



St. Michael's Church
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February 23, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEKEND:

Sunday, February 23: Holy Souls in Purgatory

ASSIGNMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY

Sunday, March 1, at 9:00 AM

Sacristan: Terry Sewell

Greeter: Jacque Sewell

Servers: Megan & Ashlyn Snyder

Cantor: Greg Brewer

Ushers: Jeff & Tracy Yeargan

Readers: Terry & Jacque Sewell

EM: Suzie Lambert & Sue Bickner

Rosary Leader: Snyder Family

President: Fr. Matt

Mass Intention: Alyce Miles +

PLEASE find a replacement if you cannot make your assigned date.

Confessions at St. Michael's in Hermosa will be heard **every Sunday** from 8:15-8:45 AM (before the 9:00 AM Mass).

Have something you would like announced by the priest at the close of Mass? Please e-mail Lenorr by Friday afternoon (snydersintheboonies@yahoo.com).

Please pray for Laura Blom, Marie Birgenheir, Tracy Gillen, Ruth Schaefer, John Ralston, Alan and Lois Goodhue, Natalie Mellegard, Rose Bucholz, Forrest McGrew, John Hills, the family of Hazel Adams, and Diane Umscheid.

Are you new to our church and want to become



a member? Please fill out a registration form found in the box in the entryway. There is a place to return your form there as well. Welcome to St. Michael's!!

SPIRITUAL HOSPICE MINISTRY—Our mission is to pray for dying souls. To request prayers for the dying or to join our mission, call 605-209-0667 or visit www.SpiritualHospiceMinistry.com.



BULLETIN SUBMISSION: If you have something you want in the bulletin, please contact Lenorr Snyder, 605-255-4668 or snydersintheboonies@yahoo.com.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

February 9, 2020

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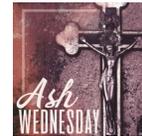
Regular Collection	\$	616.25
Online Giving	\$	30.83
Building Fund	\$	250.00
	\$	897.08
Special Collections		
Children's Collection	\$	162.40
Church in Eastern Europe	\$	20.00
Seminary	\$	00.00
Total Seminary Fund FY 2019	\$	1220.00

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7



Our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Raffle will take place on Saturday, March 14.

Please be thinking about items to donate...only new items and homemade craft items please. Made-up themed baskets are also popular. A volunteer sign up board will be available soon. Areas we will need a lead volunteer and other helpers are: advertising, stew making, set-up, kitchen help, decorating, raffle and tear down & cleanup.



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS—Please volunteer for a ministry for our 6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Mass. Sign up sheet is in the hall.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION WINTER WORKSHOP

10:00 AM-4:00 PM on Saturday, February 29
 Registration \$15 Terra Sancta Retreat Center
<http://www.terrasancta.org/SJCworkshop>.
 See flier in hall for more details.



"WONDERS OF LENT" DAY OF RECOLLECTION

All are invited to a special Lenten "Day of Recollection," at St. Therese of the Little Flower Church (532 Adams, Rapid City). Monsignor Charles Mangan, Diocese of Sioux Falls, will direct the retreat which will feature Mass, confessions, rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, conferences, Q&A,

Investiture of the Brown Scapular, and an emphasis on Our Lady of Fatima. Held Saturday, February 29, from 8:00 AM-3:00 PM and is free to all. Sponsored by the Rapid City Catholic Daughters, Court St. Rita #916. Begin your Lenten journey with Monsignor Mangan. For questions or more information, contact Florence Skinner, 605-431-0851.



SCHEDULE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR LENT

- **Wednesday, February 26**—Ash Wednesday Mass at 6:00 PM.
- **Friday, February 28**—Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM followed by a Lenten Praise and Worship Concert featuring Michelle Skoog.
- **Sunday, March 1**—Lent Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration & Confession after Mass.
- **All Fridays of Lent**—Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM.
- **All Thursdays of Lent starting March 5**—Hermosa Community Worship services with supper provided. (More details and full schedule coming soon)



LENTEN PRAISE AND WORSHIP CONCERT FEATURING MICHELLE SKOOG FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28 AT ST. MICHAEL'S

The evening will start with Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Michelle will begin her praise and worship concert at 6:30 PM until 7:30 PM. We will finish the evening with some time to adore the Blessed Sacrament until 8:00 PM when we will close with Benediction. Everyone is encouraged to attend this prayerful event.



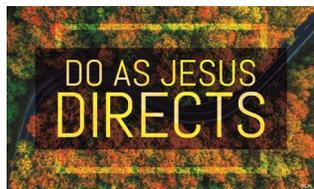
Faith Formation for the entire family!

Formation Sundays:	Schedule:
February: 23	9:00-10:00 Mass
March: 8 and 22	10:00-10:20 Simple Brunch
April: 5 and 19	10:20-11:45 Youth Class
May: 3	Time
	10:30-11:45 Adult Formation

JOURNEYMEN ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

Held March 14 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. This year's theme is "Behold the Man" and will feature speaker Dr. Mario Sacasa. He will discuss Catholic masculinity, fatherhood and living a virtuous life. Cost for the retreat is \$40 Register at terrasancta.org. Scholarships are available.

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 23rd, 2020
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospels continue to challenge us to the core. This is especially true in the way our social relationships have developed. Feeling safe and secure in the world are not things that come easily these days. Actually, we may find ourselves feeling more reservation, caution, reluctance, and fear than ever before. In a moment's notice, life can drastically change. When someone has been intentionally and violently hurt, especially someone we love, we can all too easily find ourselves very attracted to the Old Testament philosophy of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."

Intellectually, we know this is not what Jesus wants us to do. But on some level it just seems to make practical or even political sense. After all, why should we allow someone to get away with a heinously violent act? Yet, Jesus cannot be any clearer than he is with this! Offer no resistance to one who is evil. Turn the other cheek as well. When pressed into service, go two miles. Do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow. Love your enemies. Now, take a moment to reflect on all of this. Consider a horrible act of violence committed against someone you love. Listen. Think. Be honest. Can you do as Jesus directs?

We want to be holy. But we are more comfortable with a definition of holiness that can keep us saying our prayers and on our knees in church. We are not comfortable with a definition of holiness that has something to say about to how we react to and negotiate life. We like to keep a sharp and strong line between the secular and the sacred. In fact, we would prefer that the doors between them be kept closed. God wants us to be holy as He is holy. If God sees this one way and we see it another, then where does this leave us on our journey to God?

Our minds like the practical, worldly, and secular answers to things. They are more black and white and at first glance appear to make more sense. Holiness wells up from our souls and is beyond reason. It cannot be explained. It is something we just simply know comes as a result of deep prayer. The truly contemplative eye knows inwardly that what Jesus asks is true and then willingly does it. It may not be easy.