## **Our Lady of Victory Pastorate**

#### ST. GEORGE PARISH

Hartford, SD

August 17, 2025



ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Sioux Falls, SD

20th Sunday in **Ordinary Time** 



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, this Sunday's gospel presents to us a very challenging and strange saying of Jesus: "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth?

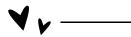
No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on, a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three; a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father..." What exactly does this mean? Is not Jesus the Prince of Peace? How do we make sense of these words?

Jesus is not denying that we are called to love and honor our parents, as the Commandments taught us. However, Jesus is reminding us that we are not called to love our parents or children more than we love God. God has ultimate precedence even over those fundamental, familiar relationships. The Christian message, because of its demands, is not an easy path to follow. On the contrary, it requires a change of life that not everyone is willing to accept. For that reason, it brings division.

Nevertheless, this should not discourage us from sharing our faith. We are called to share the fire of the Holy Spirit that acts through the Church and the sacraments. As good disciples of Jesus Christ, let us set the world on fire, the fire of the Holy Spirit. This week, I continue to invite you to make prayer a daily routine (20 min) and to go to confession often (once a month is a great practice).

In Christ.

Fr. Cesar Valencia





August 24 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm St. Michael





#### **Our Lady of Victory Pastorate Youth Opportunities**

#### **Registration for Religious Education for Fall 2025**

St. George QR Code and link: Click here to register at St. George.



St. Michael QR Code and link: Click here to register at St. Michael for CGS and RE up to grade 6.



#### A CHANGE FOR AUG 24 CONFIRMATION CLASS:

Due to the ICE CREAM SOCIAL at St. Michael on August 24, we will be changing the Confirmation class start time at St. George. Confirmation class will now start at 8:00 am and conclude at 1:00 pm. Please arrive at St. George by 7:45 am that day.

St. George is still in need of RE volunteers for Wednesday evenings. We need 6 teachers for  $4^{th}$  and  $5^{th}$  grade. We need 5 assistants for the CGS classrooms. Please contact Katelyn for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and CGS assistants.

The junior high needs help with setup for the new EDGE program, which will feature different themes. We also need one female team leader for 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact Dana for junior high school openings.

**August 27** is the first night of Faith Formation for **St. George students.** We will start with Mass at 6:00 pm followed by a potluck and an open house. St. George will provide hot dogs & buns. We hope all families can attend Mass and the meal! Come see where your children's classrooms are and pick up the calendar for the year. Classes start Wednesday, September 3.

Please help support the St. Michael CGS program by contributing to our efforts to maintain a well-stocked and ready CGS program, ensuring our atriums (classrooms) are always prepared for our students. Thank you for your generosity!

Click Here for our St. Michael **CGS Wishlist.** 

St. Michael Religious Education for grades 6-12

Click here to sign up for Fraternus, our RE program for young men in grades 6-12.

Click here to sign up for Fidelis, our RE program for young women grades 6-12



St. Michael is looking for one more 5th-grade teacher and one more 4th-grade teacher. Our RE program this year is titled "God's Plan in Scripture." It is a scripture-based curriculum that has a teacher guide from Ascension Press." We will train you and help you with the program. If you are interested, please contact Helen at helen@olvictorysd.org.

August 27 is the RE Mass, Potluck, and Open House for CGS, and all other St. Michael RE students. We will start with Mass at 5:30 pm. followed by a potluck and an open house. St. Michael will provide chicken, drinks, & paper goods. We hope all families can attend Mass and the meal! Come see where your children's classrooms are and pick up the calendar for the year. CGS classes start on Tuesday, September 2. All other RE Classes start Wednesday, September 3.



Have you registered your child for religious education?

#### **Our Lady of Victory Pastorate:**



#### St. Joseph Cathedral Children's Choir

The St. Joseph Cathedral Children's Choir provides a space for students to learn and participate in the sacred liturgy through the musical tradition of the Catholic Church. The SJC Children's Choir program is available to students within driving distance of the Cathedral. The choir prepares music for weekday Solemnity Masses and major Diocesan Masses throughout the liturgical year. The Cathedral Children's Choir schedule is created so as not to interfere with home parish involvement on Sunday. For more information, please contact Nicole Gerdes--ngerdes@sfcatholic.org.

Triumph of the Heart is a feature film about Saint Maximilian Kolbe and his companions' triumph over the darkness of Auschwitz. Watch the trailer and reserve your seat at a local screening on September 12, the Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary, by clicking HERE or by scanning the QR code.

Behold- Praise and worship with Adoration is on August 17, after the 6:00 Mass. Bring a friend, come and enjoy some quiet time with Jesus.

