

PARISH MISSION

St. Michael's Parish is a welcoming community of Catholic Christians, rich in tradition.
We are inspired by the Holy Spirit and guided by the Word of God.
We exist as a visible witness of Christ through worshiping, educating, evangelizing and serving.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

 Monday
 8:30-4:30 pm

 Tuesday
 8:30-4:30 pm

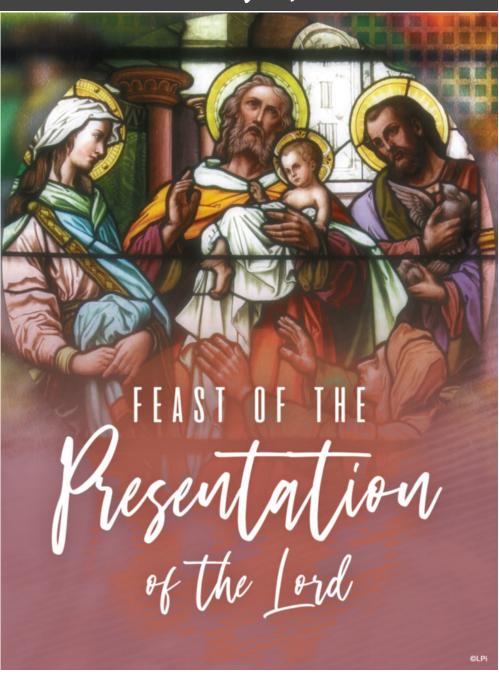
 Wednesday
 8:30-4:30 pm

 Thursday
 8:30-4:30 pm

 Friday
 8:30-3:00 pm

Welcome Home
Parishioners and Friends!
We are blessed to have
you celebrate with us
this Christmas Season!

February 2, 2025



Church Information

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Fr. Raymond Courtright (Pastor)
Fr. Seth Skjervheim (Associate Pastor)
Deacon John Bredemeier

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New season is starting Wednesday, February 5th. This is a completely new series, "Worthy of the Call", so does not matter if you have attended in the past or not. 13 spring sessions presented by dynamic Catholic speakers. As usual we start with a breakfast at 6:00 a.m. followed by a 30-minute video and then small group discussions. You are out around 7:30 to start your day. TMIY has been very well attended by our local parishes in and outside of the city - all men are welcome. There is no homework. Do something for yourself right away in the morning and the rest of your day can go on as usual usually better. To register

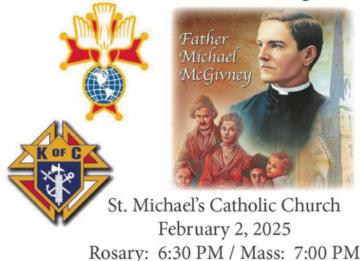
your name and email for our classes, just scan the QR code. If you are already registered with TMIY, you do not need to do it again.



Contact is Dcn John at <u>John.Bredemeier@stmichaelsgf.com</u> or text/call 701.314.0207. This gives us a good idea of how many to prepare for. Join us at St. Michael's (church basement).



Knights of Columbus Founder's Day and the 125th Anniversary of the Fourth Degree



Officiated by: Monsignor Pilon, Worthy 4th Degree Chaplain Sponsored by: Grand Forks Area Knights of Columbus

All Knights and Family members are encouraged to attend. Cake and drinks will be served in the basement following the Mass. Please notify us, for a count, if you plan to attend - (fcox@invisimax.com) or 1-218-791-0845

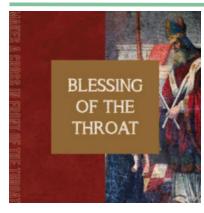
Employment Opportunity

St. Michael's Church is looking for a parttime custodian for the church. Flexible hours.

If interested please email Erin @ erin.perronteau@stmichaelsgf.com



St. Michael's Notes



The Feast of Saint Blaise is on Monday, February 3rd. Throat blessings will be offered at all weekend Masses and on Monday, after the 7:15 am Mass.

Youth Group Bake Sale February 8 & 9th

St Michael's Youth are having a bake sale after all masses (or until sold out) February 8-9 to raise funds for youth activities including the Steubenville Youth Conference in St Paul, MN.

We will have baked goods, including cookies, bars and rolls, available at the church entrances for a freewill donation.

We will also be serving caramel rolls, juice and coffee in the basement after 9am Mass on Sunday, February 9th

Please come down to enjoy some fellowship and support our youth.

If you would like to donate baked goods for the sale, please leave them at the back of the church prior to mass on Feb 8 or 9 or contact Lynnae Braun (218) 779-6986.

