



# St. Michael Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



## *From the Pastor*

In case you have not noticed, I am not here this weekend. I am in Wichita at the Spiritual Life Center of the diocese as a team member for Marriage Encounter. Some people have the mistaken idea that the ME weekend is for marriages that are having problems and need a 'boost' to fix something. ME is actually a weekend for good marriages of two people who love each other and want to make their togetherness even more together.

Marriage Encounter Weekends are a special time for a married couple away from all distractions: work, kids, bills, and other pressures and concerns. When was the last time you had a weekend like that? There is a series of presentations made by the Presenting Team, consisting of 3 married couples and 1 priest. Each presentation builds on the last as we examine ourselves, our behaviors and attitudes, our relationship with our spouse and God. Communication tools are taught on the weekend, helping couples connect in healthy, constructive ways on areas that can deepen their intimacy and connectedness. All sharing between spouses is PRIVATE, and this is NOT a weekend to solve problems! This Weekend will help couples in good marriages communicate even better.

*"I heard that Marriage Encounter is for "troubled" marriages. We've been married for (1 year, 10 years or 35 years) and we don't have "issues." Why should we attend?"*

On the contrary, Marriage Encounter Weekends are for GOOD marriages! Think about it, employers may send you to a seminar to gain new skills on the job, why not dedicate a weekend to gain new skills that can benefit your most important relationship-- your marriage! After the ME Weekend, couples often return to their life and families, refreshed, with renewed commitment to each other.

For marriages that are troubled, in crisis, or have deep hurts that need significant healing and forgiveness, please consider our sister program, Retrouvaille.

### MASS SCHEDULE GIRARD ARMA

Saturday 5:30 pm 4:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am 8:00 am

### CONFESSION GIRARD ARMA

Saturday 2:00-2:30 pm 3:15-3:45 pm  
Before all Masses, anytime by appointment

### RECTORY HOURS & INFORMATION

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - Noon  
Rectory: (620) 724-8717  
In case of Emergency: (785) 917-1828

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### PARISH WEBSITE:

www.stmichaelgirard.com

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

<u>Finance Council</u>	<u>Parish Council</u>
Tony Stonerock, Chair	TBA
TBA	
<u>Altar Society</u>	<u>Knights of Columbus</u>
Sept. 25 @ 6pm	1st Tuesday of month
St. Michael's Hall	St. Michael's Hhall
<u>Helping Hands</u>	<u>Daughters of Isabella</u>
Carrie Smith	Marilyn Bradshaw
724-6684	724-7133
<u>Kapaun's Men:</u> Friday mornings at 6am	

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for Sept. 9 - 17

Date	Day	Time	Intention	Location
Sept. 9	Saturday	4:00pm	Jack Jarboe	Arma
		5:30pm	Thurma Masser	Girard
10	Sunday	8:00am	Joe & Betty Youvan	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard
11	Monday	No Mass		
12	Tuesday	5:30pm	Cliff & Sylvia Endicott	Arma
13	Wednesday	6:30pm	Stan Thomas	Girard
14	Thursday	8:00am	Gertrude McKinney	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
15	Friday	7:00am	Vera Diskin	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
16	Saturday	4:00pm	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		5:30pm	Ron Breneman	Girard
17	Sunday	8:00am	For the People	Arma
		10:00am	Cathrine Madl	Girard

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Next Saturday (9/16/17)	Next Sunday (9/17/17)
	5:30 pm	10:00 am
Altar Servers:	Trevor & Peyton Amershek	Carson Severt, Josh Duling, Makenna Smith
EMHC:	Savanna Ashmore	Linda Garrett
Lector:	Mary Twarog	Denny Heidrick
Gift Bearers	Mike & Kathy O'Toole	Jess & Cindy Murphy family

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

I will be hearing confessions before all Masses; that means I will be in the confessional until 10 Minutes before each Mass, daily and weekend. At the present time I will continue the 2:00pm time in Girard except for Sept 16, Sept 30, and Oct 14 which have weddings at 2:00. - Fr. Floyd

## GREENBUSH DAY

The 24th Annual Greenbush Day is Sunday, September 17. Festivities include a hog roast, kiddie tractor pull, music, silent auction, horse rides, open fishing, and fun for all. Hope to see you there! This event is sponsored by the St. Aloysius Historical Society.

## ST. MICHAEL'S 2016 FALL BAZAAR

Mark your calendar, the Fall Bazaar will be Sunday, Oct. 22. We have placed last year's food and work list in the entrance of the hall. Please stop by in the next 2 weeks. We need everyone's support to make our Bazaar a success once again. Thank you so much!

## ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Our next meeting will be at 6pm at St. Michael's hall on Sept. 25 to stuff envelopes for the Bazaar. Come and join us. Thank you for all the support!

## PSR NEWS

Classes have begun for the year! Please turn in your student's registration and payment if you have not yet done so. Classes for elementary school children grades 1-5 are from 2:30 - 3:30 pm each Wednesday and from 6:30 pm - 8:15 pm for middle/high school students. Safe Environment lessons will be taught in September. REMINDER: no PSR on 9/20, as there's no school for USD 248 on that date.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Teresa Davenport, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred and Marjorie Giefer, Herman Masser, Rosemary O'Toole, Howard Peak, Marie Pyle, Carter Roberts, Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

## EMHC TRAINING

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Save the date... there will be a training "update" on Wed., Oct. 25 from 6:30-8:30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg.

## CRAFT DAY

We will do craft day the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month. It will be from 8:30 until 1:30.

<b>COLLECTIONS</b>	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$2,960.00	\$27,314.70
Children's Offering	\$16.25	\$168.76
Expenses - August	20,890.61	\$26,731.39
Over / (Under)		\$752.07
Building Fund Contributions	\$305.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$93,759.43	

## DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Daughters of Isabella will meet Tuesday, Sept. 12 at St. Francis Hall at 7:30pm. The meeting will open with spiritual reading on St. Gabriel by Chancellor, Lois Corn. September is the month for election of officers. Ladies, a reminder to bring your school supplies for our "Little Kids Drive". Also, be thinking about our scholarship awards. Applications are open to any Member's Senior daughter or granddaughter. More information forthcoming. A fun September meeting will be hosted by Jolene Born, Linda DeGarmo, Joan Davied and Jane Schibi. Come and enjoy a fun evening.

## ST. PAUL'S GROUP MEETING

Our next meeting is Sept. 17 at 1pm at the KOC building in Pittsburg. The St. Paul's Group is for single seniors. Hostesses are Loyola Puckett, Pat David, and Maxine Conrad. New members welcome, call Maxine Conrad 231-7802 for questions.

## DIOCESAN LISTENING SESSION

Bishop Kemme would like to hear your responses to the following three questions that will be posed at diocesan listening sessions:

- 1) As a diocese, what do we do well?
- 2) As a diocese, what could we be doing better?
- 3) As a diocese, what should our pastoral priorities be for the next three to five years?

The sessions close to us will be Sunday Oct 29 at 1:00pm at St. Patrick in Parsons and Saturday Nov. 18 at 10:00am at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg. Go to the "Listening Session" link under "Find It Here" on the homepage of our diocesan website ([www.catholicdioceseofwichita.org](http://www.catholicdioceseofwichita.org)) to submit your written responses if you are unable to attend in person. To register to attend a session, call the Chancery at 316-269-3900 or e-mail [winslowt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org](mailto:winslowt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org).

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