Teaching at a Catholic School is a vocation Immaculate Conception, Presentation with Fr. Ventro Aquinas Catholic started their Annual Appeal on November 10th. Please help support almost 50 Frs. Graeve and Sughroue St. Wenceslaus, Bee Frs. Jansen and Stec Assumption, Dwight St. Peter's, Bellwood St. Mary's, David City Frs. Connor, Schukei, Graeve, Ventre, Holoubek Frs. Jansen and Litt Ulysses teaching vocations at Aquinas. Advent Penance Services Sunday, Dec 15, 2024 Teaching is a calling 4:00 PM 1:00 PM 2:30 PM Holy Trinity, Brainard Frs. Snitily, Connor and Frs. Snitily, Conn Holoubek Sacred Heart, Shelby Fr. Stec, Fr. Schukei St. Francis, Center dift diving made simple! Purchase Scrip. *See what Nancy has on hand right now online or call her at 402-367-8835 o Wild Wings - 8% "R" Us - 3% Marcus Theater ong John Silver's owes - 4% acaroni Grill ıghorn Steakl Toys "R" Us - 3% Under Amour -Olive Garden -Outback - 8%* he Home Depot zza Ranch - 8%¹ ottery Barn - 8% pa Murphy's Pizza ında Express oters - 10% * neels - 8%* nera Bread -HOLY FAMILY
Farly Learning Center Holy 402-367-3062 18+ month nrollment penings Family

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.**

Assumption Church

1821 38th Road David City, Nebraska 68632



Pastor: Fr. Brian Connor, V.F. fr.brian-connor@cdolinc.net

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Tony Schukei fr.tony-schukei@cdolinc.net

In Residence: Fr. Michael Ventre **CAO Aquinas Catholic Schools**



"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to Parish App: text stmaryccapp to 833-245-6541 God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17

Parish Email: stmarysdavidcity@gmail.com Facebook: @stmarysdavidcity

Website: 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: 6:45 PM)

Daily School Mass: 8:00AM

Sat. 8:00 AM

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. Peter, Bellwood; Sts. Peter & Paul, Abie; Sacred Heart, Shelby; & St. Wenceslaus, Bee.

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) Dawn Jakub (367-8233) Jennifer Hein (360-1108) 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. Sarah Zook: (pre-K - 5th 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

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. 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) Carly Eller (402-270-4590) Ashley Witmer (402-367-2323) Mindy Schawang (367-8280) Misty Havlovic (367-3726)

Assumption Parish Council of Catholic Women

Jill Pokorny (402-367-8842) Judy Polacek (402-367-3560) Laura Cox (402-367-9588)

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.

December 15, 2024 - Gaudete(Third) Sunday in Advent - St. Mary Church, David City / Assumption, Appleton

MASS INTENTIONS THIRD WEEK IN ADVENT						
Mass Time	<u>Intention</u>	Requested By				
Monday, December 16 - Advent Weekday						
6:20 AM	Margaret Klenda +	Greg Eller Family				
8:00 AM	John L. Sabata +	Rita Sabata				
5:30 PM	Louis & Edmee Cermak +	Kay Adamy				
Tuesday, December 17 - O Sapientia (O Wisdom)						
6:20 AM	Melvin Brichacek +	Brichacek Family				
8:00 AM	Bill & Jeanne Kee Family	Kee Family				
5:30 PM	Maxine Aerts +	Chuck Mellen Family				
Wednesday, December 18 - O Adonai						
6:20 AM	Linda Jakub +	Becky Romshek				
8:00 AM	Joan Kovar +	Rose Pflum				
6:45 PM	Martha Ebel +	Sharon Reisdorff				
Thursday, December 19 - O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse)						
6:20 AM	Martha Brabec +	Brabec Family				
8:00 AM	NO MASS	NO SCHOOL				
5:30 PM	Eugene & Darlene Divis +	Divis Family				
Friday, December 20 - O Clavis David (O Key of David)						
6:20 AM	Lenny Vidlak +	Karen Smaus				
8:00 AM	NO MASS	NO SCHOOL				
5:30 PM	Donald J. Hilger +	Sandy Hilger				
Saturda	y, December 21 - O Oriens (O Dawn of the East)				
8:00 AM	Zelie Riha +	Jerod Riha Family				
Anticipated Mass for Sunday						
5:00 PM	Duane Svoboda +	Svoboda Family				
Sunday, December 22 - Fourth Sunday in Advent						
8:00 AM	Pro Populo	For The People				
9:00 AM Assumption	Irene Svoboda +	Svoboda Family				
10:00 AM	Joe Reisdorff +	Sharon Reisdorff				

The Fall Scrap Metal Drive brought \$1165.56 for our parish, with the total for the year thus far of \$3836.12. Thanks to all who donated. Reminder: we haul Scrap Metal all year around. Please call Kent Longenecker 367-4627 or Tom Reisdorff 367-7968 with questions or to have metal pickup arranged.

