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St. Michael Catholic Church

Sunday Mass - 8 am

Communion Service - Wednesday at 5 pm

followed by Adoration until 6:30 pm

Confessions -

Second Wednesday of the month after Mass

Fourth Sunday of the month after Mass

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 28, 2025

Charlie Kirk's national remembrance and prayer was held on Sunday. I was impressed by the speech Erica Kirk gave on Sunday. She did not give attention to hate or politics but to Jesus and building His kingdom. Then I witnessed something that was supernatural. She quoted Jesus when He was on the cross. "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." She proceeded to forgive Charlie's killer. "I forgive you." She was Jesus at that moment.

I also attended the screening of *Triumph of the Heart*, which was sponsored by Divine Mercy parish. The central character was Maximillian Kolbe. During one part of the film a man in prison with Maximillian admitted he gave the Nazi authorities the name of Maximilian and now Maximillian will die in prison. St. Maximillian Kolbe said to the man, "I forgive you." From this we know there are consequences to our soul from every action and decision we make. There is also forgiveness for those with a repent heart. In God's kingdom the goal is salvation of souls.

Luke 4:43 talks about the kingdom of God. Many think they can be loyal subjects in the kingdom. Yet, Jesus says He wants us to be part of the royal family not subjects. Even though we are not part of the natural family of Jesus He teaches us we can become supernaturally part of the kingdom. Jesus says, "who are my mother and brothers but those who hear the word of God and act on it." These people become family to Jesus.

When we were baptized, we were reborn into the royal family of God. The anointing at Baptism with sacred chrism, signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit to the newly baptized, who has become a Christian, that is, an "anointed" by the Holy Spirit. Incorporated into Christ who is anointed priest, prophet, and king. We are part of the royal family and now we learn how to act like it. We have had some good examples of it lately in the area of forgiveness.

God bless,
Fr. Cory Rohlfing

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

September 21, 2025

Adult Envelopes: \$ 1150.00
Loose Plate: \$ 174.00

Saints of the week

September 28 - St. Wenceslaus,
St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions
September 29 - St. Michael, St. Gabriel,
and St. Raphael
September 30 - St. Jerome
October 1 - St. Therese of the Child Jesus
October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

Divine Mercy Mass schedule:

Sunday - 8 am, 10 am,
12 pm (Spanish), 5 PM
Monday - 5:30 pm
Tuesday - 8:30 am
Wednesday - 8:30 am
Thursday - 8:30 am
Friday - 10:30 am at BA
Saturday - 8:30 am, 4 pm

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

October 5

Reader: Bruce Chmelik
Ushers: Greg Dapper & Dave Mund
Servers: Ben Keller & Sam Keller
EM: Brydie LaCanne & Barb Story

October 12

Reader: Georgia Quamme
Ushers: Tim Karl & Jim Donkers
Servers: Serenity Overholt & Greyson Overholt
EM: Susan Overholt & JoAnn Erie

October money counters:
Georgia Quamme & Lisa Karl

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October 2 - Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm

October 3 - Holy Hour of Reparation 6:00 am

October 8 - Confessions 5:30 pm

October 9 - Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm

October 10 - Holy Hour of Reparation 6:00 am

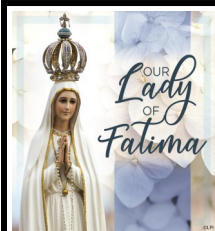
October 12 - Breakfast A-B-E-O

October 17 - Holy Hour of Reparation 6:00 am

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, Sandy Rumstick, Kade Lexvold, and Kael Lexvold.

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!



Adoration will be on Wednesday evening following the Communion Service. Please come and spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament.



Altar Servers needed!

Altar servers have the privilege of assisting the priest in the sanctuary during the Mass and other liturgical functions. Would you be willing to serve our parish in this capacity? We are looking for people of all ages to help in this important role. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Our faith formation classes begin at 9 am, and this includes one class held in the back overflow of the church. It is hard to conduct class with background noise, and we gently ask if the parishioners could do their visiting in the hall or atrium. This would help us very much.

Community Events/News

- The Church of Saint Michael, Pine Island is hosting their annual Fall Festival on Friday, October 3 & Sunday, October 5, 2025. Friday, October 3, 4pm-7:30pm - Our fabulous St. Michael Fish Fry from 4:00-7:30pm. Both baked & fried fish will be offered! Take out available! Prices: adults \$15.00, children 6-12 \$6.00, family maximum \$45.00. Fall mums are available for sale & art & craft vendors. Sunday, October 5, 10am-3pm - Kids outdoor games (11:45am), Cornhole Tournament –there will be separate games for adults & children- (Registration begins at 12noon and tournament starts 1pm), fall mums for sale, silent auction, art & craft vendors. Food available for free-will offering.
- Nerstrand United Methodist Church Fall Festival is Saturday, October 4 from 10 am - 1 pm. Home and holiday décor, puzzles, silent auction, bake sale, produce, vintage items, and thrift clothing. Lunch menu: hot beef sandwiches, pasta salad, chicken and wild rice soup, and dessert.
- 43rd Annual Harvest Bazaar hosted by the St. Mary's CCW at the Bellechester Community Center on Saturday, October 4 from 9 am - 2 pm. Bake sale and lunch. Drawings, face painting, door prizes, and many vendors.
- 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.
- Gol Lutheran Church is hosting a Harvest Luncheon on Sunday, October 19 serving from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Menu: homemade vegetable beef & barley soup, barbecues, potato salad, pie, coffee, and milk Take outs available. To order ahead call or text Julie at 507-491-3505.

St. Michael Prayer, Explained!

The prayer to St. Michael invokes the protection of the archangel Michael in the ongoing spiritual battle for the souls of all mankind. This prayer was composed by Pope Leo XIII and its use was instituted in 1886 at the end of Low Mass, a tradition which continued until the liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council. A popular story regarding its origin claims the Pope wrote this prayer after having a vision of demonic spirits descending on Rome.

Michael is mentioned as one of God's seven archangels in the Book of Enoch and is presented by Revelations 12:7-12 as the warrior angel who cast Satan from heaven. He is therefore traditionally venerated as a protector against the forces of evil and a guardian of the Church.

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Amen.

St. Michael the Archangel, PRAY FOR US

