



# St. Michael Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



## *From the Pastor*

A child is not supposed to die before their parents, that is not the way it is 'supposed' to happen. But God is asking Abraham to sacrifice his son. Even to the faithful Abraham that must have sounded like fingernails on the chalkboard. We know the rest of the story...we know now why God was asking this impossible task of Abraham. He proved his faith in God and did not waver from the goal of keeping God in his life.

There are some who say that we have taken God out of our everyday life. Maybe we as a society have turned away from God. It is as though talking about God in our society is like those proverbial nails on the chalkboard. That can not be so for us who believe; we can be the noise (hopefully a good noise) as we continue to proclaim that God is part of our lives. We can do that when we show that God is with us through the good times and the bad times. It is not always easy, just as it was not easy for Abraham to climb the mountain with his son Isaac. But his faith was there and he was showing it.

If we think back on our life, all of us can think of a time when we knew God was guiding us and helping us to know the right thing to do in the moment. Those are the moments that others can see God in our life. Jesus tells the apostles that they should not share with others what they have seen; we on the other hand should proclaim the marvels that God has done in our lives.

**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  
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**STAFF**    Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney  
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**PARISH WEBSITE:**  
www.stmichaelgirard.com

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**  
Fridays from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for Feb. 24 - Mar. 4

Feb. 24	Saturday	4:00pm	Iside Stefani	Arma
		5:30pm	Joyce Elaine Westhoff	Girard
25	Sunday	8:00am	For the People	Arma
		10:00am	Dave Gall	Girard
26	Monday	NO MASS		
27	Tuesday	5:30pm	Steven Stefani	Arma
28	Wednesday	6:30pm	Greg Evans	Girard
Mar. 1	Thursday	8:00am	No Intention	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
2	Friday	7:00am	Mary Davied	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
3	Saturday	4:00pm	Vernon Hershberger	Arma
		5:30pm	Patty Haderlein	Girard
4	Sunday	8:00am	Fred Bogina	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Next Saturday	Next Sunday
3/3/18	3/4/18
5:30 pm	10:00 am
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Abi & Carter Doherty
<b>EMHC:</b>	Sharon Giacometti
<b>Lector:</b>	Ned Sauer
<b>Gift Bearers:</b>	Alan & Kandell Amershek family
	Aydin & Evan Sisney
	Chris Sponsel
	Denny Heidrick
	Rod & Barb Murphy family

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## THE WAY OF THE CROSS

The Way of the Cross in Arma will be on Tuesday nights following Mass. The Way of the Cross in Girard will be on Friday nights following Benediction at 6pm.

## ST. JOSEPH SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Joseph's in Arma is holding their annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, March 3 from 5:00 to 7:30pm. Please join them for a delicious meal, prize drawings and wonderful fellowship!

## SOUP & CHILI FEED

St. Michael's Soup & Chili Feed will be this weekend, Feb. 24 from 5 to 7pm & Feb. 25 from 10am to 1pm. Come join us for fellowship, as well as delicious soup, chili & pie. Free will donations will be accepted. The Knights are requesting that the ladies of our parish donate pies. Thank you in advance!

## DONATIONS FOR BIRTHRIGHT

The Knights of Columbus #7607 Girard/Arma Council will be collecting baby items for Birthright through the months of January and February. There are tubs in the back of both St. Michael's and St. Joseph's churches that you can place items in. Birthright is a free crisis pregnancy center that promotes the right to life of the unborn, and helps expectant mothers with emotional support and practical assistance.

## ST. BRIDGET'S FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus at St. Bridget's in Scammon are once again having their famous fish fry. The dates are Feb. 16 & 23, March 2, 9, 16, & 23. For more information, see the bulletin board at the back of church.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to volunteer to help at the 2018 NAIA National Indoor Track & Field Championships (at PSU) you may go to "[visitcrawfordcounty.com](http://visitcrawfordcounty.com)" and then click on the volunteer button at the top of that page. You can choose your way to volunteer.

## TOTUS TUUS DATES SET

Mark your calendars, parents! St. Michael's will host the annual Totus Tuus week for our youth from June 24 to 29.

## CRAFT DAY

Craft day will be the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month from 8:30am until 1:30pm in the parish hall.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please note that individuals on our bulletin prayer list are left on until a request is made to remove them. Requests to add or remove a name should be sent to: [bauerbackes@yahoo.com](mailto:bauerbackes@yahoo.com). Thank you.

<b>COLLECTIONS</b>		
	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$1,976.00	\$87,819.85
Children's Offering	\$49.50	\$492.69
Expenses		\$69,730.18
Over / (Under)		\$18,582.36
Building Fund Contributions	\$130.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$82,898.05	

## PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Ron Lallemand, Crystal Larmer (Marilyn Bradshaw's sister), Ruth Leritz, Donna Little, Herman Masser, Rosemary O'Toole, the family of Rhaysa Velazquez Paoni (in Puerto Rico), Howard Peak, Janice Madl Pennewell (daughter of Alban Madl), Marie Pyle, Sarah (last name withheld), Hank Smith, Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

## MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The 4th Annual Mass for People with Disabilities, their Families and Caregivers will be held on Saturday, March 3rd at the 5:15 p.m. Vigil Mass at Blessed Sacrament Church (124 North Roosevelt, Wichita). There will be a dinner immediately following Mass (free will offering), a performance by the Faithful Flock Band, and activities for children – even a sensory room! For reservations, please contact Rosemary Brooks at [dbrooks66@cox.net](mailto:dbrooks66@cox.net) or 316-686-4422.

## VISITORS FOR SHUT INS

If you would be willing to give of your time to visit those who are sick and/or shut in, please plan to attend a meeting at 6:30pm on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at the parish hall. We would like to re-establish this committee.

## MEDJUGORIE SPEAKER

Hear "The firsthand Witness" of Fr. Leon Pereira OP, Chaplain to the English-speaking pilgrims in Medjugorje, who has lived and ministered to hundreds of thousands of pilgrims in Medjugorje. He speaks with wit and insight as he shares Our Lady's Messages and his amazing testimony.

- Monday, March 5th: 7pm - St. Francis of Assisi
  - Tuesday, March 6th: 8:30am Talk/Potluck Breakfast  
Clare Hall at St. Francis of Assisi
  - Tuesday, March 6th: 7pm - St. Peter, Schulte
- Come and listen, perhaps Our Lady is calling you!



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