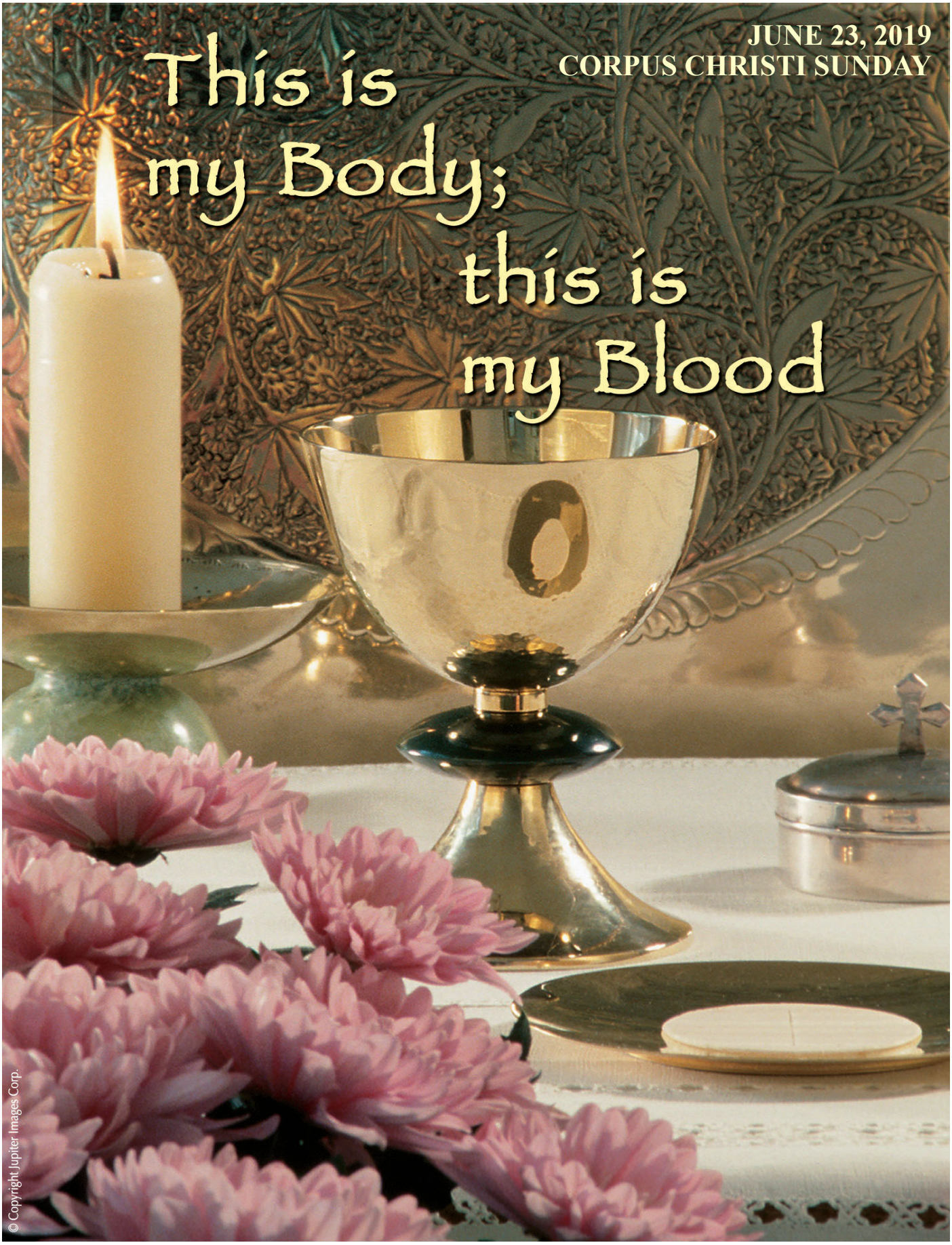
WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



Community, Personnel, & On-Going Information

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Website…….www.stmichaelparish.life

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Summer Office Hours: 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Monday-Thursday
Office closed on Fridays
Moratorium week: July 1-5
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Office will be closed June 21-Aug. 1
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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

HOLYDAY LITURGY

See page 15 of the bulletin for Holy Day Mass Schedule.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays from 1:00-6:00 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 322-4505, ext. 8241 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 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.
Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the third Saturday of each month at the 8:00 AM Mass 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

