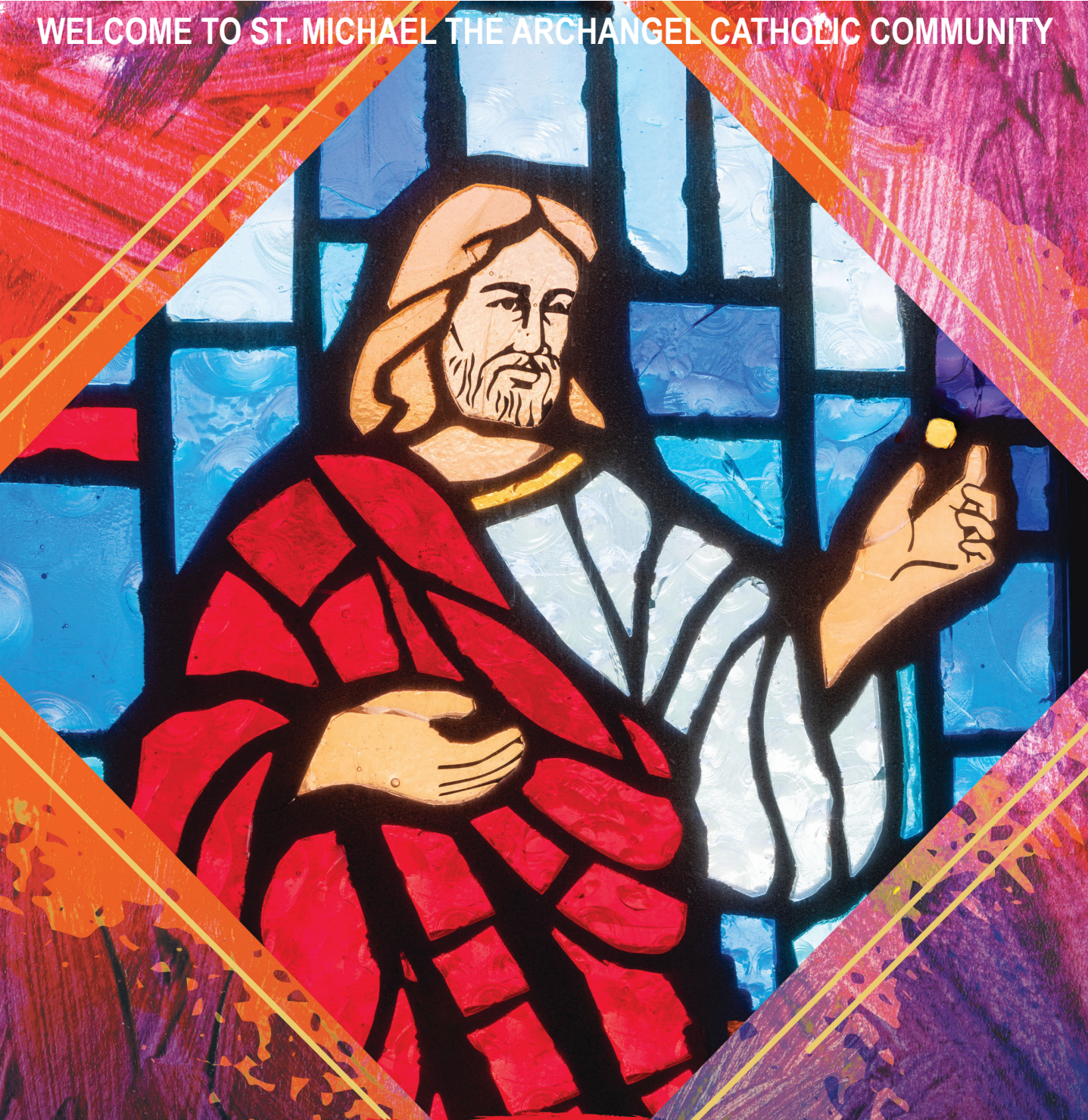


WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

A vibrant stained glass window depicting St. Michael the Archangel. He is shown from the waist up, wearing a red robe over a white garment. He has long, wavy brown hair and a beard. His right hand is raised in a gesture of blessing, with fingers slightly spread. The background of the window is blue with black lead lines. The entire image is framed by a diagonal orange and yellow border.

