

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

PRAY TO PROTECT
HUMAN LIFE!

Opening Prayer Service
January 21st at 7:00 PM
in the Chapel
Closing Prayer Service
January 29th at 7:00 PM
in the Chapel

JANUARY 21-29, 2020

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!



JANUARY 19, 2020

4 WAYS TO JOIN



9DaysforLife.com

Image: A mosaic of Our Lady of Guadalupe decorates a side altar in the Church of Santa Maria della Famiglia at the Vatican. Dec. 15. (CNS photo/Paul Haring.)

Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

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

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

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 Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life/school
 Principal
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 School Executive Assistant
 Mrs. Karen Rapacz.....krapacz@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.

EUCHARISTIC 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 or 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 219.322.4508.

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ST. MICHAEL
PARISH
Schererville, Indiana

St. Michael Parish
 1 E. Wilhelm St.
 Schererville, IN
 46375

From the Pastor's Desk

Risky Business! Being chosen by God is risky business. Look at John the Baptist, Paul and Jesus Himself. God chose all three and all three were lights to the nations. But people closed their eyes to all three. People tried to extinguish the light that each one brought because the light of truth they bore lit up the dark corners of humanity's sinful attitudes.

But the light they bore could not be put out. The Spirit of God rested on all three. Yet, the Spirit did more than rest. It soaked into them deeply, like the oil of chrism which soaked into your head and mine at baptism. Under the influence of the Spirit they were led to offer their lives for the good of others. We who have been anointed with the same Spirit are called to their destiny. To offer our lives for the good of our neighbor is our destiny.

To be chosen by God and baptized with the Holy Spirit means to live a life of blessedness but not one of tranquility. The quiet life, the uneventful life, is not the life of the Christian. Retirement from the Christian call is not possible.

To be chosen by God and baptized with the Holy Spirit means doing the will of the one who has chosen us. Consequently, if people make demands of you, if things don't seem to be going your way, if life is a series of interruptions, rejoice. Your will is taking second place to the will of others and to the often-inscrutable will of God.

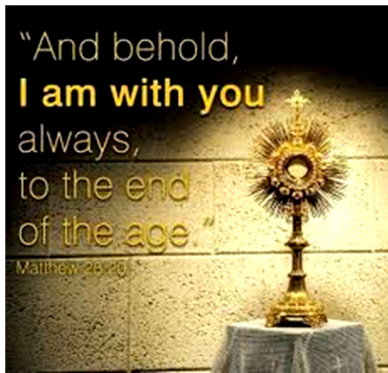
This is a hard lesson for us to learn but a necessary one. Many times we don't want to surrender, we want to win, to dominate, to press our point home. Notice though, the pattern laid out for us by John the Baptist, St. Paul and Jesus. They surrender to the other, to Herod, to Caesar, to the Cross and they all triumph in what really matters, and what really lasts. How could you or I think that our little conquests in this earthly life have any lasting value? These stubborn desires only make it harder for us to accept God's will in the end.

To be chosen by God and baptized with the Holy Spirit means following the path (the Way) of the cross, the path less traveled – the Way that does not make sense to this world. But it is the only Way and it makes all the difference, in this world and in the world to come.



**SMS Open House
Today, January 19th
1:00-3:00 PM
Spaghetti Luncheon
Book Fair
Tour of the School**

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
January 22nd in the Chapel
1:00-6:00 PM.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

On Sunday, January 12th, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Citlali and Temoc Lopez were brought into Full Communion of the Catholic Church. Please welcome them and keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey in the Catholic Faith.

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, Confirmation and Eucharist. For information regarding the Rite of Initiation process, please call Janice at 322.4505, ext. 8241.

Submitted by Janice Gatons

Seasons of Discipleship

LOVED. HEALED. ANOINTED.

SAVE THE DATE

Parish Mission 2020
St. Michael Catholic Church
Scherville, Indiana
March 8, 9, 10
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

ARISE PREACHING
www.arisepreaching.com
@arisepreaching



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

SMS JANUARY CALENDAR

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| 19th: Open House with Spaghetti Luncheon & Book Fair 1:00-3:00 PM | 21st-23rd: Book Fair |
| 20th: No School— Martin Luther King Day | 23rd: First Communion Parent Meeting 7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall |
| 21st: Grades Due | 24th: Distribution of Report Cards |
| 4th Grade Play 2:30 PM in Gym | 27th-31st: Catholic Schools Week |



Please Help SMS

Please remember to turn in your Strack & Van Til receipts. The more receipts we collect, the more educational materials and equipment the school will earn.



ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL
PASSPORT TO OUR Heritage

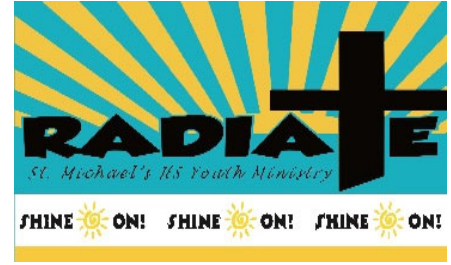
save the date...
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2020
5:30 P.M. - MIDNIGHT
MARK YOUR CALENDAR & PLAN TO ATTEND THE 2020 PASSPORT TO OUR HERITAGE EVENT. COME CELEBRATE THE PAST & INVEST INTO THE FUTURE OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY. ...see you there!

Celebrate Carnival

TO:
ST. MICHAEL COMMUNITY
1 W. WILHELM STREET
SCHERERVILLE, IN 46375

Education and Formation Commission

**ARE YOU IN HIGH SCHOOL?
YOU ARE INVITED! NEW YEAR, NEW YOU!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS WITH
OTHER LIKE-MINDED TEENS? COME ON OUT
AND HAVE FUN, SHARE FAITH AND EAT SOME
FOOD— TOGETHER!
THERE IS NO 'JOINING'.... JUST COME AS YOU ARE!**



Get ready for 2020:

Jan. 26th: "Relationships" 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall. Freshmen and seniors bring snacks to share.

Feb. 9th: Radiate Gathering 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall.

Feb. 23rd: Radiate Gathering 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall.

Mar. 27th-29th – TAPT retreat (Teens Are Praying Together) at Camp Lawrence. Check out website for more details: www.garyoyya.org/tapt

Keep updated on text messages for events: 81010 @radiate.
Any questions, please contact Jeannine Quigley 219-775-5356.

Submitted by Jeannine Quigley



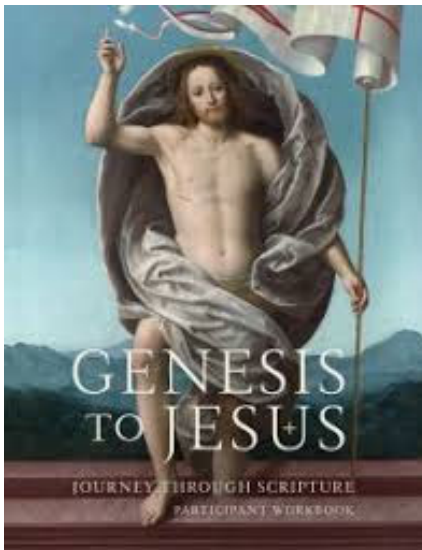
FAITH

FORMATION

JANUARY CALENDAR

21st: Traditional/Good Shepherd
Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
22nd: Traditional Classes
6:00-7:30 PM
17th: Traditional/Good Shepherd
Classes 6:00-7:30 PM

18th: Traditional Classes
6:00-7:30 PM
23rd: First Communion Parent
Meeting
7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall
28th & 29th: No Classes-Catholic
School Week



GENESIS TO JESUS
Thursdays, March 5th-May 28th
(please note change in dates)
Signups will take place in February

**What is the Bible?
Where does it come from?
What is its purpose?
How are Catholics supposed to read the Bible and
what story does it tell?
Find out the answers to these questions in this video
Bible Study from St. Paul Center.**

Submitted by Janice Gatons

Education and Formation Commission



Everyone is Welcome to Attend Alpha!

Join us here at St. Michael's

Tuesday, January 21st, 7:00-9:00 PM

in St. Patrick Hall

Our video topic this week is "Who is Jesus?" We'll consider what a personal relationship with Him would be like, why it may seem difficult—or easy--and hear a variety of insights from people around the globe.

Alpha is a series that explores the Christian faith. The sessions include a meal, 30-minute video, and small group discussion where you can share your thoughts—or just listen. There's no pressure, no follow up and no charge. Oh, and no homework.

