

Masses For The Week

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, A: September 30 – October 6, 2017

Theme: Christ obedient unto death – We celebrate Christ who obeyed his Father’s will not only in word but also in deed. And Christ assures us that it is not too late to turn to God and to do his will.

1st Reading *Ez. 18:25-28* It is possible to turn from sin and preserve one’s life.
Responsorial *Psalms 25:4-9* A prayer to God for mercy.
2nd Reading *Phil 2:1-11* Be like Christ who humbled himself and was exalted by God.
Gospel *Mt 21:28-32* Jesus poses a question to the chief priests and elders on the meaning of obedience.

Saturday, September 30th (Psalter: Week II)

5:00 pm Mass in Oakbank

Sunday, October 1st

9:00 am Mass in Garson
11:00 am Mass in Cook’s Creek



**“Do nothing out of selfishness;
rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves...”** Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life.

Monday, October 2nd – Memorial: The Holy Guardian Angels

9:00 am Mass in Garson (RM 954)

Tuesday, October 3rd – No Mass Scheduled.

Wednesday, October 4th – Memorial: St Francis of Assisi

10:30 am Mass in Kin Place (RM 956)

Thursday, October 5th

9:00 am Mass in Garson (RM 469)

Friday, October 6th

9:00 am Mass (in Garson), Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction (RM 470)

The Week Ahead

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, A: October 7 – 13, 2017

Theme: The vineyard of the Lord – The Church rejoices in being the vineyard of the Lord. At the same time we have cause here for much heart-searching and prayer.

1st Reading *Isaiah 5:1-7* The Lord compares the house of Israel to a vineyard.
Responsorial *Psalms 80* The Lord protects his vineyard, the house of Israel.
2nd Reading *Philippians 4:6-9* The God of peace will be with you.
Gospel *Matthew 21:33-43* Jesus tells the parable about the wicked tenants.

Saturday, October 7th (Psalter: Week III)

5:00 pm Mass in Oakbank

Sunday, October 8th

9:00 am Mass in Garson
11:00 am Mass in Cook’s Creek

PLEASE USE SPECIAL ENVELOPES FOR MASS INTENTIONS



Say a Prayer for members of our parish communities and non members who are experiencing or will be experiencing health issues and other concerns. No need to elaborate on the issue, but please forward their names to our bulletin email address. The one important request is that permission to print in the bulletin **must** be received from the person(s). This will be the responsibility of the person submitting the information. Fr. Joe had mentioned in one of his sermons that we should live our faith not just on Sundays but throughout the week. What better way to support our parish family than to Say a Prayer!

- ❖ The family of Dolores Sitarz
- ❖ Bea Gelinis
- ❖ Members of our parish communities who are experiencing difficulties

ST. MICHAEL'S

**Our St Michael's Day Dinner is taking place today, after Mass.
Tickets are \$15.00, ages 6-12 \$5.00 and under 5 free.**

New Altar Servers:

St. Michael's is currently looking for a few new altar servers. Altar servers help Father Joe during mass and get a front row seat! It is a great way to become involved in the church community and also be more engaged during mass. Any child that has completed their First Communion and Reconciliation can become an altar server. We would love to see some new faces up there this year. **Contact information for Michelle and Sandra are on the front page of this bulletin.**

Altar Server Schedule

Oct 1: Hannah and Noah Meadows & Myah Lessard
Oct 8: Daniel and Joe Zubricki
Oct 15: Fiona Kotzer & Myah Lessard
Oct 22: Hannah and Noah Meadows & Madeline Duval
Oct 29: Riley Kotzer and Myah Lessard

