

WELCOME TO  
ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
*August 19, 2018*



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SCHERERVILLE, IN 46375

1 E. WILHELM STREET

WHOEVER EATS MY FLESH  
AND DRINKS MY BLOOD HAS ETERNAL LIFE,  
AND I WILL RAISE THEM ON THE LAST DAY.

*John 6:54*

# Community, Personnel, & On-Going Information

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

## ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:30 PM Monday-Friday  
 Phone.....(219)322-4531 Fax.....(219)322-1710  
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 Principal  
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Office Hours: Monday-Wednesday 9:00 AM-3:00 PM  
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 Phone.....(219)322-3077 Fax.....(219)322-1710  
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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

Website: [www.stmichaelparish.life](http://www.stmichaelparish.life)

## 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.  
**EUCHARISTIC 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](mailto:bulletin@stmichaelparish.life) or in print  
 form to the office or by fax to 322-4508.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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**ST. MICHAEL**  
**PARISH**  
 Schererville, Indiana

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## From the Pastor's Desk

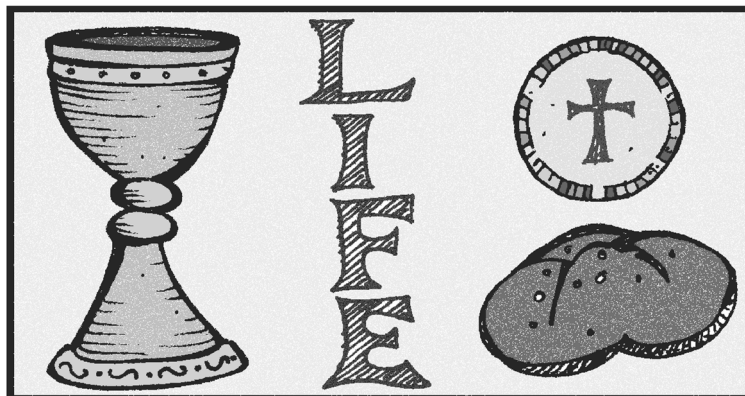
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***Ready for Tomorrow? Live Today Well.*** Over the past few weeks, the second reading at Sunday Mass has been taken from Paul's letter to the Ephesians. In the portion of the letter we are reading, St. Paul has been providing an ongoing instruction on what it means to live and share God's life not in the future but in the here and now. Now we might think that what St. Paul had to say nearly 2000 years ago probably doesn't apply to us. After all, we are more advanced. We have the internet, we have better plumbing, and we could go on. Yet, like in St. Paul's day, we still have people who suffer malnutrition, our world suffers from our overuse of natural resources, and we are all affected by our selfish attitudes which lead to indulging our passions in food, drink, drugs and extramarital affairs. Though our external world might appear to be too advanced for St. Paul, our internal world is still a mess.

It is our internal world that builds society. Society is not a collection of buildings and technology. Our internal lives (our dreams, fears, driving philosophy, anxiety, etc.) build society for the good and for the worse. A just society is not one that has better i-phones, or taller buildings, or even one that takes the approach of "you do your thing and leave me alone for me to do my thing." Indeed, the Roman society of Paul's day had the best communication network of the day, the biggest buildings of the age and a similar laissez-faire attitude. It was a society at odds with Christ's message. Today we might not feed Christians to the lions but society discounts the Gospel message as much today as it did back in the first century.

Our society pressures us to look out for ourselves, to take the best advantage we can, often without giving much thought to the other person, especially the unborn, the handicapped and the elderly. St. Paul also urges us to take the best advantage we can, but with constant regard for the other person. He wants us to be wise to the ways of this world. He wants us to use what we are given here to point out God's presence in this world and so prepare ourselves to be with Him in the end. One way to begin is by giving thanks to God "always and for everything," Paul tells us. An attitude of gratitude helps us to move beyond our passions, to allow us to see truly all that has been gifted to us. Even when, and particularly when, times get rough, we need to remind ourselves that we possess everything. How? Because we are possessed by God. If you and I belong to God then nothing in this world in the end can make us better off.

But we often lose sight of this greatest truth. I have been given everything I need in order to be the best person God intends me to be. Being open to God's will daily is the way I discover what God has planned for me. Society tells us "Do it your way." Doing it my way, I will get limited results, for I am a limited person. Doing it God's way will benefit me unlimited results because God is without limits. St. Paul would have seen wisdom in the musings of the philosopher, Camus, who reflected: I would rather live my life believing that there is a God before whom I will stand and then find out, when I die, there is no God; than live my life believing that there is no God only to find out too late that there is a God.



