

# The Catholic Community of St. Michael, Farmington

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## Weekend Masses

**Saturday:** 4:30 p.m. **Sunday:** 8:00, 10:30 a.m.

## Sacraments

**Penance:** Individual: Saturday 3:30–4:00 p.m. in the Reconciliation Chapel.

**Baptisms:** Celebrated one Sunday afternoon per month at 1:00 p.m. Call the office for dates.

**Marriages:** *Your wedding needs to be scheduled with the Parish Office at least six months prior to the celebration date so all necessary preparations for the sacrament can be completed. Please come to the Parish Office to pick up St. Michael's Wedding Guide.*

*In order to receive the sacraments of marriage or baptism the individual or a parent of the individual must be a registered parishioner.*



## St. Michael's Mission Statement

*To be a welcoming Catholic Community, centered in the Eucharist, inviting all to live the Gospel and grow in faith.*



**Mass:** Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel.  
**Word & Communion Service:** Thursday & Friday at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

**Readings for the Week of November 8, 2009**

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44  
 Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22  
 Tuesday: Wis 2:23--3:9/Lk 17:7-10  
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19  
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b--8:1/Lk 17:20-25  
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37  
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8  
 Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32  
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A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43  
 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

**Mass Intentions**

Monday, November 9, 8:00 a.m. - William Suedkamp  
 Saturday, November 14, 4:30 p.m. - Peter & Norma Giannotti  
 Sunday, November 15, 8:00 a.m. - Monica E. Kittock  
 10:30 a.m. - Howard Jenrich

**Ministry Reflection**

Who do I know who gives their all in service of the Lord?  
 How much am I willing to give from my abundance?

**Ecumenical Prayer Service at Trinity Care Center**

Nov. 8 at 3:00 p.m. Sandy Glau will be conducting an Ecumenical Prayer Service at Trinity Care Center in Farmington. The children in our LIFE programs will soon be talking about the various ministries at St. Michael's. This is one of our ministries and Sandy invites any children and adults who would like to be a part of this service to come and join her. The residents at Trinity really enjoy having the children participate in these services!

**LIVING WELL BOOKSTORE**

**Store Hours Are:**  
 Saturday: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 7:45 a.m. - noon  
 Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



The Bookstore will also be open from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays during the LIFE Program. **Come In and Check Us Out!**

**DID YOU KNOW...**

**...THE SPECIFICS OF INTINCTION AND COMMUNION?**

In an earlier DYK article it was stated that "intinction" – or dipping of the host into the Precious Blood, was forbidden by the Roman Catholic Church. There have been a few questions regarding this issue, so let's try to address them.

Intinction is a common practice in the Eastern rites of the Catholic Church and in the Eastern Orthodox Churches. The word itself means "to dip into". In the Eastern Churches often the bread used for Communion is leavened, is cut into cubes and, after consecration of both the bread and the wine, is placed into the chalice with the Precious Blood. It is then administered from a spoon.

In the Latin rite of the Catholic Church, during the Mass, intinction is allowed, but ONLY under strict conditions. The act of the communicant receiving the Host in his/her hand, and then dipping it into the Precious Blood – is absolutely forbidden. The correct distribution in the Latin rite by intinction is as follows: the priest or deacon (only) takes the Host and dips it into the Precious Blood before administering the Host to the communicant on the tongue. At no point does the communicant touch the Host with his/her hands – before, during, or after the intinction. And it must be administered only on the tongue, and not in the hand. The Church requires this not only in order to safeguard the Precious Blood, but also because communicants are to *receive* Communion, not to *administer it to themselves*.

At St. Michael's Church, when someone reaches to dip the Host into the Precious Blood, Eucharistic Ministers are instructed to respond with: "The Catholic Church does not allow dipping of the Host – would you like to sip from the Cup?" They are simply following the rules of the Church.

**ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

**Remembering Those Who Have Died**

November is the month set aside to remember those who have gone before us in death. You are invited to bring a picture of a loved one for display throughout the month. These will be on display in the area near the Vigil Lights and the Remembrance Book. Be sure to have your picture labeled on the back with a contact name and phone number. You may include the name of the person(s) in the Remembrance Book, also. There will be a limited number of small frames available if you do not have the photo in a frame. If you have any questions, you can contact Sandy Glau 651-463-5228 or [sglau@stmichael-farmington.org](mailto:sglau@stmichael-farmington.org).



**RCIA HAS BEGUN!**

As each summer draws to a close, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program allows interested adults to formalize their membership in our parish community, by joining the Catholic Church in the Rites of Baptism, Confirmation, and/or First Eucharist. The start of the program this year was on Sunday, October 11, so if you are interested in joining the RCIA and becoming part of the Church, please contact Andy Schwarz through the parish office.

