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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Clarks Mills, and St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Whitelaw, in union with the Roman Catholic Church, inspire all to grow as followers of Jesus Christ through the sacraments, faith education and social outreach to our members and the wider community.

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 14, 2023

Mass Schedule

ST. MARY

Sunday: 9:30 AM (Confessions 8:45-9:15)

ST. MICHAEL

Saturday: 4:00 PM (Confessions 3:00-3:30)

Sunday: 11:00 AM (No Mass 4th Sunday of Month)

St. Mary Parish – 775-4365
For Emergency – (920) 246-6841 – Dc. Randy Jaeckels
Parish Secretary: Casey Braun - 775-4365
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 11-3
SM/SM School Principal: Jane Schueller-775-4366
Director of Religious Education:
Grades 1-8: Teresa Pederson – 775-4876
Parish Council Chair: Lisa Sherman - 629-0013

St. Michael Parish – 732-3901
For Emergency – (920) 246-6841 – Dc. Randy Jaeckels
Parish Secretary: Judy Ebert - 732-3901
Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 8 - 1
SM/SM School Principal: Jane Schueller-775-4366
Director of Religious Education:
Grades 1-8: Teresa Pederson – 775-4876
Parish Council Chair: Norb Baumann – 242-7848

GETTING MARRIED? Please call the parish office soon after you are engaged to begin the marriage preparation process, which is geared for your married life together, not simply the wedding day. Preparation is to begin at least nine months before the wedding, according to diocesan policy.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Parents are asked to begin preparing for their child's Baptism early. Please contact Deacon Randy Jaeckels for an appointment to facilitate the preparation.

COMMUNION/VISITS FOR THE HOMEBOUND: Please contact the parish office to arrange for Communion to be brought to the homebound and for regular visits by Deacon Randy Jaeckels.

PLEASE USE SCRIP: Available – St. Mary: At Sunday Mass; in the parish office: Mon.- Fri. 8:00-3:00. For large or special orders call Jean Shimon at 758-2276 by Saturday evening. Order form is available on website.

St. Michael: ½ hour until 10 minutes before weekend masses and after mass; in the parish office Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9-noon; or by contacting Colleen at 732-3115. Order form is available on website.

**WORSHIP
SCHEDULE
MAY 13-21**

Saturday, May 13

4:00 PM (SM) Kevin
Hartlaub & His
Grandparents

Sunday, May 14

9:30 AM (IC) Monica &
Bud Pivonka & the
Living & Deceased of St.
Mary's Parish (Choir)
11:00 AM (SM) Robert &
Emily Grall & the Living &
Deceased of St. Michael's
Parish (Choir)

Tuesday, May 16

8:15 AM (IC) Shorty &
Mickey Muench

Thursday, May 18

8:15 AM (SM) Liturgy of
the Word

Saturday, May 20

4:00 PM (SM) Vic,
Aggie, Patti & Glen
Konop & Dan Berkland

Sunday, May 21

9:30 AM (IC) Dale
Preston & the Living &
Deceased of St. Mary's
Parish
11:00 AM (SM) Lorraine
Koeppel & the Living &
Deceased of St.
Michael's Parish (Choir)

IC St. Mary/SM St. Michael

**MINISTRIES
MAY 20-21**

Proclaimers:

4:00 PM(SM) Charles
Lemberger
9:30 AM(IC) Ray
Berres
11:00 AM(SM) Amy
Olson

**Extraordinary
Ministers:**

4:00 PM(SM) Deacon
Randy Meidl
9:30 AM(IC) Deacon
Randy Meidl
11:00 AM(SM) Deacon
Randy Meidl

Servers:

4:00 PM(SM) Ken
Brunner
9:30 AM(IC) Eli &
Isaac Staudinger
11:00 AM(SM) Jacob
& Jackson Olson

May Ushers:

4:00 PM(SM) Jane
Mueller, Lelan Otto
9:30 AM(IC) Sue
Bodart, Karen
Schweitzer-Olson
11:00 AM(SM) Jerry
Herrmann Family; Jim
Muench

2023 BISHOP'S APPEAL

St. Mary's:	St. Michael's:
Goal \$19,140.00	Goal \$17,579.00
Current \$16,870.00	Current \$15,375.00
To pledge or donate online:	
www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give	
or contact the parish office	

St. Michael's Parish confessionals for those participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please be aware of some changes with the confessionals. The kneeler in the left (north) confessional has been removed and a sturdy chair with armrests has been placed in the confessional. For those with knee, leg, and/or back issues we hope this change will make the confessional more comfortable to use. The kneeler is still present in the right (south) confessional.

