



# St. Michael Catholic Church



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1315 1st Ave. South Sioux City, NE 68776

**March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday  
24 de Marzo del 2024 Domingo De Ramos**

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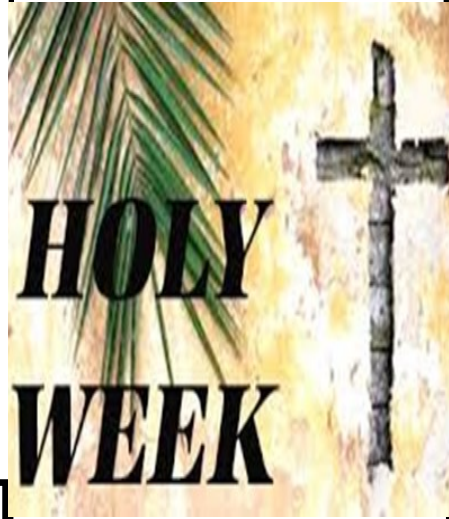
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Please see  
bulletin for  
information  
about the  
Holy week  
celebrations.



### English Mass Times:

**Monday-Friday:** 8:15am

**Saturday:**  
9:00am & 5:00pm

**Sunday:**  
7:30am & 9:00am

**Reconciliation  
Weekday:**

7:30am -8:00am (M-F)  
5:30pm -5:50pm (T-F)  
**Weekend: Saturday**  
3:45pm - 4:45pm &  
6:15pm - 6:45pm

### Misa en Español

**Servicio de Comunión**

**Lunes** 6:00pm con el  
Diacono José Luis

**Martes a Viernes:** 6:00pm

**Sábado:** 7:00pm

**Domingo:** 10:30am,  
12:00pm, & 1:30pm

### Confesiones

**Entre Semana:**

7:30am - 8:00am (L-V)  
5:30pm - 5:50pm (M-V)

**Confesiones Sábado**  
3:45pm - 4:45pm &  
6:15pm - 6:45pm

THE PARISH  
OFFICE WILL BE  
**CLOSED**  
March 28, 29 and  
April 1st.

### The Parish Office Hours

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

9:00am - 3:00pm

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

9:00am - 5:00pm

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Por favor leer  
el boletin para  
informacion  
sobre las  
cebraciones  
de la semana  
santa.

LA OFICINA  
ESTARA  
**CERRADA**  
marzo 28, 29 y  
abril 1.

## **Fr. Matt's Catechetical Corner: March 24, 2024**

Happy Palm Sunday! As we enter into Holy Week, we want to take a moment to reflect on the beauty of Mary in relation to Our Lord's Incarnation and Passion. With that in mind, here are the Four Dogmas (recall: Dogma is a Truth of the Faith that must be believed if one is to consider themselves Catholic) regarding Mary:

1. Mother of God: Mary, in the Council of Ephesus, was solemnly proclaimed as the Mother of God, meaning that God, in Christ, truly had a human mother. Here again we see the importance of the Incarnation and how the Church proclaims this dogma of Our Lady so as to emphasize the Incarnation.
2. Perpetual Virgin: Mary, in the Lateran Council of 649, was declared "perpetual virgin," meaning that Mary herself was preserved by God the Father for Christ alone. This means that Christ's Incarnation did not undo her virginity; rather, it sanctified, elevated, and preserved it intact due to the unique grace of Christ.
3. Immaculate Conception: Declared by Pope Pius IX in 1854, this dogma proclaims that Mary, by virtue of Christ's coming to her physically and spiritually, was preserved from the stain of Original Sin so that the dwelling place of God on earth, Mary's womb, would be spotless in preparation for the coming of the Creator. Notice, again, that the focal point is Christ's Incarnation.
4. Assumption: Proclaimed by Pope Pius XII in 1950, this dogma teaches that Mary, being without sin, was taken up into Heaven body and soul. Notice that the Church is silent about her death. This only deals with her body and soul, that is, the body and soul that carried the Incarnate Lord.

