



# ST MICHAEL PARISH

Our Lady of Victory Pastorate  
Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

## FAITH

## FEAR by Rhonda Kelsey

After the Resurrection we hear about the disciples and their fear- "The doors were locked where the disciples were for fear of..." But, I love what came next-JESUS! Jesus stood in their midst and the first thing He said was "Peace be with you". He said this not once, but three times in that Gospel reading. He repeated it so that they would understand, the peace He wanted to give was of eternal value!

This week we hear the disciples were startled, terrified, and troubled by His words "Peace be with you" after the Resurrection. In St. Augustine's writings, he says it was too hard to believe that it was true, "it was incredible, and they had to be persuaded of the truth of it, not only by their eyes but by their hands too, so that through the bodily senses faith might come down into the heart, and this faith coming down into the heart might be preached throughout the world, to people who never saw nor touched, and yet believed."

The English word "church" comes from the Greek word "ekklesia," which means "a gathering" or literally "called-out-ones". **We the Church, we the people of Our Lady of Victory Pastorate, we who neither saw nor touched, yet believed are called out!** We are once again living in a time of Apostolic Mission! **We are called out to live differently because of THE ONE who "called us out"!** We as Christians are to be set apart for the mission of Christ and His church!

One of the things I have read that young people have said about leaving the church is that "the faith or church"; is nothing more than something we sometimes did on Sundays. They are longing for something real because that is the way God made us! They are wanting actual spiritual truth but not finding it. As Fr. Andy would say, "WHAT?!"

If we want the culture to stop winning over our kids **we have to speak boldly and live boldly empowered by the Holy Spirit that we have been given!** It may mean we have to prioritize things differently, back to the way it was meant to be, with Christ at the center of it all.

What else can we learn from the readings during the Easter Season readings? We can learn that HE did not leave us alone to do the hard by ourselves! In the Acts of the Apostle readings, we find people who were doing the hard by being led by the Holy Spirit! They were actively listening and acting in accord with the Holy Spirit! You want to know how I know when the Lord is calling me to do something- it is when my first reaction is "Oh, no, not me, not that Lord!"

*As we continue our journey through the Easter Season towards Pentecost let's ask the Lord, what is He calling us to do. Is it to change? If your first response to His request is "Oh no, not me, not that", be not afraid, live in His peace, and buckle up buttercup!*

*So after reading this, I hope it inspires you to want to do more for St. Michael. We need YOU! We need more help at the Masses. Mass attendance has been slowly increasing--which WE LOVE! Therefore, we need more ushers, more EME ministers, more greeters, more gift bearers, .....**just more of you.** Stop at the back table and scan the QR code on page 2 or pick up information on how to volunteer! God Bless*

**The Lourdes Center Gift of Hope Concert featuring Consumed by Fire with special guest Seph Schlueter is Friday, April 19-7:00 p.m. @ St. Michael**

Tickets are still available, please call 605-988-3765 or visit [ccfesd.org](http://ccfesd.org) or scan the QR code to order today! Gift of Hope is presented by the Catholic Community Foundation for Eastern South Dakota.



**CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST**



**School Masses**  
**@ 8:15 am:**  
Friday, April 19 (1A)  
Friday, April 26 (KZ)



**St. George Feast Day is April 23. Therefore, we will have only one daily Mass for our Pastorate. Please attend the 5:30 pm Mass at St. George on that day. The St. George Novena starts on April 14. Either pick one up at each entrance or find it on the online bulletin.**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL**



**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:**  
**April 17, and 24**  
All 3 Sessions

**Grades 1-5**  
**April 17, and 24**  
5:45 pm Tidbits in Nave/6:00 pm Class

**Grades 6-High School:**  
**April 17, and 24**  
7:00 pm Adoration/Class in the Nave

Are you entering 6th-9th grade? If yes, it is time to register for Rock'n Summer Serve 2024. Click [here](#), scan the QR code or email [nicole@stmichaelsfsd.org](mailto:nicole@stmichaelsfsd.org) to register. Tell your friends and let's have some fun!  
**Dates are June,12,19, 26; July 10, 17, 24; Fun Day is July 31.**



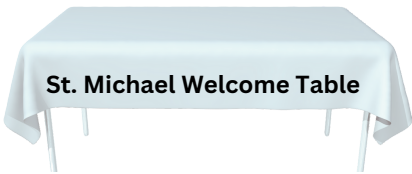
**Steubenville Youth Conference:**  
**July 12-14, 2024. Only 20 spots left! It's filling up so register now!**  
Cost \$600-\$800- depending on the number attending. Includes hotel, conference fees & t-shirt, all food and transportation. Contact Dana to register for Steubenville. [dre@stgeorgehartford.com](mailto:dre@stgeorgehartford.com) or [click this link](#).



