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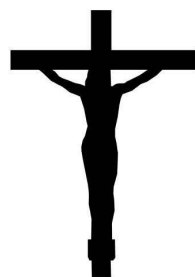
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 8th, 2018

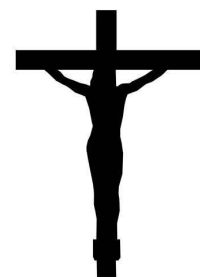


Join us at our

Open House & Ice Cream Social



On Thursday, April 12th



6:30 — 8 PM

Community, Personnel, & On-Going Information

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 Mrs. Joan Hamnik

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 Email.....office@stmichaelparish.life
 Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

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 Principal
 Miss Colleen Kennedy.....ckennedy@stmichaelparish.life
 School Executive Assistant
 Mrs. Karen Rapacz.....krapacz@stmichaelparish.life

FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Monday
 12:00-8:00 PM Tuesday & Wednesday
 11:00 AM-4:00 PM Thursday
 By appointment on Friday
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 Director of Religious Education
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 Traditional Classes...Tuesday or Wednesday 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
 Good Shepherd Classes....Tuesday 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
 Sunday Family Classes.....Once a month 9:30 AM-11:00 AM

SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM
DAILY LITURGY
 Weekdays **7:00 AM**
 Saturday **8:00 AM**

SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30, & 11:30 AM
HOLY DAY LITURGY
 See page 15 of the bulletin for
 Holy Day Mass Schedule.

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 322-4505, ext. 241 to schedule the prep
 session and/or baptism date.
Marriage...The bride, groom, their parents/grandparents
 must be active registered members of the parish for at least three
 years 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.
 Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the third Saturday of each
 month at the 8:00 AM Mass in the chapel.
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
 Wednesdays from 1:00-6:00 PM 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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Schererville, Indiana

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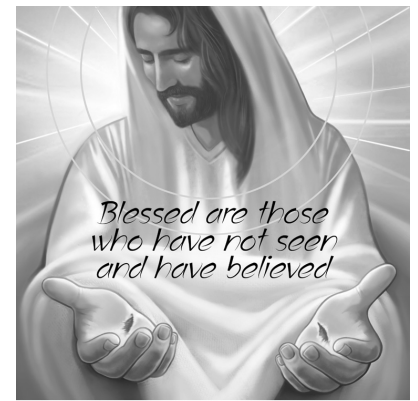
From the Pastor's Desk

Mercy Received ⇔⇔ Mercy Given. Life is a joy when our relationships with others, spouse, family, friends and co-workers are in balance. But when one or the other of our relationships are out of balance, due to anger, disappointment, envy, jealousy or other disrupting factors, you and I find life a burden. Obviously, for people of faith, this holds true for our relationship with God, our Father. The difference being, that this relationship can be fractured only by our action or in-action. Also this relationship is not only individual but also communal. We, as a people, a community, nation, world, can fracture our relations with God.

In order for us to be in right relationship with each other and God, you and I need to be open first to His mercy that comes to us through His Son, Jesus and also to be open to His Holy Spirit that He gives to His Church and so to us to show mercy to each other. Consequently, God's mercy, His singular act to save us from eternal death, is two pronged. God acts on our behalf restoring the balance of our relationship with Him, our Creator, and then expects us to do the same with each other.

The gospel account of the Risen Christ appearing to the disciples makes this clear. Christ died and rose to bring us back to God, to forgive our disobedient nature. His appearance to the disciples confirms this, He says first – “Peace be with you.” There is no peace where relationships are broken, imbalanced. But Christ set the balance for us and so now offers us peace. Then He tells the disciples and us to do the same, to forgive as He has forgiven. Herein lies an important understanding, we can only forgive in the pattern of Jesus. Thus, we cannot, the Church cannot, forgive if you or I knowingly persist in our sin, the actions that bring imbalance to our relationships with God and others.

