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AUGUST 4, 2024

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE BREAD OF LIFE.

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SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY LITURGY

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

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

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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From the Pastor's Desk

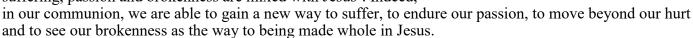
The Ingredients Label. Did you ever read the label on a loaf of bread? It is quite an educational experience. Not only will you need glasses to see that small print, you'll need a dictionary to understand half of the words that are written. In this day and age, it behooves us to read those small ingredient labels because sometimes what is in an appetizing food item might have a bad effect on us. Looking beyond the nice packaging gives you and me, the buyers, a better idea of what we need in the food we purchase and what we don't need.

This is not new for Christians. We have been challenged to look beyond the food we eat since St. John wrote his Gospel account of Jesus around the year 90 AD. Jesus says to the crowds, who have had their fill of bread

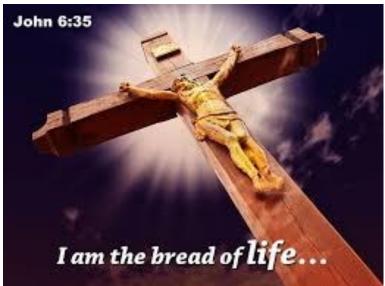
at the hands of Jesus, they should open their eyes and look beyond that multiplication of loaves. In today's Gospel, Jesus seems to say to them and us: "Look beyond the event and see what it points you towards." Well, we know the answer to that, it points us towards Jesus, the Living Bread.

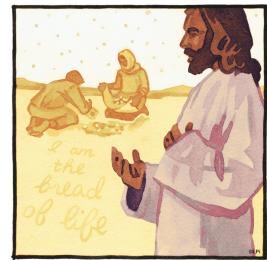
However, we shouldn't become so sure of ourselves because we sometimes do not heed Jesus' words today. Jesus still says "look beyond the bread you eat." Look past the sign of consecrated bread and see what it signifies. It is Jesus the Christ: Jesus broken on the cross and so broken at the altar, Jesus poured out in His passion and so poured out into the sacred cups. This is all done so we can eat and drink.

Our eating and drinking is only the tip of the iceberg. We take the Body and Blood of Jesus into us so that the reverse may happen, that is, we don't consume Christ, Christ consumes us. Christ takes us in through this holy meal in order for us to see how our hurt, suffering, passion and brokenness are mixed with Jesus'. Indeed,



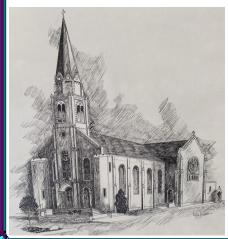
There is more here than consecrated bread and wine; that is only the beginning. We must look beyond the consecrated bread we eat and the consecrated wine we drink and see that our body and blood is mingled with the Savior's Body and Blood so we can have life in and through Him. And this life you and I receive — like Jesus', we must give to others. We are united with Christ to be Christ to friends, neighbors, relatives and even enemies so that we and they can be healed and made whole in the true Bread and Wine of Life, Jesus.





August 4, 2024

"A LOOK BACK IN TIME"



The 1930's, 1940's and early 1950's were periods of growth for the parish. When the new church opened in 1930, the parish had 90 families and 400 members. In 1940, the parish had 134 families and 585 members. In 1947, the parish had 140 families and celebrated 40 baptisms. In 1950, the parish had 183 families. Parishioners worshipped in a redecorated church starting in 1948, and the church basement was excavated in 1952. Despite not having a parish festival for much of this era, the parish was virtually debt-free, in part due to the practice of pew rent which was discontinued in the late 1950s.

