

**Assumption Church**  
1821 38th Road  
David City, Nebraska 68632



**Pastor:** Fr. Brian Connor, V.F.  
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fr.tony-schukei@cdolinc.net

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

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**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.

**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



**Honoring Our Past**

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: 6:45 PM)

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) 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 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) (367-3669)

Mr. Spencer Zysset: (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade) (367-3175)

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

**Bulletin Information: (Due 2pm Wednesday)**

stmarysdauidcity@gmail.com

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

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TEACHER APPRECIATION WITH *scrip*

TRAVEL WITH *scrip*

over 500 brands can be purchased on raiseright.com or through the RaiserRight app

email Laura at laura-adair@cdolinc.net for the enrollment code

Contact Nancy Vrbka at 402-367-8835

**PHYSICAL SCRIP AVAILABLE AT**  
**Aquinas MS/HS Office** Mary's Rectory  
normal office hours **8:00 AM to 5:00 PM**  
**Monday - Friday**

It is very fitting that we celebrate

Mother's Day during the Marian month.  
As we honor the Mother of God,  
our spiritual mother,

we also honor our earthly mothers.

Totus Tuus (Totally Yours)  
June 22-June 27, 2025

Summer catechetical youth program at St. Mary's Parish  
Join us for a fun and faith-filled week at Totus Tuus! The day program is for 1st - 8th graders at Aquinas Elementary. The evening program is for 9-12th graders at the MS/HS.

Get all the details, as well as the registration form, on St. Mary's Church website: stmarysdauidcity.org

Need MS/HS students to help with the day program...great way to get ahead on service hours!  
Contact Heather or Sr. Mary at the Parish Office 402-367-3579 for more info or any questions.

The month of May is dedicated to Mary, our Mother.  
Please join us in praying the Rosary Monday - Friday at 12:05pm at St. Mary's.  
An intention will be for Pope Leo.



Check out Youth Camps in the Diocese of Lincoln  
<https://www.lincolndiocese.org/camps/camps>

Camp Kateri: Sky Camp (grades 4-6), Sky Games (grades 7-8), Sky High (grades 9-12)

Diocesan Canoe Trip  
#1 July 6-8 | #2 July 8-10

**18+ month**

**Holy Family Enrollment Openings**

Our early learning center provides a welcoming environment for your child to learn, grow, and develop in a nurturing and safe space.

- Early Education
- Outdoor Activity
- Faith

**HOLY FAMILY**  
Early Learning Center  
402-367-3062

8221 St. David City  
<https://openings.webdms.com/childcare/>

**AQUINAS CATHOLIC CLASS OF 2025**

**BACCALAUREATE MASS**  
**WEDS, MAY 14 AT 7:00PM**

**GRADUATION CEREMONY**  
**SUN, MAY 18 AT 4:30PM**  
AQUINAS CATHOLIC NORTH GYM

# May 11, 2025 - Fourth Sunday in Easter (Mother's Day) - St. Mary Church, David City / Assumption, Appleton

## MASS INTENTIONS FOURTH WEEK IN EASTER

Mass Time	Intention	Requested By
<b>Monday, May 12 - Saints Nereus, Achilleus &amp; Pancras</b>		
6:20 AM	Joan Kovar +	Alice Kobza
8:00 AM	Scott Cartwright	Joe Hall Family
5:30 PM	Eva Cabrales +	Kay Adamy
<b>Tuesday, May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima</b>		
6:20 AM	Mary & Wilfred Vanderheiden +	Diane Enloe
8:00 AM	Mary Jo Ventre +	Fr. Ventre
5:30 PM	Marcy Svoboda +	Ila Gabel
<b>Wednesday, May 14 - Saint Matthias, Apostle</b>		
6:20 AM	Russ Hilger +	Rachel Black
8:00 AM	Matthew Stoll +	Doris Stoll
5:30 PM <small>Note: time change</small>	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>AQUINAS BACCALAUREATE</b>
<b>Thursday, May 15 - Saint Isidore</b>		
6:20 AM	LeRoy Topil +	Frank Dailey Family
8:00 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>No School</b>
5:30 PM	Eugene Divis +	Divis Family
<b>Friday, May 16 - Easter Weekday</b>		
6:20 AM	Patrick Pflum +	Pflum Family
8:00 AM	Norma Kozisek +	Mark Holoubek Family
5:30 PM	Dutch & Vivian Tatro +	Joe Bechtel Family
<b>Saturday, May 17 - Easter Weekday</b>		
8:00 AM	Poor Souls +	Ron Lyons Family
<b>Anticipated Mass for Sunday</b>		
5:00 PM	Eugene Brecka +	Sharon Brecka
<b>Sunday, May 18 - Fifth Sunday in Easter</b>		
8:00 AM	Pro Populo	For the People
9:00 AM <b>Assumption</b>	Poor Souls +	Vic Pokorny Family
10:00 AM	Wilma Kobza +	Stephanie Crowley

**Prayer for Pope Leo XIV** Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and Vicar of Christ, build your Church into a sacrament of unity, love and peace for all the world. Amen.

