

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Celebrating the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel September 29th

Coffee and Donuts After All Masses

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration will begin after the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass. If you are able to come, please see the following list of suggested times based on ministries and last names. This will help assure there is someone in the Chapel all day. All parishioners are encouraged to visit our Eucharistic Saviour.

Times for Eucharistic Adoration

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

Last Names Starting V-Z
Cross Bearers
Extraordinary Ministers of
Communion
Deer Creek/Clarendale
Ministers

1:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Last Names Starting P-R
Ministers of Care
Ministry of Consolation &
Hope
Senior GEMS
Welcoming Ministry

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Last Names Starting J-L
HSA
Parish/School Advisory
Board
Sports Advisory Board
Lectors
Sacristans

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Last Names Starting D-F
Art & Environment
Ministers
Comforting Chefs
Health & Spirituality
Money Counting Ministry
Parish Nurses

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Last Names Starting S-U
Finance Council Members
Gardener Ministry
Good Samaritans
Knights of Columbus

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Last Names Starting M-O
Faith Formation Catechists
& Assistants
Faith Sharing Groups
RCIA Team Members
Respect Life Ministers

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Last Names Starting G-I
Festival Committee
Music Ministers
Pastoral Council Members
Rebuilding Hope Mission
Team

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Last Names Starting A-C
Altar Servers
RADIATE Youth Ministry
Scouts
Labors of Love Ministers



September 29th Evening Prayer and Benediction 4:30 PM

Traditional Dinner with Spaghetti and Chicken in St. Patrick Hall Following Evening Prayer

We are asking all who attend to please bring a dessert to share. Desserts can be dropped off in St. Patrick Hall prior to Evening Prayer. Please RSVP to Michaeline at 322-4505, ext. 8220 by Wednesday, September 25th, so that we can know how much food to order.

September 22, 2019

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

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Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:30 PM Monday-Friday
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Principal
Miss Colleen Kennedy.....ckennedy@stmichaelparish.life
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FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Monday & Thursday
8:00 AM-3:00 PM & 5:30-8:00 PM Tuesday &
Wednesday
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Phone(219)322-3077
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Administrative Assistant
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Traditional Classes.....Tuesday or Wednesday 6:00-7:30 PM
Good Shepherd Classes.....Tuesday 6:00-7:30 PM
Sunday Family Classes.....Once a month 9:30-11:00 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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

Learn more about the Catholic Faith at
stmichaelparish.formed.org

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ST. MICHAEL
PARISH
Schererville, Indiana

St. Michael Parish
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From the Pastor's Desk

Being Clever Pays. Parables, the moral tales that Jesus tells, are first and foremost about God and God's action towards us. In this light they teach us how we should behave, to be like God. The story of the "dishonest steward" would seem to be a parable that has little to do with God. But Jesus tells the story to describe to what lengths God will go to provide for our salvation.

The crafty steward after being accused engages in the ancient practice of bartering with those who owe large sums of goods to their master. In the ancient world the steward of the house would always attach his "fee" to what was owed to his master. So, much of what is being reduced in the story is that "fee" that the steward chooses to forgo. More interestingly, if we see this crafty servant as Jesus who is willing to let go of His due, aka His very life, so that we are reconciled to the Master, so that our debt is paid, we begin to understand what we must do. Jesus implies that we should imitate this servant in how we deal with our own debts. Jesus, uses what He has at His command, "I lay down my life for you, no one takes it from me; I lay it down freely." He becomes our expiation to the Father. He sacrifices Himself so that we are reconciled.



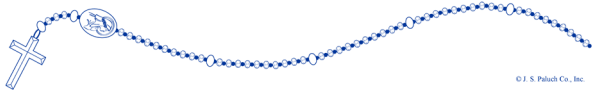
Jesus wants us to do the same. Use what we have in this world to gain access to the life that is promised. We cannot buy it like we buy some ticket and still have money left for personal enjoyments. No, in the end we must give up everything to find our union with God, just as Jesus did. Use your talents to make His love more real. Even the talents you consider mundane, that earn you a living, are need to promote the work of Christ in the world through His Church. Use your funds to fund your charity to spread His love. Remember, as we heard a few weeks ago, the giving of alms quenches the fires of sin. Use your time, the time God has given you, to learn by doing; learning how to trust more in Jesus and the Holy Spirit to show you what to do and how to behave. Cut the cable and live in the freedom of God's guidance.

