

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

March 12, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Lent

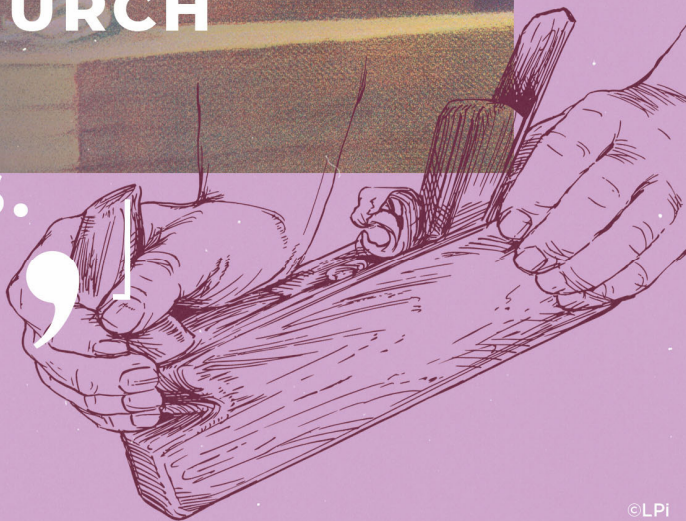
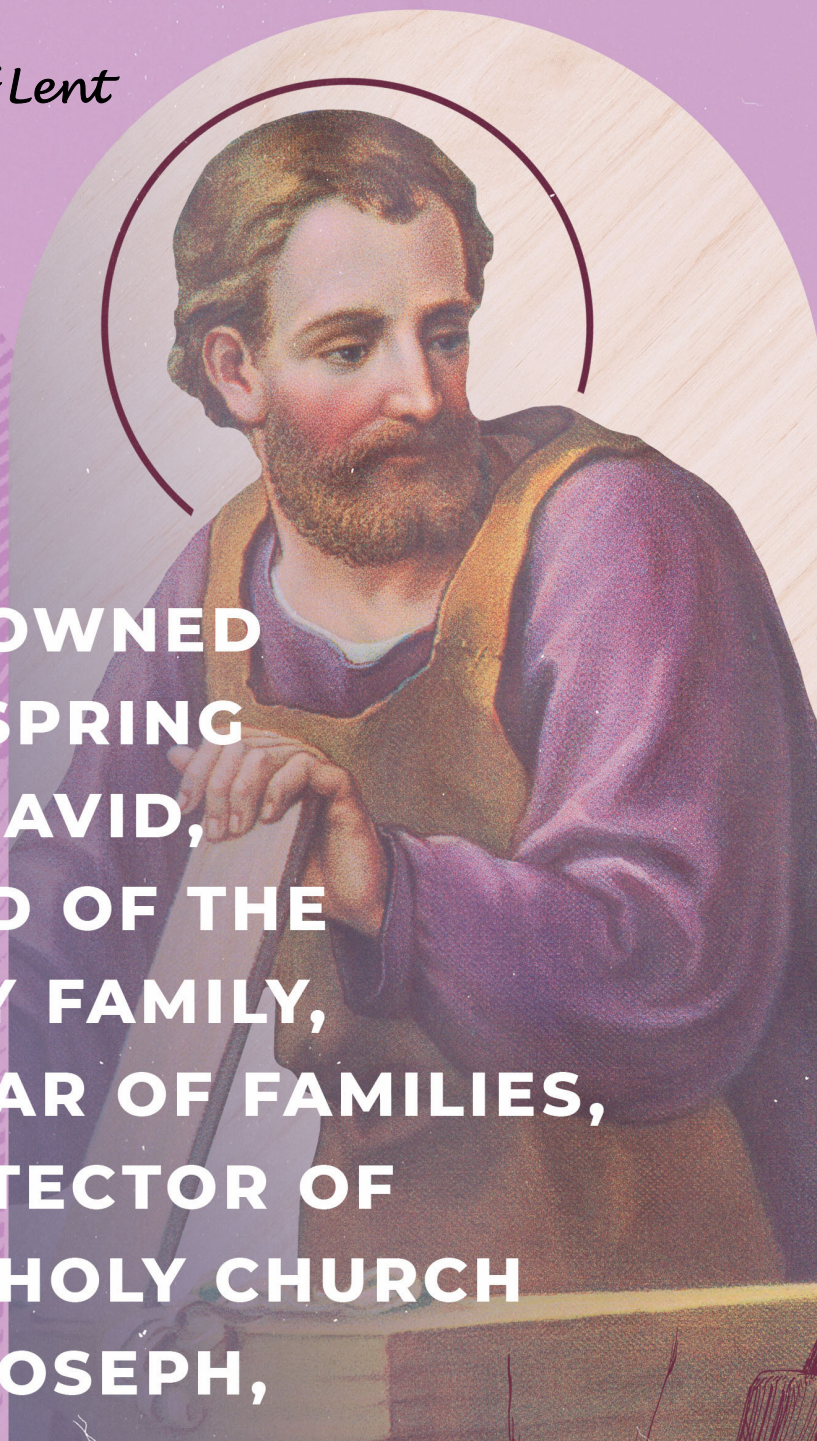
FOSTER-FATHER OF JESUS

