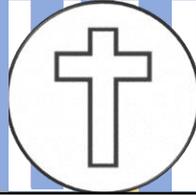


March 1, 2026



People Growing with God

## ST. MICHAEL'S & ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCHES MAHNOMEN, MINNESOTA



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### March 1, 2026 – Second Sunday of Lent

Abram places trust in God's promise of making his name and descendants great on earth. In Jesus' transfigured glory is revealed that life and immortality will rob death of its power.

**Parish Reconciliation Service:** **On Wednesday, March 25, 2026**, we shall have our Parish Lenten Penance Service, followed by individual confessions. This year, we are blessed to have **Fr. Bob Schreiner**, Pastor of St. Joseph Church, Red Lake Falls and St. Joseph's Church, Brooks as the presider and preacher. The service will begin at exactly 6:15 pm at St. Michael's Church. There will be two other priests in addition to Fr. Bob and Fr. Andrew who will be available to listen to our confessions following the Reconciliation Service led by Fr. Bob. You are all invited to come and seek the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Even if you do not intend to go to the individual confession, please come and renew your faith and knowledge through the teaching that Fr. Bob will give us.

**Planning for Mission Discernment Videos:** Thank you to the parish leaders who attended the Leadership Formation Session this past Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> here at St. Michael's. We will meet again this Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and then on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at St. Michael's Parish for prayer, watching videos 2 and 3 and then discussion.

**Training for all Liturgical Ministers:** Including Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar servers, Ushers and Commentators. All are encouraged to attend one of the following sessions. Food will be served. More information in the following weeks.

April 11: 9-11 am at St. Joseph's

April 18: 9-11 am at St. Michael's

### St. Michael's PTC Lenten Fish Fry

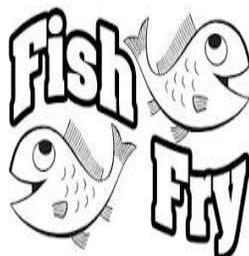
Fridays during Lent. - March 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>  
5:30-7:00 pm.

\$20.00 per 1 Fillet Meal

Meals include: Walleye Fillet, Potato, Coleslaw,  
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All proceeds will go to Matching Funds.



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<p>Saturday 2/28/26</p> <p>Team 4</p>	<p><u>4:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Michael's</u>  <u>5:00 pm Mass at St. Michael's: † Betty Thompson</u> by Dave and Nicole Thompson and Family  <u>Sacristan:</u> Kevin Gieseke      <u>Servers:</u> Vanessa and Brock DeLong and Hannah LaFrinere  <u>Lector:</u> Darlene Spaeth      <u>Commentator:</u> Melissa Netland  <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Melissa Netland, Samantha DeLong, Ray Bisek, Misty Amberg  <u>Ushers:</u> Steve Worms, Kevin Gieseke, Mark Amberg, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Cantors:</u> Dave Kochmann, Evan Bruggeman, Choir      <u>Pianist:</u> <b>HELP NEEDED</b></p>
<p>Sunday 3/1/26</p> <p>CLOW at Both Parishes</p> <p>Team 1</p>	<p><u>8:00 am Reconciliation at St. Joseph's</u>      <u>8:00 am Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's</u>  <u>8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's: † Steven Elsinger</u> by Walter and Carol Geray  <u>Server:</u> Wyatt Geray  <u>Lector:</u> Rita Wolbeck      <u>Commentator:</u> Cletus Geray  <u>Gifts:</u> Steve and Kathy Haider  <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Jerome and Ann Schoenborn, Dan and Deb McNamee, Doug Kersting, Rita Wolbeck</p> <p><u>10:00 – 10:15 am Reconciliation at St. Michael's</u>  <u>10:30 am Mass at St. Michael's: For the Parishioners</u>  <u>Sacristan:</u> Fred Houdek      <u>Servers:</u> <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Lector:</u> Judy McCollum      <u>Commentator:</u> <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Judy McCollum, Fred Houdek, Karen Ahmann, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Ushers:</u> <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Cantor:</u> Jill Bisek      <u>Pianist:</u> Gina Worms  <u>2:00-4:00 pm Leadership Formation Session for Parish Leaders at St. Michael's Church</u></p>
<p>Monday 3/2/26</p>	<p><u>No Mass</u></p>
<p>Tuesday 3/3/26</p>	<p><u>8:30 am Mass at St. Michael's: For the Parishioners</u>  <u>9:30 am Collection Counters:</u> Doris Eynck and Karen Hanson</p>
<p>Wednesday 3/4/26</p>	<p><u>10:00 am Mass at Mahnomen Senior Living: For the Parishioners</u>  <u>6:15 pm Mass at St. Michael's followed by Soup Supper, Adult Enrichment, Faith Formation</u></p>
<p>Thursday 3/5/26</p>	<p><u>2:00 pm Bulletin Folder:</u> Eunice Bellanger  <u>No Mass</u></p>
<p>Friday 3/6/26</p>	<p><u>No Mass</u>  <u>1:00 pm Stations of the Cross at St. Michael's</u>  <u>5:30 – 7:00 pm Fish Fry at St. Michael's</u></p>
<p>Saturday 3/7/26</p> <p>Team 1</p>	<p><u>9:00 am First Saturday Devotions at St. Joseph's</u>  <u>4:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Michael's</u>  <u>5:00 pm Mass at St. Michael's: † Joyce Klinkhammer</u> by Rodney and Susan McCollum  <u>Sacristan:</u> Juanita Zimmerman      <u>Servers:</u> Claire, Heath and Malynn Sather  <u>Lector:</u> Dave Zimmerman      <u>Commentator:</u> Juanita Zimmerman  <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Kathy Janisch, Dave Zimmerman, Joe Kaiser, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Ushers:</u> Don Eveslage, Don Kaiser, Gary Klinkhammer, Joe Kaiser  <u>Cantor:</u> Tina Penner</p>
<p>Sunday 3/8/26</p> <p>Team 2</p>	<p><u>8:00 am Reconciliation at St. Joseph's</u>      <u>8:00 am Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's</u>  <u>8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's: † Marjorie "Blaser" Elsinger</u> by Walter and Carol Geray  <u>Server:</u> Norah Geray  <u>Lector:</u> Cletus Geray      <u>Commentator:</u> Deb McNamee  <u>Gifts:</u> Shelly Benson and Marlene Klinkhammer  <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Jeff Crandall, Rita Wolbeck, Joe Bursch, PauliAnn Neisen, JoAnn Kersting</p> <p><u>10:00 – 10:15 am Reconciliation at St. Michael's</u>  <u>10:30 am Mass at St. Michael's: For the Parishioners</u>  <u>Sacristan:</u> Joe Dewey      <u>Servers:</u> Brandon Miller and Dakotah Littlewolf  <u>Lector:</u> Mark Jirik      <u>Commentator:</u> <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Karen Hanson, Roger and Peggy Francis, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Ushers:</u> Ryan Ennen, Steve Worms, Mark Jirik, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>  <u>Cantor:</u> Askelson Family      <u>Pianist:</u> Megan Askelson  <u>2:00-4:00 pm Leadership Formation Session for Parish Leaders at St. Michael's Church</u></p>



Stewardship of Treasure  
For The Week of February 15, 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	\$ 13,925.00	\$ 1035.00
Youth	\$	\$ 12.00
Plate	\$ 210.00	\$ 150.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 14,135.00</b>	<b>\$ 1197.00</b>
<b>Year-to-date Totals</b> (As of July 1, 2025)	<b>\$ 120,664.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,537.00</b>
Central & Eastern	\$ 797.00	\$ 145.00
Europe Collection		
Black & Indian	\$ 324.00	\$ 170.00
Mission Collection		

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

Sharon Houdek, Jim Krajsa, Chad Blaser, Mike Neisen, Trey Beauchamp, Richard Pavlish, Harold Schultz, Reed Bjerck, Jeri Lynn Jaeger, Keith Francis, Sue Voit, Jessica Halvorson, Molly Houdek, Sandy Haddeland, Allen Neisen, Mike McCollum, Connie Bruggeman, 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 List, please call the Parish Office at 218-935-2503.**

**Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12**

Please join us at St. Joseph's Church for a movie about St. Faustina. The Congregation of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception presents "DIVINE MERCY – NO ESCAPE." It is the hope of the Congregation of Marians at Eden Hill, Stockbridge, Massachusetts that many more people will find their way to God's Mercy.

Movie: 2:00 pm

Prayer of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 3:00 pm

Adoration: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

**Lenten Liturgy and Hospitality Schedule**  
**6:15 Mass or Stations followed by Soup Supper, Adult Enrichment, FF grades 7-11**

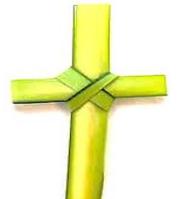
- March 4<sup>th</sup> – Mass at St. Michael's
- March 11<sup>th</sup> – Mass at St. Joseph's
- March 18<sup>th</sup> – Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's
- March 25<sup>th</sup> – Penance Service at 6:15 pm  
(NO Soup Supper)
- April 1<sup>st</sup> – Stations of the Cross at St. Michael's

**Palm Braiding**



The tradition of palm braiding or weaving is a religious practice in which parishioners weave blessed palm fronds into intricate shapes for Palm Sunday. These Palms are first used in the opening procession at Mass. The Palms are then brought home to display behind crucifixes or holy images as a symbol of faith and are a reminder of Holy Week.

You are all invited to Palm braiding class after the Palm Sunday Masses on March 29th. Learn several unique styles of braiding from our local parishioners and a few guests. Braiding will be held after the morning Masses at both parishes. Hospitality will also be served. We look forward to seeing you there.



**Mercy Novena**  
**(begins April 3)**

A novena is a nine-day prayer. The Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed again this year at the following times at St. Joseph's except for one night:

- Good Friday, April 3: 3:00 pm (Day 1)
- Holy Saturday, April 4: 8:30 am (Day 2)
- Easter Sunday, April 5: 8:00 am (Day 3)
- Mon-Tues, April 6-7: 7:00 pm (Days 4 and 5)
- Wed, April 8: 6:45 pm (at St. Michael's) (Day 6)
- Thurs-Fri, April 9-10: 7:00 pm (Days 7-8)
- Sat, April 11: 8:30 am (Day 9)

(If you cannot come every day, please get a copy of the novena at Mass on Good Friday and pray the novena at home.)

## Journey with us to prepare for Easter

Take time to reflect and grow by listening to Real Presence Radio. Our local programming offers prayerful conversations, teachings, and stories that help you enter the season with intention.

Tune in on **98.3 FM / 1280 AM in Fargo** or listen online at ***RealPresenceRadio.com***.

### *Widow and Widowers Retreat Till Death Do Us*

*Part*, will be held on March 16–18 at Nazareth Retreat House in Crookston. This retreat is designed specifically for those navigating life after the death of a beloved spouse and offers a compassionate space for healing, reflection, and hope. Through prayer, shared conversation, and guided reflection, participants will explore how God continues to be present and active in their lives — in their grief, their changing relationships, and their journey toward a new “normal.” Together, they will reflect on how a deepening relationship with Jesus can bring renewed peace, meaning, and even joy. To register please go to <https://crookston.org/widowretreat> or call Beth Schauer at Crookston Diocese at 218 2814533 ext. 420

### *Cursillo*

Thinking about your 2026 plans? Consider signing up for Cursillo. The women’s Cursillo is March 19-22. To be held at the Nazareth Retreat House in Crookston.

This three-day retreat is an encounter with oneself, with Christ, and with others. It also focuses on living Christianity in all environments.

Applications are available at <https://crookstoncursillo.weebly.com/>

**The “Sunday Mass Devotional”  
on KRJM “Gold 101.5 FM”  
Radio  
Can be heard from 1:00-1:30pm  
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**March 8, 2026  
Third Sunday of Lent**

Exodus 17:3-7  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9  
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
John :4:5-42 or :4:5-15,  
19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## *Breakfast Fundraiser*

For Scholarships for Mahnomen and Waubun High School Students

Sunday, March 8, 2026  
Waubun Community Center  
Serving 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee, Orange Juice and Milk

Adults - \$12.00  
Children age 5-12 - \$6.00  
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## “Putting the Pieces Together” Women’s Lenten Retreat

All women are invited to attend the Women’s Lenten Day Retreat “Putting the Pieces Together” on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> held at St. Joseph’s Church in Ada from 9:30 am-2:00 pm.

The guest speaker is Bobbi Mercil from Holy Rosary, Detroit Lakes. Just like putting the pieces of a puzzle together, we will spend time reflecting on how we attempt to put the pieces of our lives together on our own and the struggles that it can bring. But when we allow God to be the center of the puzzle, the pieces come together in ways that can bring more joy to our lives.

Please register by March 11<sup>th</sup> by calling/texting 218-784-8566 or e-mail [adastjoseph@gmail.com](mailto:adastjoseph@gmail.com). Lunch will be provided. This is for single, married, widowed and teenage women. Registration and a light breakfast begin at 9:00 am. Lunch is provided. A \$10.00 registration fee is requested.

### **2nd Sunday of Lent**

*“Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you.”  
GENESIS 12:1*

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, “God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful.”



## St. Michael's School News

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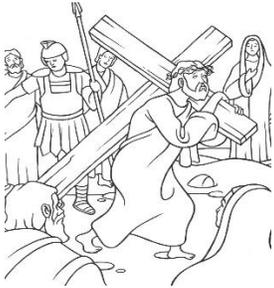
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### Congratulations to this week's Calendar Winner Of \$50.00

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students at 1:00 pm  
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Lent for the Stations  
of the Cross



### Upcoming classes for Religious Formation for 3-10 grades:

**Wednesday, March 4:** 6:15 pm Mass/Soup and Sandwich/Class (7:15 to 8:00 pm) at St. Mike's.

**Wednesday, March 11:** 6:15 pm Mass/Soup and Sandwich/Class (7:15 to 8:00 pm) at St. Joe's

**Wednesday, March 18:** 6:15 pm Stations/Soup and Sandwich/Class (7:15 to 8:00 pm) at St. Joe's

**Wednesday, March 25:** 6:15 pm Penance Service at St. Mike's (no soup supper)

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** Attend Mass at either St. Joe's or St. Mike's and attend Palm braiding class after Mass.

**Wednesday, April 1:** 6:15 pm Stations/Soup and Sandwich/Class (7:15 to 8:00 pm) at St. Mike's

### Gifts & Memorials Given

St. Michael's School

† **Anthony Schoenborn's 92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday**

By Randy and Joy Schoenborn



## Retreat Opportunities for High School Students

Are you a high school student who desires to learn more about your faith? Have you had an encounter with the Lord that you desire to deepen? These 'The

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### Lent Retreat

March 7-8, 2026 2:00 pm – 2:00 pm

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620 Summit Ave

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For more information and to register, visit:

[www.crookston.org/reasonforhope](http://www.crookston.org/reasonforhope)

Or see the poster on our parish bulletin boards to scan the code.

## Retreat Opportunities For Middle-School and High School Youth

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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### 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.

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