

Welcome to the Parish Communities of

# ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



ST. MICHAEL – Suring



ST. MICHAEL STATION – Chute Pond



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST – Gillett

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## 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.

## 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
Third Saturday	6:30 PM Spanish Mass - Gillett

## 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.

February 13/14 2021 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# DISCIPLES ON THE WAY

## *Bishop's Appeal Message*

*The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.*  
Mark 1:42

Dear Friends,

"...and he was made clean." A fresh start, a clean slate. Don't we all sometimes need a new beginning? Jesus performed miraculous healings we hear throughout the Gospels. He gave people a new beginning and demonstrated his power as the Son of God. Many who witnessed or experienced these healings became true believers. In Christ, they rose again.

Catholic Charities continues this mission of Jesus today. They help people create new beginnings. Through the counseling services they provide in mental health, debt management, addiction, adoption and parenting support, and marriage and family conflict, Catholic Charities helps people heal.

Together through supporting the Bishop's Appeal, *We Rise Again!* Contact our parish office, use the pledge card you received at home, or visit the Bishop's Appeal website at [www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give](http://www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give) to make your gift. Thank you for your generosity.

### **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](mailto:stmikesuring@centurytel.net).

St. Michael Flocknote Signup Link for Feb. 21

<https://stmichael17.flocknote.com/signup/38297>

### **Parking Lot Masses**

Mass is streamed through the radio at both parishes. 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. Communion will be offered at the main entrance. Please wear your mask and social distance when you come for communion.

## *Looking Ahead*

**Tues., Feb. 16**

**Mass** - 8:30 AM at St. John  
Followed by Rosary  
**St. Michael Office Closed**

**Wed., Feb. 17**

**Ash Wednesday Masses**  
8:30 AM at St. Michael  
7:00 PM at St. John

**Fri., Feb. 19**

**Stations of the Cross**  
6:00 PM at St. John

**Sat., Feb. 20**

**Reconciliation**  
3:00 PM at St. John  
**Spanish Mass**  
6:30 PM at St. John

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Unfailing Goodness of God

I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that I can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him.

Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# LIVING LIVES OF MERCY

## St. Michael Lenten Project

During this Lenten season, we will be collecting donations to support the Smile Train organization. Millions of children in developing countries with untreated clefts live in isolation and have difficulty eating, breathing and speaking. Smile Train is an organization that provides free cleft repair surgery and care to these children. They have provided safe, high-quality cleft surgery and related treatment in 85+ countries worldwide. Repair surgery can cost as little as \$250, and the impact is life-changing for patients and families. We have generously supported this organization in the past. Please bring your donations to Mass during Lent and place in the provided donation box. You can also mail your donation to St. Michael Church at PO Box 248, Suring WI, 54174



## Cleaning Crews Needed at St. John

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.



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



## Lenten Fast and Abstinence Rules

Here are the Catholic Church's rules for fasting and abstinence during Lent:

- Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday of Lent.
- Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, in addition to abstaining from meat, should fast, that is, eat only one full meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals, but no food should be consumed at other times during those two days. The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one's 59th birthday.

These practices are designed for spiritual growth. Catholics are not to excuse themselves lightly from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

## 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.

## Bishop's Appeal

Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal is used, without exception, to support the ministries and programs of the Diocese. In the coming weeks we will take a look at areas that received funding from the Appeal.

## Catholic Charities

The ministries of Catholic Charities provides social service programs to thousands of people throughout northeastern Wisconsin each year. Following are examples of their work:

- Individual and Family Counseling Services, including mental health counseling for families, couples and children.
- Family Strengthening Services to refugee and immigration communities throughout northeastern Wisconsin.
- Adoption and Pregnancy Counseling to assist birth parents, adoptive couples and people with unplanned pregnancies.
- Financial Health Services offers tools and guidance to help people learn responsible financial management.
- Care Ministry trains care ministers to bring Holy Communion, prayers and a friendly face to people who are homebound and sick. Parishioners remain connected to their parishes because of this ministry.

## ST. MICHAEL PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week ..... \$2170.00  
 Received February 6/7 ..... *Masses canceled*  
 Bishop's Appeal to Date: \$3000 of \$7953 (38%)

## ST. JOHN PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week ..... \$1615.00  
 Received February 6/7 ..... \$1410.00  
 Bishop's Appeal to Date: \$0 of \$9462

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



## MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of February 15 - 21

### ST. MICHAEL - CHUTE POND

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

7:30 AM † Martha DeCleene

By Theresa Devroy

### ST. MICHAEL - SURING

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

8:30 AM † Fr. William Stengel

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

8:45 AM † Open

### ST. JOHN - GILLETT

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20**

4:00 PM † Robert & Dianne Gosse

By Ken & Karen Kuhfuss

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

10:00 AM † Open

### Open Dates For Mass Intentions

**Suring, Sunday:** Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 28

**Wednesdays:** Feb. 24, March 10, 17, 24

**Chapel, Sunday:** No open dates until April

### St. John Parish

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

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

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

### Readings for the week of February 14, 2021

**Sunday:** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11  
[7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

**Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-  
17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2,  
3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-  
21

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13,  
14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/  
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps  
40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19  
[19b]/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
[11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

**Next Sunday:** Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf.  
10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

## MINISTERS OF THE MASS

### CHUTE POND

**SUNDAY 2/21 7:30 AM**

Ministers of the Word Ellen Brickner

### SURING

**SUNDAY 2/21 8:45 AM**

Ministers of the Word Steve Robillard

Hospitality Ministers Phil Fischer Jr.

Kate Mahoney

### GILLETT

**SATURDAY 2/20 4:00 PM**

Ministers of the Word Dorothy Sorensen

Hospitality Ministers Colleen Warrichaiet

Ben Penkivich

**SUNDAY 2/21 10:00 AM**

Ministers of the Word Alex Wocking

Hospitality Ministers Timm Family



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.



*A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41*