

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

Cudworth

St. Benedict

Middle Lake

Roman Catholic Parishes

March 23rd (Third Sunday of Lent) – March 30th (Fourth Sunday of Lent)

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Sunday Mass times March:

Saturday 5^{PM} St. Benedict
Sunday 9^{AM} Canadian Martyrs
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 March 15th – 23rd

Mar.22nd-Saturday 5^{PM}

St. Benedict: Audrey Reaser+/
Lois Kammermayer

March 23rd - Sunday 9^{AM}

Canadian Martyrs: Quinten

Borstmayer+/
Grace & Eugene Jungwirth

March 23rd-Sunday 11^{AM}

St. Michael's: Bernard & Albina Wolffe+/
Wolffe Brothers

March 25th –Tues. 6:30^{PM}

St. Michael's Haven: Audrey Reaser+/
Joyce Wedewer

March 26th -Wed. 10:30^{AM}

Cudworth Nursing Home:

Hilda Lieffers+/
Don & Kathleen Kolla



March 26th –Wed. 1:30^{PM}

Bethany: Joe MacLeod+/
John & Audrey van der Gracht

March 28th -Friday 9^{AM}

St. Michael's: John Koenning+/
Danny Kirzinger

Mar.29th-Saturday 5^{PM}

St. Benedict: Audrey Reaser+/
Theresa & Brian Locke

March 30th - Sunday 9^{AM}

Canadian Martyrs: Joe MacLeod+/
Darrell & Heide Kolla

March 30th -Sunday 11^{AM}

St. Michael's: Albert & Annie Hauber family/
Henry & Eyvette Hauber

March is the Month of St. Joseph

Prayer to St. Joseph

Oh St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

Oh St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most Loving of Fathers. Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart.

Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.

St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen



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

*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

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 –

Next meeting: Thursday April 10th @ 7:30 PM
Rosary: 7 PM



CWL – Next meeting: Tuesday, April 22nd
**Annual Membership Tea at
St. Michael's Haven**



Rosary @ 6PM; Mass @ 6:30 PM followed
by Membership Tea and pin presentation

Parish Council -

Next meeting: Wednesday April 9th @ 7:00PM

Coffee Sunday – March 23rd after 11^{AM} Mass

Rosary Prayer Group(MMP)



www.mmpcanada.ca

To Be Announced.

Knights of Columbus

Easter Turkey/Ham Bingo

Sunday, April 6th at the Cudworth
Sr. Citizen's Rec Association Center
– 216 Main Street.

Doors open @ **6:30PM**; Bingo @ **7PM**.

Please call Don Kolla 306-233-7502
for van service

Prayer Shawl Ministry.



The Crochet and Knitting Group has resumed!
Tuesday's at the Haven, from 1 - 2^{PM}.

We still hold many beautiful blessed shawls that
are waiting for anyone in need of some welcomed
comfort. Please don't shy back on inquiring

Prayer Shawls:

Sylvia Meszaros - (306) 256-7198

Yarn/wool donations:

Gen Trischuk – (306) 256-3904

Any yarn and or monetary donations are always greatly appreciated.



Sunday Mass Ministries

11^{AM} – Sunday, March 23rd



Welcomers: Garry & Catherine

Rosary: Vince Ushers: Garry, Edward, Leonard

Screens: Grace L. Servers: Eric, Leo, Alynn

Readers: 1st – Heide, 2nd – Barbara,

Prayers of the Faithful – Morris

Offerings: Edward & Leonard

Eucharistic Minister: Morris

Counters: Dennis, Sylvia

11^{AM} – Sunday, March 30th

Welcomers: John & Audrey

Rosary: Phil Ushers: James, Clarence

Screens: Jill Servers: Camryn, Brady

Readers: 1st – John v., 2nd – John K.,

Prayers of the Faithful – Catherine

Offerings: John & Audrey

Counters: Danny, Ann, Elaine

Offerings: Bernadette, Vince, Tammy

Eucharistic Minister: Clarence

Counters: Danny, Ann, Elaine

11^{AM} – Sunday, April 6th

Rosary: Glen Ushers: Danny, Darrel

Screens: Jill Servers: Brianna, Jax, Kennedy

Readers: 1st – James, 2nd – Lee,

Prayers of the Faithful – Kim

Offerings: James & Kim

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen

Counters: Garry, Catherine, Heide

11^{AM} – Palm Sunday, April 13th

Welcomers: Jim & Liz

Rosary: Vince Ushers: Garry, Edward, Leonard

Screens: Grace J. Servers: Eric, Leo, Alynn

Readers: **Narrator** – Don, 2nd – Garry,

Prayers of the Faithful – Kathleen

Offerings: Bernadette, Vince, Tammy

Eucharistic Minister: Heide

Counters: Dennis Sylvia

A Pro-Life prayer for Lent

Lent is a season of repentance, which leads to life. "Priests for Life" urges all Christians to join us in saying the Lenten Pro-life Prayer, and making a special commitment to help others to see and defend the dignity of every human life, starting with the unborn.