So with all of this in mind, what does this have to do with the Lord's Passion? The simple answer is: everything. Notice that Mary herself is preserved from sin, meaning she sees everything as God intends for it to be seen and understood. This means that the horror of sin that was inflicted on Christ would cause her tremendous pain and confusion precisely because she never had the blindness that results from sin. She herself would suffer deeply as Christ suffered and died at the hands of the Pharisees and the Romans. Mary suffered in her person as Christ suffered in his person and body.

This, then, brings us to a central point: what is our reaction to our own sin? Keeping in mind that Mary and Christ both saw sin for what it was, the question must be asked of us. How often do we pardon ourselves but not others? How often do we seek our own kingdoms (whether it be a kingdom of language, culture, political belief, or even our own personal ideologies) instead of Christ? Christ is desiring us to allow his Passion, his Precious Blood, to heal us all and unite us all in himself and set us free from sin. And he does all of this through the Incarnation: as one of us.

### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

Regular Sunday Mass schedule

#### **HOLY THURSDAY**

5:00 pm English Mass

7:00 pm Spanish Mass

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

3:00 pm Passion of Christ/Veneration of the Cross in English

5:00 pm Live Stations of the Cross/Passion of Christ  
in Spanish in the school gym

7:00 pm Veneration of the cross in Spanish

#### **HOLY SATURDAY**

1:00 pm Passion of Christ in Spanish  
in the Church

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass Bilingual

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

Regular Sunday Mass schedule

## ENGLISH SPEAKING PARISH GROUPS

<b>Group Name</b>	<b>Group Representative/leader</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>	<b>Time and place of meeting.</b>
Bible Study	Ann O'Mara	712-212-4390	Weekly on Mondays from 1-3:00pm Parish Center
Legion of Mary	Georgette Kroc	402-508-0413	Weekly on Tuesdays from 1-3:00pm Parish Center
Funeral Dinners	Marilyn Foster	712-253-6334	
CCD	Mother Filomena Cueto	712-509-8528	Tuesdays & Wednesdays 6:15 pm- 7:30 pm
RCIA	Fr. Matt	402-494-5423	Thursdays 7:30 – 8:30pm

### ENGLISH GROUPS/ GRUPOS EN INGLES

**These meetings are open to all who wish to attend.**

<b>Bible Study</b>	Parish Center every Monday from 1-3:00pm.
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Parish Center every Tuesday from 1:30 – 3:00pm

### **FAITH IN ACTION**

Tune into Faith in Action at 9 a.m. Monday, March 25. Host Joanne Fox interviews Dr. Mike White, Shelby Hagerdon, and Tracy Bennett about a new movie, The Cross, which details the true story of a cross-burning in Laurens, Iowa, on the property of Dr. White's family in 1922. This program replays at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 30. Faith in Action is brought to you by Mary's Choice, a Sioux City Pregnancy Resource Center. Previous Faith in Action programs can be found on [siouxlandcatholicradio.com](http://siouxlandcatholicradio.com), on Spotify, and on a number of other podcasting platforms.



## **Give your child a gift that will last a lifetime. . . .**

St. Michael Catholic School is now enrolling students for the 2024-2025 school year. Several scholarships are available for those that qualify. In addition to the Kremer, Children's Scholarship, and the Latino Scholarship, we now have the Opportunity Scholarship of Nebraska which is available for all transfer students. We are here to serve and support all parents who want a faith-based education for their child where God is the center of all we do.

Call 402-494-1526 to schedule a tour, a shadow day, or just to get more information. Please don't wait. We have limited class sizes, and several classes are already full or almost full.

## **Rincón Catequético del Padre Mateo: 24 de Marzo del 2024**

¡Feliz Domingo de Ramos! Al entrar en la Semana Santa, queremos tomarnos un momento para reflexionar sobre la belleza de María en relación con la Encarnación y Pasión de Nuestro Señor. Teniendo esto en cuenta, aquí están los Cuatro Dogmas (recordemos: Dogma es una Verdad de Fe que debe ser creída si uno se considera católico) sobre María:

1. Madre de Dios: María, en el Concilio de Éfeso, fue proclamada solemnemente como Madre de Dios, es decir, que Dios, en Cristo, verdaderamente tuvo una madre humana. Aquí vemos nuevamente la importancia de la Encarnación y cómo la Iglesia proclama este dogma de Nuestra Señora para enfatizar la Encarnación.
2. Virgen perpetua: María, en el Concilio de Letrán de 649, fue declarada “virgen perpetua”, lo que significa que María misma fue preservada por Dios Padre solo para Cristo. Esto significa que la Encarnación de Cristo no deshizo su virginidad; más bien, la santificó, elevó y preservó intacta debido a la gracia única de Cristo.
3. Inmaculada Concepción: Declarado por el Papa Pío IX en 1854, este dogma proclama que María, en virtud de la venida de Cristo a ella física y espiritualmente, fue preservada de la mancha del Pecado Original para que la morada de Dios en la tierra, el vientre de María, fuera impecable en preparación para la venida del Creador. Observemos, nuevamente, que el punto focal es la Encarnación de Cristo.
4. Asunción: Proclamada por el Papa Pío XII en 1950, este dogma enseña que María, siendo sin pecado, fue elevada al Cielo en cuerpo y alma. Note que la Iglesia guarda silencio sobre su muerte. Esto sólo se trata de su cuerpo y alma, es decir, el cuerpo y alma que llevó al Señor Encarnado.

Entonces, con todo esto en mente, ¿qué tiene que ver con la Pasión del Señor? La respuesta simple es: todo. Note que María misma está preservada del pecado, lo que significa que ve todo como Dios quiere que sea visto y comprendido. Esto significa que el horror del pecado que fue infligido a Cristo le causaría tremendo dolor y confusión precisamente porque nunca tuvo la ceguera que resulta del pecado. Ella misma sufriría profundamente como Cristo sufrió y murió a manos de los fariseos y los romanos. María sufrió en su persona como Cristo sufrió en su persona y cuerpo.

Esto, entonces, nos lleva a un punto central: ¿cuál es nuestra reacción ante nuestro propio pecado? Teniendo en cuenta que tanto María como Cristo vieron el pecado tal como era, debemos hacernos la pregunta. ¿Con qué frecuencia nos perdonamos a nosotros mismos pero no a los demás? ¿Con qué frecuencia buscamos nuestros propios reinos (ya sea un reino de lengua, cultura, creencias políticas o incluso nuestras propias ideologías personales) en lugar de Cristo? Cristo desea que permitamos que su Pasión, su Preciosa Sangre, nos sane a todos y nos una a todos en sí mismo y nos libere del pecado. Y todo esto lo hace a través de la Encarnación: como uno de nosotros.

### **HORARIOS PARA SEMANA SANTA**

#### **DOMINGO DE RAMOS**

Horario normal de Misas de domingo.

#### **JUEVES SANTO**

5:00 pm Misa en Inglés

7:00 pm Misa en Español

#### **VIERNES SANTO**

3:00 pm Pasión de Cristo/ Veneración de la Santa Cruz en Ingles

5:00 pm Estaciones en vivo del viacrucis/Pasión de Cristo  
en Español.

Obra de teatro en el gimnasio de la escuela.

7:00 pm Veneración de la Santa Cruz en Español

#### **SABADO DE GLORIA**

1:00 pm Pasión de Cristo en Español  
en la Iglesia.

8:30 pm Vigilia pascual

#### **DOMINGO DE RESURECCION**

Horario normal de Misas de domingo



**GRUPOS EN ESPAÑOL/ SPANISH SPEAKING GROUPS.**  
**Las reuniones de los siguientes grupos están abiertas para**  
**las personas que deseen asistir.**

Jóvenes y Adultos Para Cristo 24 de marzo	Ser reúnen en el Centro Parroquial de las 11:00 am a la 1:00 pm Tema: Oración como fortaleza
La Sagrada Familia de Nazaret 27 de marzo	Grupo de oración. Se reúnen los miércoles a las 11:30 am en la Iglesia. Tema: Getsemaní
Clases de Biblia con el Padre Matt 27 de marzo	Todos los miércoles a las 6:30 pm en el sótano de la Iglesia.

**ANUNCIOS DE CATECISMO EN ESPAÑOL**

<b>Marzo 24</b>	Tercer examen para los alumnos de primer y segundo año de confirmación.
<b>Marzo 31</b>	<b>Domingo de Resurrección. NO hay clases de catecismo.</b>



**Dele a su hijo un regalo que durará toda la vida. . . .**

La escuela católica St. Michael ahora está inscribiendo estudiantes para el año escolar 2024-2025. Hay varias becas disponibles para aquellos que califiquen. Además de Kremer, Children's Scholarship y

Latino Scholarship, ahora tenemos la Opportunity Scholarship of Nebraska que está disponible para todos los estudiantes transferidos. Estamos aquí para servir y apoyar a todos los padres que desean una educación basada en la fe para sus hijos, donde Dios sea el centro de todo lo que hacemos. Llame al 402-494-1526 para programar un recorrido por las instalaciones o simplemente para obtener más información. Por favor no esperes. Tenemos clases de tamaño limitado y varias clases ya están llenas o casi llenas.

**9 MONTH NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** for our church and world requested by Leo Cardinal Burke. He is calling ALL Catholics to join him in praying that we get back to God. It started March 12, 2024 and will conclude on December 12, 2024. You may start at any time, but would like all Catholics' to join him.

Here is the prayer that he requested to be recited daily:

O Virgin Mother of God, we fly to your protection and beg your intercession against the darkness and sin, which evermore envelope the world and menace the Church. Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, gave you to us as our mother as He died on the Cross for our salvation. So too, in 1531, when darkness and sin beset us, He sent you, as Our Lady of Guadalupe, on Tepayac to lead us to Him Who alone is our light and our salvation.

Through your apparitions on Tepayac and your abiding presence with us on the miraculous mantle of your messenger, Saint Juan Diego, millions of souls converted to faith in your Divine Son. Through this novena and our consecration to you, we humbly implore your intercession for our daily conversion of life to Him and the conversion of millions more who do not yet believe in Him. In our homes and our nation, lead us to Him Who alone wins the victory over sin and darkness in us and in the world.

Unite our hearts to your Immaculate Heart so that they may find their true and lasting home in the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Ever guide us along the pilgrimage of life to our eternal home with Him. So may our hearts, one with yours, always trust in God's promise of salvation, in His never failing mercy toward all who turn to Him with a humble and contrite heart. Through this novena and our consecration to you, O Virgin of Guadalupe, lead all souls in America and throughout the world to your Divine Son in Whose name we pray. Amen.



# TAX CREDIT CONTRIBUTION FORM

Nebraska taxpayers who want to support students in need of financial assistance to attend a school that works best for them are now offered a tax credit for contributions to Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska (OSN)! Contributions made in 2024 can be claimed on your 2024 state income taxes.

Nebraska taxpayers with state income tax liability can claim up to 50% of their liability or \$100K (or \$1M for estates and trusts). These entities with state income tax liability can claim a nonrefundable tax credit for a contribution made to Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska (OSN): Individuals, Corporations, S corps, LLCs, Estates and trusts.

If you would like assistance with this process, please contact us at [givehope@nebraskaopportunity.org](mailto:givehope@nebraskaopportunity.org) or call 402.205.7047. For all personal financial questions, please consult your tax professional.

Taxpayer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Taxpayer SSN or Nebraska ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*If you prefer to call us with this information, please call 402.205.7047.*

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**INTENDED TAX CREDIT AMOUNT: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my contribution to benefit students who choose my preferred nonpublic school(s). A list of OSN Partners can be found at [nebraskaopportunity.org/partner-schools](http://nebraskaopportunity.org/partner-schools).

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**Please fill out this form and enclose a check for your contribution payable to "Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska" in the return envelope provided.** You may also contribute online at [nebraskaopportunity.org/giving](http://nebraskaopportunity.org/giving).

For wiring instructions, contact [givehope@nebraskaopportunity.org](mailto:givehope@nebraskaopportunity.org).

OSN will submit this request to the Department of Revenue on your behalf and deposit your check when the request is acknowledged. OSN will contact you to confirm your tax credit contribution.

According to the Department of Revenue, taxpayers must submit their payment within 60 days of acknowledgement.

**Please mail or email a PDF or picture of your completed tax credit contribution form:**

Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska  
5100 Van Dorn St., #6778  
Lincoln, NE 68506

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## Intenciones Para la Misa/Mass Intentions

Sábado, 23 de marzo, 2024

7:00pm (MN): †Enrique De León

**Segundas Intenciones:**

Por Gaby Calderón y por el descanso eterno de †María Mateo Mateo y †Sebastián Juan

Domingo, 24 de marzo, 2024

10:30am(MK): †Juan Martinez

12:00pm(CZ): †Juan Martinez

**Segunda Intención:**

†Francisco Esteban Pedro

1:30pm(CZ): †Bartolo Gomez

**Segunda Intención:**

En agradecimiento a San Miguel Arcángel por María del Pilar Guardado Escobar

Lunes, 25 de marzo, 2024

6:00pm: Servicio de Comunión

Martes, 26 de marzo, 2024

6:00pm(MK): Intención determinada por el padre Mateo

Miércoles, 27 de marzo, 2024

6:00pm(CZ): Intención determinada por el padre Mateo

Jueves, 28 de marzo, 2024

7:00pm(CZ): Por el Padre Mateo, el Padre Mike, y el Padre Carlos

Viernes, 29 de marzo, 2024

**NO HABRA MISA ESTE DIA**

Sábado, 30 de marzo, 2024

8:30pm(CZ): **VIGILIA PASCUAL**

Por Gustavo Rubalcava y su familia

**Segunda Intención:**

Por la salud de la familia Pedro

Domingo, 31 de marzo, 2024

10:30am(CZ): **Por la Parroquia**

12:00pm(MK): †Francisco Esteban Pedro

1:30pm(MN): †Francisco Esteban Pedro

Saturday, March 23, 2024

9:00am(MK): †Gabriel Ortega Jr and all of the souls in Purgatory

5:00pm(CZ): †James Horak

Sunday, March 24, 2024

7:30am(MN): †Carrol, †Evelyn, & †Grayson Muff  
9:00am(MN): For the Parish

Monday, March 25, 2024

8:15am(CZ): For the conversion of Gregory Sr.

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

8:15am(MN): †Louise & †Grace Keating

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

8:15am(MN): †Harry Tomek

Thursday, March 28, 2024

8:15am(MN): †Harry & †Hazel Tomek

Friday, March 29, 2024

**NO MASS THIS DAY**

Saturday, March 30, 2024

8:30pm(CZ): **EASTER VIGIL**

Sunday, March 31, 2024

7:30am(MK): †John Sanders

9:00am(MN): †Pat Steffes

## Weekly Collections Week Ending March 10, 2023

Weekly Envelopes & Loose Collection	\$9,256.86
2nd Collection/ Parish Center	\$5,986.95
Catholic Relief Collection	\$728.00
Lavigne Foundation	\$731.00
Utility Fund	\$1,379.00
Other Collection	\$612.00

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