Be that crafty steward as Jesus was for us, by His mercy our debt was paid in His blood. Use what you are given to be ready for what God wants to give you.



St. Michael's Feast Day
September 29th
Coffee and Donuts
Eucharistic Adoration
Spaghetti and Chicken Dinner

Spirituality and Worship Commission



LIVING SCRIPTURAL ROSARY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

OCTOBER 2ND

7:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL

ALL ARE WELCOMED!

ALL ROSARY PRAYERS SAID

TOGETHER

NO FEAR TO BE A LIVING BEAD

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



Marian Devotions at the Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine

DATE TIME
09/22 7:15 PM

September Intention

We pray for all the members of our parish community here at St. Michael, that God may help us to be faithful disciples of our Lord Jesus and inspire us to be His witnesses here in Schererville.

Save the Date - Nov. 8th (6:30-9PM) & Nov. 9th (8:30 AM-3:30 PM)

Spread the Word

Initial Information Available in Gathering Space

Diocese of Gary
Offices of Worship and Intercultural Ministry

CONFERENCE '19

Source and Summit: Transfigured in the Eucharist
Fuente y Cumbre: Transfigurados en la Eucaristía

Training and Renewal for Lectors •
EMHCs • RCIA • Ministers of Care •
Art & Environment • Music Ministers

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which one becomes Christian. This process calls those people who have not been baptized, are of another faith tradition or have only received the Sacrament of Baptism to prepare to enter fully into the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism if necessary, Confirmation and Eucharist. For information regarding the Rite of Initiation process, please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241.

The three Holy Oils, blessed by the Bishop on Holy Thursday at the Chrism Mass are the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens and Sacred Chrism. The Oil of Catechumens is used to strengthen those preparing for Baptism and Sacred Chrism is used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Ordination of the Priests and Bishops and in the Dedication of a Church or Altar. *Submitted by Janice Gatons*

