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St. Michael Catholic Church

Sunday Mass - 8 am

Wednesday Mass - 5 pm

James Schmitz †

Confessions -

Second Wednesday of the month after Mass

Fourth Sunday of the month after Mass

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 14, 2025

Volunteers help build up the body of Christ. During times of war in the United States of America, recruiting posters depicted Uncle Sam pointing a menacing finger while the caption declared, "Uncle Sam Wants You!" Many young people felt a need to respond to the challenge to "make the world safe for democracy" or to "defend our shores from the threat of invasion." Anyone who could not respond to the call had to make an examination of conscience and question why he was not joining the effort.

In the Catholic Church, the Holy Spirit is the vocation director who plants the grace of a vocation in each person's heart. "Christ wants you!" "The Church needs you!" "God's people need you!" Sometimes, the Holy Spirit's promptings are very clear in a person's mind and heart; but, more often than not, the Holy Spirit relies on the help of other people to encourage and promote vocations.

Traditionally, Catholic homes have been a privileged place for a vocation to Holiness, the religious life, the single life or marriage to be nurtured by parents who understood God calls us to serve him in these vocations. Today we need to appeal to parents and teachers and pastors to instill a sense of vocation in our young Catholics. They should not confine themselves to asking their children, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" They must also ask, "And what do you think God wants you to be?" We must help young people look beyond careers and professions and answer a call from God to be holy.

One thing we need most in this day and age is holy people who are generous and loving. Nothing greater is needed. We call these saints. May God bless our Church and our families.

God bless,

Welcome to all those visiting us today. We invite everyone to continue to celebrate Mass with us at St. Michael's. Please let the parish office know if we can be of assistance to you.

CONTRIBUTIONS		Saints of the week	Divine Mercy Mass schedule:
September 7, 2025		September 16 - St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian	Sunday - 8 am, 10 am,
Adult Envelopes:	\$ 1205.00	September 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine	12 pm (Spanish), 5 PM
Loose Plate:	\$ 138.00	September 19 - St. Januarius	Monday - 5:30 pm
Parking Lot:	\$ 867.00	September 20 - St. Andrew Kim Taegon, St. Paul Chong Hasang and Companions	Tuesday - 8:30 am
		September 21 - St. Matthew	Wednesday - 8:30 am
			Thursday - 8:30 am
			Friday - 10:30 am at BA
			Saturday - 8:30 am, 4 pm

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

September 21

Reader: Georgia Quamme
Ushers: Tim Karl & Dave Mund
Servers: Ben Keller & Sam Keller
EM: Lynn Auseth & Mary Murry

September 28

Reader: Mike Chase
Ushers: Bruce & Laura Chmelik
Servers: Greyson Overholt & Mark Mund
EM: Susan Overholt & Renee Mund

September money counters:
John Smith & Pam Hegseth

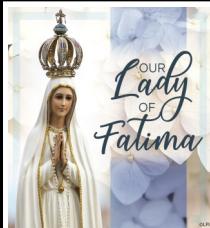
IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

September 15 - Parish Council 7:00 pm
September 18 - Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm
September 19 - Holy Hour of Reparation 6:00 am
September 25 - Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm
September 26 - Holy Hour of Reparation 6:00 am
September 28 - Confessions 9:00 am
October 2 - Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm

We pray for all our parishioners, families and friends who are in need of physical or spiritual healing, especially, Reymundo Ramirez, Thomas Eilen, Jaci Eilen, MacKensie Eilen, Gary Mogren, Beth Curran, Clark Richaleau, Bill McDonald, Michaela Neuzil, Greg Krinke, LaVonne Mogren, Harold Amundson, Diane Nikunen, and Sandy Rumstick.

We pray for those in the Armed forces, especially Naomi Bauernfeind and William Parrish.

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Join us in praying the Rosary in honor of the
Anniversary of the 6th Marian Apparition at Fatima

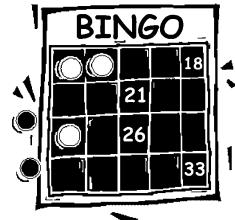
Monday, October 13 at 7 pm.

Rosary will be prayed in front of St. Michael's Church.

Bingo Party - November 22 at 7 PM!

Donations for the raffle tickets are needed to help make our Bingo party the success it is!

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the atrium for those of you who are able to donate a prize. Thank you!



Faith Formation is still in need of substitute teachers. Sometimes starting out as a substitute or helper makes one more comfortable with teaching full time. Please do not ever UNDERESTIMATE your ability to teach. The only skills you need is to enjoy sharing the faith with the children and loving Jesus. Volunteers are required to complete the Virtus training, which is all online now.

Parish Council

Please discern if your time, talents, and wisdom could be utilized by joining our Parish Council. We would love to have new members for their ideas and insight in making St. Michael's a viable and flourishing parish. It is a fairly small time commitment with council meetings every other month on the third Monday at 7 pm. Contact the parish office for more information.

Have you discontinued your landline? Have you changed your phone numbers?

Please update your contact information with the parish office if it has changed. Thank you!

Community Events/News

- Hegre Lutheran Church will host their annual Fall Swedish Meatball Supper on Wednesday, September 24 serving take out and curbside pickup orders only from 4-7 pm. The menu includes: Swedish meatballs, ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, coleslaw, cranberries, dinner roll, and apple dessert. Meals are \$17. Cash or check only. Call ahead or text orders are recommended by Friday, September 19 (507-330-4996) and will guarantee meals. Please include the number of meals and pickup time. Drive up meals available until food is gone. There will also be raffle tickets for a quilt available: 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5.
- The Church of St. Michael in Pine Island will be having their Fall Fish Fry on Friday, October 3, from 4:00pm to 7:30pm in the Community Room! Both baked & fried fish will be offered! Prices: Adults \$15.00, Children 5-12 \$6.00, and Family maximum \$45.00. Take out available! Location: Church of St. Michael, 451 5th St. SW, Pine Island, MN 55963 Tel: 507-356-4280
- America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally in West Concord on Saturday, October 11, 2025 beginning at noon in Centennial Park on the corner of Hwy 56 and Main St. Call 319-239-4639 if you have questions. All are welcome.
- ATTENTION MEN - Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then come join...THAT MAN IS YOU! Wednesday Evenings, Beginning September 17 at the Divine Mercy Farmhouse. 7:00 PM Food * 7:30 PM Video Presentation * 8:00 PM Small Groups * 8:30 PM Dismissal. Contact info: thatmanisyoudmcc@gmail.com (Brian Wokson – 651.230.4671 or Jeremy Gibbs – 507.412.9589)