The **Emmaus retreat** for women is now accepting registrations. *The retreat will be held October 10, 11, and 12, at Lake Shetek Lutheran Bible Camp in Lake Shetek in MN*. This is a Catholic retreat for our pastorate. **Cost is \$150**. Scan the QR code or click this link to register. 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!





Donors must be at least 17 years old (16 years old with parent consent form, found at ciblifeblood.org), weigh 110 lbs or more and be in good general health. Please bring a photo ID with you to the drive. To schedule your appointment, either scan the QR code above, or log noto ciblifeblood org, click on "Events," select September 15 and St. Michael's Catholic Church or call 605-331-3222.

OCIA will begin on <u>Tuesday, September 30, from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Multipurpose room</u>. All people who wish to become Catholic need 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.

### St. Michael:



Congratulations to **Nolan James** Paulin, son of Tyler & Katheryn Paulin, on his baptism. May God bless him always, and may his new life in Christ fill him with joy.



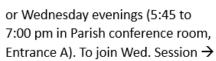
Congratulations to Robert Peterson and Cassidy Koviak, who were married at St. Michael this weekend. May God bless them in their marriage!



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Laurie McNamara, niece of Kathy Fitzler. May she and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

"That Man is You" TMIY men's groups at St Michael Parish; Helping men grow in their Faith, Marriage and Family; 2025 Fall Semester Starts Sept 10/12

Friday mornings (6:15 to 7:30 am in Multi-Purpose Room, Entrance F) (breakfast). To join Friday Session ->



Or text Jon Schulte at 605-359-6505 to inquire.





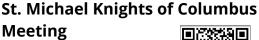
St. George:

St. George Knights of Columbus Meeting on Monday, August 18 @ 7:30 pm.



We are in need of the following liturgical ministers: ushers for Saturday 5 PM Mass and sacristans for both Masses. Please contact Donna in the parish office as your assistance is needed.

St. Michael MASS TIME CHANGE: Wednesday, August 27 The 8:15 a.m. Mass will be held at 5:30 p.m. This is just for that day.





Tuesday August 19 at 7:00 pm in the Multi Purpose Room Agenda: program, business meeting, social/refreshments



St. Michael Feast **Day Masses:** Monday, Sept. 29 8:15 am & 5:30 pm



St. George MASS TIME CHANGE: Wednesday, August 27 The 8:00 a.m. Mass will be held at 6:00 p.m. This is just for that day.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Laurie McNamara, daughter-in-law of Joan McNamara. May she and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Calling all moms, grandmothers, aunts, and Godmothers, do you have children who are not practicing their Catholic faith or have left Christianity altogether? Do you have one evening for one hour that includes special prayers, songs, scripture reflections, and a rosary?

Millions of Monicas meet on the first, third, and fourth Mondays of the month at 6:00 pm at St. George. No cost to attend, all you need is a desire for your children/grandchildren to return. Our next evening is Monday, August 18, at 6:00 pm at St. George. We hope to see you there!

#### **Communion Hymn: Spirit and Grace**

Spirit and grace, here in this meal; you are the wind that breathes through the field. Gather the wheat and form us in Christ. Come, be our source and breath of life.

**REFRAIN**— In the bread, blessed, broken and shared, Christ is our life, whose presence we bear. Come, O Spirit, make your grace revealed in this holy meal.

Spirit and grace, here in this meal; you are the life that flows through the vine. Gather this drink and form us in Christ. Come, be our source and blood of life. (refrain)

Spirit and grace, here in this place; you are the light that shines in this space. Gather your people and form us in Christ. Come, be the heartbeat of our lives. (refrain)

Spirit of God, sending us forth, we spread your wisdom throughout all the earth. Gather the nations and form us in Christ. Come, be the presence in our lives. (refrain)

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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**

Don't Miss the Chance to Register for the 35th Annual Golf Classic - Friday, August 22, at Spring Creek Golf Course.

Join us for a chance to win great prizes while enjoying a day on the course, supporting all O'Gorman High School Athletics! Register here!





#### **School Masses for August & September:**

MASS

Aug. 22-prepared by the staff Aug. 29-prepared by 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sept. 5- prepared by 5<sup>th</sup> grade SCHOOL Sept. 12-prepared by 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sept. 19- prepared by 4<sup>th</sup> grade Sept. 26- prepared by 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Sept. 29- prepared by 2<sup>nd</sup> grade



1<sup>st</sup> Day of School for St. Michael **Elementary School is** Monday, August 18 from 8:00 am - 11:30 am.

## Sioux Falls Diocese Events

The 54th Annual South Dakota Right to Life **convention** will be held September 26-27 at Faith Evangelical Lutheran church in Pierre. There is also a youth event on Saturday, September 27 for middle school and high school students. Register at <u>sdrighttolife.org</u>.



# 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













#### **Sioux Falls Diocese Events**







#### 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 <u>www.olvictorysd.org</u>.

#### St. Michael Online Giving



#### St George:

General Needs:	
Weekly Collection Needs	\$6,553.85
Weekly Receipts-Actual Weekly Overage (Shortfall)	\$6,063.00 (\$ 490.85)
Vear-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$39 323 10

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$39,323.10
Year-To-Date-Actual	\$41,248.89
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfa	all) \$ 1,925.79
CFSA Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 24,703.75)
Actual Overage (Shortfall)	(\$ 22,777.96)
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#### CFSA 2025:

Goal	(\$63,500.00)
Cemetery Goal	(\$36,500.00)
Receipts-PLEDGES	\$75,296.25
YTD	(\$24,703.75)

#### St. Michael:

Weekly Collection Needs	\$30,980.77
Weekly Receipts-Actual	\$33,216.73
Weekly-Overage (Shortfall)	\$ 2,235.96

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget	\$	185,884.62
Year-To-Date-Actual	\$	182,167.27
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)	(\$	3,717.35)
CFSA Overage (Shortfall)	\$	73,384.50
Actual Overage (Shortfall)	\$	69,667.15

\*\*Bulletin Announcements must be in

to the office by noon on Tuesdays.\*\*

#### CFSA 2025:

Goal	\$203,000.00
Receipts-PLEDGES	\$276,384.50
YTD	\$ 73,384.50

#### **Priests on Staff:**

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#### Daily Mass Times at St. George

Mondays: No Mass Tuesdays: 5:30 pm Wednesdays: 8:00 am

Thursdays: 5:30 pm Adoration 6-7 pm

Fridays: 7:00 am

**Weekend Mass Times:** Saturdays: 5:00 pm Sundays: 9:00 am

**Confession Times:** 

First Saturday: 8:30 am

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., Aug. 16 5:00 pm +John/+Susie/+Paulette Trapp

**Sun., Aug. 17** 9:00 am +Lois Opitz

Mon., Aug. 18| No Mass

**Tues., Aug. 19**| 5:30 pm

Wed., Aug. 20| 8:00 am

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

**Thurs. Aug. 21** 5:30 pm

Friday, Aug. 22| 8:00 am

**Sat., Aug. 23** 5:00 pm

Sun., Aug. 24| 9:00 am

**Confession Times:** 

+Ron +lona Sechser

+Barb Warne Int of Lisa Ulmer

Int of Bert & Susie Burggraff

+Raymond Mushitz +Duane Struck

#### Saturday, August 23

Altar Servers: F & K Ingalls, E Lutter

Reader: M Cypher Sacristan: D Perrion

Ushers: M Cypher, M Ingalls, A Perrion, D Puthoff

Offertory: S & T Rogers family

EOMHCs: (Dcn. John-OM), L Ingalls, B Zortman

Sunday, August 24

Altar Servers: E Maras, A & T Michaels

Readers: A & G Anderson Sacristan: K & P Meehan

Ushers: G Boggs, J Maras, D Munce, J Reiser

Offertory: D Woodhull & T Brown

EOMHCs: (Dcn. John-OM), G & A Anderson

Donuts: NA-due to confirmation class

Weekly readings can be found at https://bible.usccb.org https://bible.usccb.org/#subscribe

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Social Media:



Formed website:

@St George & St Michael

Phone: 605.361.1600

**Parishes** 

St. George Office Hours: **Monday-Friday** 

8:00am - 4:00 pm

St. Michael **Office Hours: Monday-Thursday** 8:00am - 5:00pm

Friday 8:00am-Noon

#### **MASS INTENTIONS for St. Michael:**

Thursdays @ 7:30 am-8:00 am

Saturdays @ 2:45 pm -3:45 pm

Monday, Aug. 18 | 5:30 pm + Veronica Lokonga Tuesday, Aug. 19 | 5:30 pm +Eleanor Gould **Wednesday, Aug. 20** | 8:15 am +Rolene Smidt Thursday, Aug. 21 | 8:15 am +Richard Schreier Friday, Aug. 22 | 8:15 am +Leo/+Marguerite Mohs

Mondays & Tuesdays @ 4:30 pm -5:15 pm

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formed.org

Saturday, Aug. 23 | 8:15 am +Warren Friesen 4:00 pm Parishioners of the OLV Pastorate **Sunday, Aug. 24** [8am Int. of the sick, wounded, lonely, & dying | 9:30 am +Mickey Lipetzky | 11:00am +Don/+Stan Spader | 6:00 pm +Maasa Spader