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RENOWNED
OFFSPRING
OF DAVID,
HEAD OF THE
HOLY FAMILY,
PILLAR OF FAMILIES,
PROTECTOR OF
THE HOLY CHURCH
ST. JOSEPH,
PRAY FOR US.

”

- ST. JOSEPH





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

1:30-4:00 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 or in print form to the office or by fax to 322-4508.

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

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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

Senior GEMS

Welcoming Ministry

Peace & Social Justice Commission

Good Samaritans

Ministry of Hope & Consolation

Parish Nurse

Labors of Love

Rebuilding Hope Mission Team

Wheelchair Ramp Ministry

Respect Life Group

Pastoral Care

Emotions Anonymous

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Inner Sight. As I began my sixth grade year, at Our Lady of Grace School, my studies were suffering. At first I was just frustrated, like any sixth grader would be, and my parents were concerned. I was not a straight A student but, I rarely did worse than B's or C's. My mother noticed, though, that I was sitting closer and closer to the television. So we went to the eye doctor. It was not a pleasant experience. I remember them putting all these drops into my eyes, and my eyes burning. After an appointment that seemed like a day long, I emerged with a prescription for eye glasses. When my glasses came in and I put them on for the first time, it was like a miracle. Everything at a distance was clear. No longer was I squinting and I could sit on the couch to watch my favorite television show, Family Classics on WGN.

Being able to see clearly is a great gift. The incident of the man born blind, related to us in John's gospel, should be very accessible to us. To lose one's sight is a scary thing, to be born without it, is not so much scary, as it is perplexing. You wouldn't readily understand what sighted people were describing to you. You would have to rely on your other physical senses in order to survive. Indeed, as scary as it is for the sighted to lose their sight, it can be just as scared for this man born blind to now receive his physical sight.

Those who can see, even with hardware, like myself, often believe our eyes, even when they do not always reveal the truth. It is an accepted fact, in criminal cases, that eye witness testimony is often faulty. We allow our eyes to dominate our other physical senses and so are impoverished even though we may behold beautiful sights. Often, our over reliance on our physical sight shadows our need to develop our spiritual sight. That is one point of the story about the man born blind.



Though he is blind physically, he allows his other senses to lead him to Christ. When he is given sight, he sees more than just the colorful world around him. He sees with clear vision through the eyes of his heart. As the story progresses, all those people who would see him day after day begging, don't see him. They become blind to this "new" person who sees Jesus as a prophet. When his parents are called in, his parents do not recognize him (in a sense) because he sees who Jesus really is, the "one sent from God."

How easy it is to depend on our eyesight and not develop our inner eyesight. The caution for you and me is not to be so convinced of our insights about others, or the world we live in, or the fragile state of our security. The eyes of our heart are more accurate than the eyes in our head. It is those eyes that Jesus wants to heal. The eyes of our heart can easily become clouded with fear, anxiety, anger, distrust and passion. This is why Jesus came, to open those eyes to trust in His providence, to see His mercy calling you and me to come closer to Him, to be fully sighted as God is towards each one of us.

When I ask God to open the eyes of my heart it can be a scary thing. I am asking God to help me see the whole world differently. Such a move jeopardizes ideas and perceptions that I thought I saw/knew clearly. Faith in God's love is the only thing that can lead you and me to allow Jesus to open the eyes of our hearts even wider than they are today. The alternative is for our eyes to grow even darker, like the parents, the neighbors and the Pharisees and Chief Priests in the story presented.

A prayer for you and me this week: O Lord, open my eyes to really see your glory, your colorful Presence in all the people around me, and your mercy that beckons me to trust that you will always care for me; so I can be brave to proclaim you as my Savior, not just in word but in deed, giving of myself just as you give yourself to me. Amen.

