

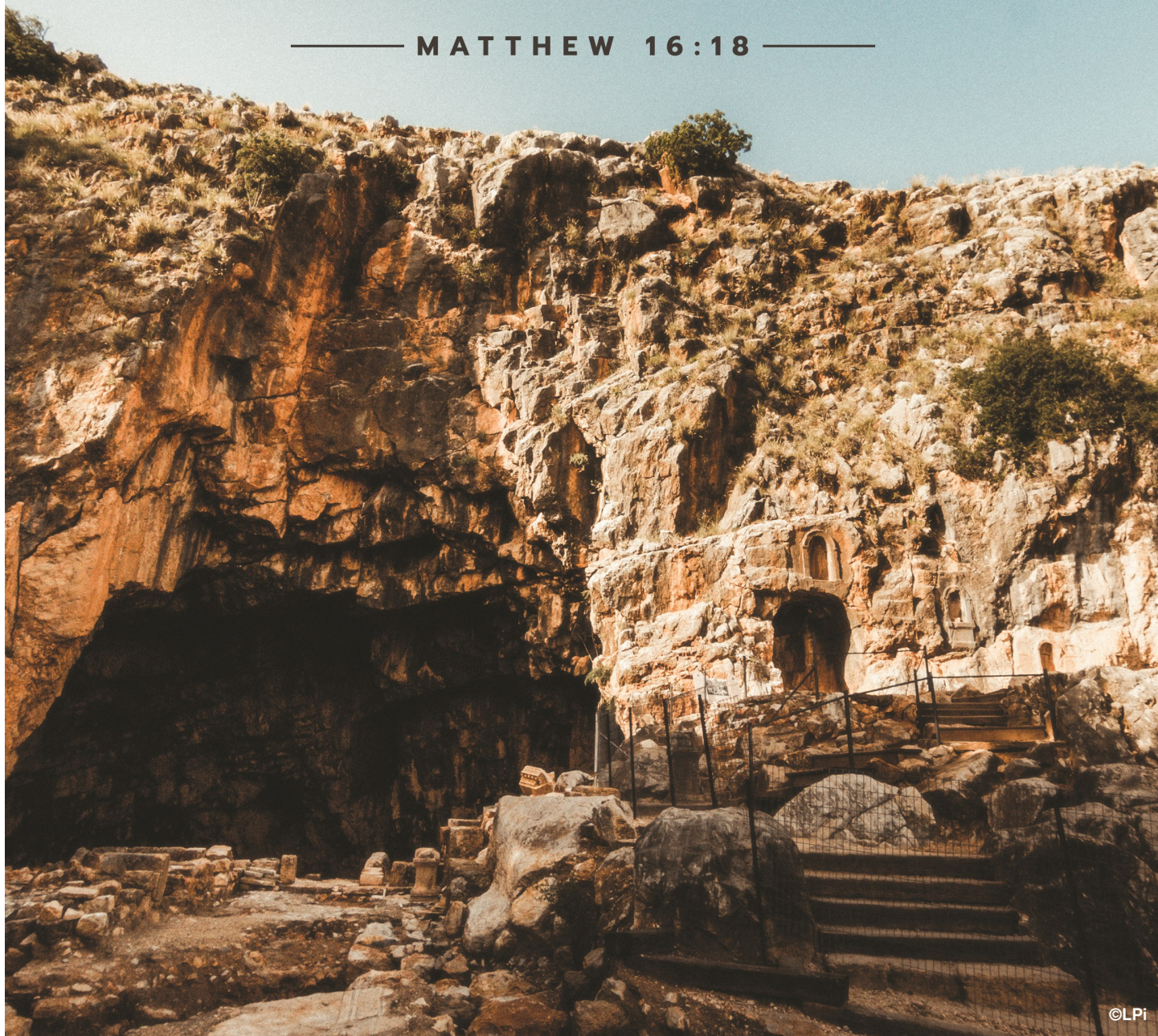
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JUNE 29, 2025

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— MATTHEW 16:18 —





SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY LITURGY

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

LIVESTREAM 9:30 AM MASS

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Weekdays 7:00 AM

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HOLY DAY LITURGY

See page 9 of the bulletin

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Wednesdays

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9:00-3:00 PM

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3:30 PM-4:30 PM

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From the Pastor's Desk

Unlikely partners. The fact that we celebrate the feast of St. Peter and the feast of St. Paul on the same day might seem natural to us but to them it would have been considered unlikely. You see, Peter and Paul did not always agree on many things. They didn't see eye to eye on issues of who should the Gospel be brought to first, Jew or Gentile? Or how much of the Jewish customs should Gentile converts be expected to adopt? In fact, when it came to "**how**" the Gospel should be preached and lived, these two great saints had a hard time agreeing at first.