Submitted by the 150th Anniversary Committee





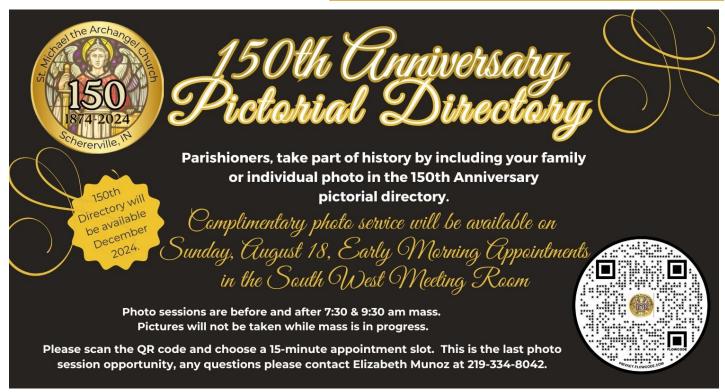
Eucharistic Adoration
August 7th
1:00-4:00 PM in the Chapel

In Need of Bell Players

Bell choir practices are on Friday evenings, 6:00-7:00 PM. Anyone 4th grade and up are welcome. Music knowledge a plus, but not required. Questions can be directed to Kathleen, (219) 613-4870.



submitted by Kathleen Mance



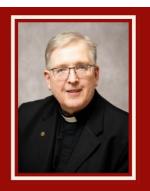
In honor of Fr. Marty's 40th Anniversary to the Priesthood, we are sharing some unique and interesting tidbits of information about him.



Fr. Marty became curious about religious life at an early age but was still determining whether he would become a priest after his second year of graduate school. During this slow discernment process of high school, college, and graduate (theology) school, he carefully chose classes that would best prepare him for the priesthood, just in case. These included speech, sociology, and debate. Most of his classmates from high school seminary did not enter religious life. About 4 or 5 chose priesthood as their vocation, and the others went on to college and entered other fields. In college, he majored in Modern European History and minored in Sociology.

What if he had decided not to be a priest? Fr. Marty may have enjoyed a career as a history teacher or being involved in theater design/lighting.

Submitted Carol Slager Graphics created by Elizabeth Munoz



ALL ARE WELCOME!

we invite you to join the St. Michael Church Community on SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024

40th Anniversary Ruby Jubilee

In the Spirit of Joy and Thanksgiving,

REV. MARTIN J. DOBRZYNSKI

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A Memorable Day in Indy

We are sharing a few quotes from our Eucharistic Congress experience in Indianapolis, as we heard amazing speakers and the famous Christian musician, Matt Maher, to worshipping our Savior with many thousands of Catholic brothers and sisters, and to the joy and love that was felt throughout the day. We will never forget....



"I'd say my overall experience was very exciting from seeing all the different people in the diocese celebrate an event like this. What touched me most was when we all gathered in Lucas Oil Stadium to witness the Eucharist." (*Jacob - teen*)

"I really enjoyed being able to go the Eucharistic Congress! I think what was most touching to me is how so many people were present and connected through worship. I'm really glad I got to learn about a saint that I had never heard of before and future events that will be held to help teens in the Catholic community grow closer to God. I thought the lightning in the stadium was really cool and I am so thankful that I could attend!" (Faustina – teen)

"60,000 people adoring Jesus..... AWESOME!" (Mike – adult)







submitted by Jeannine Quigley



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"The Church needs you, your enthusiasm, your creativity and the joy that is so characteristic of you!" ~Pope Francis

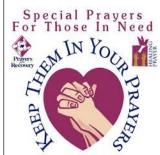
Faith Formation is seeking out individuals, to teach for the Sunday Family Program's 1st grade class (Once a month).

We will meet one-on-one for personal training to teach and provide classroom tools. Come share your own faith life stories with the children of St. Michael Faith Formation Program.

CALL TODAY! 219-322-3077.

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LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER



Theo Lopez, *Cindy Lyza*, Nicole Villanueva, Steve Gatons, *Phyllis Leyba, John LaMagadeline, Debbie Petersen, Marlene Townsend, Timothy Bunchek*, Cecilia O'Donnell, Joan Hamnik, Joe Dubczak, Terry Cyr, *Patricia Christenson, Sherry Lazzaro*, Grace Martin-Persenaire, Sandy Evans, David Sarros, *Robert Habasinski*, Ruth Marie Sarros, Alison Beckett, *Tim & Helen Hazard*, Natalie Floit 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.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED ... CAN YOU HELP??