Foot Washing Ministry in Need of Volunteers

Our parish is in need of volunteers to help assist at the foot-washing stations on **Holy Thursday, April 6th, at the 7:00 PM Mass.** Please call or text Cheryl at 242-2630 to volunteer. No experience is necessary, just a willingness to serve as Jesus did.

"Having loved his own who were in the world he now showed them the full extent of his love." -John 14:6



STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THIS POWERFUL AND SPIRITUAL JOURNEY MARCH 24TH, NOON & 7:30 PM

All Lay Ministers are invited to this spiritual pilgrimage together as a way to express devotion and commitment to your ministry. March 24th at 7:30 PM is the suggested time for the following ministries:

Welcoming Ministry
Hospitality Ministers
Respect Life Ministers
Marriage Prep Ministers

Good Samaritans
Comforting Chefs
Baptismal Prep Ministers

RCIA



On March 12th, Elect Katlynn Weigand underwent her 1st Scrutiny at the 9:30 AM Mass before dismissal. After Mass, Deacon Gary presided over the Rite of the

Presentation of the Creed in the Chapel. It was a full day on Katlynn's journey to Sacraments and full Communion with the Church.

PARISH LENTEN PROJECT

To help keep the season of Lent in our lives, there are ribbons representing Prayer, Sacrifice and Almsgiving on the 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.

Eucharistic Adoration
March 22nd
1:30-4:00 PM
in the Chapel

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

MARCH 29TH AT 7:00 PM
INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS
MARCH 25TH 3:00-4:30 PM
APRIL 1ST 2:30-4:30 PM

The Blessing of the Easter Food



Everyone is invited to the Blessing of the First Foods of Easter which will take place on Holy Saturday, **April 8th**, at 9:00 AM in the church.

Little White Easter Season
Reflection Books
Available March 26th
and April 2nd

A donation of \$1.00 each in *exact change* is appreciated.

Submitted by Janice Gatons

SMS & FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Michelle Wacnik, Principal

Kimberley Hoogeveen, DRE

WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

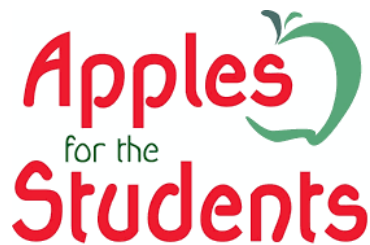


My name is Madalyn Pataky. I have been at SMS since Preschool. I will be attending Andean High School. Some of the activities that I participate in are cheerleading, basketball and volleyball. I am in Girl Scouts and have been since kindergarten because it is very important to be in school activities. One of my favorite things about SMS is the people/faculty; they are very nice and always supportive in everything you do. My favorite memory is getting to sing "We wish you well" to the eighth graders when I was in first grade. I was very nervous and anxious that I was going to mess up but Ms. Mangione told me "everything's going to be fine and take a deep breath" and I did a good job and got a lot of compliments. The most important thing I learned at SMS is to never give up and always keep trying because you'll have good and bad days but that shouldn't put a dip on your happiness. You should always keep your head up even in tough times. I also learned that one person can change your attitude and

how you feel the entire day; so you should always try and find someone that inspires or puts you in a happy mood and stick with them forever. One thing I am most thankful for is the teachers and students here at SMS because they have made me a better person and I'm sure I wouldn't be the person I am today if it wasn't for them. One example is my Social Studies teacher, Mrs. Banashak, whose motto is "Treat others the way you want to be treated." Some people don't understand how much this pertains to kids at school especially for bullying.



Second graders learning about the Stations of the Cross.



Please submit all your Strack and Van Til's receipts by March 29th to the parish office, school office or drop box. The more receipts turned in, the more technological items the school will earn.



75 teens gathered together to share in their Confirmation Retreat. They explored the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, played games and listened to Faith stories shared with love of where the Holy Spirit has moved! The Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on May 5th.



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

- ♦ Visit Facts Family Portal
- ♦ Navigate Menu (Left side)
- ♦ Click on Apply/Enroll
- ♦ Click on Enrollment/ Reenrollment
- ♦ Enrollment Fee
- ♦ Early rate of \$50 now until March 31st



Radiate is for High Schoolers!

When 8th graders receive Confirmation, you are all welcome!

Meet Jesus. Feel Welcomed. Be Moved. Feel Supported.

Any questions? Contact Mrs. Jeannine Quigley at 219-775-5356 or Mrs. Marisa Richardson at 219-730-4735.

