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St. Michael Catholic Church

Sunday Mass - 8 am

Communion Service - Wednesday at 5 pm

followed by Adoration until 6:00 pm

Confessions -

Fourth Sunday of the month after Mass

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 28, 2026

It seems every Pope canonizes new saints every year. They love doing it. What is telling for me is certain saints "fit" what is needed for a particular time and place. Here is an obscure saint for you: Saint George Preca.

St. George Preca was born and lived on the island of Malta. He died in 1962, less than fifty years ago. While he was still a seminarian, his confessor passed away. A few days later, the confessor appeared to him and told him, "God has chosen you to teach his people." Fr. George took this as a sign to begin something he had long wanted to do: gather a group of lay men and women dedicated to teaching catechesis and living a simple Christian lifestyle. Thus began a new foundation in the church, the society of Christian Doctrine.

After he was ordained, he had another extraordinary experience of God's action. One morning, St. George was walking on the outskirts of a farming village towards the parish. He passed by a boy, about 12 years old who was pushing a cart full of manure into the fields for fertilizer. The boy turned to the priest and said in a commanding tone, "lend me a hand!" As soon as Father George touched the cart, he was filled with an indescribable spiritual joy. Afterwards, he could never remember where they went or what happened to the boy. He later understood it had been a vision: the boy was Jesus, asking him and his followers to help cultivate the Lord's field, the Church, by teaching sound doctrine.

Jesus took action in this priest's life, by asking him to help spread some manure. I think it proves God has a well-developed sense of humor. Jesus continue to work in the world, in extraordinary and ordinary ways, in us and through us, because he loves us too much not to.

God likes to work especially in and through our families. What does it mean to be Christ's messengers in our families, especially during the summer, when family time is more abundant than ever?

It means to be like Christ: to be the kind of brother and sister Christ would be if He were in our place. To be a Christ-like father, mother, cousin, or grandparent. It means striving every day to be honest, patient, respectful, and forgiving, to care as much about the successes and problems of others as about our own. May we be living billboards that show God is still at work in the world.

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

June 21, 2026

Adult Envelopes: \$ 915.00
Loose Plate: \$ 167.00

Saints of the week

June 28 - St. Irenaeus
June 29 - St. Peter and St. Paul
July 1 - St. Junipero Serra
July 3 - St. Thomas
July 4 - St. Elizabeth of Portugal
July 5 - St. Anthony Zaccaria

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 - 8:30 am
Saturday - 8:30 am, 4 pm

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

July 5

Reader: Georgia Quamme
Ushers: Tom Coffman & Tim LaCanne
Servers: Christian LaCanne & Greyson Overholt
EM: JoAnn Erie & Mary Murry

July 12

Reader: Donna Lexvold
Ushers: Dave Mund & Tim Karl
Servers: Mark Mund & Sam Keller
EM: Vicki Parrish & Mary Jo Voxland

July money counters:
 Georgia Quamme & Bruce Chmelik

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

July 2 - Eucharistic Adoration 6:00-6:55 pm
 Bible Study 7:00 pm

July 3 - Holy Hour of Reparation 5:30 am

July 9 - Eucharistic Adoration 6:00-6:55 pm
 Bible Study 7:00 pm

July 10 - Holy Hour of Reparation 5:30 am

July 12 - Donuts 9:00 am

July 16 - Eucharistic Adoration 6:00-6:55 pm
 Bible Study 7:00 pm

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, Harold Amundson, Sandy Rumstick, Diana Kelley, Greg Krinke, Bev Watson, Faith Cruz, Simone Boesen, Brynlee Bemis, & Kelli Meyer Branstad.

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.



The VBS program needs donations for a few projects and snacks. For this reason, I thought it would be easier for those wishing to donate to do so by donating \$5. You can do this by simply putting the money in an envelope marked “VBS Donation” and giving it to me, the parish office, or put in the collection.

Adult volunteers are also greatly needed. In order to offer this wonderful opportunity for the youth of our parish to learn more about our faith we need much more help. More hands make less work and VBS is a big job. Sign-up sheets are on the youth bulletin board.

Who Is My Neighbor? VBS!

Location: St. Michaels Catholic Church

Date: July 20 through July 24, 2026

Time: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Preschool – Grade 5 and up. Helpers will be next year’s confirmation students. I will always welcome help from those who have already been confirmed.

This year at VBS, we will explore the call to love our neighbors! Through a fun-filled time of learning and experiences, children will discover neighbors are more than the people who live next door. This VBS series will lead children deeply into five Bible stories focused on God’s care and compassion for neighbors close at hand and around the world. Who Is My Neighbor? will take children on a journey as they discover more about God’s great love and what it means to be a neighbor and to live out our faith. Join us as we discover neighbors near and far! Your child will make new friends, sing fun songs, watch dramatic presentations of the Bible stories, play active games, do art projects, and dig into the Bible.

Our closing celebration will be July 24, 2026, at 11 a.m.

Registration forms can be picked up in the parish office or the faith formation office.

For more information contact JoAnn Erie - VBS Director
faithformation@stmichaelskenyon.net or 507-951-1250

Bible Study

All are welcome to join at anytime a continuing Bible Study that meets on Thursday evening at 7 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration will be offered before each session from 6-6:55 pm.



Our Lady of Fatima

1917-2026

Mary appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal at the Cova da Iria on the 13th of the month for 6 months beginning May 13, 1917. In remembrance of Mary’s apparitions we will be praying a public Rosary in front of St. Michael’s Church on the following days and times:

July 13, 2026 (Monday) - 7:00 pm

August 13, 2026 (Thursday) - 7:00 pm

September 13, 2026 (Sunday) - 9:00 am

October 13, 2026 (Tuesday) - 7:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to join in praying the Rosary!

On the Occasion of the U.S. Bishops Consecrating the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

You know the longings of our hearts, and you desire that we enjoy friendship with you.

From your pierced side, you have poured out the wellspring of life, for which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all people to return to a right relationship with you.

We celebrate the abundant gifts you have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses against you and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness; may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired, and the wounds of our land be healed.

May your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all people to your infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask you to bless these United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

*On November 11, the bishops of the United States voted to consecrate this nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The consecration will take place in 2026 to celebrate America's semiquincentennial, that is, the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. What does this mean? Why consecrate the nation to the Sacred Heart?

Devotion to the Sacred Heart has developed over the centuries following the experiences of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque and the apparitions she witnessed in the seventeenth century. Popes have lauded the practice of consecration of the self, home, and even whole nations to the Sacred Heart.¹ In his encyclical instituting the Solemnity of Christ the King, Pope Pius XI, drawing on the teaching of Pope Leo XIII,² commended the "pious custom" of consecrating the nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a way to recognize the kingship of Christ.³ By celebrating this important national anniversary with this devotion, we have the opportunity to encourage all Catholics to honor our Lord and to "infuse the spirit of the Gospel into various communities and departments of life."

For more information or to view the Novena to the Sacred Heart please visit: <https://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-sacred-heart-jesus>