OCTOBER 22, 2023  
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and  
to God what belongs to God.” - Mt 22:21c





## 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.

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RCIA

Sacristan

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Adult Catholic Education

Alpha

Baptismal Preparation

Catholic Bible Study

Faith Formation

Marriage Preparation

Radiate

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Parish Gardeners

Stewardship

### Parish Life

Boy Scouts of America

Comforting Chefs

Emotions Anonymous

Festival Committee

Holy Name Society

Knights of Columbus

Ministry of Hope & Consolation

Parish Nurse

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## From the Pastor's Desk

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**What Goes Where?** Today's Gospel passage has often been quoted by politicians, priests and everyday people like you. The conflict between what is "God's" and what is "Caesar's" still exists today. Many have used this passage to support their reluctance or just plain resistance to support the Church in general and their parish in particular. Some use it to speak of the inevitability of government taxes.

This reading of the text belies the deeper issue of what is God's and what is mine? It's easy to pass the text off as a conflict of Church and State. Yet, the more poignant reality is that we could easily read "Caesar" as me, you, the individual, the "self." Give unto God what is God's and unto yourself what is to yourself. The ruler of most people is their self-determination. The "self" has become the center of all things. Each person can define truth, reality, even life itself. The true Caesar of the day is not a government or a person outside of ourselves; it is our notion of "self."

More and more of our resources go to our "self" to gratify our desires. From that special latte, to every gadget imaginable, to even changing the sex with which we are born. So, it is not a surprise that there is a decline in giving to God what is God's. Our Catholic Faith reveals to us the truth that God creates and defines reality, God is the giver of every single life and the gift of our personhood. You see, both God and the modern-day Caesar, the "self," claim the same things.

Knowing how to choose becomes very important to those who claim to be followers of Jesus. Sometimes we do need things for ourselves to grow and prosper. One way we can decide what is God's and what I hold to my self is to know that what I hold for my self leads me deeper into my relationship with God. If I hold too many things for myself then they lead me away from God because the self becomes the center. When the self becomes the center of my concerns, it overrides my desire to come closer to God and God like ways.



How do I balance this tendency for overindulgence of the self? This is balanced by giving unto God what is God's. That begins with recognizing that God is the creator, not me; that God is the one who sustains life, not me; that God is the one who defines the world we live in, not me. Give to God some your time daily in prayer and weekly in worship. Give to the work of God some of your treasure to care for the needs of others and to sustain his Body (to which you belong), the Church. Give to God your conscience (ask God to help you decide) because He is the only one who can guide you to happiness now and in eternity. Give to God your love, your desire to do right, because He will multiply it a hundred-fold.

**All Souls Remembrance.** Two or three weeks ago you should have received a letter reminding you about our custom of All Souls remembrances. If you do not have an envelope, use a plain white envelope and print on it **ALL SOULS** and then **PRINT** (on the envelope) the names of those you wish to be remembered during the month of November and place it in the collection or drop it at the Parish Office. Names need to be submitted to the office by October 27, 2023. All names submitted will be placed in our **Book of the Dead** which will be near the baptismal font throughout the month of November until Advent begins. On All Souls Day, we will have three Masses, one in the morning at 7:00 AM, one at Noon (weather permitting in the cemetery on Mt. Calvary) and a Mass at 7:00 PM for those who have died since last October.

Also, included in that envelope was a devotional card encouraging you to pray daily for all the departed who are in need of our prayers as they make the purgatorial journey to true holiness and thus oneness in God.

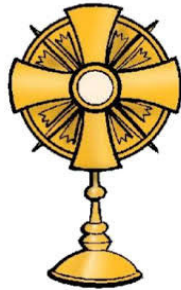
## Conference '23

Registration is OPEN for the Diocese of Gary Conference' 23 Training and Renewal for all Liturgical Ministers, taking place on **Friday, October 27th, 5:30-9:00 PM** and **Saturday, October 28th, 7:00 AM-2:30 PM** here at our parish. St. Michael parishioners, please register at [www.dcgary.org/event/conference-23](http://www.dcgary.org/event/conference-23)

### Eucharistic Adoration

The best kind of friend is the one with whom you can spend time without having to say anything. You can just share the moment and enjoy each other's company, knowing your relationship is deeper than the spoken word. That kind of silent communication is what takes place between you and Jesus when you participate in Eucharistic Adoration.