Upcoming Events:

March 19th: MOVIE, PJs & POPCORN NIGHT, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

April 2nd: MODERN DAY MIRACLES & SERVICE PROJECT: Making cards for cancer patients for Phil's Friends, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

April 7th: GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE PROJECT: Assist Good Samaritans, 9:00-11:00 AM, at Church Office

April 16th: VISITING JESUS IN ADORATION with Sr. Deanna & Deacon Gary, 6:00-8:00 PM, meet in St. Patrick Hall.

April 30th: DINNER & NCYC DISCUSSION, PARENTS INVITED, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

May 12th: SAND VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY with St. John's youth group at Redar Park, 6:00-8:00 PM. In case of inclement weather, it will be held in SMS gym.

KEEP INFORMED BY JOINING OUR RADIATE TEXTS:

Send text to 81010. Text this message: @Radiate

submitted by Jeannine Quigley

2023

\$60
PER TICKET
DRINKS & FOOD INCLUDED

APRIL 22ND, 2023
A STAYCATION LIKE NO OTHER

16 W. WILHELM ST.
SCHERERVILLE, IN
46375

Join us on April 22, 2023 from 5:30pm-11:59pm for our annual Passport to Our Heritage!

The night includes specialty foods from a variety of ports including: USA, Poland, Mexico, Ireland, Colombia, & Italy!

This staycation of a lifetime is filled with a silent auction, paddle raise, delicious food & drink, and a wide variety of entertainment which all benefits the school development fund of St. Michael Catholic School!

Tickets increase to **\$70** on **April 8th** and **Day of Event** tickets are **\$75**

Interested in sponsoring this event, donating auction items or in-kind gifts?:
Please contact Megan Jones, Communications Director at
mjoness@stmichaelparish.life or 219-334-8042

SCAN TO BUY TICKETS



LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER

Mark Liedbert, Jerry Kilman, Scott Hohmann, Margie Zacny, Cole Boilek, ***Cora Manahan***, Maureen Bartok, Theresa Kinach, Jack Virgin, Jackie Rebraca, Lily Ceisla, ***Louis Claich***, Lori Krueger, Mary Jane Kirschner, Ken Caravana, Angela Koutsis, Ashley Floit, Whitney Brittle, Laura Millies, Betty Eaton, ***Jennifer Clark***, Randy Lyons, Katelyn Rodgers, Betty Eaton, ***Marlene Townsend*** 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. Please see page 2 for guidelines regarding Pray for the Sick list.

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



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



**Blood Pressure, Glucose and Oxygen
Level Screenings this Weekend in the
East Coat Room after the 5:00 PM,
7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses**

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY NEWS SPIRITUAL ADOPTION CARDS AVAILABLE

March 25th is the Annunciation of the Lord (when Mary conceived Jesus) and in honor of this day the Respect Life Ministry will have Spiritual Adoption cards available after all Masses this weekend. The cards have a place for the date to indicate the beginning of the Spiritual Adoption of an unborn child and the completion date will be December 25th with the birth of Jesus. There will be a space to give a name to the unborn child you are spiritually adopting along with a prayer to be said everyday for the nine months to spare the life of a baby in danger of abortion. There is no charge for these cards, so please stop by the Respect Life table in the Gathering Space either before or after Mass. For those who do not have the opportunity to get a card, you can still participate by naming a child and saying the following prayer every day from March 25-December 25. During your earthly life, this spiritually adopted child of yours will be known only to God but in the world to come it is hoped you will meet the child whose life was spared by your prayers and spend happiness with them.

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion." Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN FEBRUARY 22 - APRIL 2

The Respect Life Ministry would like to remind everyone that there are only 15 days left of the 40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign sponsored by Lake County Right to Life. If you are still looking for something special to do for Lent and would like to take part in this 40 Days for Life Campaign, consider joining other pro-lifers "on the hill" at Planned Parenthood (8645 Connecticut) in Merrillville **Tuesday-Saturday, 11:00 AM-1:00 PM** for a peaceful, non-confrontational prayer vigil to pray for the end of abortion.

If you feel more comfortable in a group, join pro-lifers on Tuesday, 11:00 AM-1:00 PM, Wednesday, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM or Thursday, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM for an hour of peaceful vigil to pray for the end of abortion.

Peaceful vigil is not the only way to participate in this prayer campaign. If you cannot participate at Planned Parenthood perhaps you would be able to attend Adoration on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 4:00 PM or just praying and fasting in your own home.

There are 360 hours left of this campaign; how many can you give to stand up for life?

