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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2018



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SCHOOL

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TO OUR

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Join us for the "getaway"...

COME CELEBRATE THE PAST & INVEST INTO THE FUTURE OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY
SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018 FROM 5:30 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT
AT ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL GYM, SCHERERVILLE, INDIANA

Passport to Our Heritage is St. Michael's major fundraising event, held in the school gym. An exciting social event for guests age 21 and over, "Passport" encourages the involvement of the entire St. Michael community, celebrating our past and investing into the future of our school and parish. All the proceeds of Passport to Our Heritage benefit the St. Michael Parish Community. Event features many auction items for bidding, games and entertainment, and dancing with a DJ. Please join us!

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12:00-8:00 PM Tuesday & Wednesday
11:00 AM-4:00 PM Thursday
By appointment on Friday
Phone(219)322-3077 Fax.....(219)322-1710
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Mrs. Marge Swanson.....mswanson@stmichaelparish.life
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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ST. MICHAEL
PARISH
Schererville, Indiana

From the Pastor's Desk

Remembering. The act of remembering is far more complicated than simply recalling facts. Remembering triggers all sorts of emotional responses. That is why when a loved one suffers from memory loss or impairment we find it difficult to “connect” with them as we did before. The emotional bond seems lessened. It is important at times such as this that we do the remembering for both. The emotional bond can be readjusted on our part. This is not an easy task but we can still feel “connected” to loved ones who are physiologically unable to give us the usual signals of remembering together.

The disciples in today's Gospel story certainly seem to be exhibiting a situational kind of memory loss. They have forgotten all that Jesus said about His necessary suffering and death and even have forgotten the scriptures they were steeped in that spoke of this possibility; that the Messiah must suffer and die. We begin our Gospel reading today at the tail end of that famous story of how Jesus meets these two disciples along the way as they head out of Jerusalem to Emmaus. Jesus walks with them and He does the work of making the connection. Jesus, stirs their hearts to flame. They feel the connection once again, but now in a different and very powerful way.

This kind of encounter leaves the disciples with only one choice to go back to Jerusalem some seven miles distant, and to returning there in the middle of the night. As if they were no longer concerned with the dangers of traveling at night on a road lit only by the stars.



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As they spoke of their beloved Jesus, Jesus appeared and calmed their fear with His Peace. Jesus was not a ghost but a totally transformed person. He ate and drank in their sight. He was the Jesus they knew, and more. He was now clearly seen as the Christ, the chosen of God, God's beloved child. This knowledge gave peace to the disciples and strengthened them to later go and tell others about their encounter with the reality that is to come – a reality where the physical is transformed not lost.

Our sharing in the holy food and drink of this altar-table is our story telling time where our memories, both shared and personal, open our eyes to see the Christ. We are confronted with the real presence of Jesus, transformed, in our midst in the consecrated elements of bread and wine and in the consecrated element of His living body, the Church – you and I, together in Christ. Seeing Jesus here is only the first step to seeing Jesus in a broken world, a world torn by selfishness, sin, violence and death. Take what you receive here and be what you receive for others. For what you receive is who you are, the body of Christ. We carry on the transformation of the world by carrying the first fruits of that transforming power within us; Jesus the first fruits and the hope of what we shall become.

Spirituality and Worship Commission

June 3rd



After the
11:30 AM
Mass

Our parish celebrates this feast with a procession through the church grounds, stopping at four altars for prayers and benediction, followed by a reception in St. Patrick Hall. We are looking for parish organizations or families who would like to prepare and decorate one of the outside altars. For more information, please contact Judy Hisick at 365-8613 or leave a message at the church office.

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

THE HOSPITALITY MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

V O L N T E E R
all that's missing is U!

The Hospitality Ministry is in need of ministers. Anyone, high school age and over, is welcome to help. Duties include:

- Greeting all those who enter our worship space
- Performing the collection of the gifts of our parish community
- Coordinating the presentation of these gifts along with the hosts, wine and water to the altar
- Coordinating the procession of the faithful as they partake in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ through communion.