**Come and Spend  
Time with the Lord  
October 25th  
1:00-4:00 PM  
in the Chapel**



*SM&*

Michelle Wacnik, Principal

*Faith Formation News*

Kimberley Hooegeveen, DRE



### Preparing for Confirmation



In Pastoral work, it is always important to make Christian Families part of the process of initiation. **Confirmation** is a key moment, not only for the individual receiving the Sacrament, but also for the entire family, which should be supported in its educational role by the

whole parish community.

**On Sunday, October 29th**, we will celebrate with a Mass to start a new program, **"Catch the Spirit,"** for such families. At the **11:30 AM Mass**, the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation and their families will begin to participate in the liturgy, through the **"Mass of Enrollment."** Each child will begin to experience **"Whole Faith Community."** which goes far beyond the day of Confirmation. This new and exciting program will help the families participate more fully in the celebration of the Liturgy!

*Theology Uncorked*  
*November 7th*  
*6:15-8:30 PM*  
*St. Patrick Hall*  
*Topic:: How*  
*Angels and*  
*Demons*  
*Influence Us*  
*Presenter:*  
*Fr. Robert Ross*



Registration will take place  
October 21st/22nd, 28th/29th and  
November 4th/5th after all Masses or  
call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241.

**Wine, water and pop will be  
available.**  
**Please bring own snacks.**

### WAY TO GO, WARRIORS!



The cross country team had the CYO championship on October 10th. It was not an easy course, but the team pushed through and finished strong! The team did an amazing job! Congrats to the 7th/8th grade girls who were runner-ups for their division!





## It's time to "RADIATE!"

All High Schoolers are invited to join us..... Radiate is a place of sharing, experiencing and journeying together in our Life and in our Faith. Let's walk together.

Keep updated by signing up for our texts: Send a text to 81010 then text this message to: @radiate. Any questions, please contact Jeannine Quigley at 219-775-5356 or Marisa Richardson at 219-730-4735.

### Upcoming Schedule:

**October 29th:** Halloween Party-costume contest with prizes: FUNNIEST/BEST HOMEMADE/MOST ORIGINAL, plus games and food, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

**November 11th:** 5:00 PM Mass for NCYC send off and then gathering in Hall for meeting other diocesan teens going to NCYC

**November 12th:** Gathering, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

**November 16th-18th:** NCYC trip to Indianapolis (leaving St. Michael's parking lot in the morning)

**November 26th:** Gathering, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

**December 10th:** Gathering, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

**December 22nd:** Christmas Party, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

*Submitted by Jeannine Quigley*

## Labors of Love Sharing Their Talents

Several members of the Labors of Love Ministry have been busy furnishing our local Meals on Wheels Program with our Blessing Bags. They started with the Easter season and had 18 bags ready with handmade articles for a Schererville route. They did 18 more for Halloween for a Dyer route. The items in the Halloween bags included crocheted pumpkins, fall kitchen towels with crocheted edges, crocheted wash rags, Word Search books, note pads and pens, homemade fancy soaps, hand painted tiny bird houses, packet of all occasion cards and other small items. They will finish out the year with Christmas themed bags for a Hammond route. This is a wonderful opportunity for them to do outreach in the community and to learn more about what and who Meals on Wheels serves. If anyone is interested in more information on the Meals on Wheels program, they can call the Merrillville Office @ 219-756-3663. Their address is: 8446 Virginia Street, Merrillville, IN.

Labors of Love will have items available at the November Coffee and Rolls Sunday after all Masses.

There is no charge for any item you choose to give to a loved one or anyone in need. However, donations are always welcome to insure that we continue to serve our church and community in the future. If you would like to join these ladies at a Labors of Love meeting, they meet on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 10:00 AM in St. Patrick Hall. Next meeting will be November 7th.

