



St. Michael Catholic Church

Sunday Mass - 8 am

Wednesday Mass - 5 pm

Ron† and Maxine Dohmen

Confessions -

Second Wednesday of the month after Mass

Fourth Sunday of the month after Mass

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The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be.” (JN 1:1) How beautiful that Mother Church provides these first words of John’s Gospel, so timeless and deep, to help us reflect on the awesome nature of God as we close out another calendar year. In the beginning—before any of our days were numbered, before human beings existed, before God separated light from darkness (Genesis 1: 3-4)—Our Lord is. In our world, time passes, we grow old, and everything is in flux, so we draw consolation from the truth that God never changes. He loved us just as much before the world was created as he does today, and will for all eternity. How blessed we are, mere creatures, to be so beloved by the Creator of all!

Lest we settle for being mere creatures, John reminds us that we have “been given the power to become children of God.” We are required only to accept him, to believe in his name, and to be born “not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man’s decision but of God.” Our divine filiation merits us unique spiritual gifts and graces from the moment of our baptism to our final breath. For our part, we honor our God with love and obedience, desiring with our whole heart this most intimate relationship. Our inheritance as children of God is nothing less than Heaven, tastes of which we can savor right here and now.

John the Baptist was called by Jesus the greatest man born of a woman (Matthew 11:11), as the bridge between the Old and New Testaments, the person entrusted with preparing the way for the coming of the Messiah, and the prophet who was honored to proclaim Jesus “Lamb of God” at his baptism. John’s mission was lofty, of eternal significance. To be appointed by God to such a position in salvation history would be daunting. Yet, in the economy of salvation, each of us has an important and unrepeatable role to play. We probably don’t dress in hair shirts or eat locusts, but we are nevertheless called to witness to our faith in uncomfortable ways. As this year begins, let’s reflect on the witness we have given and look ahead, begging God to make his will known in the new year.

God bless,
Fr. Cory Rohlfing

Welcome to all those visiting us today. We invite everyone to continue to celebrate Mass with us at St. Michael's. Please let the parish office know if we can be of assistance to you.

CONTRIBUTIONS

January 2, 2022

Adult Envelopes: \$ 709.00
Loose Plate: \$ 54.00

Saints of the week

January 13 - St. Hilary

Divine Mercy Mass schedule:

Sunday - 8 am, 10 am,
12 pm (Spanish), 5 PM
Monday - 5:30 pm
Tuesday - 8:30 am
Wednesday - 8:30 am IC
10:30 am IC
Thursday - 8:30 am
Friday - 8:30 am
Saturday - 8:30 am, 4 pm

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

January 16

Reader: Penelope Parrish
Ushers: Tom Coffman & Keith Schrader
Servers: Serenity Overholt & Ryan LaCanne

January 23

Reader: Lou Breimhurst
Ushers: Marv Donkers & Tim Donkers
Servers: Mark Mund & Greyson Overholt

January money counters:

Lisa Karl & David Mund

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

January 12 - Confessions 5:30 pm

January 17 - Parish Council 7:00 pm

January 23 - Confessions 9:00 am

February 9 - Confessions 5:30 pm

February 27 - Confessions 9:00 am
Mardi Gras Bingo 2:00 pm

March 2 - Ash Wednesday Mass 7:00 pm

We pray for all our parishioners, families and friends who are in need of physical or spiritual healing, especially, Anne Haynes, Bryce Young, Don Graunke, Marian Spindler, Donna Hollund, Mike "Mac" McDonald, and Dorothy Pohlman.

We pray for those in the Armed forces, especially Sergio Jr & Angela Rodriguez, Zury Hoaglund, and Zane Hoaglund.

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Parking Lot Campaign

We ask that you continue to prayerfully discern if you can contribute to this campaign.

Current amount in fund: \$40,500.