**Our Lady of Good Counsel** Retreat House presents Ignite **the Fire Fest at the Oaks**, a Corpus Christi Encounter and Music Festival featuring VOTA, Saturday June 21. <https://goodcounselretreat.org/ignite>.

***"Let not your hand be open to receive and clenched when it is time to give."***

***Matthew: 10:8***

<b>ST. MARY TITHE - DAVID CITY - May 4, 2025</b>	
<b>Sunday Tithe:</b>	<b>\$12,698.75</b>
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	\$16,923.00
<b>Actual YTD (43 weeks):</b>	\$661,477.46
<b>YTD DEFICIT:</b>	<b>-\$66,211.54</b>
<b>ASSUMPTION TITHE - APPLETON</b>	
<b>Sunday Tithe:</b>	<b>\$1,010.00</b>
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	\$1,307.00
<b>Actual YTD (43 weeks):</b>	\$66,051.69
<b>YTD SURPLUS:</b>	<b>\$9,850.69</b>

### **Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House Spring schedule:**

Visit: [goodcounselretreat.org](http://goodcounselretreat.org) to register for any of our retreats!

**St. Mary Cemetery** committee is in the process of having a contractor straighten some of the leaning monuments. If you have a family member whose monument needs attention and are interested in knowing the cost or would like to be added to the list, please contact one of the committee members. An estimate will be provided before work is started. The committee is aware that there are monuments that need work but have no living relatives to help with the cost. If you would like to help with these monuments please reach out to a committee member or put a donation in a envelope marked *St. Mary Cemetery* in the collection. We hope these repairs will be done in Spring or early summer. Contact Fr. Connor, Roy Lyons, Ray Kobza, Greg Eller, Dan Smith, Mike Eller or Bob Moravec.

**TOTUS TUUS (Totally Yours):** a summer catechetical youth program, is being held June 22-28. The day includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games and recess. K-8 meet 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at Aquinas Elementary School. High school youth meet at Aquinas Middle/High School, Sunday-Thursday 6:30-8:30 pm. TOTUS TUUS combines catechesis and having FUN!!! The youthfulness and energy of the team is contagious, come out and join us!!! Participants in the grade school program should bring a sack lunch and recess equipment. Registration form is on the Parish Website. Cost is \$20 / student or \$50 / family. Many volunteers are needed: <https://tinyurl.com/SMC-TT-2025>  
**May 11** we will offer coffee and rolls with bake sale after Sunday Masses. It is also an opportunity to come fill out your CSA card. We will also celebrate the **graduates** from the parish after the 10:00 Mass. Please join us in the school gym.

**Ladies** (PCCW): please Bring 1 dozen baked goods or \$10 donation to the gym before 8 AM Mass on 5/11

**St. Mary PCCW** will meet on Monday, May 12 at 6pm in the Didier Room. All ladies are invited to attend.

**Dr. Ray Guarendi will be touring Nebraska** A familiar name to Spirit Catholic Radio listeners is coming to Lincoln this June. Catholic speaker, host of *"The Dr. Is In"* radio show, author, and family therapist, **Dr. Ray Guarendi**, will tour the state of Nebraska giving different talks at four stops **June 2-5**. Dr. Ray has made appearances on: The Oprah Winfrey Show, CBS This Morning, The Joan Rivers Show, Jenny Jones, and The 700 Club. You can hear *"The Dr. Is In"* weekdays from Noon-1 pm CT on Spirit 102.7 FM. In Lincoln, Dr. Ray will speak on: *"Standing Strong as a Parent and Grandparent"*. His talk will begin at **7 p.m. on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**, at the Pius X Catholic School gym. Books will be for sale before, during, and after his talk. **Tickets are only \$5 or 5 for \$20** and available at [spiritcatholicradio.com/drray](http://spiritcatholicradio.com/drray). We hope to see you on June 5<sup>th</sup>

## **Liturgical Assignments: Weekend of May 17/18**

Mass	Acolytes	Lector / Reader	Servers	Rosary
<b>Saturday 8:30 pm</b>	Andrew Buresh	Karey Adamy	Gus Grady, Tristan & Trey Davis	Sharon Smith
<b>Sunday 8:00am</b>	Spencer Jakub	Carm Fiala	Luke Hovorka Colby Miller & Emmett Kadavy	Hovorka Family
<b>Sunday 10:00am</b>	John Wehrs Mike Eller	Jim Novacek	Carter Emory, Austin Pracheil Gus & Sam Yindrick	KC Choir

### **3 Holy Hour Openings: Saturday at 5pm; Sunday at 1am and Tuesday at 4am.**

"Prayerfully consider an hour to spend with the real Jesus. Talk to Him like your personal friend, because He is. One hour per week is a very small commitment for all He has done and continues to do for us who are so unworthy of this unconditional love. Trust in Him that He will make your hour with Him possible and fruitful. Additionally, we have an adoration committee to help find replacements or swaps. Trust in Him. Contact **Brenda Eller**.