If you are interested in helping with these duties or have any questions, please contact John Madrigal at 322-9792.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Into Baptismal Waters

Mariano Vlcek received the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil on

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.



**Mariano & Godparents
Fr. Gregory & Fr. Marty**

Eucharistic Adoration

Pope John Paul II said that the best, the most effective, and the surest way of bringing lasting peace on earth is through the great power of Eucharistic Adoration. Only Jesus has the power and love to redirect the course of history back to the path of peace, which He promised. The Eucharist brings peace to all hearts. And peaceful hearts make a peaceful world.

*Won't you please spend
some time with the Lord?*

Wednesdays 1:00-6:00 PM in the Chapel

*Sign-ups are on the tables in the
Gathering Space*

Spirituality and Worship Commission

Attention Lay Liturgical Ministers

It is time to create the summer schedule for the Lay Liturgical Ministers. This schedule will run May 26th-September 2nd. Please contact your Ministry Coordinator if you are not available or need to make a change. The schedule will be ready the weekend of May 12th. Ministry Coordinators are listed below:

Lectors	Carol Schiessle	322-4505, ext. 262
Hospitality Ministers	John Madrigal	322-9792
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Gary Wolfe	678-1332
Altar Servers	Kathryn Sanders	201-1172

Thanks for sharing your time and talents with our community!

Third Sunday of Easter Still Giving Peace.

In St. Luke's story of the trip to Emmaus, four things stand out about Jesus. He stands and walks in their midst. He answers questions and calms fears. He proclaims resurrection Good News. He eats with them. Jesus is still in our midst, doing the same. Every day.

- Who needs words and deeds of resurrected peace?
- To whom will I tell the Good News of the dead and risen Christ in our midst?
- After being fed at the table of the Lord, whom can I feed?

**NEW
ALTAR SERVER
TRAINING**

Any questions please contact kimkneuppel@me.com



TRAINING:

Saturday, May 12
noon – 2:00pm in church

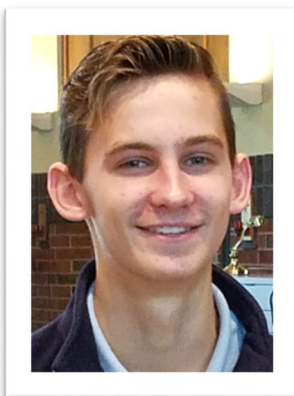
Parents need to stay for the first 15 mins.

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 Luke Ruesken. Luke has been a student at St. Michael School since kindergarten. He plays basketball, soccer and volleyball and runs track for the Warriors. He also plays travel basketball and helps people in need. Luke's favorite thing about SMS is the people. He says, "Everyone is so nice and helpful." When he graduates, Luke says, "I will miss playing sports at St. Mike's, the friends I've made, and pretty much everyone and everything about SMS." Luke's advice to younger students is to always do your best in everything, school, sports, and to never give up. Enjoy the rest of your 8th grade year, Luke!

Education and Formation Commission

Last week to get your tickets



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Purchase your tickets now

\$40.00 IN ADVANCE AT THE CHURCH OFFICE

OR ONLINE AT [HTTP://MICHAEL18.GESTURE.COM](http://MICHAEL18.GESTURE.COM)

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to attend...*

A NIGHT OF CUISINE, COCKTAILS AT THE
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SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018

5:30 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*See
YOU there!*



RADIATE: BE READY FOR FUN, FOOD, FAITH AND FRIENDLY FACES

Radiate welcomes all High Schoolers & Eighth Graders to join us.

Radiate offers a place where TEENS find support in their life and faith through music, prayer, games, activities and discussions.

We love that our TEENS are in charge..... all of our Radiate gatherings are TEEN-led as they choose topics and facilitate discussions and activities.

We would love to have you there and of course, friends are welcome!