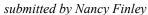
GEMS

The Good Samaritans are having their annual school supply appeal for children in need. Pencils, crayons, folders, backpacks, printing paper, notebooks, glue sticks, pens, scissors, hand sanitizer and children's scissors and learning-to-print lined paper are just a few items needed.

As always we appreciate your generosity and we sincerely thank you for your support.

Submitted by Sue Cohen

Those 50+, Parishioner or Non-Parishioner,
Join Us on August 13th in the SE Meeting Room at 10:00 AM
for Laughs, Conversation and Friendship!



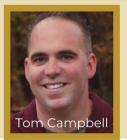






SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

WE RUN/ WALK FOR THOSE WE LOST & TO HONOR OUR AMERICAN VETERANS



The St. Michael Feast Day 5K (Run/Walk) is a tradition that commemorates the memory of parishioners who lost their lives battling cancer or other debilitating illnesses. Although our hearts may never fully heal, we can honor them at this Feast Day event. **Thomas Campbell**, a lifetime parishioner, member of the Music Ministry, husband, and father of two beautiful girls, was a proud Marine who passed away from cancer. This year, we are excited to honor his legacy by donating a portion of the proceeds to the **American Veterans Collection**. As a veteran, Thomas understood the difference a service dedicated to improving veterans' lives could make. We Run/Walk for those we Lost & to Honor our American Veterans. All are welcome to run, walk, volunteer, or donate to the **DONOR WALL** in memory of a veteran who has passed. Thank you for supporting this year's cause.

Check-in - 7:30am • Opening Ceremony - 8:30am Race Begins - 9am • Silent Auction Closes - 10am

\$30 Adult Entry Fee • \$20 Child Entry Fee

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Thought for the day:

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ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25th

Scherwood Golf, 600 E. Joliet St., Schererville
12 PM Registration 5 1 PM Shotgun start 5 BBQ Dinner to Follow Golf



Pat Cusick, Chairman, Golf Outing Committee: (219) 713-5472 or patrick_cusick@hotmail.com

S ewardship in Action

Ask a loved one to join you in watching the beautiful Litany of Healing and Repentance on YouTube from the 2024 Eucharistic Congress.

Submitted by Conchita Bryner



June 23, 2024

Adult \$11,886.01 Children \$43.00 EFTs \$8,825.90 Loose \$825.00

Total Weekly Offering \$21,579.91

Catholic Charities Collection \$6,673.22

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Effective April, 2020: In an effort to provide accurate weekly collection totals, there is a six week lag in bulletin reporting. The timing of when weekly collections are received changed in early 2020, due to Covid. We went from 90% received on Sunday, to 30%. We have gradually moved up to 70%, but feel it's best to hold off on reporting until the majority of envelopes are received.



SERVING THE SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY... FOR GROCERIES OR UTILITY/ RENT ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL



There are towers available on either side of the main aisle in church to place your Sunday donations. We no longer pass baskets for regular collections.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY AUGUST 4

No OCIA (formerly RCIA)

Marian Devotions 7:45 PM, Our Lady of the Lourdes Shrine

The Rosary is said after 7:00 AM weekday Mass except Tuesday-after OLPH Devotions

MONDAY AUGUST 5

Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM, SW Room

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM, Chapel Good Samaritans 6:30 PM, SE Room

THURSDAY AUGUST 8

Baptismal Prep 6:00 PM, SW Room

FRIDAY AUGUST 9

Bell Choir Practice 6:00 PM, Church

SATURDAY AUGUST 10

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM, Chapel Registration for 5K After Vigil Mass, Gathering Space

SUNDAY AUGUST 11

Coffee & Donuts After All Masses, St. Patrick Hall Registration for 5K After All Masses, Gathering Space OCIA (formerly RCIA) 9:30 AM

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CONFERENCE FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS

Looking to meet 400+ faithful single Catholics from all over the USA and beyond? Join us **August 16th-18th** at the 23rd National Conference for Single Catholics in Las Vegas, Nevada (or participate virtually and engage with others via online socials and small group discussions}. This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages! The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship and more. (If attending in-person, use the promo code **PARISH24** for a discount.)