The mercy Jesus brings is not magic. You and I need to freely accept it and then live by it in our lives. Thomas, in the gospel, is an example of this. He was not there; the peace Jesus brought on that first visitation did not magically come upon Thomas, no, he was still troubled and did not believe. He could not freely be open to God's mercy. It was not merely a matter of doubting, but it was that he used his “free will” to doubt, he could have used it to believe. It is not until later that Thomas faced with Christ in the risen flesh surrenders his free will freely and so partakes in God's mercy.



The sacraments of our initiation into God's family, the Church (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) are invitations to live in God's mercy. But, they, in themselves, cannot make us right with God and others unless we use our free will to live by what they teach and implant in us. They teach us that, through obedience to His commandments, we die to our disobedience and selfishness, like Christ who drank the cup, and only then do we have peace. Peace is not found in “doing it my way.” Peace is only found and mercy is only experienced in trying to do it God's way.

I cannot say that I am a Christian, a Catholic, a follower of Jesus and then ignore those commands that demand more of me than I wish to give. I cannot experience God's mercy freely given unless I strive, by His help, to freely surrender my free will to His Will. This is what the disciples do, this is what the first believers do in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, this is what countless persons have done throughout the ages, this is what I must do and you must do to fully know his Divine Mercy and to be able to impart it to others.

Spirituality and Worship Commission

Second Sunday of Easter

Still in our Midst

Two thousand years ago “on the evening of the first day of the week,” when the disciples hid behind locked doors, Jesus did three things. He stood in their midst. He gave gifts of peace and the Holy Spirit, He sent them out. Jesus is still in our midst, still doing the same. Every Sunday Mass makes it so; in our midst in Word and Eucharist, gifting us with peace and Spirit, telling us “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.”

- * Who am I and who are we locking in or locking out?
- * Because peace is a gift given and shared, what will I do this week?
- * To whom will I go; what will I do?

Commission Members: Director of Liturgy, Art & Environment, Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality, Lectors, Music, Sacristan, Altar Servers, Cross Bearers, Prayer Ministry, RCIA, Ministers of Care, Deer Creek Ministers

Eucharistic Adoration is an expression of our love for Jesus, who loves us so much that He never wants to leave us and so stays with us day and night in the Blessed Sacrament. For He says: “Behold I am with you always,” because “I have loved you with an everlasting love. And constant is my affection for you” (Matthew 28: 20; Jeremiah 31:3).

Please join us on Wednesdays from 1:00-6:00 PM in the Chapel.



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The role of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is to serve God’s holy people by sharing the Body and Blood of Christ with the parish community united by a common faith. The very nature of this grace-filled ministry helps strengthen the faith of those who minister. Do you have a willingness to be of a greater service to your parish family? Then we invite you to consider becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. We are always in need of additional ministers. Those who are interested must be fully able to participate in the sacramental life of the Church. Requirements include having received all Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. In addition, married individuals must be in a valid Catholic marriage. Training will be provided. For more information, please contact Gary Wolfe at garywwolfe@hotmail.com or 678-1332.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Mariano Vlcek received the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, March 31st. Please continue to keep him in your prayers as he continues his faith journey.

Many people have said that what drew them to the Catholic Church was the Eucharist. As we reflect on recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread, think for a moment whether there is someone you could invite to Mass and to explore what else the Catholic faith might hold for them.

Invite those who have never been baptized, baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, or baptized in the Catholic Faith and never received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation and are over the age of 7, to seek information regarding the RCIA process. For more information, please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 241.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Education and Formation Commission

Commission Members: Director of Religious Education, School Principal, Sport/ School Advisory Board/HSA Representatives, Marriage Prep, Baptismal Prep, Adult Catholic Education, Vocations Ministry, RADIATE Youth Ministry, Bible Study

SCHOOL NEWS

Warrior of the Week



This week's Warrior of the Week is Dylan Morgan. Dylan has been a student at St. Michael School since kindergarten and he runs cross country and track for the Warriors. Dylan's favorite thing about SMS is, "All the kids are very nice to me." When he graduates, Dylan says he will miss all the teachers and his friends. Dylan's advice to younger students is, "If you think you can't do it, you're right. If you think you can do it, you're right. Always try your hardest and know you can achieve anything in life." Great words of advice, Dylan!