Upcoming Events:

***NOTE: Eighth Graders, please join us at our next Gatherings:**

Sun., April 15th: "How has the Holy Spirit Worked in your Life?" 6:00-8:00 PM in St Patrick Hall

Sun., April 29th: "Following God's Plan: How to Make Decisions" 6:00-8:00 PM in St Patrick Hall

Fri., May 11th: Radiate Gathering 6:00-8:00 PM in St Patrick Hall

Fri., June 8th: Radiate Picnic 5:00-8:00 PM

July 18th-22nd: Summer Service Project, "Let's Color our City through Love," open to incoming Seventh Graders - Graduated HS Seniors. Project includes: hands-on work projects, serving those in need in NWI, catechesis & formation, prayer & sacramental experiences, reflection, meals, fun, a trip to the beach. Visit GARYLCOC.COM for more information.

Be sure to sign up for our texts for the most updated info. Text "@radiate" to 81010. If you have any questions, please contact Jeannine Quigley at 775-5356.

Article submitted by Jeannine Quigley



Education and Formation Commission



Faith Formation April/May Calendar

Apr. 15th: Family Session 9:30-11:00 AM
 Apr. 17th: Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes
 6:00-7:30 PM
 Apr. 18th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
 Apr. 24th: Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes
 6:00-7:30 PM
 First Communion Practice 6:30 PM

Apr. 25th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
 First Communion Practice 6:30 PM
Apr. 29th: First Holy Communion
9:30 & 11:30 AM Masses
 May 1st: First Communion Practice 6:30 PM
May 6th: First Holy Communion
9:30 & 11:30 AM Masses

Calming the Fears of a Second Grader

On our first session of the year, I started the session with a prayer and then welcomed 22 second grade students by introducing myself and my assistants, Mr. J. (a.k.a. Mr. Jendraszkiewicz), Ms. Jill and Ms. Amy. I started to explain how we were going to prepare the students for First Reconciliation in February; they would tell a priest what they did wrong and receive a penance and say the Act of Contrition. All of a sudden, a little voice said, "I'm not telling anyone what I did bad."

After a few minutes and the concern of the child becoming stronger, it was decided to have Mr. J. make Mrs. Swanson aware of this situation. A short time later, our new Associate Pastor, Fr. Gregory Bim-Merle, joined our class and explained the process of how you tell your sins to the priest who represents God and only he and God know what is being said and they tell no one. Fr. Gregory also explained why he goes to Confession. After hearing what Fr. Gregory had to say, the child with the "concern" had no more worries.

Thank You, Fr. Gregory, for all your help!

Submitted by Gerry Jendraszkiewicz



Peace & Social Justice Commission

Welcome the Newly Baptized

Emily Olivia Ruano
 Emma Kay Sochacki

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



For Those Who Have Died...

Maurice "Mick" Barry

Life has changed, not ended



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.**

Blood Pressure, Glucose and Oxygen Level Screenings

The next screenings will take place next weekend, 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.

Peace & Social Justice Commission



Mary Makarowski, Julian Kras, Elizabeth Madrigal, Beth Townsend Cerrado, **Deacon Ed Gatons, Deacon Jack Krol, Donna Cistaro, Glenna Goldasic, Tina Serna**, Noah Ramirez, Scott Vevers, Marian Krull, **Marlene Townsend** 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.

The Rebuilding Hope Mission Team needs help installing a wheelchair ramp at Sojourner Truth House in Gary on April 21st. Please reach out to Mike Macki, (macki0237@sbcglobal.net or 219-746-7883 or Jim Koeling (jkoeling@sbcglobal.net) on your availability.

APRIL IS NATIONAL HUMOR MONTH "UP YOUR LAUGHTER QUOTIENT."



LAUGH LONG AND LOUD. A robust rib-rattler improves not only your mood, but also your health. The physical act of laughing helps you stay alert, makes it easier to cope and lets you maintain your sanity when the world gets a little crazy.

ADMIT YOU'RE HUMAN...laugh at yourself. People who have mastered Living-101 take their work seriously but not themselves. Knowing the difference gives you the keys to the kingdom.

UP YOUR LAUGHTER QUOTIENT. Nothing may be more important to your health and happiness. It has been said the average American laughs 15 times daily. So eat your broccoli and get a megadose of Vitamin L every day.

GENERATE MIRTH wherever you go. Good humor is the best social lubricant. It smooths understanding, communication and cooperation. Make it your mission to elicit as many smiles as you can each day.

HELP YOURSELF SUCCEED without stressing out. Humor is nature's antidote for tension. Let it be your secret weapon when you're up to your eyeballs in alligators. It's fast, it's fun, it's free. No other stress buster can make this claim!

TAKE YOUR FUNNY BONE TO WORK (or to the Senior Center). Instigate laughter on the job. Treating co-workers with respect and a sense of mirth does miracles for teamwork and trust.

EMBRACE THE NOTION that humor is NOT incompatible with dignity and stature. Humor is the hole that lets the hot air out of a stuffed shirt. Follow the lead of Lincoln, Reagan and JFK who knew that humor is vital in overcoming adversity.

REMEMBER THAT LAUGHTER and longevity go hand in hand. Grumps don't live longer—it just seems like it. A buoyant outlook may be more important than oat bran and pushups, and it's a lot easier to take. So get in the zone: Love life, laugh a lot, last longer.

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Submitted by the Health & Spirituality Committee

Parish Life

Can You Please Help?

Because of the repairs going on in the church, we will need extra hands to clean the church on Friday afternoons around 2:00 PM to get our worship space ready for weekend Masses. Please call the parish office for more details.



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CALLING ALL THOSE 50+ TO JOIN SENIOR GEMS

Fun For Seniors



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Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 10:00 AM in St. Patrick Hall. We ask for a donation of \$1 per meeting to support various ministries in the parish. There is also an hour of card playing or board games as well as a book club.

Upcoming Events:

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.

**All Parishioners Invited
Tour Notre Dame Cathedral
in South Bend
June 12th
Carpool
Departure Time: 8:00 AM
Mass at 11:30 AM**

Please call Carol at 805-0413
if interested.

Please RSVP by June 1st.

Sponsored by Senior GEMS

**Paver Project
Deadline Has Been Extended to May
Would You Like to Have Your Loved One Remembered?
Your Graduate's Name on the Graduate Walkway?
Something You are Thankful for Etched in Stone?
Don't Delay Any Longer**

Memorial - \$125

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Founder's Circle - \$250

Benefactor - \$200

Order forms are available on the tables in the gathering space. Please place in collection basket or mail to:

St. Michael the Archangel Paver Project
1 E. Wilhelm St., Schererville, IN 47375

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If you have any questions please call Fr. Martin Dobrzynski (M, W, R, F) at 219-322-4505, ext. 233 or our helpful "purser" Debbie Fotia (M, W, R, F) at ext. 225



St. Michael Gardeners'
Flower Sale
Going on Now
Order forms on the tables
in the Gathering Space.

Please 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.

Knights of Columbus
Tootsie Roll Drive
April 28th & 29th
After All Masses

Funds donated are given to
programs that benefit the
Other Abled in our community.

Labors of Love News!

Labors of Love members are busy doing the work of Our Lord! We have given four black garbage bags full of baby items to the Women's Care Center in Merrillville. They help to counsel pregnant women and offer parenting help and ultrasounds for them. If you are looking for a place to donate gently used baby items (clothes up to 5T, books, strollers, cribs, etc...NO CAR SEATS ACCEPTED unless brand new!) they would be very grateful!



Another new project for us is making Twiddle Muffs. These are used for Alzheimers/ Dementia patients to help calm. Calumet Hospice is accepting these at the moment.

ATTENTION ALL SEWERS: LoL has teamed up with Carolyn Gabor to assist in a project for FOOD FOR THE POOR in Haiti. The project is repurposing gently used pillowcases (or 1 yd of fabric) to make dresses for the little girls in Haiti. If you are interested in participating in this project, **you don't need to attend any meetings!** The patterns are on YouTube, but if you are in need of a written pattern contact **Carolyn Gabor at 365-8524**. You can make the dresses at home and drop them off in the "Right To Life" bin in St Michael's vestibule! If you want to help, but don't have the time or talent (I can't sew..), please consider a donation of needed supplies. We are in need of zippers (various sizes), Velcro Strips, Buttons (Med-Lrg), Bias tape (misc. colors), Thread (White/Black), Material (soft cotton/blend), and gently used pillowcases. Also appreciated are yarn donations for: Walker Caddies (20ozs-5" weight yarn), Pocket Shawls (22ozs- 4" weight yarn), Baby Afghans (3-4 skeins "3" weight yarn). The photo to the right shows the symbol to look for on the label. JoAnn's has coupons ALL of the time! If you have any questions, please contact Kathy at 322-5436.



