

St. Michael's — St. Benedict — Canadian Martyrs

Cudworth

St. Benedict

Middle Lake

Roman Catholic Parishes

April 12th (Sunday of Divine Mercy) – April 19th (3rd Sunday of Easter)

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Sunday Mass times April:

Saturday 5^{PM} Canadian Martyrs

Sunday 9^{AM} St. Benedict

Sunday 11^{AM} St. Michael's

Weekday Mass times (year round):

Tuesday 6:30^{PM} Haven

Wednesday 10:30^{AM} Nursing Home

Wednesday 1:30^{PM} Bethany

Friday 9^{AM} St. Michael's

Low-gluten communion hosts are available. Please see Fr. before Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sat: 11^{AM} - 12^{PM} (noon) – St. Michael's

Sat: 4:30^{PM} - 4:55^{PM} – St. Benedict (only when Mass falls on Saturday)

By appointment: Contact Fr. Benjamin directly on his mobile

Eucharistic Adoration:

St. Michael's: Every Friday from Mass: 8^{AM} to 9^{AM} (Except for 1st Friday of the month, when it is after Mass: 9:30^{AM} to 12^{PM})

St. Michael's Haven: Every first Tuesday of the month, 5:30^{PM} to 6:30^{PM}

Marriage Prep: Please contact Fr. Benjamin at least one year prior to the desired date of marriage.

Mass Intentions: Please contact Fr. Benjamin directly. Suggested donation: \$10.00
Fr. Benjamin is available on his mobile at any time outside Mass times for EMERGENCIES and to administer the sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick**. To request Communion to the Sick, Baptism, or Funeral, please call Fr. Benjamin at the office, or directly on his mobile.

Reminder: You can request the sacraments when you are in ANY hospital.

St. Michael's Sunday Masses can be followed at 91.3FM

ALL MASS INTENTIONS April 12th - April 19th

Apr. 12th - Sunday 9^{AM}

St. Benedict:Hilda

Lieffers+/Kathy Zolinsky

Apr. 12th - Sunday 11^{AM}

St. Michael's:for

healing/Joyce Zimmer

Apr. 14th – Tues 6:30^{PM}

Haven: Claude

Boutin+/Sylvia and Ryan

Apr 15th – Wed 10:30^{AM}

Cudworth Nursing Home:

Mena Lieffers+/Lee Hauer

Apr. 15th – Wed 1:30^{PM}

Bethany: Gary

Schmidt+/John & Audrey van der Gracht

Apr. 17th - Friday 9^{AM}

St. Michael's: John

Lange+/Eugene & Grace

Jungwirth

Apr. 18th - Saturday 5^{PM}

Canadian Martyrs:Louis

Medernach+/Leona & Family

Apr. 19th - Sunday 9^{AM}

St. Benedict:Mathilda

Renneberg+/Helen

Meschishnick

Apr. 19th - Sunday 11^{AM}

St. Michael's:Thanksgiving on St. Michael's

family/Gwendolyn & Gord

Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour Celebration April 12th 2:45PM - 3:45PM

The Divine Mercy devotion is centered on the mercy of God and our trust in Jesus Christ. It is a devotion that grew out of the revelations and writings of a Polish nun, Saint Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938). Divine Mercy Sunday was established in 2000 by Pope John Paul II to be celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Please join us, there is no greater promise of grace to be received by Jesus!
Before receiving Holy Communion on Sunday, Fr. is available for Confessions from 11 to 12 on Saturday, and 2:15-2:45 on Sunday.

Hope you can attend!



ST. MICHAEL'S -503 Main Street,
Cudworth, SK. S0K 1B0
Mass Time – April: Sunday 11AM

*Together we listen, receive, believe,
and serve from the heart of Jesus*

Parish Council: Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo 2nd. **Term:** Grace Jungwirth (Chair), Glen Lingel (Vice Chair), Teresa Richardson (Secretary), Vince Dierker (K of C Representative), Stuart Kolla (Maintenance), Kyle Slobodian 1st. **Term:** Don Kolla, Catherine Mazurkewich, Audrey van der Gracht, Ida Rose Wilde, Chris Jungwirth
Finance Committee: Catherine Mazurkewich (Chair), Derreck Kolla, Michael Wilde, Lee Hauber
Cemetery Committee: Don Kolla (Chair), Ida-Rose Wilde, James Hauber, Raymond Jungwirth– For all cemetery related information: Teresa Richardson **Parish Covenant of Care Coordinator:** Grace Jungwirth

Knights of Columbus – April 9th

Rosary: 7 PM **Meeting:** 7:30 PM



CWL – Next meeting: April 21st



Tea & SERVICE PIN PRESENTATION

TUESDAY 21st 6:30 PM

APRIL

St. Michael's Haven

Mass in the Haven Chapel, followed by the pin presentation and ending with a social with coffee, tea and dessert.