**Armful of Love** - Community Action Council's "Armful of Love" program invites you and your family to participate in sharing the joy of the holiday season. Dakota County families who are economically unable to provide gifts for their children may call 952-985-4065 to schedule an eligibility appointment.



**November 11**

Heavenly Father,

On this day, help us remember those who gave of themselves to keep us safe and secure. Enkindle in our consciences a desire to serve those who served their country selflessly. Give us the grace to aid those who have given aid and protection to us and others both here and overseas. Let us never forget the causes for which they fought or the bravery they showed on the battlefield. May we be always mindful of those who paid the price for our freedom, just as your Son gave his life to free us from the bondage of sin. Amen

**November 8 & 11 LIFE - Family Ministry Night**

LIFE families are invited to participate in a family evening of exploration. A spaghetti supper will be served to all beginning at 6:00 on Sunday and Wednesday evening. Following supper, families will travel through the many ministries at St. Michael's, filling their passports with opportunities to serve, learn and grow in our faith. Please note that this is a **family event**, so parents are required to come with their children. Also, there will be no Sunday AM or Wednesday 4:30 session this week. All participants are invited to participate either evening at 6:00 PM

**Walking With Hope, In The Midst of Grief**

The topic for Tuesday, Nov. 10 is: *"Hope Through Staying Connected Through Grief"* and will be presented by Luther Hagen. This is the sixth in the Farmington Ministerial Grief seminars held here at St. Michael's – 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, you may contact Sandy Glau, 651-463-5228 or [sglau@stmichael-farmington.org](mailto:sglau@stmichael-farmington.org).

**Parish Pastoral Council Request**

Due to family commitments and personal matters two members of the Pastoral Council submitted their resignations recently. This is a call to ALL Parishioners over the age of 18 to prayerfully consider serving as a member of this Council. Over the years we have become a very diverse community in age, gender and culture. The current openings have two years remaining on a three-year term. Meetings are on the fourth Monday of each month and last no longer than two hours.

As a Council, this body serves as an advisory board to Father Dennis, working together to carry out the vision and mission of St. Michael's Parish.

Applications are available in the parish office as well as on our website, [stmichael-farmington.org](http://stmichael-farmington.org). Please feel free to contact Laura Pitzen, chairperson, at 651-460-2569 with any questions.

**Hospitality for the Parish Mission**



It's hard to believe our Parish Renewal Mission is just weeks away! We're looking for **several** people willing to provide bars or cookies following the mission each evening (Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>-

Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>), as well as a few additional people to help with serving refreshments. If you can help out please contact Charlotte Vicars at (651) 463-7349 or Dottie Knutson at (651) 463-5224 or [dknutson@stmichael-farmington.org](mailto:dknutson@stmichael-farmington.org).

Music Ministry Schedules to be announced at a later date.



**Parish Pictorial Directories**

If you had your picture taken for the directory, you will find a directory with your name on it in a container on the credenza outside the office area. Please pick up your directory as soon as possible.

**Are You Missing Any of These Items?**

In a couple of weeks, St. Michael's will be having a Thanksgiving Clothing Drive. Unless the following items are claimed, they will be added to that collection: a variety of bowls, caps/hats, a "Bob the Builder" backpack and other odds and ends. We also have a 3T navy blue "Old Navy" hooded sweatshirt, a Med 10/12 "ZeroXPosur" pink and black women's jacket, a lime green M (8/10) "George" women's jacket, a size L brown plaid hooded "L.A. Kitty" jacket, a women's black "Fleet Street" fall/spring jacket, and a "The Children's Place" XL (14) jean jacket. These items can all be found in the coatroom area between the Gathering Space and the Social Hall.



**Peace Bulletin Board**

There is a "peace" bulletin board in the area between the Gathering Space and Social Hall. If you have a loved one serving in the military, you may post the information on the form provided. You may also include a picture if you'd like to do so. Some of the forms that are presently on the bulletin board are out of date. If you have one that is there that is out of date, would you please remove it or update the information. If you have any questions about this bulletin board, you may contact Sandy Glau.

**Family Movie Night**

Be sure to join us for another Family movie night on Friday, November 13th. We'll be featuring the movie **"Imagine That"**! The movie is FREE so be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to join us!



**Please Put on Your Fall Calendar!**

As we look forward to Advent this year, why not give yourself and your family the gift of a deeper faith? God invites us to come to Him just as we are, wherever that may be...

We are very excited to announce a **PARISH MISSION RENEWAL** lead by Fr. Jim Van Dorn of the Franciscan Retreat Center in Prior Lake. Fr. Jim is well known all over the United States for his inspirational Parish Missions.

This Mission is for everyone...adults, teens, and children, so be sure to bring along the entire family!