One Life Saved. One Mother Protected. One Mind Changed. Submitted by Cathy Bartczak

If you know of someone who needs help with groceries or rent/utilities, please have them call the Good Samaritans voicemail at 219-322-4505, ext. 8250.

Rebuilding Hope Mission Team Needs Your Help



SHADY OAKS CAMP

Shady Oaks Camp is a summer camp for people with disabilities located in Homer Glen, Illinois. Rebuilding Hope Mission Team is looking for volunteers to help fulfill Christ's command to go out and spread the Good News, (Mark 15:16) by doing his work (James 2:18) at Shady Oaks Summer Camp for those with Disabilities. Can you spare a Saturday to help in some general camp maintenance and painting?

April 22nd, 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM. We will have you back in time for 5:00 PM Mass!

We will have morning refreshments, lunch and the satisfaction from doing God's work. All ages 18 and older are welcome to come along (16-17 years old if accompanied by a parent or guardian). Skilled and unskilled labor needed. No experience necessary! Please contact Jim Koeling at jkoeling@sbcglobal.net, or Mike Macki at mike_macki@sbcglobal.net or contact the St. Michael Parish Office at 219-322-4505.

submitted by Jim Koeling

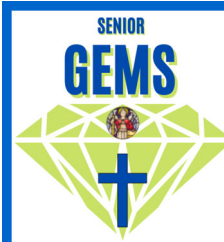


Open Membership Drive This Weekend in the Gathering Space

Stop by and talk to some of the members and see how the Knights can make a big difference in other people's lives as well as in your life!



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



All those 50+, parishioner or non-parishioner, you are invited to join Senior GEMS. Please join us on **March 28th** at 10:00 AM in the SE classroom of St. Patrick Hall. Our guest speaker, Barbara Rossi,

Franciscan Insurance Services, will be discussing Medicare changes at 10:30 AM. If you would like to visit the POMPEII exhibit at the Museum of Science and Industry, St. Maria Goretti is hosting a bus trip on April 26th. For more details, please contact Karen Boyle at 219-865-5482.

Submitted by Carol Rusich

MEN'S FAITH SHARING GROUP

**APRIL 1ST AT 9:00 AM
ST. AMAND ROOM**

**For more info, please contact
garywwolfe@hotmail.com**

Strong Able-Bodied Men Needed

The Comforting Chefs Ministry is in need of a few strong men to help with the dishwashing after funeral luncheons.

If interested, please contact Betty Hlad at 219-322-6791.





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*.

Growing Into the Future Together (GIFT) will allow St. Michael's to:

- ❖ Provide appropriate air quality in St. Michael School, allowing for air conditioning the entire school building and proper ventilation (\$2.0 million).
- ❖ Provide a new, accessible and energy-efficient parish office that allows all parishioners to access and contribute to the parish and its ministries (\$3.0 million).

This week, we wanted to discuss what it means to pledge a gift to the campaign. For parishioners who have not yet pledged, you should have received a pledge card in the mail. While we do not know what you can give, we ask that all of you prayerfully consider what you can contribute to the campaign to ensure that our parish continues to grow into the future.

Thank you to everyone who gave during our past two Commitment Weekends! We are greatly appreciative of your gift, which will allow St. Michael's to continue to thrive in the 21st century. Thanks to your generous support, we were able to raise over \$700,000 in pledges during our first Commitment Weekend! During our first Commitment Weekend, the average pledge we received was just over \$6,500, or a little over \$100 a month. As we process pledges from our second Commitment Weekend, we are grateful to each and every parishioner who made a sacrificial gift over the past two weekends.

We have made incredible progress on the campaign so far, but as of Monday, March 13th, the participation rate of the campaign was just under 10%. As our campaign continues, we will need sacrificial gifts at all levels and the support of all parishioners to be successful. Our campaign is about growing together into the future, but it is also about moving forward with hope. It is our hope that future generations of parishioners will reap the seeds we have sown, just as we now enjoy the fruits of the sacrifices of previous generations of parishioners.

Thank you.

In order to have your name and intentions printed in the Easter bulletin, the Easter flower envelope is due to the office no later than Monday, March 27th, at 9:00 AM.

