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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM • St Michael
Sunday 8:30AM • St Michael
Sunday 10:30AM • St Mary

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday 12:00PM • St Mary
Adoration begins after Mass until 3:30PM
Wednesday 12:00PM • St Michael
Adoration begins after Mass until 3:30PM
Thursday 12:00PM • St Mary
Friday 12:00PM • St Michael

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday and
Thursday 12:30PM to 1:30PM • St. Mary
Wednesday and
Friday 12:30PM to 1:30PM • St. Michael
Saturday 3:00PM to 3:45PM • St. Michael

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday August 23

4:00PM † Steven Anderson by Ray & Kathie Maka.....MI
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:00 PM—3:45 PM - St Michael

Sunday August 24

8:30AM † Chuck Albrecht by Chris Albrecht.....MI
 10:30AM † Chuck Klein by FamilyMA

Monday August 25 No Mass

Tuesday August 26 Communion Service

12:00PM † Janet Farrell by M/M Jack RobertsMA
 Adoration begins after Communion Service until 3:30pm

Wednesday August 27 Communion Service

12:00PM † Carroll Schumaker by John & Denise Anderson.....MI
 Adoration begins after Mass until 3:30pm

Thursday August 28 Communion Service

12:00M † Chuck Klein by M/M Duane Perrin.....MA

Friday August 29 Communion Service

12:00PM Our Parish Family.....MA

Saturday August 30

4:00PM † Kurt Kline by Jack & Peggy KlineMI
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:00 PM—3:45 PM - St Michael

Sunday August 31

8:30AM † Larry Schumaker by John & Denise AndersonMI
 10:30AM † Adeline Lothschutz
 by Ben & Rachel Lothschutz and FamilyMA

MA=St. Mary

MI=St. Michael's



Scripture Readings for the Week of August 25, 2025

Sunday Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Monday I Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday I Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Monica
 I Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday I Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday Memorial of the Passion of John the Baptist
 I Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mk 6:17-29

Saturday I Thes 4:9-11, Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

St. Michael's Liturgical Ministers

	Aug 30—4:00PM	Aug 31 —8:30AM
Altar Servers	Dylan Ranney NEED ONE	Adalyn Taylor Clare Taylor
Eucharistic Ministers	Chris Albrecht NEED TWO	Deacon Tom Sharon Carlson Jennifer DeMull Zack Nelson Cindy Lindberg Jennie Taylor Peter Nielsen NEED ONE
Lector	Mark Phillips	Dennis Zimmer
Sacristan	NEED ONE	Chris Albrecht
Ushers	Ray Maka NEED ONE	Calvin Lindberg Duane Snowdin Jim Ponshair NEED ONE
Music	NEED ONE	Craig Bleckley

St. Mary's Liturgical Ministers

	August 31 —10:30AM
Sacristan	Need one
Altar Servers	Noah Davis Calvin Davis Sadie Earle
Precious Body	Mary Kirkwood Need Two
Precious Blood	Christina Withers Becky Warners Nettie Leale Need One
Hospitality	Leonard Horter
Lector	Rita Carmody
Music	Bernie Stanko

Pray for Vocations

O God,
 hear our prayer
 and let our cry come to You.
 Bless the Diocese of Grand Rapids
 with many vocations to the
 priesthood, diaconate,
 and religious life.

Give Your sons and daughters
 the confidence to
 accept Your call,
 and the love to follow always
 in the footsteps of
 Your beloved Son
 with courage and dedication
 to Your will.

Amen.

Cluster News and Community News and Events

Catholic Service Appeal - 2025

Thank you for your gifts to 2025 Catholic Services Appeal! Your generous support funds essential diocesan ministries that strengthen us in Christ. Every gift, regardless of the amount, is important in this effort. Our parish goal for 2025 is: Thank you for your stewardship!

St Mary

CSA 2025 Pledge Goal: \$50,516.00

Total Pledges Made: \$52,455.00 (104%)

Balance: \$1939.00 OVER- THANK YOU!

Participation: 101 of 260 Active - Households (39%)

St Michael

CSA 2025 Pledge Goal: \$52,297.00

Total Pledges Made: \$ 35,260.00 (68%)

Balance: \$17,037.00

Participation: 86 of 255 - Active Households (34%)

Totals as of August 13, 2025

Please keep in mind that any amount raised over our goal is returned 100% to the parish. Please continue to pray for the success of this important effort.