**Dates for St. Michael's Parish Mission Renewal:**

**Sunday: November 29th: "Overview of the Pascal Mystery"**

**Monday: November 30th: "Letting Go and Letting God"**

**Tuesday: December 1st: "Healing"**

**Wednesday: December 2nd: "Commissioning"**

We look forward to seeing you at the Parish Mission Renewal later this Fall!



**Baptism Preparation Class** - The next class will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 7:00-8:30p.m. Since this class is held every other month parents are urged to attend during pregnancy. Participation in this class is necessary before baptism can be scheduled. Prior registration is required. Call the parish office at 463-3360.

Thank you to all who contributed monetary donations and food to the **Food Shelf** last weekend. Please continue your donations as they are greatly needed throughout the year.



### From the mailbox . . .

Thank you so much for all the prayers, visits, flowers, words of encouragement and cards (including one, unsigned, with a gift of money) during my recent hospitalization. I am recovering "slowly, but surely" and would appreciate your continued prayers.

Sincerely,  
Al Beeney

**THANKSGIVING CLOTHING DRIVE** - On the weekend of Saturday, Nov. 21 and Sunday, Nov. 22 St. Michael's invites you to bring kindly used clothing to the gathering space for our Thanksgiving Clothing Drive. On Monday, Nov. 23, St. Vincent DePaul will pick up the items for inner city poor. Thank you! For more information, call 651-463-7810.



You are invited to **"Do All Your Christmas Shopping In One Place"**. St. Patrick Church of Shieldsville will host their 7th Annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, November 14, from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and on Sunday, November 15, from 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Church in Shieldsville, MN. Door prizes and food will be available. Product and crafter demonstrations, too. There are home-based businesses and local crafters. Come and bring your friends.

## Welcome ....

We extend our hearts in a warm St. Michael's welcome to you, whether long term residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you are not registered, please fill out this form. Place it in the collection basket, drop it off at the parish office, or mail it to the office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Request registration information

New Address

New Phone

## Financial Update

	<u>September</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>This Year</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Last Year</u>
Contributions:	\$46,277	\$145,390	\$158,950
Expectation:	<u>\$52,467</u>	<u>\$153,055</u>	<u>\$160,965</u>
Surplus/(Deficit):	(\$6,190)	(\$7,665)	(\$2,015)
Scrip Proceeds:	\$14,472		
(Since Inception)			
Purchases:	<u>(\$10,738)</u>		
Balance:	\$3,734		

*Purchases include: digital camera, video projector, NCYC donation, microphones, nursery toys, projector screen, laptop, 2nd video projector*

Remember St. Michael's Parish in your Last Will & Testament. It is easy and it does not have to be a dollar amount. It can just be a certain percentage of one's estate. Our legal name is "The Church of St. Michael of Farmington, Minnesota". Questions? Call Fr. Dennis at 651-463-3360 or email him at [dthompson@stmichael-farmington.org](mailto:dthompson@stmichael-farmington.org).

Thank you to all who have been so generous in supporting The Saint Paul Seminary and our work of priestly formation. Please continue to pray for our men as they respond to God's call in their lives and feel free to visit us for any of our daily Masses, held each weekday at 11:35. Our doors are always open to you!

In Christ,  
Monsignor Aloysius R. Callaghan, Rector

**LOOK**  
at THIS!

If you did not have your picture taken for the directory but would like a copy, there are directories available in the parish office for sale for \$5.00.

**Rainbows Program for Children** - The *Rainbows* program is a support group curriculum for children ages pre-k through 8<sup>th</sup> grade who have suffered a significant loss, either through death, divorce, or other painful transition. This program began Thursday, Oct. 8 from 6-7:15 p.m. at All Saints Catholic Church in Lakeville. It will continue weekly for 14 weeks, excluding holidays. If you are interested in participating, please contact Celeste Rekieta at 952-322-3343 or Mary Baatz at 952-469-6460. You may also contact Sandy Glau for more information.

### Thank You/Can You Help?

Thank you to all those who donated bars or cookies for the "Warrior to Citizen" event we hosted at St. Michael's recently. Thank you, too, to those who helped serve the refreshments. The talks by Col. Kevin Gerdes and SSGT John Kreisel were very powerful and uplifting. Presently, the "Warrior to Citizen" group is working with a family (full time working mom with four children ages 10, 8, 8, and 4) - living in Lakeville - whose husband is deployed and should be coming home in December. The mother is overwhelmed and the volunteers have been providing meals - a group takes a week at a time. If you think you would like to help with this, you can contact Sandy Glau 651-463-3360 or [sglau@stmichael-farmington.org](mailto:sglau@stmichael-farmington.org) for more information.