St. Michael Parish
1 E. Wilhelm St.
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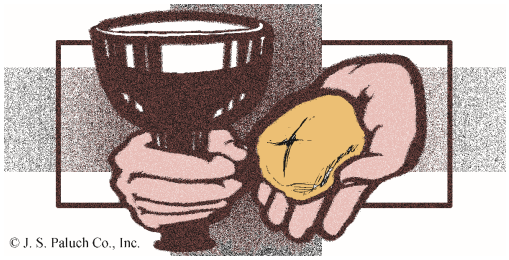
46375

From the Pastor's Desk

You Are What You Eat! Medical professionals tells us to watch our diet. Too much fat, especially trans-fats and we run the high risk of a heart attack. Too many sweets and carbohydrates can make you diabetic. Not enough calcium leads to osteoporosis. The saying that "you are what you eat" is more than just a quip, it is very true. In the same vein is the old adage: "All things in moderation." So where one glass of red wine a day might be beneficial, one bottle would be detrimental. From personal experience I can tell you that one Dari Belle medium chocolate malt a week or every ten days is ok, but one every other day moves my belt loop in the wrong direction.



The same holds true for our spiritual health. Eating and drinking the Body and Blood of Christ can either increase our immortal health or it can, if abused, contribute to our condemnation. How can this be? St. Paul tells us in his first letter to the Corinthians that when we approach the table of the Lord our intentions need to be in line with what Christ intends for us. So if a person comes to communion with the intention to receive our Lord for strength, to do the Lord's will in their daily life, they can be assured of God's grace. But if one comes to communion with hatred in their heart or with the intention that this sacred meal is not a real partaking in the Body and Blood of Christ then they eat and drink to their peril.

St. Paul reminds us that if we say we believe we eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ then we cannot ignore the Body and Blood of Christ gathered around the Altar Table, the people of God, the Church. If we eat and drink without using the grace that comes though this most holy sacrament to do God's will, to be of service to others in the community, to share our resources to build God's Kingdom, then we miss the point. In a sense, Christians who receive communion regularly but do not allow God's grace to change them into more loving, responsible and charitable persons are really getting "fat" on this sacred meal. Like eating too many burgers and fries, the heart of such a person begins to atrophy, to clog up and instead of preparing themselves for life eternal they have prepared themselves for death.

So you and I need to eat and drink responsibly. That minute or two after we all have received communion is a time to ask the Lord to change you into what you have eaten. When Jesus said "do this in memory of me," He was not merely talking about re-enacting what He did at the Last Supper. He was telling us to do what the supper was signifying, that is His approaching passion. Jesus says "do this" and the "this" is to give your life for others, to live for others, to offer yourself for your neighbor. The "this" is to follow Jesus' example and be obedient to the Father, to trust that when you give yourself, your resources of talent, etc... to bring God's love to another, God will sustain you and raise you up, just like He did for His Son Jesus.

Recommitment to Success! This Sunday we celebrate God's greatest gift to us, His sharing of His very self in the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is an appropriate time to consider the whole notion of sharing. If we hope to fully share in what has been promised, that is, union with God we must follow His example. That example is shown in many ways but most forcefully in the work of Jesus for us on the Cross. He shares His full self and continues to do so in the most holy sacrament of His Body and Blood. So our sharing for the good of all must follow the same example.

Our chance to recommit ourselves to sharing our resources and prayer for the good work we began four years ago is a blest moment. It is an opportunity for us to configure ourselves more to Christ by doing what He did, sharing. Not just speaking about it but doing it, entering into His sacrifice with our sacrifice, emulating His gift to us with our gifts back to Him to ensure the work of His Church continues. It is hard, especially when many question our belonging, belief and devotion. Yet in the sharing, we are not diminished but rather we are supported and given increase in so many other ways.

Recommitment cards will remain in the pews for a few weeks Say AMEN if you have given and are completing your gift. Say YES to help your parish ensure a strong finish. PRAY, pledge a Rosary or a daily prayer to ensure the success of this good work.

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/Clarendale Ministers

Eucharistic Adoration

Saint 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

Marian Devotions
at the Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine

DATE	TIME
06/30	9:00 PM

June Intention

We pray for Father Declan McNicholas as he begins his Priestly ministry that God may help him to be a holy and effective priest. We also pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood from our Parish and Diocese.

