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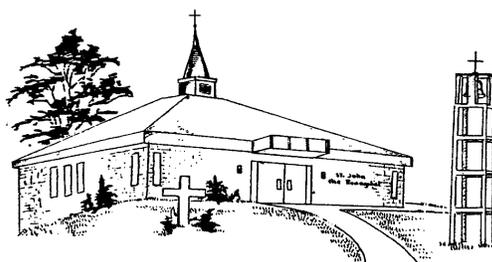
ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



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ST. MICHAEL STATION – Chute Pond



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FACEBOOK St. John and St. Michael Catholic Church

MEMBERSHIP

Initiation of Adult Candidates For full membership in the Catholic Community, Adult Candidates are prepared by the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, and received into the Catholic Community on the Vigil of Easter.

Parish Membership All are welcome to become a member of our Parish Families. Information can be obtained from either Parish Office. Membership forms can also be found on our parish website.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please have the material you wish to have placed in our bulletin to the parish office no later than Tuesday 10:00 AM. Primary consideration may need to be given to our personal parish family needs.

WILLS

Please consider the needs of our parish communities by remembering St. Michael's or St. John's Parish in your will.

MASS SCHEDULE (Masses have resumed with limited capacity.)

Saturday 4:00 PM - Gillett

Sunday 7:30 AM - Chapel

8:45 AM - Suring

10:00 AM - Gillett

Tuesday 8:30 AM - Gillett

Wednesday 8:30 AM - Suring

WOODLAND VILLAGE MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday *No Masses until further notice*

ST. JOHN & ST. MICHAEL OFFICE HOURS

St. John Monday - Wednesday, 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

St. Michael Monday - Wednesday, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

St. John - Saturday 3:00 PM; by appointment

St. Michael - Wednesday following Mass or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please call the appropriate Parish Office to make arrangements for required instructions, and to set a date for the baptism.

WEDDINGS

Arrangements are to be made six months in advance. A year in advance is desired. No date is to be set for the wedding prior to calling the appropriate Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Trained ministers from our parishes are available to bring Holy Communion to those who are hospitalized or homebound due to illness or incapacity. Arrangements may also be made for a priest to administer the sacrament of the anointing of the sick.

November 7/8, 2020 | Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

DISCIPLES ON THE WAY

A Short Sunday Reflection from the Pastor

We are in November, and the liturgical year is soon coming to a close. On these final three Sundays, the Church invites us to reflect on three extracts of the last discourse of Jesus, in which Matthew grouped together the teachings of Jesus on the end of times as an invitation to remain awake, watch for the coming of the Son of Man. Matthew's Gospel has two kinds of parables; those that aid in the understanding of the Kingdom of God as present in Jesus' activities, and those that help us prepare for the future coming of the Kingdom.

Today's gospel parable is an allegory about the vigilance required in waiting for Christ. It is an illustrative story—a parable where two contrary behaviors are presented in order that the listener comes to know which he or she has. Today's story deals with two groups of bridesmaids—wise and unwise—waiting for the bridegroom to arrive. The issue is of seriousness and the responsibility of being prepared. When Matthew writes this narrative, the image of the nuptial feast is already reality; Jesus himself is the mysterious bridegroom, and the Church (that is all of us) is His beloved.

Jesus begins the parable with the words: "The kingdom of heaven will be like this. It is compared to ten maidens who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom." The parable of the ten virgins is about the future coming of the Kingdom, for which we must prepare for starting now. In order to shed light on this dimension of the Kingdom, Jesus uses the well-known custom of inviting some young girls of the village to accompany the bridegroom to the wedding feast. Here the old testament teaching presents God as the spouse of Israel. The virgins had to accompany the bridegroom with lighted lamps, but the lamps were small and the oil they contained was sufficient only for a limited time.

This made it prudent for each to take with her a little oil in reserve since the journey with the bridegroom could take longer than the oil in the lamps would last. The foolish virgins lack foresight; they are impious, senseless and lack intelligence. Psalm 14/1 says, 'the senseless says in his heart; there is no God.' In the gospel, this is compared to 'the man who built his house on sand and did not practice the words of Jesus' (Matthew 7/24). Jesus points out the fundamental spiritual attitude that 'wise' is whoever finds his or her life on God, and 'senseless' is whoever finds it on wretched human qualities.

Jesus warns us we are in danger of falling asleep in our Christian life and forgetting our duties. We 'sleep' our Christian life instead of living it. The Lord is not asking us for an impossibility, only that we remain watchful and vigilant in our Christian life. Each of us has to be prepared,

vigilant and conscious about our response in waiting for the Lord. No one can do it for us. Our watchfulness should be a daily thing. Keep vigil of our life, keep vigil of our faith, and vigilance is also needed in seeking God and one another. The Gospel says, 'Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor hour.' God's judgment expresses what each person earns by their behavior and life in this world. Jesus is not an ordinary bridegroom; he is the judge of the end of times. He said, 'Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord, will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven' (Matthew 7/21-23). Am I ready? Am I watchful?