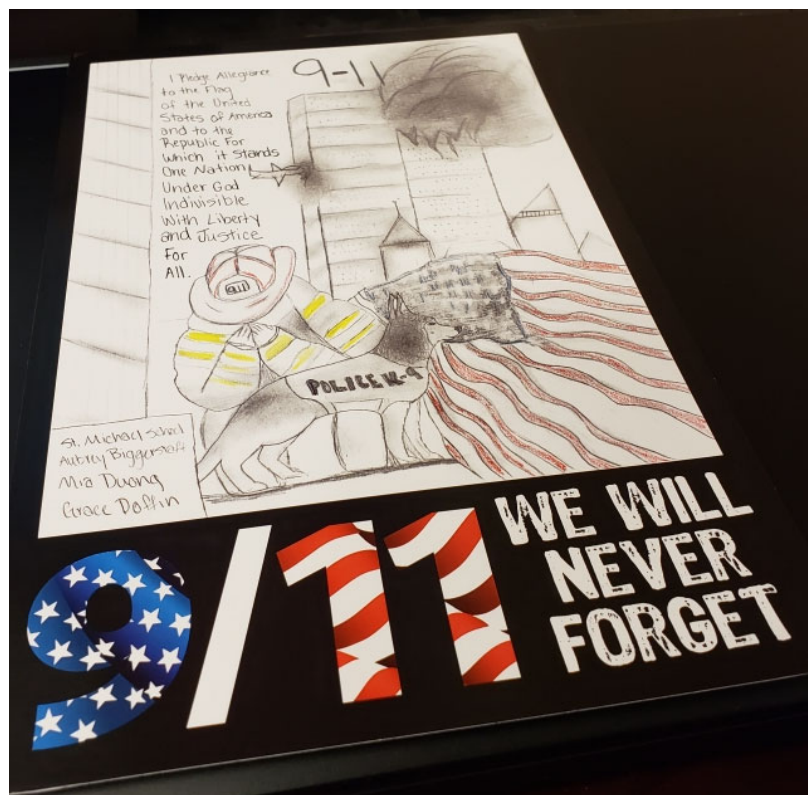


Education and Formation Commission



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

A PROUD MOMENT FOR ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL AND A MOMENT TO SHARE OUR GIFTS



Three of our 8th grade students, Aubrey Biggerstaff, Grace Doffin and Mia Duong, designed the cover for the 9/11 Service held on the grounds of the Schererville Police Station. The school was asked again to design the cover and we were so pleased to be chosen again this year. The time and talent of these girls definitely showed through with their art work. Their interpretation of Sept. 11, 2001 was beautifully drawn and showed the spirit of our country. The girls were recognized at the event for their drawing and St. Michael School is so proud of them!

An Easy Way to Help SMS



Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, SMS is participating in our local supermarket's Apples for the Students program. The Strack & Van Til Apples for the Students program enables SMS to earn Apple computers, iPads, sporting goods, audio visual equipment, science supplies, hundreds of other items to choose from, and they are all FREE...

To earn these FREE awards we simply have to collect as many Strack & Van Til register receipts as possible from Sept 1, 2019-March 2, 2020. Ask your friends and relatives to shop at Strack & Van Til and save every receipt. Put the receipts in an envelope marked Apples for the Students and place in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office during normal business hours.

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Education and Formation Commission

FAITH

FORMATION

NEWS



SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER CALENDAR

Sept. 24: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM <i>Penance Service 7:00 PM</i>	Oct. 13: Family Session 9:30-11:00 AM
Sept. 25th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM	Oct. 15: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
Oct. 1: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM	Oct. 16: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
Oct. 2: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM	Oct. 18: Confirmation Retreat 4:30-8:30 PM in St. Patrick Hall
Oct. 8: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM	Oct. 22: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
Oct. 9: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM	Oct. 23: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
Oct. 10: <i>Parent Confirmation Meeting 7:00 PM in SMS Gym</i>	Oct. 29 & 30: <i>No Classes-Fall Break</i>

Join Us for St. Michael's ALPHA!

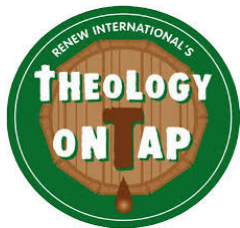


So, you missed the big Kick-Off Party and you would still like to join in the ALPHA fun. We'd love to see you there on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall for food, faith, and conversation. For more information, please call Carol at 219-765-8600. See you there!

Submitted by Carol Slager



"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..."



All Adults, 21-39, Join Us for Beer, Food and Discussion

Sept. 26th at 7:00 PM

at Region Ale in Schererville

"Indifference"

Presented by Stephen Tony

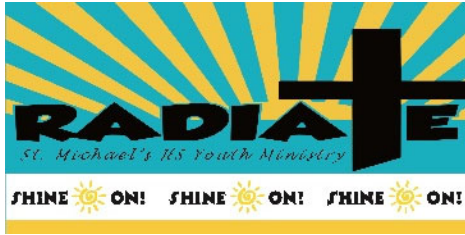


"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..."

Stephen Tony was a financial advisor for a Fortune 100 company for two years before walking away and focusing on motivational speaking. He did it "to help others see their full potential by inspiring them to live out their Faith, giving them the courage to face adversity, the skills to lead and by stirring the fire that is in each one of us. A fire that lays dormant, waiting to awaken."

stephentonytalks.com

Education and Formation Commission



RADIATE IS FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

Come on out and check us out. You will have a great time with other teens by making friends, sharing faith and eating food!

Upcoming:

Oct. 13: Gathering in St. Patrick Hall, 6:00-8:00 PM

Oct. 27: Halloween Party in St. Patrick Hall, 6:00-9:00 PM. Wear a costume!

