

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

ST. GEORGE PARISH



Hartford, SD

**September 14,
2025**



ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Sioux Falls, SD



**The Exaltation of
the Holy Cross**

Today's Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is described in the ORDO as a celebration of two anniversaries in Jerusalem. Constantine erected a round church, the Anastasis, above the empty tomb of Jesus, and a basilica, the Martyrium. In the square between the two churches, a shrine, the Calvarium, marked the place of the crucifixion. This was dedicated in 335AD. The Persians destroyed the two, then rebuilt, and that was destroyed by the Muslims in 1009. The present church of the Holy Sepulcher, rebuilt by the Crusaders, was dedicated in 1149. Today also commemorates the discovery of the Lord's cross by the empress St. Helena in 320. In reading the discovery of the Lord's cross, I'm reminded of the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock. You see, I have witnessed reliquaries with what was described to me as pieces of our Lord's cross. Wait... What!

Now I don't know who had the idea to whittle the cross down and send it around the world, but I'm sure these artifacts do exist. The reason it reminds me of Our Lady of Knock Shrine is that after the apparitions, people came to Knock to see for themselves, with chisels and hammers to take a piece of the church home with them. Today, a portion of the original church wall is inlaid in the new addition, allowing people to pray against the original wall where the apparition was seen. The apparition was an excellent consolation during the potato famine in Ireland in the 1800s. Talk about your crosses...

As we celebrate today's feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, let us remember our past, our present, and hopefully our future. That the crosses we've experienced, the crosses we are now enduring, and the crosses of our future will be nothing, as St Paul tells us, compared to the glory that awaits us in heaven. Praise Jesus Christ, now and forever! God's blessings, Deacon Mark

Our next Behold Worship Night is Sunday, Oct. 5, at St. Michael Parish.

Behold is a time of prayer and praise that seeks to draw us into the heart of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. It is an event held every 6-8 weeks in the Sioux Falls area that includes praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and prayerful reflections. Confessions will be available throughout the event. This event is free and open to the public and will be from 7:15 pm to 8:45pm.



***All of the priests will be
at Clergy Days in
Chamberlain from
Oct. 6-9.***

***Therefore, our Mass
schedules will change
for that week.***

Mon., Oct. 6--8:15 am Mass at St. Michael/No Confessions
Tues., Oct. 7--No Mass or Confessions at either parish
Wed., Oct. 8--No Mass at either parish
Thurs., Oct. 9--No Mass or Confessions at either parish.
St. George will **NOT** have adoration.

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate:



St Michael Parish **HOLY Fudge** Weekend Sales

Will be wrapped and ready to go at the Welcome Table and the Commons Kitchen!
September 13/14
November 1/2

\$15 per pound or
\$4 per ¼ pound

Buy 1lb and get 2 individually wrapped pieces free!

All proceeds go to Love is The Mission



Help by being a piece of the crew in putting on our
FEAST DAY PUZZLE ROYALE



Sign up here
to help the
weekend of
Sept 27/28

Volunteer



The Feast of St Michael Presents

THE DEFEND US in our PUZZLE BATTLE ROYALE EVENT!

Sunday, September 28th

Meal of Wings and Things at 12:15 pm
Puzzle Battle begins at 1:15 pm

Price per team of 4-\$40.00

Price per person just for meal \$10.00

Sign up for the :

- Family Category
- All Adult Category
- Single Person (to make a group of 4)
- Kids Only Category
- Meal Only

Sign up by : ↓
• [CLICKING HERE](#)
or
• Scanning here



Strength, Sanctity, and Grace for Single Moms will resume their monthly meeting on **Saturday, September 20 at 9am** in the conference room. This group is for **any** single mom in the diocese to include unmarried, divorced, separated, or widowed. Contact Jenna at 605.366.0160 with any questions.