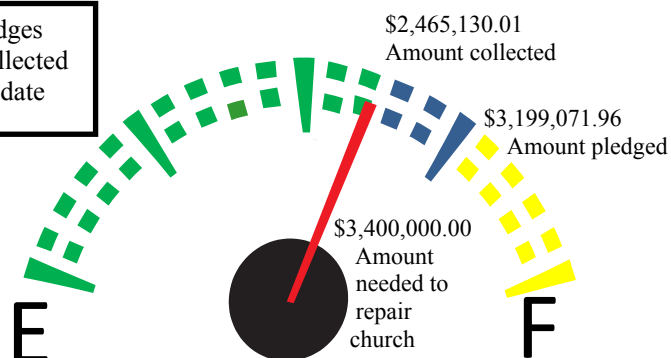
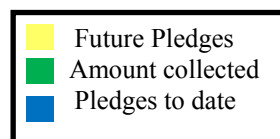
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SUPER FINE	FINE	LIGHT	MEDIUM	BULKY	SUPER BULKY
Sock Fingering Baby	Sport Baby	DK Light Worsted	Worsted Afghan Aran	Chunky Craft Rug	Super Bulky Roving

Follow us on Facebook at St. Michael Parish Labors of Love Ministry.

God Bless!

Article and photos submitted by Kathy Jablonski

Capital Campaign Totals as of April 6, 2018





**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



Registration for New Parishioners

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

Last Week to Reserve a Place at the Cathedral

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.

The Mercy Fund

Pope Francis deemed 2016 a Jubilee Year of Mercy and encouraged all dioceses to celebrate acts of mercy. In recognition of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, our own Bishop Hying initiated the Mercy Fund, a grant-making fund within the Catholic Foundation for Northwest Indiana. Through several generous donations, the Mercy Fund is now ready to make grant awards for projects on our diocese that embody spiritual and corporal works of mercy. The deadline to apply is June 1st. Please visit www.catholicfuture.org for more information.

Visiting the Grottos

Our Grottos, located in the cemetery, are now open. They will be open on Sunday mornings after the 7:30 AM Mass and remain open until 4:00 PM.



Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission



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

The annual Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) has begun throughout the Diocese of Gary. A gift to the CSA empowers the faithful of our diocese to give witness to our discipleship call and affirm our identity as a Church made up of Living Stones responding to one another's needs. Participation of all our parishioners is essential for our diocese to continue Jesus' mission of peace, love and justice here on earth. Our parish goal is \$103,129.00.

Please support the 2018 CSA Campaign!

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY APRIL 15

New Members Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
Family Session 9:30 AM
RCIA 9:30 AM
RADIATE 6:00 PM

The Rosary is said after 7:00 AM Weekday Mass Except Tuesday – after OLPH Devotions

MONDAY APRIL 16

Centering Prayer 6:00 PM

TUESDAY APRIL 17

OLPH Devotions 7:30 AM
Labors of Love 10:00 AM
Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY APRIL 18

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-6:00 PM
Traditional Classes 6:00 PM
The Bible & Blessed Virgin Mary 7:00 PM

THURSDAY APRIL 19

Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM

FRIDAY APRIL 20

Bell Choir Practice 5:00 PM

SATURDAY APRIL 21

Anointing of the Sick 8:00 AM Mass
Finance Meeting 9:00 AM
Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM
Passport 5:30 PM
BP Readings After Vigil Mass
Cinco de Mayo Ticket Sales After Vigil Mass

Stewardship Challenge

Pray that you will truly fall in love with Christ in His church.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



April 8, 2018

Adult	\$19,652.00
EFTs*	\$4,690.00
Children	\$90.30
Loose	\$648.20

Total Weekly Offering
\$25,080.50

**Electronic Funds Transfer*

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Please consider supporting our education endeavors at St. Michael Parish through the

**St. Michael Education Foundation
with a Memorial Donation.**

Your gift will be listed here and acknowledged to the family or individual you memorialize.