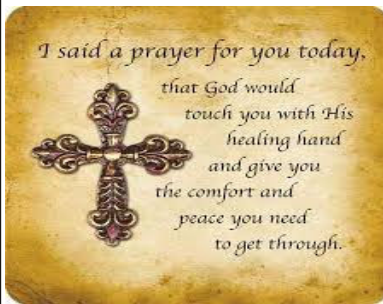
Keep informed and up to date. Join our text messages. Text: @radiate to 81010.

Any questions? Please contact Jeannine Quigley at 219-755-5356.

Submitted by Jeannine Quigley

Peace & Social Justice Commission

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



Marie Mosher, Kathleen Lundquist, Susan Hansen, John Sanchez, Wesley Thompson, Tim Hazard, Nick Barone, Kristin Finley, Carol Smialek, Philip Mullaney, Joseph Wisniowski, Dave Kintzel, Asheley Goergen, Elizabeth Jean Sanchez, Ed Zurawski, Connie Sullivan, Arnold Camp 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.

Are You Struggling After the Loss of a Loved One?

YOUR GRIEF IS AS UNIQUE AS
YOU ARE

Bereavement Sessions
Sept. 19th-Nov. 7th every Thursday
In St. Patrick Hall (SW Meeting Room)
7:00-8:30 PM

For more information or to register, please call 322-4505, ext. 8241.

Peace & Social Justice Commission



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STEWARDSHIP THROUGH MINISTRY

Sharing our Time: All of us are asked to deepen our friendship with Jesus by attending Mass weekly and devoting time to daily prayer.

Sharing our Talent: All of us are asked to serve God by serving each other and our neighbor through active participation in at least one of our parish's ministries.

Sharing our Treasure: All of us are asked to, on a regular basis, financially support our parish so that we can continue to build up God's kingdom on earth.



Stewardship – Benefits to Every Steward

Benefits are plentiful for those individuals who welcome stewardship into their lives. When stewardship is practiced daily, we follow the example of Jesus and our faith is strengthened. As we reach out to others through our gifts, we will discover many blessings - a more purposeful life, more joy, less stress, more meaningful connections with others and the ability to make a true difference in another person's life. With stewardship as a way of life, we grow closer to the Lord.

"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."

1 Corinthians 12:4-7

Throughout the month of September, our parish is celebrating Stewardship through Ministry Month. As faithful members of our parish, we are all called to be good stewards of the gifts God has entrusted to us. It is important to affirm our gratitude to God by sharing His gifts of our time, talent and treasure with our parish and the community.

Why Stewardship?

In recognition of God's generosity and faithfulness to His people, we should all prayerfully consider how each of us can be a good Christian steward. God's call to stewardship came when we were baptized, each of us as a disciple of Christ. The bishops of the United States acknowledge the importance of our discipleship with Jesus Christ, a relationship that leads to the practice of stewardship. According to the bishops, "disciples that practice stewardship recognize God as the origin of life, the giver of freedom, the source of all they have and are and will be."

Stewardship – A Way of Life

By giving of ourselves to others as we share our time, talent and treasure, we express our discipleship and show our gratitude to God for His gifts on a daily basis. Stewardship, however, means much more than simply giving our time, talent, and treasure. If we carefully listen to God's call, we will come to understand that stewardship involves **all** of life – body, mind, and spirit, our material possessions, family and friendships – in totality, all that we have, are and will be.



Peace & Social Justice Commission

Peace and Social Justice

Consolation & Hope – Members in this ministry assist those on the journey from grief to healing following the loss of a loved one. Sessions are held in the spring and fall.

Good Samaritans - This ministry provides help to those in need of food or finances to assist with utility bills or rent. The ministry has a food collection box in the Gathering Space for the food pantry it maintains.

Labors of Love - Members crochet and knit useful items for those who are in need or those who just need a comforting touch. Also, crochet mats for the homeless out of plastic grocery bags. You don't have to know how to knit or crochet, we also make items from fleece (ie: blankets, hats), and mission rosaries. Come when you can.

Health and Spirituality - This group explores the needs of the parish in the areas of health and spirituality and arranges seminars or programs to meet these needs. We meet 4 – 5 times a year as needed.

Parish Nursing Ministry - Members discuss health topics and look at different health needs of the parish and community. Blood pressure, oxygen level, and glucose readings are taken after most Masses once a month.

Rebuilding Hope Mission Team - As a service team, this ministry acts in a caring manner to help the less fortunate of our society by offering their time and talents in a Christian manner to accomplish their goals.

Respect Life Ministry – This ministry brings issues of respecting all aspects of human life to our parishioners through prayer, the annual rose sale, and other activities.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY NEWS

40 Days For Life Campaign

September 25th – November 3rd

“There is no single area of pro-life work more important than standing at the abortion mills praying and witnessing for life.” -*Brian Gibson, Executive Director, Pro-Life Action Ministries; St. Paul, MN*

“What happens when prayer and witnessing takes place at abortion facilities? Babies' lives are saved. Internal memos from Planned Parenthood officials point out a percentage of ‘no-shows’ every time ‘protestors’ make their presence. Abortion facilities close. The witness in recent years of the 40 Days for Life campaigns, as well as other prayer efforts at abortion mills, is the closure of these places. The peaceful, prayer-filled presence of Christians keeping vigil, coming back regularly and consistently has been an important part of closing dozens of facilities across the country.”

Pro-Life Action Newsletter, Vol 35 No. 2; April 2015.

If you would like to take part in this 40 Days for Life Campaign, consider joining other pro-lifers "on the hill" at Planned Parenthood in Merrillville anytime between 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM to pray for the end of abortion. There are 960 hours that make of the 40 Days for Life, can you give one 1 hour to stand up for life?

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY – ROSE SALE

Respect Life Sunday is on October 6th and in honor of the day, the Respect Life Ministry will be selling roses after all Masses the weekend of October 5th and October 6th. The roses are \$1 each or a dozen for \$10. Proceeds help to support Lake County Right to Life and the Women's Care Center.

At 2:00 PM on October 6th, please join the Life Chain that takes place on Ridge Road from Wicker Park and goes West into Lansing where pro-lifer's stand together to form a Chain to promote Life and pray for an end to abortion.

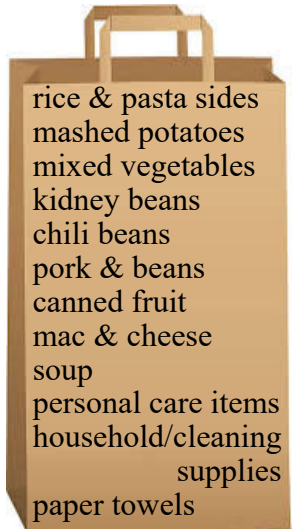
Submitted by Cathy Bartczak

Peace & Social Justice Commission



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. 8250 and leave a message.**

The Good Samaritans' food pantry is in immediate need of the following items:



There is a correction from last week's bulletin: We supplied Longfellow & Glen Park Academy Schools as well as St. Michael School.

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

Parish Life



Penance Service
September 24th
7:00 PM

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



Pet Blessing
October 5th
9:00 AM
St. Francis Shrine
Next to the Parish Office

Would You Like to Share a Meal with the Homebound?

Are there ways to show a homebound member of our parish family that we care? One of the ways that the Comforting Chef Ministry tries to do just that is by taking the person a meal once a week. Joining us may require that your help is needed as little as once every month or every two months. If sharing some of your family's favorite meals with another is something you would be willing to do, please contact Monica at 865-2570 or at edmonica@comcast.net for more information.

Submitted by Monica Drzewiecki

“Practice kindness
all day to everybody
and you will realize
you're already in
heaven now.”

Jack Kerouac

Mindful Chair Exercise



Friday Mornings

9:00-10:00 AM in St. Patrick Hall

Cost is \$5 per session

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

CALLING ALL SENIORS TO PARTICIPATE IN GEMS



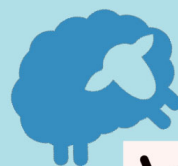
Upcoming Schedule:

- Sept. 24th: Gathering at 10:00 AM
Book Club, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
- Oct. 8th: Gathering at 10:00 AM
Book Club, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
- Oct. 22nd: Passion of Christ, meet there at 11:30 AM followed by lunch at The Chop House. If you are interested in attending, please call Carol at 219-736-5085 by Oct. 10th.

Looking for More People

We would like to attend White Christmas at the Performing Arts in Munster. Need six more people to get group rate. If interested, please call Carol at 219-736-5085 by Oct. 1st.

Submitted by Carol Rusich



STAY CONNECTED
TO YOUR FAITH

WITH  ST. MICHAEL
PARISH
Scherverville, Indiana

FLOCKNOTE

TEXT "MIKE"
TO 84576

TO RECEIVE THE
LATEST UPDATES
AND REMINDERS
ABOUT PARISH LIFE



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.



Children's Church Bulletins

When children are given a bulletin of their own each week, they know that worship is for them, too. The children's bulletins are filled with puzzles, codes, seek and finds, mazes and other activities. There are two different age level bulletins; one for ages 3-6 and the other for ages 7-12. Please pick them up on the two tables by the glass windows in the gathering space.

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

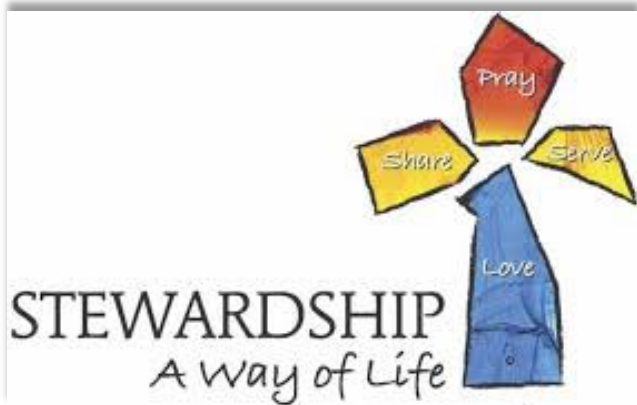
Commission Members: Finance Council, Gardener Ministry, Education Foundation, Cemetery Committee



CSA REMINDER: If you have outstanding pledge payments for the 2019 CSA Campaign, you should 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

Pray for our leaders that they may prayerfully lead with honesty and compassion.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22

BP Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM
Marian Devotions 7:15 PM

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

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23

Cleaning of the Church 8:30 AM
Centering Prayer 6:00 PM
Bible Study 7:00 PM

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24

OLPH Devotions After 7:00 AM Mass
GEMS 10:00 AM
Children's Choir Practice 3:15-4:00 PM
Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00 PM
Penance Service 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00 -6:00 PM
Traditional Classes 6:00 PM
Grief Support 7:00 PM

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 26

Alpha Series 7:00 PM
Bereavement Session 7:00 PM
Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27

Mindful Chair Exercise 9:00 AM
SMS Walk-a-thon 9:00 AM
Cleaning of the Church 1:30 PM
Bell Choir Practice 5:30 PM
WOW 6:00 PM

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



September 15, 2019

Adult	\$15,056.60
EFTs*	\$580.00
Children	\$22.30
Loose	\$962.00

**Total Weekly Offering
\$16,620.90**

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EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Please consider supporting our education endeavors at St. Michael Parish through the **St. Michael Education Foundation with a Memorial Donation.**

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Living Memorial - Anniversary Memorial -
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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. We embrace the premise of "**Honor thy Father and thy Mother.**" We meet every fourth Sunday at *Franciscan Health Hospital, Dyer, in the Blessed Mother conference room which is at the West entrance (behind St. Francis statue off Rt. 30 entrance)* at 2:00 PM. We will be celebrating our 20th anniversary as a support group today, **Sept. 22nd**. Come celebrate this anniversary with us. Facilitators Jim & Pat Koeling can be contacted at 219-365-3898 or toll free help line 1-888-303-0180 for more information.

NWI AWAKENING 2

After an amazing first retreat last April, we are happy to announce NWI Awakening 2 will be **October 4-6th** at *Holy Name Catholic Church in Cedar Lake* for young adults, ages 18-25. The weekend is full of community, fun, and of course, Jesus. Get away for a weekend with some friends to see what Awakening retreats are all about. Total cost is \$30 for the whole weekend and scholarships are available. To sign up or for more information, visit www.nwiawakening.com or contact Matt at matt.kresich@gmail.com.

*ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO BREWS & BITES

October 4th, 7:00 - 11:00 PM

Wicker Memorial Park, Highland IN

Join us for an adult evening of tastings of restaurants and breweries from the region.

Live Music by: The Ticks

Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are available at eventbrite.com (search Brews & Bites) or <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/brews-and-bites-2019-tickets-68221104159>.

All proceeds benefit St. Thomas More School.

*MEATLOAF DINNER

The Good Shepherd Council of the Knights of Columbus will host a Meatloaf Dinner on **October 9th**, 4:00-7:00 PM, at *Our Lady of Consolation Vamos Hall, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville*. Menu of meatloaf, potatoes, gravy, soup, salad, vegetable, beverage, and dessert. Adults \$10. Preteen \$3. Preschool free. Carryouts are available. Please contact Jack at 219-365-1505 with any questions.

*STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP

STM Career Networking Group is hosting a seminar, "Preparing the Perfect Elevator Pitch to Attract Employers" presented by Rick Riddering, Director of Leadership Development at Faith Church, on **Oct. 9th**, 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.

FALL HARVEST VARIETY TALENT SHOW

Faith Church, 8910 Grace St., Highland is hosting a Fall Harvest Variety Talent Show on **Oct. 12th**, 2:00-4:00 PM. This event is sponsored by Franciscan Health, Hammond VASIA Program to benefit seniors and incapacitated adults. Donations of T-shirts, socks, sweatshirts/pants (L-XL) gratefully accepted. Free admittance, door prizes, and refreshments. Call 932-2300, ext. 33292 for questions.

*PICK 7 OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

St. Matthias, Crown Point, is hosting a Pick 7 Outreach Opportunity on **Oct. 19th**, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. If you know of anyone who could use a helping hand with food and household supplies, please invite them to this special event. No questions asked, just joyful giving!

*CATECHETICAL DAY

The Southlake Deanery of the Diocese of Gary is hosting a Catechetical Day on **Nov. 3rd**: "Companions on the Journey." The conference will held 12:00-4:30 PM and include a keynote address, prayer, vendors, snacks and individual breakout sessions related to catechists and ministry. Registration cost is \$10 and forms are available by contacting St. Mathias Parish at 219-663-2201.

*RUMMAGE SALE

St. Stephen Martyr Women's Club will be having a rummage sale the weekend of **November 9 & 10th**, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM, in *Jacob Hall, 5920 Waite Street, Merrillville*.



*JOIN FR. DECLAN ON A PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI

Fr. Declan McNicholas is leading a pilgrimage of young adults from the Diocese of Gary to Rome and Assisi, **May 27th-June 3rd**. This is open to all young adults, post-high school to 35. For more information, please visit youngadultpilgrimages.com.



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



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21

5:00 PM †Jim Candreva

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22

7:30 AM St. Michael Parish

9:30 AM †Frank Bugaski

 †Jeff Tuskan

 †Glen Lula

11:30 AM †Mike Shapka

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23

7:00 AM †Eric Anderson III

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24

7:00 AM Ed Zurawski
 Jasmine Francis
 †Bridget D’Souza

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25

7:00 AM †Deacon Ed Gatons

8:55 AM †Successful Surgeries for Sisters and
 Brothers

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 26

7:00 AM †Sandra Pyle

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27

7:00 AM †Robert Ayersman, Sr.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28

8:00 AM †Martin & Mary Mannion

5:00 PM †Larry Miller

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29

7:30 AM †Philip Bruno-*1st Anniversary*

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM †Alfred Klameczynski

 †Gloria Smokvina

 †Joyce Mullaney

† indicates deceased



reflections...

THE WORD

(Readings for September 29th, The Patronal Feast of St. Michael the Archangel)

- I. *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14* Thousands upon thousands were ministering to the Ancient One.

- II. *Revelation 12:7-12ab* Michael and his angels battled against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they did not prevail and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

- III. *John 1:47-51* And Jesus said to Nathanael, “Amen, amen, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

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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