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# Spirituality and Worship Commission

**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

## Marian Devotions at the Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine



DATE TIME

08/26 7:30 PM

### August Intention

For the success of the upcoming school year here at St. Michael and for all of the students and teachers here in the parish, that they may grow in knowledge and love of the Trinity and the Church.

## Historic Background and Practices of the Islam Faith

presented by **Dr. Shahabul Arfeen**  
of the **NWI Islamic Center**  
**Wednesday, September 12th**  
**7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall**

Please join us as we come to learn more about this faith tradition, background and practices. Father Gregory and Joan Crist will also join us for this evening as we come to understand the Muslim faith.

## Save the Date

### September 29th & 30th

**St.  
Michael  
Feast  
Day**



**St.  
Michael  
Ministry  
Faire**

**RCIA**  
*Becoming Catholic*

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

In celebrating this month of Our Lady's final journey to God in her glorious Assumption, let us ask her motherly intercession to draw souls to the Sacred Heart of her Son. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey too—of conversion to God and what he intends for us. 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 at 322-4505, ext. 241.

# 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

**Another Amazing St. Michael Synod Initiative**

**Thursdays, Sept. 6th-Oct. 11th  
St. Patrick Hall**



## CATHOLICISM: THE NEW EVANGELIZATION STUDY PROGRAM

**Bishop Barron  
DVD Series**

**Sign ups  
August 18, 19, 25, & 26 after  
all Masses Cost: \$20.00**

### To be "Sent out on Mission"

Throughout history, the call of Christ has sent people to the corners of the earth with a message of great joy — a message that has built civilizations, inspired cultures, and even sent some believers to prison and others to their graves.

We have the same call. That's evangelization.

## SCHOOL NEWS

**August 20th: Preschool Orientation  
Door H  
4/5 year olds 9:00 AM  
3/4 year olds 10:00 AM  
HSA Ice Cream Social,  
4:30-6:00 PM in the  
school gym for all grades**

**August 22nd; First day of school for  
K-8**

**August 27th: First day of school for  
Preschool**

**August 28th: Virtus Training 6:30 PM  
in St. Patrick Hall.  
Please call Marge Swan  
son at 322-3077 to sign  
up.**

**August 29th: Meet the Teachers Night  
for K-5th grade, 6:00 PM  
in the school gym**

**August 30th: Meet the Middle School  
Team, 6th-8th grade,  
6:00 PM in St. Patrick  
Hall**

**Sports Meeting, 7:00 PM  
in St. Patrick Hall**

**Any questions, please call the school at  
322-4531.**

# Education and Formation Commission

## Catholic Bible Study—St. Paul's Letter to the Romans

Registration for St. Paul's Letter to the Romans is happening now until August 25th after the Vigil Mass on Saturday and all Sunday Masses. Don't miss this opportunity to learn how St. Paul still speaks to us today. Join great parishioners, learn, and have fun! Sessions are September 10th-November 26th on Monday evenings, 7:00-8:30 PM, in St. Patrick Hall. Cost is \$20.00 due at registration. For more information, please call Linda Hansen at 322-1717 or Deacon Ron Pyle at 808-3255.



## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Faith Formation classes start September 4th and 5th. Please arrive in the gym by 6:00 PM. If you have not already registered your child for Faith Formation, please call the Faith Formation office to make an appointment. There is a \$25 late fee.

Office hours are Monday-Wednesday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM and Thursdays only by appointment.

## Catechist Help

Many times we ask ourselves, "**What can I do to help change the World?**" One thing you can do is help children to know and love the Lord. You do not need a degree in Theology to help them learn about God. All you need is to share your Love for God and want to serve others to grow yourself personally and spiritually in the process of teaching the Word of God. This is a golden opportunity to help our parish's children who are seeking to learn about God. Please stand up and say "HERE I AM, LORD" since HE is the one calling YOU!

Needed: Catechists for 3rd, 4th and 6th grades for Wednesday evening(6:00-7:30 PM).

For more information or if you are interested, please call the Faith Formation office at 322-3077.

