Welcome to St. Michael The Archangel Catholic Community

Dedication of Lateran Basilica

November 9, 2025

To those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me.

John 2:16-17



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SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM Livestream 9:30 AM mass

DAILY LITURGY

Weekdays 7:00 AM Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY LITURGY See page 9 of the bulletin

CHAPEL HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM-3:00 PM

Wednesdays

8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Saturday

9:00 AM-3:00 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays

1:00-4:00 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 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. Names of the sick 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.

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From the Pastor's Desk-

The Church Makes Churches. On November 3, 1999 we dedicated our new worship space, and on September 29, 2022 we blessed the building again after extensive work which necessitated our being out of the building for several months. I purposefully have avoided the word "church" in the previous sentence to remind us that the word "church," which we often associate with the building where we worship, means nothing unless the "Church" – God's baptized people – meets there to worship. So important is our building to our gathering as Christ's body that we ascribe to it the name we ourselves bear, Church. The Church is a "base camp" for us from which we are strengthened, by Word and Sacrament to do God's work in our everyday life in the world.

Today we commemorate the dedication of a church building far older than ours, and far more universal in its significance for us. In a sense, we celebrate the dedication of the "mother" Church of all Church communities and their buildings throughout Roman Catholicism. Today's feast recalls the dedication of the church of St. John Lateran; named such because it was built on a hilly piece of land donated by the Laterani family. This is the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Rome, episcopal seat of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope, and so the first church of all the churches of all Roman or Latin Rite Catholics.

The Church of Rome, the baptized people of God in that city, has many places for worship and devotion, the most famous being St. Peter's Basilica. But this is not the Cathedral. The Cathedral is St. John's on the Lateran Hill. St. John's was dedicated on 9 November 324 by Pope Sylvester I. It was the residence of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope, until 1309 when the Pope fled the city for Avignon, France. This period is known in our history as the "Babylonian Captivity" of the papacy.

Pope Clement V made the initial move out of Rome because of the dangerous situation in the city which was fueled by the ambition of the Holy Roman Emperor, Henry VII, who sought to conquer by force the city and surrounding regions of Rome. The King of France, too, had a hand in keeping the popes in Avignon well beyond their original intent. Finally, in 1378 Gregory the XI, motivated by the earnest pleas of St. Catherine of Siena moved the papacy back to Rome but to a new residence. However, St. John's still remained the Cathedral of the Diocese, and is to this day.

Because the commemoration of our parish Church's dedication is so close, we celebrate both together. Many of you can remember the great joy that night back in 1999, so you can imagine the immense joy in Rome in 324, too. Almost everyone who visits our worship space comments on its peacefulness and simple beauty, and it is good to take healthy pride in our church building. But, it is even more important to take healthy pride in our work as a Church, as a community of believers. It is our work done both communally and personally to grow deeper in our relationship with Christ and to live His forgiveness and charity that makes our church building beautiful beyond the wood and stone.

This is of particular importance today as all the parishes in the Diocese are working through a process of reorganization to not only provide for the spiritual, sacramental and pastoral needs of Catholics in Northwest Indiana, but to also secure the Church-at-large for the years ahead. This will bring together Catholics to be a more vibrant sign of God's presence and a more inviting environment to welcome new enquirers who seek to be one with us in the Roman Catholic Church.

As we commemorate the dedication of these two great buildings given over to God for His use and purpose, so let us re-dedicate ourselves this week to give ourselves over to God's purpose more and more each day. A purpose that finds security not in our buildings but in our communion with one another. A communion that trusts in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, especially when times seem difficult.

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Spirituality and Worship



Pastoral work is always important to make Christian Families part of the process of initiation. First Holy Communion is a key moment, not only for the individual receiving the sacrament, but also for the entire family, which should be supported in its educational role by the whole parish community. We are asking you the parish, to help support the children making their 1st Communion, by taking a NAME CARD of one of the children, and pray for them throughout their time of preparation. Name Cards will be available in the vestibule after all Masses on November 8 & 9.

Eucharistic Adoration

"Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that adoration."

- St Teresa of Calcutta

Come and Spend Time with the Lord—Wednesdays, 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the Chapel



November 14-15

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Friday, November 14 - Check-in begins at 5:30 PM. The event starts at 6:30 PM and runs until 9:00 PM. We will begin Friday evening with a special welcome from Bishop McClory, followed by Night Prayer and Keynote Addresses, concluding with food and fellowship.

