



# MARY, MOTHER OF MANKIND PARISH

## ST. MICHAELS MISSION

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### Clergy

- Rev. Peter Michael Short VG

### Staff Members

- Secretary: Juliana Nez
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- Maintenance; Norvin Thomson

### Weekend Masses

Saturday at 5:00 pm (Anticipated Mass for Sunday)

Sunday at 10 am

### Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday at 5:30 pm (in Convent Chapel)

### Confession

Saturday, 3-4 pm or by appointment

### Baptisms

Contact Parish Office 1 month in advance

### Marriage

Contact Office at least 9 months in advance

### Religious Education

Begins in September

### RCIA & RCIC

Begins in September

## Risks and Rewards

**Y**ou are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation". This passage from the first letter of St. Peter (2:9), which we use today as the alleluia antiphon, is a good context in which we can read the readings this weekend. We have been chosen by God, not because we are exceptional but because of His love. That same love converts us into a royal priesthood, that is, a princely nation who can stand and offer prayer and sacrifice to God and it is this love that makes us holy. It is all God's initiative; we simply must turn to Him and offer Him our response.

That response to God's love is both absolutely demanding, and at the same time greatly rewarding. Demanding because God will not accept half measures ("in the measure that you give you will be given"). The comparison Jesus makes in the Gospel that we must love God more than our very parents means not that we love our parents any less, but that our love for God should be that much more. To honor our parents is a commandment of God, but to love God above all is the first commandment.

If we give ourselves in love to God, then the reward will be generous. It does not matter the gift: even a cup of water can be enough to merit a great reward from the Lord. In the end, it is not what we do or offer that is as important as the love and intention with which we offer it. The hospitality of the woman of Shunem to the prophet Elisha was rewarded with a son she so desired. If you continue to read the story in the Second Book of Kings, the fourth chapter, you will find that the favor and gift of God did not end with giving a son to the woman but in other moments of trial and grace as well.

We have been chosen without merit of our own to be God's people: we ask the Lord to give us the grace to be willing to risk all to receive the reward of His life. *Fr. Peter*

**Rosary and Legion of Mary:**

Tuesday at 6 pm at St. Michaels Parish Center

**AA Meeting**

Tuesdays 6 pm at Parish Hall/Gym Annex

**Kateri Circle:**

Every Third Wednesday of each month

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Next meeting: TBA

**Parish Finance Council**

Next Meeting: TBA

**Mass Intentions:**

- July 3 -Int. of Mrs. Eva Clercks
- July 4- (8 am) For the Nation
- July 5 - Int. Phylis Echmann
- July 6 - + Ellen Mary Saul
- July 7 - + Ellen Mary Saul
- July 8 - + Fr. Don Richardson
- July 9 - For the parish

**Last Sunday Collection**

**\$1040.35**

**Your support maintains our parish, thank you.**

*Parish Announcements*

Beginning Monday, July 3, there will be daily Mass in the Convent Chapel at 5:30 pm. Daily Mass, of course, is not an obligation for Catholics, but it is a wonderful way to live the liturgy of the Church throughout the year. Our spiritual life is nourished both by the Word of God meditated upon each day, and by the Body and Blood of Christ which we can receive at each Holy Mass.

As you know, the Church in the United States is celebrating a “Eucharistic Revival”. This year, the revival is focused on renewing the love and devotion - as well as our understanding - of the mystery of the Eucharist in the local parishes. It is my hope that we may be able to grow as a community in unity and love of this most Blessed Sacrament and for one another, especially during this year.

So, in summary: if you can make it to daily Mass to pray with us, we will be happy to see you. If you cannot make it, know that you will be in our prayers each day.

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**Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday** at the Parish Center at 6 pm. Come Join us! We also invite you to join us 30 minutes before Saturday or Sunday Mass to pray the rosary in the church.

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**Have a Blessed 4th of July!**

Let us pray for our nation.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**JULY 1&2, THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION
SATURDAY	IVAN ROANHORSE	
SUNDAY	CLARITA MEEHLEIB	CELIE HENDERSON

**JULY 8&9, FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY	JAYDE CARRIERE	
SUNDAY	MAKE GREENE	VI BLACKMAN