

**WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**



February 19, 2023

**7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” - Mt 5:44



## SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

## SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

## DAILY LITURGY

Weekdays 7:00 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

## HOLY DAY LITURGY

See page 9 of the bulletin

## CHAPEL HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8:00 AM-3:00 PM

Wednesdays

8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Saturday

9:00-3:00 PM

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays

1:00-4:00 PM in the Chapel

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

### Sacrament of Penance...Saturday

3:30 PM-4:30 PM

### Baptisms...First time parents at

St. Michael must attend a Baptism Prep session before the baptism date can be scheduled. Please call Janice at ext. 8241 to schedule the prep session and/or baptism date.

**Marriage....**The bride, groom or their parents/grandparents must be active registered members of the parish for at least one year prior to reserving a date for the wedding. The diocese requires that arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of the wedding date in order for the proper personal, spiritual and liturgical preparations of the couple to be completed.

**Sacrament of the Sick...**Please call the office until 4:00 PM. After 4:00 PM, please call 322-6623 Monday-Friday and anytime on the weekend.

Names of the sick are placed in the bulletin for a period of four weeks after which time they are either removed or placed in the Book of Intentions in the Chapel.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday prior to the Sunday printing 12:00 PM (Noon). Holidays have exceptions. Please submit potential bulletin articles by email to [bulletin@stmichaelparish.life](mailto:bulletin@stmichaelparish.life) or in print form to the office or by fax to 322-4508.

## MINISTRIES

If you are interested in participating in any of these ministries, please visit the website for Ministry Coordinator information.

### Spirituality & Worship Commission

Altar Servers  
Art & Environment  
Cross Bearers  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
Hospitality  
Lectors  
Liturgy Committee  
Music Ministry  
Centering Prayer Ministry  
RCIA  
Sacristan  
Ministers of Care  
Deer Creek/Clarendale Ministers

### Education & Formation Commission

Adult Catholic Education  
Baptismal Preparation  
Catholic Bible Study  
Faith Formation  
HSA  
Marriage Preparation  
Radiate  
School Advisory Board  
Sports Advisory Board

### Stewardship & Parish Administration

Finance Council  
Parish Gardeners  
Cemetery Committee

### Parish Life

Boy Scouts of America  
Comforting Chefs  
Festival Committee  
Holy Name Society  
Knights of Columbus  
Labors of Love  
Senior GEMS  
Welcoming Ministry

### Peace & Social Justice Commission

Good Samaritans  
Ministry of Hope & Consolation  
Parish Nurse  
Rebuilding Hope Mission Team  
Wheelchair Ramp Ministry  
Respect Life Group  
Pastoral Care  
Emotions Anonymous

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## From the Pastor's Desk

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Truly successful people are often times cognizant of possibilities that others overlook. But, in order for their insight to be successful, they need the advice, understanding and support of others as well. In gaining that understanding, advice and support, the initial vision is filled out and becomes the property of all of those involved. Success is no longer driven by one or two people, success becomes the goal for many people.

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds us to take care that we not “deceive” ourselves. Earthly wisdom tells me to do what is best for me. Earthly wisdom is rooted ultimately in the self, not the other. We often are deceived by our earthly wisdom; it seems so reasonable. Yet, if I am honest with myself, if you are honest with yourself, we know that our earthly wisdom rooted in our own interests can lead to self-deception. So often we see this around us, people justifying their actions which jeopardize or hurt others but are convenient for them. This is exactly what St. Paul warns us against.

If we are to adopt God’s wisdom, we look no further than the action of our Lord Jesus, who is the enfleshment of God’s wisdom. He, who did not make His decisions based upon His own self but gave of Himself for the many, for the good of the other. Jesus handed Himself over for our sake so that we could be freed of the deception of earthly wisdom. Jesus and His sacrifice teaches us about the importance of sacrifice. That without it, we can hope to gain nothing; that is everlasting, deeply joyful or eternal.

If I place my trust in my earthly wisdom over the wisdom of Jesus then I never allow myself the possibility of God opening my heart to His great gifts. Because my earthly wisdom tells me not to sacrifice, it tells me I must look out for myself first and foremost.