**STRENGTHENED IN CHRIST,
RESPONDING WITH JOY.**

Diocese of Grand Rapids
Catholic Services Appeal

Baby Bottle Drive - Thank You

Dear Fr. Mike and St. Mary & St. Michael Parishioners, Your generous donations of **\$1,988.89** to the baby bottle drive are a beautiful blessing to the families served at HELP Pregnancy Aid! Thank you for your donations, helping to ensure we have the items needed for those who turn to HELP seeking support. Last year, 38% more families turned to HELP than the previous year—I am so very grateful to each of you for helping us meet this growing need! HELP only happens because of YOU! With a grateful heart,
Paula Veneklas, Executive Director
HELP Pregnancy Aid



Bulletin Sponsor of the Week



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN!

Fr Mike's Musings



How many will go to Heaven? "That is not what you ought to concern yourself about" said Jesus to the man who questioned Him on this. Instead, we ought to be concerned about our own salvation. Jesus uses the image of a gate for salvation and says it is a narrow gate. In the Gospel of John, Jesus says that He is the gate and whoever enters through Him will be saved. Jesus is the gate or door; Jesus is the means to salvation. The gate is narrow because Jesus' teaching is demanding.

The challenge posed by Jesus' words in the Gospel of Luke is highlighted even more in Matthew's Gospel since the same words occur near the end of Jesus' challenging 'Sermon of the Mount'. There, Jesus says the gate and road to destruction is broad and many take it. Because many opt for that wide gate or road to destruction, Jesus says in the Gospel, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." **Strive.** In the original Greek, that word is related to efforts of an athlete preparing for a contest. Jesus is using a metaphor from sports that hasn't come through well in the English translation. Essentially, we are being told that the Christian life is like the effort of a runner preparing for a marathon, not like the onlooker eating ice-cream. Jesus' teaching today is really calling for conversion now because it will be too late after we die. When the master of the house has locked the door, to use the words of the Gospel, if we are not striving, if we are eating ice-cream instead of preparing for the marathon, we will find ourselves locked out and no amount of pleading will unlock the door.

We choose Jesus the narrow door because He Himself chose the narrow door of the Cross for us. The narrow door included the Cross for Jesus and includes the Cross for each of us who call ourselves 'Catholic Christians'. When we endure our own personal Calvary, it can work for our good just as it did in the case of Jesus. So, in the First Reading where Paul writes to the Romans, "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose." So, we should strive to enter by the narrow door because it is the only door that leads to eternal life-- Jesus Christ.

Meal Train for Fr Mike

We have created a Meal Train to help Fr Mike while he is home recuperating. Visit this link <https://mealtrain.com/631558> Please sign up: It really is as easy as making an extra serving of whatever you are preparing your family for dinner. Put it in a microwavable container and drop it off at the rectory. Please have meal fully cooked in a microwaveable container. (Fr Mike does not use his oven) The container will be cleaned and returned to the church community room for you to pick up. Meals can be dropped off at the rectory on the covered front porch. There will be a tote to place the meal in. (if the 4-5PM drop off time does not work for you, please call the parish office to make other drop off arrangements that are more convenient for you. THANK YOU to everyone that has prepared a meal for Fr Mike. He appreciates it very much. We have a few dates that are still available if you would like to sign up and finish out his remaining dates.

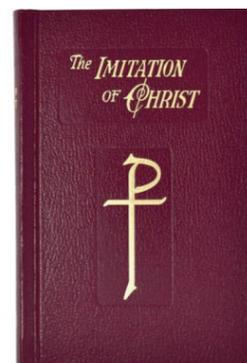


Women's Book Club

All Ladies of St Mary's and St Michael's are welcome to join in our 2nd book study beginning Tuesday, September 16th, at 10am in St Mary Church Community Room.

The Imitations of Christ, by Thomas à Kempis
Originally written between 1418 and 1427 this spiritual classic is timeless. Its popularity is enduring because the principals resonate with believers across different eras and denominations. The Imitation of Christ is easy to read. The structure of short, digestible chapters makes it great as a daily devotional or for meditation. Overall, the book emphasizes a practical and inward-focused approach to the Christian life. It focuses on personal holiness and imitating Christ's virtues in daily actions studying topics such as humility, love of God, detachment of worldly desires, acceptance of suffering etc while emphasizing the interior life cultivating a rich personal relationship with God....and much more.

Call Mary Guilbault with any questions and to sign up. 810-387-4461.



August 24, 2025 ~ The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St. Mary's Parish News

St Mary Faith Formation

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW):
Pre-School thru 2nd Grade During 10:30 AM Mass.
 CLW is on Summer break.