9th-12th Grade Youth

Steubenville Youth Conference

The Diocese of Fargo is organizing a trip to the Steubenville Youth Conference, hosted at the University of St. Thomas, July 25-27, 2025. The trip will include registration to the conference, t-shirt, and transportation. All 9-12th graders are welcome to attend. To learn more about the conference, visit: https://partnershipforyouth.org/steubenville-st-paul/

The cost is \$400.00 for youth. Fundraising opportunities are available. If you are interested in attending the conference, please contact Lynnae at youth@stmichaelsgf.com or (218) 779-6986 for more information and instruction on how to register.

Jubilee 2025.

Jubilee 2025 is being celebrated in the Diocese of Fargo until December 28, 2025. The theme is "Pilgrims of Hope". The official website of the Jubilee Year is www.iubilaeum2025.va.

On May 9, 2024, Pope Francis solemnly proclaimed the upcoming Jubilee Year 2025, when he promulgated the *Bull of Indiction* "Spes non confundit" ("Hope does not disappoint"). You are encouraged to read it.

The Jubilee Year in the Diocese of Fargo Opening of the Jubilee Year

Bishop Folda celebrated the 10:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary, Fargo, on December 29, to open the local observance of the 2025 Jubilee Year.

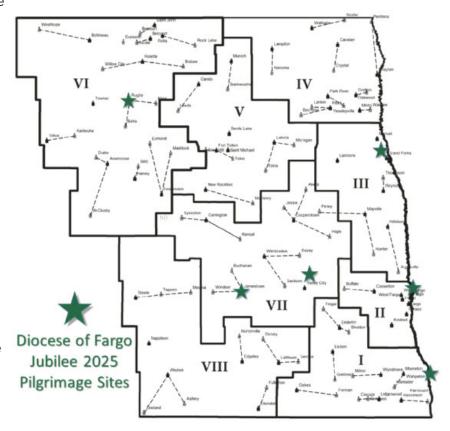
Bishop Folda has designated the following churches and sanctuaries as locations in the Diocese of

Fargo where the Jubilee Year Indulgence can be received during the local observance of the Jubilee of 2025, that is, December 29, 2024–December 28, 2025: Note: Coins are not available at other parishes at this time.

- ♦ St. Mary's Cathedral, Fargo
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Adoration Chapel, Fargo
- ♦ Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City
- St. Therese the Little Flower Church, Rugby
- ♦ The Basilica of St. James, Jamestown
- Carmel of Mary, Wahpeton
- ♦ St. Michael's Church, Grand Forks

There are coins to collect at each site (for a suggested donation)

St. Michael's Coins are in the foyer of the church; a suggested donation of \$10 per coin may be made by cash or check, left in the collection box by the Lighthouse Media stand.



Visit the Diocese of Fargo website to find out more about how to make your pilgrimage and collect coins at each site. www.fargodiocese.org/jubilee



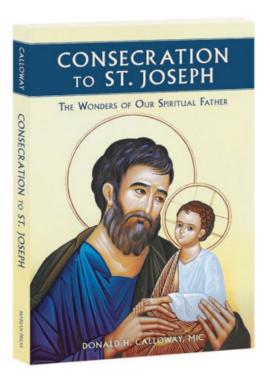
All Saints Catholic School Network Advisory Council

We are excited to invite you to express your interest in joining the Advisory Council of the All Saints Catholic School Network, which plays a vital role in advising and supporting our administration and governing board. The Council will focus on key areas such as resource development, policy review, facilities, and strategic planning, among others. We seek mission-driven individuals who are committed to building unity and strengthening Catholic education in Grand Forks.

If you feel called to contribute your time and talents, please reach out to Father Courtright at raymond.courtright@fargodiocese.org.

Advisory Council members must be Catholic laypersons in good standing, and meetings will be held monthly. Please express your interest by Friday, Feb. 7, 2025. Your involvement can truly make a difference in our school network. Thank you for considering this opportunity!





33 Days Consecration to St. Joseph

What does it mean for a person to be consecrated to St. Joseph? Well, it basically means that you acknowledge that he is your spiritual father, and you want to be like him. To show it, you entrust yourself entirely into his paternal care so that he can help you acquire his virtues and become holy. Total consecration to St. Joseph means you make a formal act of filial entrustment to your spiritual father so that he can take care of your spiritual well-being and lead you to God. The person who consecrates himself to St. Joseph wants to be as close to their spiritual father as possible, to the point of resembling him in virtue and holiness. Saint Joseph, in turn, will give those consecrated to him his undivided attention, protection, and guidance.

START READING ON FEBRUARY 15TH.

The Consecration will take place on March 19th (Day 33). More information available in future bulletins.

The book is available on Kindle, Amazon or shopmercy.org. You can also purchase a copy at the Pastoral Center \$15.00.