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PASSPORT TO OUR *Heritage*

CELEBRATE THE PAST & INVEST INTO THE FUTURE OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY
JOIN US FOR THE "GETAWAY"... SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018
5:30 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT AT ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CHECK BACK HERE NEXT WEEK FOR ANOTHER SNEAK PEEK AT WHERE
THE EVENING CAN "TAKE YOU" AND WHAT SOUVENIRS COULD BE YOURS.

Buy your tickets online now
AT [HTTP://MICHAEL18.GESTURE.COM](http://MICHAEL18.GESTURE.COM)

THE EVENT FEATURES AN ARRAY OF
ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD & DRINKS
AT THE INTERNATIONAL PORTS,
& AN ASSORTMENT OF
SILENT AUCTION AREAS.

DECLARE YOUR INDEPENDENCE
FROM STRESS AT THE PORT OF USA!
TAKE COMFORT IN CUISINE
LIKE HOT DOGS & CHEESECAKE, OR
HOW DOES A CRAFT BEER OR JELLO SHOT SOUND?

BID ON FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT AUCTION ITEMS
SUCH AS SPA PACKAGES, DINNERS FOR TWO,
CASINO AND HOTEL GETAWAYS & MORE!



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Education and Formation Commission



Faith Formation

Registration for 2018/19 School Year

Registration for Faith Formation for the 2018-2019 year will be:

Tuesday April 10th / Wednesday April 11th, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM in the school. If your child is enrolling for the first time in Faith Formation, please bring their baptismal certificate to registration.

Our traditional program is for grades 1-8 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 6:00 to 7:30 PM in the school.

We also have a Sunday Family Program that is for registered St. Michael parishioners only.

We also have a Good Shepherd Program for preschool through grade eight that is a Montessori- based program that meets on Tuesday evenings in St. Patrick Hall, 6:00-7:30 PM.

Confirmation

Confirmation is on April 13th. All Confirmandi and Sponsors should arrive by 4:15 PM for procession into the Church at 4:45 PM. Mass will begin promptly at 5:00 PM.

First Communion Pictures

Individual First Communion pictures will take place 9:00 AM– 12:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall. Pictures will be taken by Royce Photography. Please come dressed in your First Holy Communion outfit. You are welcome to bring rosaries, prayer books, or other religious items to be used in pictures.

First Holy Communion Masses and Practices

Students will be receiving their First Holy Communion on April 29th and May 6th at the 9:30 and 11:30 AM Masses. Practice will be the Tuesday or Wednesday before your scheduled weekend Mass time.

April/May Calendar

Apr. 10th: Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM Registration for 2018/19 School Year 5:30-7:30 PM	Apr. 18th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
Apr. 11th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM Registration for 2018/19 School Year 5:30-7:30 PM	Apr. 24th: Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM First Communion Practice 6:30 PM
Apr. 13th: Confirmation 5:00 PM	Apr. 25th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM First Communion Practice 6:30 PM
Apr. 14th: First Communion Pictures 9:00 AM-12:30 PM	Apr. 29th: First Holy Communion 9:30 & 11:30 AM Masses
Apr. 15th: Family Session 9:30-11:00 AM	May 1st: First Communion Practice 6:30 PM
Apr. 17th: Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM	May 6th: First Holy Communion 9:30 & 11:30 AM Masses

Education and Formation Commission



Dance with a Cause

All High Schoolers from the Diocese of Gary are invited!



