

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

ST. GEORGE PARISH



Hartford, SD

April 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter



ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Sioux Falls, SD

Pastorate phone number

605.361.1600

Website: www.olvictorysd.org



While working for the Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBOP), I served on the Special Operations Response Team. The team was responsible for handling high-risk incidents, including riots and other inmate-led disturbances within the facility. We trained frequently in various formations and controlled maneuvers to adapt to whatever the situation might call for. The key to a successful team was the commands of our squad leader. We anticipated that a disturbance would be very noisy and chaotic, making it difficult to hear. To overcome this potential barrier, the squad leader would continually shout a rhythmic command so we, as a squad, could stay in correct formation. Thankfully, during my twenty-one years of service with the FBOP, we never had to activate the team.

In today's gospel, Jesus said that his sheep follow him because they know his voice. The shepherds during the time of Jesus would use a unique rhythmic tone and language for each shepherd. The sheep were familiar with their shepherd's call, allowing him to remove them each day from the community pen by calling them to him. If we place ourselves in the role of the sheep, a question we might ask: do I know the voice of Jesus, and if so, am I following him?

Not only is this Good Shepherd Sunday, but it is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We pray in a special way for vocations to ordained and consecrated life. The Catechism states that priestly and religious vocations are dedicated to serving the Church, the universal sacrament of salvation. It also states that the vocation of the laity consists in seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and directing them in accordance with God's will. The question now becomes, do we understand our vocation, and are we fulfilling it? In my own life, I cannot answer the second question until I have honestly answered the first. Am I following the voice of Jesus, my own voice, or the voice of a stranger? There is only one voice that brings order and purpose into our lives, and that's the voice of Jesus. If my team at the prison had not had the clear direction from our squad leader, we would not have completed the FBOP's objective, and it could have led to greater danger and injury. The same happens to us when we do not seek God's direction in our lives and neglect to follow His will. It often leads to confusion, chaos, and misery.

In addition to Jesus, there are many voices today that call us to follow them. Only the Good Shepherd, as He shared in the gospel today, desires to lead us to life and to have it more abundantly.

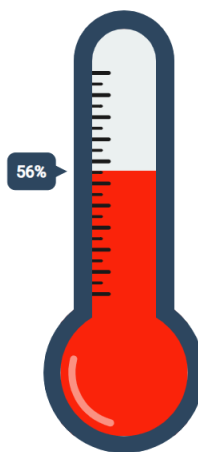
Deacon Tim Dicks



We're excited to share that all Pastorate Parishioners get their first 6 months on **Hallow App** free, followed by 50% off. Our pastorate's first challenge is to invite 550 parishioners to join us by Saturday, May 9.

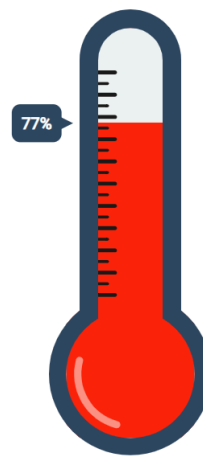
1. Download the app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.
2. Create an account, or sign in if you already have one.
3. Go to the bottom of the page and click "CHURCH" tab.
4. The CHURCH tab takes you to our community page, where you can access all challenges, prayer groups, and prayer requests. *For the free option, follow the steps above but skip the plan portion. This gives you access to all archived prayer challenges and content with our pastorate.*

St. Michael



\$480,000

St. George



\$93,000

Mark your calendars to attend the annual Mother Teresa #2510 Catholic Daughters Spring Luncheon on May 2, 2026, at St. Michael's Catholic Church Multipurpose Room. Tickets are on sale in the parish office. So, mark your calendars now and plan to attend. For questions, please call Wendy at 605-951-4946 or Theresa at 605-360-9696.



The St. Michael Catholic Daughters are looking for youth volunteers to help with the Spring Luncheon on Saturday, May 2. They need help setting up tables and/or serving food from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. This would be great for youth looking for service hours. Please get in touch with Wendy at 605-951-4946 or Theresa at 605-360-9696.



The St. Michael Coed Softball team is looking for new players for the upcoming season. Are you interested in playing softball and representing your church? If so, contact Kevin Haberman at (605) 376-3697 or Jerry Giovannettone at (605) 310-5406. The season starts soon, so don't delay.



Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls



OCIA classes will begin the summer session on **Wednesday, May 13**. No need to register! Join us in the multipurpose room at 7:00 pm. OCIA is the official process by which adults (and children over seven) become full members of the Roman Catholic Church.



Our Lady of Victory Pastorate is seeking a Liturgist / Director of Music Ministry.

Click [HERE](#) to see the job description or scan the QR code.



To Apply: Submit your resume and cover letter to Rechelle Dissing, Pastorate Business Manager, at rechelle@olvictorysd.org.