Happy Sunday! God bless you all!

Fr. Francis X. Dias

St. John and St. Michael Masses

The following Mass guidelines are currently in place:

- Attendees are required to wear masks.
- Temperatures of attendees taken at the door.
- Hand sanitizer available at entrances
- Social distancing guidelines followed before, during and after Mass.

Please wear your mask when going to communion and when you receive the host from Father. After you have the host, please move several steps to the side before removing your mask and consuming the host.

Please note: social distancing will restrict the number of people allowed at Mass. At St. Michael, we encourage you to reserve a seat for Sunday Mass. This can be done by calling (920-842-2580), emailing stmikesuring@centurytel.net or signing up using Flocknote. We will accept walk-ins if room is available.

St. Michael Flocknote Signup Link for November 15th

<https://stmichael17.flocknote.com/signup/23150>



LIVING LIVES OF MERCY

Thank You

Dear St. Michael Parishioners,
The Christian food Pantry would like to thank you for your donations. We want to thank you for your constant and continuous support to our message to serve those less fortunate. In these uncertain times we have to all take care of each other, our brothers and sisters in need. Thank you for your gift of caring and sharing. Blessings to you.
Christian Food Pantry

Ruby's Pantry

The next Ruby's Pantry will be held on November 14th at Gillett High School. Volunteers are needed to help set up and distribute food. Anyone interested in helping should arrive between 6:30 - 7:00 AM. Distribution is from 8:00 - 9:30 AM.

Volunteers Needed!

St. Michael is looking for your help! The following is a list of areas volunteers are needed.

Secretary Trustee - The secretary trustee serves on the Pastoral Council which meets approximately four times per year. Terms are limited to three two-year consecutive terms for a total of 6 years.

Council Members - New members are needed for both pastoral and finance councils. The term for council members is three years and members may serve two consecutive terms. The councils meet about four times per year. They assist the Pastor in the development of parish policies, goals and priorities as well as the review of finances and budget preparation.

Money Counters - Volunteers are needed to help count our weekend collections. Training will be provided for anyone interested.

Please prayerfully consider helping the parish by serving in any of these areas. If you are interested, or have questions, please call the parish office at 920-842-2580. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

ST. MICHAEL PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week..... \$2170.00
Received Oct. 31/Nov. 1.....*see next week's bulletin*

Visit our Web site at <http://stjohnstmichael.com>



Faith Formation

News

Congratulations to Paig & Gauge Herzog who received their First Communion this past Sunday at St. John. Please keep them in your prayers as they join the Congregation in coming to the table of our Lord to share in the Eucharist from this day forward.



SPECIAL COLLECTION



There will be a second collection at St. John next weekend to help defray the cost of heating the church and rectory.

Looking Ahead

Tues., Nov. 10	Mass - 8:30 AM at St. John Followed by Rosary
Wed., Nov. 11	Mass - 8:30 AM at St. Michael (reconciliation available after)
Sat., Nov. 14	Ruby's Pantry 8:00-9:30 AM Gillett HS
	Reconciliation 3:00 PM at St. John
Wed., Nov. 18	St. Michael Annual & Regular Mtg. - 5:30 PM

ST. JOHN PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week..... \$1615.00
Received Oct. 31/Nov. 1..... \$780.00

A **Book of Remembrance** has been placed in the entrances of our parishes and will remain through November. We invite you to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the book. They will be remembered in prayer at Masses during the month.



MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of Nov. 9 - 15

ST. MICHAEL - CHUTE POND

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

7:30 AM † Open

ST. MICHAEL - SURING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

8:45 AM † Open

ST. JOHN - GILLETT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

4:00 PM † Ruth Tenaglia

By Louie Tenaglia

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

10:00 AM † Agnes Wolfe

By Family

Readings for the week of November 8, 2020

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/ Mt 25:1-13

Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29 [39a]/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [5a]/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 [1b]/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/1 Thes 5:1-6/ Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

MINISTERS OF THE MASS

CHUTE POND

SUNDAY 11/15 7:30 AM

Ministers of the Word Steve Brickner

SURING

SUNDAY 11/15 8:45 AM

Ministers of the Word Steve Robillard
Hospitality Ministers Phil Fischer, Jr.
Kate Mahoney

GILLETT

SATURDAY 11/14 4:00 PM

Ministers of the Word Dorothy Sorensen
Hospitality Ministers Louie Tenaglia Ben Penkivich
Colleen Warrichaiet

SUNDAY 11/15 10:00 AM

Ministers of the Word Sydney Young
Hospitality Ministers Jamie Young Alex Young
Mary Clark

Open Dates For Mass Intentions

Suring, Sunday: Nov. 15, Dec. 6, 20, 27

Wednesdays: Nov. 11, 25

Chapel, Sunday: Nov. 15, 29, Dec. 20

St. John Parish

Tuesdays: Nov. 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Saturdays: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26

Sundays: Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, 20, 27



“Afterwards the other virgins came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, open the door for us!’ But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” (Mt 25:11-13)