

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

ST. GEORGE PARISH



Hartford, SD

February 15, 2026

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Sioux Falls, SD

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I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven. This statement from the Lord doesn't shock us as much as it shocked His hearers back then. The scribes and Pharisees were perceived as very devout and holy people of their generation, deeply devoted to keeping the Lord's commandments to hasten the coming of the Messiah. They were serious students of the Word of God and built their lives around the Torah (which means "teaching"). To surpass their holiness might have sounded very difficult to many. But being so focused on the Moral laws might risk missing the whole point of the Torah: the grace of God manifested in Jesus Christ. *You have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice, mercy, and faithfulness. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. You blind guides (Mt 23:23).*

Matthew the Evangelist presents Jesus as a new Moses, revising the old commandments. In today's readings, the commandments are redirected toward a deeper meaning: not the external fulfillment of rules, but a pointing to pure and clean hearts transformed by grace. We should be aware that Jesus is closer to David and Solomon than to Moses as models of wise kings. Wisdom is the way by which kings were supposed to teach the people: *For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. (John 1,16.17) You are the fairest of the sons of men. Grace is poured upon your lips; therefore, God has blessed you forever. (Psalm 45, 2).* This divine Wisdom is the one revealed on the cross of Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory; a Wisdom hidden and mysterious, which God determined for our glory!

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! Only a soul impacted by this wisdom can fulfill the law and all its precepts: For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. (Rom 8,2.3). Let us be open to this Wisdom and thirst for it. In God's Blessings, Father Mario

ASH WEDNESDAY

LENT BEGINS

WHAT IS LENT:

The 40 day period from Ash Wednesday and before Easter Sunday. It is marked by praying, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of Penance.



PRAY



FAST



ABSTAIN

WHAT IS FASTING?



One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal.

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?



Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be flesh and organs of mammals and birds.

DAYS TO FAST



WHO IS REQUIRED?

Catholics ages 18 - 59

DAYS TO ABSTAIN



WHO IS REQUIRED?

Catholics ages 14 and up

The sick and Pregnant are exempt from fasting

Mardi Gras

Tuesday, February 17

at St. Michael

Celebration & Potluck

Kick off the Lenten season with Mass at 5:30 pm, where we bury the Alleluia. Afterward, join us in the Commons for some homemade gumbo! We ask that you bring a dish to share for our potluck.

St. Michael Mass Times:

Wednesday, Feb. 18

8:15 am School Mass

12:15 pm

5:30 pm

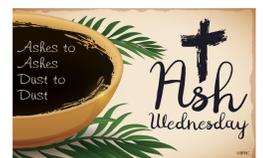
7:00 pm

St. George Mass Times:

Wednesday, Feb. 18

7:00 am

6:00 pm



Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

Join **Catholic Daughters Ct. Mother Teresa** for a **Mini Lenten Retreat** on February 21 at St. Michael's Multipurpose Room – use Entrance F. Optional Mass @ 8:15 AM in the Nave. Coffee, juice & pastries @ 8:45 AM – Retreat @ 9:00-11:30 AM. Past State CDA Chaplain Fr. Russell Homic is the presenter. A sign-up sheet is in the office, or call 605-361-1600. All are welcome! No fee!

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We're Hiring! Is the Lord calling you?

Position Opening: Parish Administrative Assistant
St. George Parish is seeking a qualified and professional individual to serve as the primary administrative and welcoming presence of the parish. This position provides essential clerical and organizational support to the pastor, parish staff, and parish ministries, while maintaining confidentiality and upholding the mission and values of the Catholic Church.

In addition, this role supports the Religious Education team by assisting with administrative responsibilities and helping ensure the effective operation of parish programs. The ideal candidate will be organized, dependable, and committed to providing courteous and efficient service to parishioners and visitors.

Please submit a resume and cover letter to Rechelle Dissing our Business Manager at rechelle@olvictorysd.org or by mail to PO Box 577 Hartford SD 57033 by **March 1, 2026**.
For more information contact Rechelle at 605-361-1600

We would like to thank Donna Perrion for her dedicated office work at the St. George Parish.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

PARISH PUB TRIVIA

night

DATE: Sat February 28th

TIME: Doors Open at 5:15 for Table Decoration Food, Bar and games open at 6:00 Event Starts promptly at 7:00 pm

VENUE: MPR

COST: \$280 for a table
\$70 for a couple
\$35 for a single

RAFFLE 50/50

Featuring a special drink donated by some friends from Wisconsin. So get your tickets NOW!