Saturday, November 15 - Ministry Breakouts begin at 7:00 AM and continue until 2:30 PM, following Mass and a reflection on Friday's keynote address.

Cost to attend is \$45, and food and hospitality will be provided on both days. If you are a parishioner, select "cash" for the payment method to gain free admission.

Peace and Social Justice Commission



PRAY FOR THE SICK; LIFE IS PRECIOUS

Rose Ilgi, Ken Andersen, Jennifer Engle, Marisa Adams, Pat Matz, Rina Testolin, Leo Paratore, and all those in need of the healing touch of God.

Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place loved one on the Prayer List. Please see page 2 for guidelines regarding Pray for the Sick List. St. Michael's parishioners are in bold, italic print.

Good Samaritan FOOD DRIVE

"It is not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them is the true meaning of Thanksgiving"

The Good Samaritan Food Drive will again be at the 9 AM Thanksgiving Mass, November 27. We will be collecting food, as well as monetary donations, to assist families in need. The following items are needed.

Personal Care Items: Shampoo, deodorant, bar soap, toothpaste & toothbrushes

Food: Pasta sauce, canned & dried soup, pork & beans, kidney, baked and various types of beans, canned vegetables, chili, Manwich, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, applesauce, canned meats, tuna, various pastas, noodles, instant potatoes, pasta sides, rice sides, instant rice, mac & cheese, stuffing mix, hamburger helper, cereal, oatmeal, saltine crackers, cookies, pancake mix, syrup, Jello, pudding, cake and biscuit mixes.

Cleaning Supplies & Paper Products: Paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, dish soap, all-purpose cleaners, SOS pads, kitchen cleanser and laundry detergent.

Monetary Donations: These dollars are used to purchase meat and perishable food items for our freezer and help with rent & utility assistance.

As always, we thank you for your continual support of our ministry and know your kind and generous hearts are greatly appreciated. "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." Saint Mother Teresa



Education and Formation

High School Teens, have you ever wondered,
"what am I going to do with my life?"

Come join us on Sunday, November 9

(6-8 PM) in the gym and learn
how to figure things out!

Nov 9: DISCERNING YOUR FUTURE with Fr. Robert & GYM NIGHT GAMES

Don't miss out on faith-filled fun! To join Radiate or ask questions, contact Mrs. Jeannine Quigley 219-775-5356.





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ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL **WARRIOR OF THE WEEK** ADRIANNA DABROWSKI

My name is Adriana Dabrowski, and I started going to SMS in 5th grade. When I first came here, I didn't really know what to expect, but everyone was so nice to me and made me feel welcome right away. My teacher helped me adjust, and I made friends very fast. Now that I've been here for a while, SMS feels like my second home. I've learned so much, not just about school subjects, but also about faith, kindness, and being a good person.

When I graduate from SMS, I will most likely go to Andrean High School. I'm looking forward to all the new things that high school will bring. New classes, new sports, and new extracurricular activities. I'm also looking forward to meeting new people and becoming an even better Catholic. But somehow, I know that I will miss SMS so much because this school has given me so many memories and good people in my life.

At SMS, I've been busy with a lot of enjoyable and meaningful activities. I've participated in Student Council and Altar Serving. Besides those, I've spent a lot of time playing sports like softball and basketball. I enjoy them both because they taught me how to be focused and work hard. Softball helps me learn to be patient and a team player, especially batting or playing in the field. Basketball gets me moving and feeling self-assured on and off the court. I like being a team player, cheering my teammates on, celebrating wins with them, and learning from our mistakes. Participating in these sports has made me a stronger leader, a better listener, and a good friend to others.

What is unique about SMS is the fact that everyone genuinely cares about each other. The teachers at this school don't just want you to pass, they want you to grow as a human being too. They really do take the time to help you understand things and support you on bad days. I think SMS is special too because of the faith of our community of believers. We go to Mass as a group, we pray as a group, and we talk about how we can be more like Jesus on a daily basis.

My message to younger students would be to enjoy every second at SMS because before you know it, it will all be over. Don't be too afraid of new experiences because even when they seem a little intimidating at first, they can result in great experiences. Be nice to everyone because you never know what the other person may be going through. Also, obey your teachers because they do care about you. Above all, have faith in God and believe that he's always with you no matter what.