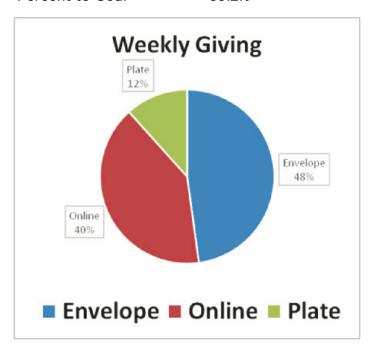
You will learn things about St. Joseph that will really amaze you! Contact Dcn. John with questions, -701.314.0207 (text or call).

Weekly Stewardship

January 26, 2025

Weekly Collection \$17,611 Year to Date Collection \$666,001

Weekly Goal \$21,635 Annual Goal \$1,125,000 Percent to Goal 59.2%





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End-of-year donation letters were mailed out.

Thank you for your generosity and support throughout this year. We are truly grateful for all you do for your parish community!





Thank you for your supporting St. Michael's Church Bulletin

-Thank You Note-

A Big thank you to Barb Lee,
Jason Ackerman, Pete Bouley, Al Hager, Bev
Byzewski, Sharon Paschke, and Charlotte
and Olivia Riter for helping Un-Decorate the
Church after Christmas! We got it done
quickly with such good help!

Thank you also to those who helped put up the Christmas Decorations. I did not catch all of your names, but please know you are truly appreciated.

The Church was beautiful!







Mass Intentions

Monday, February 3

7:15 am Theresa & Andrew Knudson Family

Tuesday, February 4

7:15 am †M/M Curtis O'Connor 5:15 pm †LaRae Leddige

Wednesday, February 5

7:15 am †Dec. Members of John Roche & Lyle Wyman Families

12:10 pm †Thomas John O'Connell; †Erin Dionne

Thursday, February 6

7:15 am †Pat Klave

Haley Evers & Family 8:45 am

Friday, February 7

12:10 pm Rose Kraemer

Saturday, February 8

†Mr. Howard & Mrs. Cleo Kelly 7:15 am

5:00 pm †Michael L. Hoffart

Sunday, February 9

7:30 am †Robert Litzinger 9:00 am †Boso Stjepanovic 11:00 am †Philip Herding 5:00 pm For the People

Jail Ministry

February 2:

Men's Pod: Fred, Nobuki Women's Pod: Kathy

Liturgical Roles

Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 8 & 9

Sacristan

5:00 pm	Kathy Klemisch
7:30 am	Jim Ward
9:00 am	Jean Skari
11:00 am	Laurie Santangelo
5:00 pm	Carol Weiler

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	
5:00 pm	Renee Hauschulz, Kathy Klemisch, Julie
	Rocksvold, Wayne Rocksvold
7:30 am	Grace Bergman, Jane Green, Shaaron Pringle,
	Lori Swinney, Jim Ward
9:00 am	Steve Arndt, Patricia Berg, Jason Riter, Jean
	Skari, Wilma Smith
11:00 am	Bernie Dallum, Katie Graham, Kim Miller, Laurie
	Santangelo, Wayne Young
5:00 pm	May Fuka, Renee Hauschulz, Carol Weiler

Proclaimer Cantor Accompanist

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5:00 pm 7:30 am	Suzanne Nelson, Elizabeth Nelson, Sheri Swen Barb Lee	
9:00 am	Jackson Harper, David Boura,	
11:00 am 5:00 pm	Steve Vetter, Jennifer Loraas, Sheri Swen Nathan Fix, Patty Hughes, Sheri Swen	
Hospitality		
5:00 pm	Ted Woolever, Joe Leddige, Ken Wosick	
7:30 am	Pat Svoboda, Willie Huot, Jim Laturnus	
9:00 am	Nate Bertram, Lawrence & Marian Foerster,	
11:00 am	Meghan Stegman	
5:00 pm	Volunteer	
Altar Servers		
5:00 pm	Maureen Dorsher, Patrick Mulligan	
7:30 am	Tradition 2 ordinary, administrating and	
9:00 am	Ellie & Will Anderson, Conner & Lander Wocken	
11:00 am	Lacey & Lucie Graham, Lyla Loraas	
5:00 pm	Arthur Leininger, IzaBella Morkve, Truman Vetter	

f you would like to become involved in Liturgical Roles, please contact Emily White, (701) 772-2624, ext. 130; email: <u>liturgystmichaels@gmail.com</u>

-Stewardship Moment-

February 2, 2025 -

The Presentation of the Lord

"Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested." - Hebrews 2:18

When we join a support group, there is comfort is sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us, He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole you feel in your heart.

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