The persons who have been willing to overcome their fear of speaking in front of everyone about their sacrifice are a witness to us of God’s wisdom. Not only did they put self aside in order to work with, understand and support an important vision for our parish, but they also put self aside to share the significance of that vision with all of us.

We cannot be deceived when individuals choose to set aside their self to prosper the community. These are not people of earthly wisdom. If they were, they would have never spoken to you and me in such a public way. They have lived the reality that St. Paul mentioned: that to be truly wise one must become a fool in this age. Indeed how foolish it must seem to some people to work together for a better future. How much wiser it is to hold onto what I have.

All of us need to consider what wisdom we want to live out of today, the wisdom of this world or the wisdom of God. The wisdom of this world promises us some security in the here and now. But as Jesus tells us in the gospel it is based on the wealth that moths and rust (the markets) can destroy. He urges us to choose the wisdom of God, which uses the wealth of this world to put aside for ourselves heavenly wealth. This is only accomplished in our sacrifice. Jesus shows us that way. Our sacrifices, a mirror of His, leads to a better future and eternal promise.

You are asked to prayerfully consider a gift, particular to your past generosity. Do not be put off by this. Jesus imposed Himself upon all those He called to follow Him. He too asked for more than those first disciples thought they could give. Yet, they gave and received even more than they thought they could ever imagine.

## ST. MICHAEL LENTEN SERIES ON THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE



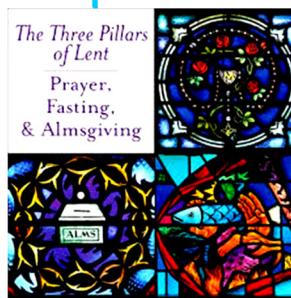
**Wednesdays,  
March 1st-29th  
7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall  
Signups this weekend**

**Eucharistic Adoration  
February 22nd  
1:30-3:00 PM in the Chapel  
Please note time change.**

## PARISH LENTEN PROJECT

During Lent, there are three words that come mind: Prayer, Sacrifice, and Almsgiving. These words remind us of what Jesus did for us.

Would you like to become more like Christ?



To help keep the season in our lives, there are ribbons representing the above three words on tables in the Gathering Space. As you come to Mass each week, please take a ribbon corresponding to your Lenten deed and tie it to the cross.



Please visit our website for the Lenten guidelines that should be followed for fasting and abstaining. They are located under the bulletins tab in Parish News.



## Stations of the Cross

Following in Jesus' footsteps, each of us is invited to "Take up your cross and follow me." This very powerful and moving spiritual pilgrimage can be experienced every Friday during Lent at 12:00 PM and 7:30 PM in the church. In the spirit of fellowship and formation, all *Lay Ministers* are invited to travel the Stations of the Cross together as a way to express devotion to God and your commitment to your ministry. To facilitate this experience, some suggested dates and times are listed below. Please save this for future reference.

### February 24th, 7:30 PM

Ministers of Care  
Ministry of Consolation & Hope  
Parish Nurses  
Cross Bearers  
Prayer Ministry  
Finance Council  
Education Foundation

### March 3rd, 7:30 PM

Pastoral Council Members  
Labor of Love Ministers  
Money Counting Ministry  
Gardener Ministry  
Boy/Girl Scouts  
Emotions Anonymous Ministry  
Cemetery Committee

### March 10th, 7:00 PM

Lectors  
Parish School Advisory Board  
HSA  
Sports Advisory Committee  
Music Ministers  
Festival Committee  
Bible Study

### March 17th, 7:30 PM

Faith Sharing Groups  
Faith Formation Catechists/Assistants  
RCIA Team Members  
Art & Environment Ministers  
Sacristans  
Rebuilding Hope Mission Team/  
Wheelchair Ramp Ministry

### March 24th, 7:30 PM

Welcoming Ministry  
Hospitality Ministers  
Respect Life Ministers  
Good Samaritans  
Comforting Chefs  
Marriage Prep Ministers  
Baptismal Prep Ministers