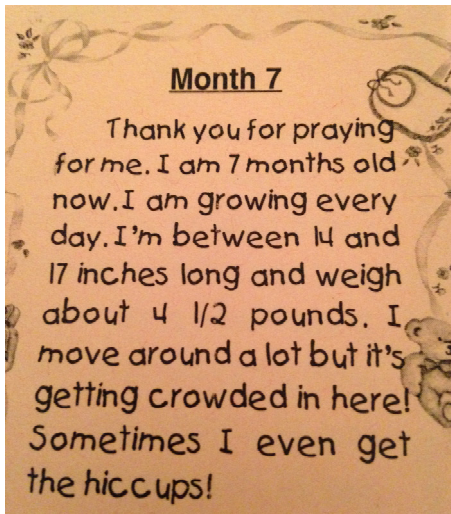
*Submitted by Sharon Przybylinski*



Betsy Grossman, Mary Jo Vincent, Sharon Przybylinski (L.O.L. Co-ordinator), Jen Okumura (Director of Development for Meals on Wheels), Mary Ann Lincoln and Betty Hlad.

# RESPECT LIFE NEWS

*Submitted by Cathy Bartczak*



## Spiritual Adoption Program

Please remember to pray daily for your Spiritually Adopted baby and the baby's mother and father. 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 eternal 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 September 27th - November 5th

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. 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 Tuesday - Thursday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday - Saturday, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. for a peaceful, non-confrontational prayer vigil to pray for the end of abortion. **Parishioners from St Michael's are planning to go to Planned Parenthood on Wednesday, November 1st at 11:45 AM for an hour of peaceful vigil and prayer.**

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, 1:00-4:00 PM or just praying and fasting in your own home. There are 360 hours left of this campaign; can you give just 1 hour to stand up for life?

**One Life Saved. One Mother Protected. One Mind Changed.**

## MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED OUR ROSE SALE AND ATTENDED THE LIVING ROSARY

The Respect Life Ministry would like to thank all of you who participated in and supported our Rose Sale on Respect Life Sunday. Due to your overwhelming support, we sold all the roses we started with (80 dozen or 960 roses) before the 11:30 AM Mass and received an additional 9 dozen and sold out after the 11:30 AM Mass. Thanks to your participation and support (over \$1300), we will be able to continue supporting Lake County Right to Life and the Women's Care Center.

We also would like to thank everyone who attended the Living Scriptural Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction held on October 9th in the church. Thank you to all who helped put it together by preparing the program, coordinating the music, doing the readings and preparing the Church. We also want to thank everyone who participated as a 'Live Bead.' Although we know it was Our Blessed Mother who inspired everyone to come, it was really beautiful to see everyone praying together as a 'Living Bead.'



The Respect Life Ministry would like to encourage everyone to watch EWTN's ProLife Weekly every Thursday at 9:00 PM or Tuesday at 12:00 PM to keep informed on issues that are currently being discussed. Also visit their website at [Prolifeweekly.com](http://Prolifeweekly.com) for the weekly CALL TO ACTION!





## For Those Who Have Died...

Susan Olszewski  
Steve Shelby

***Life has changed, not ended***



## ***LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER***

***Mary Ann Adam, John Schnosenberg, Mary Scheub, Steve DeLuca, Pat Christenson, Sherry Lazzaro, Audrey Lyons, Evalynn Taylor, Betty Ann Bradtke, Timothy Bunchek*** 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.***



## ***Hospitalized ?***

If you are in the hospital, please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8241 to let the parish office know. This ensures that we can visit you as well as pray for you and extend to you the sacraments of Eucharist, Confession and/or Anointing of the Sick.

## **All Those 50+, Parishioner or Non-Parishioner**



The Village at Winona

## **Join the Fun! Join the Conversation! Make New Friends!**

We will be carpooling to Winona Lake on October 24th, leaving St. Michael's parking lot at 8:00 AM. We will enjoy the day shopping and eating. We should be returning to Schererville around 4:00 PM. On December 3rd at 2:00 PM, a trip to the Visual Arts Center in Munster is being planned to attend "Christmas from the Farm." Please call Ursula Buchnot at 219-714-3276 by October 25th if interested. We need a count to reserve tickets.

