

Welcome to St. Michael The Archangel Catholic Community
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 18, 2024

"I am the living bread from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." John 6:51

Congratulations Father Marty!

40 YEAR

Ruby Jubilee

*In Celebration of your Anniversary of
Priestly Ordination.*



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

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

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Website: www.stmichaelparish.life

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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

Education & Formation Commission

- Adult Catholic Education
- Alpha
- Baptismal Preparation
- Catholic Bible Study
- Faith Formation
- Marriage Preparation
- Radiate
- School Administrator

Stewardship & Parish Administration

- AV Ministry
- Cemetery Committee
- Parish Gardeners
- Stewardship

Parish Life

- Boy Scouts of America/Girl Scouts
- Comforting Chefs
- Festival Committee
- Holy Name Society
- Knights of Columbus
- Labors of Love
- Ministry of Hope & Consolation
- Parish Nurse
- Senior GEMS
- Welcoming Ministry

Peace & Social Justice Commission

- Good Samaritans
- Rebuilding Hope Mission Team
- Wheelchair Ramp Ministry
- Respect Life Group
- Pastoral Care

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From the Pastor's Desk

The Reality of Flesh and Blood. Every third year in the cycle of readings that are given for Sundays of the year, we are treated to, what scholars call, the Bread of Life Discourse. This “discourse” lasts for five weeks. It begins with the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the feeding of the five thousand by Jesus. This occasion happens, St. John tells us, near the feast of the Passover. This reference is given to relate this feeding to the Eucharist Jesus established on the night before He died during the Passover meal.

Today's Gospel is the crux of the dialogue Jesus has with His disciples and the crowd who misunderstands the sign of the multiplication of the loaves. We can sometimes be unfairly critical of those persons who experienced this miracle. However, we have two thousand years' worth of reflection on Jesus' death and resurrection and the gift of the Eucharist. It takes a little effort on our part to listen to this dialogue with the ears of those persons who first engaged it.

In honesty, we still have many who gloss over Jesus' plain words today. Jesus is clear that the bread and wine we eat and drink here in 2024 is His Body and His Blood. The consecrated elements of bread and wine become His flesh and blood. This sounds to many people like cannibalism in Jesus' day and it sounds that way to many people today as well. That's why since Jesus first spoke about it until now, many reduce His words to allegory. Perhaps you yourself have even thought: “This can't really be the flesh and blood of Jesus, it is really a sign of that reality, but not that reality.”

St. Thomas Aquinas, probably the most famous and brilliant theologian, taught us best in his song that he composed about the Body and Blood of Jesus:

*By His word the WORD almighty
makes of bread his flesh indeed,
wine becomes his very life blood;
Faith must heed God's living WORD;
Faith alone may safely guide us,
where the senses cannot lead.*

Faith alone can take us to the moment when this bread and wine become His Body and Blood. This reality does not manifest itself in clouded human sight, but only with the clear eyes of faith. Jesus is truly present in our midst and remains so even when we are finished with Mass. God's presence does not hinge on my flawed human perceptions, but appeals to my deeper understandings where your soul and mine, clearly recognize this Eternal food, the Flesh and Blood of Jesus.

When the priest receives the Body of Christ, he prays silently “May the Body of Christ keep me safe for eternal life” and with the Blood: “May the Blood of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.” Just another reminder that this food and drink, this Flesh and Blood, is given to us to change us into the image of Christ who lives forever. We can have the hope to live forever if we are “kept safe in Him” till the day of our death. In this way, our death is but a doorway to eternal life.

This is why Jesus multiplied the loaves; this is why He instructed the disciples and people about their meaning; this is why He makes Himself present to us in the here and now in His Body and Blood offered to us at every Mass and adored by us in the Tabernacle.



“A LOOK BACK IN TIME”



On June 9, 1958, Fr. Biegel became pastor emeritus and resided at the old rectory. Rev. Timothy Doody was appointed administrator of the parish and resided at a newly-constructed rectory which currently is used as a convent. In June 1959, Fr. Biegel celebrated 50 years of priesthood and Bishop Grutka allowed Capuchin priests to serve the parish, which they did until 1974. Fr. Biegel died on March 24, 1960, and is buried on Mount Calvary alongside Monsignor Berg, Fr. Berg and Fr. Scholl. The old rectory was demolished and Mount Calvary received a new altar and stone monuments in memory of the four priests buried there.



Submitted by the 150th Anniversary Committee



**August 18th
7:45 PM
Our Lady of the
Lourdes Shrine**

**Marian
Devotions**

For Political Leaders



**Eucharistic Adoration
August 21st, 1:00-4:00 PM
in the Chapel**



Diocese of Gary
Offices of Worship and Intercultural Ministry



CONFERENCE '24

*With Devotion and Awe: We Are Disciples of the Word and Eucharist
Con Devoción y Reverencia: Somos Discípulos de la Palabra y de la Eucaristía*

Training and Renewal for Lectors • RCIA
EMHCs • Ministers of Care • Music Ministers
Art & Environment • Hospitality/Greeters • Clergy

**SAVE THE DATE
RESERVEN LA FECHA
SPREAD THE WORD
CORRAN LA VOZ**

November 15-16
Nativity of Our Savior Parish • Portage, IN



**Bishop Robert J. McClory
Friday**
Holy Hour • Eucharistic Adoration • Benediction

SMS NEWS

Michelle Wacnik, Principal

WELCOME TO OUR ST. MICHAEL FAMILY

**Mrs. Barry,
SMS New Third Grade Teacher**



Mrs. Barry is an alumna of SMS and a graduate of Calumet College of St. Joseph. She previously taught grades PK, K and second and has a background in social emotional development. When she finds time, she enjoys reading, baking, camping and spending time with her husband and family. She is looking forward to meeting all the SMS families and collaborating with the great faculty and staff.

**Ms. Duda,
SMS New Kindergarten Teacher**



Hello Everyone,
I am very excited to join SMS as a Kindergarten Teacher. I graduated from Valparaiso University with a degree in Elementary Education. I fell in love with teaching Kindergarten during my student teaching and knew this was where I had found my passion. I have been in private education all my life, having graduated from St. Ann in Lansing and then Marian Catholic High School. I can't wait to share my enthusiasm and passion with my students and look forward to meeting all of you.

Submitted by Michelle Wacnik

JOIN CUB SCOUT PACK 504 *Submitted by Scott Nowinski*

Sponsored by the St. Michael's Holy Name Society



YOUTH - K thru 5th Grade

- FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY
- OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES & CAMPOUTS
- PINEWOOD DERBY RACES
- STEM ACTIVITIES
- HIKING
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS!!

JOIN TODAY!!!

CUBSCOUTS504@GMAIL.COM

Check us out on our Facebook page: Schererville Cub Scout Pack 504

A poster for a 'Back to School Event' on a chalkboard background with school supplies. The title 'Back to School Event' is written in white cursive and underlined. Below it, the date 'Sunday, August 18, 2024' is in pink, followed by the time '1:00pm-3:00pm' in pink. The activities 'Meet the Teachers' (blue), 'Supply drop-off' (yellow), and 'Kona Ice' (purple) are listed. A location pin icon points to 'SMS School Gym Enter Door A' in green. The text 'Submitted by Michelle Wacnik' is at the bottom.

Back to School Event

Sunday, August 18, 2024

1:00pm-3:00pm

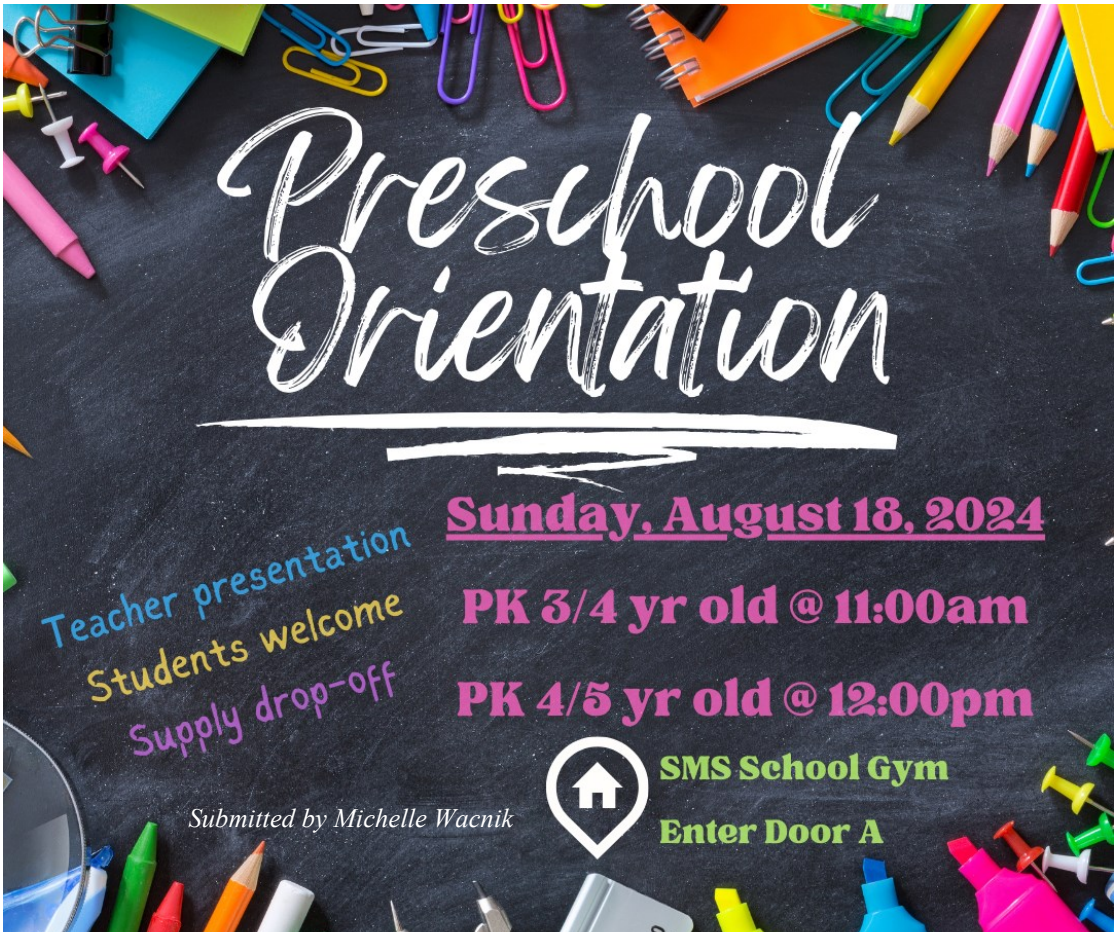
Meet the Teachers

Supply drop-off

Kona Ice

 **SMS School Gym**
Enter Door A

Submitted by Michelle Wacnik

A poster for 'Preschool Orientation' on a chalkboard background with school supplies. The title 'Preschool Orientation' is written in white cursive and underlined. Below it, the date 'Sunday, August 18, 2024' is in pink. The schedule includes 'Teacher presentation' (blue), 'Students welcome' (yellow), and 'Supply drop-off' (purple) in the morning, and 'PK 3/4 yr old @ 11:00am' (pink) and 'PK 4/5 yr old @ 12:00pm' (pink) in the afternoon. A location pin icon points to 'SMS School Gym Enter Door A' in green. The text 'Submitted by Michelle Wacnik' is at the bottom.

Preschool Orientation

Sunday, August 18, 2024


Teacher presentation

Students welcome

Supply drop-off

PK 3/4 yr old @ 11:00am

PK 4/5 yr old @ 12:00pm

 **SMS School Gym**
Enter Door A

Submitted by Michelle Wacnik



It's a St. Michael Tradition

Please join us at Redar Park on the first day of school
Wednesday, August 21st at 7:30 am

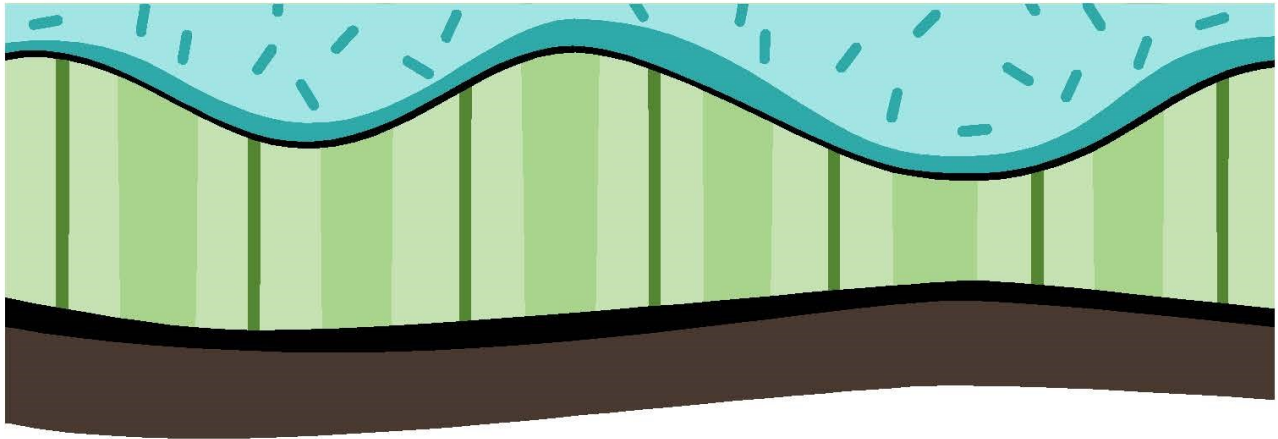
Donuts, juice, milk, play, & friendship!
Students will walk as a group from the park to the school at
7:55 am - or parents can drive them over

This is not a drop off!
Students must be supervised by a parent or guardian

NEW families are encouraged to join - this is a great way for
students to calm those back to school nerves and make
friends before they walk into their classroom.



Submitted by Michelle Wacnik



Faith Formation Program

Have you been thinking about teaching?

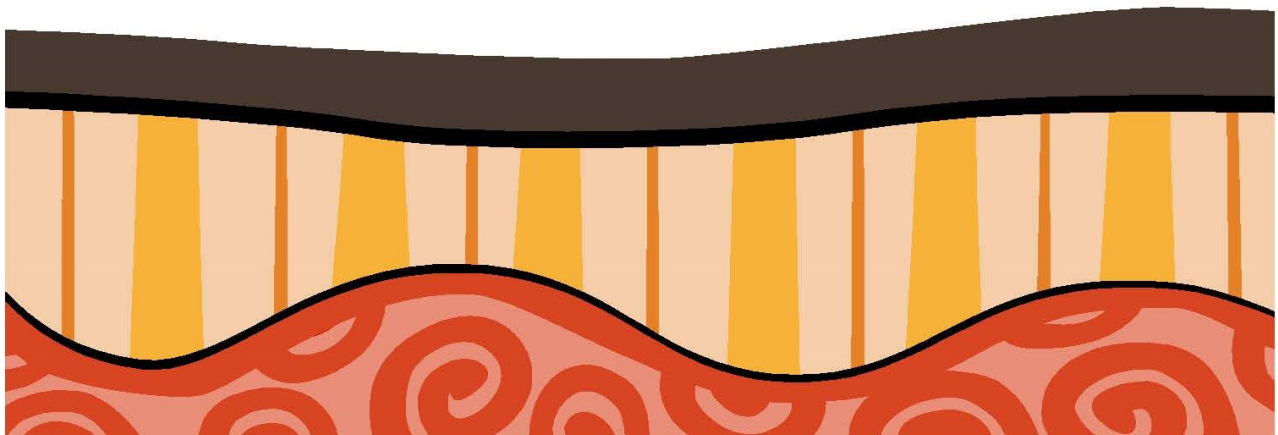


Catechists Needed!!

- **Sunday, Grade 7 (Once a month)**
- **Wednesday, Grade 1 (Once a week)**



**Please let us know if you are interested? Training is available.
Free Faith Formation Tuition! CALL NOW 219-322-3077**



Submitted by Kimberley Hoogveen

Welcome the Newly Baptized

Rosalina Rae Rubino
Scarlett Josephine Moffett
Ella Rae Moffett

Special Prayers
For Those In Need



LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER

Sandy Evans, David Sarros, ***Robert Habasinski***, Ruth Marie Sarros, ***Tim & Helen Hazard***, Natalie Floit, Gordon Sharkey, Diane Ross, Pat Matz, Steve Gatons, ***Cathleen Rose***, Jo Ann Tapper, Mark Chapman, Ruthann Truesdell, Nicole Villaneuva, ***Patricia Camp, Joan Gillespie*** 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.

It's Game Day!