### March 31st, 7:30 PM

Altar Servers  
Holy Name Society  
Knights of Columbus  
RADIATE Youth Ministry  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Senior GEMS  
Deer Creek/Clarendale Ministers

**Little black and purple Lenten Season Reflection Books for adults and children will be available after all Masses this weekend.  
A donation of \$1.00 per book is appreciated.**



GAME NIGHT  
All 8th Graders invited:

- Dodgeball
- Relays
- Snacks

Sun, Feb 19  
6-8pm in Gym

To RSVP text: 219-775-5356



## A SHOUT OUT FROM OUR SCHOLARSHIP COORDINATOR

Thank you to all of the families for attending the Parent Tuition meetings, as Ms. Wacnik requested. I appreciate you taking the time to meet with me, and I hope each of you was provided with some valuable insight into tuition changes and improvements to our scholarship process here at St. Michael. Since mid-December to the end of January, over 80 families have met to discuss scholarships and the cost of education here at St. Michael. I look forward to our continued partnership throughout the remainder of the school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 219-322-4505, x 8229 or [abalcer@stmichaelparish.life](mailto:abalcer@stmichaelparish.life).



My name is Hannah and I started in 8th grade at SMS and I was really shy about my new start. Once you're in a new school, the first thing I think about doing is making friends immediately because they'll be helpful for school or lunch buddies, partners for classwork and for field trip partners. I am probably going to Lake Central when I go to High school because my brother goes there. I participated in volleyball and play multiple instruments, like the electric guitar and trumpet. The most important instrument is my voice. Since I just started SMS school, I haven't really experienced much here, yet. The important thing that I learned at SMS is how to practice being Catholic. It's sort of fun how to pray and all that stuff in Catholicism. I'm new to the religion though. My family and I are Christian, so we do things differently. I find the Catholic prayer the same as the Christianity prayer. I am also thankful for my best friends and my pet bird who I love the most in my family.



7:00 AM, 8:55 AM and 7:00 PM

## Altar Servers



February 25th 12:00-2:00 PM

Stardust Bowl III, Dyer.

Please RSVP by Feb. 22nd to Pam Wisniewski at 219-306-1520 or email [mpwisniewski@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mpwisniewski@sbcglobal.net).

**Do you want to be more involved with your church and don't know how? We are seeking dedicated parishioners who want to participate more in the parish. Come to know and recognize through Discernment where you can best use your talents and strengths to help our parish thrive.**

**Thursday, March 9th & 16th  
7:00-8:30 PM in St. Patrick Hall**

If interested, please call Janice at 219-322-4505, ext. 8241 for more information or to register.

## WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



## LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER



**Cathy Rose**, Angela Koutsis, Linda Iwand, Ashley Floit, Ken Caravana, Whitney Brittley, Marisa Kuethe, Denese Paszko, Robert Normanson, Dave Petersen Family, **Kelly Eyer**, Katlyn Rodgers, Randy Lyons, Dixie Grigson, Kim Steward, **Sherry Lazarro, Pat Christenson, Kelly Eyer**, Nancy Greco, **Ken Andersen**, Brian Rex, Jim Buyer, **Jennifer Clark, Julian Kras** and all those in need of the healing touch of God.

Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place a loved one on the Prayer List. **Names of the sick are placed in the bulletin for a period of four weeks after which time they are removed and then placed in the Book of Intentions in the Chapel.**

*St. Michael's parishioners are in bold, italic print.*

## 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign

The Respect Life Ministry would like to inform everyone that the 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign is February 22nd-April 2nd. The 40 Days for Life is a prayer campaign held worldwide with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. If you would like to take part in this 40 Days for Life campaign, consider joining other pro-lifers "on the hill" at Planned Parenthood in Merrillville anytime, 7:00 AM-7:00 PM, for a peaceful, non-confrontational prayer vigil to pray for the end to abortion. **If you feel more comfortable in a group, join pro-lifers on Tuesdays, 11AM-1PM, Wednesdays, 10AM-12PM or Thursdays, 11AM-3PM**, for an hour of peaceful vigil to pray for the end of abortion. There are 960 hours that make up the 40 Days for Life; can you give up just 1 hour to stand up for life?