Lots of fun baskets and prizes to win!

GET GO

ALL FUNDS RAISED TO GO TOWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS IN PLAYA DE ORO AND LOVE IS THE MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANT SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

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Next week, we begin the Catholic Family Sharing Appeal 2026. Your gift will help each of the diocesan ministries reach thousands, including training future priests, proclaiming Christ's message through the media, providing counsel to the hurting, and reaching out to youth.



Please prayerfully consider how God is asking you to support this year's appeal. Next week, we will learn more about this appeal and the programs it supports. Thank you, and I look forward to your participation. Fr. Cesar



EVER-MORE
IN LOVE

IMMERSION
WEEKEND RETREAT
for married couples
of all ages

Experience the wonder of being more in love

February 21-22, 2026
Saturday: 8:00AM ~ 9:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM ~ 3:00PM

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
3601 East Dudley Lane, Sioux Falls

Cost per couple: \$100*
Cost includes retreat materials, meals, snacks, and beverages.
*Assistance available upon request.

REGISTER TODAY! → 

Weekend Retreat for couples. It will be held at Holy Spirit.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY
ST. GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH, HARTFORD SD

LENTE PASTORATE

NEW TALK! MISSION

Spiritual Warfare
How demons afflict us in everyday life!

EVENT INFORMATION
Dates: February 22, 23, & 24, 2026.
Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Place: St. George Church

SPEAKER
DEACON RALPH POYO



Our Lady of Victory Pastorate Religious Education



St. George:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

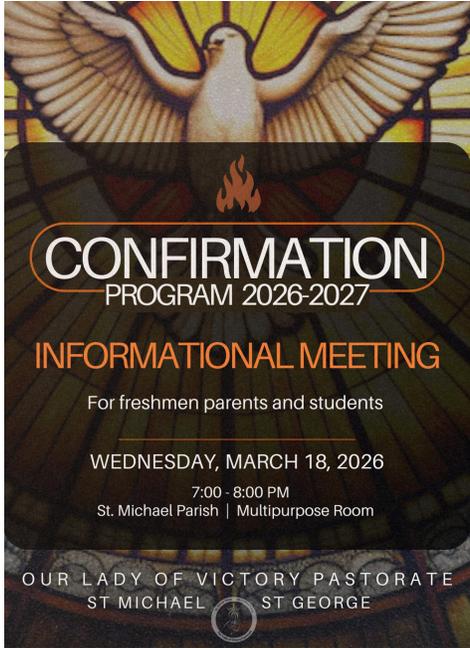
February 17, 18, 19: **No Class--please attend Mass**

Grades 4-6:

February 18: **No Class--please attend Mass**

Grades 7-High School: Ignite & Edge

February 18--**No Class--please attend Mass**



St. Michael:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

February 18 & 19: **No Class--please attend Mass**

Grades 4-5:

February 18: **No Class--please attend Mass**

Grades 6-High School: Fraternus/Fidelis

February 18: **No Class--please attend Mass**



Cost: Price Reduction---\$525

This includes travel, lodging, & all meals.



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

Holy Kid's Camp is Monday-Friday, July 27-31.

Monday-Thursday

8:00 am-12:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am-2:00 pm

Register HERE



Bishop Hoch Deanery Scholarship Program -

The scholarships are available to new students, students already in college, and non-traditional students interested in attending or already attending Mount Marty University, Yankton. **Download the application HERE.** For further information, please contact bmitzel@sfcatholic.org. Applications must be returned to the Office of Catholic Schools, 523 North Duluth Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104. **Applications are due March 15.**

Wednesday, February 25. Deacon Ralph Poyo will address the Our Lady of Victory youth and their parents, specifically those in grades 7-10 at St. George Church, at 7:00 PM.

St. Joseph Academy is a growing, vibrant Catholic classical school on the St. Joseph Cathedral campus. We aim to raise students in wisdom and virtue to the pursuit of truth, goodness, and beauty.

We are now accepting applications for the 2026-2027 academic school year.

Visit us online at stjosephclassicalacademy.org to apply.

The Presentation Sisters are sponsoring Tuition Assistance scholarships to students attending Catholic Schools in eastern SD.

Deadline to enroll is March 20.

Print the application form **HERE.**

When: Tuesday, February 17

5:00 pm

Where: Pizza Ranch on 41st Street



Liturgical ministers please inform Donna of your unavailable dates for March and April by **February 18**.