All Those 50+,
Parishioner or Non-Parishioner
Join Us on August 27th in the
SE Meeting Room at 10:00 AM for Fun,
Laughter & Some Friendly Competition

submitted by Nancy Finley



**ST. MICHAEL
PARISH**

Schererville, Indiana



THE GOOD SAMARITANS

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



219-322-4505 EXT. 8250

**THE GOOD SAMARITANS
ARE
COLLECTING
SCHOOL
SUPPLIES
CAN YOU
PLEASE HELP?**



**August 20th
10:00 AM
in
St. Patrick Hall**



**New Member
Registration
August 25th
After the 7:30 and
9:30 AM Masses**



**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**



\$80 per Ticket

Join us for this one-of-a-kind
Wine, Bourbon & Craft Beer Tasting Event!
Sunday, September 8, 2024
3-6 pm, St. Patrick Hall
Order Wine • Exclusive Auction • Delicious Cuisine

Cuisine generously provided by: **Gamba** ristorante

ST. MICHAEL PARISH
 TASTING EVENT
 2024
 Created by Elizabeth Munoz

Scan Here to reserve your tickets or visit stmichaelparish.life/events



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOP 2 MEGA RAFFLE WINNERS:

Dan Szymanski
Darlene Kopetanov



Celebrating 50 Years in the USA



Want to make a difference for some amazing ladies? Let's show our love and support for the Congregation of the Mother of Carmel (CMC) Sisters, who are entering their Golden Jubilee year of their mission in the USA in 2024-2025. All donations go directly towards the CMC convent to help support their efforts in the country along with funding their 50th Jubilee celebrations. For more information, please visit cmcusamission.org To DONATE - please click <https://gofund.me/120b816b>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

ST. MICHAEL PARISH
 Schererville, Indiana

WAYS TO GIVE

Electronic Funds Transfer
 You can choose to give through an automatic bank withdrawal, credit card or debit card.

Check
 You can choose to give with checks payable to St. Michael Parish over the course of your pledge.

Stocks, Mutual Funds, Securities, and IRA Distribution
 You can choose to give through stocks, mutual funds, and securities. Interested, the parish office can provide more information on this process, please call 219-322-4505 ext. 8226.

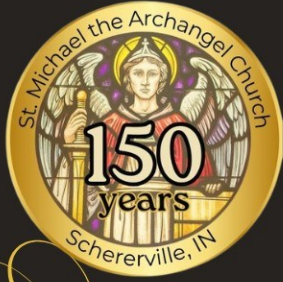
QUESTIONS:
 Email us at gift@stmichaelparish.life

Scan to Make an Instant Donation or to Begin Your Pledge TODAY!

Growing Into the Future Together

THE TIME TO GET INVOLVED IS NOW, WE CAN DO THIS TOGETHER!

Created by Elizabeth Munoz



150th Anniversary Feast Day Celebration

Sunday, September 29th

Luncheon RSVP

Immediately following Holy Outdoor Mass on Mount Calvary at 2pm.

Parishioners, take part of history by joining us on this monumental day. A fellowship luncheon will follow Mass on Mount Calvary. If planning to attend the Luncheon, please help the planning committee and RSVP online by using the QR code or call the parish office at 219-322-4505 ext. 8220.



SCAN HERE

Created by Elizabeth Munoz

Rebuilding Hope Mission Team Helps Out at Golf Outing

St. Michael's Rebuilding Hope Mission Team volunteered at Molley Lanham Foundation Golf Outing on August 2nd. Molley's parents are St. Michael's parishioners. The Foundation was founded as a safe place for those who have lost loved ones through homicide. Pictured is Jim Koeling and Pamela Howe.

Pamela later volunteered at St. Michael's Fest Friday evening.

For more information go to:

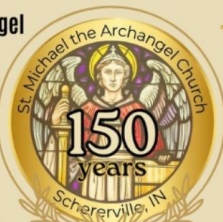
<https://www.facebook.com/TheMolleyLanhamFoundation/> submitted by Jim Koeling



St Michael the Archangel
Feast Day

5K

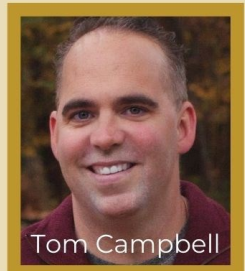
Run/ Walk



September 14, 2024

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

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



Tom Campbell

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

TO REGISTER /DONATE ONLINE AT: WWW.STMICHAELPARISH.LIFE/EVENTS OR CALL 219-322-4505 EXT. 8263

Created by Elizabeth Munoz



ST. MICHAEL
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25th

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

\$80 PER GOLFER



SCAN QR CODE

Register Today

LAST WEEK TO REGISTER!