This is the Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time. In Luke 13:22-30 Jesus says some people will try to get in through the narrow gate, but they won't be able to. They might think they're good enough, but God looks at our hearts and if we haven't really tried to follow him, we might not get in. They might even say they know Jesus, but if they haven't followed his teachings, he might not recognize them

1st-7th Grade Faith Formation Classes -
Wednesdays at Hall / 6:00- 7:30pm

8th Grade - Confirmation Classes -
Wednesdays at Hall / 6:00- 7:30pm

Faith Formation classes will be on break until the fall.



Registration is now open for the 2025/2026 school year.

Forms are available online or in the Narthex.

Register ONLINE HERE:

<https://www.saintmarysmarne.org/religious-education-elementary>

Classes resume in September. We are working on class lists and ordering books and supplies. To help us get an accurate number of students, please take a minute and register your child(ren) today.

For more information or any questions on any of these programs Please contact Debbie Veneklase at dre@saintmarysmarne.org or 616.677.3934

Prayer for Back to School

God of wisdom,
 we praise you
 for the wonder of our being,
 for mind, body and spirit.
 Be with our children
 as they begin a new school year.
 Bless them and their teachers and staff.
 Give them strength and grace
 as their bodies grow;
 wisdom and knowledge
 to their minds
 as they search for
 understanding;
 and peace and zeal
 to their hearts.
 We ask this through
 Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen.



#ADWFFirstDay

Welcome

We are pleased to **welcome** our newly baptized child of God into the St Mary's parish family

Sage James Huckleberry

Son of Casey Huckleberry

Baptized on August 24, 2025

Through this baptism you have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life. Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father.

Congratulations and May God Bless you all!



St Mary Choir

Choir practice will resume again on **Wed, Sept 3 at 7pm** in church. We are always looking for new members. People who love to sing and are not afraid of the weekly commitment are encouraged to join us. If interested, please talk to Bernie after any Mass. For further information please contact our Music Director Bernie Stanko at (616) 490-3836 and leave a message. Or by email: berniestanko@hotmail.com

St Mary's Mass & Parish Family Picnic Sept 7

Join your parish family (past & present) for an afternoon of FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FUN! Grilled Hamburgers & Hotdogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Chips and Punch & Punch will be provided.. (food will be served from 12:30-2:00PM) Please bring a DESSERT to share.. All are Welcome! Come and Visit... Stop by and say HI to your old friends and make some new friends. 50/50 Raffles, BINGO, Yard Games, LIVE Music, Cake Walk and More... 10:30AM Mass at the Cemetery Altar. (Please bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, Mass will be celebrated inside) Picnic will be at the Parish hall @12:00pm please R.S.V.P.



Knights of Columbus #11581 News

How to become a Knight: You can enroll in the Knights of Columbus immediately as an "Online Member" by scanning the QR Code. Once you complete and submit the form on that page a local council will contact you. For additional information or to learn more about what the Knights do, Contact Grand Knight: Bruce Kamp b.kamp@charter.net / Phone 616-780-4941



Upcoming Blood Drive & Community Breakfast

Pre-Register here: Oct 12

https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11598498



Knight Person of the Month- August: Joe Lothschutz

Knight Family of the Month- August: Gary & Mary Karr and Family

The Knight Person / Family of the month is a way of recognizing someone who has gone above and beyond, or done something extra for the council or our church community. Congratulations and Thank your for service and commitment to our Parish Family!



Monthly Charitable Donation-

Help Pregnancy Aid, Gianna's No Cost Baby Boutique and Coats for Kids

Fall (self-serve) Scrap Metal Drive - September 25-29

Trash Bin will be in the Parish Hall Parking Lot.

All proceeds benefit the K of C charitable donations.

Start saving your scrap now.



Mass: Attendance	
Adult Contributions	
Children Contributions	
Loose Contributions	

Unavailable- Will Update Next Week



Welcome to the Cluster Parishes of St. Mary and St. Michael

St. Michael's Parish News

Scrip News— Scrip totals will be updated next week.



St. Michael's Parish Family

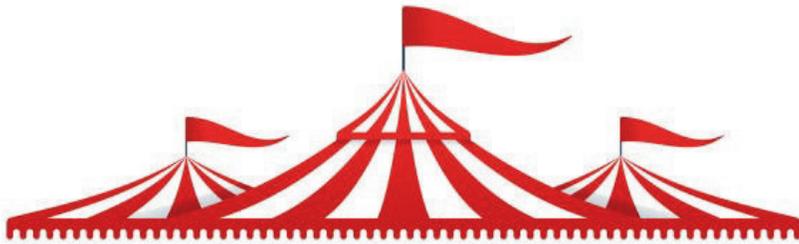
Remembers in Their Prayers: Kevin Johnson, Anne Pols, Alexandria Gordon, George Langlois, Brooke Campbell, Linda Abel-Carroll, Jackie May, Dennis Goosen, Jean Mayse, Ken Heflin, Marvin Hecksel, Payton Patterson, Pat Harlett, the victims of abortion, & the men and women in the military.