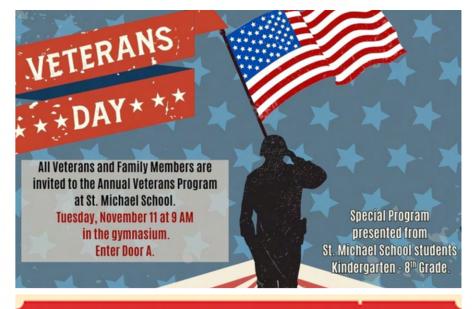
SMS has taught me to become so many different kinds of people; as a student, family member, friend, and follower of Jesus, more especially during the hard moments. I learned to be patient, compassionate, and gentle with other people. As a friend, I always try to listen more and be there when other people need me to be there. As a family member, I've learned to help out more at home and show appreciation to my parents and brother. As a student, I've learned how to stay organized, manage my time, and never give up, even when things get tough. Most importantly, as a disciple of Jesus, I've learned how to keep my faith strong, pray more often, and trust in God's plan for me.

Looking back on my years at SMS, I'm very thankful for everything I've experienced here. I've grown in my faith, made lifelong friendships, and learned lessons that I'll carry with me forever. SMS has truly helped me become a better person, and I'm proud to be part of this amazing school and parish community.

Faith Formation

Sister Serene's Faith Formation 5th grade class is learning about The Beatitudes. The students created a beautiful beehive craft to help them remember what God has called us to do.





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Saturday, Nov 15th, 2025, is St. Michael Warrior Day @ Last Chance Overstock 1042 US Hwy 41, Schererville. Open 10 am - 7pm



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Are you receiving the Weekly Message

every Friday at 12:12 PM?

If not, join Flocknote or reach out to the parish office so we can make sure you're connected!

Get ready for an amazing part of the year don't miss a moment, stay in the know!

Keep in touch with us via email and text!





TO 84576

New Member Registration next Sunday after 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses in

7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses in St. Patrick Hall.

Blood Pressure, Glucose, and Oxygen
Screenings available next weekend after
5:00 PM, 7:30 AM, and 9:30 AM Masses in
the cloak room.

Turn Your Love for Good into Something Sweet!

We're looking for a few joyful volunteers to help make
Donut Sundays extra special each month! If you love smiles,
coffee, and the smell of fresh donuts, this is your calling.
Help us set up, serve treats, share laughter, clean up and
sprinkle a little sweetness into our parish family time.

Interested? Call the parish office 219-322-4505
— because doing good is even better with donuts!



Join the Labors of Love Ministry for their annual Craft Boutique on Nov. 16 during coffee & donuts. Find the perfect handcrafted Christmas gift. Blankets, hats, scarfs, kitchen towels, holiday cards, bibs or walker caddies. We make them all - it's a Labor of Love! Donations will support the Ministry in purchasing yarn & fabric for future projects.



SENIOR GEMS

The Senior Gems had a meaningful time at The Shrine this past week. Please come to our next meeting on Nov. 11 at 10 AM in the SE meeting room for our planning session. Come join the fun.



Join us for Chair Yoga!

November 14 at 8:00 AM, St. Amand Room. Please call Ursula at 219-741-3276 to register.







YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Looking for a young adult community with Catholic values? Young adults ages 18 to 35 strive to build friendships, encourage each other to live our faith, and support each other in prayer. Text or call AnnMarie Hemmerling for more info and to join our GroupMe! 219-798-3248

Hand Carved Religous Figures for Sale After All Masses in Saint Patrick Hall the weekend of Nov. 22/23



"A beautiful collection of hand carved olive wood religious articles from the Holy Land, is for sale in the gathering area. They are very beautiful, and they make excellent gifts for first communion, mother's day, father's day, Christmas, and school's raffle donations. The profit goes to support the Catholic Families who carved these articles in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Supporting the Catholics in the Holy Land is very important at this difficult time because they are protecting the Holy churches for all of us. I encourage you to stop by and support our suffering Catholic Families in the Holy Land." - Imad Qumsieh

Annual Spaghetti Supper at St. Mary's, Crown Point

Please join us in celebrating six decades of St. Mary's tradition by supporting our 64th Annual Spaghetti Supper at St. Mary's School in Crown Point on Wednesday, November 12! Dine-in, carry-out, and delivery will be available. The meal comes with spaghetti (all you can eat for dine-in only,) bread, milk, salad, and dessert.