**One Life Saved. One Mother Protected. One Worker Converted. One Facility Closed.**

**Friday, March 3, 2023  
4 - 7 PM**



**INCLUDES:**  
Baked or Fried Pollock  
Baked Potato or Fries  
Homemade Coleslaw  
Green Beans  
Tossed Salad  
\*beer, wine and pop available for additional charge.

Free Will Donations to support:  
Women's Care Center

St. Michael Church  
Schererville, IN  
South Entrance

Fish Dinner: \$14.00  
Dine In or Take out

Pizza & Fries Kids Meal  
available at event only  
for separate charge

Reserve your dinner by  
purchasing ...

- After all Weekend Masses  
Feb 18th - Feb 26th
- Church Office until 3/2
- At the door
- Online
  - [tinyurl.com/kocfishfry23](http://tinyurl.com/kocfishfry23)
  - or use camera to scan QR code →



St. Michael the Archangel Council #12177  
**Knights of Columbus**

## New Member Registration



This Weekend  
After the 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses  
in St. Patrick Hall



**Meeting**  
**February 21st at 10:00AM**  
**St. Patrick Hall**



All those 50+, parishioner or non-parishioner, you are invited to join Senior GEMS. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. We collect a dollar at each meeting to donate to ministries here at St. Michael like the Good Samaritans, Labors of Love and Radiate. Externally, we have donated to the Carmelite House and Women Clinics. Please join us on **February 28th** at 10:00 AM in the SE classroom of St. Patrick Hall. Don't forget to save the date, **March 28th**, for the Medicare update by Barbara Rossi, Franciscan Insurance Specialist. RSVP to Carol at 219-736-5085 by March 13th.

*Submitted by Carol Rusich*

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 SUPER RAFFLE WINNERS:

Prize	Name	Prize	Name	Prize	Name
\$15,000	Steve & Debbie Dahlkamp	\$100	Pedro Padilla	\$100	Dave Bell
\$2,500	Steven Richard	\$100	Helen Nawrocki	\$100	Wojcik Family
\$1,500	Dan & Annette Hayes	\$100	Janie Sturgill	\$100	John & Marsha Krone
\$500	Michael Schroeder	\$100	CDDJATRJ-Ruoff	\$100	Patrick Hobbins
\$500	M & P Massucci	\$100	John Lantz	\$100	Mary Lou Rosenbaum
\$500	Eve Laforte	\$100	Mary Lou Platis	\$100	Duane Huseman
\$500	John Ladic	\$100	Emily & Mike Banas	\$100	M. Mis
\$250	Mike Lam	\$100	John Zaborske	\$100	Julia & Dan Lemon
\$250	Helen Marshall	\$100	Ignacio Barrientez	\$100	Nicole Kawalski
\$250	Andrew Dolder	\$100	Wodrow Wilcox	\$100	M. Susanne Fronczak
\$250	Patricia Christenson	\$100	Bob Lewandowski	\$100	Susan Escondo
\$250	Gerald Bromley	\$100	Sherry Sciences	\$100	Margie Shefter
\$250	Patti Kolanko	\$100	David S. Adams	\$100	Fran Stessl
\$250	Frances Vasquez	\$100	Gina Cipowski	\$100	Jerry Froida
\$250	Nancy Simmons	\$100	Elizabeth Borgia	\$100	Longfield Family
\$150	Angel Sanchez	\$100	Ricciardi	\$100	Renee Held
\$150	Cathleen Cowser	\$100	Kathy Wockter & Dorothy Cochran	\$100	John Sandy Winkler
\$150	Carolyn Sojka	\$100	Pizza 4 for 4	\$100	Bonnie Connors
\$150	Murph Palomo	\$100	Michelle Hahney	\$100	Gerry Heintz
\$100	Woodrow Wilcox	\$100	John S Dubec	\$100	Patrick Rincon
\$100	John Staszewski	\$100	Pat Miller	\$100	Cathy Pannell
\$100	Chuck Earley	\$100	Alex K.	\$100	Josh Kistner
\$100	Irene Bakken & Dawn Rowe	\$100	Maureen Wiegand	\$100	Linda L. Pastor
\$100	Hansen Family	\$100	Linda Miller	\$100	Maureen Rubino
\$100	Roxanne Gard	\$100	Sullivan	\$100	Ronnie Madison
\$100	Lisa Duncan & Judy Rodgers	\$100	Martha Drewniak	\$100	Teresa Campbell
\$100	Todd Petrea	\$100	Steven Guch	\$100	Thomas & Rebecca Talaga
\$100	Sherry Giannini	\$100	R. Lisak	\$100	Angie Nieves
\$100	Marilynn Sainsbury	\$100	Sherry Lazzaro	\$100	James Grskovich
\$100	Jaime A. Montemayor	\$100	Michael P. Quigley	\$100	Shawn Berg
\$100	Robert Malkowski	\$100	Fesenmyer	\$100	Josh Morgan
\$100	Carolyn Quaglia	\$100	Jim Ferguson	\$100	Paul Giaska
\$100	Micki Earley	\$100	Thomas Swanson	\$100	Ray Gard
		\$100	Paul & Joan Smith	\$100	Raul Silva
		\$100	Monette Yetsko	\$100	Jose Lopez