Visit <u>NationalCatholicSingles.com</u> for more information and to register.

*MARRIAGE DATE NIGHT

Time for romance. Enjoy a delicious meal at the Lighthouse Restaurant overlooking Cedar Lake on **September 13th,** 5:30-8:30 PM. Speakers, Tom & Marcy Renken, will entertain and inspire you with their talk, "Marriage Under Fire." Come home ready to live your life to the fullest in Christ. Cost is \$100/couple. Babysitting is available. To register, please see the email version of the bulletin or call Roseanne at 219-769-9292, x259 or email rkouris@dcgary.org.

*ROCKOPELLI MUSIC FEST

Everyone is invited to attend this all-ages Music Fest **August 24th,** 4:00 PM-11:00 PM at Bulldog Park, Crown Point. Support local charity with an incredible day of live bands, artists, vendors, food, brews, silent auctions, raffles & more. Proceeds benefit local music students in need of financial assistance for music lessons and other local 501(c)(3) charities. The lineup will feature Toronzo Cannon • The Steepwater Band Peach Jam (Allman Brothers Tribute Band) and more. Tickets are \$15 in advance at rockopellifest.org and facebook.com/RockopelliFest or \$20 at the door.

*BLACK TIE/WHITE COLLAR GALA

The Vocations Office of the Diocese of Gary is throwing a Black Tie White Collar Gala **Sept. 20th**, with Open Bar starting at 6:00 PM, dinner and program at 7:00 PM and dancing until 11:00 PM. To register, text BTWC24 to 44834 or visit https://onecau.se/btwc24. For more information, please contact Rosanne Rosenow at 219-769-9292 or email jrosenow@dcgary.org.

Diocesan Life Information

*DIOCESAN DAY OF SERVICE

Is your heart stirred up and set ablaze with the love of God through the Eucharistic Revival events? Ready to go out to serve in word and deed? The diocese is sponsoring a Day of Service on **August 17th** to bring that fire and energy into our communities. Our Day of Service starts with the celebration of the Mass at Holy Angels Cathedral by Bishop McClory at 9:00 AM. Fed with the Eucharist and the Word of God, we will go out together and share it in service and love, from 10:00 AM to about noon, working with charitable organizations. For more information and to register, visit *dcgary.org/2024service*.

SPIRITUALITY PROGRAM

Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart invite you to a program on St. Clare of Assisi. It is on the second Wednesday of each month, **Sept.-Dec. 2024** and **Feb.-May 2025, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM**, in the motherhouse auditorium, 9201 W. St. Francis Road, Frankfort, IL. It is free except participants need to purchase *Light of Assisi: The Story of Saint Clare* by Margaret Carney, OSF. Sign up on our website, **https://fssh.net/connect/mass-events/**.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS

Beginning **September 5th**, join Sr. Marilyn Renninger either in-person in the Motherhouse of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart, 9201 W. St. Francis Road, Frankfort, IL, or over Zoom on **Thursday mornings**, 10:30 AM-11:45 AM, to reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings. If attending in-person, sign in at the lobby desk. To receive a Zoom link, go to Scripture Reflections at https://fssh.net/explore/spiritual-neighbor/. No registration or fee required.

CROCHET/KNITTING CIRCLE

Sr. Ella Binz invites those who knit or crochet to "Stitches & Blessings," an interfaith prayer circle that makes water filter covers for the poor for one hour every **second Friday of the month at 10:15 AM** in the Motherhouse of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart, 9201 W. St. Francis Road, Frankfort, IL. Sign up at https://fssh.net/explore/spiritual-neighbor/ or call Sr. Ella at 815.469.4895 ext. 0.



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(Readings for August 11, 2024, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

I. 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah grew tired as he walked in the desert. An angel appeared to him, and gave him food and drink. After that, Elijah walked forty more days to the mountain of the Lord.

II. Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Paul encouraged the Ephesians to replace harsh words with kindness for each other. He wrote, "Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed Himself over for us."

III. John 6:41-51

Jesus is the bread from heaven. No one can go to the Father except through the Son. Anyone who believes and eats Jesus' bread will have everlasting life.

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