- WHEN:** Saturday, April 14th
Meet at 5:00pm Mass at St. Michael Catholic Church, Schererville
Dance to follow in gym from 6:00-10:00pm
- FEE:** \$10 & Can of food/Household paper product for Good Samaritans
(*\$10 includes pizza, snacks, and DJ*)
Cash/Checks accepted at door -- Checks payable to St. Michael Church
- WAIVER:** Permission form/waiver & payment will be collected at the door
(*Download waiver at www.stmichaelparish.life -- click on Radiate logo*)
- NOTE:** RSVP attendance to mzvyak@gmail.com by Sunday, April 8th



Peace & Social Justice Commission



For Those Who Have Died...

Lupe Herrera

Life has changed, not ended

Commission Members: Ministry of Consolation and Hope, Good Samaritans, Pastoral Care, Respect Life, Health & Spirituality Committee, Parish Nurse Ministry, Rebuilding Hope Mission Team, Visitation Ministry, Labors of Love



Don Smith, Angie Mangione, ***Marie Mosher, Mary Makarowski, Julian Kras***, Elizabeth Madrigal, Beth Townsend Cerrado, ***Deacon Ed Gatons, Deacon Jack Krol, Donna Cistaro, Glenna Goldasic, Tina Serna***, Noah Ramirez, ***Mick Barry*** and all those in need of the healing touch of God.

Life is precious; handle with prayer.

Placing the name of a loved one or yourself in the bulletin *Prayer List* can be done through Michaeline or Debbie at 322-4505, ext. 220 in the parish office. The names 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. In praying for a sick person, we show our solidarity with that person and we remind ourselves to do all that is within our power to help in the healing done through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Please remember that the names of parishioners and non-parishioners who are still in need of our prayers after the 4 week period of time of being in the bulletin are placed in our Book of Intentions in the Chapel. It is updated weekly.

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

Can You Help?

The Rebuilding Hope Mission Team's purpose is to act in a helpful and caring manner to help the less fortunate of our society. We accomplish this by offering time and talents in a Christian manner in whatever accomplishes these goals. Our mission is to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

On Saturday, April 21st, the Rebuilding Hope Mission Team is going to install a wheelchair ramp at Sojourner Truth House in Gary. It will be almost the entire length of the space (about 40 plus feet). Depending on the weather, the project may extend into Sunday or even the following weekend. If you feel that you want to help, refreshed with Christ's presence from our Easter season, please reach out to Mike Macki, (macki0237@sbcglobal.net or 219-746-7883 or Jim Koeling (jkoeling@sbcglobal.net) on your availability.

As usual, we will provide breakfast and lunch.

Blood Pressure, Glucose and Oxygen Level Screenings

The next screenings will take place the weekend of April 21st and 22nd, in the east coat room after the 5:00 PM, 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses by the parish nurses.



We are here to assist anyone with temporary help. If you know someone from Schererville, Dyer, or St. John who could use

help with their NIPSCO bill, rent, or groceries, **please have that person in need (due to privacy act) call 322-4505, ext. 250 and leave a message.**

Commission Members: Welcoming Ministry, Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus, Festival Committee, Comforting Chefs, Senior GEMS, Boy Scouts of America



**SATURDAY MAY 5TH, 2018 FROM 5-8 PM
ST. PATRICK HALL @ ST. MICHAEL CHURCH
1E. WILHELM SCHERERVILLE, IN**

Chicken Fajita
Beef Taco
Pork Tamale
Refried Beans
Mexican Corn
Mexican Salad
Chips and Salsa
Authentic Music



Adults: \$12.00
Children (6-12): \$6.00
5 and Under Free
Carry-Outs Available

Pop, Wine, Beer,
Margaritas & Desserts
at additional charge

SAVE BIG ON ADVANCE TICKET SALES!!

Tickets for sale after all Masses

April 21-22 and April 28-29

and at the Church Office. Save \$2 on adult tickets!