More information can be obtained by calling 605-361-1600.



Join us for the Sacred Heart of Jesus Family Retreat on **June 6th!** This retreat is for the whole family—kids will be cared for with fun activities while adults can take part in meaningful talks and time for reflection. It's a wonderful opportunity to grow together and discover the beauty and power of devotion to the Sacred Heart, full of incredible promises. Come and be renewed!



This weekend, Home Mission Envelopes will be available at each church for your donation.

The "Home Mission" donation requests highlights how the church relies on outside support, fostering a sense of shared responsibility among members. Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered home mission dioceses, showing the widespread need for support and community involvement.

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate Religious Education



St. George:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

April 28, 29, 30--Classes as scheduled

Grades 4-5:

April 29--Classes as scheduled

Grades 6-High School: Ignite & Edge

April 29--Classes as scheduled

The last classes for OLV RE will be the week of May 4-8.

IMPORTANT

Youth Group date for April

April 28, Youth Group from 6:30-8:00 pm

9th-grade parents

If you were unable to attend the Confirmation Meeting on March 18, we've emailed the information to you. You may stop by to pick up a folder containing all the paperwork. Please get in touch with Brother Johannes or Dana, and please provide the name(s) of your teen(s) so we may prepare a folder. All parents, **we've made updates to the Confirmation retreat due to extracurricular activities.** Please view the changes. If you didn't receive the email, please contact Brother Johannes or Dana.

Lumen Christi is available for registration for our Pastorate; all children and teens of St. Michael and St. George are encouraged to attend. **The classes will be held at St. George.**

7th -12th grade: May 31- June 4, 7:00-9:30 pm.

K-6th grade: June 1-4, 8:00- Noon

June 5 , 8:00-2:00 pm

[Register for Lumen Christi HERE](#)



People can sign up to host the missionaries for meals or to bring snacks. Please help us fill all of these spots. **[Click here](#)**



St. Michael:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

April 28 & 29--Classes as scheduled

Grades 4-6:

April 29--Classes as scheduled

Grades 6-High School: Fraternus/Fidelis

April 29--Classes as scheduled

First Communion Masses:

St. Michael---Saturday, May 2/ 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 3 /11:00 am Mass

St. George--Sunday, May 3/9:00 am Mass

O'Gorman 9th Grade parents:

Please register your kids for Confirmation, as we requested at the meeting, so you receive the updates we send out. Thanks

Register for Steubenville in Rochester, MN!



July 10-12

Scan the QR code or [Click HERE](#) to register.

Cost:\$525

This includes travel, lodging, & all meals.



Holy Kids Camp at St. Michael Monday-Friday, July 27-31

Monday-Thursday

8:00 am-12:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am-2:00 pm

This is for all OLV kids in preschool-6th grade.

[Register HERE](#)



Court Mother Teresa of the Catholic Daughters awards a \$300 scholarship annually to any Catholic student attending a post-secondary school in the fall of 2026. **The submission deadline is May 1.** Application forms are available in the parish office.



St. George:

Our Lady of Victory needs Catechists for the 2026 - 2027 school year!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori-based religious formation program for children in grades PreK-3. Contact Janiece at St. Michael for CGS.

Come, Follow Me is a program that guides children through Jesus's Life Story for grades 4 and 5. *If you are feeling called to assist or teach religious education next year, 2026-2027, contact Katelyn at St. George for the Come, Follow Me program.*



St. George Knights and CDA will meet with Fr. Cesar on **Tuesday, April 28, at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall. All members should attend this important meeting.



Rummage Sale at St. George
Friday, June 12, & Saturday, June 13

You can start bringing your items to St. George on Monday, June 8th. We appreciate your donations. Questions can be directed to Dana.



Join the St George CDA for a Crown Making Class
~ April 26th after the 9am Mass ~

Bring your Mary statue from home and join us in the St. Lawrence classroom. If you don't have a Mary statue in your home, now is the perfect time for your family to get one! All materials will be provided. We will show you how to make the perfect size crown for your statue that you can use year after year to honor our Blessed Mother each May right in your own home.

Hartford/Humboldt Right to Life Meeting

Tuesday, April 28 @ 6:30 pm
St. George church
All are welcome to join us!



"The St. George Knights of Columbus will be hosting a 1st through 3rd Degree Exemplification on **May 17**, at 11 AM at the St. George Church in Hartford. All Catholic men 18 years and older are invited/encouraged to attend. Contact GK James McMahon, Doug Deffenbaugh, or Greg Boggs for additional information."

Diocesan Opportunities

PRAYING AMIDST GRIEF

with Father James Mason – This beautiful evening, featuring Father James Mason, will include presentations on finding Jesus in grief and on praying in the darkest moments. Please join us on **Wednesday, July 15, starting at 7 p.m. at Christ the King Catholic Church, 1501 W 26th Street.**

[Register here](#) to ensure enough materials are created for each participant.

Scan the QR code to register.



51ST ANNUAL BISHOP'S FISHING TOURNAMENT

JUNE 1
BIG STONE CITY

JUNE 8
PIERRE

Benefiting Seminarian Education & Formation

REGISTER:
605.988.3701

REAL PRESENCE RADIO RPR NETWORK

Real Presence Radio brings Christ into homes, cars, and workplaces across the region. Tune in on 91.3/94.5FM in

Sioux Falls or listen online at

RealPresenceRadio.com. Join Real Presence Radio on **May 5-7** for their spring live drive!

THAT'S NOT MY JOB!
VOCATIONS & MISCONCEPTIONS

Speaker:
Fr. Michael Kapperman

May 5, 2026

Social Time: 6:30-7:00
Speaker: 7:00-7:30
Q&A/Social: 7:30-8:00

Buffalo Ridge Brewery
102 N Main Ave
Hartford, SD

Cinco De Mayo Celebration: Free Will Donation

"You did not choose me, but I chose you"

John 15:16

St. George:

Daily Mass Times at St. George

Mondays: **No Mass**

Tuesdays: 5:30 pm

Wednesday: 8:00 am

Thursdays: 5:30 pm

Fridays: 8:00 am

First Saturday: 8:30 am

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturdays: 5:00 pm

Sundays: 9:00 am

Confession Times:

Saturdays: 3:30 -4:30 pm

Tuesdays: 4:45-5:15 pm

Thursdays: 6:00-7:00 pm

Eucharistic adoration 6:00 pm

First Saturday: 7:45 am-8:15 am

MASS INTENTIONS for St. George:

Tues., April 28 5:30 pm	+Barbara/+John Masgai
Wed., April 29 8:00 am	+Raymond Wegleitner
Thurs., April 30 5:30 pm	Intentions of Reed & Dawn McKee
Fri., May 1 8:00 am	+Dean Ahrendt
Sat., May 2 8:30 am	+Florence Liesinger
5:00 pm	Int. of the people of OLV Pastorate
Sun., May 3 9:00 am	Int. of the 1 st Communion students

Saturday, May 2 – 5:00 PM

Altar Servers: C Rogers, O Rogers, B Stuessi

Reader: L Andersen

Ushers: D Christensen, K Christensen, D Puthoff, Z Stuessi

EMOHC: (Dcn. Mark-OM), M Jesse & R Whalen

Offertory: C & H McMahan

Sacristan: D Lupien

Sunday, May 3 – 9:00 AM

Altar Servers: C Danielson, R & R MacFarlane

Readers: L & M Bergeson

Ushers: G Anderson, J Blocker, J Jueneman, B Voss

EMOHC: (Dcn. Mark-OM), A Anderson & P Danielson

Offertory: B & DJ Warrington

Sacristan: Patty Lammers

Donuts: **NO DONUTS – First Holy Communion**

St. George Financials:

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs	\$6,553.85
Weekly Receipts-Actual	\$6,116.00
Weekly Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 437.85)

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$275,261.70
Year-To-Date-Actual	\$291,144.75
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 15,883.05
CFSA Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 21,190.00)
Actual Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 5,306.95)

CFSA 2026:

Diocesan Goal	(\$63,000.00)
Grounds/Maintenance Goal	(\$30,000.00)
Receipts-PLEDGES	\$71,810.00
YTD	(\$21,190.00)

St. George Online
Giving

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Readings for 4/26/26

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St. Michael

We are Chapel Angels
We are volunteers who
clean the Adoration
Chapel for Jesus and for you
every Tuesday from 2-4 pm. Would
you like to join us? Training and
supplies are provided as wanted.
Scheduled every 4-6 weeks.
Contact sylvia.wensing@gmail.com
Or 605-362-8398 - text is best



We welcome **Zaidyn Michael Schleder, son of Derek & Allyson Schleder; and Beckett Eugene Hopkins, son of McKinzie Hopkins** to our St. Michael family. May God bless them as they learn in faith, and may they grow by our witness and example.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Jack LeBrun, father of Dustin. May he
and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**
is a Society of laypersons
with a Rule, a spirituality
we follow, a community of friends whose
ministry is to one another and in service to
the poor. We invite you to join us as
Vincentians or to support our ministry to the
poor through home visits with donations.
Contacts are gtlars01@gmail.com,
terry.wensing@gmail.com



Our **St. Vincent de Paul**
conference is hosting a fundraiser
at the Chick-fil-A on 41st Street
on **May 5,**

- Date: May 5, 2026
- Time: 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- Location: Chick-fil-A, 4005 W 41st St
- Details: For in-store or drive-thru orders, please mention you are supporting "Community Care Night." For Mobile App orders, please use code SVKD26.



Merciful Lord, you shepherd us with patience and gentleness, protecting us from harm and leading us to life in abundance. May we recognize your voice when you call to us and not be distracted by the voices of others, choosing instead to follow in your right paths and trusting our lives to your loving care. AMEN.

Our Lady of Victory needs Catechists for the 2026 - 2027 school year!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a **Montessori-based** religious formation program for children beginning at age 3. It creates and facilitates a sacred hands-on space for the children in grades PreK - 3 grade.

God's Plan in Scripture (GPS) is a program that goes through the bible with twenty-four lessons that guide children through the story of salvation using a color-coded system of biblical periods for grades 4 and 5.

If you are feeling called to assist or teach religious education next year, 2026-2027, at St. Michael, contact Janiece!

A poster for a 'Love Through the Decades Dinner + Panel' event. It features two photos of couples walking, one in a city and one in a wooded area. The text includes the event title, details about the dinner and panel, a suggested freewill offering of \$50 per couple for Friday, May 29, 2026, from 6:30-8:00 PM at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, a QR code to register, and the Good Shepherd Pastorate logo.

LOVE THROUGH THE DECADES
Dinner + Panel

— Engaged and married couples —
Enjoy dinner catered by R Wine Bar, then hear from couples in various stages of marriage offer their unique perspectives and answer questions.

Suggested freewill offering of \$50 per couple
Friday, May 29, 2026 | 6:30 – 8:00PM
Lower Level | Holy Spirit Catholic Church

SCAN TO REGISTER

Learn about the Summer Date Night Challenge!

St. Michael

Daily Mass Times at St. Michael

Mondays & Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm
Wednesdays-Saturdays @ 8:15 am

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturdays @ 4:00 pm
Sundays @ 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 6:00 pm

Confession Times:

Mondays & Tuesdays @ 4:30 pm-5:15 pm
Thursdays @ 7:30 am-8:00 am
Saturdays @ 2:45 pm-3:45 pm

MASS INTENTIONS for St. Michael:

Monday, April 27| 5:30 pm +Rita Robinson
Tuesday, April 28| 5:30 pm +Michael Mahan
Wednesday, April 29| 8:15 am +Fr. Mark Beard
Thursday, April 30| 8:15 am Intention of Jason Stone
Friday, May 1| 8:15 am Intention of Rick Bettencourt family
Saturday, May 2| 8:15 am Intention of Larry Puthoff
4:00 pm +Anthony/+Louise Sandhoff & +Sheila Bouw
Sunday, May 3| 8:00 am +Rita Robinson | 9:30 am +Stacy Lackey |
11:00 am +Bill Heissel | 6:00 pm +Mark/+Monica Westhoff

St. Michael Financials:

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs \$30,980.77
Weekly Receipts-Actual \$32,199.61
Weekly-Overage (Shortfall) \$ 1,218.84

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget \$1,301,192.34
Year-To-Date-Actual \$1,317,335.57
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall) \$ 16,143.23
CFSA Overage (Shortfall) (\$ 213,482.95)
Actual Overage (Shortfall) (\$ 197,339.72)

CFSA 2026:

Diocesan Goal (\$181,000.00)
HVAC Goal (\$300,000.00)
Receipts-PLEDGES \$267,517.05
YTD (\$213,482.95)

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Online Giving**
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St. Vincent
De Paul



Bishop O’Gorman School News

School Masses for May:

Friday, May 1--prepared by 6th grade
Friday, May 8--prepared by 2nd grade
Friday, May 15--prepared by staff

Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools is more than a Preschool through 12 educational system; we are a faith-filled community forming hearts and minds for Christ across Sioux Falls. Rooted in Catholic tradition and committed to academic excellence, we partner with parents to nurture virtue, deepen faith, and help every child grow into who God is calling them to be. Here, your child will be truly seen, known, and loved—surrounded by a community that cares for their soul as much as their success. Enrollment for the 2026–2027 school year is open! Check it out at www.ogknights.org.

Teresa Hulscher

St Michael School Principal

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605.361.0021

6 Elementaries, O’Gorman Junior High,
O’Gorman High School

St. Michael School needs updated classroom door handles that can be locked more quickly in the event of an emergency. The School-Family Organization has already raised a portion of the funds, but additional support is needed to complete the project by next fall. If you would like to donate, please use the QR code. Your support will help keep our parish-school community safe.

SCAN ME!



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Daily Mass Readings:
<https://bible.usccb.org>

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Monday-Thursday
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1:00pm-4:30pm

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Monday-Thursday
8:00am - 5:00pm
Friday 8:00am-Noon

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