Living Memorial - Anniversary Memorial -
Deceased Memorial

Directors of the Foundation

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David Jarzombek, Joe Townsend,
Dr. Ed Udani, Donna Velez

Look for us on the website: www.stmichaelparish.life.

*denotes new or updated article

Diocesan Life Information

MARY POPPINS AT ANDREAN HIGH SCHOOL

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

April 15th and 22nd at 2:00 PM

The musical will take place at *Andrean's Small Gym located at 5959 Broadway, Merrillville*. Admission is \$10.



*CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The next meeting is **April 22nd** at *Franciscan St. Margaret Hospital in Dyer* in the Blessed Mother Conference room located at the west entrance at 2:00 PM. This support group encompasses Alzheimer's/Dementia, Cancer, stroke or other adult care responsibilities and is open to family and friends looking for compassion and information sharing. This month our guest speaker, Terry Revere, will be discussing the topic of bereavement. She will offer information of the grieving process; both signs and support available in our communities. For more information, please contact James and Pat Koeling at 365-3898 or call toll-free 1-888-303-0180. *Care giving may be one of the most important roles you will undertake in your lifetime.*

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.



*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

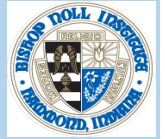
Meals on Wheels is looking for volunteers to deliver lunchtime meals for about 1.5 hours per day, once or twice a month.

Volunteers must have an IN driver's license and auto insurance and be able to lift 15 lb. containers. Please contact Joan at joan@mownwi.org or 756-3663 if you have any questions or you would like to schedule a presentation.



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 bishoppnoll.org. For more information on the event or sponsorships, contact Juli Sandoval at (219) 932-9058, ext. 1005 or jsandoval@bishoppnoll.org.



*WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples and religious **August 10th-12th** at the *Wyndham Garden Hotel Inn, Elk Grove, IL*. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community. For information on applying, please visit wwme-chicagoland.org and say YES TODAY to God's call to love one another.

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.



— We Remember . . . We Prepare . . . —



SATURDAY APRIL 14

5:00 PM †Sandy Pyle

SUNDAY APRIL 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 AM †Josefina Chua Chiaco

†Ed & Sue Stanish

†Nick Coniglio

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

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

MONDAY APRIL 16

7:00 AM †Sandy Pyle

†Chester Kwiatkowski

†Martin Richwalski

TUESDAY APRIL 17

7:00 AM †Sandra Morgan

WEDNESDAY APRIL 18

7:00 AM †Helen Sandor

8:55 AM †Beverly Mullaney

THURSDAY APRIL 19

7:00 AM †Departed Souls of the Congregation of
Mother of Carmel

FRIDAY APRIL 20

7:00 AM †Victor Makiejus

SATURDAY APRIL 21

8:00 AM †Rosalba Carolina Hernandez

5:00 PM †Bill Frantz

SUNDAY APRIL 22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 AM †Julio Macaya

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM †Martin & Mary Mannion

†Sandy Pyle

†Beverly Mullaney

†indicates deceased



reflections...

THE WORD

(Readings for April 22nd, Fourth Sunday of Easter)

I. *Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12*

Peter explained to the people that every good deed and all restoration to health are accomplished in the name of Christ Jesus the Nazorean, through whom all are saved.

II. *1 John 3:1-2*

Believers are the dearly beloved children of God who do not yet know what shall come to light. When it does come to light, believers will be like God.

III. *John 10:11-18*

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who knows the sheep. The Good Shepherd not only loves and protects the sheep but is willing to lay down his life for the sheep.

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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and a strong business community is good for our parish.***

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