Anointing Mass if you are in need of physical, spiritual, emotional, or mental healing, Fr. Klingeisen will offer anointing at the Tuesday, May 16 school mass at St. Mary Parish. The mass begins at 8:15 a.m. No registration is needed. Our parishes will begin to offer quarterly anointing services at the end of a weekend mass beginning in June. Fr. Girotti will provide these anointing services.

The Marian Council will soon plant annuals in 3 areas of the church grounds. Would you like to make a monetary donation in memory or honor of someone? Contact Debbie Klingeisen 920.901.4116.

St Mary & St. Michael Scrip: Effective June 26, 2023 Kohl's Scrip Cards will no longer be allowed for people to pay towards their Kohl's credit card account. They have decided to drop that part of the program. However, you may still use Kohl's Scrip Cards for in store or online purchases.

St. Michael's Holy Hour: All are invited to come pray together at St. Michael's Church on Wednesdays at 2pm. Come for the whole hour or a portion of the hour. Use the East Entrance. One person praying alone is heard but when we pray together, we amplify the power of prayer, inviting the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

Community Fest School Fundraiser - This year's fundraiser will be held on Saturday, August 5 at Seven Lakes Golf Course. There are activities being planned along with a polka mass at 4 pm. and a chicken dinner. Tickets are \$100 and are now available at each parish office. Save the date and come enjoy the day!

Welcome

Welcome to our celebration of Mass today. We sincerely hope you feel you are among friends.

Bulletins are published online: To access the Church website visit: www.stmarystmichael.com and to access the school website www.school.stmarystmichael.com

Bishop Ricken's Sunday Mass: If unable to make it to Mass due to illness or homebound Sunday Mass is available at 10:30am on channel 5 (WFRV).

TOOTSIE ROLL TIME! The Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual tootsie roll drive for the intellectually disadvantaged before and after the Masses this weekend at both parishes. Thank you for your support!

Funeral Planning Workshops - Dcn. Randy Jaeckels will be offering two funeral planning workshops for any interested parishioners. Representatives from Lakeshore Family Funeral Homes will present information on their services. Dcn Randy will discuss funeral masses/services and the selection of music, readings and intercessory prayers. Booklets will be provided to assist with planning. There is no cost for the workshops but we are asking parishioners to please call parish offices to register so we can plan accordingly. The first workshop will be held at St. Mary's Parish on Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30 pm at "the HUB". The second workshop will be held at St. Michael's Parish on Saturday, June 3 at 1:30 pm in the church basement. You may attend either session. Each session will last approximately 90 minutes.

Reedsville Knights of Columbus #5798: The K of C pilgrim icon prayer program is a longstanding tradition, in which every few years a sacred image is selected to inspire the Knights and their communities. This year, the Knights have chosen an icon of St. Joseph holding the child of Jesus. This print will be on display at St. Michael's Parish from May 22-29. A prayer service will be held also at St. Michael's on Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00pm. All are welcome to attend.

St. Mary's The rectory hub plus living, dining and kitchen have had a **refresh** with the help of so many generous parishioners donating their time and talent. A few items need replacing. Are you someone you know downsizing or moving? Like new items needed: Refrigerator for kitchen, 12 Hp Shop Vac, dehumidifier. Call Debbie Klingeisen 920-901-4116 or parish office.

American Legion Auxiliary will be distributing poppies to honor Veterans at both parishes before and after Mass on the weekend of May 20/21.

Grieving an Untimely Loss: When death comes suddenly and unexpectedly, it can be especially difficult to process. This session will provide coping mechanisms and resources. Holy Family Harbor Town Campus, Cooperstown Room from 5:30-6:30pm on Tuesday, May 16. No fee to participate, registration required. Call 920-320-2317.

SCHOOL NOTE

Every other year the 5th and 6th graders are taught about respecting life at all stages. Previously called Spiritual Adoption, I have expanded the concept to include the "womb to tomb" principles. The purpose of this pro-

gram is to help inform and educate children at an early stage about the dignity and sacredness of ALL human life from conception to natural death. We read scripture and complete a project such as posters and prayer cards. The lesson in May involves a celebration with cake and games. In this final month of school our service projects involve cleaning up the St. Michael cemetery and planting flowers at the St. Mary cemetery. These are projects that we value, as they teach our students to give back to the community. We are so grateful for all of your support this year!

