



# St. Michael Catholic Church

Sunday Mass - 8 am

Wednesday Mass - 5 pm

Joe Feind †

Confessions -

Fourth Sunday of the month after Mass

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## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 18, 2026

It's common to hear belief in Jesus and the Church mocked as blind faith and credulity. But in reality, it is deeply human and rational. Think about it: we rely on the testimony of others constantly. I trust chemists who certify the safety of toothpaste and cleaning products. I trust engineers when I use a microwave or drive over a bridge. Why? Because they have studied and seen what I have not, and their testimony proves itself in daily life. That kind of trust is not irrational; it is how human knowledge works.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist declares: "Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God" (John 1:34). That is the language of an eyewitness. It invites us into a very human act: trusting someone who has directly encountered something — or Someone — we have not yet fully seen ourselves.

The Church's faith is built on this kind of reliable sight-based testimony. The Apostles did not make abstract claims. They saw, followed, suffered for, and proclaimed Jesus Christ. Over centuries, their witness — carried in Scripture, in the lives of the saints, and in the sacramental life of the Church — has proven dependable. We come to know its truth by assenting to it, by living and studying it, praying with it, trusting it.

Faith in Christ is not a childish leap into the dark. It is a step into the light of testimony that proves itself over time.

We never have any idea what God will call us to do and where to go. Sometimes the request can ask us for quite a lot. Hopefully, we respond like a mature disciple.

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

**January 11, 2026**

Adult Envelopes:       \$ 1080.00  
Loose Plate:             \$ 119.00

### Saints of the week

January 20 - St. Sebastian and St. Fabian  
January 21 - St. Agnes  
January 22 - St. Vincent  
January 24 - St. Francis de Sales

### 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

#### January 25

Reader:           Mike Chase  
Ushers:           Marv Donkers & Tim Donkers  
Servers:          Ben Keller & Serenity Overholt  
EM:               Vicki Parrish & Barb Story

#### February 1

Reader:           Georgia Quamme  
Ushers:           Jim Donkers & Greg Dapper  
Servers:          Greyson Overholt & Mark Mund  
EM:               Renee Mund & Lynn Ausetz

January money counters:

Marv Donkers & John Smith

### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

January 19 - Parish Council 7:00 pm

January 22 - Eucharistic Adoration 6:00-7:00 pm  
                  Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm

January 23 - Holy Hour of Reparation 5:30 am

January 25 - Confessions 9:00 am

January 29 - Eucharistic Adoration 6:00-7:00 pm  
                  Lectio Bible Study 7:00 pm

January 30 - Holy Hour of Reparation 5:30 am

We pray for all our parishioners, families and friends who are in need of physical or spiritual healing, especially, Thomas Eilen, Jaci Eilen, MacKensie Eilen, Michaela Neuzil, Harold Amundson, Sandy Rumstick, Diana Kelley, Greg Krinke, Bev Watson, Faith Cruz, and Simone Boesen.

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

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.



## ***Mardi Gras Bingo - February 15 at 2 pm***



Please join us for our annual Mardi Gras Bingo party!

Sign-up sheets are available on the bulletin board in the atrium for volunteers to help the day of the bingo party and for donations. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Please remember to make a basket for the silent auction. The baskets are an important part of the bingo party and help to make it more successful. Baskets can be brought to the office at any time. Thank you!

### **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.

Current council members include:

