



St. Michael Catholic Church

Sunday Mass - 8 am

Communion Service - Wednesday at 5 pm

followed by Adoration until 6:30 pm

Confessions -

Second Wednesday of the month after Mass

Fourth Sunday of the month after Mass

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022

“The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath” (Luke 6:5). A Christian paradox is that even though Jesus is God and holds the same authority as God the Father, he does not seek to do his own will, but only the Father’s will. He acts with perfect obedience, even unto death: “And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross” (Philippians 2:8). Being obedient to the Father’s will is necessary for all Christians: “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 7:21). We can imitate Jesus’ obedience by spending time in silent prayer to hear and discern the Father’s will for us. Then we can sing with David, “I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart” (Psalm 40:8). When we are obedient, we demonstrate our love for God: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments” (John 14:15). Obedience to God’s will also brings us peace. French bishop and theologian Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet wrote, “The divine will gives us repose through our own actions and when we do what is required of us.” In other words, when we do what God wills in our lives, we can be at peace, resting in the knowledge that we are being obedient to his plan—he who always wills what is good for us and others.

Jesus Christ has authority over all of God’s creation as the second person of the Holy Trinity. He has been given authority to heal and cast out demons. God the Father has given him authority as the just judge of all creation. The Catechism teaches, “Christ is Lord of eternal life. Full right to pass definitive judgment on the works and hearts of men belongs to him as Redeemer of the world. He ‘acquired’ this right by his cross” (CCC 679). It was precisely by his obedience to the cross that he received the right to be our judge. Jesus also has been given authority over life itself. God is the author of all human life. “Author” is the root word of “authority.” The one who creates a story is the one who owns it; he or she is the author. God is our author; ergo, he holds ultimate authority over us. In fact, God the Father shares all his authority over creation with the Son. Jesus told his Apostles after his Resurrection, “All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to me” (Matthew 28:18). The Father “raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all” (Ephesians 1:20-23).

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.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

April 10 - Palm Sunday

Reader: Bruce Chmelik
Ushers: Keith Schrader & Tim LaCanne
Servers: Allina Mendoza & Ryan LaCanne

April 14 - Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 pm

Reader: Lou Breimhurst
Ushers: Marv Donkers & Jason Hoaglund
Servers: Izzy Chmelik, Jett Smith,
Ryan LaCanne, & Serenity Overholt

April 15 - Good Friday Service 3:00 pm

Reader: Georgia Quamme
Ushers: Greg Dapper & Tim LaCanne
Servers: Greyson Overholt & Serenity Overholt

April 17 - Easter Mass 8:00 am

Reader: Laura Chmelik
Ushers: Tom Coffman & Tim Donkers
Servers: Allina Mendoza & Ryan LaCanne

April money counters:

John Smith & David Mund

Saints of the week

April 4 - St. Isidore
April 5 - St. Vincent Ferrer
April 7 - St. John Baptist de la Salle
April 8 - St. Julie Billiart

CONTRIBUTIONS

March 27, 2022

Adult Envelopes: \$ 1010.00
Loose Plate: \$ 71.00

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

April 6 - Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm
April 8 - Stations of the Cross 6:00 am
April 10 - Stations of the Cross 9:00 am
April 13 - NO Wednesday evening Mass
April 14 - Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 pm
Altar of Repose 8:00-10:00 pm
April 15 - Good Friday Service 3:00 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 Reymundo Ramirez.

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.



Adoration will be on Wednesday evening following the Communion Service. Please come and spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament.

Faith Formation Director Job Opening

St. Michael's is currently seeking a person to take over the responsibilities of the Faith Formation Director position. This position is approximately 6 hours a week but may require more certain times of the year.

Duties include: work with Faith Formation teachers, paperwork for Sacraments, curriculum development, recruit teachers, training sessions, available resource for all teachers/students, implement/plan Safe Environment, special programs/holidays throughout the year, compliance of teachers with the Essential 3, order items needed, registration, and other tasks as assigned.

For a complete job description, questions, or to apply please contact the parish office.



Are you interested in growing in solidarity with our Catholic brothers and sisters in our partnership diocese of Kitui, Kenya? St. Michael's parishioners are invited to participate in the Living Water program again this year, to "Give Change and Change Lives" for those in Kitui. Through prayer, reflection, and almsgiving, parishioners will have the opportunity to grow in understanding about our partnership diocese.

This year, we will help support the lives of Kenyan children through Living Water: give change to provide healthy water for drinking, food, healthcare, and hygiene - truly water for life. Your help is very important this year as drought conditions worsened in 2021. More information and water bottles are available in the atrium. Thank you for your continued support of the Kitui Living Water Program.

Parking Lot Campaign

Current amount in fund: \$41,600.

We are well underway in our current project of replacing the parking lot. The parking lot has been deteriorating rapidly the past few years and has come to the point where it is now a concern and in some places a hazard. We ask that you continue to prayerfully discern if you can contribute to this campaign.

Can you help lead the Rosary on Sunday mornings before Mass? Looking for people to lead beginning about 7:40 am on a substitute basis. Please contact the parish office if you can help with this ministry. Thank you.



Please keep our youth who will be Confirmed in May in your prayers.

Molly Bauer

Ryan LaCanne

Noah Bauer

Allina Mendoza

Isabella Chmelik

Greyson Overholt

Jenna Cook

Jett Smith

Creator Spirit, strengthen these youth with your gifts of grace, to love and serve as disciples of Christ. Grant that they may grow into the fullness of the stature of Christ. Fill them with the joy of your presence. Increase in them the fruit of your Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of love, patience and gentleness, the spirit of wonder and true holiness.

Lenten Schedule

Wednesday, April 6 - Communion Service 5:00 pm followed by Adoration and Stations of the Cross

Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday Mass 8:00 am, Stations of the Cross 9:00 am

Wednesday, April 13 - NO Wednesday evening Mass

Thursday, April 14 - Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 pm, Altar of Repose 8:00 - 10:00 pm

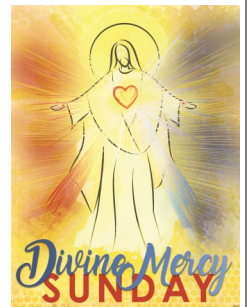
Friday, April 15 - Good Friday Service 3:00 pm

Sunday, April 17 - Easter Mass 8:00 am

Divine Mercy Catholic Church is having a Divine Mercy Mass on April 24th.

- 2 pm - 3 pm: Veneration of St. Faustina relic, confession, and adoration
- 3 pm - singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 3:30 pm - Holy Mass

All are welcome and invited!



Community Events/News

- You are invited to join the Church St. Michael's Lenten Fish Fries on Friday evenings during Lent serving from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM in the Community Room! Both baked & fried fish will be offered! Prices: adults \$12.00, children 5-12 \$6.00, and family maximum \$40.00. Take out available! Location: Church of St. Michael, 451 5th St. SW, Pine Island, MN 55963 Tel: 507-356-4280.
- St. John's UCC of Wheeling Township will present the annual Last Supper Drama on Palm Sunday, April 10 at 8 pm. This drama features a live presentation of Leonardo da Vinci's painting of the Last Supper. A monologue featuring each of the disciples and their relationship with Christ is also a part of the presentation.
- Please plan to attend the Pregnancy Options, all you can eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 14 from 7 -11am. Breakfast includes sausage, milk, juice, coffee and of course All You Can Eat Pancakes. Adults (11 and up) \$10 (\$11 at the door), children 4-10 \$6, and 3 and under free. You can purchase tickets from Kay Keller, 507-330-4559, call Gina at 332-7644, or in the St. Michael's parish office.