Questions? Call Rob Guetzloff 219-670-2871



SET YOUR LEGACY IN STONE PAVER PROJECT

Looking to
memorialize
your connection
with
St. Michael's?



Want to
make them
a permanent
part of
our history?

Graduate Walk

- Honoring those who attended St. Michael School/Faith Formation -
Donation - \$175.00

Founders Circle

- Honoring descendants of families from the year 1873 -
Donation - \$250.00 with limited space

Memorial Walk

- Honoring and remembering our deceased loved ones -
Donation - \$125.00

Benefactors Walk

- Honoring living members of the parish -
Donation - \$200.00

Name: _____
Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Type of Paver: Graduate - \$175 Memorial - \$125.00
 Founder's Circle - \$250 Benefactor - \$200.00

Each paver may contain up to 3 lines, with 15 characters (this includes spaces) per line.

St. Michael the Archangel Church / Paver Project
1 E. Wilhelm, Schererville, IN 46375

Tax deductions are available. Please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 241 for more information.
Please return forms to the office by April 23, 2018.

St. Michael Gardener's Flower Sale

The Gardening Ministry is sponsoring a Flower Sale with all proceeds to benefit St. Michael Parish. A variety of flowering baskets and flats are available. Order forms can be found on the tables in the gathering space. Either call Cheryl at 242-2630 to place your order or put your order form in the baskets provided in the gathering space. **Order deadline is Sunday, May 6th.** Flowers can be picked up May 12th, 9:00 AM-noon, at the rectory garage off of Anna St. Payment is due at time of pickup.



Easter Egg Hunt today, April 8th, at 1:00 PM in the soccer field for children 10 and younger.

Senior GEMS Events

April 10th: Meeting with book club and cards at 11:00 AM.

April 24th: Book club at 10:00 AM then lunch at the Tea Room in Merrillville, 11:30 AM.

June 12th: Notre Dame Cathedral Tour—we will carpool and leave St. Michael's parking lot at 8:00 AM, attend 11:30 AM Mass then take the tour. Deadline to RSVP is June 1st. Please call Carol at 805-0413 to RSVP or if you have questions.



Having a Special Wedding Anniversary?

If you are celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 50th+ anniversary, you and your family are invited to the Anniversary Mass and Reception with Bishop Donald Hying at Cathedral of the Holy Angels, May 5th at 4:00 PM.

To reserve, please contact the parish office, 322-4505, ext. 220 by April 20th.

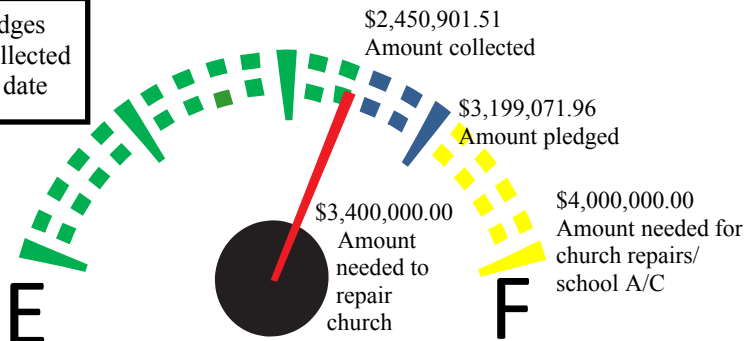
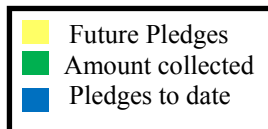
This event is sponsored by Catholic Charities.

Who Should Make the Coffee?



A husband and wife were arguing about who should make the coffee in the morning. She says he should. He says she should. The wife replies, "It says in the Bible that the man should make the coffee. He states, "No way does it say that in the Bible." She says, "I can prove it." And opens the Bible to Hebrews.