All members are welcome to come and share with members celebrating these milestones: Pin Recipients: 10 years – Carol Beaugard & Doreen Regnier; 20 years – Bonnie Hauber; 30 years – Grace Jungwirth & Arlene Pauli; 40 years – Elaine Loeffelholz, Theresa Saxinger, Genevieve Trischuk & Vicky Yuzak; 45 years – Gail Medernach; 65 years – Elaine Kurtenbach; 66 years – Donna Zimmer (65 year pin); 70 years – Mary Ann Schwark. President Pin – Barbara Demong; Spiritual Advisor Pin – Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo; New Members Pins – Jaime Kolla (1); Shelene Hoffman (2) Aimee Kolla (4); Maria Kolla (6)

Parish Council – Wed. April 15th @ 7PM

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH
AGM
after 11AM Mass in the downstairs assembly room

APRIL	APRIL	APRIL
18	19	20

Sunday Mass Ministries

11AM – Sunday, April 12th

Welcomers: John & Audrey
Rosary: Phil **Ushers:** Darrell & Garry
Screens: Ann **Servers:** Cael, Gage, Brooke
Readers: 1st – Heide, 2nd – Barbra,
Prayers of the Faithful – Bernadette
Offerings: Edward & Leonard
Eucharistic Minister: Morris, Clarence
Counters: Danny, Ann, Elaine

11AM – Sunday, April 19th

Welcomers: Garry & Catherine
Rosary: Vince **Ushers:** Edward & Leonard
Screens: Grace **Servers:** Camryn, Brady
Readers: 1st – Garry, 2nd – James
Prayers of the Faithful – Catherine
Offerings: John & Audrey
Eucharistic Minister: Roger, Barbara
Counters: Garry, Catherine, Heide

11AM – Sunday, April 26th Youth Mass

Welcomers: Jim & Liz
Rosary: Glen **Ushers:** TBD
Screens: Jill **Servers:** Chelsea & Nora
Readers: 1st – TBD, 2nd – TBD,
Prayers of the Faithful – TBD
Offerings: TBD
Eucharistic Minister: Heide, Kathleen
Counters: Dennis, Sylvia

11AM – Sunday, May 3rd

Welcomers: John & Audrey
Rosary: Phil **Ushers:** James & Clarence
Screens: Ann **Servers:** Eric, Leo, Alynne
Readers: 1st – Teresa, 2nd – Tammy
Prayers of the Faithful – Morris
Offerings: James & Kim
Eucharistic Minister: Danny, Morris
Counters: Danny, Ann, Elaine

ST. CARLO ACUTIS EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT TOUR

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH,
CUDWORTH

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

THIS
WEEK!



Novena to St. Carlo Acutis

O God, our Father, we thank you for giving us St. Carlo, a model of life for young people, and a message of love for all.

You made him fall in love with your son Jesus, making the Eucharist his "highway to heaven." You gave him Mary, as a beloved mother, and you made him through the rosary, a cantor of her tenderness.

Receive his prayer for us. Look above all upon the poor, whom he loved and assisted. Grant me too, through his intercession, the grace that I need (mention the intention)

Amen.

Pray our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

The Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Tour arrives at our parish THIS week,

Thursday April 16th @ 6:30PM.

It promises to be very inspiring, we hope to see you there!

Van service available

Learn about the first millennial saint and his love of the Eucharist

- Free event - no registration required.

A once-in-a-lifetime Eucharistic miracle exhibit created by a teen saint.

Why come

- Learn about St. Carlo Acutis, one of the Church's newest saints.
- Take time to pray with Jesus meaningfully.
- View the exhibit on Eucharistic miracles created by St. Carlo Acutis.
- Encounter inspiring stories of Eucharistic miracles across the centuries.
- Enjoy Easter-season fellowship with the community.



Event Overview Thursday, April 16

6:30 Arrival

6:45 Talk on St. Carlo Acutis and his love for the Eucharist

7:15 Adoration

7:45 Viewing the exhibit created by St. Carlo Acutis

Coffee and snacks to follow

There will also be a special presentation intended for First Communion and Confirmation families, earlier in the day.

The van is available for seniors who wish to attend

Special thanks to the St. Joseph High School community council in Saskatoon for lending the exhibit to the diocese.

An initiative of the Diocesan Rural Catechetics office.



ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

Please pray for our First Holy Communion candidates as they prepare for

First Holy Communion Mass

with Bishop Mark Hagemoen
Sunday May 31st, 2026

PLEASE JOIN US!

CATHOLIC BIBLE SHARING

NEXT MEETING:

Monday April 13th | 6:30pm - 7:15pm
Assembly room at St. Michael's Catholic Church

Please contact Teresa if you have any questions 306-233-7122



ST. BENEDICT
 10 1st Street South (Church Avenue)
 St. Benedict, SK S0K 3T0

Mass Times:
April: Sunday 9^{AM}
May: Saturday 5^{PM}

Sunday/Saturday Mass Ministries

9^{AM} – Sunday April 12th
Ushers: Laverne Sacristan: Laverne
Cross Bearer: Colleen Servers: Draude’s
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

9^{AM} – Sunday April 19th
Ushers: Reg Sacristan: Reg
Cross Bearer: Reg Servers:
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

9^{AM} – Sunday April 26th
Ushers: Laverne Sacristan: Laverne
Cross Bearer: Colleen Servers: Draude’s
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

5^{PM} – Saturday May 2nd
Ushers: Reg Sacristan: Reg
Cross Bearer: Reg Servers:
Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

**CANADIAN MARTYR’S
 SPRING RAFFLE**

\$500 IN CO-OP GIFTCARDS TO BE WON
TICKETS \$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20
DRAW DATE: MAY 3RD 2026
TO PURCHASE TICKETS PLEASE CONTACT ANDREA
AT 306-231-7751
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



CANADIAN MARTYR'S
 1st Street North
 Middle Lake, SK S0K 2X0

Mass Times:
April: Saturday 5^{PM}
May: Sunday 11^{AM}

READERS / COLLECTION:

Sat. Apr. 11th @ 5 PM Tim & Janine
 Sat. Apr. 18th @ 5 PM Andrea & Gloria
 Sat. Apr. 25th @ 5 PM. Marj & Lynne
 Sun. May. 3rd @ 11AM Tim & Janine

CHURCH MAINTENANCE:

Mon April 13th Dorian & R. Baker
 Mon April 20th Chris & Debbie
 Mon April 27th. Kenny & Hap
 Mon May 4th Tim & Allen
 Mon May 11th Matthew & Ken P.

CHURCH CLEANERS:

April: Lisa Parsons & Lisa Demers
May: Nora Gies & Anne Loeffelholz

Please maintain any flowers, solar lights, and anything else placed in the cemetery at a grave site. Please try to place objects in a way as not to impede the cemetery grass mowing and maintenance for the volunteers looking after the cemetery. It can add a lot of time and effort on the volunteer’s part if items left at grave sites are left to deteriorate. Thank you, God Bless!

Priests’ Pension and Retirement Fund (PP&R)– Our priests have faithfully led their parish communities, preaching God’s word and celebrating the sacraments. We have been blessed to have dedicated and holy priests, and the blessings continue to this day. Even in retirement, priests continue to celebrate Masses, preside at funerals, weddings, and baptisms, provide retreats, minister and counsel parishioners, and so much more. Whether still active in ministry or not, our retired priests make Christ, the Good Shepherd, present to us, not only in what they do but in who they are. They give witness to the Lord’s presence not only by their words but by their lives. Retirement years can be difficult for our senior priests. No longer supported by their parish communities, they rely on retirement benefits and their pension from the Priests’ Pension and Retirement Fund for basic needs, such as food, housing, health costs, and transportation.



Please, give generously in support of our retired priests. You can find donation materials in your local parish, or make your gift online at <https://dscf.ca/priest-pension-fund/> or download the pledge form and mail it to the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation: PP&R, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Each year on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Church proclaims this great truth: Mercy is the heart of the Gospel. Yet mercy is not only something we receive or proclaim, but it is something we are called to live.

For generations, our priests have been ministers of mercy. Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, the celebration of the Eucharist, and countless moments of quiet pastoral care, they have made God's mercy tangible. They have stood with us in our failures and our grief, our doubts and our hopes, always pointing us back to Christ. These men gave their lives generously in service to the People of God. Many did so with little thought for personal security, trusting that the Church they served would remember them in their later years.

I acknowledge and thank God for the priests of the Diocese of Saskatoon who seek to serve the Lord and the People of God. Our clergy come from our own Diocese and also from other dioceses in other countries. They commit to serve the people that make up our parishes, along with many others who seek the ministry of our priests. While many retire from about age 68 to 75 years, they never retire from fulfilling Sacramental ministry, and continue to assist our parish communities and also other settings - including our health care facilities.

Today, many of our priests are retired or approaching retirement. As their strength diminishes, our responsibility grows. Supporting priest pensions is not simply a financial matter; it is another work of mercy. It ensures compassion, dignity, and care for those who spent their lives caring for us.

As your bishop, I thank you for contributing \$198,000 last year and ask you to prayerfully and generously support the Priest Pension Campaign in 2026. Your gift, offered according to your means, is a concrete expression of gratitude and a living witness to the mercy we celebrate this Easter season.

Please give as generously as you are able to this year's collection. Your gift will be invested in the Clergy Pension Fund. With your help, our retired and elderly priests will have a reasonable pension, health and dental benefits, and an annual retreat.

Your prayers are vital. I ask you to pray for our priests, and for vocations to the priesthood. Be assured that our priests are praying for you. As we celebrate God's mercy, we extend it to those who serve us in His name.



Sincerely in Christ,

+ *Mark A. Hagemoen*

Most Reverend Mark A. Hagemoen
Bishop of Saskatoon

Divine Mercy Sunday: The touch of Mercy

“Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side.”
(John 20:27)

The death of Jesus had a serious negative effect on the apostles, especially on Thomas. The apostles had come to believe that Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah. But the idea of a suffering and crucified Messiah was a million miles from their minds. Thomas had pictured Jesus as a great leader and a triumphant conqueror. So, when Jesus was killed, his hopes were shattered. For Thomas, it was a hard knock; and as a result, he cut himself off from other apostles and walked alone.

In despair Thomas stayed away from the rest of apostles, that’s the way sin cut us off from God. Sin damage our relationship with God through our wrong choices. By sinful acts, we disfigure the priceless beauty which was given to us freely by God. Worst still, we move far away from God.

However, there is one big decision made by Thomas that saved him. He rejoined the apostles and stayed around. That offered him an opportunity to be present when Jesus visited a second time. Instead of rebuking him, Jesus offered him a cup of mercy – **Thomas, come and touch my wounds**. When Thomas touched the wounds of Jesus, the true greatness of Jesus dawned on him, his doubts vanished, and his faith was reborn.

Today, being the feast of Divine Mercy, the same invitation is extended to us in a special way. We will have to make the decision to reach out, touch and drink the mercy of God. The mercy of God was made most visible and palpable in the life and mission of Christ, especially in the Paschal Mysteries of his Suffering, Death and Resurrection. Jesus Christ is the face of the Father’s mercy.

During this second appearance, Jesus gave the apostles the power to substantially make the Mercy of God present wherever they are; “receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained” (John 20:23).

This narrative empowerment became the take-off point for the Church’s celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

was prefigured in the Old Testament, experienced in the New Testament and is being celebrated in the church right from the Apostolic Era.

The Catholic Church teaches that the Sacrament of Reconciliation which involves individual and integral confession of grave sins followed by absolution is the only ordinary means of obtaining reconciliation with God and the Church, which involves the forgiveness of sins committed after baptism (*cf.* CCC 1497).

The world is in need of Divine Mercy. We too are in need of Divine Mercy, individually and collectively. God Himself is ever ready to show us mercy. He is never tired of letting his merciful countenance fall upon on us. All we need to do is be open to this precious gift of God.

We are also called to be agents of mercy in works and deeds; this will help us bear fruits:

- to counsel the doubtful
- to admonish the sinners
- to bear patiently those who wrong us
- to forgive offenses,
- to comfort the afflicted and to pray for the living and the dead
- to feed the hungry, to give water to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to shelter the homeless, to visit the sick.

The more we open ourselves to the Divine Mercy, the more victorious we are and the more we portray that we truly believe in Jesus Christ (*cf.* 1 John 5:5).

Prayer:

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in you. (3 times)

Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo