



May 2, 2010 Fifth Sunday of Easter Parish of St. Michael

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Cimply Putting it...

Another person's trash is...we all know what the ending is to this sentence. Many of us may have been thinking about it this past week as we drove around in our area and made our way through Kingswood Rummage Sales. As human beings we seem to have a thirst for bargains. It also ties in with one of the rites of Spring—spring cleaning. That's when we clean out our basements and garages, and that is why rummage sales are popular events. Some of the things that other people are getting rid of are new to us so we can then fill the space that we have made by discarding things that we don't want, with the things that other people didn't want. Then others buy the things that we didn't want to fill the space left by the things that they are discarding. What a world!

But this year in South Dakota we have been longing for spring. It truly is a great time of year—the blossoms, new leaves on the trees, the proliferation of flowers. Along with spring cleaning there also seems to be a desire in us for newness of heart and spirit. Sometimes the past is such a burden to us that we need to get rid of some of the garbage in order to make things new. At times we just get weary of life and we yearn for something to happen that will bring some change in our lives—a new way of being. God might be having a rummage sale too. But God's Rummage Sale is different. It is not a place where you can buy the old stuff back. In God's rummage sale everything is new and everything is free. There are such things as grace, acceptance, love, wholeness and the gifts of the Holy Spirit—just to name a few of the items. Don't miss out on the bargains.

Last week I began reporting on the Parish Survey we took the past February and March. I gave some of the informational data we received. This week I will focus on the Liturgy section of the survey.

The times of weekend and weekday Masses are convenient. 95% said that they agreed with the statement. In the Liturgy Section we also received several comments. In regard to Mass times the most frequent concern was for a later Mass on Saturday evening. The latest Mass in the City of Sioux Falls on Saturdays is 5 p.m. Generally parishes that have attempted to go later have not had many in attendance. Especially during the winter months our elderly prefer the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday. Some were requesting more evening weekday Masses because of their work schedules. We are one of the few parishes in town that offers a Saturday Morning Mass.

The homilies draw upon the Scriptures and make practical applications to my spiritual and everyday life. 94% agreed with this statement. I do know that Fr. Kevin, Deacon John

and I work hard on our homilies. It is not an easy task to come up with insightful and pertinent reflections each day or every weekend. But we do pray over the Scripture passages and study their context in order to apply them to our lives and yours. We are thankful that you appreciate our efforts.

The music played and sung during Mass contributes to the prayerfulness. Again we have a 94% agreement. This is largely a credit to Jean Klein our parish liturgist. She coordinates the musicians and singers. Often when I greet the people after Mass, visitors will tell me how much they appreciate our music. The comments centered around more participation from the congregation. We also have the Morning Star Band at our 6 p.m. Mass. This began when our parish had a Life-Teen Mass several years ago. The music at the 6 p.m. Mass is more contemporary and louder than the other Masses.

The weekend liturgical Ministers (greeters, ushers, lectors, EME, servers) perform their duties and ministries in a way this is welcoming, helpful, and respectful of the congregation and the Mass. Here 96% agreed. This is due to the work that our volunteer coordinator, Sylvia Wensing does in training those who sign up to assist with our liturgies. The comments focused on the distraction of people coming late or leaving early.

On some other items related to our liturgies at St. Michael. We had positive comments about our confession schedule. We do offer scheduled confession times 4 days a week.

Recently we started ordering low gluten altar breads for those who are gluten intolerant. They contain less than the 0.01% gluten. If you are gluten intolerant and wish to receive one of these hosts please contact a staff member and we will make this happen for you.

In the near future you will be hearing about the Revised Roman Missal. The United States Bishops have approved the English texts and now we are awaiting the approval from the Vatican. The Missal is what we use for the prayers of the Mass—opening, Gloria, Creed, etc. Some of the wording has been changed and there will be a period of education before the new missal comes into use. These will be the most significant changes in our Mass in more than 40 years. But remember that the essential ingredients still remain. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic Faith and understanding it is essential for our conscious and active participation. This will continue to be our first priority at St. Michael as it has been since the beginning of our parish.

Next week I will share with you the results from the Religious Education portion of our survey.

Make it a great week. clc

Youth Happenin's CAFE

Café youth group event for the month of May
will be held on **Wednesday, May 5th**
6:30-8:00 pm at St. Michael in the gym.

Valley Fair

Forms are on the youth
bulletin board. Deadline
to sign up is May 10th!

If you missed your
Initial
Confirmation
Interview! Rhonda



THANK YOU

We would like to thank the LPEC for organizing and supervising the Parish Breakfast, the Knights of Columbus for setting up the grill, Pat Siemonsma, Virjean Fejfar, Bob and Teresa Hey for cooking a delicious meal.

Annual Spring Luncheon
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Mother Teresa #2510
Saturday, May 8th
11:30 am
St. Michael Parish Gymnasium
"Accessorize Yourself"
Adults - \$7.00
Children age 4-12—\$3.00
3 & Under Free

Tickets will be available for purchase at St. Michael or St. Katharine Drexel parish offices and at the door the day of the luncheon.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

St. Michael Cemetery—Spring Summer Hours begin May 1st. Gates will be open from:8am—8pm.

Free Skin Cancer Screening: Mon., May 3, from 5-8 pm at Lewis Drug on 41st & Minn. Appointments are required—call the Avera McKennan Call center 1-877-AT-AVERA (1-877-282-8372).

The Singing Boys of Sioux Falls, Singing Juniors and Alumni will present a Mother's Day Concert on Sun. May 9th at 3 pm. at 1st Lutheran Church, downtown Sioux Falls. A free will offering will be taken during the concert. There is one Singing Boy from St. Michael Parish:- Kyle Clement.

19th Annual O'Gorman Golf Classic - Fri., May 14th at Willow Run Golf Course. Call Pam at 336-6354 for registration information.

St. Therese Parish seeking an individual with exceptional communication and Excel Spreadsheet skills. This short term Capital Campaign Project Manager position will provide oversight and process management for the St. Therese debt reduction campaign to begin later this summer. Interested persons for this paid position, contact Kim Perry directly - 376-4954.

"Rockin' Jerusalem"- an evening of song and praise! O'Gorman HS's Choral Department annual spring concert on Thursday, May 6th at 7:00 pm in the OGHs Theatre. Tickets: \$3/Adult, \$2/K-12& Seniors. Free with a Performing Arts pass.

St. Vincent de Paul 15 year Anniversary Open House—Sat. May 15th Noon—3 pm at SVDP Thrift Store. Refreshments & Tour.

Truth4Youth—Lennox Middle School—Wed., May 5 at 7pm. Call 275-6291 or programs@truth4youth.com for info.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Have a fun and Son filled summer!



REGISTRATION FORMS— 2010-2011 R.E. forms are in the church office and on the R.E. bulletin boards. Cost is \$40 +per participant, with a \$10 late fee after August 1st.

TOTUS TUUS—Registration forms are in the church office and on the R.E. bulletin boards. Cost is \$30 per participant, due upon registration. See registration forms for more details.

SCHOOL NEWS

REGISTRATION is open for children in Preschool - Grade 6. Please call the school office for a tour or more information.

STEWARDSHIP opportunity at St. Michael School for 2010-2011 school year. We have had the good fortune of having a volunteer school nurse daily from 9am-1pm for this past school year. If we are to continue with this program we will need additional volunteer nurses. If you have 1+ days a month to share your TIME and TALENT it will be greatly appreciated. Please call Joan Van Den Hemel (605-362-8759 or Jean McHale 605-359-7828. We need to know if there is an interest in continuing the program as we plan for the coming fall.

SF Catholic Schools, St. Mary's Parish and the Staff of O'Gorman Junior High invite you to the retirement Open House for Colly Brovleit to celebrate 35 yrs. of service. on Sun. May 16th at the St. Mary Parish Hall from 4:00 –6:00 pm. **AND**

Donna Zimmer's Retirement Reception is Wed., May 12th after the 8:30 am Saint Mary School Mass in the St. Mary Parish Hall to celebrate 30 yrs. of teaching in the Catholic School System. Cards may be sent to: Donna Zimmer, at 5612 W Circle Drive, Sioux Falls SD 57106.

Welcome, New Parishioners!

WELCOME



Dale Austin & Katie Hansen
Floyd & Isabel Heinemann
Eric & Angela Hotz & daughter
Addison
Amy Majeres

Spring is a time of new life and
renewal . . .

The 5:30 p.m. daily Mass on the
first Tuesday of each month is
reserved as

A Celebration of Life!

Please join us this week.



GETTING MARRIED AT ST. MICHAEL? Come to Jean Klein's Wedding Planning Workshop on Tuesday, May 4 at 6:30 pm in the Music Room. Call the parish office to register.

St. Michael Parish News

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA - NEW TITLES HAVE ARRIVED!! Check out the new titles in the kiosk in the back of the Commons. With Mother's Day and Graduation happening in the month of May, why not give a gift that will help spiritually. Check out the Virgin Mary Bundles that are available on the table next to the kiosk – 2 CD's on Our Mother Mary for \$5.

