

Welcome to the Parish Communities of

ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



ST. MICHAEL – Suring



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 or 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.

January 30/31, 2021 - The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

DISCIPLES ON THE WAY

A Short Sunday Reflection from the Pastor

This is the exact text of Saint Mark. Jesus has just now called four disciples. He is no longer alone. They formed a group. Saint Paul, in a more theological language, will call this a 'body of Christ' of which we are members. Mark evokes the same reality with a different and more concrete turn of phrase. What Jesus is about to do is indeed the work of Him and His disciples; it is the work of the Church. Mark also describes four actions that are characteristics of the entire ministry of Jesus and of the Church. They are: Jesus teaches, Jesus liberates, Jesus heals the sick and Jesus prays. The gospel says Jesus went to the synagogue on the Sabbath. This is the official center of the Judaism, the house for all and the house of the law. Jesus went immediately to the place where most people are gathered. He was looking for contacts. For Jesus, teaching the Word comes first. The exorcism will come in between two assertions of the teaching of Jesus.

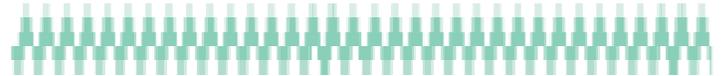
Mark does not tell us the contents of this sermon that was already summed up in the preceding page of the gospel. It is 'The kingdom of God is at hand, repent and believe the Good News'. In the gospel, Mark tries to focus on the reaction of the listeners. Traditional scribes merely repeated a lesson they had learned, but Jesus singularizes Himself from the start by the authority of His word. Jesus committed Himself personally in whatever He was saying, unlike the scribes. How much do I love the word of Jesus, which is at the same time revelation of God? How much time do I spend meditating on the words, the teaching of Jesus? In the gospel, Mark does not hesitate to describe with highly-strong words; the man with an unclean spirit, he cried out first in the midst of the preaching of Jesus. Then Jesus threatened him forcefully and the devil comes out. In the Gospel the unclean spirit is the one that opposed to the holiness of God. It is very well explained here it torments man, prevents him from being truly a man. This tormented man is the exact symbol of alienated man, on whom a kind of inhuman force has laid hands and literally enchained him. Sometimes we think that evil can be limited to only certain places. Gospel warns us that such thinking is not correct. If an unclean spirit can shout out in a synagogue, which is a holy place of God and it is in the presence of Jesus, then evil can appear anytime and anywhere. Evil in the form of many ways seems to have the ability to move freely throughout the world. It attacks people indiscriminately: the rich and the poor, the moral and the immoral, those who believe in God and those who do not. St Paul speaks in the letter to Ephesians how to combat this evil power in our Christian life 'Put on the armor of God..... For we

struggle not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens' (Ephesians 6/11-17).

What we should understand and trust is that Jesus came to liberate humans from slavery to the powers that alienate them from God. Do we consider our Christian life with Jesus as a great combat of liberation? Those who are part of group of Jesus' must expect it. Am I a fighter on the side of Jesus? From which alienation, from which evil, God liberates us 'He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins' (Colossians 1/13-14).

Let us not forget it in the sacrament of Baptism that we received; we have been exorcised by Jesus. This sacramental exorcism is permanent. It is actualized in each Eucharist during which Jesus speaks to us and saves us from all evil. Happy Sunday! God bless you all!

Fr. Francis X. Dias



Why Give to the Bishop's Appeal?

And the king will say to them in reply, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal will help in countless ways. Care ministers are trained to go out and share the Gospel with the homebound and sick. Children and families are able to attend lively, interactive education programs learning the Word of God. A young woman in an abusive relationship is able, through counseling with Catholic Charities, to stand on her own feet. Families seeking to adopt are connected with newborn babies. Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal makes happy endings possible.

91% of every dollar raised goes to Diocesan ministries and services right here in northeastern Wisconsin.

Make a tremendous difference, and give to the Bishop's Appeal. How much you give is less important than the spirit in which you give. Even small donations add up to large donations. The Bishop's Appeal 'kick-off weekend' is February 6/7.

