

# Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

## ST. GEORGE PARISH



Hartford, SD

January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord



## ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Sioux Falls, SD

Pastorate phone number

605.361.1600

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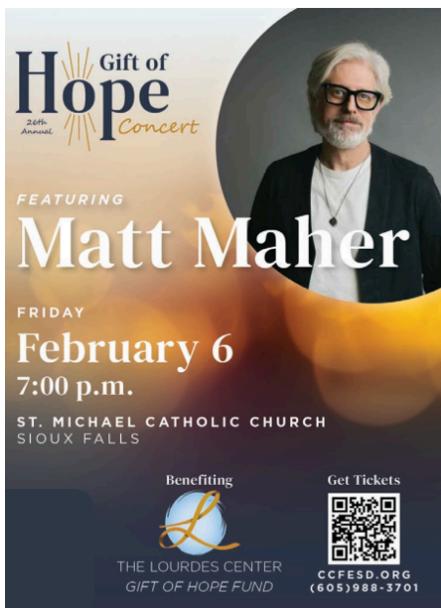


### A New Year, a Great Feast, and a New Season by Deacon John

This Sunday is the Solemnity of the **Baptism of the Lord**. Jesus is baptized in the Jordan River by his cousin, John. What a great example of humility and righteousness that Jesus would submit to his own authority as Lord to be baptized by John. In this action, at least a few things occur: since Jesus was baptized in the waters of the Jordan, we believe that all water is sanctified for our own Baptisms, which signify new life; the Trinity is revealed; we are adopted as God's children; and Jesus begins His public ministry. WOW - what a blessing it is for each of us!



The question becomes "what are we doing with that blessing, how has this reality changed our lives?" We have been given great dignity through the Sacrament of Baptism and been received into God's family - a great Grace but also an incredible responsibility. We are now God's advocates here on earth. We were anointed as priests, prophets, and kings right after Baptism; in other words, we have been set apart by God for sacred service. As priests, we are called to sacrifice on behalf of our families and friends, and for the world, and to become mediators (intercessors) before God. As prophets, we are to receive and speak God's Word, calling people to repentance and truth. As a king, we are to lead the people and serve as Jesus did - "I come to serve, not to be served" (Mt 20:28). This calls us to sacrificial service, contrasting worldly powers and allurements with selfless contributions from our own prayer and acts of service. That's a LOT, isn't it? But God has anointed us with the Holy Spirit through our Baptisms and Confirmations and strengthens us with the Eucharist. He even "cleans us up" in the Confessional. All of this is another way of saying "We have all we need!" As you look at this new year ahead of you and make resolutions, please include one that calls you to live your Baptismal promises and live out the dignity you have as a son or daughter of God Almighty!



This concert will be held at St. Michael.

However, you must purchase tickets through the Sioux Falls Catholic Community Foundation.



<https://ccfesd.org/events/gift-of-hope/>

**Fr. Cesar, Fr. Mario and the brothers will be gone January 5-January 12. They will be attending a PES conference. During that time, we will have a variety of visiting priests for daily & weekend Masses.**

The Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls is looking to fill several positions...

If you thrive in a fast-paced environment and are eager to make a difference, we want to hear from you! More information [HERE](#).





Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart

**"That Man is You" TMIY men's group Friday mornings, starting Jan. 9 (6:15 to 7:30 am in Multi-Purpose Room, Entrance F) (breakfast) Text Jon Schulte at 605-359-6505 to inquire or scan QR code to join Friday meetings:**



**or Wednesday evenings, starting Jan. 7 (5:15 to 7:00 pm in Parish conference room, Door A) Scan this code to join Wednesday meetings.**



## 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 5th Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Please pre-register

using the QR code

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

or visit:

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

Presented By:



**Join other men at St. Mary Catholic Church on March 7.**

## Save the Date:

**Deacon Ralph Poyo** is coming back for Our Lady of Victory Pastorate- Lenten Mission. The Mission will be held at St. George. The dates are:

*Sunday, February 22, Monday, February 23, and Tuesday, February 24. These events will start at 6:30 pm each night. On Wednesday, February 25, Deacon Ralph will speak to the youth and parents of the Pastorate. That event will start at 7:00 pm at St. George.*

## Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

**OLV Emmaus Sisters- Our Agape meal will be at St. George on Sunday, January 18, from 2:00 pm-4:00 pm in the St. George's parish hall. All Emmaus sisters are welcome to attend. Please get in touch with Dana if you plan to attend and if you need a ride from Sioux Falls to St. George. 605-361-1600.**

**The St. Michael Knights of Columbus are hosting a breakfast on Sunday, January 11 from 9:00 am -11:00 am**

St. Michael Knights of Columbus Breakfast Deluxe Offering! Toppings Bar (whipped cream, chocolate chips, fresh fruit), Pancakes, French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Sausages and Donuts !! Dine in or Carryout! **Gluten-free options will be available!**



**HELD – Through Grief by Grace:** This eight-week grief series begins Tuesday, Feb. 3, from 6-8 p.m. at the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery in Sioux Falls. The series will blend education and faith surrounding the loss of a loved one through death. Registration is required and can be completed online at [www.thelourdescenter.com](http://www.thelourdescenter.com).

There is no cost to attend; however, free-will donations will gladly be accepted. For more information, please call 605-988-3775.

## Bishop Hoch Deanery Scholarships

are made available by the Catholic churches in each respective deanery of the Diocese of Sioux Falls. 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 application here.](#)

**Camp Sydney 2026** – The Lourdes Center will be offering a grief camp for youth (to include their parents/guardians) this summer at **Broom Tree Retreat Center, beginning at 6 p.m. June 5 until 11 a.m. June 7, 2026**. This three-day camp includes fun activities, discussion and support for both kids and adults. The grief camp is offered free of charge, however, free-will donations will gladly be accepted. Registration is required and can be completed online at [www.thelourdescenter.com](http://www.thelourdescenter.com) starting Jan. 15. For more information, please call 605-988-3775.



## St. George:

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

January 13,14,15: Classes as scheduled

### Grades 4-6:

January 14: Classes as scheduled

**All Family Faith Formation at St. George will be held on Wednesday, January 14. This event is open to St. George RE parents and students.**

**Meal:** 5:15-6:15 pm--meatball subs

**Parents gather:** 6:30-7:30 pm--parish hall

**Students Pre-K-6<sup>th</sup> grade:** 6:00 pm--go to class

**10<sup>th</sup> grade students & 9<sup>th</sup> grade boys:**

6:30-7:30 pm--go to classrooms

**7<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, & 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls:**

6:30-7:30 pm--meet in the church



## St. Michael:

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

January 13 & 14: Classes as scheduled

### Grades 4-5:

January 14: Classes as scheduled

### Grades 6-High School: Fraternus/Fidelis

January 14: Classes as scheduled

**The Confirmation Mass with Bishop DeGrood will be on Saturday, January 17, at 10:00 am. Students should arrive by 8:30 am.**

**OLV Youth Group** for the 6-8 grade students will be on Tuesdays at St. George from 6:30- 8:00 pm in the parish hall.

### Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, January 20 and 27,

February 3, 10, and 17

*Tuesday, February 24- No youth group- Please attend the talk by Deacon Ralph Poyo.*

### D-CAMP REGISTRATION is now open! D-Camp

(Discipleship Camp) is our Diocesan summer youth camp.

Junior High and High School youth come together for four

days of faith and fun. **Early Registration ends Jan. 31.**

#### High School Camp 1

**June 14-17, 2026 or**

#### High School Camp 2

**July 12-15, 2026**

Youth Entering Grades

9-12, Fall of 2026

#### Junior High Camp

**July 16-19, 2026**

Youth Entering Grades

7-8, Fall of 2026



[\*\*Registration Link is HERE\*\*](#)

**All OLV Parents and Teens,** please mark your calendars for a special event on *Wednesday, February 25, 2026*.

Deacon Ralph Poyo will address the Our Lady of Victory youth and their parents, specifically those in grades 7-10. We kindly request that parents attend this event with their teenagers. The gathering will take place at St. George Church, commencing at 7:00 PM. We will meet in the church.



