

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

Cudworth

St. Benedict

Middle Lake

Roman Catholic Parishes

March 9th (First Sunday of Lent) – March 16th (Second 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 8th – 16th

March 8th - Saturday 5^{PM}

St. Benedict: Audrey Reaser+/
Gloria Schlosser

March 9th - Sunday 9^{AM}

Canadian Martyrs: Vesta
Renneberg+/
Bernadette Lange

March 9th – Sunday 11^{AM}

St. Michael's: John Lange+/
Philip Renneberg

March 11th – Tues. 6:30^{PM}

St. Michael's Haven: Audrey
Reaser+/
Noel & Linda Renneberg



March 12th & 13th

Fr. Benjamin away for
Spring Congress

March 14th -Friday 9^{AM}

St. Michael's: John
Koenning+/
Elaine Kurtenbach

March 15th -Saturday 5^{PM}

St. Benedict: Audrey
Reaser+/
Gloria Schlosser

March 16th - Sunday 9^{AM}

Canadian Martyrs: John
Lange+/
Philip Renneberg

March 16th -Sunday 11^{AM}

St. Michael's: Roman
Kleiter+/
Elaine Loeffelholz

March is the Month of the St. Joseph

The Church traditionally dedicates the month of March to the special veneration of St. Joseph, whose feast day is March 19th. "He was chosen by the eternal Father as the trustworthy guardian and protector of his greatest treasures, namely, his divine Son and Mary, Joseph's wife," says St. Bernardine of Siena. "He carried out this vocation with complete fidelity until at last God called him, saying 'Good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your Lord.'" Due to St. Joseph's leadership of the Holy Family, he has been declared the protector and patron of the universal Catholic Church.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



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



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 March 13th @ 7:30 PM**
Rosary: 7^{PM}



CWL –

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 18th @ 7:15^{PM}



Parish Council -

Next meeting: Wednesday March 19th @ 7:00^{PM}

Coffee Sunday – March 23rd after 9^{AM} Mass

Rosary Prayer Group(MMP)



www.mmpcanada.ca

To Be Announced.

Spring Congress

*“Celebrating
Excellent Liturgy”*

Clergy Day - March 12th

Public Day - March 13th

Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon

Find details and registration online at:

<https://form.jotform.com/241715853687266>

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 9th

Rosary: Phil

Ushers: James, Clarence

Screens: Jill

Servers: Cael, Gage, Brooke

Readers: 1st – Kim, 2nd – James,

Prayers of the Faithful – Doreen

Offerings: James & Kim

Counters: Danny, Ann, Elaine

11^{AM} – Sunday, March 16th

Welcomers: Jim & Liz

Rosary: Glen

Ushers: Danny, Darrel

Screens: Grace J.

Servers: Chelsea, Nora

Readers: 1st – Don, 2nd – Bernadette,

Prayers of the Faithful – Kathleen

Offerings: Bernadette, Vince, Tammy

Counters: Garry, Catherine, Heide

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

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

Pick 3 Things to Fast From For Lent

Fast from thinking only of yourself.

Fast from gossip.

Fast from judgementalism.

Fast from bitterness.

Fast from getting annoyed and worked up.

Fast from making cutting remarks.

Unless you are sick, fast from making excuses to yourself for not going to Mass.

Fast from worrying about things over which you have no control.

Fast from giving in to laziness re prayer.

Fast from getting into disputes.

Fast from putting things on the long finger that could and should have been done now.

Fast from giving social media priority time in your life.

Fast from commenting negatively about other people's legitimate choices.

“Surrender”- A Diocesan Lenten

Retreat with Fr. Gerard Cooper, will be

held 9^{AM} to 2:30^{PM} **Saturday, March 15** at Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon;

\$30. Register:

<https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/lentenretreat2025> or (306) 659-5858.



Horizons of Hope

Palliative Care and End-of-Life:

St. Augustine Parish, 602 Boychuk Drive, Saskatoon will host a Horizons of Hope workshop about palliative care and end-of-life issues 9:30^{AM} to 4^{PM} Saturday, March 22nd. To register e-mail Jackie St. Pierre at jstpierre@rcdos.ca or call (306) 373-3453 (lunch and refreshments will be provided). Everyone is welcome. (Hospital Chaplaincy is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

SAVE THE DATE!

Mental Health Awareness –

St. Augustine CWL is hosting an event for mental health awareness from 6:30^{PM} – 8^{PM} on **Thursday**

March 13th at St. Augustine

Church, 602 Boychuk Drive, Saskatoon, with refreshments to follow. Guest speaker will be mental health advocate, Allan Kehler, an international speaker and best-selling author.

Highlighting “Creating a safe space where people can be seen, heard, & supported”



Cudworth Pilgrimage – June 14th & 15th

Come join us on our Pilgrimage! The Ukrainian Catholic Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows in Cudworth Saskatchewan is celebrating the Jubilee Year on June 14th and 15th 2025. Bishop Michael Smolinski, C.Ss.R., will be in attendance. Everyone is welcome to attend. You can find details at www.hillofsorrows.com.

June 14th 2025

Pilgrimage walk from Bodnari (25km) 10^{AM}

Pilgrimage walk from Spasa (5km) 5^{PM}

Confessions will be available in Ukr. and English

Vespers 7^{PM}

Stations of the Cross 8^{PM}

June 15th 2025

Confessions will be available in Ukr. and English

Martins 10^{AM}

Divine Liturgy 11^{AM}

Lunch (Food Available for Purchase) 1^{PM}

Grave Blessings (Cudworth & Spasa) 3^{PM}

Please register online if you are planning to go on the Pilgrimage Walk from Bodnari as the schedule is liable to change.

The Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows has origins going back to the earliest days of Ukrainian settlement in Saskatchewan when, in 1909, a beautiful woman in white appeared to three children on the hill. It is the second oldest Shrine in Saskatchewan and the only one associated with a story of an apparition.

We honor the Mother of God there each year. You should too!



ST. BENEDICT

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

Mass Times:

March: Saturday 5^{PM}

April: Sunday 9^{AM}



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

Progressive 50/50 Draw

Win up to \$2500!

**Call or text Karleen at
(306) 713-8106**

Only 250 tickets available

Adults: \$15

10 & under: \$12

5 & under: Free



Called and Gifted – Explore what gifts the Holy Spirit
has given you! A Called and Gifted introductory workshop
will be held 9^{AM} to 5:30^{PM} Sat. March 22, hosted by the
Cathedral of the Holy Family, open to all those interested.

Cost is \$80. Register at:

<https://form.jotform.com/250085439325255>

Saturday/Sunday Mass Ministries

5^{PM} – Saturday March 8th

Ushers: Reg

Sacristan: Reg

Cross Bearer: Reg

Readings and Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

5^{PM} – Saturday March 15th

Ushers: Laverne

Sacristan: Laverne

Cross Bearer: Colleen

Servers: Draude's

Readings and Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

5^{PM} – Saturday March 22nd

Ushers: Reg

Sacristan: Reg

Cross Bearer: Reg

Readings and Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn



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 9th @ 9^{AM} Tim & Janine

Sun. Mar. 16th @ 9^{AM} Andrea & Gloria

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

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

CHURCH MAINTENANCE:

Sun. March 9th Dorian & Bakers

Sun. March 16th Kenny

Sun. March 23rd Tim & Allen

Sun. March 30th Matthew & Ken P

Sun. April 6th Dorian & Bakers

CHURCH CLEANERS:

March: Michelle Mertz,

Karen Mertz

April: Lisa Parsons, Lisa

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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.

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}



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

Contact the office 306-256-3218

1st Sunday of Lent: Be on your guard

Life on earth for every human person is a testament of trials- successes and failures. In line with this, it is good to note that no human being on earth is perfect. We are all at the stage of "becoming", gradually and steadily.

Temptations are meant for man and woman; not for angels. Temptations could be very dicey, subtle and indeed, overwhelmingly testing and exhausting. However, they provide for their victims graceful opportunities to define who they are and where they pitch their tent; meaning that, at times temptation is designed to bring the very best out of us and make us ripe for a good life. Therefore, we should neither be afraid nor give up on ourselves. All those who are struggling to live a good life can take heart. Resisting temptation was not easy for Jesus, nor will it be for us.

The temptations were no once-off affair. Temptations are never over. They return at opportune times (Luke 4:13). Temptations continued through Jesus' life as the tempter sought in vain to undermine his mission. Even as he hung on the cross we hear an echo of the second temptation: 'If he is the Messiah, let him come down from the cross, and we will believe in him.' (Matthew 27:40)

Every temptation of Christ prefigures ours. It is in him that we are tempted. St. Augustine puts it this way: "In Christ you were being tempted because Christ had his human flesh from you, just as he won salvation for you from himself, he received death from you just as he gained life from himself for you. From you he received reproaches and from himself for you he gained glory and honour. In the same way he suffered temptations for you and he won from himself the victory for you" (Office of the Reading Sunday Week I, Lent).

This means that in every trial, in every challenging situation we face, there is Christ always facing it with us. In every temptation in life, there is the presence of Christ facing the temptation with us and encouraging us not to give up on ourselves.

Could it be said that as a Catholic (having the Lenten season in the mind), to be confronted with trials is a privilege and an occasion for growth. That is to be given opportunity to be a witness to Christ's Paschal Mystery.

Furthermore, temptation can bring the worst out of human beings in terms of worry, fear and helplessness. But, it could as well be therapeutic, transformative and indeed, salvific, if we let Christ into the scene and allow him dictate the pace.

The Church invites us today to reflect deeply on the implications of being tempted by the devil through people, situations, through our desires and wants; and through our works and vocations; in thoughts, words and actions.

Let us learn from every temptation that come our way. Let us turn every temptation into a stepping stone to greater heights. If we invite Christ into our temptation boat, he would teach us the right buttons to press and the attitude to adopt. In Jesus we have a brother who knows what we are up against. He forgives us and raises us up when we fall. He enables us to obey God's word, to trust him, and to worship him alone.

May we never be tempted beyond our strength.

May our temptations become opportunities to grow in faith and worship God as He truly deserves.

Prayer:

Thank you, Jesus

Thank you, Lord

Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo