



# ST MICHAEL PARISH

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate

The 3rd Sunday of Lent  
March 3, 2024

## Taking His Name Thoughts by Father Andy

Third Sunday of Lent

In today's first reading, we find the giving of the Ten Commandments. These moral laws are probably familiar to most of us. But there's at least one commandment that I believe is vastly misunderstood:



***"You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain."***

Many read this as a simple command not to use God's name as a swear word, but it is so much more. Now, don't get me wrong, it is absolutely a sin to cuss using God's name. When I stub my toe, that's an ugly experience and so I reach for an "ugly" word (you know the ones I'm talking about). But to treat God's name as if it belongs in the same category as those ugly words is a profound insult to the God who loves us. However, the second commandment is interested in something much deeper.

First of all, note that it never says, 'You shall not say the name of the Lord in vain.' Rather we find the word take, in Hebrew, nasa (נָשָׂא). This word usually refers to taking an object. It means to lift or carry or bear something. When it's used in the context of a name, it implies a relationship. We see this reflected in English when a wife 'takes' her husband's name. If a wife were to take her husband's name, but continue to act as if she were single, she would be taking his name in vain.

Well, we all call ourselves Christ-ians. We have quite literally taken His name and made it ours. And now the only question is: have I done this in the vain, or do I act like a follower of Christ? One last thing, in the book of Revelation we hear that the saved, "will see Him face to face, and bear His name on their foreheads." Let's pray that we may bear His name for the world to see and one day in the world to come.



Jaydon Goebel

Tyler and Jena Johnson

Mark and Samantha Leusink/children Liam, Aurora & Declan

Andrew and Maggie Berg/ son Weston

Justin Sweetnam and Corttini Woehl

Barbara Small

Steve and Becky Wahl

Shane and Hali Stredde/children Arianna & Sullivan

Brittany Tilberg

Brady and Megan Soden/children, Jax & Emmy

Say HELLO to our newest parishioners! Make them feel welcome to our family!

**CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST**



**Upcoming School Mass Days**

Friday, Mar. 8 4th grade (W)  
Friday, Mar. 15 2nd grade (ST)  
Tuesday, Mar. 19 4th grade (G)

The Adoration Chapel is open to all who desire some time with the Blessed Sacrament. Stop in the office to learn more about signing up for an adoration time.



**PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL**



**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:**

Mar. 6, Mar. 13, & Mar. 20

All 3 Sessions

**Grades 1-5**

Mar. 6, Mar. 13, & Mar. 20

5:45 pm Tidbits in Nave/6:00 pm Class

**Grades 6-High School:**

Mar. 6, Mar. 13, & Mar. 20

7:00 pm Adoration/Class in the Nave

Check this out



**GRADES 6-HIGH SCHOOL - COME AND SEE WHAT WE'RE PLANNING FOR FALL 2024**

**Fraternus and Fidelis - Mentoring boys and girls into virtuous Catholic men and women! Check out the videos by clicking on the links.**

**Fidelis Video:** This explains the program for young women.

**Fraternus Video:** This explains the program for young men.

**Pius Pints**  
Dragons in the Bible and how to slay them!  
March 5, 2024  
Featured Speaker: Fr. Andy Thuringer

21+

Social Time: 6:30PM-7:00PM  
Speaker: 7:00PM-7:30PM  
Q&A/Social Time: 7:30PM-8:00PM

Buffalo Ridge Brewery  
102 N Main Ave, Hartford, SD

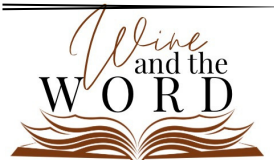


**Women at the Well**

All women welcome, just come as you are, no sign-up needed. **Thurs, Mar. 7@ 7:00 pm** in the multi-purpose room. Use Entrance F.

**Sunday, March 10  
7:00 pm in the Commons**

Join others for our next Wine & the Word! For ages 21-39, come enjoy the company of others while you discuss the Gospel in a relaxed atmosphere. Bring your Bible! Wine and snacks provided!



**Pray to End Abortion.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE  
WWW.40DAYSFORLIFE.COM



**SERVE THE PEOPLE**



**40 Days for Life** The welcoming table this week is the **40 Days for Life Ministry**.

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful, witness to end abortion and save lives. This event runs from **February 14 - March 24**. Can you give just one hour of your time this Lent?

**Sign up:**

[www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com) Location: SD.

**Our Pastorate will cover the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood on Fri. Mar. 8 and Thurs. Mar. 14.** Visit the welcome table or call Lisa for more info: 605-351-8778.



**In Sympathy:**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Thomas Hoeke**, a parishioner and husband of **Judy**; **Karen Shaver**, mother of **Wade Shaver**; and **Janice Wilson**, sister of **Donna Rymer**. Jesus told them, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will live."