**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](mailto:anthony@proximotravel.com)

**Mass Intention Reminders:** suggested stipend, \$10 per Mass. Please make checks out to St. Mary or Assumption Church. **Sundays in 2025** are filling up fast, and we will do our best to schedule when requested or as close to the date as possible. **It is also possible that some Masses may be sent out to other priests requesting additional Masses to fill their schedules.** Thank you for your understanding.

**Dinner / Variety Show** – Here's a shout out to everyone who helped make our Nautical Nonsense 9<sup>th</sup> Dinner / Variety Show a success! Thanks to the talented performers, workers, dessert donors, advertisers, Aquinas HS, Buresh Catering, those on stage and those behind the scene who all did an amazing job! There were countless hours put into planning the show, but we still had such a fun time preparing for it and hope you all enjoyed the evening! Proceeds will be used to purchase an exterior church sign (which will be ordered soon!). FunRaising Committee

**Traveling Chalice** will be in the **Alan Zavodny** household from May 11 - May 17. Please call Kathleen Deavers to schedule the traveling chalice for your home.

**Rosary** prayed Mon-Fri 12:05pm all through May for the new Pope. **Theology on Tap – May 22<sup>th</sup>** – The last gathering before Fr. Schukei ships out. Come join us in the backyard of the rectory for some socializing, good brews, and some theology! You are encouraged to bring your own beverages. Come hang out and socialize starting at 7pm with the talk beginning at 7:30pm. Theme: TBA

**Wednesday** evening Mass time has returned to 5:30 pm. Note there is no Wednesday evening Mass this week due to Baccalaureate.

**CSA Updates:** Week 1 at St. Mary's has returned \$17,905; Assumption \$300. Thank you for your generosity. CSA cards are still available and can be picked up this weekend in the gym, later at the parish office. They can be dropped off any time at the Parish office or in the collection baskets.

**Bible Studies** with Sr. Mary are done for this year. Thank you to all who attended. If you have any requests or insights for what you would like to see next year, give Sister a call! She will be in the office daily until May 22.

**Scrap Metal Drive** Trailer will be in the church parking lot from May 18-24. All metal welcome EXCEPT refrigerators/freezers.

## **May Assignments**

### **St. Mary Church Cleaners:**

St. Anne Circle

### **St. Mary Cassock Cleaners:**

Laura Adair

Andra Pracheil

### **Assumption Cleaners:**

Jill Pokorny

Joan Svoboda

## **Assistant Pastor's Corner**

Dear St Mary's and Assumption Parishioners,

And just like that we are in the full swing of spring! Everything is green and out of dormancy, things are blooming, and pollen is in the air. This is a time of much change. (It even is in the Church having our new Pope! Keep praying for Pope Leo XIV as he begins his pontificate.) Our seniors are finishing up their time in high school and excited about what next year has in store for them. We have some couples and families preparing and eagerly awaiting marriage celebrations. On a personal note, I feel as though it is a time of much change as we are wrapping up the school year, CCD, OCIA, spring landscape work, and wrapping up loose ends here as I prepare to finish my last month at St. Mary's. On the other hand, I am beginning to get an understanding of what my next parish assignment will entail, start my work to help participate with Biking for Babies this summer again, and figure out what I will be teaching at Pius X in Lincoln. Needless to say, I feel as though there is much transition in my life right now.

Maybe you are in a similar place. Maybe your schedule or your immediate responsibilities or priorities are changing. Naturally we find ourselves planning for the future. But the challenge is to not live there. I want to leave you with two things from my reflection on my current situation which I have to keep reminding myself. First, although it is necessary to be future oriented and prudently planning for the future, do not let that keep you from living and receiving the good of the present. God might be outside of time...but we are not. We only live in the present, so let's not miss what God has in store for us here. Secondly, do not spend the present fearing the future. I have my own valid concerns about what I might think could be difficult or unfavorable that I foresee in my future assignment. We ought to use our reason to acknowledge our concerns, but then work to be open minded and ask for the grace to trust that God will be present in those situations **when they come**. I cannot predict the future, so why catastrophize, wasting my present energy and time on something that might not ever come.

Bottom line, let's seek to trust God in the transitions of life and strive to live in the present...even when the future keeps demanding much of our attention. I pray you and I may be able to experience the good that God has put before us today, and working against the temptation to live in the future. I look forward to this last month of my current assignment receiving all that God desires for me in it.

In Christ,

Fr. Schukei