**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

**This is for all OLV kids in preschool-6<sup>th</sup> grade.**



[\*\*Register HERE\*\*](#)



**Steubenville Registration will be available next week. Watch for the link.**

**Sunday, February 1**  
**St. George 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students & parents will meet after Mass for a 1<sup>st</sup> Communion meeting.**

## St. George:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Dean Ahrendt, husband of Therese, father of Sarah Rajewich, Jill Siedschlag, and Charlie Ahrendt, brother of Tom Ahrendt, brother-in-law of Bobby O'Kane, John O'Kane, Rosemary Jesse, Marty Jesse, and grandfather & great-grandfather of many; Donald Dewitt, brother of Joan McNamara, and Sheryl (Deters) Larson, a parishioner.** May they and all the faithful departed rest in peace.



We welcome **Josephine Johnson, daughter of Samantha & Ben** to our St. George family. May God bless her as she learns in faith, and may she grow by our witness and example.

### Catholic Daughters Monthly

Meeting:

Monday, January 12

6:30 pm

The traveling Blessed Virgin statue is available for your home. Please schedule with the St. George parish office.

### Hartford-Humboldt RTL meeting

Tuesday, January 27, 6:30pm

Refreshments are always served.

Please come. ♡

HHRTL extends our sincerest "thanks" for your generous support of our annual baby shower - and throughout the entire year! We invite you to join us in spreading the pro-life message. Call for more info: 605.351.8778.

THANK  
YOU



### 4th Degree Exemplification

Date: Saturday, January 17, 2026

Location: St George Parish Hall  
408 S Western Ave.  
Hartford, SD

**Families Encouraged to Attend and Should Plan on Being Seated by 12:45**

**Exemplification Starts at 1:00 PM**

**Candidate Attire: Dark Suit and Tie**

**Exemplification Fee: \$25**

**Note: Council 11739 in Hartford will also be hosting a Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Degree starting at 11:00AM**

**This ceremony is open to any Knight within the area. All are invited to participate.**

The January schedule for serving meals at the Hartford Senior Citizen Center, from 10:45 AM to 1:00 PM, is in the foyer. There are two openings on January 12. Please sign up to assist.



Check out the  
Knights of  
Columbus  
Facebook page.



Join us in praying the rosary for Pro-life: the 2nd Tuesday of the month after the 5:30pm Mass and every Wednesday after the 8:00am Mass.

**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:**

Sat., Jan. 10| 5:00 pm +Barb/+John Masgai

Sun., Jan. 11| 9:00 am +Monica Westhoff

Mon., Jan. 12| No Mass

Tues., Jan. 13| 5:30 pm +John/+Susie/+Paulette Trapp

Wed., Jan. 14| 8:00 am +Lois Opitz

Thurs. Jan. 15| 5:30 pm +Burggraff/+Penning Families

Friday, Jan. 16|8:00 am +Heiberger/+Schulte Families

Sat., Jan. 17| 5:00 pm +Gene/+Charlotte Zortman

Sun., Jan. 18| 9:00 am +Pete Schulte

**Saturday, January 17**

Altar Server: K. Ingalls, C. &amp; O. Rogers

Reader: H. McMahon

Usher: C. McMahon, T. McMahon, G. Mohrhauser, M. O'Kane

EMOHC: M. Jesse, & B. Zortman, **NEED ONE**

Offertory: C. &amp; C. Skauge family

Sacristan: M. Sieverding

**Sunday, January 18**Altar Servers: E. Maras, S.B. Nielsen, **NEED ONE**

Readers: L. &amp; M. Bergeson

Usher: J. Maras, K. Meehan, R. Schulte, B. Voss

EMOHC: L. & M. Bergeson, **NEED ONE**

Offertory: C. &amp; N. Kapperman family

Sacristan: L. Voss

Donuts: A. &amp; M. Eschen

**General Needs:**

Weekly Collection Needs	\$19,661.55
Weekly Receipts-Actual	\$36,046.26
Weekly Overage (Shortfall)	\$16,384.71
Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$176,953.95
Year-To-Date-Actual	\$199,951.24
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)	\$22,997.29
CFSA Overage(Shortfall)	(\$19,838.75)
Actual Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 3,158.54

**CFSA 2025:**

Goal	(\$63,500.00)
Cemetery Goal	(\$36,500.00)
Receipts-PLEDGES	\$80,161.25
YTD	(\$19,838.75)

**St. George Online****Giving**[olvictorysd.org](http://olvictorysd.org)**Readings for 1/11/26**

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## St. Michael

Please continue to keep our parishioners and staff members on the Guatemala trip in your prayers as they continue their journey and prepare to return home.

