



St. Michael Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

The following is from a letter of our Holy Father Francis to us priests... "To my Brother Priests: A hundred and sixty years have passed since the death of the holy Curé of Ars, the patron of parish priests. On this, his feast day, I write this letter not only to parish priests but to all of you, my brother priests, who have quietly "left all behind" in order to immerse yourselves in the daily life of your communities. Like the Curé of Ars, you serve "in the trenches", bearing the burden of the day, confronting an endless variety of situations in your effort to care for and accompany God's people. Each of you, without fanfare and at personal cost, amid weariness, infirmity and sorrow, carry out your mission of service to God and to your people. Despite the hardships of the journey, you are writing the finest pages of the priestly life. Without denying or dismissing the harm caused by some of our brothers, it would be unfair not to express our gratitude to all those priests who faithfully and generously spend their lives in the service of others. Countless priests make of their lives a work of mercy in areas or situations that are often hostile, isolated or ignored, even at the risk of their lives. I acknowledge and appreciate your courageous and steadfast example; in these times of turbulence, shame and pain, you demonstrate that you have joyfully put your lives on the line for the sake of the Gospel. Thank you for celebrating the Eucharist each day and for being merciful shepherds in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, neither rigorous nor lax, but deeply concerned for your people and accompanying them on their journey of conversion to the new life that the Lord bestows on us all. We know that on the ladder of mercy we can descend to the depths of our human condition - including weakness and sin - and at the same time experience the heights of divine perfection: "Be merciful as the Father is merciful". In this way, we are "capable of warming people's hearts, walking at their side in the dark, talking with them and even entering into their night and their darkness, without losing our way". "For his mercy endures forever".

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 Aug. 10 - 18

Aug. 10	Saturday	4:00pm	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		5:30pm	Clair Weston	Girard
11	Sunday	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
		10:00am	Bob & Patty Haderlein	Girard
12	Monday	NO MASS		
13	Tuesday	5:30pm	Buche family	Arma
14	Wednesday	6:30pm	Clair Weston	Girard
15	Thursday	8:00am	NO MASS	
		12 Noon	No Intention	Arma
		6:30pm	No Intention	Girard
		8:30am-12:30pm	NO Adoration	Arma
16	Friday	7:00am	Clair Weston	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
17	Saturday	4:00pm	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		5:30pm	Marie Pyle	Girard
18	Sunday	8:00am	Betty Rons	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Next Saturday 8/17/19 5:30 pm	Next Sunday 8/18/19 10:00 am
Altar Servers:	August, Trevor & Peyton Amershek	Gage Born & Elijah Walsh
EMHC:	Sharon Giacometti	Joan Davied
Lector:	Linda Moore	Beth Wilson
Gift Bearers:	Joe & Rose Murnane	Kerry & Tammie O'Brien

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HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

For the special Feast day of Mary this week on Thursday, August 15, the Feast of the Assumption, Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 on Wednesday evening in Girard, at Noon on Thursday, the 15th in Arma, and at 6:30pm on Thursday in Girard. There will NOT be Mass at 8:00am in Arma, also no Adoration.

PSR REGISTRATION DUE AUG. 11

We are excited to announce that our St. Michael's Parish School of Religion (PSR) program is scheduled to start on Wednesday, August 21st, at the church hall! You can find an easy online registration form on our website (StMichaelGirard.com) or on our Facebook Page (St. Michael's Catholic Church). Children in grades 1-5 are walked over from Haderlein Elementary School after their early release and are released from PSR at 3:30. (We will NOT bring students to the Hall unless we have an enrollment form.) Middle School and High School begin their PSR class at 6:30 pm with Mass and then are released at 8 pm. Fees (\$10 for one child or \$20 for two or more children) can be brought on the first day of class or given to Father McKinney at the rectory, but please know that we will never turn away a student due to inability to pay. For more information, contact Kristen Graham, St. Michael's Director of Religious Education, at kristen.j.graham@gmail.com or 620-875-6133 (call or text).

PSR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are still in need of a 5th Grade teacher for our PSR Program. We are also looking for Middle School or High School students that could come after school on Wednesdays, during our Elementary PSR time, to help in the classrooms.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Nancy Church, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Jason Diskin, Gary Dowling, Lisa & Jocelyn Goff, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Herman Masser, John Oplotnik, Jim O'Toole, Rosemary O'Toole, George Stonerock, Edward Luke Walsh, and Tom Weston who are ill or in need of prayers. 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.

ST. JOSEPH HOMECOMING BREAKFAST

St. Joseph Parish in Arma will hold a breakfast this Sunday, August 11, from 9:00 to 11:30am in the parish hall. The menu will be scrambled eggs, gravy, sausage pattie, hash browns, cinnamon roll, juice, coffee, milk. The cost is a Free Will donation. Hope to see you there.

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2019 to date
Contributions	\$1,949.00	\$11,648.70
Children's Offering	\$11.00	\$23.75
Expenses		-
Over / (Under)		\$11,672.45
Building Fund Contributions	\$70.00	

ST. PAUL'S GROUP

The St. Paul's Group will meet Sunday, August 18, at 1:00pm the Knights of Columbus Hall in Pittsburg. Dinner and bingo. All widows, widowers, and single seniors are welcome. Hostesses will be Sharon Starr, Pat Tanner, and Rosemary Patterson.

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS

St. Michael and St. Joseph Parishes will be scheduling family photo sessions for parishioners as we prepare to put together new parish directories. St. Joseph photo sessions will be Sept. 23 & 24, and St. Michael's sessions will be Sept. 25 - 28. Monday-Friday sessions will be from 2:00 to 9:00pm, and Saturday sessions will be from 10:00am to 5:00pm. More information will follow in future bulletins. In the meantime, please look ahead on your calendars and start thinking about a time that works for you. We'd love to have all of our parishioners included in the new directories!

FOOD PANTRY

There is a basket in the entrance of the Church for any food donations you would like to donate to the Community Food Pantry. This is an ongoing project in conjunction with the Ministerial Alliance. Monetary Donations are accepted as well, by placing an envelope in the collection basket marked "Food Pantry". Thank you for supporting the need.

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. Please join us and bring your talent or just come and share in fellowship. For more information call Barb Mikrut (620) 249-9505.



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