

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

Cudworth

St. Benedict

Middle Lake

Roman Catholic Parishes

Holy Week ~ March 29th (Palm Sunday) – April 5th (Easter Sunday)

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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 28th – April 4th

Mar. 28th - Saturday 5^{PM}

St. Benedict: Loreen Waldbillig+/Leon Medernach

Mar. 29th - Sunday 9^{AM}

Canadian Martyrs: Clarence Palchinski+/Mary Weisensel

Mar. 29th – Sunday 11^{AM}

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

Mar. 31st – Tues **NO**

MASS - Fr. Benjamin is away at Crism Mass

Apr 1st – Wed 10:30^{AM}

Cudworth Nursing Home: Camryn Stewart/CWL

Apr. 1st – Wed 1:30^{PM}

Bethany: Gary Schmidt+/ Vincent & Tammy Dierker

Apr. 2nd - Holy Thursday 5^{pm}

St. Benedict: Dona Lee Schmidt+/Phil Medernach

Apr. 2nd - Holy Thursday 7:30^{PM}

St. Michael's: Ian Saxinger+/Catherine, Thomas, Heide, Elizabeth & Families

Apr. 3rd - Good Friday 3^{PM}

St. Michael's: Jacqueline Bantel(healing)/Gwendolyn & Gord

Apr. 3rd – Good Friday 5:30^{PM}

Canadian Martyrs: Brad Schafer+/Ivan & Teresa Richardson

Apr. 4th - Saturday Easter Vigil 8:30^{PM}

St. Michael's: Linus Hackl+/John & Glenda Kohle

Good Friday

Good Friday Collection is taken at the request of the Holy See. It is for the support of the many social, educational and parish projects of the Church throughout the Holy Land as well as the upkeep of the Holy Sites. It helps to ensure the presence of Church and peace in this land.

We invite you to give generously



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, 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
at the Haven



Parish Council – Wed. April 15th @ 7 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday at 5 PM in
St. Michael's Parish



**JOIN US FOR A
SOCIAL**

After Easter Vigil Mass on
Saturday April 4th.

Everyone is welcome to attend!

It will be a potluck so please
bring a snack or appetizer.



**Easter Choir
Practice**

MARCH 30TH | 7 PM

*St. Michael's Haven Annual
Spring Donation Breakfast*

March 29th at the Cudworth Community Hall

9:30AM – 1:00PM

\$15 per person



Sunday Mass Ministries

11AM – Palm Sunday, March 29th

Welcomers: Garry & Catherine

Rosary: Glen **Ushers:** Edward & Leonard

Screens: Grace **Servers:** Chelsea & Nora

Readers: 1st – Teresa, 2nd – Don, **POF** – Kathleen

Offerings: Bernadette, Tammy, Roger

Eucharistic Minister: Heide, Kathleen

Counters: Garry, Catherine, Heide

730PM – Holy Thursday, April 2nd

Welcomers: Jim & Liz

Rosary: Phil **Ushers:** James & Clarence

Screens: Grace **Servers:** Brianna, Brady, Cael, Gage,
Brooke

Readers: 1st – Tammy, 2nd – John K, **POF** – Catherine

Offerings: Edward & Leonard

Eucharistic Minister: Danny, Morris

3PM – Good Friday, April 3rd

Welcomers: John & Audrey

Rosary: Glen **Ushers:** Darrell & Garry

Screens: Grace **Servers:** Brady, Nora, Chelsea

Readers: Narrator – Lee, 2nd – Barbara, **POF** – TBD

Offerings: John & Audrey

Eucharistic Minister: Barbara, Clarence

8:30PM – Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday), April 4th

Welcomers: Garry & Catherine

Rosary: Phil **Ushers:** Edward & Leonard

Screens: Ann **Servers:** Brianna, Chelsea, Cael, Gage,
Brooke

Readers: 1st – John V. 3rd – Morris, 5th – Garry, 7th –
Teresa, **Epistle** – James

POF – Kim **Offerings:** James & Kim

Eucharistic Minister: Roger, Heide

12PM – Easter Sunday, April 5th

Welcomers: Jim & Liz

Rosary: Glen **Ushers:** James & Clarence

Screens: Jill **Servers:** Eric, Leo, Alynn

Readers: 1st – Don, 2nd – Tammy,

Prayers of the Faithful – Kathleen

Offerings: Bernadette, Tammy, Roger

Eucharistic Minister: Danny, Kathleen

Counters: Dennis, Sylvia

ST. CARLO ACUTIS EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT TOUR

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH,
CUDWORTH

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

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.



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.



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



The meaning of veiling sacred images before Easter

- **Hidden glory of Christ:** The veiling reflects how Christ's divinity becomes "hidden" as His Passion approaches
- **Heightened sense of absence and longing:** The church becomes visually stark, preparing for the drama of Holy Week
- **Scriptural connection:** Often linked to John 8:59: "Jesus hid himself..." – used in older liturgies for the 5th Sunday of Lent

Veiling was originally tied to a distinct liturgical period called *Passiontide*. Passiontide began on the 5th Sunday of Lent.

Crosses are typically unveiled on Good Friday, and other images are unveiled at the Easter Vigil or Easter Morning.

2026 Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday ~ April 2nd

St. Benedict 5pm | St. Michael's 7:30pm

Good Friday ~ April 3rd

Way of the Cross (inside the town of Cudworth) 10am

St. Michael's 3pm | Canadian Martyrs 5:30pm

Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday) ~ April 4th

St. Michael's 8:30pm

Easter Sunday ~ April 5th

St. Benedict 8:30am | Canadian Martyrs 10am | St. Michael's 12pm

We continue to pray for Hailey Kraft
as she prepares for the Holy
Sacrament of Baptism.



Adult Baptism: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- Rite of Acceptance
- Rite of Sending
- Rite of Election
- First Scrutiny Sunday **March 15th**
- Second Scrutiny Sunday **March 15th**
- Third Scrutiny Sunday **March 22nd**
- Easter Vigil: Baptism, First Holy Communion & Confirmation Saturday **Apr. 4th**



ST. BENEDICT

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

Mass Times:

March: Saturday 5^{PM}

April: Sunday 9^{AM}



Please keep these candidates in your prayers, as they prepare for the

Sacrament of Confirmation

Duke Draude
Cruz Draude
Cheyenne Jensen
Brody Hauser
Grayson Bernard

Sunday/Saturday Mass Ministries

5^{PM} – Palm Sunday March 29th

Ushers: Reg Sacristan: Reg

Cross Bearer: Reg

Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

5^{PM} – Holy Thursday April 2nd

Ushers: Laverne Sacristan: Laverne

Cross Bearer: Colleen Servers: Draude's

Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

8:30^{AM} – Easter Sunday April 5th

Ushers: Reg Sacristan: Reg

Cross Bearer: Reg Servers:

Readings & Prayers of the Faithful: LeeAnn

9^{AM} – Sunday April 12th

Ushers: Laverne Sacristan: Laverne

Cross Bearer: Colleen Servers: Draude's

Readings & 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. Mar. 29th @ 9^{AM} Tim & Janine
Fri. Apr. 3rd @ 5:30^{PM} Andrea & Gloria
Sun. Apr. 5th @ 10^{AM} Marj & Lynne
Sat. Apr. 11th @ 5^{PM} Tim & Janine

CHURCH MAINTENANCE:

Mon March 30th Tim & Allen
Mon April 6th Matthew & Ken P
Mon April 13th Dorian & R. Baker
Mon April 20th Chris & Debbie
Mon April 27th Kenny & Hap

CHURCH CLEANERS:

March: Michelle Mertz & Karen Mertz
April: Lisa Parsons & Lisa Demers

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!

GOOD FRIDAY – OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS

April 3rd - Town of Cudworth

10AM ~ Stations begin at St. Michael's Parish, and will end there around noon.

If you are unable to join in the walking, you may pray at the church at this time.

FORMED
FAITH AT HOME

Formed.org is a great online resource for movies, studies, audios, talks and e-books. Go to: <https://formed.org/signup> and search for St. Michael's Parish in Cudworth. You'll then have access to all the content. Take advantage of their Lent/Easter section this Holy Week !

Palm Sunday: Following Jesus

This Sunday is traditionally known as Passion Sunday or Palm Sunday. It marks the beginning of the Holy Week. The Church commemorates the Lord's solemn entrance into Jerusalem riding on a donkey. He was heralded by a great crowd spreading their cloaks and tree branches on his path.

This solemn entrance into Jerusalem is very significant. Unlike the kings of this world who go with fanfare and siren and armed military and policemen, Jesus rode on the beast of burden. "His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God" (Philippians 2:6-11).

Let's reflect on the characters in today's gospel:

- Judas Iscariot,
- Peter,
- the other apostles, and
- Pontius Pilate.

i. Above characters (persons) do mirror the many ways we sometimes respond to Jesus. Judas Iscariot and Simon Peter were both among the twelve, and both betrayed their master. While there are similarities in their betrayal, there are also differences. Sometimes we are like Judas Iscariot, who betrayed his master and friend out of greed for material things. Even though he later regretted his actions, he did not feel bad enough to ask for forgiveness. Instead, he committed suicide out of despair and pride.

ii. We sometimes act like Peter, who denied Jesus because he was afraid of being arrested and suffer with Jesus. We could sometimes deny Jesus like Peter did by denying our Christian beliefs to fit in with the crowd. But Christianity isn't a religion about doing what everyone else does. It's about following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ.

Peter is a lot different from Judas Iscariot because, unlike Judas Iscariot, he did not kill himself. Instead, he waited until after Jesus' resurrection to make amends. So, Peter reminds us that we are human and make mistakes, and that God is also always ready to give us a second chance.

For prophet Isaiah said, “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow,” says the Lord; “though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool” (Isaiah 1:18). All we must do is humble ourselves, acknowledge, and confess our sins.

iii. In some other time, we are like the other disciples who fell asleep during the darkest hour of Jesus. True discipleship is like standing by your spouse, family, or friend in sickness and in health, in poverty and in plenty. Of course, there is always the temptation to be a “fair-weather disciple,” but true discipleship means standing with Jesus round the clock, not just when it is easy and convenient to do so.

vi. Finally, we can be like Pontius Pilate sometimes. He knew that Jesus had done nothing wrong. Even his wife told him about a dream she had about Jesus. But instead of letting Jesus go, he washed his hands of the situation, which is a sin of omission. We are called to stand up for the truth, even if it means standing alone.

As we remember Christ the Lord’s triumphant entry into Jerusalem and start Holy Week, let’s reflect on the dangers of avarice, greed, fear, and omission. And if we find ourselves falling for these sins, let us seek to set things right especially through the sacrament of reconciliation.

Prayer:

Thank you, Jesus

Thank you, Lord