

#### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM

#### **DAILY MASS TIMES**

Monday 7:30 AM Tuesday 6:30 PM Wednesday 7:45 AM Thursday 7:30 AM Friday 7:30 AM First Saturday 8:00 AM

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Saturday 7:30-9:00 AM, 3:30-4:45 PM (except during First Saturday Mass 7:45-8:30 AM) Sunday 5:00-5:45 PM Tuesday 5:15-6:15 PM Thursday 8:00-8:30 AM

#### BAPTISMS

Please call 763-497-2745 ext. 210 to register for class or contact Dcn. Steve Dupay at 612-219-4484 or <u>deacondupay@gmail.com</u> with questions or concerns.

#### WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

For more information, please contact Cindy Woitalla, Ministry Coordinator, at 612-470-4398.

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Do you have an event or ministry to share? Send a short bulletin article to Barb at <u>bulletineditor@stmcatholicchurc</u> <u>h.org</u> at least 10 days prior to the Sunday you want it published. Specify where else you would like it to appear (website, social media, gathering space screens), and Barb will forward it on. Staff reserves the right to edit or omit content based on space and parish priorities.

## January 9th, 2022



# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## -610-

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

#### Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

#### WELCOME, VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS!

We are blessed to have you with us and hope that you find a spiritual home here. To register for the parish, or if you have any questions or concerns, please call the parish office at 763-497-2745. We look forward to welcoming you in person!

#### **PARISH VISION**

St. Michael Catholic Church is a joyful Catholic community rooted in the transformative beauty of the Mass, the Eucharist and sacraments, and the wisdom of Church doctrine. Together, we are lifting hearts, minds and souls to God, and building the future of the Church by making Jesus Christ known and loved by every generation.

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# From the Desk of Bob Swift



### The Gift of Our Baptism

Peace and greetings to all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ on the Feast of

the Baptism of the Lord. Today's Gospel from St. Luke recalls the Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist in the Jordan river. This is a very significant moment in the life of Christ, and more broadly in the story of salvation history. For the first time in human history, the three persons of the Holy Trinity are revealed together in the voice of the Father, the Baptism of the Son, and the descent of the Holy Spirit. The Baptism of Jesus, and the revelation of the Holy Trinity, is so important that it's one of the few events in the life of Christ recorded in all four Gospels. St. Luke also tells us about John's declaration that "one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals." (Luke 3:16) John wants to be clear with the crowds coming out to him that he is not the promised Messiah. Instead, John points to Jesus from Nazareth, who has now come to him for Baptism, not because he is a sinner, but out of obedience to his heavenly Father. In this moment. Jesus gives us the gift of Baptism and establishes it as the doorway through which men and women will come to share in the very life of God. Because of this, Baptism is one of the greatest gifts any person can ever receive. Reflecting on the Baptism of Jesus, St. Ambrose taught that "The Lord was Baptized, not to be cleansed Himself, but to cleanse the waters, so that those waters, cleansed by the flesh of Christ which knew no sin, might have the power of Baptism."

Over the years I have been privileged to witness many baptisms. It is a great honor to be present when, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, another child is born anew into the family of God. Happiness fills the hearts of all who share in this decisive moment in the life of the one being baptized. This sacrament awakens us to the gift of new life and the promise of a hope-filled future. This is as it should be because something truly miraculous happens in the Sacrament of Baptism. The Church teaches that "Baptism not only purifies from all sins, but also makes the neophyte "a new creature," an adopted son of God, who has become a "partaker of the divine nature," member of Christ and co-heir with him, and a temple of the Holy Spirit." (CCC 1265) At Baptism, we pass from spiritual death into new life through the saving actions of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Being free from the bondage of sin, we begin the lifelong process of becoming a new creation in Christ, with the promise of eternal life for those who love him. If we stopped right there, we could probably all agree that receiving God's free gift of forgiveness, salvation, and new life might be enough. From God's perspective, however, it is not. He isn't simply interested in saving us from the darkness of sin – he has something grander in mind. In Baptism, he desires us so much that he adopts us as his very own. We are no longer orphans but truly sons and daughters of God. This is our real identity as the baptized! St. Paul describes the supernatural realities of our divine adoption in this way: "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ." (Rom. 8:14-17) Today, as we reflect on the Baptism of Jesus, let us rejoice in the gift of our own Baptism.

## Mass Time and Intentions - 2022

<b>Monday</b> , January 10	7:30 am	† Carmina Grace Flores
<b>Tuesday</b> , January 11	6:30 pm	† Alan & Delrae Mensen
<b>Wednesday</b> , January 12	7:45 am	† Frank, Helen & Barbara Barker
<b>Thursday</b> , January 13	7:30 am	† Harold Welter
<b>Friday</b> , January 14	7:30 am	† Harry & Martha Cool
<b>Saturday</b> , January 15	5:00 pm	† Loren & Gary Dehmer
<b>Sunday</b> , January 16	7:30 am	Parishioners
	9:00 am	† Bernice Schroeder
	11:00 am	† Deceased members of Dan Riley family
	6:00 pm	† Terry & Arlene Hadden

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**Trustees**, Steve Long and Kathy Rotenberger

# God, keep special watch over these men and women serving in our US military:



Carin Hanson Matthew Muntifering Brendan Miller Walter Scott Saxe Katherine Mary Saxe Ben Haller Francis Cain Jackson Gardner Tony Becker Joel Zachman Cassie Reichert Noah David Jefferey Jordan Kristy Jordan Lynzi K Emery Emily Wollney Carter Smiley Nick Gibson Ben Steele Jesse Bleed

## Pray for Priests

Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

January 10:	Fr. Balufu Basekela
January 11:	Fr. John Michael Bauer
January 12:	Fr. John James Bauer
January 13:	Fr. Roger Bauman
January 14:	Fr. Michael Becker
January 15:	Fr, Martin Beckmen
January 16:	Fr. Terry Beeson





#### Please join us in prayer for those in need:

Trent Maurer Lisa Mueller Dawn Cotterman Gladys Robeck Howard Wurm Mallory Lovelette Lisa Marx Beatrice Praught Lisa Gaulrapp Jacob H. Dennis Nelson Jan Paulsen Jodi Arns Glen Daleiden Barb Zachman

If you know of a parishioner who is hospitalized, sick or homebound, and you would like them added to the Prayer Chain please call Theresa Bistodeau at 763-497-2861 or Rita Bruner at 763-497-2547. If you would like to add a parishioner to this prayer list, please call the parish office at 763-497-2745.



## Prayer Ministry

The Prayer Ministry team is composed of parishioners gifted in praying for the release

of the Holy Spirit, intercessory prayer, words of knowledge, and praying for spiritual, emotional, and physical healing. Prayer teams are available to pray with you:

# Tuesday, January 11th & 25th after 6:30 pm Mass.

#### Sunday, January 9th - 9:00 am Mass.

In addition, individual private prayer is available and can be scheduled by calling 763-308-5003.

# Perpetual Adoration

Prayer partners needed throughout the week; please prayerfully consider:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	2:00 am, 3:00 am 2:00 am, 12:00 pm Noon 7:00 am, 2:00 pm 3:00 am, 11:00 pm
Friday	3:00 am, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm
Saturday	12:00 am Midnight, 2:00 am, 3:00 am, 5:00 am, 12:00 pm Noon, 1:00 pm, <b>3:00 pm URGENT</b> , 8:00 pm 1st Saturday, 8:00 pm 3rd Saturday, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm
Sunday	12:00 am Midnight, 3:00 am, 4:00 am, 12:00 pm Noon, URGENT, 2:00 pm

Please call Steve House at 612-968-8504 for more information or to sign up for any hour.

# **Parish News and Events**

## **Attention All Quilters & Sewers**

The Knotty Quilters' Group will begin our sewing season. Please join us starting on **Tuesday, January 11th from 1:00-4:00 pm**.

We meet in the choir room and welcome any newcomers to join us. For more information, contact Janet Carlquist at 763-497-2614.

# Mass and Prayer Service for the Unborn

Options for Women | Cornerstone is hosting a Mass and Prayer Service for the protection of the unborn. Please join us on **Saturday, January 22, 2022,** the 49th anniversary of the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court Decision, Roe v. Wade.

Recognizing the tragedy of legalized abortion still gripping our nation, we will observe this as a day of reparation with prayers for the legal protection of human life, works of mercy, and penance for the persistent violations of human dignity by the practice of abortion.

Fr. Brian Park will preside over Mass at 8:00am followed by adoration, rosary, and opportunity for confession. We will conclude with a light breakfast and fellowship at approximately 9:30 am. This will be held at St. Michael Catholic Church on Frankfort Parkway in St. Michael. Please join us in prayer as we strive to make abortion unthinkable. Call Cornerstone at 612-584-9449 with questions.

# Equipped for Life: Fresh Approach to Conversation about Abortion

#### Saturday, February 5th, University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul

This day of training, provided by National Pro-Life Leader Emily Albrecht through the Equal Rights Institute, will equip attendees with a large, successfully tested set of practical tools to use in future conversations. The **morning program runs from 9:00 am - Noon, followed by an afternoon program from** 

**1:00-4:00 pm**. Participate in both or just a partial day. Cost is \$15 for half-day, \$20 for fullday and \$10 per session for students (high school and college). Tickets are available at mncatholic.org/equippedforlife.

# Seminarian Alex Marquette to speak at Serra Meeting

The mission of Serra is to pray for, foster and affirm vocations. We seek to help the faithful understand that each person has a vocation and to support vocations to priesthood and religious life. The Serra Club of Wright County will meet at the Kings House in Buffalo on **Thursday, January 13th**.

Our meeting will start with a rosary in the Chapel at 5:10 followed by Mass at 5:30. Please bring your own sandwich, etc. to enjoy during our social time. At 7:00 pm, Alex Marquette from St. Timothy, Maple Lake will speak. Alex is in his first year of Theology at St. Paul Seminary. He will give us his vocation story and talk about life as a seminarian.

We welcome you to join us and learn more about the Serra Club of Wright County and our ministry. Please call Marian Meyer at 763-497-2371 or Kate Theisen at 952-955-1544 for more information. Also please visit Serra's website <u>www.serraus.org</u>



### An evening of prayer and healing with Father Brian Park

Please come and join us for a Healing Mass at St. Michael Catholic Church **Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.** 

Prayers for healing and prayer ministry begins after Mass. No registration needed. Any questions, please call the parish office at 763-497-2745.

# Thank You



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to Thank everyone that helped with the families in need this

Christmas. Thanks to your generosity we were able to help 19 families with a total of 44 children this year. Gifts were provided to each child thanks to those who shopped for them and a gift card was given to each family for them to purchase groceries for a nice Christmas dinner thanks to those who provided a cash donation. Thank you again for your help and donations. We could not do what we do without you, Thank you again and God Bless.

### YOU are Invited to The Temperament God Gave You Group

Do you sometimes think your husband's and children's behavior make no sense? You're not alone! When you join The Temperament God Gave You, a small group for Mothers of young children, you will be able to understand how to motivate your kids and resolve problems more easily with your family and friends. The group will meet twice per month January-May 2022. Contact Pam Kulas for more details <u>pamelakulas@yahoo.com</u> or 763-291-8210.

# **Sacraments**



**Carolyn Gale Winkler** Daughter of Steven & Danielle (Dani) Winkler

> Melody Jo Kessler Daughter of Adam & Sara Kessler

George James Zahler Son of Ben & Lauren Zahler

Asher Allen Luedtke Son of Carter & Kari Luedtke

Shane Michael Charmoli Son of Timothy & Jenna Charmoli

# Save the Date

## Lenten Mission with Dr. Edward Sri

Save the dates and plan to join us **March 23-24** for best-selling author and theologian Dr. Edward Sri. Four talks total - don't miss the change to learn from a great Catholic thinker and speaker!

# Advertiser of the Week - Thank You



# **Retreats**

### **Men's Retreat**

Looking for the perfect getaway? Let God meet you at a beautiful retreat location in Lake Elmo, MN. Join us for a Men's Silent Retreat at the Demontreville Jesuit Retreat House **January 20 – January 23**. he retreat begins Thursday evening and ends Sunday evening. Free will donations are accepted. For more information, call Bob Cardinal at (651) 398-1457 or check out the website <u>http://www.demontrevilleretreat.com</u>. Other retreat days are also available.