It was the ancient church that decided to have a combined feast day for Peter and Paul, because despite their disagreements, they were unified in their love for Christ and His Gospel. For us, today this lesson of unity in diversity is not lost. Jesus reminds us, in the Gospel of Mark, that "whoever is not against us is with us" whether or not they belong to our way of proclaiming and living the Gospel of Jesus. Jesus goes on to say a little later in Mark's Gospel that we can know if a person is in Him, Jesus; we know them by their fruit. He says, "a sound tree produces good fruit while a decayed tree gives bad fruit."

This was certainly the case with Peter and Paul, despite their differences in theology, pastoral practice and even personality. They bore witness together – united – for the glory of God and they bore much good fruit. Indeed, the feast we celebrate today, and every year on June 29th, is a continual reminder **not** to let our surface differences detract from the message of Jesus which at its core is to share God's compassion, forgiveness and healing with the people we meet day after day.

You know what overcame their differences? It was love, following Jesus' only commandment to us: "Love one another as I have loved you." Love turns a blind eye to differences in piety. It's great that some pray the rosary often but it doesn't make one more loved by God than one who does not follow that devotional path. Some are passionate about directly serving the poor but it does make those who do so quietly through their generosity any less cared for by God than those who do the good work of literally feeding the hungry.

The only thing that matters is to love as Jesus has loved us. To be more and more concerned about the other than myself. First, certainly toward one's spouse and one's siblings. The family is meant to be the crucible of this kind of Jesus' like love. It is from here that one gets a head start on learning how to do the same for others we work with, socialize with, play with and meet every day.

Both Paul and Peter had this overflowing love for each person they met, so much so that Scripture tells us of the time Peter had to let go of his treasured Jewish dietary customs (Acts 10: 9-16) in order to bring a household to Christ. Paul too had to give in to those who would be scandalized if his Gentile preaching companion was not circumcised. Even after this issue was resolved by the Apostles in Jerusalem (Acts 15), not to make this demand of the Gentile converts, Paul still insists that Timothy (Acts 16:3) is circumcised to gain people for Christ.

When Jesus is the center of our attention, when we keep our eyes on Him first and always, we gain the strength to act like He does. It's only when we put the gaze on ourselves that we are not able to love as we have been commanded to love. Peter and Paul had their differences but they kept their eyes on Jesus and this love brought countless souls to Jesus. You and I can have the same effect and bring ourselves and many others to Jesus. Stop comparing and start loving others as Jesus has loved you and me.



Ministry Outreach

Meet LeeAnn!



Lee Ann Egan
Lector Ministry

Lee Ann Egan became Catholic through the RCIA program at St. Michael's in 1988 and has since been a dedicated member of the parish community. Over the years, she has served in various roles, including on the Pastoral Council and as a Hospitality Minister. Currently, she is active in Adult Education programs and Theology Uncorked, in addition to her ministry as a lector.

Inspired by the sincerity and reverence she witnessed in other lectors, Lee Ann felt drawn to the ministry and considers it a privilege to proclaim the Word of God. Though initially hesitant about public speaking and pronunciation, she overcame these reservations through careful preparation and support from fellow parishioners like Carol Schiessle.

Her work as a lector has influenced her daily life by encouraging her to communicate more clearly and thoughtfully with others. Lee Ann enjoys mentoring newcomers and is always willing to support those interested in joining the ministry, offering a welcoming and encouraging presence just as she once received.



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JULY 4TH at 9:00 AM
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**Eucharistic Adoration
July 2nd
1:00-4:00 PM
in the Chapel**



**Marian Devotions
June 29th at
8:30 PM
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June intention: That the world
might grow in compassion



Theology Uncorked Presents
Pope Leo XIV-Sumprreme Pontiff of the Universal Church

**Thursday, July 10th
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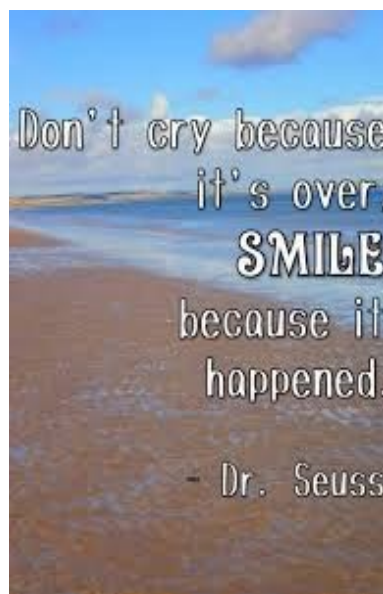
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**July 8th at 10:00 AM
in the SE Room
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Come and help us plan our next adventure.

