



St. Michael Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

Before I begin the thought for this week, I want to send out a big thank you to our two parishes for your generosity at Christmas with the "call to sharing". Because of your kindness in giving, we were over the amount that the diocese 'expected' us to give. But it is more than that, the young men who are inspired to study for the priesthood and those who have already served the diocese until retirement can continue knowing that their needs will be met. The diocese and those who work with these men know that they can have a sigh of relief because the future awaits.

In the Gospel and first reading we have another future that awaits. Jesus is looking for men to carry on the task of spreading the Word, the good news. The miracle of the catch of fish can be seen as a 'hook' for them to let them know that they have work ahead of them. They too would be in charge of attracting people to this new way of life.

Jesus had been preaching to the crowd and, because of their great number, they crowded him further towards the waters of the Sea of Galilee. To alleviate the situation, Jesus stepped into Simon's boat and asked him to go out a bit from the shore. There, he preached to the people from the boat in the shallow waters. Afterwards, he turned to Simon, "go out into the deep water and lower the nets for a catch".

Simon the pro fisherman, must have resisted the request because he had just done battle with the sea and had caught nothing. But this "fish story" had a much fuller meaning soon to be discovered: they caught a great number of fishes so that their nets were bursting.

In astonishment they call to their companions in another boat to come and help them contain their enormous catch. Simon falls to his knees before Jesus and announces, "depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." To this proclamation Jesus reply promises, "do not be afraid from now on you will be catching people." May we be aware of how we too are called to help in the catch of people.

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

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
 Fridays from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Feb. 9 - 17

Date	Day	Time	Intention	Minister
Feb. 9	Saturday	4:00pm	Jackie Amershek	Arma
		5:30pm	Marie Pyle	Girard
10	Sunday	8:00am	Jim Davied	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
11	Monday	NO MASS		
12	Tuesday	5:30pm	Francis Buche	Arma
13	Wednesday	6:30pm	Verl Diskin	Girard
14	Thursday	8:00am	Joe O'Blak	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
15	Friday	7:00am	Audrey Gardner	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
16	Saturday	4:00pm	Joe O'Blak	Arma
		5:30pm	Bill & Tilley Niggemann	Girard
17	Sunday	8:00am	Bill Harmon	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Next Saturday	Next Sunday
2/16/19	2/17/19
5:30 pm	10:00 am

Altar Servers: Dawson & Kooper Stegman Carson Severt & Zack Benso

EMHC: Rhonda Stonerock Jerry Hanson

Lector: Tony Stonerock Ryan Severt

Gift Bearers: Jess & Cindy Murphy family Angie Mukwindidza family

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DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA MEETING

Daughters of Isabella will meet Tuesday, Feb. 12, in St. Francis Hall. Regular meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. with auditors to review the books at 7:00 p.m. Chancellor, Lois Corn will begin the meeting with the Spiritual reading on The Rosary. The charter will be draped in honor of Betty Standfast who passed away in December. A reminder, ladies, the State Convention will be March 29-31 at the Double Tree in Lawrence Ks. Ladies, just a reminder that dues are due now. February committee Joan Davied, Kathie Grosdidier, Mary Gilpin and Susie Coeme. Come join us for a fun Valentine evening.

ST. CHARLOTTE GROUP

St. Charlotte craft group meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 8:30 - 1:45. Service projects we work on include hats for newborns, scarves for Special Olympics and teaching aids for children with special needs. Children with special needs is through the interlocal. Please join us and bring your talent or just come and share in fellowship. For more information call Barb Mikrut (620) 249-9505.

SPECIAL FAMILY EVENT

On Thursday, Feb. 21, speaker Jason Everett will be speaking at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg. This event, called Purified, is for all family members, ages 13+. You are invited to attend and listen to this well-known speaker. Please register your family (no cost) at: <https://www.ollsmc.com/oll-home-blog/2018/11/13/purified-with-jason-evert>. (Link also available on our website.) If any youth (13+) want to participate and their families are unable to attend, we can coordinate transportation and registration. Jason Evert is a *fantastic* speaker, a bestselling author of more than ten books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run chastityproject.com.

PSR CANCELLATION POLICY

Reminder: any time school is not in session (weather, school holiday) for USD 248, PSR classes are not held. The cancelation will be posted on the St. Michael Parish Facebook page and on KOAM TV/Fox 14 cancelation notices.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC)

The next TEC retreat is the weekend of Feb 16-18 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita, KS. TEC is specifically designed for older adolescents and young adults who are at least 16 years of age and have finished their sophomore year of high school. The cost is \$100, which includes meals, two nights lodging, and all materials. The parish will pay for half, making the cost \$50. Applications are available at <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/faith-tec/tec>. Please turn in to CYM leaders. Parents, please encourage your youth to attend. Contact Paula Severt or Chelsea & Austin Smith for additional information.

KAPAUNS MEN

Kapauns Men have resumed meeting on Fridays at 6am.

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2018 to date
Contributions	\$2,576.00	\$87,475.52
Children's Offering	\$16.25	\$420.35
Expenses		\$82,202.95
Over / (Under)		\$5,692.92
Building Fund Contributions	\$120.00	

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Nancy Church, Hazel Cussimano, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Jason Diskin, Gary Dowling, Ron Lallemand, Crystal Larmer (Marilyn Bradshaw's sister), Donna Little, Herman Masser, John Oplotnik, Rosemary O'Toole, Janice Madl Pennewell (daughter of Alban Madl), Bernardine Shively, George Stonerock, Edward Luke Walsh, and Tom Weston who are ill or in need of prayers.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please note that individuals on our prayer list are left on until a request is made to remove them. Requests to be added or removed can be sent to bauerbackes@yahoo.com. Thank you.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Join us in running the way of love! Waiting for a scheduled date? Wait no longer! Pick your own date! Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40, who are considering religious life to visit for a weekend, for a weeklong Monastic Experience or for a personal discernment retreat at our monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer, and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend and more details can be found at www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ext. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

ST. PAUL'S GROUP MEETING

The next St. Paul's Group meeting will be at 1:00pm on Sunday, Feb. 17 at the Knights of Columbus building at the corner of 11th and Joplin streets in Pittsburg. The St. Paul's group is for single seniors, widows and widowers. We will be taking reservations for the dinner theater on March 24. Hostesses will be Margie Eichorn, Mary Kiel, and Wilma Herman. Hope to see you there!

ST. JOSEPH'S SPAGHETTI FEED

Mark your calendars for St. Joseph's FABULOUS Spaghetti Feed on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at their parish hall from 5:00-7:30 p.m. You do not want to miss out on this wonderful opportunity to have homemade meatballs and spaghetti, fantastic desserts, and fellowship!