CLEAN & GREEN our parish program invites all to help with the upkeep of the outside-lawns, trees, flower beds, etc. and the inside cleaning of the entire church, kitchens and office areas. Outside work will be done each Thurs. at 6:30 pm. Please fill in and circle the nights your family can help. The inside cleaning will be done on June 7th & 8th. Please find a shift or two that will work with your schedule. **We need MANY VOLUNTEERS!!**

PARISH DIRECTORY If you have internet access, go to homepage of our St. Michael Parish Website, www.stmichaelsfsd.org, click on the link to the left (Sign Up Today) to schedule your appointment. If you don't have internet access call the Church office during the week or stop in the Commons before or after our weekend Masses to register..

Parish Tithe – 2009-10

Each year the **Social Ministries Committee** is entrusted with a percentage of parish income, which they distribute back to those in need in our community and our world. As the donations are made, heartfelt thanks come back to the people of St. Michael. We will be sharing excerpts from some of these over the next several weeks.

From **Bishop Don Kettler of the Mission Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska**: “Our primary mission is to bring the Mass and the Sacraments to the people of Northern Alaska, an area covering 409,849 square miles and serving 46 parishes, including 38 parishes, which cannot be reached by road . . . My human heart is not capable of sufficiently expressing the depth of my gratitude to you. I leave it to God to thank you, to bless and reward you, as He alone can. I, for my part, shall continue to remember you and all your concerns in my daily Masses and prayers.”

First Friday Celebration

Friday May 7th-Mass 10:00 am in the Chapel. Join us for our annual May Brunch afterwards in the Commons. Fr. Joe Vogel will give us a wonderful slide presentation of his recent trip to Rome! Our Kindergartners will also do their final program for the year. Everyone is welcome!

Star Volunteers and Ice Cream!



We continue with appreciation of our **1,251 star volunteers** . . . Check out their names on the stars hanging in the Commons. And, if you have helped us in any way in the past year, please help yourself to a coupon for a **free DQ ice cream cone!** They are in a basket under the “star” balloons in the Commons. Thanks again for all you have done for us!



Weekend Volunteers: Time to check your summer schedules . . .



JUNE dates are due May 5th!

Going on vacation? Does a different Mass time work better in the summer? The deadline to let us know is **this coming Wed** After that date, you are asked to arrange for a substitute if you cannot serve when scheduled. Please leave a message at 361-1600 x205 or at sylvia@stmichaelsfsd.org. Thank you!

Spring-Summer R.C.I.A. Sessions

In conjunction with Fr. Joe Vogel at St. Katharine Drexel Parish we will be offering a R.C.I.A. process beginning **Wed., May 5** at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room (Door A). The sessions will conclude in September. These sessions are for those interested in becoming Catholic and for adult Catholics who have not been confirmed. Please call Frs. Cimpl or O'Dell, or Deacon John Devlin if interested. Call 361-1600.

Daily readings: May 3—9, 2010

Mon.	1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14
Tues.	Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a
Wed.	Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8
Thur.	Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11
Fri.	Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17
Sat.	Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21
Sun.	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29

THE CATHEDRAL OUR BEACON OF HOPE

Soon you will receive a letter from Bishop Swain offering you the opportunity to participate in this once in a life time historic moment when we can care for our mother church and affirm who we are as Catholics. He is asking that we prayerfully consider how we can help to preserve this beautiful gift of those who went before us, our St. Joseph Cathedral – our Beacon of Hope - through our finances and/or priceless prayers.

Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of May 8-9, 2010

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday & Tuesday 5:30 pm
Wednesday - Saturday 8:15 am

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00-9:30-11:00 am- 6:00 pm
Supervised Nursery at
9:30 & 11am Masses
Nursery open for all Masses

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday & Tuesday 5:00 pm
Thursday 7:45 am
Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 pm

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

First Thursday of month at 7:00 pm

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Begin 6 months ahead by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays - 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