At the welcome table this weekend will be the traveling Blessed Virgin statue. Stop by to discover how she can come to your home, schedule a week for her to be with you and your family for family prayer time.



In the foyer, there are sign-up forms for liturgical ministers for Ash Wednesday Masses and for Lenten Stations of the Cross, which require altar servers. Please stop by and sign up for a position.



St. George Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, February 16, at 7:45 pm.



During Lent, we do not sing Alleluia as the Gospel Proclamation because it is too joyful for the penitential season we are in. There is a Catholic tradition of "Burying the Alleluia" before Ash Wednesday. This fosters reverence for the word and mindfulness of the Lenten Season. *There are Alleluia pages available in the foyer for your family to take and color.* Bring them back on **Tuesday, February 17, 5:30 pm daily Mass**. Father will bury the church's Alleluia plaque after Mass, along with any colored Alleluia colored pages.



Join us at St. George for our annual **Ash Wednesday meal** following the 6 pm Mass on February 18.

We will be serving:

Soups:

Tomato, Potato & Broccoli

Sandwiches:

Cheese, Peanut Butter, Tuna & Egg



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Dennis Krier, brother of Gary Krier**. May he and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Gifts Hymn: Eye Has Not Seen

REFRAIN— *Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has ready for those who love him; Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus, teach us the wisdom of God.*

When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O Lord, forgive the weakness of our faith, and bear us up within your peaceful word. **(refrain)**

Our lives are but a single breath, we flower and we fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we return in love what love has made. **(refrain)**

To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near, reflected in the faces of all the poor and lowly of the world. **(refrain)**

We sing a myst'ry from the past, in halls where saints have trod, yet ever new the music rings to Jesus, Living Song of God. **(refrain)**

St. George:

Daily Mass Times at St. George

Mondays: **No Mass**

Tuesdays: 5:30 pm

Wednesday: 7:00 am & 6:00 pm

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:

Sat., Feb. 14| 5:00 pm +Nancy Kubal

Sun., Feb. 15| 9:00 am Parishioners of OLV Pastorate

Mon., Feb. 16| **No Mass**

Tues., Feb. 17| 5:30 pm Int of Corbin Ridings

Wed., Feb. 18| 7:00 am +Donna Davis

6:00 pm +Henry Goettertz

Thurs., Feb. 19| 5:30 pm +Barbara & +John Masgai

Fri., Feb. 20| 8:00 am deceased members of Hanisch/ Kolbeck family

Sat., Feb. 21| 5:00 pm +Barb Warne

Sun., Feb. 22| 9:00 am +Gloria Schaffer

St. George Financials:

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs \$6,553.85

Weekly Receipts-Actual \$4,704.00

Weekly Overage (Shortfall) (\$1,849.85)

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget

\$209,723.20

Year-To-Date-Actual

\$230,145.74

Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)

\$ 20,422.54

**St. George Online
Giving**
olvictorysd.org



Saturday, February 21

Altar Servers: C. & O. Rogers, R. Wilking

Reader: M. Cypher

Usher: D. Christensen, K. Christensen, D. Puthoff, C. Skauge

EMOHC: (Dcn. Tom-OM), J. & M. Thornton

Offertory: L. & R. Foreman family

Sacristan: D. Perrion

Sunday, February 22

Altar Servers: C. Brown, C. Danielson, K. Schulte

Readers: J. & R. Schulte

Usher: B. Kramer, R. Schulte, T. & D. Brown-Woodhull

EMOHC: (Dcn. Tom-OM), M. & M. Masgai

Offertory: B. & DJ Warrington

Sacristan: C. Kapperman

Donuts: B. Olson & G. Greer

Readings for 2/15/26

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St. Michael



We welcome **Paxton Charles Page, son of Carly & Eric Page** to our St. Michael family. May God bless him as he learns in faith, and may he grow by our witness and example.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Dennis Krier, brother of Richard Krier**. May he and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is at the Welcome Table this weekend.

We are MORE THAN A THRIFT STORE!

Welcome Table



"I would like to embrace the whole world in a network of charity," said Blessed Frederick Ozanam, married layman, founder of the Society in 1833 under the patronage and person of St. Vincent de Paul.

It happened! We are a global society of laypeople committed to supporting our friends in need.