Father of all mercy,
We thank you for this season of grace and light.


We know that sin has blinded us.
Draw us ever closer to you, in prayer and penance.

Since you, O God, are light itself,
Give all your people a clearer understanding



Of what is sin, and what is virtue.
Grant in particular that we may see, as never before,
The profound dignity of every human life,
Including the vulnerable unborn children.
Give us grace to defend
Our brothers and sisters in the womb
By our prayers, our words,
And our self-sacrificing actions.
We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Michael's Haven (619, 5th Ave)
Weekly Garage Sale Friday's 1PM - 4 PM.
Enter through the lower east side door.

 **Ste. Jeanne D'Arc Parish**
in Domremy is having a pancake
breakfast on April 6th 10^{AM} -1^{PM}



Various Raffle Prizes available including a \$200 gift card to Manitou Springs Resort & Spa

Adults: \$15
10 & under: \$12
5 & under: Free

Progressive 50/50 Draw
Win up to \$2500!
Call or text Karleen at
(306) 713-8106
Only 250 tickets available



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Every Friday at 5^{PM} in St. Michael's

Easter Schedule 2025

EASTER CONFESSIONS

– April 3rd @ 7^{PM}



PALM SUNDAY (April 13th)

Canadian Martyrs - 5^{PM}

St. Benedict - 9^{AM}

St. Michael's - 11^{AM}



HOLY THURSDAY (April 17th)

Canadian Martyrs - 5^{PM}

St. Michael's 7:30^{PM}



GOOD FRIDAY (April 18th)

Outdoor Way Of The Cross - 10^{AM}

(Inside town of Cudworth)

St. Michael's - 3^{PM}

St. Benedict - 5:30^{PM}



EASTER VIGIL (Holy Saturday)

St. Michael's 8:30^{PM}



EASTER SUNDAY (April 20th)

St. Benedict - 8:30^{AM}

Canadian Martyrs - 10^{AM}

St. Michael's - 12^{PM} (Noon)



Lenten 40

A 40-km relay run/walk along the river in Saskatoon, will be held right before Holy Week on Saturday, April 12.

Meditate on the suffering of Jesus and think of the Via Dolorosa (the path Jesus took on his way to the crucifixion, often translated to "the way of suffering"). Whether you're an avid runner or have never run before, this is about showing up and giving it all to God. Sign up as a team of two, three, or four. See: www.lenten40.com. Stations of the Cross will be prayed the night before Friday, April 11 at 7^{PM} at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, and the Lenten 40 event begins at 8^{AM} Saturday, April 12 with package pick-up and prayer; the walk/run begins at 9^{AM}



ST. BENEDICT

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

Mass Times:

March: Saturday 5^{PM}

April: Sunday 9^{AM}

Please pray for our upcoming Confirmation Candidates.

- ~ Abby Broad ~ Kalli Jungwirth ~ Leo Hoffman
- ~ Brody Broad ~ Gage Kolla
- ~ Peyton Chelack ~ Waylon Leusche
- ~ Hailey Hadland ~ Wyatt Leuschen
- ~ Emma Hauber ~ Jax Slobodian
- ~ Rhett Hauber ~ Camryn Stewart



Confirmation with Bishop Mark Hagemoen is set
for Friday May 16th @ 7^{PM}

Saturday/Sunday Mass Ministries

5^{PM} – Saturday March 22nd

Ushers: Reg

Sacristan: Reg

Cross Bearer: Reg

Readings and Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

5^{PM} – Saturday March 29th

Ushers: Laverne

Sacristan: Laverne

Cross Bearer: Colleen

Servers: Draude's

Readings and Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

9^{AM} – Sunday April 6th

Ushers: Laverne

Sacristan: Laverne

Cross Bearer: Colleen

Servers: Draude's

Readings and Prayers of the Faithful: Lee Ann

Looking for volunteers to sit at the donation tables for funerals.