ADORATION OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

"Can you spend one hour with me in prayer?"
Call 361-1600 to sign up

May 8/9	Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 9:30 a.m.	Sun. 11:00 a.m	Sun. 6:00 p.m.
Altar Servers	Taisya Gowlovech Alyssa Rokusek	Kimberly Schulte Teresa Schulte	Josh Reed Alex Denevan	Jamie Benedict Jeremy Behrends	Ryen Merrill Kaleb Overman
Book	Bret Sundleaf	Michael Schulte	Jack Lund	Jena Behrends	Luke Merrill
Bus	Mike Parsley				
Lectors	Ted Thie Connie Burkard	Bob Kappel June BeVirt	Mark Quissell Paula Heim	Dennis Schulte Brian Wuestewald	Nancy Weaver Angie Balzer
E.M.E.	Cup Bearer: ? Cup Bearer Connie Burkard Ted Thie Jan McEntee Dick Grosz Dee Grosz Mo Forsting ----?---- ----?---- Sharon Cool	Cup Bearer: Merry Jo Escher Mike Escher Dee Cink Jean Ann Hentges Julie Dresselhuis Debbie Schulte ----?---- Terry Oppold	Cup Bearer: Dean Karsky Emily Quissell Mark Quissell Angie Quissell Paige Heim Paula Heim Theresa Johnson Mary Jo Martin ----?---- Butch Martin	Cup Bearer: Elaine Moss Ron Moss Lisa Behrends Teresa Davis Dennis Schulte Mary Askew Steve Kaufmann ----?---- ----?---- Ruth Benedict	Cup Bearer: Carol Kuntz Tracey Merrill Denise Schwabauer Dave Johnson Cassie Tomac Nancy Weaver ----?---- ----?---- ----?---- Dianne Wingen
Sacristan	Sharon Cool	Terry Oppold	Butch Martin	Ruth Benedict	Dianne Wingen
E.M.E.		<u>Good Samaritan</u> Pat/Denny Seiner	<u>Covington</u> Mary Jo/Gale Benson	<u>Sunnycrest</u> Mark Loneman	
Gifts	Mary Pattison	Al Cink	Bev Petersen	Lisa Vognild	Ted Fiegen
Greeters	EJ Gowlovech Dan Clare	Dick Kueter Leonard Oligmueller	Paul Skiles Paula Jones	Ray Grismer Ron Moss	Janice Stroschein Jim Skaff
Receptionist	2:30 - 4:00 pm Betty Gibson	7:30 - 9:15 am Karli Boelter	9:30 - 11:00 am Diane Lyons		
Rosary	Mo Forsting				
SFCS Cert.	Jane Sundleaf Kay Rokusek	Sandy McClung Marguerite Oligmueller	Mark Quissell Paula Jones	Janice Shaeffer Judy Smith	Kathy Junker Jim Skaff
Ushers	Leo Rokusek Mike Burkard Joe Ahlers ----?----	Tom Lord Larry Anderson Gerrit Dresselhuis Mark McClung	Marc Anderson Daryl Wagner Steve Noyes Dan Hartmann	Steve Norfolk Brian DeRuyter Terry Konechne ----?---- ----?----	Scott Wingen Josh Zaug ----?---- ----?----
Collection Counters			Jean Lipetzky's Team	Meals on Wheels Deb Hauck	

This Week

Monday, May 3

Bible Study 10:15 am
Confessions 5:00 pm
Mass 5:30 pm Lucy Reif
Liturgy Comm. 6:30 pm
Mission Trip Chaperones
6:00 pm

Tues., May 4

Parish Council 6:45 am
Confessions 5:00 pm
Mass for Life 5:30 pm
Lad Karel (d)
Wedding Workshop 6:30 pm
Book Study 6:30 pm

Wed., May 5

Mass 8:15 am Skip Dearborn d)
CAFÉ Youth 6:30 pm
Good News 8 pm

Thurs., May 6

Confessions 7:45 am
Mass 8:15 am Jeannie Lammers
& Family
Adult Choir 7 pm
Baptismal Class 7:00 pm

Friday, May 7

Mass 8:15 am Ed & Laura Gowlovech (d)
FF Mass 10:00 am George & Lillian
Comrier (d)
FF Celebration

St. Michael Parish
Will have the opportunity to
serve the lunch meal at the
Banquet on Saturday, May
29th.

Sat., May 8

Mass 8:15 am Mary Lammers (d)
Cat. Daughters Luncheon 11:30 am
Confessions 3 pm
Mass 4 pm Herb Sneden (d)

Sun., May 9

Mass 8:00 am Elizabeth Herzog (d)
Mass 9:30 am Marianne Biggins (d)
Mass 11:00 am For the People
Mass 6:00 pm Sylvan Gaul (d)



Pastoral Planning Meeting Thursday, May 6th, 6:30 pm St. Mary's Parish All are invited to attend

Proposals beginning to be reviewed by the pastoral planning representatives will deal with the decreasing number of priests; St. Michael Parish decreasing to 1 priest; Harrisburg starting a parish; and servicing the hospitals, prisons, nursing homes and schools.