Want to know more? gtlars01@gmail.com or terry.wensing@gmail.com

Women at the Well

Saturday, February 28 at 9:00 am --
date change due to the CDA Lenten Retreat

St. Michael would like to extend their thanks to Renae Smith, who has faithfully decorated our Altar area. She is "retiring" from her job. Father Cesar is seeking a committee of 2-3 people willing to undertake this ministry. He encourages anyone who enjoys creating peaceful and prayerful spaces to contact Helen at helen@olvictorysd.org.

We will be serving coffee and donuts after the 8:00 am & 9:30 am Masses on Sunday, February 15. Come down to the gym for fellowship and fun!



Please register prior to the event!

Building Virtuous Men

Featuring:

Dan Venezia

Catholic Speaker and Former Minnesota Twin

Saturday Morning, March 7, 2026

7:30 am (Event starts at 8 am)

12:30 pm (Social/Lunch from Pizza Ranch)

Church of St Mary – Sioux Falls

2109 S 5th Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Pre-register using the QR Code

\$30 per person / \$35 at the door

Or visit:



<https://brothersinchrist.ticketspice.com/spring2026>

St. Michael Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 17, at 7:00 pm in the Art Room. Please use door F.



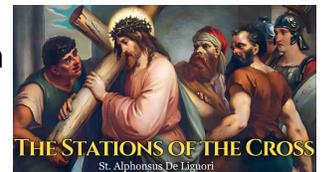
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL



COME AND GET IT!

The KC's Fish Fry Fridays are back! Join us in the gym at 6:00 pm! 1st event is Friday, Feb. 20.

Each Friday night at St. Michael from 5:30 -6:00 pm. This starts Friday, Feb. 20.



Bishop O'Gorman Extravaganza is next Saturday night, February 21!

Where: Canopy by Hilton
120 East 4th Street

Doors open at 5:30 pm.

Entertainment ends at 11:00 pm!

[Purchase Tickets Here!](#)

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, Feb. 16 | 5:30 pm +Bryan Ahrendt

Tuesday, Feb. 17 | 5:30 pm +Joe Gould

Wednesday, Feb. 18 | 8:15 am +Sharon Cool 12:15 pm Int. of Pope Leo
5:30 pm +Anthony Weiland 7:00 pm OLV Parishioners

Thursday, Feb. 19 | 8:15 am +Robert LaMothe

Friday, Feb. 20 | 8:15 am +Susan Kappenman

Saturday, Feb. 21 | 8:15 am +Bryan Ahrendt
4:00 pm +Brad Wersal

Sunday, Feb. 22 | 8:00 am OLV Parishioners | 9:30 am +Lorraine Buckmiller
11:00 am +Kathy Weissenberger | 6:00 pm +Linda Easthouse

St. Michael Financials:

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs \$30,980.77

Weekly Receipts-Actual \$31,952.37

Weekly-Overage (Shortfall) \$ 971.60

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget

\$991,384.64

Year-To-Date-Actual

\$986,738.65

Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)

(\$ 4,645.99)

Please consider making a monthly donation to

St. Vincent dePaul.



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olvictorysd.org



Bishop O’Gorman School News

Teresa Hulscher

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School Masses for February:

Feb. 18--prepared by 5D (Ash Wednesday)

Feb. 27--prepared by KZ

Hiring:

We are hiring teachers, coaches, & custodians!

Visit www.ogknights.org/careers to view all the open positions.

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

Did you know that Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools students were awarded more than \$2 million in tuition assistance this year?

Finances should not be a worry when choosing Catholic education for your child.

We want to partner with you to make Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools a reality for your family! Scan the QR code to see all our tuition assistance options. Early parish enrollment dates! February 23rd-25th.

Contact us at admissions@ogknights.org for the link to the early application!



EVERY CHILD DESERVES A CATHOLIC EDUCATION!

Opportunities available with
TUITION ASSISTANCE & SCHOLARSHIPS
through Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools.

<p>TUITION ASSISTANCE</p> <p>We make tuition affordable for families through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Discounts • South Dakota Partners in Education Scholarships • Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools Grants • Parish Grants 	<p>TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS*</p> <p>With over 50 different scholarships, from Kindergarten to College, one or more might be just right for you!</p>
<p>Nearly 50% of our students receive some type of assistance.</p> <p>More than 2 MILLION dollars in tuition assistance was awarded to our students this school year!</p>	<p>APPLICATION PERIOD February 17 - April 1</p> <p>A completed TADS financial aid application is required for tuition assistance and many of the scholarships. Applicants must be in good standing at their respective school in order to be considered for assistance.</p>



Families receive notification of awarded scholarships in late May and grants in early June.

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by noon on Tuesdays.****

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

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

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