Marge Swanson, Director of Religious Education



**Virtus training is for first time parents who want to volunteer and teachers new to the Diocese of Gary  
Tuesday, August 28th  
6:30 PM in St. Patrick Hall  
Please call the Faith Formation Office at 322-3077 to register.**

# Peace & Social Justice Commission

## Welcome the Newly Baptized

Tatum Joy Scearce  
Huxley Marie Upchurch

**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

## Prayer Request



**Carol Smialek, Charlene VanSickle, Patti Herr, Jean Carroll, Barbara Saunders, Pam Weber, Don Smith, Scott Stucky, Phil Krivickas, Noah Ramirez, Tina Serna, Zbigniew Sochacki, Donna Cistaro** 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.*

**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**



The Good Samaritans

We are here to assist anyone with temporary help. If you know someone from Dyer, Schererville 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.**

## Foot Care Program

**Wednesday August 29th**

**7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall**

**Speaker: Hardeep Minhas, DPM**



Dr. Hardeep Minhas, DPM is a podiatric surgery specialist and has been practicing for a number of years. He graduated from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science / Chicago Medical School in 2013 and specializes in podiatric surgery and podiatric foot & ankle surgery. He is board certified and does accept new patients. Dr. Minhas will provide information helping us to care for our feet, one of the most important parts of our body, now and certainly in the future.

*Sponsored by the Health & Spirituality Committee*



## REBUILDING HOPE MISSION TEAM ALL IN A DAY'S WORK

Rebuilding Hope Mission Team members participated in United Way's "Day of Caring" at Campagna Academy on Friday, August 10th. We cleaned the cafeteria and put up wainscot paneling.

For our efforts we received "T" shirts, rib sandwich lunch, and a lot of fun.

If you would like to be part of our Rebuilding Hope Mission Team contact the parish office at 322-4505, ext. 220 for more information.



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED... CAN YOU HELP??



The Good Samaritans are having their annual school supply appeal for children in need. Pencils, crayons, folders, back packs, printing paper, notebooks, glue sticks, pens, scissors, hand sanitizer and children's scissors are just a few items needed. Please drop off in the Good Samaritans chest in the gathering space. As always we appreciate your generosity and we sincerely thank you for your support.



# Peace & Social Justice Commission



Labors of Love Ministry would like to say a huge Thank You to Fr. Gregory, Sr. Alfi, and Fr. Lorant for accompanying some of us to Chicago last Friday to deliver 35 mats and 7 pillows to the Missionaries of Charity's Soup Kitchen! Mother Jesusula and her sisters were so grateful, warm, and welcoming to us. They gave us a tour of their kitchen, dining room, and chapel. We will be going back in November to bring a few more mats and some Blessing Bags (filled with socks, hats, gloves, combs, toothpaste/brush, soap, etc...).

If anyone would like to help, we sure could use you! Men and women!! **You don't need to attend meetings to help!!!** If you learn the process you can do it at home! If you want to create a mat (and you don't crochet) we have looms to lend out and they make very soft

mats! We have a member who doesn't crochet/knit and is almost on her **60th** mat!!! Remember ~ **"God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the call!"** If anyone is interested in learning the process, we meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, or call Kathy 322-5436. If you would like to see what we're up to, join us at our Facebook group ~ St. Michael Parish Labors of Love Ministry.



## Parish Life

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

### 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.



Fr. Marty presenting a check to the Mega Raffle winners, M/M Michael Dywan.

St Michael's  
Amazing Synod  
Initiatives



St. Michael's Presents

## THEOLOGY UNCORKED



All adults, ages 40+, are invited to explore the Catholic faith, enjoy a free glass of wine, appetizers, companionship and exciting conversation at Ciao Bella in Schererville. Last opportunity is on August 23rd starting at 7:00 PM.

**August 23rd:** Fr. Mick Kopil, "Father, My Kids Don't Go to Church Anymore"

## St. Michael's Presents *Theology on Tap*

CONVERSATIONS ABOUT LIFE AND FAITH

All adults, ages 21-40 years, are invited to explore the Catholic faith, enjoy lively conversation and refreshments, a free beer and good company at Region Ale in Schererville on August 16th and 23rd starting at 7:00 PM.