JOIN THE SACRISTANS FOR CLEANING, COFFEE AND COOKIES
MONDAYS AT 8:30 AM
FRIDAYS AT 1:30 PM

What do People Need to Know in Order to be Initiated?

The initiation process prepares people to follow the Christian way of life. To do this they need to learn to draw nearer to God and to come to a deep sense of the great mystery of salvation in which they seek to take part. They need an introduction to the dogmas and precepts of the faith. They need to learn to be part of a Christian community and to work with others to spread the Gospel through acts of love and service. For those already baptized who are seeking full communion, preparation focuses on learning the Catholic tradition and what it means to live their Christian vocation in the Catholic Church.

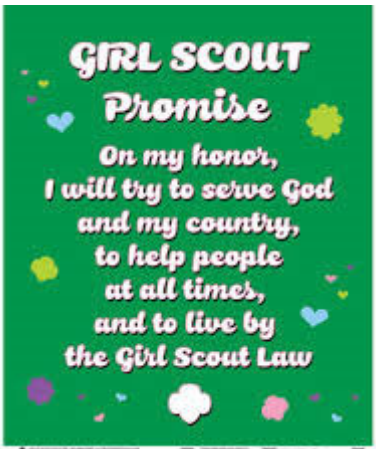
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which a person who has not been baptized, is of another faith tradition or has only received the Sacrament of Baptism is prepared to enter fully into the Catholic Faith. For information regarding the Rite of Initiation process, please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241.

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, RADIATE Youth Ministry, Bible Study

SCHOOL NEWS

The Girl Scout Promise



Our second grade Brownie troop met with St. Michael School Resource Teacher, Mrs. Germek, on Sunday, June 1st, in St. Patrick Hall for a time to reflect and reinforce how the Girl Scout Promise ties in to our beliefs and faith in God. The girls created a butterfly with a body of different color beads that represents character words: honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, responsible for what we say and do, respecting oneself and others, respecting authority, using resources wisely, making the world a better place, and be a sister to every scout.

After spending time together discussing how to put this in practice, the troop attended the 9:30 AM Mass, participating in bringing up the gifts at offertory time.

Submitted by Eileen Germek

MORE SCHOOL NEWS

Learning about Cinco de Mayo

During the last full month of the school year, the students were introduced to the celebration of Cinco de Mayo. They learned what exactly happened that day – a Battle at Puebla (located in Mexico) in which Mexico fought against the French and won! As well as learning that this day is not Mexican Independence, we also talked about the many contributions the Mexican culture has contributed to our daily lives such as art, entertainment, literature, language and the variety of foods! While many foods and drinks were mentioned – tamales, enchiladas, rice and beans, horachata…"Tacos" were made as we went through the ingredients of a taco in Spanish! The tacos were enjoyed by all!

Submitted by Jessica Maya

REGISTER TODAY

"A" RATING | 99% COLLEGE ATTENDANCE | PRESCHOOL-8TH GRADE

Friendship, Fun, Faith
All in One Package!

RADIATE's annual picnic.

Submitted by Jeannine Quigley

TOTUS TUUS
SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM
JULY 8-12

Check out our website or call the office for more information.

Peace & Social Justice Commission

Welcome the Newly Baptized

Taylor Rose Wilson

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

Kathy Tomasik, ***Evelyn Mathews,*** David Sarros, ***Mark Biegel, Jen-Mei Dorris,*** Nancy Freco, ***Diana Donnell, Pam Weber,*** Don Smith, Kenneth Rice, Dawn Light, ***Tina Serna, Judith Marshall,*** Megan Bugg, Angie Mangione, Stephen Weigand, Zbigniew Sochacki, ***Pam Matonovich, Ed Zurawski, Marie Mosher, Kathleen Lundquist,*** Arlene McDonald, Audrey Banach, ***Charles Svitko, George Neibling, Carol Smialek, Ray Napiwocki,*** Juan Huerta***, David Mendoza, Blaine Parker, Gloria Smokvina, John Sanchez*** 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. 8220 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.

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

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. 8250 and leave a message.

Parish Life

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

BIG NEWS: ALPHA is Returning to St. Michael's Parish!

WHAT is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of 11 sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question around faith and is designed to spark a conversation. The sessions include food, a short talk and a discussion at the end where you can share your thoughts. There's no pressure, no follow up and no charge. Oh, and no homework.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 PM, beginning Sept. 12th with our Alpha Kick-Off Party.