"After completing the Alpha course, my faith has been renewed and my heart is filled once again with love for Jesus."—Rose Frampton, St. Michael parishioner

Alpha is for anybody. Come and see if it's for you.



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

Call Carol, 219-765-8600, for more info and/or to sign up. It's never too late to join us.

Submitted by Carol Slager

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

HELPING THOSE IN NEED

Members of St. Michael's Rebuilding Hope Mission Team worked at Shady Oaks Summer Camp for those with Disabilities in Homer Glen on Saturday, January 11th.

We put up drywall in the last building needing rehabilitation at the camp. Our team separated into different rooms as a competition. It allowed us to complete most of the project in one day.

We were treated to breakfast and lunch, compliments of the camp director, Scott Steele.

If you are interested in participating in Social Justice activities such as this, please contact the Rebuilding Hope Mission Team through the parish office.

Submitted by Jim Koeling



Peace & Social Justice Commission

Special Prayers For Those In Need



David Sarros, Beth Ann Brown, ***Judith Marshall, Tina Serna, Diana Donnell, Jen-Mei Dorris, Mark Biegel, Evelyn Mathews,*** Zbigniew Schacki, Marcia Jurek, Harmanie Morris, ***Marie Mosher, Kathleen Lundquist*** 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 Monica 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.

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



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.

Are You Struggling After the Loss of a Loved One?

Grief (Bereavement) Sessions will start on **Feb. 13th** and continue every Thursday through **April 2nd**. At these sessions, you will be actively listened to and nonjudgmental support will be offered. This trained group is here to assist you by giving you tools that we believe will help you to move on with your life. You will receive suggestions about coping techniques, ideas to overcome obstacles and help to adjust to life after loss. For more information or to register, please call 322-4505, ext. 8241.

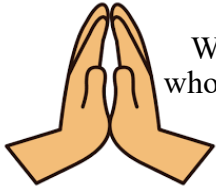
Submitted by Janice Gatons

ST. MICHAEL PARISH



February 23rd
8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
St. Patrick Hall
Everyone is Welcome

Peace & Social Justice Commission



With sincere gratitude, the Good Samaritan Ministry wishes to thank our caring partners who made our Christmas Season so special for many families, who were in need of assistance. Our Ministry provided 21 families with full Christmas dinners along with items from Santa. We were also able to provide clients with turkeys and hams for their dinners. Many gave time, treasure and talent to make this effort a success and

we wish to acknowledge their kindness.

Thank you to the Senior Gems, who donated gift cards and items for our gift baskets. Thank you to our private donors who contacted our Ministry to provide for parishioners, who may need assistance.

These donations were so generous and really made the holiday special for our families.

Thank you to our parish families who donated hams for our dinner baskets.

Thank you to long time parishioner, Mary Thiel, who each year makes blankets and pajamas for our younger recipients, along with other items. Your dedication and sharing is humbling.

Thank you to Kathy Jablonski and the Labors of Love Ministry team.

These talented ladies provided character scarves, hats, mittens and dolls for the little ones.

These items were based on the *Frozen* movie characters and the *Grinch*.

They were so unique and fun and certainly put smiles on children's faces.

It was a pleasure partnering with you, again this year.

You make our Christmas baskets so unique!

Thank you to Cub Scout Pack #504, who helped with the distribution of our Christmas Baskets.

Directed by their Den Mom, Alyson Byrne, Pack Committee Chair

Scott Nowinski and Cub Master, Phil Patrick,

these boys worked alongside our ministry doing the "heavy lifting" on the morning of our Christmas basket distribution.

In addition, they also donated gifts for our families and we so appreciate their energy, efforts and enthusiasm.

The fine example set by their moms & dads is awesome.

Thank you to the first Catholic Slovak Ladies Association of the U.S.A.

and parishioner, Lillian Zaborske, for her efforts coordinating their donation to our Ministry.

We are so lucky to have their support.

A **huge** thank you to St. Michael School teacher, Ellen Egert, Principal Colleen Kennedy, teachers, staff and the **GENEROUS** parents and students, who partnered with us for our Christmas Baskets.

Their response was overwhelming and tremendous.

The Student Council, with the direction of Ellen Egert, provided so many considerable gifts, as well as gift cards, to our recipients.

We were able to give the finest Christmas baskets to our recipients and bring smiles to many families.

Your mitten tree is awesome and we thank you for partnering with our ministry and the only word to describe this effort is.. **WOW!!**

Finally, to our wonderful and benevolent St. Michael Parish Family, who donated, again, near \$3000.00 toward our Trim a Tree Appeal.

In addition, we received many items donated through the yellow ribbon project, which stocked the shelves of the pantry.

Your consistent and generous support of our ministry, once more, allows us to continue the important work that has been entrusted in our care.

You are simply a true blessing from God and know the Good Samaritans value your kind sharing and wish you and your families a blessed, healthy and gentle 2020.

THANK YOU!!!

Submitted by Sue Cohen



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

CALLING ALL SENIORS TO PARTICIPATE IN GEMS



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:

January 28th: Gathering with playing games and cards and fellowship 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

February 11th: Gathering 10:00-11:00 AM
Book Club 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

February 25th: FAT TUESDAY-more details to follow in upcoming bulletins.

Submitted by Carol Rusich

Sharing Thoughts on the Book, Barefoot

The BOOK CLUB will resume on Tuesday, Feb. 11th, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM with the book, *Barefoot* by Sharon Brown. If you are interested, please contact Peggy at 219-322-1886 NO later than Saturday, Feb. 1st, so your book can be ordered for you at the group- saving- cost of about \$15.

Submitted by Peggy Kolarik



**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.



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

***"That's Amore"
Dinner Dance
for All Married Couples
Saturday, February 15th
6:00-11:00 PM
\$80 per couple***

*An Elegant Buffet Dinner
followed by a Romantic Evening
of Dancing and Fellowship*

*Tickets on sale now after the
Saturday Vigil Mass and
all Sunday Masses and
at the Parish Office.*

Catered by Scarborough Faire



Looking to Participate? Come and Discern Where You Can Offer Your Gifts!

We are seeking dedicated parishioners who want to participate more in the parish. The following Councils and Committees are looking for members:

Parish Pastoral Council
Finance Committee
Home & School Association

School Advisory Committee
Sports Advisory Committee
Faith Formation Advisory Board

There are no nominations and no elections. Committee members are determined through a process of DISCERNMENT. This is the same way the Apostles came to choose those who would help them. The discernment process is painless and even a bit fun. You and other interested parishioners simply come to two Thursday evenings, **February 27th and March 5th**, from 7:00-8:30 PM. At these two sessions a trained discernment team will assist you in learning about these groups, their function and their work.

This process has worked well in helping people to decide where they want to give their talents and also where the Holy Spirit wants them to give their talents. Through prayer and scripture, learning about our parish mission and structure as a Catholic community and by good Christian camaraderie you might find a niche for your particular talents. Both sessions are necessary for a good discernment.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL 322-4505, EXT. 8241 AND RESERVE A PLACE FOR YOURSELF AT THE TABLE. YOUR RESERVATION HELPS US TO HAVE ENOUGH MATERIALS ON HAND FOR EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE.

DON'T MISS OUT ON
THE LATEST
HAPPENINGS AT
ST. MICHAEL PARISH.

STAY CONNECTED
WITH
FLOCKNOTE.

TEXT "MIKE"
TO 84576

TO RECEIVE THE
LATEST UPDATES AND
REMINDERS ABOUT
PARISH LIFE.



The Parish Office will be closed on
Monday, January 20th.

amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.

Amazon will donate a portion of all your Amazon purchases back to St. Michael. There is a one-time setup to activate this program located at smile.amazon.com.

While on the internet, type: smile.amazon.com.

Type St. Michael Church Schererville.

Be certain to include Schererville, otherwise, you might select a different St. Michael location.

In the future, you must remember to type: smile.amazon.com for the donation process.

If you have any questions, please contact Marty Lucas at 219-789-6970.

Thank you for supporting St. Michael Parish.

ST. MICHAEL'S SUPER RAFFLE & FOOTBALL PARTY



Football squares are back!

Football squares are back!