**In Baptism:**

We welcome **Parker Ann VanDerWerff**, daughter of **Ted VanDerWerff** & **Shelby Meyer**; **George Alan, Gracelyn Jo, and Genevieve Danielle Osterman**, children of **Elliott & Monique** and the **Shane Stredde** family; **Hali**, the mother, and children **Arianna, and Sullivan**. May God bless them as they learn in faith and may they be led by our witness and example.

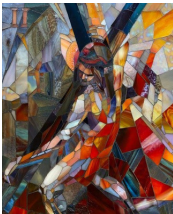


The **Jon and Nancy Schulte Family** has been awarded the March 'Family of the Month' by the St. Michael Knights of Columbus Council. They serve as an inspiration to our parish, community and council by supporting and strengthening Catholic Family Life. **CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU!**



**Knights of Columbus**

**Fish Fry Fridays in the Gym** following the Stations of the Cross. Free will offering will be accepted.



**Stations of the Cross on Fridays @ 5:30pm in the Parish Nave.**

Every Tuesday during Lent, join us for **5:30pm Mass and stay for delicious soup**. Serving **Rob's homemade chili & Chicken with Dumpling Soup**. We begin serving at 6:00pm. Suggested donation of \$5.00/person.



**Congratulations!**  
**Pub Wellers-**  
**Steve and Paula Jones, Lance and Deb Lahr, Janice Cheloha, Lorraine Okon, & Lisa and Jeremy Behrends**  
on your win at Trivia 2024



We are starting a second softball team "Our Lady of Victory" and are looking for a few men and women to join us in our Monday Night Church Co-ed Softball League. Contact Rhonda at 605-361-1600.



**Remember to return your CFSA envelope. Our parish goal is \$197,200 and 100% participation. Remember any amount raised above our goal stays in the parish. Thank you to all who have donated!**



Date	MASS INTENTIONS:
Monday, Mar. 4	Don Beaner (d)
Tuesday, Mar. 5	Art Robinson (d)
Wed., Mar. 6	Mary Ellen Melanson (d)
Thursday, Mar. 7	Jay Bentz (d)
Friday, Mar. 8	Intention of Amanda Boyington
Saturday, Mar. 9	Jerry Delker (d) Elmer Bangasser (d)
Sunday, Mar. 10	Joan Meade (d) For the people of St. Michael/St. George Julius Cheloha (d) Int. of Natalie & John Stone

Readings for the week can be found at

<https://bible.usccb.org> or to receive a daily email go to this site  
<https://bible.usccb.org/#subscribe>

**Daily Mass Times:**

Mondays & Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm

Wednesdays-Saturdays @ 8:15 am

**Weekend Mass Times:** Saturdays @ 4:00 pm

Sundays @ 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, & 6:00 pm

**Confession Times:** Mondays & Tuesdays @ 4:30 pm-5:15 pm

Thursdays @ 7:30 am-8:00 am

Saturdays @ 2:45 pm-3:45 pm

**CONNECT WITH US**

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**Monday-Thursday** 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

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**Bulletin Announcements must be in to the office by noon on Tuesdays.**

**Online Giving**

Giving online offers an easy and worry-free way to contribute to your parish. Safe and secure, easy to set up. Scan the code on your phone or go to [stmichaelsfsd.org](http://stmichaelsfsd.org).



Scan the QR code for Online Giving

**Formed website:**

<https://formed.org/>

Formed is a valuable tool for all Catholics! It has videos, books, blogs, and more!

Sign up for free under St. Michael Parish of Sioux Falls!

**Flocknote:**

<https://sfdiocese.flocknote.com/>

Do you desire community & fellowship? Get connected & stay connected by opting into **Flocknote- text SFSD to 84576**. Opt into your desired area of interest & get involved with the journey.

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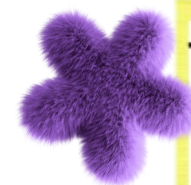
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**Extravaganza:** A Night for All Knights Join us on April 13 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center for a beautiful night to gather as a community supporting all eight Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools.

Tickets to the event can be found at <https://auctria.events/nightforallknights24> or by scanning the QR code.



**We still have room for you!**



**Wisconsin Shrines Pilgrimage**

**April 17-19, 2024**

Fr. Bill Hamak will accompany us as we journey in faith to the Shrines of Wisconsin:

**Our Lady of Champion in Champion**

**Holy Hill Shrine in Hubertus**

**Our Lady of Guadalupe in Lacrosse**

Call now for more information:

Elsie Baye: 605-359-3450

Lisa Ulmer: 605-351-8778

**Cost is \$375/person. Registration forms are at the entrances.**

You can support the Extravaganza in a variety of ways: make a donation for us to auction off, become an event sponsor, purchase tickets to attend the event, volunteer to make the event successful, participate in the silent auction by bidding on items, and spread the word!