**August 23rd:** Bishop Hying, "What Do Sports and Religion Have to Say to Each Other"



**NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION  
AUGUST 19TH  
AFTER THE 7:30 & 9:30 AM  
MASSES IN  
ST. PATRICK HALL**



## ALL BOYS GRADES K-5

who attend **HOMAN, PEIFER, WATSON, FOREST RIDGE** or **ST. MICHAEL SCHOOLS**

## Sign up for **CUB SCOUTS**

### Upcoming Recruitment/Sign-up Events:

August 18th/19th: Sign up after all Masses at St. Michael's Church

August 26th: Ziggy's Funland – Family Fun Day

3 hour Wristband & Pizza + more - \$20 per person - 11:00 AM-2:00 PM



# Fun for Seniors

## SENIOR GEMS

### Upcoming Events:

**TBA:** Ghost at the Performing Arts in September.

**August 28th:** Short meeting followed by games, 10:00 AM.

**September 11th:** Meeting at 10:00 AM and Book Club at 11:00 AM. Please order your book by August 31st by contacting Peggy Kolarik at 322-1886. The book is *Sensible*

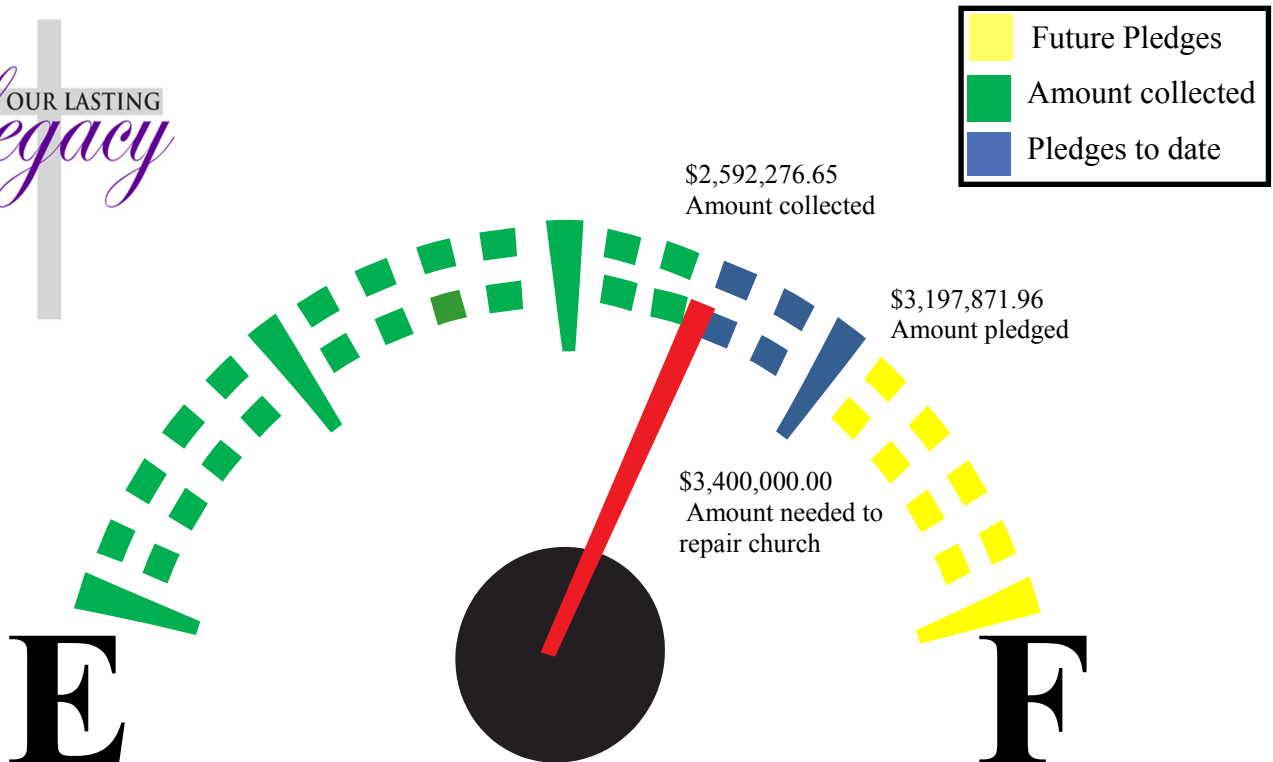
*Shoes*-a story about the spiritual journey by Sharon Garlough Brown. Cost is \$13.50. NO REFUNDS.

**September 25th:** Bus trip to Chicago to ride the new Odyssey Glass Boat Tour. Six tickets available. Cost is \$117 which includes bus, lunch, entertainment and a two hour tour. **We will leave the church parking lot at 10:15 AM.** Reservations must be made by August 24th . Payment is due at time of reservation. NO REFUNDS!