Las Vegas Style

POP • BEER • WINE • FOOD • FUN • DOOR PRIZES

RAFFLE WORTH \$25,000 IN PRIZE MONEY

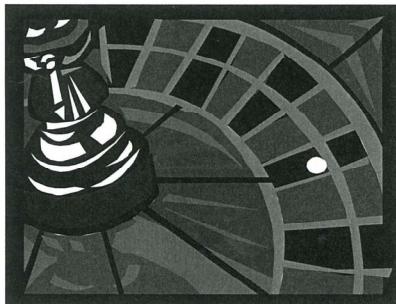
Black-Jack
6 Wheel
Pull Tabs

1ST PRIZE: \$15,000

2nd Prize \$2,500
4th Prize through 7th Prize: \$500
16th Prize through 19th Prize: \$150

3rd Prize: \$1,500
8th Prize through 15th Prize: \$250
20th Prize through 33rd Prize: \$100

If ticket sales exceed 1000 sold, 1 prize will be added for every additional 20 tickets sold



Sunday, February 2, 2020
St. Patrick Hall
inside St. Michael Church
1 Wilhelm Street
Schererville, IN
Doors Open 3:00 p.m.



Raffle right after game

Game will be shown on several size screens (no projection screens)

Football Party Tickets \$25 ea. - Door \$30 ea. (Only 250 Tickets Sold)

Reserved tables with pre-paid tickets of 8 or more

SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS \$50.00 EACH

Non-Smoking Event (per Indiana State Law) | Gaming License # 002572

Must be 21 to attend / Young adults 16 years or older allowed with an adult 21 or over

For Information Call Rob or Sylvia at 219-670-2871

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

Stewardship Challenge

Reach out to someone who is having a difficult time being a witness to Jesus. Share a time when it was difficult for you. Encourage them to have faith.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY JANUARY 19

BP Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
New Member Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses
Bible Study Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses &
Before 11:30 AM Mass
That's Amore Ticket Sales After All Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM
School Open House & Book Fair 1:00-3:00 PM
Radiate 6:00 PM

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

MONDAY JANUARY 20

Parish Office Closed
No School
Cleaning of the Church 8:30 AM
Centering Prayer 6:00 PM

TUESDAY JANUARY 21

Labors of Love 10:00 AM
Children's Choir Practice 3:15 PM
Alpha Series 7:00 PM
Good Shepherd/Traditional Classes 6:00 PM
Novena For Life Prayer Service 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 22

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-6:00 PM
Baptismal Prep 6:00 PM
Hope & Consolation Meeting 6:00 PM
Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

THURSDAY JANUARY 23

Bell Choir Practice 5:30 PM
Cantor/Choir Practice 7:00 PM
First Communion Parent Meeting 7:00 PM
Grief Support 7:00 PM

FRIDAY JANUARY 24

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

SATURDAY JANUARY 25

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM
Bible Study Registration After Vigil Mass
That's Amore Ticket Sales After Vigil Mass
Blessing of Marriage Prep Couples at Vigil Mass

Commission Members: Finance Council, Gardener Ministry, Education Foundation, Cemetery Committee, Campus Facility Coordinator, Stewardship

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



January 12, 2020

Adult	\$15,452.00
EFTs*	\$530.00
Children	\$30.35
Loose	\$527.58

Total Weekly Offering
\$16,539.93

**Electronic Funds Transfer*

Automatic Payments Available

Did you know that you can make your weekly or monthly contributions through Electronic Funds Transfer? You can use your debit card, cancelled check or even a credit card. Please call Rhonda at 322-4505, ext. 8239 to set up a plan or if you have any questions.

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
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.

RETRouvaille WEEKEND

If your marriage is struggling, come to Retrouvaille to learn from other couples who share their journeys of reconciliation, generosity, transparency, humility and respect. No couple is ever denied the chance to heal and renew their marriage because they are facing financial difficulties. Find hope and a path to healing **January 24th-26th** in *Portage*. Register online at www.Retrouvaille.org. Confidential inquiries 708-802-1830.

*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." The next meeting is **January 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.

ANDREAN HAPPENINGS

Apply Today!

Andean High School invites families to apply for enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year. The application can be completed online at andeanhs.org/apply.

Schedule Your Shadow Day Now!

Contact Andean's Director of Enrollment Management, Mr. Jim Nohos, at 219-887-5959 ext. 260 to schedule your visit today!

Questions?

Contact Mr. Jim Nohos, Director, Enrollment Management, at 219-887-5959 ext. 260 or jnohos@andeanhs.com.

Upcoming Events Open House Events
Sunday, **January 26, 2020** 4:00-6:00 PM

Family Information Nights
Wednesday, **February 19th** 7:00-8:00 PM
Thursday, **March 19th** 7:00-8:00 PM

Entrance Exams
Saturday, **February 15th** 1:00-4:00 PM
Sunday, **March 15th** 1:00-4:00 PM
Saturday, **April 25th** 1:00-4:00 PM

*PACZKI BALL DINNER/DANCE FUNDRAISER

On **Feb. 8th**, 6:00-11:30 PM at the *Casa Maria Hall on the grounds of St. Maria Goretti Church, 500 Northgate Drive, Dyer*, the Knights of Columbus Council 8082-Dyer is holding its tenth annual Paczki Ball Dinner/Dance Fundraiser. Cash bar and family style Polish dinner followed by dancing featuring Jimmy Kilian Polka Band. Tickets are \$30 per person. To purchase tickets or request additional information, please contact Ed Hebda at 219-865-6922 or via email at edhebda8082@yahoo.com.

*STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP

STM Career Networking Group is hosting a seminar, "Breaking Out of Your Comfort Zone and Making a Great First Impression" presented by Linda Newman., a business owner with a 35 year background in Retailing, Business and Finance, on **Feb. 12th**, 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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Give your spouse the gift of love & renewal! Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichments for married couples and religious. Join us in 2020: **February 14th-16th** (*Geneva, IL*) **February 22nd-23rd** (*Crest Hill, IL*) **September 11th-13th** (*Geneva, IL*) **October 24th-25th** (*Mundelein, IL*). For information on applying, please go to wwmechicagoland.org and say "yes" today to God's call to love one another!

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

She hid her secret for 26 years. She knew in her heart that God had forgiven her for the abortion, but she could not forgive herself. She thought she deserved to go to hell. Rachel's Vineyard is a program for individuals who are experiencing the post-abortion trauma of stress, guilt, and shame. It brings hope and healing. Northwest Indiana retreat - **March 6th-8th**. Contact 219-552-2944 or nwinrv@outlook.com. Website: www.helpafterabortion.net

NUNS FOR FUN ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS...

2020 marks the return of the play, *Late Night Catechism*, which has entertained audiences for years. New this year is the addition of a new production, *Bible Bingo*, which offers an even funnier play to their comedic lineup. contact the Royal George Theatre for tickets and special group rates at 312-988-9000. Performances are Friday to Sunday weekly. *The theater is located at 1641 N. Halsted, Chicago.*

We Remember . . . We Prepare . . .



SATURDAY JANUARY 18

5:00 PM †Herb, Sr. & Mary Lemon

SUNDAY JANUARY 19 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM †Pedro Quero & Gesencio Quero

†Robert Ayersman, Sr.

9:30 AM For an End to Abortion on Demand and
for a Conversion of Heart for
those who Provide Abortions

11:30 AM St. Michael Parish

MONDAY JANUARY 20

7:00 AM Daniel & Victoria Alspach

TUESDAY JANUARY 21

7:00 AM †Carol Jakubowicz

7:00 PM Evening Prayer Service (9 Days for Life)

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 22

7:00 AM †Stu & Alice Wilson

8:55 AM †Beverly Mullaney

THURSDAY JANUARY 23

7:00 AM All Souls

FRIDAY JANUARY 24

7:00 AM †Robert Mc Donald

SATURDAY JANUARY 25

8:00 AM †Sharon Kras

5:00 PM †Tom Kudzia

SUNDAY JANUARY 26 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM Jim Shelton

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM †George & Marlene Sarros

† indicates deceased



reflections...

THE WORD

(Readings for January 26, 2020, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

- I. *Isaiah 8:23-9:3* The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who lived in the land of gloom now have joy, for the yoke that burdened them God has smashed.
- II. *1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17* Paul wrote to the people of Corinth: let "there be no division among you...be united in mind and in the same purpose." I have heard "that there are rivalries among you...Is Christ divided?"
- III. *Matthew 4:12-23* Jesus said to Simon Peter and Andrew, "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they followed Him. Jesus began to proclaim this: "Repent, for the kingdom of heave is at hand." He cured many people.

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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