Capital Campaign Totals as of March 30, 2018



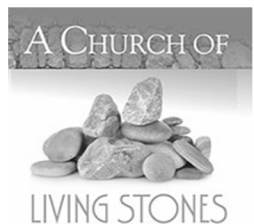
A note of thanks from the soup kitchen ministry (St. Clare's Kitchen) at Holy Name in Cedar Lake to St. Michael's for sharing the Ash Wednesday collection to aid their ministry.

Thank you so much for your kind donation of \$1785.77 to St. Clare's Kitchen. Your support helps to nourish both body and spirit of those we serve.

*Thank you
Christine Popule
St. Clare's Kitchen*


Registration for New Parishioners

The next parish registration will be April 15th after the 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses. You may also register at the parish office Monday-Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie at 322-4505, ext. 225.



Today the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) begins in our parish and throughout the Diocese of Gary. Our campaign theme, "A Church of Living Stones!" comes from the First Letter of Peter and reminds us that each of us is a Living Stone of the Church, built to share our gifts and blessings in order to continue the ministry Jesus started. Your sacrificial gift does make a difference! Please support the work of the many offices and ministries throughout our diocese: vocations, education, formation, social outreach, lay leadership training, youth ministry, as well as national collections. Please be as generous as God has been to you. Each gift, regardless of size, is important to the success of the CSA. Our parish goal is \$103,129.00.

Please support the 2018 CSA Campaign!



NWI CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Want to be inspired and uplifted? Does your faith need a boost? The 2018 Northwest Indiana Catholic Women's Conference will be held at Queen of All Saints in Michigan City on Saturday **April 21st, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM**. Conference speakers include Bishop Donald J. Hying, Robin Rock, Fr. Leo Patalinghug, Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet. Tickets include lunch and entry to a drawing for lunch with Bishop Hying and Fr. Leo. Cost is \$30 dollars for adults and \$20 dollars for college and high school students. For tickets or more information, PLEASE call **Julie at 219-678-0715**.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded by the Psalmist that yours is the "Earth and its fullness, the world and those who dwell in it." We know that it is from your hand that we have received all we have and are and will be. Gracious and loving God, we understand that you call us to be the stewards of your abundance, the caretakers of all that you have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

Commission Members: Finance Council, Gardener Ministry, Education Foundation, Cemetery Committee

Stewardship Challenge

Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy this week for someone you need to forgive.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY APRIL 8

Coffee & Donuts After All Masses

RCIA 9:30 AM

Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 PM

The Rosary is said after 7:00 AM Weekday

Mass Except Tuesday – after OLPH Devotions

MONDAY APRIL 9

Centering Prayer 6:00 PM

Liturgy Committee Meeting 7:00 PM

Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 PM

TUESDAY APRIL 10

OLPH Devotions 7:30 AM

GEMS 10:00 AM

Registration for Faith Formation Classes 5:30-7:30 PM

Endow Study Group 6:00 PM

Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY APRIL 11

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-6:00 PM

Registration for Faith Formation Classes 5:30-7:30 PM

Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

The Bible & Blessed Virgin Mary 7:00 PM

THURSDAY APRIL 12

Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM

Stewardship Ministry Meeting 7:00 PM

FRIDAY APRIL 13

Confirmation 5:00 PM

SATURDAY APRIL 14

Respect Life Meeting 8:30 AM

First Communion Pictures 9:00 AM

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



March 25, 2018

Adult	\$18,540.00
EFTs*	\$1,555.00
Children	\$72.00
Loose	\$1,594.84

Total Weekly Offering

\$21,761.84

Rice Bowl

\$1,074.63

**Electronic Funds Transfer*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



April 1, 2018

Adult	\$20,117.00
EFTs*	\$595.00
Children	\$112.35
Loose	\$2,491.76

Total Weekly Offering

\$23,316.11

Easter Collection

\$23,448.00

Rice Bowl

\$1,023.24

**Electronic Funds Transfer*

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Diocesan Life Information

*MARY POPPINS AT ANDREAN HIGH SCHOOL

Andrean High School invites families to the Spring musical production of Mary Poppins on:

April 12th, 13th, 14th, 19th, 20th, 21st at 6:30 PM
April 15th and 22nd at 2:00 PM

The musical will take place at Andrean's Small Gym. Admission is \$10 unless students have the Andrean Admissions wristband.