Saint Luke Shrine, Loma will offer Mass on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 2pm. The Ostry family will sing Christmas hymns 30 minutes before Mass. Church Cleaning: PCCW will be thoroughly cleaning the church for the Christmas Season on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 1pm. All are invited to help, as many hands make easy work. Please bring extra rags, brooms, vacuums, mops, steam mops, etc for this big project. Come one, come all and make the church shine for the Birthday of Christ our Savior.

"Let not your hand be open to receive and clenched when it is time to give." Matthew: 10:8					
ST. MARY TITHE - DAVID CITY - December 8, 2024					
Sunday Collection:	\$16,224.42				
Weekly Budget	\$16,923.00				
Actual YTD (22 weeks):	\$312,519.41				
YTD DEFICIT:	-\$59,786.59				
ASSUMPTION TITHE - APPLETON					
Sunday Collection:	\$1,234.00				
Weekly Budget	\$1,307.00				
Actual YTD (22 weeks):	\$37,130.76				
YTD SURPLUS:	\$8,376.76				

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House Fall & Winter schedule: go to goodcounselretreat.org. or call 402-786-2705 Upcoming Retreats: Dec. 12-15: Regnum Christi Men's Spiritual Exercises - Fr. Daniel Wilson; Dec. 20-21: Advent 24hr Retreat: A 24hr retreat on popular Advent & Christmas hymns for men & women - Fr. Gary Coulter. Dec. 15-22: Ignatian Retreat - 4 day or 8 day - Fr. Barak, Fr. Coulter;

Holy Innocents Mass Memorial: A memorial Mass for those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. All are invited. Sat. Dec. 28th at 7pm, John XXIII Diocesan Chapel. Reading of children's names will begin at 6:30pm Please call the Office of Family Life at 402-473-0620 to submit

Traveling Chalice will be in the Greg Aschoff household from December 15 - December 21. Please call Kathleen Deavers to schedule the traveling chalice for your home.

Christmas Eve Mass at St. Mary's will be at 4pm in an effort to provide more time and accommodate for family gatherings on that

15th & Dec. 22nd.

Youth Choir: will be offered at the Christmas Eve 4pm Mass by Nancy & Cheryl Kozisek. They are asking for anyone ages 6 thru high school to join them. You may contact them by text: Cheryl: 402-954-0049 or Nancy: 402-480-4304. Practices will be after 10am Mass on Dec

Christmas Flowers: Bring joy to everyone by purchasing a Christmas poinsettia. Use the envelope from your packet or mark an envelope and drop it into the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Please include your name, and note the name(s) of whom it is in honor (or memory). Deadline for names and money is Dec. 23.

O Antiphons: Composed in the sixth or seventh century, the O Antiphons are used in vespers (evening prayer) and the Masses for December 17-23. Each begins with a title for Christ, drawn from the Book of Isaiah, and the first letters of the titles in Latin are SARCORE. Read backward, that is *ero cras*, which means "Tomorrow I come" (or "shall be"). (Traditionally, feasts were said to begin on the eve of their celebration, so Christmas begins at sundown on Christmas Eve.)

Advent 24hr Retreat: A 24hr retreat, (Dec. 20-21) on popular Advent & Christmas hymns for men & women with Fr. Gary Coulter. Email OLGC at office@olgcretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

Liturgical Assignments: Weekend of December 21/22

Mass	Acolytes	Lector / Reader	Servers	Rosary
Saturday	R J	Sharon	Issac Hoelscher & Kyle Coufal	Sharon
5:00 pm	Hein	DeWispelare	Blake Hein & Case Hein	Smith
Sunday	Greg	Kathy	Colby Miller	Carm
8:00am	Eller	Jones	Noah Polacek & Turner Hartman	Fiala
Sunday	Jim Novacek	Deb	Simon & Gus Grady	Jim
10:00am	Mike Eller	Svec	Nathaniel Hain & Carter Emory	Redler

December Assignments St. Mary Church Cleaners: St. Mary Circle

St. Mary Cassock Cleaners:

Jenesis Emory & Angie Vandenburg

Assumption Cleaners:

Michelle Andel & Nicole Sylvester

Holy Hour Openings: There are **3 open** opportunities for Eucharistic adoration with our Lord, Jesus! Thursday at 3pm; Saturday at Noon, 3pm. "Are you ready for regular quiet time with Our Lord? Let Him fill you with His love in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. Consider a family or friends commitment to an hour where one or several can adore." Please prayerfully consider taking an hour. Contact Brenda Eller.

Seminarian of the Week: Matthias Clark, Propaedeutic Stage at Saint Gregory the Great Seminary, son of Richard & Melissa Clark of St. Michael Parish, Hastings. Please pray for Matthias and all who are studying for the priesthood.

