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August 2, 2020

HE SAID THE BLESSING, BROKE THE LOAVES, AND GAVE THEM TO THE DISCIPLES.
—MT 14:19C

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME


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1:00 pm

Clergy:
Fr. Gerard Braun (Pastor)
Fr. Robert Keller
Deacon: John Bredemeier

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Moving?
New Phone?
Please remember to notify the Parish Office of any changes.

Email updates to: parishoffice@stmichaelsgf.com

Weekly Stewardship

July 26, 2020
Weekly Amount Collected .......... $18,542
Weekly Amount Needed .......... $20,925
Weekly Collection Deficit .......... ($2,383)

Year-To-Date Amount Collected $73,965
Year-To-Date Amount Needed $83,700
Year-To-Date Collection Deficit .......... ($9,735)

Annual Budget Goal ......................... $1,088,100

First Friday Adoration
Friday, August 7, 7:00 pm in the church. Come and spend some time with our Lord.

Blue Envelope Sunday
Today is “Blue Envelope Sunday” for the Altar Society Ladies. Funds are used to take care of sanctuary needs such as altar breads, linens, etc. Thank you for your donation!

Tuesday Adoration at St. Michael’s
Our parish offers Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday. Exposition begins after the 7:15 a.m. Mass, ending at 9:00 p.m. All are welcome to pray.

If you wish, you may also make a weekly commitment to prayer by going online to—Adoration Pro. This program makes it possible for you to sign up for an hour of adoration every week. The scheduling program is accessed by going online at this address: https://adorationpro.org/michaelnd

Mass Schedule Temporary Adjustment

While we await Deacon Grossman’s priestly ordination, August 8, 2020, we are making adjustments to our weekly Mass schedule. Here are the short-term, temporary changes:

Monday 5:15 p.m. Mass—cancelled thru Aug. 10

Communion Services (with Bishop Folda’s Permission)
Tuesdays at the 7:15 a.m. and Wednesdays at the 5:15 p.m. Masses thru August 11

Thank you for your understanding with the above accommodations. Again, these schedule changes are only temporary.

Employment

St. John’s Academy – Classroom Teacher
St. John’s Academy is seeking a qualified elementary classroom teacher for the 2020-21 school year. This is a full-time position that begins in August 17th, 2020. Applicants should possess the desire to positively contribute to an educational environment that is focused on the development of the whole child in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Additionally, applicants should possess knowledge of child growth and development, prescribed curriculum, current educational research and educational technology trends. Email Jeff Trumbauer, Principal, at jeff.trumbauer@k12.nd.us with a letter of interest, resume, two letters of professional recommendation and unofficial transcript. Must have a valid ND teaching license. Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled. Established in 1890, St. John’s Academy in Jamestown, North Dakota offers a Catholic education to over 200 Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten and K-6 students in the Jamestown area.
Deacon Jered Grossman to be ordained to the priesthood Saturday, August 8.

We are excited for the upcoming priestly ordination of Deacon Grossman. He will be the first one to tell you it has been a longer journey that he anticipated due to the delay of ordinations caused by the Virus.

The virus is still active, and unfortunately the ordinations will not be opened to the public. Fr. Grossman will be celebrating his first Mass in his hometown of Harvey, ND on Sunday August 10. I will be traveling to the community to concelebrate at his first Mass.

Please remember Deacon Grossman in your prayers, together with the other Deacon candidates, Riley Durkin and Eric Seitz. May our Lord bless these men with true and faithful hearts to serve the Church with love and devotion. Amen.

Thank you Jesse Zyskowski for seven wonderful years of ministry at St. Michaels!

I am saddened to share the news of Jesse’s resignation from St. Michaels parish staff. We have been blessed with his presence and we are grateful for the many gifts he has shared with us these past years.

Jesse has touched many people’s lives through his musical gifts at our Sunday Masses, funerals, weddings, directing our choir, and hosting joyful concerts in the parish. He has a wonderful eye for beauty setting up our liturgical environment and celebrating our liturgical seasons with great splendor and solemnity.