**Lumen Christi is coming!**  
**Dates: July 28-Aug. 2**  
**for grades K-High School**  
Register [here](#) or scan the QR code.



**PARISH NEWS:**



**Volunteers needed**



**At the Welcome table this weekend is the QR code to sign up to volunteer.**

With summer coming up that means vacations are coming up which means we will be in need of more volunteers at Mass and future events here at St Michael. If you are not signed up for any ministries, we ask you to stop by, grab the QR Code and see where you can serve Him.



**Sign up now!**



**June 5-7, 2024**

**Abbey of the Hills - Marvin, SD**  
A discernment camp for young women ages 12-16, led by religious sisters



**Register Today**

For any further questions, please contact:  
Email Fr. Kapperman | [frmichaelskapperman@sfcatholic.org](mailto:frmichaelskapperman@sfcatholic.org)  
or call Emma | 605-988-3772

## PARISH NEWS:



### In Holy Matrimony:



Congratulations to **Allison Bodvig & Matthew Martin** who were married at St. Michael this weekend. May God bless them in their marriage!

### SUMMER ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

If you are a person who wants to look into joining the Catholic Church, please join us for our Summer Adult Confirmation Program. **We begin on Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 pm in the Multipurpose room (use Entrance F).** We will then meet every Wednesday evening at 7:00pm through August. If you have questions, please contact Deacon John @ 361-1600.

### Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 pm in the Multi Purpose Room  
Agenda: program, business meeting, social/refreshments



### Women at the Well.

All women welcome, just come as you are, no sign-up needed. **Sat., April 20 @ 9:00 am** in the Multipurpose room. Use Entrance F.



### Catholic Daughters Court

**Mother Teresa invites you to their annual "Tours of Tables" Spring Luncheon**

**Saturday, May 4  
11:00 am - 1:30 pm**

**in the St. Michael Multipurpose Room**

**Doors open at 10:30 am.**

**Tickets: Adult (12+) \$10**

**Youth (5-11) \$5**

**4 & under--free**



Tickets available in the Office or call Doreen @ 605-359-9737 or Wendy @ 605-951-4946. **All tables of 4 or more require reservations.**

### JOIN OUR

## ST MICHAEL VOLUNTEER FAMILY

### Each Weekend We Need Help With:

- Receptionist (3)
- Altar Server, Cross and Book Bearer (20+)
- Lector (10)
- Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (30+)
- Sacristan (5)
- Gift Bearers (10+)
- Greeters (10+)
- Gift Cards (10)
- Ushers (24+)
- Musicians (10+)
- Children's Liturgy of the Word (3+)

**JOIN US NOW  
BY SCANNING THE QR  
CODE OR CLICKING  
THE LINK BELOW!**

### Throughout the Year We Need Help With:

- Religious Education and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Funeral Luncheon -serve and provide baked goods
- Hospitality Coffee and Rolls
- Church Environment, Lawn Care and Handy Helpers
- Social Concerns and Prayer Opportunities
- Serving at NFP Outside of the Church
- Recycling Cans
- Caring Ministries
- Parish Events
- and MORE!

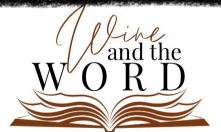


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### Sunday, April 14

### 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 are provided!



**The Feeding South Dakota barrels will be in the Commons for the month of April.**

St. Michael offers **baptism preparation classes** for parents wanting to baptize their child. They will be held **the 3rd Sunday of each month from 10:45 am -11:30 am in the Oxford Room.** Upcoming class is April 21. Please register prior to the class by calling the office 605-361-1600.