*AYCE HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Stephen the Martyr Men & Women's Clubs are hosting an AYCE Homemade Spaghetti & Meatball dinner on **April 14th**, 5:00-7:00 PM. Cost is \$10 for dinner with salad and bread. Beer, Wine and soft drinks available. Raffles, prizes and good company! *5920 Waite Street, Merrillville.* Please call 219-980-9348 for more information.

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What are your habits? Are they helping you become the best version of yourself or some second rate version of yourself? *St. Matthias, 101 W. Burrell Dr., Crown Point,* is hosting "Find Your Greatness: Four Habits that will Transform Your Life" featuring Dominick Albano on **April 20th**, 7:00-10:45 PM. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at DynamicCatholic.com or by calling 859-980-7900. If you have any questions, please call 663-2201 or email jackiemgentry@yahoo.com.

*ST. PIO COMES TO THE DIOCESE OF GARY

Come and venerate the official relics of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, on the occasion of the fiftieth commemoration anniversary of his passing. On **April 27th** at the *Cathedral of the Holy Angels, 640 Tyler St., Gary,* after a 9:00 AM prayer service welcoming Padre Pio's relics, they will be on display throughout the day in the cathedral for public veneration. At 6:00 PM, a closing Mass in honor of padre Pio will be celebrated by Bishop Hying. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please call 769-9292 or email rrivera@dcgary.org.



*BNI'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR

The Big Event is Bishop Noll's premier annual fundraiser benefitting the Principal's Scholarship fund. The evening of dining and entertainment will take place **April 27th** in the school fieldhouse, *1519 Hoffman St., Hammond,* 6:00-11:30 PM. Attendees will enjoy a casual but fun-filled evening with food catered by Pepino's in Schererville, beer and wine, DJ and dancing. Guests also have the opportunity to win exciting prizes like gift cards, vacations, sport tickets and more throughout the night's raffles and a live auction. Other entertainment includes a bags tournament, wine pull and 50/50. Tickets cost \$50/person if paid before April 20th and \$60 thereafter. Attendees must be 21 or older. Tickets to The Big Event are available at the school or online at bishopnoll.org. For more information on the event or sponsorships, contact Juli Sandoval at (219) 932-9058, ext. 1005 or jsandoval@bishopnoll.org.



*CATHOLIC ALASKA CRUISE

Come and sail away on a 7-night Alaska cruise with Fr. John Jamnicky **Sept. 22nd-29th** on Holland America's Eurodam out of Seattle, WA. Ports of call: Juneau, Cruising Glacier Bay, Sitka, Ketchikan, Vixtoria, Canada and back to Washington. Prices begin at \$2364.00 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. Ask us about our lower non-refundable snap fares. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of \$350 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For more information or to register, please contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruiseandTours.com.

*BNI'S CLASS OF 1968 REUNION

Bishop Noll Institute's Class of 1968 has begun planning for its 50-year reunion in 2018. If you are a member of our class or know of a friend or relative who either graduated from Noll in 1968 or would have attended Noll from 1964-1968, please have them email dgf1950@gmail.com or visit Facebook group: BNI Class of 1968. The date is set for **Sept. 28th & 29th**. Friday night we will have an informal gathering at the House of Pizza, 6:30 to 10:30 PM. On Sat. night, a dinner is planned at the Briar Ridge Country Club with cocktails at 6:00 PM followed by dinner at 7:00 PM.



The Parish Website

Visit our website, www.stmichaelparish.life for up-to-date information on upcoming events, St. Michael Catholic School, St. Michael Cemetery, photo gallery, information on all of our ministries/committees, and St. Patrick Hall and our adjacent meeting rooms.

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