St. Michael offers baptism preparation classes for parents wanting to baptize their child. They will be held from 10:45 am -11:30 am in the Oxford Room. **The upcoming class is on January 25.** Please register prior to the class by calling the office 605-361-1600.

Our St. Michael adoration chapel is open for anyone wishing to spend some quiet time with Jesus. Want to try it? Contact the Parish Office with questions.

If you are new to St. Michael's parish and interested in registering, we want to help you! Please contact us at 361-1600 to start the process.



If you or your loved ones face a serious illness or other crisis, please contact the St. Michael Prayer Chain for support. Please either call the parish office at 605.361.1600 or email betty@olvictorysd.org with your request.

If you would like to join the St. Michael prayer chain, please contact Rhonda or Betty at the parish office. All you need is an email address!

Thank you to all the parishioners who volunteer their time and talent to make our funerals run smoothly. Your desserts are always delicious, and the help you give is greatly appreciated by the families.

THANK YOU  
SO MUCH

Women at the Well  
Saturday, January 17 at 9:00 am  
in the Multi-purpose room

Angel Gown Ministry  
Tuesday, January 13, at 5:30 pm  
in the Oxford Room

Catholic Daughters Meeting  
Tuesday, January 13 at 6:30 pm  
in the Multipurpose Room

The St. Michael Catholic Daughters Ministry is sponsoring the annual educational \$100 scholarship. It is open to Catholic and non-Catholic students in grades 4-12. The entry forms and rules are in the parish office.

The themes are:

"The Least of These" & "The Least of These: Lifting Others Up." **The deadline to enter is Feb. 4, 2026.**

Please consider making a monthly donation to St. Vincent de Paul.



St. Michael Conference  
1600 S Marion Rd Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Online Giving



The 3 essential elements of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are *Spirituality, Friendship, and Service.* Interested in becoming a Vincentian or learning more about us? gtlars01@gmail.com or terry.wensing@gmail.com

We want to give a shout-out to our new custodian, Patti Fox! She has been working very hard to spruce up our facilities. The building looks awesome! Thanks, Patty!

THANK  
YOU

**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, Jan. 12| 5:30 pm +Michael Mahan  
Tuesday, Jan. 13| 5:30 pm Int. of Timothy/Dee Schubert  
Wednesday, Jan. 14| 8:15 am +Lorin Froehlich  
Thursday, Jan. 15| 8:15 am +Charlie Conway  
Friday, Jan. 16| 8:15 am Int. of Duane Berman  
Saturday, Jan. 17| 8:15 am +Mel Larson 4:00 pm +Don Grasma  
Sunday, Jan. 18| 8 am Int. of OLV Parishioners | 9:30 am +Don Merrill |  
11:00 am +Frank/+Esther Bruna | 6:00 pm +Julius Weissenberger

**General Needs:**

Weekly Collection Needs	\$ 92,942.31
Weekly Receipts-Actual	\$126,682.42
Weekly-Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 33,740.11

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$836,480.79
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Year-To-Date-Actual	\$833,348.15
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Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 3,132.64)
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CFSA Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 82,675.25
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Actual Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 79,542.61
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**CFSA 2025:**

Goal	\$203,000.00
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Receipts-PLEDGES	\$285,675.25
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YTD	\$ 82,675.25
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[olvictorysd.org](http://olvictorysd.org)**St. Michael Online  
Giving****Bishop O'Gorman School News**

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**School Masses for January:**

Jan. 16--prepared by first grade  
Jan. 23--All School Mass offsite  
Jan. 30--prepared by second grade

**Catholic Schools Week is  
January 25-31.**

This year's theme is

**"Catholic Schools: United in Faith and  
Community"**

**Preschool Preview Day:**

Meet our teachers, explore classrooms, and see how we help your child build confidence, curiosity, and character-the essential foundation for lifelong learning.

**St. Michael Elementary's day:**

**Friday, January 23 8:00-9:00 am**

**O'Gorman Open Houses:**

Bishop O'Gorman Junior High

**Thursday, January 22 7:00 pm**

Bishop O'Gorman High School

**Monday, January 26 6:00 pm**

Are you interested in working for Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools? Please click on the link to see the choices.

**CLICK HERE**



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Monday-Thursday

10:00am - 4:00 pm

**St. Michael Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday

8:00am - 5:00pm

Friday 8:00am-Noon

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