**The Catholic Daughters are sponsoring a \$300 scholarship to a Catholic student attending a post-secondary school. Applications can be found in the parish office. The deadline is May 1.**



Date	MASS INTENTIONS:
Monday, April 15	Glen Tolle (d)
Tuesday, April 16	Delores Wolf (d)
Wed., April 17	Int. of Charleen Kappler
Thursday, April 18	Helen Marie Weissenberger (d)
Friday, April 19	Eileen Mitchell (d)
Saturday, April 20	Steve Sekach (d) Linda Marie Weissenberger (d)
Sunday, April 21	Carol Oppold (d) Maurice Pinto (d) Delores Heissel (d) Lorraine Jordan (d)

**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  
**Friday** 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Website:** [www.stmichaelsfsd.org](http://www.stmichaelsfsd.org)

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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.



Who: Young Women Seeking God's Call  
What: Mass, Dinner, and Talks with Bishop DeGrood and PES Sisters  
When: Sunday May 5th, 4-8pm  
Where: Mater Ecclesiae Monastery, 707 W 4th St, Sioux Falls

RSVP: [sfwomensdiscernment.org](http://sfwomensdiscernment.org)

This performance will be in the Lorang Theater on the O'Gorman campus.

For tickets, scan here or go to [www.showfix4u.com/event-details/82366](http://www.showfix4u.com/event-details/82366)

**GUYS AND DOLLS**

April 23, 25, 26, & 27 at 7pm • Tickets: \$8

**KC breakfast at St. Katharine Drexel Sunday, April 14 from 8:30 am - Noon in the MP room.**

**ST GEORGE & ST MICHAEL PARISHES INVITE YOU TO THE Spring Fling Event**

FAMILY FRIENDLY ALL ARE WELCOME

Food Trucks / Games / Face Painting

05 MAY BUFFALO RIDGE BREWERY 12 PM - 3 PM 102 N Main Ave, Hartford, SD

**St. George's Feast Day is coming up on April 23.**

**We will have Mass at St. George at 5:30 pm.**

**Please start this Novena on April 14.**

**No 5:30 pm Mass at St. Michael on Tuesday, April 23.**

### **Novena in Honor of St. George**

#### **PREPARATORY PRAYER**

Almighty and eternal God! With lively faith and reverently worshiping Thy divine Majesty, I prostrate myself before Thee and invoke with filial trust Thy supreme bounty and mercy. Illumine the darkness of my intellect with a ray of Thy heavenly light and inflame my heart with the fire of Thy divine love, that I may contemplate the great virtues and merits of the saint in whose honor I make this novena, and following his example imitate, like him, the life of Thy divine Son.

Moreover, I beseech Thee to grant graciously, through the merits and intercession of this powerful Helper, the petition which through him I humbly place before Thee, devoutly saying, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Vouchsafe graciously to hear it, if it redounds to Thy greater glory and to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

#### **PRAYER IN HONOR OF ST. GEORGE**

O GOD, who didst grant to St. George strength and constancy in the various torments which he sustained for our holy faith; we beseech Thee to preserve, through his intercession, our faith from wavering and doubt, so that we may serve Thee with a sincere heart faithfully unto death. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **INVOCATION OF ST. GEORGE**

FAITHFUL servant of God and invincible martyr, St. George; favored by God with the gift of faith, and inflamed with an ardent love of Christ, thou didst fight valiantly against the dragon of pride, falsehood, and deceit. Neither pain nor torture, sword nor death could part thee from the love of Christ. I fervently implore thee for the sake of this love to help me by thy intercession to overcome the temptations that surround me, and to bear bravely the trials that oppress me, so that I may patiently carry the cross which is placed upon me; and let neither distress nor difficulties separate me from the love of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Valiant champion of the Faith, assist me in the combat against evil, that I may win the crown promised to them that persevere unto the end.

#### **Prayer**

My LORD and my God! I offer up to Thee my petition in union with the bitter passion and death of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, together with the merits of His immaculate and blessed Mother, Mary ever virgin, and of all the saints, particularly with those of the holy Helper in whose honor I make this novena.

Look down upon me, merciful Lord! Grant me Thy grace and Thy love, and graciously hear my prayer. Amen.