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

Stewardship in Action

Invite someone who has missed Mass awhile to attend confession and join you for Mass and the body of Christ. Share how Christ has changed your life.
submitted by Conchita Bryner

Emotions Anonymous Canceled

After five years of holding Emotions Anonymous meetings here at St. Michael, the group is inactive effective immediately. If you would like to attend meetings, St. Thomas More holds meetings on Mondays at 7:00 PM in the Weis Center located at 8635 Calumet Avenue, Munster. We want to thank Jennifer Davids for her time and commitment to this group.

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 18

Family Photos for Directory By Appointment, SW Room
BP Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses, East Cloak Room
OCIA (formerly RCIA) 9:30 AM
Fr. Marty's Anniversary Open House After 11:30 AM Mass
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

TUESDAY AUGUST 20

Labors of Love 10:00 AM, St. Patrick Hall

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 21

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM, Chapel

THURSDAY AUGUST 22

Catechist Retreat 6:00 PM, SMS Library

FRIDAY AUGUST 23

Bell Choir Practice 6:00 PM, Church

SATURDAY AUGUST 24

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

SUNDAY AUGUST 25

New Membership Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses, St. Patrick Hall
Registration for 5K After All Masses, Gathering Space
OCIA (formerly RCIA) 9:30 AM
Education Foundation Golf Outing 12:00 PM, Scherwood Golf



July 7, 2024

Adult	\$15,958.00
Children	\$26.00
EFTs	\$7,521.65
Loose	\$686.00

Total Weekly Offering
\$24,191.65

Thank you for your generosity!

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.

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 rosenow@dcgary.org.



Renewed
Eucharistic Adoration and Praise & Worship

August 30
September 20
October 18
November 15
December 13

7pm-8:15pm
Our Lady of Consolation in Merrillville

Questions? Contact 219-769-1755, ext. 308

The Greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host.

LUXURY BINGO EVENT

All are welcome to play Bingo for the benefit of the Women's Care Center on **October 9th**, 6:00-8:30 PM. The event will take place at the Halls of St. George.

Great Food • Cocktails • Fabulous Prizes
All proceeds benefit the moms and babies they serve. Register now to attend: LuxuryBingoMerrillville.com or text "LakeCountyBingo" to 41444. For more information, contact Victoria Cain at (815) 900-8366 or Victoria@supportwcc.org.

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, 10:30-11:45 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.

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.



RESCUE
Chicago
12 OCTOBER 2024

On **October 12th**, the Archdiocese of Chicago and other ministry partners are hosting "Rescue Chicago," an inspiring day of engaging preaching by Fr. John Riccardo of Acts XXIX ministry, music from Damascus Worship, table discussion and fellowship. Join the Diocese of Gary as we partake in this amazing experience. Bus departs from the Diocese of Gary Pastoral Center at 6:15 AM and returns at 7:30 PM. Cost is \$100/person. Register at garyoyya.org/rescue2024



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY AUGUST 17

5:00 PM †Mike & Mary Starr

SUNDAY AUGUST 18 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM For an End to Abortion on Demand and for a Conversion of Heart for those who Provide Abortions

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM †John & Helen Sandor

†Pearl Salach

†Jim & Missy Rau

MONDAY AUGUST 19

7:00 AM †Sophie Pawlicki

†Dorothy Jendraszkiwicz

TUESDAY AUGUST 20

7:00 AM †Bill Salas

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 21

7:00 AM †Kristin & John Finley

THURSDAY AUGUST 22

7:00 AM †Greg Mis

8:55 AM For a Safe & Blessed School Year

FRIDAY AUGUST 23

7:00 AM †Charles J. Thiel

SATURDAY AUGUST 24

8:00 AM Special Intention

5:00 PM †Harold Rich

SUNDAY AUGUST 25 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM St. Michael Parish

9:30 AM †Julia Drabik

11:30 AM †Lenard & Len Lula

†Bernice Dopple

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reflections...

THE WORD

(Readings for August 25, 2024, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time)

I. *Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b*

Joshua told the Israelites they were to decide whom they would serve: the Amorite gods or the Lord who brought them out of Egypt. They agreed to “serve the Lord, for He is our God.”

II. *Ephesians 5:21-32*

Paul likened the love of a husband and wife to the love Christ has for the church. As Christ loves the church, so should husbands and wives love each other.

III. *John 6:60-69*

Jesus’ disciples were puzzled by His words. Jesus reminded them, “It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.” Simon Peter responded, “You have the words of eternal life.”

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