Contact the office:
306-256-3218



CANADIAN MARTYR'S

1st Street North
Middle Lake, SK S0K 2X0

Mass Times:

March: Sunday 9^{AM}

April: Saturday 5^{PM}

READERS / COLLECTION:

Sun. March 23rd @ 9^{AM} Marj & Janice

Sun. March 30th @ 9^{AM} Tim & Janine

Sat. April 5th @ 5^{PM} Andrea & Gloria

Sat. April 12th @ 5^{PM} Marj & Janice

CHURCH MAINTENANCE:

Sun. March 23rd Tim & Allen

Sun. March 30th Matthew & Ken P

Sun. April 6th Dorian & Bakers

Sun. April 13th Kenny

Sun. April 20th Tim & Allen

CHURCH CLEANERS:

March: Michelle Mertz,
Karen Mertz

April: Lisa Parsons, Lisa
Demers

Lenten Day of Confessions, Prayer, and Reflection

7^{AM} to 9^{PM} Friday, March 28th

Priests will be available for confessions at two locations in Saskatoon
all day:

Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson road;

St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cres. East

*Part of the "24 Hours for the Lord" introduced by Pope Francis and held in
dioceses around the world.*

Local Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Michael's Parish Every Saturday 11^{AM} - 12^{PM} (noon)

St. Benedict Parish Saturday's of March: 4:30^{PM} - 4:55^{PM}

By appointment: Contact Fr. Benjamin directly on his mobile

EASTER CONFESSIONS – April 3rd @ 7^{PM} (St. Michael's)

Canadian Martyr's Parish

is actively looking for new
council members, if anyone is
interested in joining please
contact Andrea Baker at
306-231-7751

We are also looking for
volunteers to add to our parish
maintenance list for snow
removal/lawn cutting of the
church and cemetery. If you
would be willing to take a turn
and be added to our monthly
schedule, please contact Tim
Schmidt or Andrea Baker.

3rd Sunday of Lent: God is everywhere

“The places of worship are sacred, for there we encounter the Divine.

The places of silence are sacred, for there we encounter ourselves.

The places of conception and birth and death and burial are sacred, for all life is of God.”

Theresa Cotter

In the first reading (Exodus 3:1- 8), God appeared to Moses, not in a temple, but in the wilderness. And he appeared, not while Moses was praying, but while he was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law. It was in this secular place, and while he was engaged in a secular task, that God made his presence known to him. From this incidence, we learn a simple fact that God is everywhere and all places are holy, the whole earth is holy. God can be encountered anywhere.

Moses was doing what he would normally do – tending to his sheep. And all of a sudden, he encountered the Burning Bush. The whole scenario caught his attention and as well made him fear.

When the Bible talks about fear of God it doesn't mean being afraid of God. It really means a sense of awe and reverence before the mystery of God. Fear is a negative thing; it constricts us and makes us want to run away. Awe, on the other hand, is a positive and expansive feeling; it draws us to the awe-inspiring object, and makes us want to linger. We stand in admiration of something greater than ourselves.

For F. McCarthy, “Religion begins with a sense of reverence, the recognition of God's greatness and our limitations. Awe and reverence precede faith. They are the root of faith. Awe is the beginning and gateway of faith.”

God told Moses that he was standing on holy ground (Exodus 3:5). Someone may ask, what was it that made that particular piece of land holy - the presence of God. Here in this church, we are sitting or kneeling or standing on holy ground, because here we are in the presence of God.

Moses was told to take off his shoes. In the early Christianity era, Christians were required to remove their shoes before entering the church or on a Good Friday before ‘kissing the cross’.

In the modern time,taking off one's shoes before entering a church is no longer a requirement. But there is something we are required to put on as we enter the church – 'a sense of reverence'. That's why each person is encouraged to bow or genuflect on entering a church, chapel or shrine.

** Apart from the image of the burning bush; the choice of Moses calls for our attention/reflection.

What was it that God saw in Moses that made him the right man to lead his people from slavery into freedom? The Bible doesn't tell us much about the character of the youthful Moses. It doesn't say whether he was good or pious. But it does tell us about three episodes in his life prior to the revelation in the burning bush.

- Moses saw an Egyptian attacking an Israelite, and he intervened. (Exodus 2:11-12)
- Moses saw an Israelite attacking an Israelite, and he intervened. (Exodus 2:13)
- He saw Midianite shepherds preventing Jethro's daughters from watering their flocks, and he intervened (Exodus 2:17).

All these incidents lead us to the same conclusion. They show us that Moses was the kind of man who couldn't stand idly by when he saw an injustice or a crime happening. We can understand then why God chose him to lead his people from slavery to freedom.

The role of Moses prefigures the role of Jesus. Through Moses God saved his people, from slavery to freedom. We are the new people of God, saved through the waters of baptism from the slavery of sin, and now en route under the leadership of Jesus to the promised land of eternal life.

Prayer:

Thank you, Jesus

Thank you, Lord

Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo