

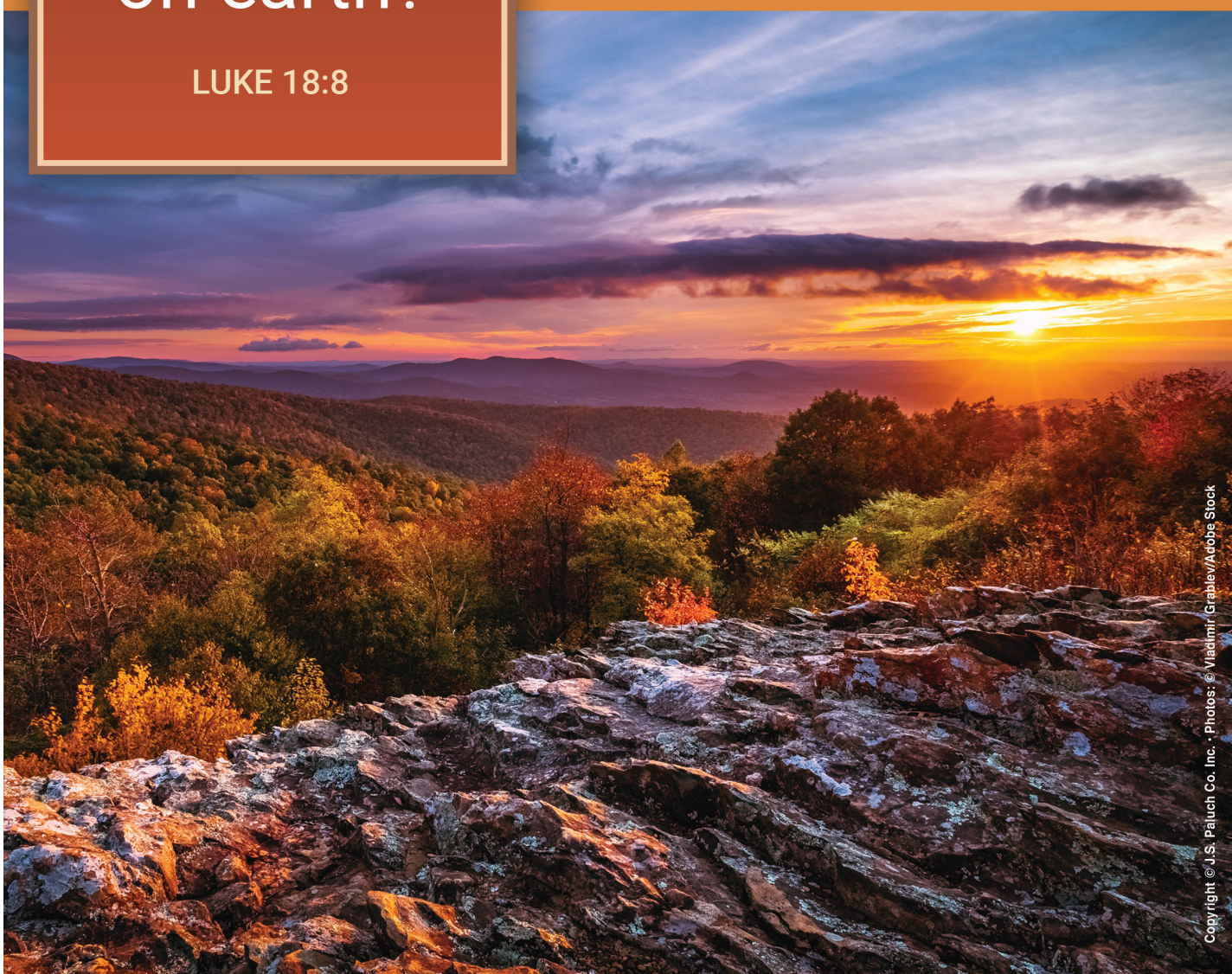
WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

When the
Son of Man
comes,
will he
find faith
on earth?

LUKE 18:8

*Twenty-Ninth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

October 20, 2019



Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

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ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

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Miss Colleen Kennedy.....ckennedy@stmichaelparish.life
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Miss Jessica Yoder.....jyoder@stmichaelparish.life
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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, 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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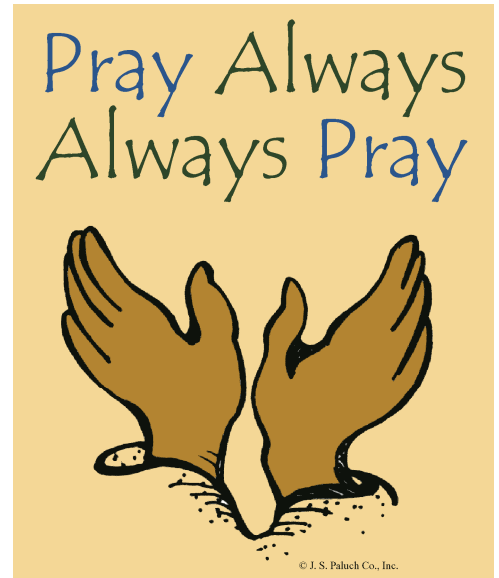
From the Pastor's Desk

PRAYER AND PERSISTENCE. Human beings, since the moment they possessed consciousness, have longed to understand the Divine. We are “hard-wired” to search for God and the “software” we use is prayer. Prayer is what activates our deep longing to be one with God. Communal prayer is the most effective in accomplishing this. Certainly private prayer is necessary and beneficial but communal prayer, ritual prayer, seems to trigger that built-in desire to be in union with God.

It is in prayer, particularly communal prayer, that our collective memory and our collective search for meaning meet. In the liturgy, we are gathered together in the present to not only recall but to re-enter the past events of our salvation. Liturgy is not like a time machine, rather we re-enter the events of our salvation as they are timeless. These events are constantly unfolding around us but we most truly recognize them when we pray together. When Christians join in prayer we are more than just a collection of individuals who happen to be doing the same thing in the same place. We are called to be one in voice, in posture and in our intention. This oneness is essential for the experience of the oneness we seek in God.

What happens when we truly strive to be one, together, in our communal prayer is that we really experience the “Body of Christ” in more than just the reception of communion. Believing that this is possible is an act of faith. In order for our prayer to be effective, it must be rooted in the faith that we can be one with God and that we experience this reality as the Body of Christ. When we realize this, we understand the significance of our communal prayer both as a witness to our common faith and as the doorway to union with God.

As with all things in life, “keeping at it” is the first action we must take. Remaining faithful to coming each Sunday to the Lord’s Table and to hear His Word are the first steps to success. Showing up for practice is the first requirement to do well at whatever sport is undertaken. When we want something we go after it, like the widow in the gospel story today. If you and I want to become close to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we have to go after it with the same tenacity we pursue other things in our lives. The other side of the gospel parable is that God is tenacious about us too. He is constantly calling us to Him. He constantly showers His Presence (His Grace) upon us every day. The trouble is that we too often are looking in another direction. I am reminded of the song “*Turn, turn to the Living God, the God of healing and comfort; and with delight God will turn to you, with delight God will turn to you.*”



Spirituality and Worship Commission



Eucharistic Adoration,
October 23rd, in the
Chapel, 1:00-6:00 PM.

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

Training & Renewal Gathering for Lay Liturgical Ministers Conference '19

Source and Summit: Transfigured in the Eucharist

St. Patrick Parish, Chesterton

Nov. 8th: 6:00 - 9:00 PM

Nov. 9th: 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Brochures available on the liturgical table in the gathering space for all Liturgical Ministers. Please fill out registration form and return to Janice at the parish office or put in the collection basket prior to **October 27th**. The forms will be sent as a group to the diocese and the church will pay the registration fee the Conference. Please contact Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241 for more information.

Submitted by Janice Gatons

NOVEMBER 1ST HOLY DAY MASS ONLINE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Is someone you love unable to join us at church for the November 1st Holy Day Mass in celebration of All Saints Day? Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to experience the spiritual comfort of this joy-filled Catholic Mass. Online video will be available at www.HeartoftheNation.org all day. For those who can attend church, the online liturgy will not fulfill the Holy Day Mass obligation.

All Souls Day, November 2nd

8:00 AM in the Chapel

12:00 PM on Mt. Calvary

Mass of Remembrance

Tuesday, November 5th at 7:00 PM

A liturgy of special remembrance for all the faithfully departed of the parish and especially for those who have died since Oct. 20, 2018.

Please use the All Souls Remembrance envelope to **PRINT** the names of those you wish to be remembered. Place the envelope in the collection basket at any weekend Mass before Oct. 27th or drop off at the parish office by 9:00 AM on October 28th.



Spirituality and Worship Commission



Ministry of Care Meeting
Tuesday, Oct. 29th at 7:00 PM
SE Meeting Room of St. Patrick Hall

Please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241 if unable to attend.



Spiritual Care Week October 20th-26th **In Celebration of St. Michael's Ministers of Care** **and all those who work with Pastoral Care** **Thank you to All Who Volunteer for this Ministry**

Spiritual Care Week/Pastoral Care Week is an international event honoring those who work with those who are in need of spiritual care, be it in the hospital, nursing home or parish. The first Pastoral Care Week was held in October 1985. Since then it has grown beyond national to international proportions. The celebration of Spiritual Care Week provides an opportunity for pastoral care ministers (Ministers of Care) to share their story and to celebrate various ministries.

This year's Spiritual Care Week observance:

- To celebrate the education for and practice of spiritual care
- To interpret and promote pastoral care and Ministers of Care
- To honor and celebrate all practitioners of pastoral and spiritual care
- To express appreciation to institutions and their staff who support pastoral care ministries
- To promote continuing education for all people regarding the value of pastoral care
- This year's theme is Hospitality

Spiritual Care has been an important part of our society's well-being since humanity sought meaning and connection in its life together. Religions and communities have valued its supportive influence.

Submitted by Janice Gatons

Attention All Lay Liturgical Ministers!

It is time to create the new Advent/Christmas schedule of the *Lay Liturgical Ministers*. This schedule will include the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and the early weeks of Ordinary Time, from **November 30th through February 25th**. If you are not available for the new schedule or need to make a change, please contact your Ministry Coordinator by **November 1st**. The *New Schedule* will be available the weekend of **November 30th-December 1st**.

If you need to be removed or request a change on the new schedule you must contact your coordinator:

Lectors	Carol Schiessle	322-4505 ext. 8262
Hospitality Ministers	Bob Hansen	322-1717
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!

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

OCTOBER CALENDAR

23rd: Special Person's Day/ End of First Quarter	28th: Fall Break
24th: eLearning Day	30th: BNI visit with Middle School 9:00 AM
25th: Fall Break	31st: Halloween Parties for Grades 1-4

Lower Your Taxes and Help the Children at St. Michael School

The State of Indiana has a School Scholarship Tax Credit Program. This is how the program works. An individual or business donates money into this program for St. Michael School. The donation can only be used for financial aid scholarships. An Indiana State tax credit for 50% of your donation amount will be given. For example, if a business or individual donates \$100, a \$50 tax credit will be given on their Indiana State income taxes. If a business or individual donates \$1000, a \$500 tax credit will be given on their Indiana State income taxes. It is truly a win-win situation. You can lower your taxes while helping the children at St. Michael School. This tax credit program is only available while state funding is available. In recent years, the tax credit program was only available through mid-December. The bottom line is to make your donation as early as possible to take advantage of this tax saving program.

To donate online: <https://scholarshipsforeducationchoice.com/st-michael-school/>

To donate by mail: Make your check payable to **Sagamore Institute SGO**. On the check, please indicate that it is for St. Michael School, Schererville. Please mail the check to:

SEC at Sagamore Institute
2902 North Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46208

Thank you for your generosity. If you have any questions or seek additional information, please contact Marty Lucas at 219-789-6970 or smlucas13@sbcglobal.net.

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 Apple 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

OCTOBER CALENDAR

22nd: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes
6:00-7:30 PM
23th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
29th & 30th: No Classes-Fall Break

WORE SCHOOLS NEWS

Working Together

The fifth graders and Miss Ellen's preschoolers wrote a fairy tale in a collaborative technology project. Mrs. McLaughlin had the fifth graders storyboard an original fairy tale. Mrs. Pagorek taught the fifth graders how to create a slide show with Google Slides. Miss Ellen then brought the preschoolers upstairs where they helped with illustrations, names and some fun ideas on the chrome books. The fifth graders will edit these fairy tales as part of an ongoing project in computer class. When this is finished, the books will be printed and laminated for the preschoolers to have and enjoy!

Submitted by Mrs. McLaughlin



Putting on a Show!

Saint Michael School's 13th Annual Fashion Show was a huge success. Students and teachers alike dressed up and had a great time taking to the catwalk. As a fundraiser, the event proved to be very fruitful, providing us with much needed resources to allocate to school development. Thank you to everyone who attended or supported this amazing event!!!

Article and photos submitted by Steven Koontz



Education and Formation Commission

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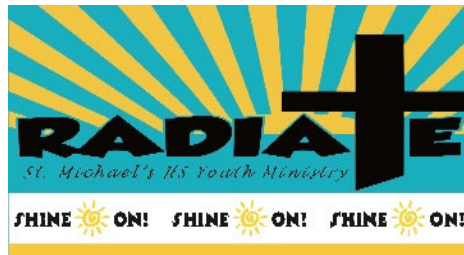
Did you know that we provide all parishioners with a FREE subscription to FORMED, a premium streaming platform full of Catholic-related shows, films, eBooks, podcasts, and more? Both entertaining and spiritually edifying, FORMED includes specialized content for all age groups that can be accessed on your television, phone, or computer!

Getting Started is easy:

1. Visit formed.org/signup
2. Search our parish (inputting our zipcode 46375 is the easiest way)
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check your email for a link to begin using FORMED



ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS ARE INVITED TO OUR YOUTH MINISTRY!



Our next gathering is coming up and we can't wait to see you.
All high schoolers are welcome!

Oct. 27th: *Catholic Mystics* discussion and Halloween party! Wear a costume!
6:00-9:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

Nov. 10th: *Empathy for Others: Service & Sharing Faith* → NOTE time change!
6:30-8:30 PM in St. Patrick Hall

Nov. 17th: Raking Leaves Service Project after 11:30 AM Mass

NOTE: Radiate happily accepts donations, monetary or food. Over the years, some parishioners have generously given us some of our favorites: individual chip bags (Doritos, Cheetos) and individually wrapped Rice Krispie Treats. If you'd like to donate, please call Jeannine Quigley at 219-775-5356. Thank you so much!

Keep informed, join our text messages: *Text:* @radiate *To:* 81010

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



For Those Who Have Died...

David Roque

Life has changed, not ended



PRAY
FOR THE SICK

Arnold Camp, Lydia Castillo, Bill Bryk, Evelyn Mathews, Mark Biegel, Jen-Mei Dorris, Diana Donnell, Tina Serna, Judith Marshall, Megan Bugg, Beth Ann Brown, David Sarros, Zbigniew Sochacki, Consuelo Garcia, Levita Herrella, Helen Hazard, Debbie Kaminski, Robert Wilusz, Marie Mosher, Kathleen Lundquist, Nick Barone, Kristin Finley, Tim Hazard 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 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.

The Good Samaritans

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.



**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**

Peace & Social Justice Commission



LABORS

of

LOVE

Meetings are the
1st and 3rd Tuesdays
of the Month
10:00 AM in St. Patrick Hall
Please Come and Share
Your Talents



Baby Shower for our
Spiritually Adopted Babies
November 9th
12:00-3:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall



Everyone is Invited!
Food & Speakers
Help Us Celebrate LIFE!
Please RSVP to Kathy at 322-5436 by November 2nd.

Women's Care Center Crib Club List:

Toiletries: wipe cases, diaper cream, baby lotion, baby shampoo, baby wash, baby powder, baby oil, toddler wash, petroleum jelly, baby toothbrush/toothpaste, kid toothbrush/toothpaste, wash cloths - boys/girls, towels - boys/girls

Feeding Supplies: tot silverware, bowls, plates, sippy cup, snack packs, bib packs, burp cloths, Pedialyte

Furniture: high chair, umbrella stroller, small stroller, travel system, potty seat, crib, mattress, baby swing, diaper bags, baby carrier, baby bath, baby mat, car seat covers

Health/Safety: pacifiers, nail clippers, thermometer, nasal aspirator, outlet covers, cabinet latches, cabinet slide locks, doorknob covers, teething rings, night lights, brush/comb set, baby monitors, safety gate

Diapers: newborn, sizes 1-6 and Pull ups - all sizes

Toys: books, rattles

Breastfeeding Supplies: nursing pads, nipple cream, breast milk bags, nursing pillow, nursing cover

Bedding: receiving blankets, swaddle pods, swaddle blankets, sleep sack, crib sheets, baby sling

Feeding Supplies: formula, bottle brush, bottles, nipples - slow, medium, fast, baby spoons

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



SOUP & CHILI COOK OFF

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH 5-8 PM

ST. PATRICK HALL

\$8 ADULTS UNDER 12 FREE

ALL YOU CAN EAT SOUP AND CHILI

DOZENS OF RECIPES, YOU BE THE JUDGE!

PRIZES TO THE BEST COOKS!

HOT DOGS AND JUICE INCLUDED

ALL PROFITS WILL BE USED TO PURCHASE

COATS FOR KIDS IN THE POOREST AREAS

OF THE DIOCESE OF GARY. COME AND

ENJOY SOME GREAT FOOD AND SUPPORT A

GREAT CAUSE. SPREAD THE WORD!

*******COOKS NEEDED (FREE ENTRY)*******

CALL GARY 219-678-1332

OR EMAIL GARYWWOLFE@HOTMAIL.COM



**New Member Registration
This Weekend
After the 7:30 & 9:30 AM
Masses in St. Patrick Hall**

Mindful Chair Exercise



**Friday Mornings
9:00-10:00 AM
St. Patrick Hall
Cost is \$5 per session**

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

*..I was smiling yesterday,
I am smiling today and
I will smile tomorrow.
Simply because life is too short
to be unhappy about small
worthless things.
Be happy!*



Upcoming Schedule:

- Oct. 22nd:** Passion of Christ, meet there at 11:30 AM followed by lunch at The Chop House.
- Nov. 12th:** Gathering 10:00-11:00 AM
Book Club 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
- Nov. 13th:** Meet in St. Michael's parking lot at 10:30 AM, Lunch first and then to *Veteran's Salute* at Valpo Opera House at 1:00 PM.
- Nov. 26th:** Gathering at 10:00 AM-12:00 PM with socializing and games.

There are tickets available for Christmas Cabaret on Dec. 18th at the Valparaiso Opera House at 1:00 PM. Deadline to reserve tickets is Oct. 25th.

Please call Carol at 219-736-5085 for tickets. There are **NO** tickets available for White Christmas at the Performing Arts.

Submitted by Carol Rusich

Holy Hour for Life at the Life Cross Today, October 20th, at 4:00 PM

In the spirit of Respect Life Month, the St. Michael Knights of Columbus and the Respect Life Ministry will have a Holy Hour to pray for an end to abortion and to remember the many lives lost and affected by this tragedy. Everyone is invited to attend. If weather is bad, it will be held in the chapel.

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

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

Stewardship Challenge

Find extra time to pray throughout each day this week. Pray for the homeless or someone you normally do not pray for.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY OCTOBER 20

BP Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
New Member Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM

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

MONDAY OCTOBER 21

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

TUESDAY OCTOBER 22

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

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23

Special Person's Day
Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-6:00 PM
Traditional Classes 6:00 PM
Grief Support 7:00 PM

THURSDAY OCTOBER 24

Bell Choir Practice 5:30 PM
Alpha Series 7:00 PM
Bereavement Sessions 7:00 PM
Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM

FRIDAY OCTOBER 25

Mindful Chair Exercise 9:00 AM
Cleaning of the Church 1:30 PM
WOW 6:00 PM

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM
Chili Cook Off 5:00-8:00 PM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



October 13, 2019

Adult	\$16,034.00
EFTs*	\$525.00
Children	\$19.35
Loose	\$614.00

Total Weekly Offering
\$17,192.35

**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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Colleen Kennedy, Principal
Dr. Ed Udani, Secretary
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Julie Hudec, Hal Slager, Joe Townsend,
Donna Velez

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

PRAYER SERVICE



The Good Shepherd Council of the Knights of Columbus will host the Icon of Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians with a Prayer Service at 3:00 PM on **October 27th** at *Our Lady of Consolation Church, 8303 Taft, Merrillville.*

EXPERIENCE THE VATICAN IN NORTHWEST INDIANA

Visit Vatican City, the seat of Catholicism and the top tour destination in the world, through the lens and descriptions of degreed and certified Vatican guides. The event takes place 4:00-6:00 PM, **Oct. 27th**, at *St. John the Evangelist Church, 10701 Olcott Ave., St. John.* A reception with the guides will begin at 3:00 PM. Explore Vatican City's history, world famous gardens, monuments, museums and St. Peter's Basilica. Admission is \$25 per person. Proceeds will benefit Bishop Noll's Ignite & Inspire Campaign. Tickets are on sale at Bishop Noll, 1519 Hoffman St. in Hammond. For more information on tickets, contact Juli Sandoval at jsandoval@bishopnoll.org or (219) 932-9058, ext. 1005.

BNI OPEN HOUSE

Families considering a Bishop Noll Institute education can attend an open house on **Oct. 28th**, 6:00-8:00 PM, at the school, *1519 Hoffman St, Hammond.* Prospective students and their families are invited to attend and tour the school, meet current students, teachers and coaches and learn how Noll educates students in mind, body and soul. For more information, contact Director of Admissions Jeff Stur at jstur@bishopnoll.org or (219) 932-9058, ext. 1008.

LOVE & MERCY-FAUSTINA

Love & Mercy – FAUSTINA will be shown across the country one night only. The local showing will be at the *Schererville AMC 16* on **Oct. 28th** at 7:00 PM. This is a docudrama on Divine Mercy and the mission of Sr. Faustina Kowalska.



“SHARE YOUR DREAMS” GALA

You are invited to the “Share Your Dreams” gala on **November 1st** at the *Croatian Banquet Hall, Merrillville.* All proceeds from this evening benefit the Share Foundation with the Handicapped. For details please call 219-778-2585 or visit sharegala.givesmart.com.

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 be 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.

*ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR EVENTS

Fresh Christmas Greenery, 4 different sizes of wreaths and a large grave pillow. Please call the office at 219-980-9348 for further details. Deadline is **Nov. 3rd**.

Women's Club Rummage Sale is happening on **Nov. 9th & 10th**, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM. Our address is *5920 Waite St., Merrillville.* Please call the parish office for further details at 219-980-9348.

*STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP

STM Career Networking Group is hosting a seminar, “Opportunities Offered By Deloitte, Identity & Access Management, presented by Rachel Petzinger on **Nov. 13th**, 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.

FRIDAY FISH FRY

Descent of the Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, 545 Seberger Rd., Schererville is having Friday Fish Frys **now until Nov. 15th**, 3:00-7:00 PM.

*ITEMS NEEDED FOR HAMMOND RESCUE MISSION

The Hammond Rescue Mission is in need of 2 toaster ovens, 2 microwaves and 2 refrigerators. If anyone has any of these items that have outlived their usefulness in the home, perhaps you would be moved to donate it to this cause. Also needed are gently used blankets and twin bed sheets. Volunteers feed the homeless people in this Mission and are in need of these items. Arrangements will be made to pick up any donations. For further information, please call Kathy 322-5436.

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



<p><u>SATURDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 19</u> 5:00 PM †Ronald Prenizny</p> <p><u>SUNDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 20</u> 7:30 AM St. Michael Parish 9:30 AM †Dolores & Rupert Leluga †Donald Broderick †Anita Thomas 11:30 AM †Rosalima Stage</p> <p><u>MONDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 21</u> 7:00 AM †Victoria Gargas</p> <p><u>TUESDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 22</u> 7:00 AM †Carol Jakubowicz †Raymond Schultz Jasmine Francis</p> <p><u>WEDNESDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 23</u> 7:00 AM †Robert Ayersman, Sr. 8:55 AM Rev. John Scott</p>	<p><u>THURSDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 24</u> 7:00 AM †The Craven Brothers</p> <p><u>FRIDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 25</u> 7:00 AM †Tony Galvan</p> <p><u>SATURDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 26</u> 8:00 AM †Philip Bruno 5:00 PM †Carol Keyl</p> <p><u>SUNDAY</u> <u>OCTOBER 27</u> 7:30 AM †Nick Kinzer 9:30 AM St. Michael Parish 11:30 AM †Catherine Curley †Elizabeth Balachowski-<i>1st Anniversary</i> †Patricia Conroy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">† indicates deceased</p>
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THE WORD

(Readings for October 27, 2019, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

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| I. | <i>Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18</i> | “Though not unduly partial toward the weak,” God hears the cry of the oppressed. God is not deaf to the wail of the orphan or the complaints of the widow. “The Lord is a God of justice.” |
| II. | <i>2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18</i> | Paul told Timothy that he had fought the good fight, finished the race and kept the faith. Now a crown of victory awaits him when he arrives in the heavenly reign. |
| III. | <i>Luke 18:9-14</i> | Jesus told the story about the Pharisee and the tax collector to help those who placed confidence in their own righteousness while holding others in contempt. Jesus encouraged people to pray with the tax collector, “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.” |

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