Lou Breimhurst, Trustee

Greg Dapper, President

Laurie Chmelik

Ron Keller

Annette Kraft

Terry LaCanne

Donna Lexvold

Chris Opheim

Chris Petricka, Trustee

January 7, 2026

From: Archbishop Bernard A. Hebda

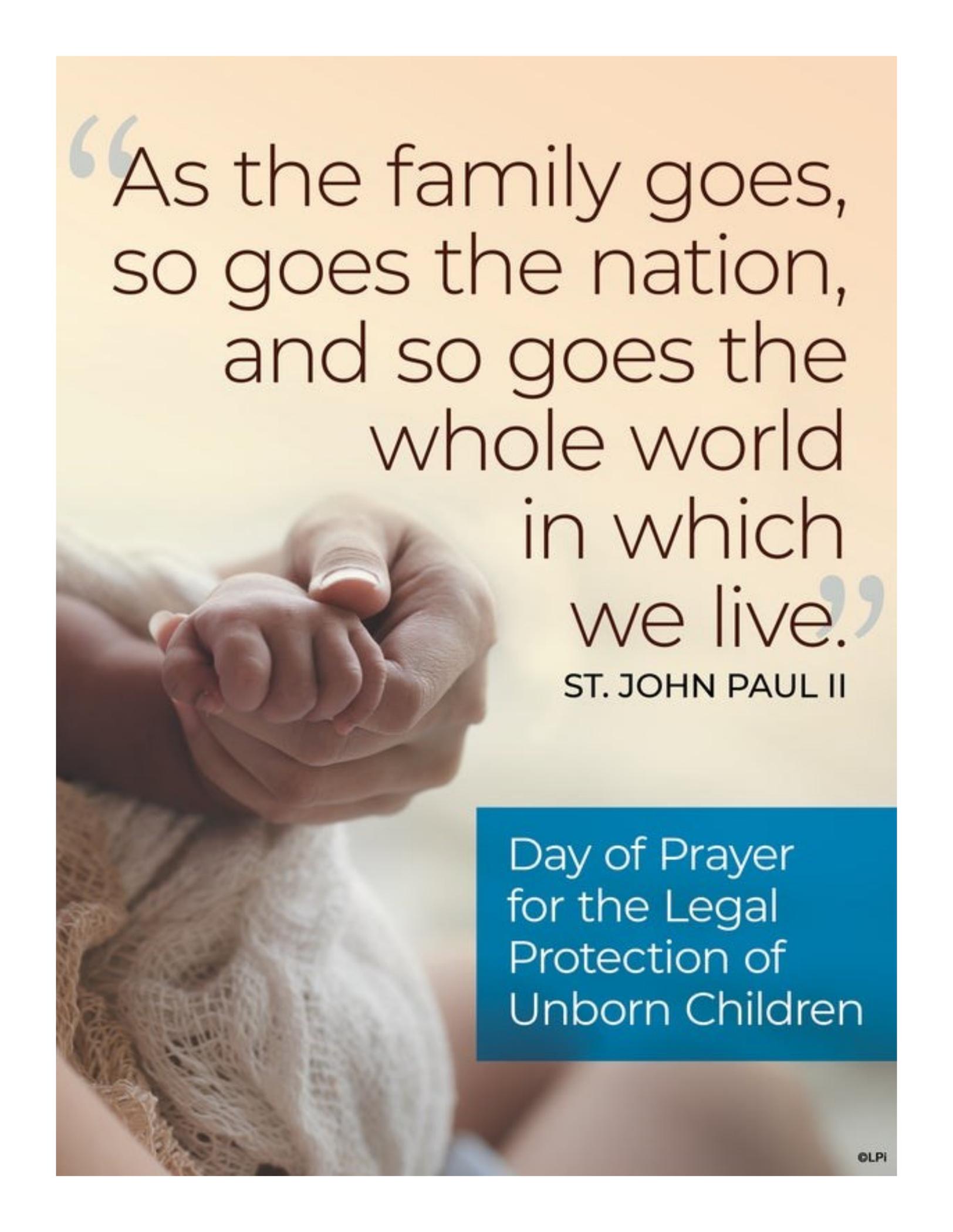
Following this morning's deadly shooting in Minneapolis, I reiterate my plea for all people of good will to join me in prayer for the person who was killed, for their loved ones, and for our community.

We continue to be at a time in this country when we need to lower the temperature of rhetoric, stop fear-filled speculation and start seeing all people as created in the image and likeness of God. That is as true for our immigrant sisters and brothers as it is for our elected officials and those who are responsible for enforcing our laws. I echo today the repeated call of the U.S. Catholic bishops that we come together as a nation and pass meaningful immigration reform that does justice to all parties. The longer we refuse to grapple with this issue in the political arena, the more divisive and violent it becomes.

It is only by working together – with God's help – that we will have peace in our communities, state and world.

### **Community Events/News**

•MCCL March for Life is Thursday, January 22, noon-1 p.m., Minnesota State Capitol, St. Paul. Join other proliferators to remember unborn lives lost and to call for respect and protection for both unborn children and their mothers. Learn more at [mccl.org/march](http://mccl.org/march).



“As the family goes,  
so goes the nation,  
and so goes the  
whole world  
in which  
we live.”

ST. JOHN PAUL II

Day of Prayer  
for the Legal  
Protection of  
Unborn Children