Jesse has a passion for sharing our Catholic faith which he did at our ministry workshops, Lenten days of renewal, sacramental preparation classes, and teaching our young people in our high school youth group. He inspired our youth on numerous pilgrimages to the annual Washington Right to Life march, and the summer Steubenville conferences.

Jesse’s gifts also included assisting and chairing our Winter Gala event, and he lent his hand helping keep our parish up to speed with internet technology and livestreaming. Jesse did a lot for St. Michaels. Again we are grateful for his ministry to us and sharing his great witness of faith. We will miss him. Please remember Jesse in your prayers as we ask our Lord to continue to guide him on the journey.

Jesse is attending his annual National Guard Training Camp this weekend. A farewell reception will be held on Sunday, August 23rd after the 9:00 am Mass on the front lawn of the church.

We will be restoring our daily Livestream Rosary at St. Michaels.

First I want to express our gratitude to those who already lead the rosary prior to our morning and some afternoon weekday Masses, and the Knights of Columbus who lead the rosary prior to our Sunday Masses 7:50, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.

In addition to the above times, I would also like to see our parish lead the Rosary Online at 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are seeking volunteers who would be willing to lead the rosary on a weekly basis. Two or three volunteers for each day would help insure a healthy rotation.

Please email Deacon John Bredemeier (john.bredemeier@stmichaelsgf.com) if you would be interested in assisting with leading prayers to our Blessed Mother. Thank you.

I offer my continued thanks for your donations to support St. Michaels during the past months of the COVID pandemic.

I understand many people are feeling the pinch due to layoffs and work reduction due to pandemic. During these times it is especially heartwarming to see so many continue to offer their donations in support of your parish. Thank you and God bless.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Please consider spending some time before our Lord in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We will continue to host our Monthly First Friday Adoration and our all-day adoration on Tuesday’s from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. America and our world needs prayer.

Due diligence for the security of St. Michaels Church buildings and grounds.

I do not believe in fanning the flames of fear, but I am concerned for the preservation of our sacred worship space and beautiful heritage of our faith community.

Considering the troubling vandalism that we are witnessing in pockets around the nation and world, we have felt it best to lock up our church after the 5:15 Mass, except for Tuesday’s Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 p.m. Thank you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr Gerard Braun
PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS
The Parish Office remains closed to the public, however the lobby doors are open to pick up/drop off items. Call ahead for Scrip!

*The office closes at 12:00 pm each Friday throughout the summer.*

Summer Office Hours
Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am-3:00 pm.
Fridays: 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon.
Closed Friday, July 3rd.

Wedding Banns
August 22:
Courtney Hancock & Elizabeth Gruman

Permanent Diaconate
Mr. Terrance Fischer has been approved for ordination to the permanent diaconate on
October 31, 2020 at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Fargo, ND

DIRECTIONS FOR ATTENDING MASS

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- **Wear a Mask** at all times, except when receiving Holy Communion (Masks not required for Children 2 & under)

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- **Sanitize your hands** when you come in the Church. Bring your own sanitizer from home if you have

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 3
5:15 pm  NO MASS

Tuesday, August 4
7:15 am  COMMUNION SERVICE
5:15 pm  †Wesley & Joyce Laughery

Wednesday, August 5
7:15 am  Spec. Int. Blake & Emily Kvidt
5:15 pm  COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday, August 6
7:15 am  †Sharon Bredemeier
5:15 pm  †George Sattler & Sp. Int. Marian Sattler

Friday, August 7
7:15 am  †Paul Sandell, Rev. John Sandell, M/M Carl Sandell
12:10 pm  †George Sattler & Sp. Int. Marian Sattler

Saturday, August 8
7:15 am  Terry & Karen Fischer Family
5:00 pm  Francis Bushaw Family

Sunday, August 9
7:30 am  For the People
9:00 am  †Ambrose, Severina & Lois Miller
11:00 am  †Ralph Carter
5:00 pm  †Lowell Schweigert

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