

January 18, 2026



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### January 18, 2026 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus, the Lamb of God, is the light of the nations who came to do the Father's will.  
In Christ we have been called to be a holy people.

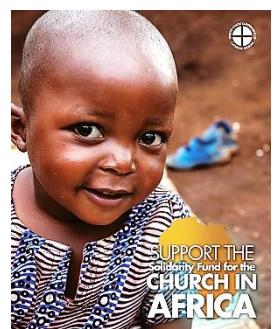
### Thank You Again to Teri and Roger Lehne.

As you might all know, Teri and Roger before their deaths named St. Michael's Church in their will as one of the partial beneficiaries of their annuities, which they had invested in some financial institutions. St. Michael's Church has previously received a total donation of \$179,464.72 from them. Part of this money was used to replace the carpet in the Church and the rest invested with Northland Catholic Community Fund. This past week, we received another donation of \$70,000 from them, bringing their total donation to St. Michael's Church to \$249,614. Naming one's parish, school or diocese in a will as a partial beneficiary of one's investment is a beautiful way to make a long-lasting gift to one's Church. We are very grateful to Teri and Roger for their very generous support of St. Michael's Church. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in eternal peace. Amen.

If you would like information about end-of-life planning or are considering naming St. Michael's Church or School, or St. Joseph's Church, Beaulieu in your will, feel free to contact Tina Penner, our Development Director or the Northland Catholic Community Foundation for more information.

**Update on the Appeal for the Parish Hall Floor.** Thank you to everyone who has so far contributed to our end-of-year fundraising appeal to replace the parish hall carpet. **As of this weekend, we have so far received \$7,415 of our goal of \$34,000 (21.8%).** Thank you very much for generously supporting this project. If you are still considering donating, please use the envelope you received in the mail, drop it in the collection basket any weekend, or mail it back to the parish office. There are also some envelopes at the gathering space of the church. You can also donate online at [www.stmichaelmahnomen.org](http://www.stmichaelmahnomen.org) and click the GIVE Button, in the drop-down menu, then select Parish Hall Project. May God bless you abundantly and Happy New Year.

**Our Second Collection this Weekend** is the annual collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Although the Church in Africa is growing, many still lack access to basic resources and pastoral care. The Solidarity Fund supports pastoral projects to build the capacity of the Church and foster lasting peace and reconciliation across a continent often marked by division and tension. To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/africa](http://www.usccb.org/africa). Thank you for your generosity.