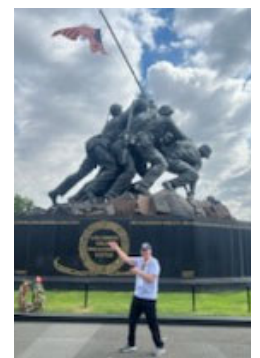
*submitted by Nancy Finley*

## **WHAT AN HONOR**



One of our very own parishioners, Jim Koeling, was honored recently for his military service by going on an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. to see the WWII, Korean War and Vietnam Veterans Memorials built in tribute to the service of our veterans. Jim, as well as others on the ***Honor Flight Chicago***, spent the day touring these special memorials all the while being thanked for their service and sacrifice. Congratulations to Jim and **"Thank You for Your Service"** to our country.

*Submitted by Mary Jo Rymarczyk*  
*Next week we will honor another parishioner, Dave Piekarczyk.*



## Registration for New Parishioners

You may register at the parish office Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM. You may also register online. Just visit the website, [www.stmichaelparish.life](http://www.stmichaelparish.life), hover over "I'm New," and click on "Become a Parishioner." We ask that you have the **dates and places of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage** for all members of the family. If you have any questions, please call Judi at the parish office 322-4505, ext. 8220 or email [jpatzelt@stmichaelparish.life](mailto:jpatzelt@stmichaelparish.life).




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### THE GOOD SAMARITANS

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


**219-322-4505 EXT. 8250**

## Stewardship in Action

Donate to Good Samaritans. Ask family, friends or neighbors for donations.  
*Submitted by Conchita Bryner*

## LOST

A brown over the left ear hearing aid with the name TruHearing printed on it was lost on October 8th at the 11:30 AM Mass. If found, please drop it off at the parish office or call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220.

DO ALL YOU CAN  
DO ALL THE GOOD YOU CAN,  
BY ALL THE MEANS YOU CAN,  
IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN,  
IN ALL THE PLACES YOU CAN,  
AT ALL THE TIMES YOU CAN,  
TO ALL THE PEOPLE YOU CAN,  
AS LONG AS EVER YOU CAN.  
-JOHN WESLEY

## Stewardship by the Book

Each year at tax time, we conscientiously give "to Caesar what belongs to Caesar." Does my stewardship indicate that I am as faithful about giving "to God what belongs to God?"



### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**September 10, 2023**

|                                                    |             |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Adult                                              | \$10,866.00 |
| Children                                           | \$7.00      |
| EFTs                                               | \$4,118.00  |
| Loose                                              | \$448.25    |
| <b>Total Weekly Offering</b><br><b>\$15,439.25</b> |             |
| <i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>              |             |

## Weekly Schedule

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 22

2nd Collection-Propagation of Faith  
RCIA 9:30 AM

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

### MONDAY OCTOBER 23

Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 24

Faith Formation 6:00 PM  
Faith Formation Board Meeting 6:00 PM  
Catholic Bible Study 7:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM  
Faith Formation 6:00 PM

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 26

*E-Learning Day*  
Bereavement 7:00 PM  
Choir Practice 7:00 PM

### FRIDAY OCTOBER 27

*E-Learning Day*  
Bell Choir Practice 6:00 PM

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 28

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 29

RCIA 9:30 AM  
"Catch the Spirit" Mass 11:30 AM



\*denotes new article

### THE MAN OF THE SHROUD

“The Man of the Shroud” Exhibit will take place **October 23rd-November 4th**, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 7132 Arizona Ave., Hammond. The exhibit will be open to visitors the following times:

Oct. 23rd: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM & 6:00-8:00 PM  
Oct. 24th: 9:00-11:00 AM & 1:00-8:00 PM  
Oct. 25th: 9:00 AM-3:00 PM & 5:00-8:00 PM  
Oct. 26th: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM & 4:00-8:00 PM  
Oct. 27th: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM & 6:00-8:00 PM  
Oct. 28th: 9:00 AM-3:00 PM  
Oct. 29th: 9:00 AM-8:00 PM  
Oct. 30th: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM  
Oct. 31st: 10:00 AM-1:00 PM & 3:00-8:00 PM  
Nov. 1st: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM & 3:00-8:00 PM  
Nov. 2nd: 10:00 AM-11:00 AM & 3:00-8:00 PM  
Nov. 3rd: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM & 5:00-8:00 PM  
Nov. 4th: 9:00 AM-8:00 PM

### FISH FRY DINNERS

Descent of the Holy Spirit Church, 545 E. 77th Ave/Seberger Rd., Schererville is having Fish Fry Fridays during the month of October, 4:00-7:00 PM. Eat in or take out. Please call 219-864-1529 for more Information.