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate! Please join us for a public rosary rally to commemorate the message of Fatima. **Our rosary will begin at Noon on Saturday, October 11.** Meet at the NW corner of the front parking lot at St. George in Hartford. We will pray the rosary for the salvation of souls and the conversion of our nation – asking God to save America through His Most Holy Mother. Dress warm and bring your rosary and lawn chair. Questions? Call: 605- 351-8778



Our Lady of Victory Pastorate has chosen 2 dates to pray in front of Planned Parenthood.

- Thursday, 10/9,
- Saturday, 10/18.



Will you dedicate 1 hour and come to the sidewalk in peaceful prayer to end abortion? Sign ups will be at the welcome tables and in the entryways. Questions? Call or text 605-351-8778.

The Emmaus retreat for women is accepting registrations. The retreat will be held October 10, 11, and 12, at Lake Shetek Lutheran Bible Camp in Lake Shetek in MN. Cost is \$150. Call Dana Webskowski with questions or to assist you with registration. **[Click here to register.](#)**

Donate Blood at the **ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC** **CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE**

Monday, September 15

8:00am - 11:30am & 1:00pm - 4:00pm

IMPACT LOCAL LIVES IN OUR COMMUNITY

Scan Here To Schedule Your Donation!



COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK
THE LIFE BLOOD OF YOUR COMMUNITY

We require donors to provide a photo ID.



Fr. Cesar will be on spiritual retreat from September 16-23.

Hey ya'll, if you want to meet new people, love to have fun and want to play a little friendly volleyball sign up now by scanning the QR Code or click here



Click below...



Our Lady of Victory Pastorate Religious Education



St. Michael:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

Sept. 16 & 17---All Sessions as normal

Grades 4-5

Sept. 17

6:00pm Class

Grades 6-High School:

Sept. 17

6:30pm Fidelis in the multi-purpose room

Fraternus in the gym



St. George:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

Sept. 16, 17, 18---All Sessions as normal

Grades 4-6

Sept. 17

6:00pm Class

Grades 7-High School:

Sept. 17

Ignite & Edge 7:00pm

**Next Confirmation Prep Class
for both St. George & St. Michael
is on Wednesday, September 17,
at St. George. Class begins at 7:00 pm.**



**Kids of the Kingdom Children's
Choir at St. Michael begins on
Tuesday, October 7.** *We practice every
Tuesday from 3:15-4:00 pm. Anyone is invited
to join. Please contact Ann Gooley if you are
interested at ann@olvictorysd.org.*



**OCIA will begin on Tuesday, September 30,
from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Multipurpose
Room. Anyone who wishes to become
Catholic needs to attend these classes.
Catholics who wish to learn more about
their Catholic faith are encouraged to
attend OCIA. Classes go from September to
March with confirmation at Easter.**

Bishop O'Gorman School News



School Masses September:
Sept. 19- prepared by 4th grade
Sept. 26- prepared by 3rd grade
Sept. 29- prepared by 2nd grade

Join us for The Anxious Generation
5-week book study beginning
Sept. 24 in the St. Michael Teacher's Workroom
from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm. **Register [HERE](#).**
For questions, contact AJ Watson at
ajfwatson@gmail.com or 703.786.9245.



**Ages 14+ Need a Job that Fits Your
Schedule?**

Join our O'G After School Care Team and
earn while you learn!

- Work after school (no weekends and
done by 6pm!)
- Gain experience for your resume
- Still have time for activities and
homework **[APPLY HERE](#)**



**Brotherhood in Faith: How a group of O'Gorman
friends chose to grow together**

At first glance, they might just seem like a tight-knit
group of high school friends — playing sports together,
walking the halls after class, or catching up over Bible
study. But for *Keenan Sheridan, Connor Holt, James
Shea*, and their circle of friends, their bond runs deeper
than sports and shared classes. **READ MORE** by
visiting <https://bit.ly/brotherhood-in-faith>

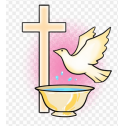
Join Our Team as a Full-time Custodian at St. Michael Parish! Are you seeking a fulfilling opportunity to serve your community and contribute to the preservation of a sacred space? St. Michael Parish in Sioux Falls, SD, is seeking a Custodian to help maintain our facilities and create a welcoming environment for our parishioners and visitors. If you wish to apply or want to know more details, click [HERE](#) or check out our website: www.olvictorysd.org.



St. Michael:



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Cathy Maxwell, a parishioner**. May she and all the faithful departed rest in peace.



Congratulations to **Everett Thomas Guggisberg, son of Nathan & Abby** on his baptism. May God bless him always!

Join your friends and family for coffee & donuts in the gym after the 8:00 am & 9:30 am Masses on Sunday, September 14!

All women are welcome.
Just come as you are!
No sign-up needed.



Saturday, September 20 @ 9:00 am
in the multipurpose room at St. Michael.
Use Entrance F.

The vocation of the Society's members, who are called Vincentians, is to follow Christ through service to those in need and so bear witness to His compassionate and liberating love. Members show their commitment through person-to-person contact. Vincentians serve in hope.



St. Vincent de Paul ministry meets on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 16, at 6:15 pm in the Teacher's workroom.

Do you feel like you need more quiet time for prayer?

**ADORATION
CHAPEL**

St. Michael has an adoration chapel open 24 hours every day. You can call the parish office to learn how to enter the adoration chapel. We ask that you sign your name at the entrance to the chapel.

St. Michael offers baptism preparation classes for parents wanting to baptize their child. They are held on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 10:45 am -11:30 am in the Oxford Room. **The upcoming class is September 21.** Please register prior to the class by calling the office 605-361-1600.

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting **Tuesday, September 16 at 7:00 pm** in the Multi-purpose room. Use Entrance F. **Agenda:** program, business meeting, social/refreshments



Scan the QR code to visit the St. Michael Facebook page.

The Knights of Columbus will hand out tootsie rolls after every Mass on Sept. 20/21. This is their annual fundraiser to help fund programs for people with disabilities.



The Scouts will be selling popcorn after the Masses on the weekend of Sept. 27/28. Be sure to stop by and check it out!



Rosary Coast to Coast Oct. 5
The Rosary Coast to Coast will be prayed on Sunday, Oct. 5 at 3 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph. All are welcome.



St. George:

A jacket was found at St. George the weekend of Aug. 30/31. Please contact the St. George Parish office to claim.

CDA Court #1533, Humboldt and Montrose will be hosting a non-clothing rummage and bake sale on **Saturday, Sept. 20**, from 9 am to 7 pm at St. Ann's Hall, 409 W. 3rd Ave. in Humboldt.

Save the Date!!

Hartford-Humboldt

Fundraiser

at Pizza Ranch



Monday, October 13

5:00-8:00 pm

Please mention Hartford-Humboldt

RTL with your call-in or take-out

order: 605-528-3663

- THANK YOU for your support!

Millions of Monicas meet on Mondays at St. George from 6:00-7:00 pm. All women are welcome to attend. Come check us out and give us a try as we pray for our loved ones to return to the Catholic Faith.



Congratulations to **Ridge Daniel Ideker, son of Austin & Paige** on his baptism. May God bless him always!

Are you new to the Hartford area, or are you looking for a parish to join? We welcome you to Saint George! If you are interested in becoming a member of our parish, just contact the office by phone or email. Contact info is in the bulletin. Registration forms are also on the rack in the foyer.

St. George Knights of Columbus
Meeting on Monday, September 15 at
7:30 pm

If you are interested in joining or learning more about the St. George Knights of Columbus, please don't hesitate to reach out. We are a Catholic Fraternity of Men ages 18 and older, dedicated to four main degrees: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. We meet once a month, on the third Monday, for a night of brotherhood, prayer, business, and fellowship.



Sioux Falls Diocese Events



Attend the SD Right to Life Convention

Sept. 26-27, 2025

Faith Lutheran Church
714 N. Grand in Pierre

Agenda and Registration on
Reverse Page

We can use your help!
Volunteer here



St. George Church's location for Life Chain:

The north sidewalk in front of Skechers (3514 W. 41st St.). Signs can be picked up at the O'Gorman H.S. parking lot, and parking is available along Seminary Rd. or Empire Oil (closed on Sundays).

St. Michael Church's location:

The north sidewalk in front of Walgreens (3620 W. 41st St.) and Sleep Number. Signs can be picked up at the parking lot of O'Gorman H.S., and parking is available behind Walgreens at Empire or on W. Kentucky Pl.

Tips for Life Chain:

- Water, lawn chairs, wheel chairs and strollers are welcome.
- This is an hour of quiet prayer.
- Space at least 10-25 feet apart unless monitoring children.
- Please stay on the sidewalk; yield to walkers.



Sioux Falls Diocese Events

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A CASH-ONLY EVENT

PERPETUAL ADORATION SISTERS
of the Blessed Sacrament of the Diocese of Sioux Falls

fiesta

FUNDRAISER

Sunday, Oct. 5, 2025 | 12:00 - 5:30 PM
707 W. 4th Street, Sioux Falls, SD

We warmly invite you to join us at the Monastery Courtyard for a fiesta filled with delicious food, exciting games, a festive children's piñata, a silent auction and more fun surprises!



The Sordini Orchard Country Store is looking for donations for the Fiesta Fundraiser, specifically fresh produce, canned goods, and freshly baked treats that can be delivered to the monastery on Saturday morning, October 4. There will be a table in the foyer for all donations.

It's a CAKE WALK! Calling all Bakers: The Perpetual Adoration Sisters Fall Fiesta Fundraiser is **Sunday, October 5, from 12-5:30 pm.** We are in need of donations of Cakes, Cupcakes (6), Cookies & Bars (4 per bag). They may be homemade or purchased. **NO PEANUTS**, please. Items may be delivered to the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery, located just behind the Cathedral of St. Joseph, or to my house at 2014 South Main Avenue on Saturday, October 4. Please call Karla Ball at 605-940-2454 or email at krb2014@gmail.com for info.



Sioux Falls Catholic Young Adults
(ages 21-35)
upcoming events

19 SEP

EVENING MASS + SOCIAL
Mass at 6:30PM @ St. Michael Catholic Church
1600 South Marion Road, Sioux Falls
Followed by socializing at Big Lost Meadery & Brewery.

Register here!
SCAN ME

Notre Dame Football Experience for 4 Lucky Adults!

Enter [HERE](#) for your chance to win the experience of a lifetime!

Saturday, October 18, 2025

Notre Dame vs.

University of Southern California

Save the Date!
October 22, 2025 7:00-9:00 PM
Mount Marty University Cimpl Arena-Yankton, SD. Internationally acclaimed speaker **Chris Stefanick** will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with tools to live the life God created you for: **A life of JOY!**
[HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/REALLIFECATHOLIC/1663065](https://buytickets.at/reallifecatholic/1663065) or Scan Code. Free meal! Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus (Hot Dog& Chips) 6:00-6:45 PM.

REBOOT
A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT

There are open positions at the Chancery! We're looking for good Catholics to join our team, especially for the recently posted Controller position. You can find all the positions [here](#).



BENEFITING Newman Catholic Campus Ministry

31st Annual Bishop's Charity Hunt
EST. 1995

BISHOP'S CHARITY HUNT
Monday & Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2025
Horseshoe K Ranch | Kimball, SD

REGISTER
Scan the QR code, visit ccfcsd.org or call 605-988-3701

In memory of **WAYNE PUETZ**

SPONSORED BY Avera, CorTrust Bank, Math Electric Inc., Horseshoe K Ranch
PRODUCED BY Catholic Community Foundation

St. George Online Giving



Sacrificial Giving:

Giving online offers an easy and worry-free way to contribute to your parish. Safe and secure, easy to set up. Scan the code on your phone or go to www.olvictorysd.org.

St. Michael Online Giving



St. George:
St. Michael:

No financials this week.

BROOM TREE
RETREAT AND CONFERENCE CENTER

SILENT RETREATS

Men's Silent Retreats
November 6-9, 2025

Women's Silent Retreats
September 4-7, 2025
October 16-19, 2025
November 20-23, 2025

SPECIAL RETREATS

Healing Retreats
October 10-12, 2025
Undone: A Healing Retreat for Couples
Directed by Father Scott Traynor and The Lourdes Center

Couples Retreat
October 31-November 2
Jim & Meg Beckman with Father Scott Traynor

123 Saint Raphael Circle, Irene, SD 57037
605-263-1040 | broomtree@sfcatholic.org

REGISTER FOR RETREATS ONLINE broom-tree.org

a God who knocks

Four week series exploring God's power to heal and restore.

INCLUDES...
Presentations, Reflections and Discussion

Tuesdays from November 4 through November 25
6:00PM - 8:00PM

The Lourdes Center
3rd Floor Bishop Carlson Conference Room
523 N Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Free Will Offering Accepted

For more information, call 605-988-3775.
Registration required at www.thelourdescenter.com

HELD
Through Grief by Grace

An 8-week educational series for adults who are experiencing grief due to the loss of a loved one through death.

Begins Sept. 9th From 6 pm - 8 pm 707 W 4th St, SD 57104 Mater Ecclesiae Monastery

Each week will include engaging presentations, prayer and small group discussion with others who have experienced a similar loss.

The Lourdes Center

REGISTRATION OPENS 7/1/2025 @ WWW.THELOURDESCENTER.COM

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Daily Mass Times at St. George

Mondays: No Mass

Tuesdays: 5:30 pm

Wednesday: 8:00 am

Thursdays: 5:30 pm Adoration 6-7 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

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

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MASS INTENTIONS for St. George:

Sat., Sept. 13| 5:00 pm +John, +Susie & +Paulette Trapp

Sun., Sept. 14| 9:00 am +Martin, Marie and Joanne Ginsbach

Mon., Sept. 15| No Mass

Tues., Sept. 16| 5:30 pm +Tom & Barb Warne

Wed., Sept. 17| 8:00 am +Lois Opitz

Thurs. Sept. 18| 5:30 pm Intentions of Evan Bjergaard

Friday, Sept. 19| 8:00 am Int. of G & D Sechser family

Sat., Sept. 20| 5:00 pm +Lowell +Joann Miles

Sun., Sept. 21| 9:00 am Parishioners of OLV Pastorate

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

Saturday, Sept. 20

Altar Servers: L Onkka, G Stuessi, R Wilking

Reader(s): M Cypher

Sacristan: G Dvorak

Ushers: M Cypher, S Kulzer, A Onkka, Z Stuessi

Offertory: A & D Perrion

EOMHCs: (Dcn. Tim-OM), M Jesse, B Zortman

Sunday, Sept. 21

Altar Servers: L Koenig, B & K Sundermann

Readers: B Rykhus and K Sundermann

Sacristan: P Lammers

Ushers: G Anderson, B Sundermann,
T Brown, D Woodhull

Offertory: G & A Anderson

EOMHCs: (Dcn. Mark-OM), M & M Masgai

Donuts: A & M Eschen

Weekly readings can be found at

<https://bible.usccb.org>

<https://bible.usccb.org/#subscribe>

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Parishes

St. George Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday

10:00am - 4:00 pm

St. Michael

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday

8:00am - 5:00pm

Friday 8:00am-Noon

MASS INTENTIONS for St. Michael:

Monday, Sept. 15| 5:30 pm +Sheila Sudbeck

Tuesday, Sept. 16| 5:30 pm +Vincent +Lorraine Nuese

Wednesday, Sept. 17| 8:15 am +Jonathan H. Olinger

Thursday, Sept. 18| 8:15 am +Richard Schreier

Friday, Sept. 19| 8:15 am Int. of Mike & Evelyn Weinacht & family

Saturday, Sept. 20| 8:15 am +Joe Schartz 4:00 pm Int. of Mike & Connie Burkard's 50th WA

Sunday, Sept. 21| 8am +Jean Kalua| 9:30 am +Bill +Esther Boadwine|

11:00am +Bill +Delores Heissel| 6:00 pm +Anna Ortega

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