Campaign Update: Through just one weekend, our Honoring Our Past campaign has received 92 pledge forms and has generated over \$540,000 in commitments. Thanks to all those who have already responded. Campaign pledges can continually be dropped in the collection basket, delivered to the parish office, or returned in the

If another campaign packet is needed, please call the parish office. Mission Trip: Fr. Carson Kain and Hope of the Poor will be leading a Mission Trip to Mexico City January 23-28. For more information, contact St. Mary parish office for Fr. Kain's phone number. Garage sale time will be here before you know it. We want to let you know about a change for the 2025 garage sale: We will NOT be accepting ADULT/TEEN clothing or coats. We will still continue to accept baby to kids size 10/12 and all Aquinas clothing. Thank you! FunRaising Committee updates: Mark your calendars for the Garage Sale on Feb. 8-9 and Variety Show on April 26! Ideas are being discussed for other fun events over the winter months so stay tuned! The group is making plans to replace the St. Mary sign outside of church. Thanks for your support of the FunRaising activities! Christmas Decorating will be held on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 2:00. All are welcome to come help beautify our church for the birth of Christ.

Coffee and Rolls and PCCW Bake Sale will be held after both

Sunday Masses on December 15 in the school gym. FCSLA will match all proceeds up to \$600. All are welcome! PCCW Members please remember to pay your dues. Thank you! Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage to Italy: Travel with Fr. Craig

Doty, Oct. 18-28, 2025, Cost is \$5,299.00. When registering please reference trip #1140. Email anthony@proximotravel.com

SCRIP: Scrip is a program that remits a percentage of the purchase back to the entity selling. Both Aquinas and St. Mary Parish sell SCRIP. Gift cards make quick and easy Christmas gifts. There are order forms in the back of Church for Aquinas' SCRIP program. Holy Family: Early Learning Center has immediate openings for full -time and part-time children who are 18 months or older. Please contact Kristy at 402-367-3062 or kristy-andel@cdolinc.net for more information.

Assistant Pastor's Corner

Dear St Mary's & Assumption Parishioners,

Gaudete Sunday: Rejoice in the Lord always, I say again Rejoice. After last weekend's warm weather in the 60s, it is now cold. One nice thing is smelling the woodburning as I walk the streets.

Although I still have some work to do, I feel relieved that our Securing our Future Campaign had commitment Sunday last week, and I am glad to report the good news today. We had 92 pledges for \$540,000. Praise God, we are off to a very good start. I opened each one and could see a lot of sacrificial giving and love for God and the Church of St Mary's. Obviously, we are asking you to pray and think about what you can do, over and above your annual giving. It will be such a blessing to pay off our debt, build our cash reserve and grow our endowment. We have included each donor in the attachment and will update each week as pledges are turned in. I hope that everyone will return the pledge sheet either in the collection, mail or to the rectory. God bless you all!

I am thrilled that we have 26 people attending the Unbound Retreat held in our Didier Room this weekend. I attended last year and experienced healing from it. It was just three weeks ago, that we only had three committed. The Holy Spirit went to work on hearts and many were opened. I want to thank Kathy Engel for encouraging us, Sr. Mary for helping organize and Frs. Holoubek and Coulter and the prayer teams for coming to offer the retreat. May God intimately bless each person attending.

Last week I was asking for prayers for a nephew's wife who recently learned their baby was very tiny at 10% of the scale and possibly distressed due to umbilical cord issues. She was induced two weeks early on Tuesday and born healthy on Wednesday at just over 4 lbs and named Margaret Elizabeth. She and her mother Maureen are doing fine and I thank you for your prayers.

Confessions: we will have five priests here on Sunday at 4 p.m. to hear confessions. Please come and take advantage of their presence to prepare your hearts and souls thru this Sacrament. Nowadays, it is rare where confessions are as readily available at a Catholic Church as they are at St Mary's. Remember, a Catholic must go to confession at least once per year to consider himself a practicing Catholic.

At Gloria Deo in Lincoln I picked up The Eight-Minute Flight, the newly published miraculous story of the boy who chose Earth instead of Heaven, by Derek Ruth. Derek was in 6th grade when I came to North American Martrys and had his traumatic brain injury during a MS football game on Sept 6, 2008. I came to know him and his marvelous family, Royce and Jen (Mackovicka) Ruth and four brothers. The story is one of faith, courage, family, love and sports. I recommend the inspirational book. One point Derek makes is how blessed he is to have the parents, grandparents, family and community support which aided such a successful recovery. You can feel the mother's love of Jen and the Blessed Virgin, to whom "D money" has always been very devoted to. The book is all Derek but also from the family perspective.

Sincerely in Christ, FBC.