

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

ST. GEORGE PARISH



Hartford, SD

**November 30,
2025**



ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Sioux Falls, SD



1st Sunday of Advent

A New Year!

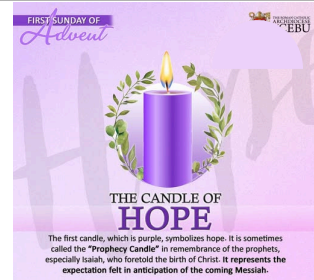
Greetings and Happy New Year to all of you! This weekend marks the beginning of a new Church year and the start of the Advent Season. Sometimes people ask me what season is my favorite one, and I have to tell them fall is number one, and winter is right behind. I love the beautiful autumn days that are cooler than summer and that give us such wonderful colors! I like winter because it is a time of renewal and quiet. I like being outside on winter days, walking or riding my bike.

As long as you prepare well and dress properly, the cold days are not a problem.

My favorite Liturgical Season is Advent. Advent is a time of preparation and expectation leading up to the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The question becomes: "How do we prepare?" It's different from people asking, "Are you ready for Christmas?" They mean, 'Have you got all your shopping and baking done?' To be ready for Christmas means to prepare our minds and hearts for the coming of the King. How do we do it? What would help? Good news, St Michael's has a couple of Advent opportunities that assist. We are having our annual 40-Hour Devotion beginning the evening of December 14 and going through the 16. This is a time of Eucharistic Adoration, great talks by our special guest Fr. Leo Patalinghug, and prayer. **BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR THIS.**

The other thing you can do is get to Confession. Our Lady of Victory has 7 Confession times every week, and for this Advent Season, St. Michael's Communal Penance Service is December 16, and St. George's is December 18. We will have several priests here to hear Confessions, so **PLEASE** be sure to get this on your calendar. There is nothing like getting rid of all of that yuck we carry in our souls through this healing Sacrament.

That is what it means to be prepared for Christmas. A stronger knowledge and love of Jesus through Adoration and a fresh start through Confession. When people ask you, "Are you ready?" you can answer with a resounding **YES!** In God's Blessing, Deacon John



MISSION TRIP TO PERU - 2026 With Pro Ecclesia Sancta

Important Dates:
Due date for application by 01/10
Buy flights by 02/01 (from \$700-1300)
First payment: 03/01 - \$450
Second payment: 5/20 - \$450

FILL OUT YOUR APPLICATION ASAP

brbryan@pes-usa.org
<https://forms.gle/nC2P0i0sRgX0Dw37>

WELCOME TABLE

The PES Brothers will be at the Welcome Tables at both parishes. They are looking for young people ages 18-25 to join them on a mission trip to Peru. Please stop by and ask about this opportunity.

[Click here to fill out the form.](#)

PRO ECCLESIA SANCTA MISSION TRIP PERU 2026

JUNE 5TH - 16TH

AGE RANGE: 18-25
COST: \$900
NOT INCLUDING AIRFARE

For more info contact: brbryan@pes-usa.org

Christmas Flower donation:

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate:



If you wish to donate money towards flowers for our Christmas decorating, please submit your payment and the names you want to remember. Cash or checks can be turned in at the parish offices. Online donations can be made through our website. Please **PRINT** the names clearly and legibly. All names must be into St. George or St. Michael parish offices by Monday, December 15, so the names can be put into the bulletin.



Due to new light fixtures being added to the St. Michael Nave, all daily Masses for the week of December 1-4 will be held in the Chapel/Cry Room.

Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation Mass Times:

St. George:	St. Michael:
December 8	December 8
7:00 am	8:15 am School Mass
7:00 pm	12:15 pm
	5:30 pm



Both parish offices will be closed on Monday, December 8.

OLV 40 Hour Devotion at St. Michael will be held Sunday, Dec. 14, through Tuesday, Dec. 16. We are excited to welcome Father Leo Patalinghug!



Help Wanted! Father Leo Patalinghug is coming to Our Lady of Victory Pastorate for St. Michael's 40-hour devotion. We need people to help sell merchandise at the 40-hour devotion. If you would like to assist, please contact Dana at the parish office as soon as possible. I am looking for 3 people each evening of the devotion.



Be sure to wish Father Albert a Happy Birthday on Friday, December 6!



Sharing the Power of the Gospel

Speaker: Fr. Cesar Valencia **December 2 2025**

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

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age"
Matthew 28:19-20

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate
BIBLE Study
THE BIBLE TIMELINE: THE STORY OF SALVATION
by JEFF CAVINS

Men and women of our Parishes, couples together let's open our Bibles and our hearts in unity with others.

WE WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 1.

St Michael Multi Purpose Room
After 5:30 Mass (if you can make it) and we will wrap it up just before kick off at 7:15 pm

Click the link and find the \$6.95 online access that provides all the video sessions along with a digital workbook that will help with the study. Please do Session 1 before November 30th!

[LINK](#)

Email Rhonda rhonda@olvictorysd.org with questions!



St. Michael Communal Penance:
Tuesday, December 16
7:00 pm

St. George Communal Penance:
Thursday, December 18
6:00 pm

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate Religious Education



St. Michael:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

December 3 & 4--Classes as scheduled

Grades 4-5

December 3--Classes as scheduled

Grades 6-High School: Fraternus/Fidelis

December 3--Classes as scheduled



The number of participants will determine the cost of the camp.

St. George:



St. George:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

December 2,3,4---Classes as scheduled

Grades 4-6

December 3--Classes as scheduled

Grades 7-High School: Ignite & Edge

December 3--Classes as scheduled

Confirmation class for the OLV students will be on Wednesday, December 3, at St. Michael beginning at 7:00 pm.



No RE classes on Wednesday, December 24 or Wednesday, December 31 at either parish.



Please welcome our newest member to St. George: Caesar Hernandez.

The December sign up form to serve meals at the Hartford Senior Citizens center is in the gathering space An assistant is still needed for Dec. 4.

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.

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.

Current Needs: (New items, please)

Gender Neutral Newborn Pacifiers
4 oz. Gender Neutral Bottles
Size 18-24 month Boy Pajamas
Size 18-24 month Girl Pajamas
High Chairs
(New) Cribs
Gender-Neutral Newborn Socks
Gender-Neutral Newborn Pajamas

Always Needed: (New items, please)

Diapers – Sizes 5 and 6
Pacifier Chains
Infant Toys
Toddler Toys

For info on other donation items, go to:

<https://alphacenterfriends.com/give/> .

Go to top menu- click on "give" and scroll down to "shop our website".



Hartford-Humboldt
Right to Life

Advent



Baby Shower



Millions of Monicas meet every Monday, except the second Monday, 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.

Liturgical ministers, please provide Donna with your unavailability dates for January and February by December 17.

St. Michael



Congratulations to **Nyah Jean Noelle Bonnell**, daughter of **Braedon & Melissa and Penelope Joan Hesse**, daughter of **Kiel & Kelley**, on their baptism. May God bless them always!

Do you feel like you need more quiet time for prayer? St. Michael has an adoration chapel open 24 hours every day. You can call the parish office to learn how to sign up for this beautiful ministry.



We are transitioning to a NEW online giving platform in which donations will merge seamlessly into our diocesan software. Please assist in the transition by clicking the link or scanning the QR code to create an account (or log in to your existing one if you registered for RE for 25-26) and choose your desired donations.

If you are a recurring donor, please complete this transition as soon as possible. If you need assistance, please contact Rechelle by calling the office during business hours or emailing rechelle@olvictorysd.org.

Click [HERE](#) to activate.



Women at the Well. All women are welcome. Just come as you. No sign-up is needed. Sat., December 6, 9:00 AM
Multi-purpose room Entrance F

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



Cookies will be available for pickup on **December 20-21.**



CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE

Make the holidays a little less stressful & let us bake homemade goodies for your gatherings. The Saint Vincent DePaul Society is selling cookies to raise \$ for their cause.

Order YOUR



Peanut Butter Kisses- \$15 a dozen
Sugar Cookies \$15 a dozen
Monster Cookies \$15 a dozen



Mixed Plate -4 of each above- \$15 a dozen
Plate of Rolo Pretzels and Dipped Oreos \$20

[Click Here to Order](#)



Advent Angel Gifts

Will you share with those in need?

Agencies in the Sioux Falls area depend upon our generosity to lend a helping hand to those in need.

These are the agencies that St. Michael supports:

Alpha Center, Family Connections, Children's Home Society, St. Francis House, Bishop Dudley Hospitality House, St. Michael Parish Assistance Fund & St. Vincent de Paul Society and Holy Innocents Ministry.

Take a slip of paper from one of the baskets at the entrances. Each agency has a different colored slip.

Purchase the item(s) on the slip(s) that you choose.

All gift cards/stamps should be brought to the Parish office.

Place your unwrapped gift near the bulletin board in the Commons, with the paper tag taped to it, by Sunday, December 21.

St. Michael Catholic Daughters are selling raffle tickets for a chance to win \$600 worth of groceries! 12 tickets for \$10--Fill out paperwork in the St. Michael parish office or purchase them after Masses on Dec. 6/7.

Bishop O’Gorman School News

THANK YOU! During this Thanksgiving, our Bishop O’Gorman hearts overflow with gratitude for the generous outpouring of both financial and spiritual support from our local parishes.



We’re Hiring!

St. Michael Elementary is looking for caring, dependable individuals to assist with our after-school program, Monday through Friday from 2:45–6:00 p.m. (flexible hours available until 4:30 p.m. if preferred). This is a great opportunity for retirees, grandparents, or anyone who enjoys working with children in a faith-filled environment.

Interested? Contact Andrew asternke@ogknights.org or visit www.ogknights.org/careers

School Masses for December:



Dec. 5 --prepared by 1A

Dec. 8--prepared by Staff

Dec. 19--prepared by Kindergarten

Are you planning to send your child to Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools for the first time in 2026-2027? We offer an early application period for parish families. We ask that you please fill out an inquiry form if you’d like to receive information regarding the early application dates. We do reach capacities in a number of our classes, so inquire today!

Please reach out to the admissions department for any questions!

admissions@ogknights.org

605-575-3341 or 605-575-3358



“Our family values the daily religious instruction our son receives at school, and we take pride in watching him come home talking about his faith at such a young age. The collaboration with families who share the same Catholic faith and support one another is why we choose Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools.” - Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools parent



Sioux Falls Diocese Events

Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls is looking to fill a Controller Position - Join Our Dynamic Team!

Are you a strategic financial leader ready to use your skills in a faith-based environment? We’re seeking a passionate and innovative Controller to join our team to drive impactful financial strategies and help shape the future of the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls.

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



Go Sing It on the Mountain



Advent Cantata at

Risen Savior in Brandon

**Sunday, December 21, at 4:00 pm
with a Potluck to follow.**



DECEMBER 18-21
CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH

BENEFITING BISHOP DUDLEY
HOSPITALITY HOUSE AND THE
CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH

TICKETS:
605-988-3701
CCFESD.ORG



Sioux Falls Diocese Events

Cathedral's New Organ - Blessing and Vespers Join us on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., for the Organ Blessing and Vespers, celebrating the completion of the Cathedral's new organ, Juget-Sinclair Opus 56. This Solemn and Joyful Liturgy marks the dedication of the new instrument. Free and open to the public--No ticket needed.

YOU'RE INVITED!

"Magnificat Sioux Falls Advent Prayer Breakfast with Fr. Joe Vogel.

- Saturday, December 6, 9.30 am-Noon
- St Lambert Parish.
- Tickets \$16.
- RSVP by 11/19.
- Call/text Erin at 605-789-4977 or email MagnificatSiouxFalls@gmail.com to register.

Annual Prison Christmas Packages

The SD Prison Chaplains Association is once again asking for donations for those incarcerated. Christmas is a challenging and lonely time for inmates, and this small gesture lets them know they are not forgotten. For some, it is the only gift they will receive. Please join us in this beautiful act of charity and the Corporal Work of Mercy, "visit the imprisoned". *Donations can be sent by **November 30** to SD Prison Chaplains Assoc., Christmas Sacks, 601 W 57th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57108.* Please write Christmas Sacks in the memo line or give electronically by visiting www.convergeheartland.org/donate and choosing the SDPCA Christmas Sacks tab or by using the QR code below. Any questions feel free to email Mo Irvine at prisonministry@sfcatholic.org.



He Is Stable: The Lourdes Center is honored to host the holiday grief program **"He is Stable: A Night for Grieving Hearts to Find Rest in His Peace"** on Dec. 2 at **St. Therese Catholic Church in Sioux Falls.** Registration is required online at thelourdescenter.com or by calling 605-988-3775. Free-will donations will gladly be accepted.

St. Joseph Classical, a Chesterton Academy, will welcome its inaugural ninth-grade class of students in the fall of 2026. St. Joseph Classical joins a global group of nearly 70 schools within the Chesterton Schools Network, where parents are empowered as primary educators, playing a crucial role in their children's education. Applications for the 2026-2027 school year open online beginning December 1st.



Broom Tree Retreat: A Pillar of Advent
A Walk with Mary & Joseph
directed by Fr. Tom Anderson
December 9 10:00am-3:00pm
Register [HERE](#)

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:

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs	\$13,107.70
Weekly Receipts-Actual	\$18,114.00
Weekly Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 5,006.30

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$137,630.85
Year-To-Date-Actual	\$137,042.39
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 588.46)
CFSA Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 21,523.75)
Actual Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 22,112.21)

CFSA 2025:

Goal	(\$63,500.00)
Cemetery Goal	(\$36,500.00)
Receipts-PLEDGES	\$78,476.25
YTD	(\$21,523.75)

These financials reflect the past 2 weeks.

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs	\$61,961.54
Weekly Receipts-Actual	\$51,542.11
Weekly-Overage (Shortfall)	(\$10,419.43)

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$650,596.17
Year-To-Date-Actual	\$598,877.29
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 51,718.88)
CFSA Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 79,465.75
Actual Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 27,746.87

CFSA 2025:

Goal	\$203,000.00
Receipts-PLEDGES	\$282,465.75
YTD	\$ 79,465.75

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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

Fridays: **No Mass**

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., Nov. 29| 5:00 pm +John, +Susie and +Paulette Trapp

Sun., Nov. 30|9:00 am Int. of Dave & Kim Puthoff

Mon., Dec.1| **No Mass**

Tues., Dec. 2| 5:30 pm +Ron and +Iona Sechser

Wed., Dec. 3| 8:00 am +Loreen Hartman

Thurs. Dec. 4| 9:00 am +Paul J. Huls

Friday, Dec. 5|8:00 am +Monica Westhoff

Sat., Dec. 6| 8:30 am Int of Gerry & Lisa Dvorak
5:00 pm +Todd Heiberger

Sun., Dec. 7| 9:00 am + Gene Munce

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, Dec. 1| 5:30 pm +Bonnie Kruse

Tuesday, Dec. 2| 5:30 pm +Debbie Vogel

Wednesday, Dec. 3|8:15 am +Richard Schreier

Thursday, Dec. 4|8:15 am +Joel Burfeindt

Friday, Dec. 5| 8:15 am Int. of the Weissenberger family

Saturday, Dec. 6| 8:15 am Int. for the safety of all police & fire personnel
4:00 pm Int. of parishioners of OLV Pastorate

Sunday, Dec. 7| 8 am Int. of Carolyn Downs | 9:30 am Int. of Ayla Brantley's Birthday
11:00 am +Gene/+Viola Fox | 6:00 pm +John/+Mary Ellend Murphy

Saturday, December 6

Altar Servers: E & D Lutter, D Wilking

Reader: M Jesse

Sacristan: J O'Kane

Ushers: E Dissing, M Ingalls, DMiles, G Mohrhauser

Offertory: D & L Miles

EOMHCs: (Dcn. Mark-OM), L Andersen & R Whalen

Sunday, December 7

Altar Servers: A & T Michaels, C Brown

Readers: G Blocker and P Lammers

Sacristan: S Andresen

Ushers: G Boggs, J Jueneman,
B Kramer, B Lammers

Offertory: D Woodhull & T Brown-Woodhull

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

Donuts: T & J Thornton

Weekly readings can be found at

<https://bible.usccb.org>

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

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St Michael
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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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