


**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**
JANUARY 2 THRU JANUARY 8

Monday	Herb & Carmella Kupfer
Tuesday	Carm Hacker
Wednesday	LaWray Kinsella
Thursday	Fred Ostransky
Friday	Fr. Matt Gutowski
Saturday	Bill Urbanski
Sunday	People of St. Joseph

CLOSING THE BOOKS

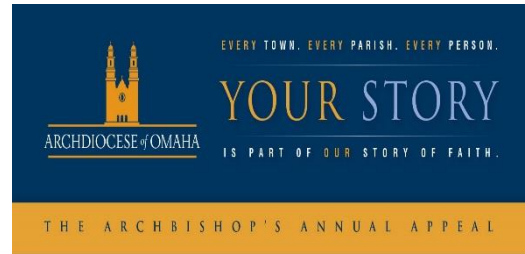
Just a friendly reminder, we will be closing the books for 2016 on January 15. If you want to make any contributions for this year's tax purposes keep in mind that the monies must be in no later than January 15.

Annual Pro-Life Mass & Nebraska Walk for Life.

The Nebraska Catholic Conference and Bishops' Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities invite you to this year's Pro-Life Mass and Nebraska Walk for Life on Saturday, Jan. 14th, in Lincoln. The Mass begins at 9 am at St. Mary's Church (located to the north of the State Capitol) and will be celebrated by Most Rev. George J. Lucas, Archbishop of Omaha. The Walk (sponsored by Nebraska Right to Life) begins at 10 am on the north side of the State Capitol. Join in this important public witness to defend the human dignity of the innocent unborn child.

SEMINARY COLLECTION

The Seminary Collection will be held the weekend of January 7 – 8, 2017. The Archdiocese of Omaha is currently blessed with twenty-seven men studying for the Priesthood. We humbly ask for your continued prayers, sacrifices and generous financial support.



"Our Story of Faith." As we celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ during this Christmas season, we remember that the Son of God born in Bethlehem is our greatest gift as he came to be our Savior in our human flesh. Likewise we are to make our our lives gifts back to our Lord. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that I am making a gift of myself back to Him? If you have not already done so, please consider a meaningful gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal to help the archdiocese build the Kingdom of God.! As of December 26, 2016, St. Joseph parishioners and our pastor have made pledges totaling \$16,701.25. We are at 91.7% of our goal of \$18,217.19 that the Archdiocese challenged us to give as a parish. If you want to return your pledge here at the parish you can put your pledge card in an envelope marked "Annual Appeal" and put it in the collection, mail it to the parish, or mail it to the Archdiocese. If you need a pledge card please contact Sharon VanTassell or Fr. Gutowski. Thank you to all who have given to the Annual Appeal thus far and to those who will be giving. May Our Lord bless you for your generosity!