Church in Africa Collection  Saturday 1/17/26  Team 3	<b>4:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Michael's</b> <b>5:00 pm Mass at St. Michael's:</b> † Urban Neisen by Rita Neisen <u>Sacristan:</u> Tim (Too Tall) Spaeth <u>Servers:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> Lisa Larson <u>Commentator:</u> Char Spaeth <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Lisa Larson, Marlys Johnson, Tim and Char Spaeth, HELP NEEDED <b>Ushers:</b> Don Eveslage, Don Kaiser, Roger Francis, Brian Klinkhammer <b>Cantor:</b> Lynn Buschette
Church in Africa Collection  Sunday 1/18/26  Team 3  CLOW in Both Parishes	<b>8:00 am Reconciliation at St. Joseph's</b> <b>8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's:</b> For the Parishioners <u>Server:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> Deb McNamee <u>Commentator:</u> Joe Buresh <u>Gifts:</u> Rita Wolbeck and Shirley Sweep <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Jerome and Ann Schoenborn, Yvonne Kersting, Cletus Geray, Rita Wolbeck  <b>10:30 am Mass at St. Michael's:</b> <i>Honor of Violet Kochmann's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday</i> <u>Sacristan:</u> Joe Dewey <u>Servers:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Commentator:</u> HELP NEEDED <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Joe Dewey, HELP NEEDED <b>Ushers:</b> Dan Schoenborn, HELP NEEDED <b>Cantor:</b> Jill Bisek <u>Pianist:</u> Gina Worms
Monday - 1/19/26 Martin Luther King Day	<b>No Mass</b> <b>No School – Teacher In-Service</b>
Tuesday 1/20/26	<b>8:30 am Mass at St. Michael's:</b> † Carol Liebl by Her Family <b>9:30 am Collection Counters:</b> Shelly Zimmel and Karen Hanson <b>5:30 pm School Advisory Council Meeting</b>
Wednesday 1/21/26	<b>10:00 am Mass at Mahnomen Senior Living:</b> For the Parishioners <b>6:15-7:00 pm Grades 3-8 Faith Formation Class</b> <b>7:00-8:15 pm Grades 9 and 10 Faith Formation Class</b>
Thursday 1/22/26	<b>7:00 am St. Michael's Finance Council Meeting</b> <b>2:00 pm Bulletin Folder:</b> Marlys Johnson <b>5:30 pm Mass at St. Michael's:</b> For the Parishioners <b>6:00 pm Reconciliation</b>
Friday 1/23/26	<b>8:30 am Mass at St. Michael's w/Students:</b> † Urban Neisen by Rita Neisen
Saturday 1/24/26  Team 4	<b>4:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Michael's</b> <b>5:00 pm Mass at St. Michael's:</b> † Betty Thompson by Dave and Nicole Thompson & Family <u>Sacristan:</u> Bev Schoenborn <u>Servers:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Commentator:</u> Tom Houdek <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Tom and Amy Houdek, Bill and Denise Nelson, Doris Eiynck <b>Ushers:</b> Tom Houdek, Gary Klinkhammer, Elmer Schoenborn, HELP NEEDED <b>Cantor:</b> HELP NEEDED <u>Pianist:</u> HELP NEEDED
Sunday 1/25/26  Team 4  Catholic Schools Week	<b>8:00 am Reconciliation at St. Joseph's</b> <b>8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's:</b> For the Parishioners <u>Server:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> Rita Wolbeck <u>Commentator:</u> Joe Buresh <u>Gifts:</u> John and PauliAnn Neisen <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Jeff Crandall, Doug Kersting, Jerome and Ann Schoenborn, JoAnn Kersting  <b>10:30 am Mass at St. Michael's:</b> † Andy Wambach by Bruce and Beth Slette <u>Sacristan:</u> Kevin Gieseke <u>Servers:</u> Catholic School Students <u>Lector:</u> Catholic School Student <u>Commentator:</u> Catholic School Student <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Melissa Netland, Samantha DeLong, Ray Bisek, Misty Amberg, HELP NEEDED <b>Ushers:</b> Steve Worms, Kevin Gieseke, HELP NEEDED <b>Cantors:</b> Catholic School Students/Tina Penner



Stewardship of Treasure  
For The Week of January 11, 2026

*Thank you to all who are using envelopes or mailing your stewardship offering to the parish office.  
Your Gifts Are Greatly Appreciated!*

	<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>St. Joseph's</u>
Adult	\$ 1545.00	\$ 817.00
Youth	\$	\$
Plate	\$ 434.00	\$ 20.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1979.00</b>	<b>\$ 837.00</b>
<b>Year-to-date Totals</b>	<b>\$ 96,342.00</b>	<b>\$ 35,026.00</b>
(As of July 1, 2025)		
Christmas	\$ 2010.00	
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 10.00	\$ 200.00

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED - Please pray for those in need for their healing & peace.**  
**We Especially Remember:**

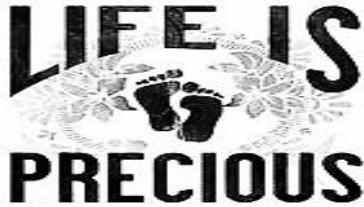
Trey Beauchamp, Richard Pavlish, Pauline Vizenor, Harold Schultz, Reed Bjerkl, Jeri Lynn Jaeger, Keith Francis, Sue Voit, Caleb Stock, Jessica Halvorson, Molly Houdek, Sandy Haddeland, Allen Neisen, Mike McCollum, Connie Bruggeman, Sonny Saice, Jeannie Hanson, Casey Bristian, Delores Miller, Linda Noll, Theresa Thielen, Rita Kaiser, Amy Houdek, Mary Monahan, Al Beach, April Jirik, Lucy Johnson, Nan Christopherson, Ernie Stock, Maggie Lerud, Joe Thompson, Mary Jirik, Joyce Sponskowski, Alan Beach, Cole Houska

*And all recipients of the Catholic Daughter Prayer Blankets.*

To add or remove someone from our Parish Prayer Chain, please call the Parish Office at 218-935-2503.