## Bereavement Sessions

Thursdays, March 9th -April 20th,  
7:00-8:30 PM

At these sessions, you will be actively listened to and nonjudgmental support will be offered. As you grieve the loss of a loved one, trained

ministers are present to assist you by giving you tools that will help you move forward in life. To register, please call Janice at 219-322-4505, ext. 8241.



## Calling All Bakers!

St. Michael Knights of Columbus #12177  
need your help.

Desserts needed for Fish Fry  
**Non refrigerated**  
cakes, cupcakes, cookies, pies,  
brownies, or your specialty

Drop off @ St. Patrick's Hall  
Friday, March 3 - 10am - 4 pm



# NIGHT WITH JESUS

MARCH 10 - MARCH 11



Join us for a night of Eucharistic Adoration and spend some time in the Real Presence of our Lord.

*Let us fill the church with warriors of prayer.*

## SCHEDULE

### FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH

4:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

7:45 PM Mass followed by All Night Eucharistic Adoration

8:30 PM Confessions

### SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH

*MIDNIGHT Confessions*

7:00 AM Confessions

8:00 AM Mass

Signups sheets for All Night Eucharistic Adoration will be available on the tables at each entrance in the Gathering Space starting February 24th.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

**MEN'S FAITH SHARING**

Join Deacon Gary for Faith and Fellowship  
Saturday @ 9 A.M.  
February 11   March 4   April 1  
St. Armand Room

### Cemetery Clean-Up Starting Soon

Please remove all decorations that you wish to keep from your cemetery grave sites so that St. Michael's maintenance crew can start clean-up as soon as possible (weather permitting). Eternal lights & attached vases can remain. Anything that is not removed by March 15th will be disposed of. The Decorating Rules and Regulations will be strictly followed after the clean-up is finished. It is hoped that the cemetery will be ready in time for Easter decorations. Thank you.

### 2023 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Diocese of Gary is pleased to announce the 2023 Catholic Women's Conference on April 1st at Bishop Noll Institute, Hammond, IN. Information and registration for this outstanding event can be found at <https://www.nwicatholicwomen.com/>. Our theme for this year is "This is My Body, which is given for you." There is a great line-up of speakers with many diverse topics from Great Female Saints of the Eucharist to Discerning God's Will. Sponsors, vendors and apostolates are also needed and welcome to attend. Information on being a sponsor for this event or promoting your business or apostolate at the conference can be found on the website. Questions? Contact 219-769-9292 x259.