We are pleased to welcome a newly baptized child of God!

Adella Claire Ferguson
daughter of Doug & Kelli Ferguson
Baptized on August 17, 2025

Festival News



Welcome Festival Guests! Information and Schedule of Events:

Chicken Dinners will be served from 12:00 pm —3:00 pm. Adults: \$15.00; Seniors: \$12.00; Kids 6-12; \$10.00; 5 & Under: Free

The Dinner Tickets are sold in front of the Family Center. All meals are served in the Family Center. There is a Dining Room located inside the Family Center or a Dining Tent is near the playground. You may also request a bag and take your meals to-go.

Large Raffle Tickets are still available, \$5 ea. 1st prize is \$1,500, 2nd prize is \$500, 3rd prize is \$250 and 4th and 5th prize are \$100.

The Large Raffle drawing is at 3:30p.m., after the drawings for the Mini-Raffle and Country Store.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: All packets of raffle tickets need to be accounted for. Please return them to the Large Raffle Ticket sales table in front of the family center as soon as possible.

50/50 Raffles are scheduled all day.

Also... check out the Kids Game Tent, Kiddie Train Mini-Raffle, Country Store & Grocery Wheel! Games will close at 3:00pm.



St. Michael's Sanctuary Lamp

for +Caroline Idziak
by Bob Idziak

St. Michael's Faith Formation

Faith Formation Registration school year 2025-2026: Attention families with children ages 3 through grades 12. You can find registration forms on the parish website and forms are also located in the church narthex.

Attention parents of 1st or 7th graders:

First graders' Parents! Do you know of a child that is attending first grade at a public school this fall? Please have their families contact the Parish Office now so that we can be sure to sign them up for Wednesday night classes. If a child is anticipating receiving their First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation, they will have to complete one year of Catechism class prior to preparing for these sacraments in second grade.

Do you have a seventh grader or know one? Confirmation preparation begins in the seventh grade. If you know a student in seventh grade this fall, please spread the word to their parents now. They can still attend Faith Formation class.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: We are currently on Summer Break. We will see you in September. In this Sunday's Gospel: Imagine a big, wide door that anyone can walk through easily. Now imagine a small, narrow door that is harder to get through. Jesus says the way to heaven is like that narrow door, according to some Bible commentaries. It's not as easy as just saying you believe, you have to try your best and work hard to follow God's rules.

Elementary Faith Formation: The elementary program is for students in grades 1-5. We meet on Wednesday from 6:00- 7:30 pm. Class will resume on Wednesday, September 17th.

Middle School Faith Formation: Grades 6, 7 and 8 meet on Sundays from 9:45-11:15am. The 8th Grade students will also receive Confirmation Preparation. Our programs are on Summer break. Class will resume on Sunday, September 28th.

Giving Back to God

August 16/17 2025

Mass: Attendance 8/16- 4:00PM:

Mass: Attendance 8/17- 8:30AM:

Adult Envelopes

Loose Cash

Children's Envelopes

Children's Envelopes

Children's Envelopes

Children's Envelopes

Building Fund

Pie Collection

Weekly Offertory Needed for Budget

Offertory-YTD Budget vs YTD Actual

Unavailable- Will Update Next Week

Thank you for your continued support!

August 24, 2025 ~ The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Narrow Way?

There is something about the word “narrow” which seems contradictory to Christianity. Jesus came that we might “have life, and have it more abundantly” (John 10:10). He came to expand our lives, not to restrict them. So, when Jesus says, “Enter through the narrow gate,” does something tighten up in you?

In high school geometry class, we learned that the narrowest thing conceivable is a straight line. In fact, we can't draw or even imagine what the mathematicians mean by a “straight line,” because it is not something drawn on paper; it is just the imaginary (but unimaginable!) line that connects two points. It is simply defined as “the shortest distance between two points.” It has no breadth or thickness at all. There is nothing narrower than this: a microscopic flea walking along it drunk would not have room to weave!

