



**ST. MICHAEL'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

EST. 1872

**GRAND FORKS,
NORTH DAKOTA**

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

The office is open! The tables/drop box will remain in the lobby for easy pick up or drop off.

Please call ahead or email to place a Scrip order!
(jackiesimon411@gmail.com)

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday:

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Fridays: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

May 9, 2021



6th

SUNDAY OF EASTER

"If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love." - Jn 15:10

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Church Information

Mailing Address:

418 N. 6th St.
Grand Forks, ND 58203

Physical Address:

524 5th Ave. N.
Grand Forks, ND 58203

Telephone:

(701) 772-2624 | Parish Office
(701) 772-2282 | Religious Ed. Office
(701) 772-1822 | School Office

Email:

parishoffice@stmichaelsgf.com

bulletin@stmichaelsgf.com

Deadline: Mondays, 1:00 pm

Clergy:

Fr. Gerard Braun (Pastor)
Fr. Jered Grossman
Deacon: John Bredemeier

www.stmichaelschurchgf.com

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Mon.-Thurs. 7:15 am/5:15pm
Friday: 7:15am, 12:10pm
Saturday: 7:15am

Weekend: Sat, 5:00 pm;
Sun, 7:30, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5 pm

Reconciliation

Monday-Saturday 7:00 am. (before daily Mass)
Monday –Thursday 4:45 pm; (before daily Mass)
Fridays: 11:50 am to 12:05 pm (before Mass)
Saturday 4:00-4:50 pm & 7:30-8:00 pm

Live Stream

<https://www.stmichaelschurchgf.com/live-stream>
<https://www.facebook.com/St.MichaelsChurchGF/>
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNzjxzBU6jiL9JQsYDEIjg>

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet with us, after our daily 7:15 a.m. Mass. Via livestream directly after the 7:15 am Mass..

Daily Rosary

Monday through Saturday 6:40 am

Join us at the church or follow us via live stream. The video will be available for you to pray anytime during the day.

Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration at St. Michael's
Each week on Tuesdays, 8:00 am—9:00 pm

Please check our Master Calendar, available on our website, to see if a funeral or another event has been scheduled.

<https://www.stmichaelschurchgf.com/parish-calendar>
If interested in signing up for a weekly commitment, please do so at the following website:

<https://adorationpro.org/michaelnd> - click on "Weekly Commitment" and choose a time.

Marriage Preparation

Contact a priest at least 6 months in advance of the wedding date at 772-2624.

Annulment & Marriage Validation

If you are divorced and remarried, or never married in the Catholic Church, call the Parish Office and speak to a priest to learn more about this process with the Diocesan Tribunal.

Joining the Catholic Church

If you are hoping to become Catholic, please contact Fr. Grossman. He will meet with you, discuss the process and help you get started on your journey to becoming Catholic.

Membership and Registration

Welcome! We're glad you joined us today!

If you are new to the area or to St. Michael's Church, and are interested in learning more about our parish, or would like to become a registered member of our church, please fill out the registration form on our website: stmichaelschurchgf.com.

If you have questions about registration, email: jackiesimon411@gmail.com.

Address/Phone number Updates

Please help! If you are moving away, or have address or phone number updates, please email: parishoffice@stmichaelsgf.com.

Scrip Gift Cards

Do you shop at the following stores or have family members that do? Consider buying one of these Gift Cards (Scrip) to help us **decrease our inventory!**

This is what we would like to sell:

Game Stop: 3/\$25 cards

Home Depot: 1/\$100 cards and 2/ \$25 cards

iTunes: 13/\$25 cards, 7/\$15 cards

Men's Warehouse: 2/\$25 cards

Shutterfly: 2/\$25 cards

GNC: 12/\$25 cards

Ross Dress for Less: 4/\$25

Of course we have many other cards on hand! Please stop by during business hours to purchase. Thank you for supporting St. Michael's!

Baptism Information

Parents, attendance at one pre-baptism class is required to have your child baptized at St. Michael's.

We suggest attending class during the months of pregnancy so you will be all set once your child is born as classes are only offered one time per month. If you have attended the class within 5 years, a new class is not needed. Please read more on our website for instructions on scheduling a baptism.

The next class is: Sunday, June 6th at 10:00 am .

Meet in the church basement, history room. Registration not required. *Future date: June 6th at 10:00 am.*

Please visit our website to read more about baptism.

<https://www.stmichaelschurchgf.com/baptism>

Summer Hours for the Parish Office

Beginning **Friday, May 28th** and continuing throughout the summer, the Parish Office will close at 12:00 pm on Fridays.



Thank You

Thank you to the following people who took time out to help clean the church on Sat., May 1st. We were able to accomplish our tasks with all the help. Marge Buchner, Darlene Hager, Karen Durkin, Ted Woolever, Sherri Swen, Chris Burns, John Kelly, Carol Weiler, Lana Huderle, Elijah, Nathan and Angie Call, Phil and Laurie Kraemer, Mary Ann Whalen, Kathy Call, Lori Jensen, Patty Vasek, Carol Holweger, Sharon Paschke and Honey Youngberg.

~St. Michael's Altar Society



Grand Forks Women's Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle Campaign

During our "Walking with Moms in Need" year of service, please help us support the Grand Forks Women's Pregnancy Center by taking a baby bottle this weekend! **Take it home, fill it with loose change, or even a check (made out to "Grand Forks Women's Pregnancy Center) and bring it back to church, Mary's Altar by the end of May.**

The Grand Forks Women's Pregnancy Center has been serving the Greater Grand Forks area with free, confidential pregnancy and sexual health services since 1987. Located in the Grand Cities Mall, we welcome women and men of all ages, including high school and college students.

We listen without judgment and offer a calm voice of understanding in the middle of your situation. We're here to support you with information and resources, allowing you unpressured time to make an informed decision that's right for you.

All services are free of charge and 100% confidential. Your privacy is our priority. That's why:

- Your parents are not contacted
- Nothing is mailed to your home
- No information is shared without your consent.

Women's Pregnancy Center
A PLACE OF HOPE

Address: 1726 S Washington St., Suite 70,
Grand Forks, ND (in the Grand Cities Mall).
Email: info@gfwpc.org
Website: gfwpc.org
Phone: (701) 746-8866

Our Hours: Monday-Friday | 9:00 am-4:00 pm
24/7 Hour Hotline: (701) 746-8866

Parish Council Election Results

It is with deep gratitude that we thank our outgoing council members Sheila Schreiner, Holly Brown - Borg and Dennis Feist. They have been faithful and thoughtful servants of our community and we are so grateful for their service to St. Michael's Church. **We welcome Tim Brooke, Janet Burns and John Santengelo as newest members of the parish council.**

Thank you for all who took time to consider serving and those who engaged with the process through voting. St. Michael's belongs to all of us. I encourage you to pray about where your voice or gifts could be used in our community. Perhaps you have an idea or a talent? Do not be afraid to come forward and share your gifts!! You matter here. If you ever have concerns or questions please feel free to contact me or any other council member. We look forward to working together!

~ Jennifer Modeen, Parish Council

Board of Education Election Results

Congratulations to Becky Kaiser, Jennifer Loraas, Meghan Stegman, Katie Graham, Stacy Johnston, and Dean Kuhns as returning or newly elected Board of Education members. This year was an extensive election for the Board of Education. Due to COVID-19 we did not have elections last year which lead to 6 positions on the ballot in 2021. Many thanks to the eight candidates who had the courage to run and the willingness to serve in this role. Thank you to our outgoing board members Lori Bakken, Nathan Clough, and Jim Higgins for your dedicated service and leadership within the board. We will maintain some experience on the Board with three incumbents returning and welcome three newly elected Board of Education members.

A Catholic education through St. Michael's Catholic School and the Religious Education program are vital to the future of our faith. We encourage all parishioners to join in supporting efforts whether it is through your prayers, in serving as a catechumen, teaching your children the faith in your home, or bringing ideas to the Board for consideration. We welcome your input to me or any other member of the Board.

God Bless,
Meredith Quinn
Board of Education President

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Knights of Columbus Council 1260

Our next Council meeting will be held this Thursday, May 13th, 7:00pm in the St. Kateri Room in the Pastoral Center. Members are encouraged to attend and bring a prospective member or interested guest. We will also be holding officer elections during this meeting. If interested in becoming a Council Officer please send an email to: stmikesknights@gmail.com

Drawing for the Meat Raffle will be held following the 9:00am Mass next Sunday, May 16th. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser. Proceeds go to support our seminarians.

DID YOU KNOW? New members can sign up on line. Go to: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

All Parish Women Invited . . .

St. Michael's Altar Society welcomes all parish women to their Altar Society meeting on **Monday, May 17th, 7:00 pm** in the church basement. Fr. Grossman will give a talk on our Blessed Mother. Refreshments will be served. Come and find out what the Altar Society is all about!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Meet at St. Mary's on Monday, May 17th, 6:30 pm for a prayer service and crowning of Our Blessed Mother. All Catholic women in the Greater Grand Forks area are welcome to join us. We have members from all GGF area Churches. A meeting will follow. Masks and social distancing are encouraged.

St. Anne's is holding a Spring Garage Sale

Friday, May 21 and Saturday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (both days). We're sorry that we haven't been able to have any events this past year, but are making up for lost time now. The sale will be held in our activity room (accessible from the side door). Please wear a mask.

For more information, call 701-746-9401 or visit www.stannesguesthome.org/spring-sale

BRIDGE BUILDERS CLUB

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*Dedicated to the success of
St. Michael's Elementary School*

Thank you or your contribution: James & Mary Sears, Deacon John Bredemeier

In memory of Lois & Richard Klava:
Donald & Marian Mitchell

In memory of Audrey Shea: Larry & Kay Roch

In memory of Joe Mason: Sylvia Noyes

In memory of Killashandra Link, Walt Swingen, Christopher Swingen: Cory Swingen

In memory of deceased members of Altendorf & Denney Families: Harry & Bernadine Altendorf

In memory of Teresa & Bill Bushaw: Terri & Paul Clark

In memory of Monsignor Vetter: Kristen & Chad Votava

In memory of Dorothy Kulas: Gloria Biever, Terri & Paul Clark, Delaine Conley, John & Eileen Crystal, Susie & Randy Dahl, Michael & Janina Dempsey, Ralph & Bonnie Fetter, William & Janet Flynn, Jay & Diane Gunderson, Delores Hackenberg, David & Donna Hansen, John & Jaclyn Jeffery, Jacquelyn & Craig Jones, Kim Kaiser, Cecilia Kryzsko, Tim & Kara Kujawa, Julie & Michael Marek, Reverend Monsignor Timothy McGee, Mary & Terry McKenna, James & Jean Nowak, Ruth & Terry Ratzlaff, Timothy Rerick, Marjorie Roche, Robert & Nancy Rood, Julie & Rodney Romuld, Marie & Ron Timpe, Mary Whalen

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MEN'S RETREAT

"LISTEN TO HIM"

JULY 16TH-18TH, 2021

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RETREAT COST:
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PASTOR'S NOTES

Mother's Day Thoughts from a Father and Erma.

I have shared this in past years, but good wisdom is always worth repeating. I think Erma has some great insights on the understanding that love is not always a walk in the park. In the Book of Acts St. Paul tells us, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." In essence, that is what Erma is saying in her message to her children.

Entering the Kingdom of God is entering into His love. God's love is not founded in self-serving interest, but in mature caring and self-sacrificing for the good of others. This is the kind of love a mother and father are called to. It is the kind of love parents try to instill in the hearts of their children. Giving our children an easy life is not necessarily helping them to grow up strong, healthy, and wise. Bringing them to Church, despite their protests, is in fact building on a true foundation for their salvation.

A Mother's Love by Erma Bombeck

Some day when my children are old enough to understand the logic that motivates a mother, I will tell them:

I loved you enough to ask about where you were going, with whom and what time you would get home.

I loved you enough to insist that you buy a bike, that we could afford to give you, with your own money.

I loved you enough to make you return a Milky-Way— with a bite out of it—to the drug store and to confess "I stole this."

I loved you enough to stand over you for two hours while you cleaned your room, a job that would have taken me 15 minutes.

I loved you enough to let you see anger, disappointment, disgust and tears in my eyes.

I loved you enough to admit I was wrong and ask for your forgiveness.

I loved you enough to let you stumble, fall and hurt.

But most of all, I loved you enough to say NO when you hated me for it. That was the hardest part of all.

To all our Mothers on this special day, may the Lord bless you with peace and joy in all your labors of love. May our Blessed Mother, Mary, enfold you in the mantle of her love and watch over you and your family.

Walking with Mom's in Need. May we also remember all mothers who are alone in raising their children, offering our prayers and support as they choose to live a life of love for their children.

Peace in Christ,

Fr Gerard Braun

LITURGY FOR LUNCH: 5

A MOVEABLE FEAST

"What day is Ascension Thursday?" is one of those charming and genuine questions, as quirky and wonderful as so many other things in our Catholic subculture (like "what time is Midnight Mass?").

The short answer: In the Diocese of Fargo, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated on and in place of the 7th Sunday of Easter. This year, that date is May 16.

The longer answer: After Jesus' Resurrection, He spent 40 days walking the Earth, appearing to the faithful women, the apostles, and many others. On the 40th day, He ascended into Heaven to take His seat at the right hand of the Father, and promised His disciples that He would send them the Holy Spirit. Nine days later, the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles at Pentecost.

The Liturgical calendar reflects this: 40 days after Easter Sunday (which falls on a Thursday) is the Solemnity of the Ascension, then after 9 days of waiting (a Novena), Pentecost is celebrated 50 Days after Easter (which always falls on a Sunday).

Since the late 1990's, local bishops in the US have had the authority to transfer the Solemnity of the Ascension to the following Sunday, and so replace the celebration of the 7th Sunday of Easter with the Ascension. Most dioceses in the US (the exceptions being the northeastern seaboard and Nebraska) exercise this option. Other countries like Canada, Mexico, and parts of Europe do the same. While there are pros and cons to transferring the Ascension to Sunday, the choice is the decision of the local bishop.

Therefore, for the faithful in the Diocese of Fargo, the Thursday that falls 40 days after Easter is celebrated as "Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter," and the Solemnity of the Ascension is transferred to the following Sunday.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Giving for **May 2, 2021**

Weekly Amount Collected \$21,228

Weekly Amount Needed \$20,925

(To Reach the Weekly Budget Goal)

Weekly Collection 303

Year-To-Date Amount Collected \$919,188

Year-To-Date Amount Needed \$920,700

(To Reach the Annual Budget Goal)

Year-To-Date Collection Deficit (1,512)

Annual Budget Goal \$1,088,100

Thank you for your generosity!

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<https://stmichaelsgf.weshareonline.org/>

Diocese of Fargo

God's Gift Appeal 2021

St. Michael's Goal: \$151,597

Total Pledges: \$144,687.50

Thanks to all who have made their gift to the 2021 God's Gift Appeal. We are inching closer to our goal!

If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge and bring to the Parish Office OR visit the website and make your pledge/donation online: <https://www.fargodiocese.org/godsgiftappeal>

It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church. So far 405 households have participated or 27.13%

WE ❤️ TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOU!



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TO 84576

OR CONNECT WITH US ONLINE AT

stmichaelsgf.flocknote.com

Job Opening @ St. Michael's Church

St. Michael's Church of Grand Forks is currently accepting applications for a **FULL-TIME Maintenance Superintendent.**

This position is responsible for ensuring proper maintenance, function, safety, improvement, cleaning and aesthetics of the entire physical plant at St Michael's Parish, to include but not limited to, the Church, School, Pastoral Center, and Rectory. Provide maintenance and preventative maintenance on all equipment, buildings, grounds and vehicles to ensure safety to all persons, including staff and visitors and to extend the life and appearance of these items. May perform repairs including routine carpentry and plumbing based on skill level and experience. Provides cleaning services, e.g. trash removal, mopping, vacuuming, restroom cleaning etc., in church, gathering spaces, classrooms and parish center. The successful candidate will enjoy a flexible work

schedule, paid time off, and other eligible benefits. Submit resume to Attn: Tom Helbling, St. Michael's Church, thomas.helbling@stmichaelsgf.com, 418th N 6th St., Grand Forks, ND 58203

Job Opening @ St. Michael's Church

St. Michael's Church of Grand Forks is currently accepting applications for a **PART-TIME Rectory Housekeeper and Custodial Duties.**

This position is responsible for shopping for necessary groceries and preparing meals (Tues & Wed) twice weekly for priests. Will provide proper cleaning services, e.g. trash removal, mopping, vacuuming, restroom cleaning, dusting, laundry bedding, etc., of the rectory, in church, gathering spaces, and pastoral center. The successful candidate will enjoy a flexible work schedule, possible paid time off, and other eligible benefits. Submit resume to Attn: Tom Helbling, St. Michael's Church, thomas.helbling@stmichaelsgf.com, 418th N 6th St., Grand Forks, ND 58203

Job Opening @ St. Michael's School

St. Michael's School is currently accepting applications for a **FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN.** This position will be responsible for maintaining the day-to-day maintenance, cleaning, and general care of the school. Must be physically able to lift, bend, and stoop. The successful candidate will enjoy flexible hours, excellent pay, and great benefits.

Duties Entail: (not all inclusive)

Cleaning and dusting restrooms, classrooms, offices, hallways, entryways, gym, stage, and utility rooms. Mopping, scrubbing, and vacuuming floors. Set up and take down of chairs and tables for school functions. Responsible for snow removal from school and church entryways, salt as needed.

Submit cover letter and resume: Attn: Sara Dudley, St. Michael's School, 504 5th Ave N, Grand Forks, ND 58203, 701 772-1822, or sara.dudley@stmichaelsgf.com and thomas.helbling@stmichaelsgf.com

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday & Sunday, May 15 & 16

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm	*Kathy Klemisch, Amanda Leavy, Casey Ryan
7:30 am	*Jason Ackerman, Elaine Ackerman, Shaaron Pringle
9:00 am	*Jean Skari, Wilma Smith, Mark Williamson
11:00 am	*_____, Ed Finch, Steve Ternes
5:00 pm	*_____, Robin Loegering, Collin Voeller

*denotes Sacristan

Proclaimer, Cantor, Accompanist

5:00 pm	Suzanne Nelson, David Boura, Sheri Swen
7:30 am	Rita Myers
9:00 am	Lawrence Foerster, Young Women's Schola
11:00 am	Jack Call, Emily White, Jeffrey McGee
5:00 pm	Carol Weiler, Patty Hughes, Sheri Swen

Hospitality

5:00 pm	**Joe Leddige, Jerry Rolland
7:30 am	**_____, Willie Huot, Jim Laternus
9:00 am	**_____, Nate Bertram, Kevin Boehm, Marian Foerster
11:00 am	**Raymond Gehl
5:00 pm	**Need Volunteers

**denotes lead minister

Altar Servers

5:00 pm	Maureen Dorsher, Elizabeth Nelson
7:30 am	Joe Senger, John Senger, Jude Senger
9:00 am	Max Kennelly, Eli McHugo, Isaak McHugo, Noah McHugo
11:00 am	Araya Michaud, Ava Patlan, Isaiah Patlan
5:00 pm	Madelyn Kaiser, Nathan Kaiser

If you are interested in volunteering in any of these ministries, please email Jeff @liturgystmichaels@gmail.com

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If you wish to buy Scrip, please let us know ahead of time by placing an order!

Please:

EMAIL (preferred) jackiesimon411@gmail.com

OR

CALL (701) 772-2624

We will make sure we have what you need in stock and fill your order. We will place your order in the lobby of the Parish Office for you to pick up! Leave your payment in the drop box. Easy peasy! Thank you!

Prefer Email: jackiesimon411@gmail.com

Phone: (701) 772-2624

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 10

7:15 am	†Jacob & Eleanor Kowalski
5:15 pm	†Irving Traiser

Tuesday, May 11

7:15 am	†Mary Colee
9:30 am	Spec. Int. for Laura Langer
5:15 pm	†Gabriele Ivy (Anderson) Grunewald

Wednesday, May 12

7:15 am	†Holly Marion
5:15 pm	†Roman & Julia Weber

Thursday, May 13

7:15 am	†Sharon Bredemeier
8:45 am	Priest's Intention
5:15 pm	†June & Dave Mazur

Friday, May 14

7:15 am	†Dec. Mem. Bergman & Schneider Families
12:10 pm	†Dr. John LaLonde

Saturday, May 15

7:15 am	†James & Margaret Vanyo Beaton
5:00 pm	†Harry E. Bushaw

Sunday, May 16

7:30 am	†Julie Mischel & Michael Dondoneau
9:00 am	For the People
11:00 am	†LaVerne Wilson
5:00 pm	†Sue Glaser

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

To schedule Mass intentions:

- Fill out the yellow "mass intention" envelope (find these in church entrance)
OR
- Email:
parishoffice@stmichaelsgf.com
OR
- Put a list in the Parish Office Drop box (located in the entrance of Pastoral Center).
OR
- Mail your list to the Parish Office, 418 N. 6th St., GF, ND 58203

Please note, the schedule is currently filled into November!

The stipend is \$10.00 per Mass. Be sure to indicate whether the person is living or deceased. Include your email address or phone #. Thank you!