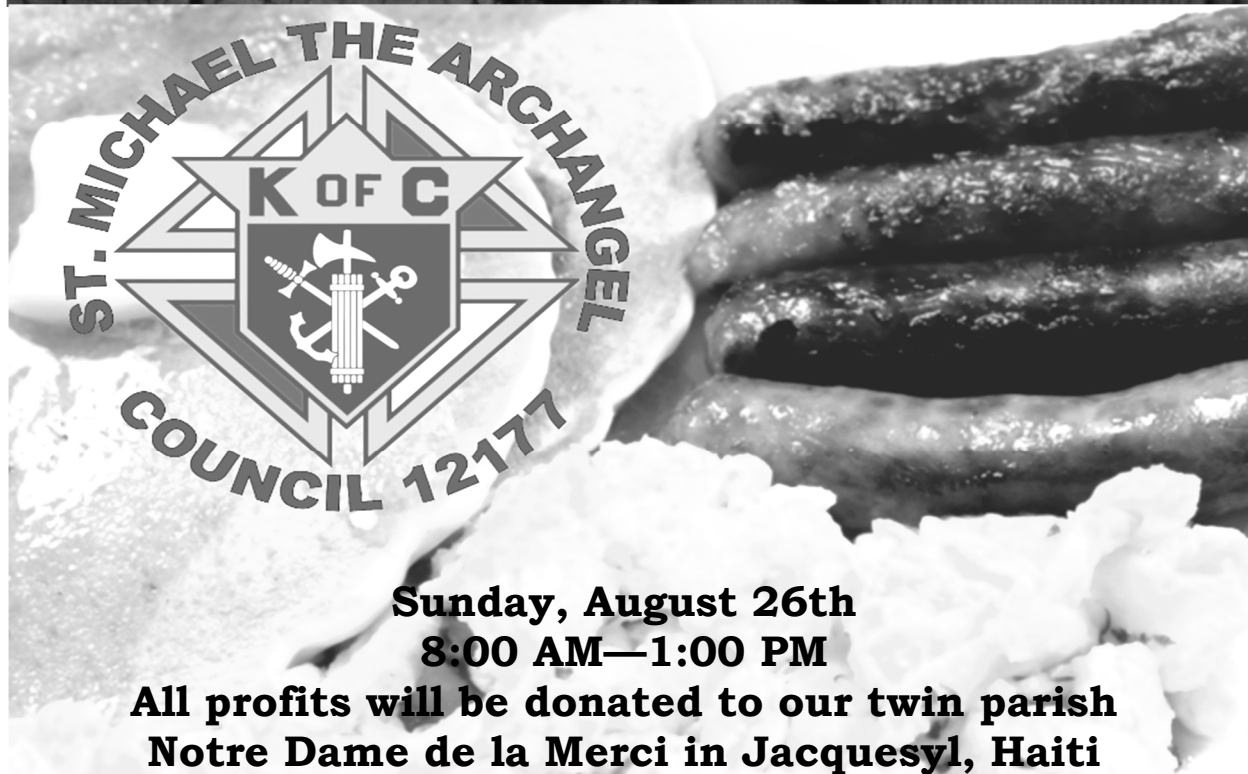
**October 21st:** Late Nite Catechism at Performing Arts, 2:30 PM. Cost is \$35.

Please call Carol at 219-805-0413 for reservations or any questions.

## Capital Campaign Totals as of August 10, 2018







**Sunday, August 26th  
8:00 AM—1:00 PM**

**All profits will be donated to our twin parish  
Notre Dame de la Merci in Jacquesyl, Haiti**

**MENU**

**COST**

Sausage Links and Eggs  
Country Potatoes  
Juice, Milk, and Coffee  
And All-You-Can-Eat Pancakes

Adults: \$7.00  
Children Under 13 : \$5.00  
Toddlers 5 and under: Free

# Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

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

## Stewardship Challenge

Plan to arrive to church at least 10 minutes early next week so you can quietly prepare for mass, reflecting on the meaning of what is about to happen.