Coffee and water available for dine-in.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance by calling the school at 219-663-0676

General: \$10

Seniors (60 and up) / Vets / Kids (5-14): \$6

Children 2 and Under: Free

HOURS:

Dine-in: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

Drive-thru service will be offered: 11:00 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm-7:30 pm. Please call ahead for orders of 10 or more.

Carry-out meals are available: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Country Store and Raffle Baskets inside the school library during dine-in hours. Thank you in advance for your support, and we look forward to seeing you soon!

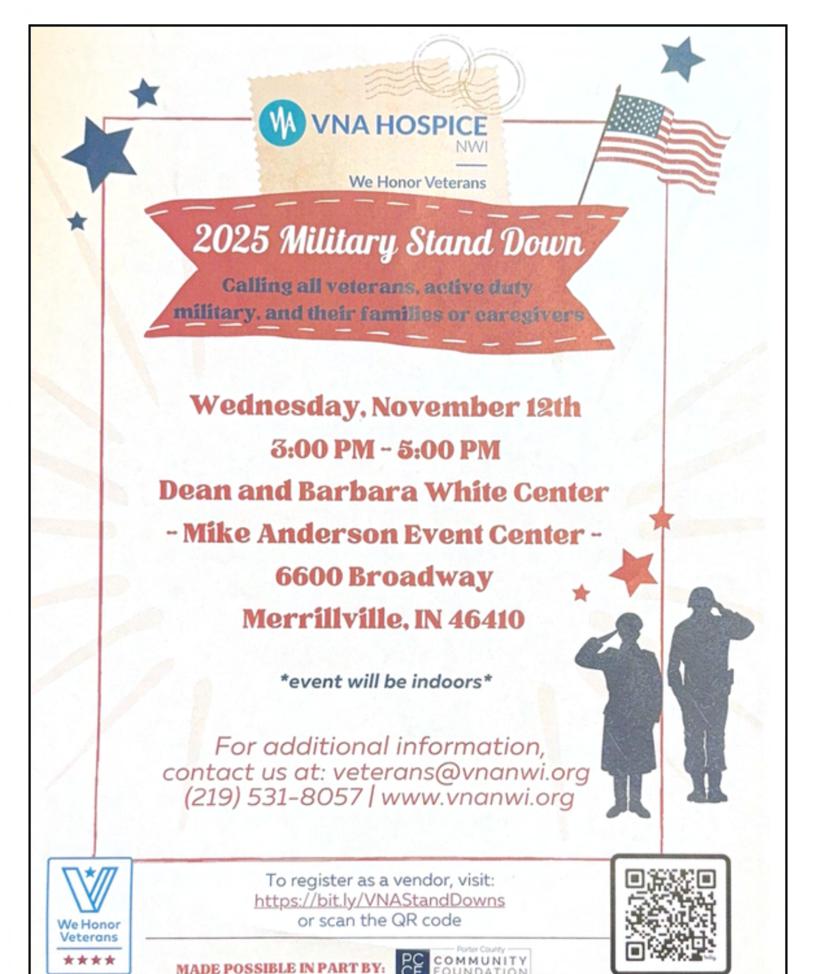
Catholic Charities 5th Annual Sip, Savor, Support Food & Wine Pairing

Friday, November 21, 2025 — Registration at 6:00 p.m., Dinner at 7:00 p.m. — Goretti Hall, 500 Northgate Drive, Dyer, IN 46410 — Featuring cuisine by Gamba Ristorante, Sommelier Patrick Cullars, Photo Booth, and Silent Auction — To register, please visit www.2025Savor.givesmart.com



Instead of their monthly rosary, The Knights of Columbus will be celebrating a Mass for Fallen Knights on November 20, at 6 PM in the chapel.

All are welcome.



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Restore your body's temple by exercising or giving up a habit that may be unhealthy for your body or spirit. Encourage others to join you.