## **Spring Awakening Retreat**

Fr. Brian Park will be leading the next Awakening Retreat **February 25th-27th** at Dunrovin Retreat Center. Visit stmcatholicchurch.org/awakening for more information and to register.

## Women's Time of Reflection

The Women's Time of Reflection will be starting again this lent! We will be hosting a morning of reflection on **Saturday, March 19, 2022**, the feast of St. Joseph. Fr. Brian Park will be our keynote speaker. If you are interested in helping plan this event for the women of the parish, **please join us for a planning session on Tuesday, January 25th at 7:00 pm** in the gathering space. You can contact Patty at 612-220-6671 or email at patricia.washatka@gmail.com with guestions.

## Welcome. There is More to Life

#### Women's Retreat - March 26th - 27th Men's Retreat - May 14th - 15th

Retreats hosted at St. Albert's Parish Center To RSVP, please visit: https://forms.gle/ acMY6X5iuMtV4JAM9

All men and women from St. Albert and St. Michael Catholic Parishes are invited to attend the 2 day retreat. This is an over night retreat. All food will be provided. Pack an air mattress or cot, and sleeping bag or sheets & blanket(s), as well as your overnight bag and change of clothes.



The Family of Faith theme for 2021-2022 is the 4<sup>th</sup> Pillar of the Catechism "Christian Prayer." This year parents and children will be exploring prayer in all its dimensions through both scripture and tradition.

The *Winter Bible Study series "Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant".* The first class begins on Monday January 10th. Class sessions will be offered at both 8:00 am and 7:00 pm on most Mondays through March 21st. This study will explore the spiritual riches of the Book of Hebrews through video presentations, sacred conversation, and home study. The cost of the study is \$30.00 per person. Go to the parish website under the Bible Study tab to register.

#### **Dates for Upcoming Events:**

**Family of Faith Monthly Sessions** Monday, February 7th - 5:30 pm Wednesday, February 2nd - 6:30 pm

RCIA Class January 13th - 7:00-8:30 pm

**Encounter for Middle School Teens** January 10th – 7:00-8:30 pm

Hebrews Winter Bible Study Session #1 January 10th – 8:00 am and 7:00 pm

**1st Communion Class #4** February 13th - 3:30-5:30 pm

**Awakening Retreat** February 25-27th

## Winter Faith Camp

Join us for an amazing retreat experience for 8th-12th grade on **January 14-16, 2022** 

This retreat will be hosted by Camp Victory in Zumbro Falls. This camp experience will be full of dynamic talks, games, activities, prayer, Mass, Adoration and more! We encourage Dgroups to come together with their leader for a powerful group bonding experience, but is open to any high schooler!

**Registration closes January 10th.** Cost per teen is \$200.



#### <u>YOUTH MINISTRY PARENT NIGHT</u> January 30th - 7:00-8:00 pm.

St. Michael Gathering Space

#### 4th GRADE FUN NIGHT

January 10th at St. Albert's Parish Center from 6:30-8:00 pm. The night will be filled with awesome games, small groups, snacks, fun, and chances to learn about their faith! We suggest a \$3 donation that you can bring the night of!

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

**Middle School Open Youth Room January 27th - 6:00-8:00 pm,** 5th-7th Grade - St. Michael Youth Room

#### Friday Night Live - 5th & 6th Grade February 4th - 7:00-9:00 pm,

St. Albert Church. Please register to attend FNLs this year via your UltraCamp account. Contact Gabby or Zach with questions.

#### HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

**High School Night -Sunday, February 20th, 7:00-9:00 pm** at St. Albert's Parish Center. This night will have pizza, fellowship, dynamic talk, and prayer! Anyone 8th-12th grade is welcome. Bring a friend! Sign up is not required but we recommend it so we know how much pizza to get!

#### Discipleship Groups

8th grade D Group Meetings -Wednesday, January 12th & 26th, 7:00 - 8:30 pm guys groups at St. Michael Church and girls groups at St. Albert Parish Center.

**Open Youth Room - High School Sunday, February 6th, 7:00 - 9:00 pm** at the St. Michael Youth Room. Teens in grades 8 - 12 are welcome to come hang out with us!

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; Do not be discouraged, For the Lord your God Will be with you Wherever you go. - Joshua 1:9 -





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