



St. Michael's Church
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February 16, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEKEND:

Sunday, February 16: Florence Ritter +

ASSIGNMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY

Sunday, February 23, at 9:00 AM

Sacristan: Greg Brewer

Greeter: Mike Birgenheir

Servers: Tyler & Jared Cooper

Cantor: Leo Van Sambeek

Ushers: Terry & Jacque Sewell

Readers: Mike Pahl & Sue White

EM: Deb Van Sambeek & Tanya Cooper

Rosary Leader: Linda Birgenheir

President: Fr. Matt

Mass Intention: Holy Souls in Purgatory

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



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

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 2, 2020

HERMOSA

Regular Collection	\$	1,067.00
Online Giving	\$	30.83
Building Fund	\$	00.00
	\$	1,097.83

Special Collections

Children's Collection	\$	7.00
Church in Latin America	\$	25.00
Seminary	\$	60.00
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

COUNCIL MEETINGS—Finance Council and Parish Council meetings will be on Sunday, February 16, immediately after Mass.



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.

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.

"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

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.



WOMEN'S GROUP will be starting a new book for Lent called, "Lenten Companion, A Personal Encounter with the Power of the Gospel". If you

are not currently part of the group but would like to be, contact Lenorr at 605-255-4668 to request a book. Meeting times are Wednesdays at 5:30 PM and Thursdays at 8:30 AM.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**February 16, 2020
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word "commitment" mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus' teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else's decision. But we can't be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life's journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.



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



TEACHING FOR THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST:

Having joined the sacrifice of Christ and having received the new life that God the Father pours on his Son and therefore on us, we ask for the things we need. It is interesting to note that it is only now, after this rather long prayer that we ask God for what we need. We ask because we know and have recounted that God is good. We know that he wants what is best for us. We pray then with confidence. Each of the Eucharistic Prayers varies in the petitions that are prayed but they include the following:

- continue to transform our lives so that we might be an eternal offering to God
- that we might be joined to the angels and saints (in all four versions)
- that peace would come to our world
- we pray for the Pope and our bishop and the whole church
- for unity in the Church
- and for the dead (in all four versions)

During this moment in the Eucharistic Prayer, the faithful could easily join, although not aloud, but silently, in making these petitions their own by praying silently, "Lord hear our prayer." This is the same phrase used most often in the Universal Prayer.