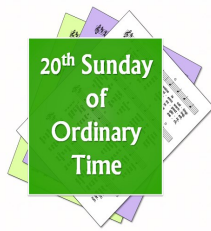




# Mass Schedule & Intentions August 19 - 27, 2023



## Dates of Importance

Aug. 28: St. Michael Altar Society meeting  
 Aug. 28 - Sept. 1: Girard Hall closed for waxing floors (will not affect meal in his name.)  
 Sept. 6: PSR begins  
 Sept. 16: EME retraining



Sunday Gospel Activities  
 for Sunday Mass/  
[mommoCatholicMom.com](http://mommoCatholicMom.com)

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>19</b>	4:00 PM (Arma) 5:30 PM (Girard)	† Judy Smerchek Pro Populo
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>20</b>	8:00 AM (Arma) 10:00 AM (Girard)	† Betty Rons Verdan Davied
<b>Monday</b>	<b>21</b>	No Mass	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>22</b>	5:30 PM (Arma)	† Carol Battitori
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>23</b>	8:00 AM (Girard)	† Clifford Bud Scales
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>24</b>	8:00 AM (Arma)	† Linda Mills
<b>Friday</b>	<b>25</b>	7:30 AM (Girard)	† Azember Family
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>26</b>	4:00 PM (Arma) 5:30 PM (Girard)	† Pro Populo Mary Jane Cavanaugh
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27</b>	8:00 AM (Arma) 10:00 AM (Girard)	† Wally Rons Alice Davied

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

### Saturday

### Sunday

#### 4:00 PM

#### 5:30 PM

#### 8:00AM

#### 10:00 AM

<b><u>Alter Servers</u></b>	Owen & Gianna Waterman	August Amershek Nolan Leonard	Cody & Tyler Burns	Elijah & Isabella Walsh
<b><u>EME</u></b>	Linsey Waterman	Carrie Smith	Terry Cleland	Anna Goble
<b><u>Lector</u></b>	Volunteer	Nancy Bauer	Ron Pommier	Connie Sponsel
<b><u>Gifts</u></b>	Lindsey Waterman Family	Butch & Mary Reif family	Dave & Cindy Ashmore	Hank & Carrie Smith
<b><u>Ushers</u></b>	Pat Westhoff Volunteer		Dan Cole Greg Bogina	

Please pray for our St. Michael parishioners/family: Liv Anderson, , Rick Bland, Kelli Bradshaw, Audrey Casassa, Maggie Casassa, Jerry Davenport, Gary Dowling, Tyler Edward, Rosemary Gardner, Fred and Marjorie Giefer, Peter Graham, Ron Gray, Denny Heidrick, Charles and Nancy Herranbruck, Tom Kovach, Marita Lopeman, Mary Kay Mason, Richard Mason, Herman Masser, Jacquelyn Miller, Bob Moore, John Oplotnik, , Mary Sayre, Anna Snow, Carly Twarog-Carnes, Dan Wendt, and Grant Wilks.

Please Pray for our St. Joseph parishioners/family: Chrissy Carlson, Jan Harman, Bob Lauck, Emily Popejoy, Mary Sayre, Margaret Setina, Ronnie Tims, Grant Wilks and Randy VanLeeuwen.



<u>St. Michael Collections:</u>		
	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>July 2023 to Date</u>
<b>Contributions:</b>	\$3,078.20	\$29,056.31
<b>Expenses:</b>	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Over/(Under)</b>		\$29,056.31

<u>St. Joseph Collections:</u>		
	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>July 2023 to Date</u>
<b>Contributions:</b>	\$1,059.00	\$12,742
<b>Expenses:</b>	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Over/(Under)</b>		\$12,742

### RCIA/Adult Ed.

We will be starting an RCIA class for anyone interested in becoming Catholic. The class can also serve any adult Catholic who would like to refresh their understanding of our Catholic faith. Please contact the office if you are interested or have anyone that is non-Catholic, to contact the office, if they might want to learn more about what the Catholic Church

### CPR

Girard Medical Center will be hosting a CPR class in St. Michael hall on Tuesday, Sept. 19th at 6:00 PM. The parish will cover the cost for parishioners. Please sign up in the entrance of the church, so GMC can plan accordingly.

### Altar Society

The next Girard Altar Society meeting will be on Monday, August 28th at 6:30 PM, in the rectory. If anyone is interested in serving as Altar Society Co - President, please contact Linda DeGarmo or Joan Davied and please plan to attend the meeting. Fall Bazaar details will be discussed at this meeting. All ladies of the parish are Altar Society members and are invited to attend.

### PSR Beginning

**Please note on your calendars September 6 as the beginning of PSR classes.**

**\*\*We will also move Wednesday Mass to 6:30pm beginning that evening.**

### Floor waxing

Please note that St. Michael Hall will be off limits the week of August 28th until the floors get waxed. Meal in his name will still be offered from the kitchen on that Thursday.

### Eucharistic Minister Retraining

All of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in both parishes are needing to renew. A retraining is scheduled at St. Michael Hall on Saturday, September 16 from 9am - 10:30am, with someone coming from Wichita to conduct the retraining. Eucharistic ministers are authorized by the Diocese for a set term of years; this retraining will enable you to be authorized by the Diocese for another term.

### **\*Hearing Devices at St. Michael**

In the gathering space of church is a newly positioned bookcase with books that you are welcome to take and read. On top of the bookcase are 3 devices to aid parishioners who have difficulty hearing at Mass. Two of them have ear pieces that fit around the ear, while one of them fits in the ear. Please be sure to shut them off after each use, so the battery will last longer.

### *A Note From the Pastor*

In May 2010, Faith Paoni began to be listed in the bulletin as secretary. For the 13 years since, she has served admirably in that role. I wish to thank her for her stewardship.

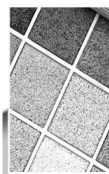
Barb Duling has been hired to serve as secretary and will normally be in the St Michael Office Monday to Friday from 9am – Noon.

My hope is that she will become the communications hub for our two parishes. Her duties, besides keeping the records and Mass intention schedules as Faith did, will include editing the bulletin each week.

The bulletin will be a combined bulletin for the two parishes, since I often see members of one parish at Mass in the other parish. A combined bulletin will better communicate to all our members of either parish.

Please forward any information for the bulletin to Barb Duling: [dulingbarb@gmail.com](mailto:dulingbarb@gmail.com)

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JESUS CHRIST, our teacher and our Lord, became a man 2000 yrs ago. He lived among us, sanctified and taught us---it was His reason for coming. Then, He died in a remote corner of the world, surrounded

by only a handful of friends. How then, does He remain among us, even though He has ascended into Heaven? How does He extend Himself into time and space? How does He continue to sanctify, teach and rule at all times and everywhere in the world?

Christ might have chosen any number of ways to continue His work in the world. He might have chosen to draw each man and woman to Himself SEPARATELY by some sort of illumination from Heaven. He might have chosen to merely leave a record of His life and teachings, so that all who read it and accepted those teachings might learn to love and imitate Him from afar. Instead, He chose to distribute His graces and to continue His work in the world by taking to Himself a new BODY---His Church. As HEAD of the 'body', He continues to give Life and direction to His members. The Church, therefore, is not merely an organization established by Christ---it IS Christ, the FULLNESS of Christ, the MYSTICAL BODY of Christ. The Church does the things today that Christ did when He walked the earth---living, teaching, sanctifying. Christ told the people, according to St. John, 15: 5 "I am the vine, you are the branches."

The dominant teachings of St. Paul are that the Body of Christ is the Church. You may be wondering how the Church is a 'Body'? A body has many members, right? Those members are joined together in such a way as to help one another. So it is with our own body. When one part of the body suffers (stomach), all the other parts share its pain, and the healthy parts come to the assistance of the part which is ailing. Such is the case, also, in the Church. The individual members of the Church do not live for themselves, ALONE; they also help their fellow members. All members work together for their common good and for the perfect building up of the WHOLE body.

Our bodies aren't formed by any haphazard grouping of members. They are made up of organs (heart, lungs, kidneys, etc.)---members which have different functions, but which WORK TOGETHER in such a way that the body lives and acts as a WHOLE. It is exactly that way with the Church. In the Church, there are many members---millions of men, women, and children. As members of the Church, they occupy special positions and exercise special functions: the Pope, as visible head, teaches, sanctifies, and rules in the name of Christ; the Bishops, exercising the same functions in union with the Holy Father; the clergy, assisting the Bishops in this same work of teaching and sanctifying; the laypeople, each performing some special function---teachers, teaching; parents, forming the youngest members of Christ; doctors, lawyers, farmers, all cooperating ---each in his own way, according to his calling in the work of worshipping God, extending the Body of Christ throughout the world and increasing its inner holiness.

We'll continue with the 'Mystical Body and how you can identify a Catholic Church.  
---Marcel Normand