### SPANISH PREPARATION TO ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT'S TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

This preparation in Spanish will take place at the Carmelite Fathers basement, in Munster, starting **October 26th**, at 10:30 AM for 33 weeks. This Preparation consists of 33 lessons one per week and two retreats. It will conclude with a Consecration MASS. It's completely free. Please contact Juanita at 219 365-0582/enriquezjuana567@gmail.com if you have any questions or need more information.

### LAS VEGAS NITE

The Knights of Columbus Council #8082, Dyer, is hosting a *Las Vegas Nite* on **November 4th** in St. Joseph Gym, 440 Joliet, Dyer. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Close at 11:30 PM. The following games will be featured: blackjack, roulette, 3-card poker, money wheel, beat the dealer dice, live poker, cash raffle and tip-split. \$15 admission includes all foods, desserts and beverages. Open to those 21 years and older. For more information, please call 219-738-3787.

### \*MARIAN OPEN HOUSE

Join Marian Catholic High School for an Open House on **November 5th**, 1:00-3:00 PM, to explore academic programs and college prep curriculum. Perspective families will learn how students get involved, lead and serve. Families will have the opportunity to talk to coaches, teachers, staff members and current parents. Please note the last tour is at 2:30 PM.



### \*PARISH MISSION

*Theme: All Are Welcome, All Belong*

Gather at Our Lady of Consolation at 7:00 PM **November 12th, 13th & 14th** for an inspiring parish mission!

Our Keynote speaker, ValLimar Jansen is internationally renown among Catholic musicians and speakers for her dynamic gift of music and story telling.

Doors open at 6:30 PM each night. Questions? Please contact Melissa Novak at 219-769-1755, ext. 308.



### \*HOLIDAY MARKET

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# Mass Intentions

## **SATURDAY OCTOBER 21**

**5:00 PM** † Ronald & Charlene Prenizny

## **SUNDAY OCTOBER 22 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**7:30 AM** St. Michael Parish

**9:30 AM** † Dolores Leluga

† Ed Wantuch

**11:30 AM** † Leonard & Len Lula

## **MONDAY OCTOBER 23**

**7:00 AM** † Bill Salas

## **TUESDAY OCTOBER 24**

**7:00 AM** † Maria Angelina Fonseca

## **WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25**

**7:00 AM** † Richard Kalemba

**8:55 AM** All Souls

## **THURSDAY OCTOBER 26**

**7:00 AM** † Philip Bruno

† Kenneth Kollasch

## **FRIDAY OCTOBER 27**

**7:00 AM** † Elizabeth Balachowski

## **SATURDAY OCTOBER 28**

**8:00 AM** † Gerald Verdeyen

**5:00 PM** † Anne Sullivan

## **SUNDAY OCTOBER 29 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**7:30 AM** † Jose Mancaya

**9:30 AM** † Phyllis McNeill-*Birthday*

† Clark Imbler

† Stan Kulig

**11:30 AM** St. Michael Parish

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## **THE WORD**

*(Readings for October 29, 2023, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

### **I. Exodus 22:20-26**

The faithful and gracious Lord said, "You shall not wrong any widow or orphan...If you take your neighbor's cloak,...return it before sunset. If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

### **II. 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10**

Paul commended the Christians of Thessalonica: "You became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with the joy from the Holy Spirit. So that you became a model for all believers...the word of the Lord has sounded forth."

### **III. Matthew 22:34-40**

In response to a question from some Pharisees who wanted to trip Him up, Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God, with all your heart...soul...and mind. You shall love your neighbor as yourself." These are the two great commandments.



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