FUN FEST

AUGUST 2 & 3

5:30–11:30PM

ST. MICHAEL PARISH
Schererville, Indiana

MEGA-RAFFLE

(TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW), LIVE MUSIC, FOOD,

KID-FRIENDLY

ACTIVITIES, CAR SHOW, CRAFT BEER, AND MORE

St. Michael's FUN FEST needs YOU!

Drop this form in the collection basket or at the parish office.

Name: _____

Phone:_____

Email:_____

T-SHIRT SIZE (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL) - Deadline for Shirt Orders will be 7/14

Pre-Festival Needs

_____ **Electrical Set Up:** Monday, July 29 - Thursday, August 1 at 6:00 PM
_____ **Grounds Set Up:** Tuesday, July 30 – Thursday, August 1 at 6:00 PM
_____ **Final Fest Set Up:** Thursday, August 1 at 6:00 PM

To work the following on either night:

Gambling contact Tim Kapitan @ 219-712-9221 (must be 21yrs. of age)

Friday, August 2 (Please circle all shifts you are willing to work)

_____ **Mega Raffle:** (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 - 8:00 **or** 8:00 – 11:00 PM
_____ **Pull Tabs** (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 – 7:30 **or** 7:30 – 10:00 PM
_____ **Bingo**: (1 shift only & must be 18yrs. of age) 5:30 - 10:00 PM
_____ **Kid's Game Booth**: 5:00 – 7:30 **or** 7:30 - 10:00 PM
_____ **Bake Sale**: 5:00 - 7:30 **or** 7:30 - 10:00 PM
_____ **Stand-by Volunteer:** (go where needed) 5:00 – 7:30 **or** 7:30 – 10:00 PM
_____ **Parking Crew**: 4:30 – 6:30 **or** 6:30 - 8:30 PM
_____ **Grounds Clean-up:** 7:00 – 9:00 **or** 9:00 – 11:00 PM

Saturday, August 3 (Please circle all shifts you are willing to work)

_____ **Grounds Set Up / Clean Up:** 8:00 – 10:00 AM
_____ **Mega Raffle:** (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 - 8:00 **or** 8:00 – 11:00 PM
_____ **Pull Tabs** (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 – 7:30 **or** 7:30 – 10:00 PM
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Sunday, August 4

_____ **Take Down:** grounds starting at 9:00 AM _____ **Clean Hall:** starting at 9:00 AM

****Students: Don't miss this opportunity for needed service hours****

Contact: Jill Hartog 219-865-6872 (jmhartog@comcast.net)
Lynn Schmitt 219-322-6025 (Schmitt0826@gmail.com)

Thank you for your support!

Bulletin Schedule Change

July 7th bulletin articles are due on June 26th by 9:00 AM.
July 14th bulletin articles are due on July 5th by 9:00 AM.

to join us for upcoming events

All those 50+ are invited to join us on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 10:00 AM in St. Patrick Hall for some fun and conversation.

Upcoming Schedule:

June 25th: Cards and Games 10:00 AM
July 9th: Gathering and Fellowship 10:00 AM
July 17th: *Soundtrack of Life* at Valpo Opera House at 1:00 PM. Meet in St. Michael's parking lot at 10:30 AM to go to lunch.

Just a reminder— all seniors are invited to our group outings. Attendance is not mandatory at the gatherings to go on an outing.

Submitted by Carol Rusich

Mindful Chair Exercise

Friday Mornings

9:00 to 10:00 AM

St. Patrick Hall
Cost is $5 per session

Any questions, please call Ursula Buchnat at 219-741-3276.

coffee & donut sunday

Join us for Coffee and Donut Sunday on June 30th after the 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses to say farewell to Fr. Gregory who will be leaving for his new assignment on July 1st.
The next Coffee & Donut Sunday will be July 21st after all Masses.

A Parish Field Trip

Starve Rock Lodge Presents
A Tribute to Kenny Rogers
September 11th
Departure from St. Michael's Parking Lot at 9:30 AM
Tickets are $95 and include transportation, lunch, show & gratuity.
Deadline to purchase tickets is July 15th.

Please call Carol at 219-736-5085 to purchase tickets or with any questions.

Cemetery Walkway Pavers Still Available

Pavers for honoring those who attended St. Michael School/Faith Formation, a deceased loved one, or a living member of our parish are available through the parish office. Cost of pavers are $125-$250. Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8241 for more information regarding these cemetery walkways.

PLEASE SUPPORT STH

St. Michael's is known for its generous support of the Sojourner Truth House Ministry through food, toiletries, clothing, volunteers and more.

This is the one time of the year that STH asks for MONEY! The money raised in the walk supports the many programs provided at STH.

ALL DONATIONS – LARGE & SMALL – WILL HELP GIVE HOPE TO THOSE STRUGGLING TO GAIN THE LIFE SKILLS NECESSARY TO SECURE A HOME, FOOD AND BASIC NECESSITIES FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES.

To Support the St. Michael Team Effort:

Place your donation in an envelope marked STH WALK in the Sunday collection basket by July 7th.

St. Patrick Hall Rental

Have a special event, such as an anniversary, wedding shower, baby shower, or Christmas party coming up and need a location? St. Patrick Hall is the perfect place to hold your special function or meeting. Spacious, well maintained hall with seating up to 300. Meeting rooms available for groups of 24 or less.

On-site catering exclusively by two approved caterers, Rob's Home Style Catering and Scarborough Faire. Food may be brought in by the renter but will have no access to the kitchen facilities. Bar area available (beer, wine, & mixed drinks available). The parish holds a valid State of Indiana Liquor License.

Hall rental is available only to registered parishioners of St. Michael Parish and always subject to scheduled parish events.

For rental rates and additional information, please call the office at 322-4505, ext. 8220.

CSA REMINDER: If you have outstanding pledge payments for the 2019 CSA Campaign, you will be receiving monthly reminder statements, along with Diocesan-addressed return envelopes. Please be sure to include our parish name and your CSA ID# on your checks when you mail in your payments or drop them into the collection basket.

Thank you for your generous stewardship to the CSA 2019 Campaign!

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

Stewardship Challenge

Make time for adoration of the Blessed Eucharist this week. Ask God to heal the places in you that feel broken and weak. Pray for others with love that they may be healed as well. Turn your pain into a ministry to help others.

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

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY JUNE 23
RCIA 9:30 AM
Corpus Christi Procession After 11:30 AM Mass
Corpus Christi Reception After Procession

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

MONDAY JUNE 24
Cleaning of the Church 8:30 AM
Centering Prayer 6:00 PM

TUESDAY JUNE 25
OLPH Devotions After 7:00 AM Mass
GEMS 10:00 AM
Bible Study 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY JUNE 26
Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-6:00 PM

THURSDAY JUNE 27
Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM

FRIDAY JUNE 28
Mindful Chair Exercise 9:00 AM
Cleaning of the Church 1:30 PM

SATURDAY JUNE 29
Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

June 16, 2019

Adult	$15,548.00
EFTs*	$530.00
Children	$17.50
Loose	$879.10

Total Weekly Offering
$16,974.60

Catholic Charities
$3,095.00

**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
Glenn Cantrell, Treasurer
Dr. Ed Udani, Secretary
Kenneth Bohling, Patrick Cusick, Don Doffin, Julie Hudec, Hal Slager, Joe Townsend, Donna Velez

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

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 today, **June 23rd,** 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 St. Michael parishioners, 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.

***LEARNING WYCINANKI**

Polish-American Cultural Society of Northwest Indiana Portage Chapter Meeting
Wednesday, July 10th
6:00 to 8:00 PM
Portage Public Library (lower-level meeting room)
2665 Irving St. - Portage, IN
Guest speaker will be Grace Bazylewski of Lansing, IL, who has over 40 years of experience in the folk art of wycinanki, a Polish paper-cutting craft that dates back to the mid-1800s. Materials will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own scissors. Reservations for the free program - open to high-schoolers and adults - are due by July 1st by calling Theresa Child at 219-464-1369.

FRANCISCAN SENIOR HEALTH & WELLNESS OPEN HOUSE

Franciscan Senior Health & Wellness will be hosting an Open House on **June 27th** from 4:00-7:00 PM. This is a free event. The RSVP line is 800-931-3322. We will have 25+ senior service vendors and providers attending, door prizes, Medicaid and estate planning information, and much more. Located at Franciscan *Health Dyer, South Pavilion, 2150 Gettler St., Suite 305. Entrance is located on the southwest side of Franciscan Health Dyer.* Franciscan Senior Health & Wellness offers comprehensive, coordinated health care that helps aging adults retain their freedom, remain independent, and continue living at home.

***STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP**

STM Career Networking Group is hosting a seminar, "Preparing to Lose Your Job Before You Lose It" presented by Phyllis Steiner, retired PMP on **July 10th**, 7:00-8:30 PM, at *STM Weis Center, 8635 Calumet Ave., Munster.*
This is free and open to all those who are unemployed, new to the job market or want to change careers.

***LOOKING FOR MORE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY AND SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT?**

Join like-minded single Catholics, from all over the country, at an upcoming retreat near *Chicago, IL,* **July 26th - 28th.** Fr. Thomas Loya and Jim Martini will be presenting on the theme of **"Remaining Relational in an Unrelational World."** The weekend will also include music, time for reflection, Mass, fellowship and more. Space is limited so register now! For more details and to register, visit www.JPIIevents.com (can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

***OUR LADY OF GRACE EVENTS**

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

The annual rummage sale will be held on **June 27th,** 9:00 AM-5:00 PM and **June 28th,** 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. Friday is $5 bag day. Set up/Donations may be dropped off June 24th-25th, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. $3 hot dog lunch is on Thursday. Entrance is through north cafeteria doors. Questions? Please call the parish office at 219-838-0395.

BEER GARDEN FESTIVAL

OLG invites you to its 22nd Annual Beer Garden Festival, **July 3rd thru July 7th.** Beer Garden runs 6:00 PM—Midnight. We are serving Beer on Tap, wine coolers, pop/water, baked goods & food from Big Frank's Sausage. Get together with family and friends. Enjoy the festivities and an evening out, chance of 50/50 & Tip Boards. Come join us for a great night!! Lic. #149000

Our Lady of Grace Church is located at 3025 Highway Ave., Highland.

***RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for post-abortion healing will take place the weekend of **Sept 13th-15th**. This retreat is open to any woman or man who is suffering from the emotional and spiritual effects of a past abortion(s). The retreat consists of scripture based meditations and exercises designed to help those affected by abortion to work through their pain, along with others who share this silent grief. The retreat is facilitated by compassionate and knowledgeable team members, helping all to come to a place of healing and hope. The retreat and all correspondence is completely confidential. Call 219-552-2944, or email nwinrv@outlook.com for more information.

We Remember . . . We Prepare . . .

SATURDAY JUNE 22
5:00 PM ✞Deacon Ed Gatons

SUNDAY JUNE 23 THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST
7:30 AM ✞Ed & Sue Stanish
9:30 AM St. Michael Parish
11:30 AM ✞Jerry Eberle
Intentions of Father's Day Mass Cards
✞Beverly Mullaney

MONDAY JUNE 24
7:00 AM ✞Carol Jakubowicz
✞Perla Gubatanga
✞Mary Lepley

TUESDAY JUNE 25
7:00 AM ✞Sandy Pyle

WEDNESDAY JUNE 26
7:00 AM ✞Larry Miller

THURSDAY JUNE 27
7:00 AM ✞Frank Klamczynski

FRIDAY JUNE 28
7:00 AM ✞Walter Bohling

SATURDAY JUNE 29
8:00 AM ✞Robert Ayersman, Sr.
2:00 PM *Wedding*-Justin Hernandez & Brittany Kudra
5:00 PM ✞David Krivickas

SUNDAY JUNE 30
7:30 AM ✞Kyle Arnold & Josefina Chua Chiaco
9:30 AM ✞Janet Brennan
✞Arthur Janowski
✞Sandra Pyle
11:30 AM St. Michael Parish

✞***indicates deceased***

reflections...

The Word

(Readings for June 30th, 2019, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

I. *1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21* — The Lord instructed Elijah to anoint Elisha as a prophet to succeed him. Elijah went to Elisha and threw his cloak over him. Receiving this sign, Elisha slaughtered his oxen for his people to eat. Then he left to follow Elijah.

II. *Galatians 5:1, 13-18* — Paul preached the freedom of Christ to the Galatians, He encouraged them not to take on the burden of slavery a second time. "I say, then: live by the spirit."

III. *Luke 9:51-62* — As Jesus proceeded toward Jerusalem, He encouraged passersby to break with the past and follow Him. "Go and proclaim the kingdom of God," He invited. "No one who...looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."

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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