LIVING LIVES OF MERCY

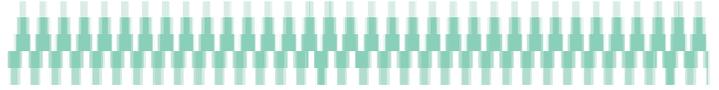
St. John and St. Michael Masses

The following Mass guidelines are currently in place:

- Attendees are required to wear masks.
- Temperatures of attendees will be taken at the door.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at entrances
- Social distancing guidelines will be followed.

At St. Michael, we encourage you to reserve a seat for Mass. You can signup using Flocknote, call (920-842-2580), or email stmikesuring@centurytel.net.

St. Michael Flocknote Signup Link for Feb. 7
<https://stmichael17.flocknote.com/signup/38294>



2020 Church Offertory Tax Statement

If you would still like to receive a statement of your 2020 contributions, please call; St. John's at 855-2542 or St. Michael's at 842-2580.

Parking Lot Masses

Mass is now being streamed through the radio at St. Michael & St. John. If you would like to attend Mass but do not wish to enter church, you can tune your radio to 92.5 at St. Michael or 91.9 at St. John and listen from where you are parked. During communion a Eucharistic minister will come to the main entrance. If you would like to receive communion, please come to the entrance. We ask that you please wear your mask and social distance when you come.

ST. MICHAEL PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week.....	\$2170.00
Received January 23/24.....	\$942.00
Building & Repair.....	\$25.00
Heat.....	\$25.00

In Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Emma Burish who died this past week. May God's comforting presence be a source of peace and strength to her family and friends.



Cleaning Crews Needed

Our parish depends on volunteers to clean the church on a weekly basis. Due to people retiring or moving to other parishes, we no longer have adequate people to serve on our cleaning teams. If you could spare a couple hours once or twice a month to help keep our church looking nice, please contact the parish office.



Looking Ahead

Tues., Feb. 2	Mass - 8:30 AM at St. John Followed by Rosary
Wed., Feb. 3	Mass - 8:30 AM at St. Michael (reconciliation available after)
Sat., Feb. 6	Reconciliation 3:00 PM at St. John
Sat., Feb. 13	Ruby's Pantry 7:30 - 9:30 AM Gillett HS

Bulletins & Collection Envelopes

With the ongoing pandemic keeping many people 'home and safe', it is sometimes difficult to stay connected. If you (or someone you know) would like to have the bulletin delivered to their home, please contact the parish office. Bulletins can be sent by mail or email. Also, collection envelope boxes will be mailed out by request. Everyone is a vital member of the parish, even in their absence. God bless!

ST. JOHN PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week.....	\$1615.00
Received January 23/24.....	\$1058.00
Heat Collection.....	\$20.00

MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of February 1 - 7

ST. MICHAEL - CHUTE POND

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

7:30 AM † Martha DeCleene

By Theresa Devroy

ST. MICHAEL - SURING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:45 AM † Earl & Eunice School

By Mike & Debbie School

ST. JOHN - GILLETT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

4:00 PM † Open

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

10:00 AM † Agnes Wolfe

By Family

Open Dates For Mass Intentions

Suring, Suring, Sunday: Feb. 14, 21, 28

Wednesdays: Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24

Chapel, Sunday: No open dates until March

St. John Parish

Tuesdays: Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Saturdays: Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27

Sundays: Feb. 14, 21, 28, Mar. 21, 28

Readings for the week of January 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
[8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23,
24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb
2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-
14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab,
3cd-4, 9, 10-11 [cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc
[1a]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a,
3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
[cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/
Mk 1:29-39

MINISTERS OF THE MASS

CHUTE POND

SUNDAY 2/7 7:30 AM

Ministers of the Word Steve Brickner

SURING

SUNDAY 2/7 8:45 AM

Ministers of the Word Mike Rupiper
Hospitality Ministers Steve & Sheelagh School

GILLETT

SATURDAY 2/6 4:00 PM

Ministers of the Word Jay Conley
Hospitality Ministers Barb Makoski
Colleen Warrichaiet

SUNDAY 2/7 10:00 AM

Ministers of the Word Lyman Wocking
Hospitality Ministers Jack Arneson Mary Clark



If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have us pray for them, please call the office and we will add them to our prayers of the faithful during the weekend Masses.



The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. (Mk 1:22)