**March for Life**

Saturday, January 24, 2026  
12:00 Noon  
Beltrami County  
Courthouse



**Thank you!**

Dear St. Michael's Church,  
Thank you so very much for your generous Giving Tree donations! We are so grateful for so many wonderful diapers, outfits, onesies and more that will bless so many families.

Thank you for all you do to love and support moms and babies.

May God Bless you!

Chloe Kramer

Women's Care Center

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*Our sympathy and prayers to the family of*  
**Kenneth Bellefeuille**  
*who passed away in Spokane WA.*  
*Services will be held at a later date at St. Michael's.*

**The “Sunday Mass Devotional”**

*on KRJM “Gold 101.5 FM” Radio  
Can be heard from 1:00-1:30pm every Sunday*

***In Memory of  
Mary and Gary Ihry***

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**(Please Consider sponsoring or donating)**

**January 25, 2026**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Isaiah 8:23—9:3**

**Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14**

**Corinthians 1:10-13, 17**

**Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17**

**Sacraments**

**Baptisms:** Please call the parish office for baptismal preparation, and to set a date for baptism.

**Reconciliation:** 4:30 pm Saturdays at St. Michael's – 8:00 am Sundays at St. Joseph's or anytime by appt. with the Pastor

**Marriages:** Congratulations! Please contact the parish office as soon as possible (ideally, at least six months in advance) so that we can work with you to prepare for your marriage.

**Pastoral Visitation:** If you desire a home visit, communion for the homebound, or the Sacrament of the sick, please call the office at 935-2503.

***We want to be part of your life.***

## St. Michael's School News

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To contact the school office

Please call: 218-935-5222

Website: [www.stmichaelschool.org](http://www.stmichaelschool.org)

Congratulations to this week's  
Calendar Winner Of \$250.00

**Mary Pettiford, St. Paul**

No School

Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> - Teacher In-Service

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**Faith Formation Classes for grades 3-10**

**Wednesday - January 21, 28**

3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade: 6:15 - 7:00 pm

9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> grade: 7:00 - 8:15 pm

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Children's Liturgy of the Word  
(CLOW)

Sunday - January 18, 2026

**St. Michael's School is making  
freezer space for our fish fry  
during Lent.**

**We still have pies for sale:**



25 pumpkin

7 strawberry/rhubarb

10 apple

**Call the school if you would like  
pies - \$12.00/ea. 218-935-5222**

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Save the Date

**Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

**SCREENSTRONG**

**Educational Workshop for all parents and  
caregivers - Rethinking Screens -  
Reclaiming Kids - Reconnecting Families**

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

## Catholic Schools Week

St. Michael's School will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week January 25-30, 2026. Please see the insert for all the details of the week.

St. Michael's School will be serving a Parish Appreciation Lunch following Sunday Mass on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Please join St. Michael's School in the Parish Hall for a Sloppy Joe lunch and door prizes in appreciation for all that you do to support our school.

Everyone welcome!

**St. Michael's School Benefit Dinner  
Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**

Tickets will be available for purchase after Masses this weekend at both parishes., or by calling the school at 218-935-5222.

Tickets are \$500 and can be purchased as whole or up to 5 individuals.

Grand prize is \$8000

2<sup>nd</sup> prize is \$2000

3<sup>rd</sup> prize is \$1000

We are also looking for donations of silent auction items.

Thank you for your support of  
St. Michael's School

Retreat Opportunities  
For Middle-School and High School Youth

Wednesday, January 28, 2026: 7:00 pm  
Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Detroit Lakes

Wednesday, March 11, 2026: 7:00 pm  
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Moorhead

Wednesday, April 29, 2026: 7:00 pm  
St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Thief River Falls

For more information, please see the posters  
on our bulletin boards.



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