Mrs. Carol Schmitz-7th & 8th Grade Teacher

RESPECT LIFE

EVEN WITHOUT ROE V WADE, MANY PRECIOUS BABIES ARE STILL BEING KILLED BY ABORTION:

2023 is the first full year without Roe v Wade but thousands of precious babies are still being killed by abortion. The abortion lobby is spending many millions of dollars, including your taxpayer dollars, on a comprehensive strategy to expand abortion even more this year. The church, all pro-lifers have much work to do in promoting pro-life messages to its own members and society at large. Archbishop William Lori, now Vice President of the USCCB, after serving as chairman of the committee on pro-life for the US bishops, points out that the wonderful blessing of Roe v Wade being overturned allows more freedom at both state and federal level to enact pro-life law but the necessary work to build a culture of life in the United at a presidential and many at a congressional level to use power to facilitate abortion, instead of States is far from being finished rather it is focused differently. Many national and legislative battles remain including maintaining the long-standing Hyde Amendment Protections which limits government funding for abortion. The archbishop reminds us that there are many efforts using their power to increase support and care for mothers and children in challenging situations. He states, "this single-minded extremism must end", strongly encouraging President Biden and his administration to recognize the humanity in pre-born children and the genuine life-giving care needed by women in this country. This "extremism" once again manifested itself, when tens of thousands took part in the recent March for Life, Biden took the occasion to strongly pledge restoring of abortion rights. Biden needs to remember there are no abortion rights in the Constitution nor in the Commandments of God. - This is the first part of eight parts of **Pro-Life Pastoral Letter for the Unborn a Half Century after Roe v Wade** written by Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of San Angelo **WORD OF LIFE:** "There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life...Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those "brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their

children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves'...We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life"-(*The Gospel of Life* 86)

**ST. MARY
May 7, 2023**

Support	\$2,273.50
Offertory	378.75
Online Giving	160.00
	\$2,812.25

**Weekly Avg needed \$4,680.00
(1,867.75)**

Scrip Sales	\$5,025.00
Profit	194.40

**ST. MICHAEL
May 7, 2023**

Support	\$2,663.00
Offertory	399.41
Online Giving	327.50
Bulletin Sponsor	30.00
Candles	51.00
Donation	30.00
	\$3,500.91

**Weekly Avg needed \$4,300.00
(799.09)**

Scrip Sales	\$7,525.00
Profit	264.68

**WEEKLY
STEWARDSHIP**

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT**

**"Whoever has my
commandments and
observes them is
the one who loves
me. And whoever
loves me will be
loved by my Father,
and I will love him
and reveal myself to
him."
John 14:21**

Message from Deacon Randy Jaeckels

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! To all mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, guardians, or any individual who has the role of a mother, blessings to you on this special day. A movement first began in 1868 to establish a "Mother's Friendship Day" for the purpose of reuniting families that had been divided during the Civil War. The movement evolved over decades, primarily through the effort of Ann Jarvis and later by her daughter, Anna. The holiday was officially declared in West Virginia in 1910. Mother's Day became an official U.S. holiday in 1914. However, as Catholics, the Church for centuries has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, the Mother of God. Mary is not just recognized as the Mother of God, but all of God's children. Over the centuries, we have honored her in many ways. There is the beautiful tradition of the May crowning. Many people have a devotion to praying a daily rosary or a novena. Some people will pray a litany to Mary. Yet others have a specific prayer ritual they follow during this month. Mary is Queen of Heaven and Earth. She continues to intercede on our behalf to her beloved son, Jesus. So, especially during this month of May, take your prayers to our Blessed Mother, Mary. Thank her for being your mother too!

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
ST. MARY & ST. MICHAEL**

Saturday, May 13

Confessions 3:00-3:30pm at St. Michael's

Sunday, May 14

Confessions 8:45-9:15am at St. Mary's

Monday, May 15

Eucharistic Adoration 6:00pm-7:00pm at St. Michael's

Tuesday, May 16

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-2:00pm at St. Mary's
School Board Meeting 6:00pm at SM/SM School

Wednesday, May 17

Holy Hour 2:00pm at St. Michael's

Thursday, May 18

Finance Council Meeting 6:30pm at St. Michael's

Saturday, May 20

Confessions 3:00-3:30pm at St. Michael's

Sunday, May 21

Confessions 8:45-9:15am at St. Mary's

Monday, May 22

Choir Practice 6:30pm at St. Mary's

Scrip Sellers-St. Michael: Saturday, May 20; Judy Ebert. Sunday, May 21; Sue Resch.

Church Cleaning Families -May 20/21

St. Mary: Dan & Kay Marsicek, Alan & Tammy Matte, Brian & Deborah McCulley

St. Michael: Chuck & Mary Muench, Kevin & Lisa Naidl
(Please call the office at 732-3901 for phone numbers)

**ST. MARY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: WEEK #19 -
05/07/23-05/13/23:**

\$50 WINNERS: Bob Staudinger, Valders and Marissa, Nick & Judd Porter, Reedsville.

\$25 WINNERS: Jim & Sandy Gruenke, Manitowoc; Gerald Neuser, Mishicot; Ginny Vraney, Keshena; Betty Lemberger, Whitelaw and Rita Orth, Reedsville.