June 29, 2025

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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.

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Wheelchair Ramp Ministry Installs Another Ramp

Last week, members of St. Michael's Wheelchair Ramp Ministry installed ramp #94 for a deaf couple, Connie and Dave Choate in Highland. We communicated through their son, Aaron who lives in Arkansas. He communicates with them by FaceTime and by signing! Mr. Choate would then communicate with us by writing.

If you would like to participate in this ministry in any way, please contact the St. Michael's parish office at 219-322-4505. If you know of anyone who may benefit from our services, please have them contact Catholic Charities at outreach@catholic-charities.org or call 219-886-3549 and ask for Daniela Ocanas.

submitted by the Wheelchair Ramp Ministry



Rebuilding Hope Mission Team Doing Some Gardening

St. Michael's Rebuilding Hope Mission Team members planted 75 tomato plants in the garden at Sojourner Truth House in Gary. This was a project led by Tom Molnar.

If you would like to participate in projects such as these with the Rebuilding Hope Mission Team, please contact St. Michael's parish office at 219-322-4505.

Submitted by Rebuilding Hope Mission Team



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To register: Totus Tuus Summer Program – St. James the Less

SLOVAK DAY

Celebrate Slovak Day on **July 13th** starting with a Catholic Mass at 11:00 AM at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine, Merrillville. Mass will be followed by ethnic food, drink, cash raffle and Slovak musicians. Cash raffle tickets will be available that day as well. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/SlovakDayCelebration.

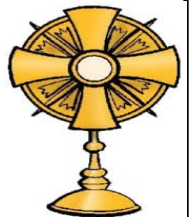
CLASS REUNION & GOLF OUTING

Andrean's Class of 1975 is having their 50th class reunion, **July 18th-20th**. Andrean's Golf Classic is **July 18th** at White Hawk Country Club, Crown Point. Visit Andreanhs.org/support/2025golfclassis.ofm

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Gather for a reflection by Fr. Steven Caraher, live praise and worship music, silent prayer times and more.

July 18th August 15th
7:00-8:15 PM at Our Lady of Consolation Church, Merrillville.



GARAGE SALE

St. Matthias Garage Sale, 101 W. Burrell Dr., Crown Point, is having a Garage Sale

July 24th, 9:00 AM-6:00 PM,
July 25th and July 26th,
9:00 AM-1:00 PM.

Drop off times are:
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*OLC RUMMAGE SALE

Our Lady of Consolation in Merrillville will be hosting a Rummage Sale

July 24th-26th. Times are as follows:
July 24th & 25th: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
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Drop off donations during the week of July 14th-20th.

Please note that clothing, recalled items, car seats, Christmas trees, Christmas lights, computer items and TVs are not accepted.

*RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Hope and healing after abortion can be found at the upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreat sponsored by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, **July 25th-27th**. For confidential help and to register call 317-452-0054 or email projectrachel@archindy.org



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY JUNE 28

5:00 PM ✠Josefina Chua Chaico

SUNDAY JUNE 29 STS. PETER & PAUL APOSTLES

7:30 AM ✠Ronald & Charlene Prenizny

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM ✠Joaquim O'Sauza

✠Leonard & Len Lula

✠Rosa Alicia Magana-Fountain

MONDAY JUNE 30

7:00 AM ✠Julias Gordon

TUESDAY JULY 1

7:00 AM ✠Geraldine Bruno

WEDNESDAY JULY 2

7:00 AM ✠Mary Marsh

THURSDAY JULY 3

7:00 AM ✠Doug DePrez

✠Marion Krzyszkowski

Soledad Salinas

FRIDAY JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY

9:00 AM For Our Nation

SATURDAY JULY 5

8:00 AM ✠Shirley Tadevic

5:00 PM ✠Kyle Arnold

SUNDAY JULY 6 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM ✠Kristin & John Finley

✠Pat Carlay

✠Ed & Sue Stanish

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM For an End to Abortion on Demand
and for a Conversion of Heart for
those who Provide Abortions

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THE WORD

(Readings for July 6, 2025, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

reflections...

I. *Isaiah 66:10-14c*

The prophet said, "Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her, all you who love her...As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you."

II. *Galatians 6:14-18*

Paul boasted only in his acceptance of the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ, for upon those who embrace the cross flow the peace and mercy of God.




III. *Luke 10:1-12, 17-20*

Jesus sent out an additional seventy-two disciples to spread the good news and care for the sick. They were to take nothing with them but to rely on those they served. They were to bring the peace and goodness of God's reign.

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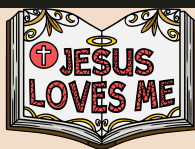


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