Please Turn in Your NWIC Envelope Today

The Northwest Indiana Catholic newspaper subscriptions are due today. Please put the envelope in one of the collection boxes on either side of the baptismal font or drop it off in the drop box by the parish office.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY MARCH 19

Blood Pressure Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
New Membership Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
Knights of Columbus Recruitment After All Masses
Right to Life Spiritual Cards Available Before & 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 MARCH 20

No School-Spring Break
Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM

TUESDAY MARCH 21

No School-Spring Break
Labors of Love 10:00 AM
Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY MARCH 22

No School-Spring Break
Eucharistic Adoration 1:30-4:00 PM
Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM
Forgiven Series 7:00 PM

THURSDAY MARCH 23

No School-Spring Break
Bereavement Session 7:00 PM
Choir Practice 7:00 PM

FRIDAY MARCH 24

No School-Spring Break
Stations of the Cross 12:00 & 7:30 PM

SATURDAY MARCH 25

Confessions 3:00-4:30 PM
Easter Reflection Booklets Available After Vigil Mass

SUNDAY MARCH 26

Easter Reflection Booklets Available After All Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM

Stewardship in Action

Share a story of how Jesus has helped you see or overcome an obstacle in your life. Be a listening ear to someone who is struggling.

submitted by Conchita Bryner

**LENTEN FISH DINNERS
ALL YOU CAN EAT BUFFET
OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION
VAMOS HALL
8303 TAFT ST., MERRILLVILLE
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT
(EXCEPT GOOD FRIDAY)
4:30-6:30 PM**

COST: \$15-12 & UP

\$12-SENIOR & TO GO MEAL

\$10-6-11 YR OLD

FREE-5 & UNDER

Dinners include: fried pollack, baked cod, baked potato, French fries, pierogi, coleslaw, bread, ice cream, water, coffee.

**FISH FRY FRIDAYS
DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT HALL
545 E. 77TH AVE/SEBERGER RD,
SCHERERVILLE
ALL FRIDAYS THROUGH LENT
4:00-7:00 PM
DOORS OPEN AT NOON
WITH EASTER BAKE SALE
EAT IN OR TAKE OUT
219-864-1529**

POLISH BAZAAR

A Polish Bazaar to benefit the St. Margaret Ann Polish Language School is set for **March 26th**, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM, in the Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine's Millennium Hall, 5755 Pennsylvania St., Merrillville. Featured will be a variety of homemade jams, jellies, and soaps; baked goods; arts and crafts; Polish music CDs; a representation of Polish-owned businesses; and more! Dinners "to go" will be available for purchase. Admission is free and open to the public; purchases are cash only. Booth space is still available; for more information, call Malgosia Blachut at 219-613-5148.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

February 5, 2023

Adult
Children
EFTs
Loose



\$17,776.00
\$84.14
\$6,625.00
\$514.00

**Total Weekly Offering
\$24,999.14**

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS FOR THE OTHER ABLED

Bishop Robert McClory will be celebrating a Mass for the Other Aabled on **March 26th** at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of Holy Angels, 640 Tyler St., Gary. A reception will follow after Mass.

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.



Holy Hours

in the Diocese of Gary



*Friday,
March 31, 2023*

6:30pm-8:00pm
St. Joseph, Hammond.

with
Fr. Roger J. Landry
USCCB Eucharistic Preacher



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY MARCH 18

5:00 PM ✠ James Candreva, Sr.

SUNDAY MARCH 19 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 AM ✠ Gary "Skip" Rice, Sr.

✠ Mary Grehan

✠ Joseph Patrick Logue

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM ✠ Leonard & Len Lyla

MONDAY MARCH 20

7:00 AM Joseph Heintz

TUESDAY MARCH 21

7:00 AM ✠ Mary Thiel-1st Anniversary

WEDNESDAY MARCH 22

7:00 AM ✠ Luc Marina Vasquez Arciniega-1st Anniversary

✠ Luis Colon

THURSDAY MARCH 23

7:00 AM ✠ Doris Schweitzer-1st Anniversary

FRIDAY MARCH 24

7:00 AM ✠ Phyllis McNeill-1st Anniversary

SATURDAY MARCH 25

8:00 AM ✠ Joseph Zaborske

5:00 PM ✠ Patricia Lyza

SUNDAY MARCH 26 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 AM ✠ Doug DePrez-9th Anniversary

9:30 AM ✠ Mary Lopez

11:30 AM St. Michael Parish

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(Readings for March 26th, Fifth Sunday of Lent)

I. *Ezekiel 37:12-14*

The Lord God told the people that soon the graves of the dead would Open and they would rise. "I will put my spirit in you that you may live...says the Lord."

II. *Romans 8:8-11*

"Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him." God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will raise also those in whom the spirit dwells.

III. *John 11:1-45*

Lazarus died, and Jesus raised him from death. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

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