When Jesus speaks of the “narrow way” we could think of a channel through the ocean, marked off by five commandments on one side and five on the other. Then if we interpret the commandments more narrowly, the channel becomes more constricted and we feel we are being hemmed in. But suppose we say that Jesus has substituted a whole new guidance system in place of the Ten Commandments? Instead of telling us to stay “within bounds” in a channel, he invites us to steer by a “fixed star,” who is Jesus himself. He calls us to look to him—to his words, his example—in every decision we make, and to ask only one question: “What is more pleasing to Jesus Christ, what is more according to the desires of his heart?” To do this is to steer in a straight line. It is to do what Saint Paul exhorts each one of us to do: “Do not be conformed to this world [to the attitudes, values and goals of the culture], but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect” (Romans 12:2). This is a whole new way of charting a course through life.

This is the narrowest way—and the least constricted!

AUGUST 24, 2025

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13;
Luke 13:22-30;

There is nothing narrower than a straight line. To aim directly at the person of Jesus Christ in every decision we make leaves not the slightest room for deviation. And yet we do not feel restricted. We are out on the open sea, hemmed in by nothing, setting our course by a single star.

If we interpret the Gospel this way, our Lord's later words to those who have not entered by the “narrow gate” are consistent: He says to them, “I do not know where you are from.” (This is the same as saying, “I do not know who you are.”) Those who have never made the choice to live their whole lives in response to the person of Jesus, but who have just tried to “stay in bounds,” are called strangers—because Jesus is in fact a stranger to them. He says he does not know them because they have never known him.

This presents us with a very radical choice: a religion of system or a religion of response. In a religion of system our focus is on the rules and practices—on what we do. In a religion of response our focus is on the person of Christ, on who he is and how we can show our love for him.

In a religion of response, the whole focus is on knowing and pleasing God as a person, and experiencing his action in our lives. To please him we have to know him; we have to know his heart, his deepest attitudes and values, what his desires are, how he thinks. In a religion of response, we don't break the law; we



just seldom think about it—just as someone steering by a fixed star never gets outside the channel markers, but never looks at them either; the course is an unwavering, undeviating line toward the star. And so, in a religion of response we think about what pleases our Friend, about what unites us more closely to him in mind and will and heart. Every choice is a direct response to the person we love.

REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S GOSPELS

Twenty-First Week of the Year

Pray daily: Lord, you came to be the focus and fulfillment of our lives, our fixed star, the goal of every longing and choice. Fill my horizon, fill my heart, fill my life. Amen.

Monday: Matthew 23:13-22: Jesus said, “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites. For you lock people out of the kingdom of heaven. For you do not go in yourselves, and when others are going in you stop them.” How does a focus on law observance turn people away from religion? When have you felt most turned-off by what was presented to you as Christianity? What draws you most?

Tuesday: Matthew 23:23-26: “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, you hypocrites. For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law.” What do you focus on most in your religion? What is the first and greatest commandment? How often do you think about that?

Wednesday: Matthew 23:27-32: “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees... You say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our ancestors, we would not have taken part with them in shedding the blood of the prophets.’” If you had lived in Jesus’ time, would you have left all to follow him? If he didn’t call you to do that, how would you have shown your faith in him? How do you now?

Thursday: Matthew 24:42-51: Jesus said, “Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will

come.” Does Jesus only come on the last day? Do you expect him to come to you repeatedly every day? How do you stay alert to his inspirations, his favors?

Friday: Matthew 25:1-13: Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, “Lord, Lord, open to us!” But he replied, “Truly I tell you, I do not know you.” Do you know Jesus? How does it affect your living? Do you long for him to open the door of his heart to you? How would you go in?

Saturday: Matthew 25:14-30: “For to all those who have, more will be given and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.” Have you experienced how loving Jesus as a person makes you grow in love? Have you seen people who just focused on obeying the rules finally stop practicing their religion altogether?

LIVING THIS WEEK'S GOSPELS

As Christian: Choose some action that focuses your heart on Jesus Christ from the moment you awake. See if daily Mass is a possibility for you. (What is the closest church that has Mass when you can make it?)

As Disciple: Read the key Jesus gave to the Ten Commandments as John Paul II explains it in “The Splendor of Truth,” chapter one, nos. 12-15.

As Prophet: Each time you find yourself asking whether something is right or wrong, picture Jesus doing it instead. Do what you can easily imagine him doing.

As Priest: The next time a discussion of morality starts, see if you can turn it into a discussion of the example of Jesus Christ.

As King: Ask yourself how your neighborhood would change if Jesus lived in it. Your work site if Jesus worked there? Your school if Jesus were a student? Your home life if Jesus were a member of the family? Make the changes you can make.

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