barbara O'Connell — Deceased Family Members

Cindy Plooster — Deceased Family Members

Wayne Ratkovec — Deceased Family Members

Jean & Ryan Meister — Joan & Don Semin

Sharon Reisdorff — Joe Reisdorff; Earl & Agnes Reisdorff;  
Henry & Martha Ebel; Leon Ebel; Herman & Clara Dvorak

Dan & Leta Reisdorff — Lester & Thelta Michener

Nick & Sarah Romshek — Liam Romshek; Dorothy  
Gillespie

Doug & Doris Redler — Tom & Martha Divis

Gene & Pat Supancheck — Everett & Edith Supancheck;  
Leonard & MaryAnn Pernicek

Deb & John Svec — Lincoln & Svec Family Members

Patty Vaca — Ron Vaca

Deacon Bob & Reyne Viergutz — Eugene & Darlene Divis

## ***Assumption Parish – Appleton***

Karl & Sharon Kovar — Marcel & Arlene Kovar

Ken & Judy Polacek — Jerry & Josephine Polacek; Leo &  
Mary Spickelmier

Larry Plasek — Louis & Maymie Plasek







ST. MARYS PARISH  
FUN RAISING COMMITTEE

# GARAGE SALE

FEB. 7 8AM-3PM

FEB. 8 8-NOON

SUNDAY FILL A BAG FOR \$5  
LARGE ITEMS HALF OFF

AQUINAS ELEMENARY  
1026 5TH ST DAVID CITY NE



## St. Mary's Annual Garage and Bake Sale

If you can help price items during the week or help during the sale Signup sheets are in the back of church starting Jan. 1 or call Heather at the Rectory 367-3579 or Michelle 430-0349.

You can drop off your CLEAN unmarked items to the Didier room at Aquinas Grade School 8am-6pm starting Saturday Jan. 31 – Feb.5 - Please enter through the Didier room door.

We ask that all small items be dropped off BEFORE Thursday Feb. 5. Please drop off your kids clothing **newborn to 7/8** at 814 K street in the garage. 8-6pm

We DO NOT accept, Adult / Teen clothing, coats, shoes, tv's, pianos, large appliances, microwaves, computers, printers, exercise equipment, car seats, we will accept all clean furniture.

Large items can be dropped off Friday after 2pm at Aquinas grade school gym. If you need a large item picked up please call Deb 270-1983.

Baked items can be dropped off Fri. 4 to 7 pm or Sat. 8am

Matching funds by FCSLA. Thank you!

Thank you for your continued support of this project.