

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

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 - 12:00 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.

August 14/15, 2021 | The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

# DISCIPLES ON THE WAY

## The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

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### No Pushing

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!"

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## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### WWMD?

WWJD bracelets were all the rage about 25 years ago in Christian circles. I've always wondered if a WWMD bracelet might not make just as much sense, and maybe more. What Would Mary Do?

I would argue that Mary was the most exemplary steward who ever lived. Her answer was always "Yes." Yes, Lord, I am Your handmaiden. Yes, I will visit Elizabeth, and help her in the last difficult months of pregnancy. Yes, I will bring my son up in the Mosaic law and present him at the Temple of Jerusalem. Yes, I will give him to the crowds and to public ministry. Yes, I will offer him on this Cross, if it is Your will.

Yes, yes, yes.

Well, I can't be like Mary, we think to ourselves.

There's an intimidation factor with the Blessed Mother and Catholics sometimes — one that almost exceeds that of Christ. Perhaps it's because we are in awe of the fact that she was not divine in any way — she was a mere creation, like us — but somehow, she always had the courage to say yes. How could she do it, when we find it so hard?

Well, God certainly lavished on Mary extraordinary graces. Her lack of original sin liberated her to conform her will to God's.

But God is impatient to give us, too, all the graces we need to be a steward in the example of Mary. He's waiting for us simply to ask. Just as in Adam we died, so in Christ — through Mary — we live.

What can we say yes to today, in Mary's example?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# LIVING LIVES OF MERCY

## Looking Ahead

- Tues., August 17** Mass - 8:30 AM at St. John  
Followed by Rosary
- Wed., August 18** Mass - 8:30 AM at St. Michael  
(reconciliation available after)
- Sat., August 21** **Reconciliation**  
3:00 PM at St. John  
**Spanish Mass**  
6:30 PM at St. John
- Mon., August 23** **Knights of Columbus Mtg.**  
7:00 PM at St. Anthony
- Sat., August 28** **Finance Council Mtg.**  
7:30 AM at St. John

## Polka Mass and Social Gathering

St. John will be holding a polka Mass and social gathering (in lieu of our Fall Festival) on August 29th. The event will include a 10 AM outdoor polka Mass at church, followed by a free meal and children's games. After more than a year of dealing with the uncertainty of a pandemic, we are hoping to welcome families back with this celebration. We will need 'helping hands' to package and distribute food, beverages, etc. There is a 'sign up' sheet in the back of church. Please add your name to the list if you can help in any way. Call the church office for more details.



## Food Pantry Help Needed

The parish community of St Michael will bag groceries for the Care/Share Food Pantry at St. John Lutheran church in Gillett on Wednesday, September 15th. We need helpers from 8:30 to 11:30 AM. If you can help, please call Phil or Elaine Fischer at 920-842-2314. The Care/Share Food Pantry distributes the third Wednesday of every month.



## Hope for the Future, Help them Today

Our 16th annual Seminarian Collection is underway. By now you have received a letter from Bishop Ricken inviting you to take part in the vocation mission. Please return your generous contribution to this collection, using the pledge card and return envelope you received in the mail, or donate online at [www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give](http://www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give). Every gift makes a difference. Our seminarians are our *Hope for the Future*, Let us *Help them Today!*

## Musician Needed!

St. Michael is still looking for a musician. We would like to hire someone to play the organ, or perhaps guitar, and lead the congregation in song at the Chapel starting in September. If interested, or you would like more information, please contact the parish office at 920-842-2580.

## Lectors Needed!

St. Michael is looking for new lectors and communion distributors at the Chapel. If you would like to help fill these ministries, please call the parish office at 920-842-2580. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

## ST. MICHAEL PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week.....	\$2170.00
Received July 31/Aug. 1.....	\$2705.00
Received August 7/8.....	\$1016.00
Building & Repair.....	\$268.00

## Bulletin Changes

Beginning the week of August 23, the bulletin deadline will change from Tuesday at 10:00 AM to Monday at 10:00 AM. You will also notice some changes to the bulletin. We will no longer have the flap, and the inside of the bulletin will be in black and white. We rely on selling ads to help publish the bulletin. In recent years the number of ads has gone down. We would like to thank our advertisers that continue to support our parish. **Please help support our advertising sponsors who make our weekly bulletin possible at no cost to either St. John or St. Michael.**

## ST. JOHN PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week.....	\$1615.00
Received August 7/8.....	\$1606.00
Bishop's Appeal to Date:	\$7435 of \$9462 (79%)

Visit our Website at <http://stjohnstmichael.com>

## MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of August 9 - 15

### ST. MICHAEL - CHUTE POND

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

7:30 AM † People of the Parish

### ST. MICHAEL - SURING

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

8:45 AM † Angie Nagy

By Barb Truttman

### ST. JOHN - GILLETT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

4:00 PM † People of the Parish

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

10:00 AM † Edward Cisler

By Harold & Madonna Seefeldt

### Open Dates For Mass Intentions

#### St. Michael Parish

Suring, Sunday: Sept. 5

Wednesdays: Aug. 18, 25

Chapel, Sunday: Sept. 12

#### St. John Parish

Tuesdays: Aug. 17, 23, 31, Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28

Saturdays: Sept. 11, 18, 25

Sundays: Aug. 29, Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26

*Suggested stipend fee is \$10 per Mass.*



“From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
the Almighty has done great things for me  
and holy is his Name.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
and has lifted up the lowly.”

- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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## MINISTERS OF THE MASS

### CHUTE POND

SUNDAY

8/22

7:30 AM

Ministers of the Word

Steve Brickner

### SURING

SUNDAY

8/22

8:45 AM

Ministers of the Word

Lisa Gilligan

Hospitality Ministers

Phil Fischer Jr.

Kate Mahoney

### GILLETT

SATURDAY

8/21

4:00 PM

Ministers of the Word

Joe Quade

Hospitality Ministers

Louie Tenaglia

Ben Penkivich

SUNDAY

8/22

10:00 AM

Ministers of the Word

Lyman Wocking

Hospitality Ministers

Mary Clark

## Readings for the Week

### August 15, 2021

Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps  
132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor  
15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ Ps  
45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor  
15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37,  
39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-  
22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14  
[cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/  
Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9,  
10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-  
6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt  
22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-  
2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3,  
16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/  
Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/  
Jn 6:60-6