## Weekly Schedule

### SUNDAY AUGUST 19

Adult Ed Sign-Ups (Catholicism) After All Masses  
Bible Study Sign-Ups After All Masses  
BP Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses  
New Member Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses  
RCIA 9:30 AM

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

### MONDAY AUGUST 20

Centering Prayer 6:00 PM  
Ice Cream Social for School Kids 4:30 PM  
Baptism Prep 7:00 PM

### TUESDAY AUGUST 21

OLPH Devotions 7:30 AM  
Labors of Love 10:00 AM

### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 22

First Day of School for K-8 8:20 AM  
Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-6:00 PM

### THURSDAY AUGUST 23

Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM  
Education Foundation 7:00 PM  
Grief Support 7:00 PM

### FRIDAY AUGUST 24

Cleaning of Church 2:00 PM  
WOW Meeting 7:00 PM

### SATURDAY AUGUST 25

Finance Meeting 9:00 AM  
Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM  
Adult Ed Sign-Ups (Catholicism) After Vigil Mass  
Bible Study Sign-Ups After Vigil Mass

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



August 12, 2018

Adult	\$17,937.00
EFTs*	\$630.00
Children	\$50.35
Loose	\$659.99

**Total Weekly Offering**  
**\$19,277.34**

\*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***

Rev. Martin J. Dobrzynski, Pastor  
Colleen Kennedy, Principal  
Kenneth Bohling, Patrick Cusick, Don Doffin,  
David Jarzombek, Hal Slager, Joe Townsend,  
Dr. Ed Udani, Donna Velez

Look for us on the website: [www.stmichaelparish.life](http://www.stmichaelparish.life).

## WESTERN DAYS

St. Mary, 525 N. Broad St., Griffith, is having their annual Western Days Festival this weekend.

Festival Hours are:

**August 18th** 3:00-11:00 PM

**August 19th** 1:00-11:00 PM

Variety of food booths. Nightly entertainment. BINGO. Casino games. Kid games. Fun for all ages! Win a 2018 Ford Focus for \$1 a ticket--cash raffle too! For more information, call the rectory at 219-924-4163 or visit [www.smgriffith.org](http://www.smgriffith.org).



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## BASIC EVANGELIZATION TRAINING



## SAINT PAUL STREET EVANGELIZATION

Do you want to learn how to share your faith in a nonconfrontational joyous way? St. Paul Street Evangelization has mobilized thousands of Catholics to fully participate in the work of the New Evangelization through its workshops. However, this is not a street evangelization workshop. The workshop focuses on basic methods for evangelization that anyone can use. St. Elizabeth Seton, 509 W. Division Rd., Valpo, has invited St. Paul Street Evangelization to lead their two day workshop on **Aug. 24th**, 5:30-9:00 PM & **Aug. 25th**, 8:30 AM-3:00 PM. The cost is \$25 per person which includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday as well as all workshop materials. To register, please contact [info@stpaulse.com](mailto:info@stpaulse.com), 657-777-2963, or online at [stpaulse.com/gary](http://stpaulse.com/gary).

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

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. The next meeting is **August 26th** at Franciscan St. Margaret Hospital in Dyer in the Blessed Mother Conference room located at the west entrance at 2:00 PM. 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.*

## CHANCE TO WIN TWO NOTRE DAME TICKETS



ND vs. Pittsburgh

**October 13, 2018**

Includes \$200 cash



Drawing on  
September 21st

Tickets are \$25 each.

Proceeds to benefit Gibault Children Services.

For more information, please contact

Mike Siorek at 865-5494.

## WEEKEND RETREAT FOR POST-ABORTION HEALING

Rachel's Vineyard is sponsoring a retreat for post-abortion healing and reconciliation to women/men/couples. The retreat is being held **September 14th-16th** and focuses on the love of God, on His mercy, and on new beginnings and new hope. Cost is \$150 per person. For more information, please contact Rosanne Kouris at 219-552-2944 or [rkouris@dcdgary.org](mailto:rkouris@dcdgary.org).

## CATHOLIC DOCTORS NEEDED

Mission Doctors Association will offer the **2018 Fall Retreat/Seminar, Sept. 28th-30th** for Catholic Doctors, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants considering short-term mission service. This will be held at Loyola Stritch Medical School in Chicago. Working in partnership with Loyola Stritch Medical School, medical professionals will also have the opportunity to obtain CME for attending the weekend. Visit the website: [www.MissionDoctors.org/loyola](http://www.MissionDoctors.org/loyola) or call the office for more information (213) 368-1872.

## \*COMMUNICATION IS MORE THAN JUST TALKING

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