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Have you ever wondered exactly what is happening when the children leave the main assembly and go into the gathering room during mass? They are doing the same thing as we who remain in our seats are doing ... celebrating the Liturgy of the Word. We know that the church desires "full, conscious and active participation" in the liturgy on the part of "all the faithful." However, we realize that the ordinary manner of celebrating the Liturgy of the Word is usually not suitable for children. The language is too difficult. The content, incomprehensible. So we provide an alternate version of the liturgy of the Word which is simplified for the developmental needs of children between the ages of 3-6years. It is not Bible study, Catechism class, craft time or a babysitting service to keep the Church quiet so the rest of the assembly can hear the liturgy. We celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with children so that they can fully encounter God's love and presence in their lives through the proclamation of the Word who dwells among us. The men, women and young adults who lead the liturgy have been trained and fully screened through the volunteer screening programme. Who can attend? Anyone who wants to attend may attend. Usually children under 3 are not quite old enough, but there is no particular "upper limit" of age. Do I need to sign up? No, just join the group when they are called forth from the assembly. May I go in with my child until they are comfortable? Absolutely. How come Children's Liturgy doesn't seem to be offered consistently at every mass? Simple answer... we need more volunteers. We cannot ask the same people to lead every week. If we have no one available, we cannot offer the liturgy. Can I help? Definitely! We try to offer Children's Liturgy at every mass, but are limited by the number of volunteers we have. So please consider helping out if you can. What is the time commitment? We ask that you volunteer about once a month. Preparation takes about 30 minutes – 1 hour per session. You need to arrive about 15-20 minutes before mass to set up and, of course lead the session. If you feel called to this ministry, or have any questions, come see me after mass or call me at 204-232-4259 or email me at darlene6872@gmail.com
Blessings, Darlene Ingram

Fellowship Sunday

Our next fellowship Sunday is October 15, 2017 after mass. All are welcome to attend.

"St. Michael's Liturgy Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 4 at 7:30 in the church basement. I feel that it is important that you know the names and responsibilities of the people who are working on your behalf. The following is a list of that information;

Father Tran -Pastor,
Sandra Wyrzykowski - Adult Altar Servers & Advisor,
Sonia Sanclemente -Sacristan & Music Ministry,
Michelle Zubricki -Youth Altar Servers,
Mike Dobell -Youth Lectors, Gift Bearers & Ushers and
Al Compton -St. Michael's Liturgy Committee Coordinator, Chair of Tri-Parish Liturgy Committee & Co-ordination of Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers. Submitted by Al Compton"

Catechism, First Communion and Confirmation

Catechism begins on Sunday, October 15! Catechism classes are from **10:15 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. in the Church Basement at St. Michael's**. Students from St. Michael's RC Church, Sacred Heart Parish and St. John Paul II Catholic Community are welcome!

We need a few more teachers, co-teachers or substitute teachers. If you are interested, contact Evelyn Kotzer, Catechism Coordinator

Catechism Registration Form is available on the Church's website: <http://www.stmichaelsrc.com/index.php/catechism/registration-form>

- 1 form per student
- Covers registration for Catechism
- Also covers information the Church requires to complete official records in its ledgers for the sacraments Reconciliation and First Communion (Grade 2 or older) and Confirmation (Grade 6 or older)
- Catechism is **\$20 per student**
- Confirmation is an **additional \$35**
- Please pay by CASH or CHEQUE payable to "St. Michael's Roman Catholic Parish"

Catechism Coordinator (sets the schedule; communicates with teachers, assistants and families):

Evelyn Kotzer
e-mail: catechism@stmichaelsrc.com
phone: 204-444-5700

Catechism Registration (collects information and fees from families):

Susan Kotello
e-mail: catechism@stmichaelsrc.com
cell phone: 204-296-6209

First Communion: Is offered every year.

Evelyn Kotzer/Susan Kotello

Confirmation: Is offered every 2-3 years and is being offered this year (2017/18).

Mike Dobell

St. JOHN PAUL II

The 5th Annual Archdiocesan Gala Dinner will take place on Wed. October 18th at the Victoria Inn Centennial Ballroom, 1808 Wellington Ave. in Winnipeg. Archbishop Albert LeGatt invites everyone to this event. Cocktails are at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and a social evening at 7 p.m. Proceeds of the evening are going to support the Archdiocese's seminarians and the St. Boniface Cathedral Renewal Project. For more information and to reserve seating, contact the Archdiocese of St. Boniface at 204-237-9851 or 1-800-665-4443. The cost is \$125/person (charitable tax receipt of \$62.50).

Calling all singers and dancers ages 12 – 30! As part of the 200th anniversary celebrations of the Catholic Church in Western Canada in 2018, the musical production "Eastar" will be staged on Good Friday, March 30th at 7 p.m. and Saturday March 31st at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Academy Alumnae Hall by the youth of both St. Boniface and Winnipeg dioceses. Auditions for singers and/or dancers ages 12 – 30 will be held on Saturday, November 18th and 25th from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. For more information on auditions, volunteering, tickets, etc. please visit www.eastar2018.com.

Please remember to bring in non-perishable items for our food bank contributions. Thanksgiving will be here before you know it and then Christmas. Our food bank chest is at the back of the church and is waiting to be filled.

During the months of October and November we will once again run our "Warm Feet, Warm Heart" campaign where we collect items for the homeless. Especially needed are socks to keep them warm while living on the street. We often don't think of items such as underwear and toiletries. Please contribute what you can during October and November. We will also use our food chest at the back of the church to collect these items.

Grey Cup tickets are now available. Please see Jane Kehler to purchase tickets or obtain a bundle to sell.

Bud, Spud, and Steak tickets are available. This will take place at Kelly's Bar & Grill in Oakbank on Sat. Oct. 21st following Mass. There will be a silent auction and 50/50 draw. Please see Pat for tickets.

St. John Paul II has a membership number with the **Red River Co-op**. If anyone wants to donate their fuel purchases, our number is **500286**.

Our next Board meeting is **Thursday, October 5th** at 7:15 p.m.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors in our church community and invite you to register and join our parish. You can do this by completing the form on the back page of the bulletin and leaving it either with a greeter at the door or place it in the offertory basket. We are happy to have you be a part of our church community and to share our spiritual journey together.

SACRED HEART

First a big **THANK YOU** to all who in some way help our parish by participating in our annual Pig Roast dinner. From the appreciation of our guests, its another successful event.

The 50-50 draw winner was Lita Savage-Murray, Sister-in-law to be to John Yokimas.

The goat ticket was won by Herb Sulkers whose wife Carol bought him the ticket. It's told he refused the goat and took the cash. Carol is Doreen Oberick's sister.

A planned Pig Roast review meeting for all the volunteers October 3rd at 7 p.m. At the rectory.

The next Altar Society meeting will be October 11 and the Finance Meeting will be October 12 both at 7 p.m. at the rectory.

St. Michael's CWL

Our St Michael's Day Dinner is taking place today, after Mass. Tickets are \$15.00, ages 6-12 \$5.00 and under 5 free.

COOKS CREEK HERITAGE MUSEUM www.cchm.ca

"Polski Czat" * CHANGE OF START DATE!!!**

We will be starting up our informal Polish language group on Monday **October 16th**. Join us the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month from 7 to 9 PM in the St Michael's Church hall
Newcomers welcome! For more info call Liz @ [204-444-3247](tel:204-444-3247)

The **Men's Group "Reviving The Past"** meets every Thursday at 10 AM
Join us for a fun day of planning, repairing, restoring and "deep" discussion!! New comers welcome!!

Heritage Howl

Saturday October 21st @ 7 PM \$5 per person

Enjoy a spooky tour of the Museum buildings followed by free refreshments in the "Back of the Barn"

Social Action - Development & Peace

Development and Peace- Caritas Canada St Boniface Council News:

The Fall Action Campaign is beginning in October. The theme for this year is "**May Peace Be With Her**". A workshop on the Fall Action campaign will be held on Thursday October 12th at 151 Cathedral. All Parish reps and interested individuals are invited to attend.
Please contact Liz @ [204-444-3247](tel:204-444-3247) for more information

Please remember our local Food Bank....donations gratefully accepted

De- Cluttering??

Please remember the Centre Flavie -Laurent when you are going through closets and cupboards. They accept all household articles including furniture as well as clothing. These goods are distributed to the most needy in the community and all donations are greatly appreciated. They are located at 450 Provencher Ave

Upcoming Events

October 1st - St Michael's Dinner
October 11th - Ladies Altar Society - Sacred Heart rectory
October 12th - Finance Meeting - Sacred Heart rectory
October 15th - Fellowship Sunday - St. Michael's
October 16th - 7 PM Polski Czat
October 19th - St Michael's Administrative Board meeting
October 21st - Bud, Spud & Steak - St. John Paul II
October 21st Heritage Howl CCHM 7 PM
Nov 16th - St Michael's Administrative Board meeting
Dec 21st - St Michael's Administrative Board meeting

Days for Girls Springfield

is hosting a Dessert Party Fundraiser on Saturday, October 21st

in the Upper Hall of Oakbank United Church. In addition to a selection of desserts, there will be a guest speaker, and the Grands 'n' More Organization will have a display of their wonderful items for sale in support of grandmothers and AIDS orphans of Africa. Tickets are \$10 and available from Dennis or Donna at [204-444-2991](tel:204-444-2991). All seats reserved. Doors open at 1:15; opening remarks at 2 p.m. Invite a friend and join in the fun!

<p><i>Complete Family Hair Care Centre</i></p> <p>777 Cedar Ave. at Main St. Box 360 Oakbank, MB R0E 1J0 Phone (204) 444-4343</p> 	<p>Advertise in the Bulletin!</p> <p>Please contact Shauna Zinnick (szinnick@mymts.net) for further information.</p>
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We extend a warm welcome to new members of our community! If you would like to join our parish family, please complete the registration form below and place in the collection basket during offertory. Thank-you!

REGISTRATION or CHANGE FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Registering with:

St. Michael's Parish Cooks Creek or

Sacred Heart Parish Garson or

St. John Paul II Catholic Community

In need of Sunday Envelopes? (please circle) YES NO This is a (please circle) NEW or CHANGE of address

The Parable of the two Sons: Has your mother or your father ever asked you to help out around the house by doing some chores? I'm sure that has probably happened to you. This morning I am going to tell a story about a father who had two sons named John and William. One day dad walked into John's room to find him building a model airplane. "John, we had a lot of wind last night and there are leaves scattered all over the yard. Would you please rake the leaves and put them in these trash bags?" dad asked.

"Aw Dad, I don't have time to rake the leaves. I am working on this model airplane and I really want to finish it today," John answered.

The father turned and left the room and went to look for William. He found William watching TV. "William, there are a lot of leaves in the yard. Would you please rake the leaves and put them in these bags?" dad asked. "Sure, I'd be glad to," William answered. "Great!" said dad. "I'll leave the rake and the trash bags in the yard."

After his father left, John began to think about what he had asked him to do. "I can rake the leaves and still have plenty of time to finish my model airplane later," John thought to himself. He went outside and began raking the leaves.

When dad returned home, he saw John raking leaves. "Where is William?" dad asked. "I don't know. The last time I saw him he was watching TV," John replied.

When dad went into the house, guess what he saw? There sat William, still watching TV! I wonder which of the two sons pleased his father? John, who said he wouldn't rake the leaves, but did -- or William, who said he would rake the leaves, but didn't?

In our Bible lesson today, Jesus told a similar story to show how different people obey what God has called them to do. In Jesus' parable of the two sons, the father asked both sons to go and work in his vineyard. Just as the two boys in my story, one son answered, "No," but went and worked. The other son answered "yes" did not go. In telling the story, Jesus wanted us to realize that what we do is more important than what we say we will do. Jesus wants us to answer, "Yes," when he tells us to "Love one another," but what he really wants is for us to love one another! Jesus wants us to answer, "Yes," when he says, "Follow me," but what he really wants is for us to follow him! That's the kind of child I want to be. Isn't it the kind of child you want to be?

Father, sometimes we say, "Yes," but our actions say, "No." Help us to be faithful to do what you have called us to do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.