# Stewardship in Action

This Lent ask God to bless those who hurt, frustrate or anger us and ask God to change our heart.  
*submitted by Conchita Bryner*

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

January 8, 2023

Adult	\$13,543.00
Children	\$66.18
EFTs	\$6,821.50
Loose	\$502.00



**Total Weekly Offering  
\$20,932.68**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Weekly Schedule

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19

New Membership Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses  
Forgiven Series Sign Ups After All Masses  
K of C Fish Fry Ticket Sales After All Masses  
Lenten Books Available After All Masses  
RCIA 9:30 AM  
Radiate 6:00 PM  
**The Rosary is said after 7:00 AM weekday Mass except Tuesday-after OLPH Devotions**

### MONDAY FEBRUARY 20

eLearning Day  
Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM

### TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21

Labor of Love 10:00 AM  
Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22 ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses with Distribution of Ashes: 7:00 AM, 8:55 AM 7:00 PM  
Eucharistic Adoration 1:30-3:00 PM  
Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 23

Choir Practice 7:00 PM

### FRIDAY FEBRUARY 24

Stations of the Cross 12:00 & 7:30 PM

### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM  
Forgiven Series Sign Ups After Vigil Mass  
K of C Fish Fry Ticket Sales After Vigil Mass

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26

Forgiven Series Sign Ups After All Masses  
K of C Fish Fry Ticket Sales After All Masses  
RCIA 9:30 AM



**Growing Into the Future  
Together**

We are embarking on a campaign to modernize our facilities. This campaign will help St. Michael's not only survive, but thrive in the 21st century. We are calling on all parishioners to support us in our effort in *Growing Into the Future Together*.

This week, we want to share more news of the first priority of the campaign, which is to renovate St. Michael School's HVAC system. St. Michael School supports its students' educational, spiritual and social needs, and we are committed to creating a safe and welcoming environment for our schoolchildren and Faith Formation students to grow. An updated HVAC system would protect the health and safety of our community's students and school faculty and be a critical investment in St. Michael School for succeeding generations. Providing air conditioning would ensure a school environment that is in line with recent amendments to the Clean Air Act and that St. Michael School's children receive proper air ventilation during instruction. St. Michael School schoolchildren, Faith Formation students and faculty deserve a safe and comfortable environment to work and learn.

As previous generations of parishioners have so generously provided for renovations to the school in the 20th century, so that the school and parish may benefit today, we ask that parishioners prayerfully consider what they can contribute to the campaign to ensure that the parish continues to grow into the future. Our goal is \$3.5 million with a challenge of \$5.0 million. We will need the support of all parishioners in order to be successful, so we ask that you receive news of the campaign with an open heart. **Thank you.**

**Campaign Testimonial:** "I am supporting the GIFT campaign to help secure the future of our parish and school. St. Michael has a long and beautiful history and I want to help ensure that the parish and school not just survive, but thrive for the next 150 years and beyond." - Jen Poskin, Parishioner and School Parent



# Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18**

**5:00 PM**      ♦Que Kim Kuan

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19 SEVENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**7:30 AM**      St. Michael Parish

**9:30 AM**      ♦Frank Sink

♦Pat Carlay

♦Julia Mancaya

**11:30 AM**      ♦Charles Marsh

**MONDAY FEBRUARY 20**

**7:00 AM**      ♦Joseph Zaborske

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21**

**7:00 AM**      ♦Departed Souls of the Congregation of  
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**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22 ASH WEDNESDAY**

**7:00 AM**      ♦Delores Klein

**8:55 AM**      All Souls

**7:00 PM**      All Souls

**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 23**

**7:00 AM**      ♦Joseph Seneczko

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 24**

**7:00 AM**      All Souls

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25**

**8:00 AM**      All Souls

**5:00 PM**      ♦Joseph Heintz

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26 FIRST SUNDAY  
OF LENT**

**7:30 AM**      St. Michael Parish

**9:30 AM**      ♦Carolyn S. Niaccis

♦Joseph "Patrick" Logue

♦Gino Testolin-3 year anniversary

♦Charles Marsh

♦indicates deceased



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## THE WORD

(Readings for February 26, 2023, First Sunday of Lent)

I. *Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7*

The Lord God created Adam and Eve and set them in the garden of Eden. They had all they needed, but the serpent tempted them and they disobeyed God's command.

II. *Romans 5:12-19*

Just as through Adam's disobedience all became sinners, through Christ's obedience all shall become just.

III. *Matthew 4:1-11*

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