-submitted by Conchita Bryner





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There are towers available on either side of the main aisle in church to place your Sunday donations. We no longer pass baskets for regular collections.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE "For where your treasure is, there your the salor" will be also" Matthew 6.21

November 2, 2025

Adult Collection - \$20,991.00 Children's Collection - \$102.50 Loose Collection - \$508.00

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Vietnamese Mass

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—Stewardship———— Weekly Schedule

GS-Gathering Space

SPH-St. Patrick Hall

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 9

OCIA, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM, SE and SW Rooms Faith Formation Sunday Class, 9:30 AM, SMS and Gym

Lector Training, 1:00 PM, Church Wine Event, 3:00-8:00 PM, SPH Radiate, 6:00 PM, Gym

The Rosary is said after 7:00 AM weekday Mass except Tuesday-after OLPH Devotions

MONDAY NOVEMBER 10

Centering Prayer, 6:00 PM, SW Room Stewardship Meeting, 6:00 PM, St. Amand Room Parish Council, 7:00 PM, SE Room

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 11

Veteran's Day Program, 9:00 AM, Gym Senior Gems Meeting, 10:00 AM, SE Room Parish Life, 12:30 PM, SE Room Faith Formation 6:00 PM, SMS and Gym Catholic Bible Study, 7:00 PM, SPH

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 12

Eucharistic Adoration, 1:00-4:00 PM, Chapel Children's Choir Practice, 3:15-4:15 PM, Library Faith Formation 6:00 PM, SMS and Gym K of C Officers Meeting, 6:30 PM, St. Amand Room

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 13

Music Ministry Practice, 7:00 PM, Church Unbound Training, 7:30 PM, St. Amand Room

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 14

Chair Yoga, 8:00 AM, St. Amand Room Conference '25, 5:30-9:00 PM, Church and SPH

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15

Conference '25, Church and SPH 7:00 AM-2:30 PM Confessions, 3:30-4:30 PM, Chapel Blood Pressure Screenings, After 5 PM Mass, Cloak Room

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16

Coffee and Donuts, After All Masses, SPH New Member Registration, After 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses

Blood Pressure Screenings, After 7:30, and 9:30 AM Masses

OCIA, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM, SE and SW Rooms Lector Meeting, 1:00 PM, Church and SE Room







SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 8	THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 13
8:00 AM	→ Daniel Kuzma	7:00 AM	★ Geraldine Burno
			★ Marlene Sarros, 7 yrs
5:00 PM	★ Kyle Arnold		+ Kay Parker
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 9 DEDICATION OF	FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 14
	THE LATERAN BASILICA	7:00 AM	★ Mary Bohling
7:30 AM + Lenord and Ruth Keilman		4 10	
	SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 15	
9:30 AM	St. Michael Parish	8:00 AM	+ Souls in Purgatory
11:30 AM	Jeanne Bobonick	5:00 PM	+ Joseph Heintz
+ Dolores Wright+ Charlene Kiser	→ Dolores Wright		
	+ Charlene Kiser	SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 16 33rd SUNDAY OF
			ORDINARY TIME
MONDAY	NOVEMBER 10	7:30 AM	End to Abortoin
7:00 AM + Joanne J	★ Joanne Janowski		+ The Deceased Members of the
			Catholic Order of Foresters
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 11		Court #102
7:00 AM	+ All Souls in Carmel		♣ Monica Drzeweicki
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 12	9:30 AM	Intentions of Congregation of
7:00 AM	★ Kristin and John Finley		Mother Carmel
8:55 AM + W	+ Walter Gargas	11:30 AM	St. Michael Parish
		+ indicates deceased	

The Word (Readings for November 16th, 2025, 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time)

I. Malachi 3:19-20a

The sun of justice shines with healing warmth on those who walk in the Lord, but evildoers face a blazing oven, for the day of the Lord is coming.

II. 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Paul urged members of the church in Thessalonica to conduct themselves in a way that befits Christ's followers. He asked them to work in the community and earn their keep.

Jesus urged patient endurance for His followers when they face trial or contradiction. He consoled them and calmed their worries in the midst of war, earthquake, disease and hunger.

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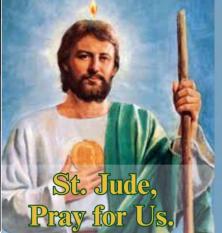
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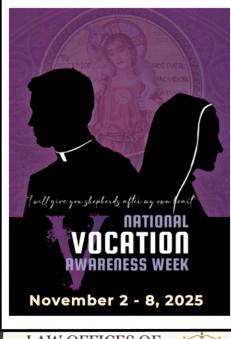
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