

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

E A S T E R   S U N D A Y

APRIL 20, 2025

the  
*Resurrection*  
of the  
*Lord*







## **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**

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## **CHAPEL HOURS:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8:00 AM-3:00 PM

Wednesdays

8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Saturday

9:00-3:00 PM

## **EUCCHARISTIC 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

**Alleluia, He is Risen!!** Dressing up for Easter Sunday still seems to be in fashion. Sometimes it means buying new clothes. Dressing in new clothes carries with it a particular feeling. A feeling of newness, freshness and even hope. Our Easter finest is a bold reminder to us of the TRUE Easter clothes with which we have been dressed.

When we came up from the Baptismal Font, we were dressed in white garments, our baptismal dress. This white garment was commended to you and me, and our parents and godparents, to be kept free from the stain of sin because it is the wedding garment each of us will wear into the great Wedding Feast of Heaven. But we know we have allowed it be stained.

We have spent the last several weeks realizing our need to seek God's mercy so our white garment can once again be gleaming with the joy and promise of the Resurrection. So great is God's mercy that even if we waited till the very end of our Lenten preparation to seek his mercy in acts of prayer, penance and almsgiving, God still makes us shimmer with the original whiteness of our baptismal dress.

It is this mercy that has made ready for us a place at God's Heavenly Wedding Feast. We have to be ready for what God has made ready for us. Complacency needs to be burnt up by the fire of the Holy Spirit. Fear needs to be quelled by Jesus' comfort. Action needs to be embraced in receiving the sacraments of our salvation free from sin which hinders their effect.

Easter is not the end but the beginning. If I hope to partake of the purpose of Easter, I need to let go of laziness, stubbornness, self-indulgence, resentment, judgementalism; in short, all those attitudes that allow me to put away my Easter finest in the closet till next year.

It is not wise for me to waste the power of what God has done for me; what God has done for you, for all of us. I need to act everyday out of the power of what God has done. When I open myself to this, I cannot allow my Easter finest to be packed away, I need to wear it in preparing for the Wedding Feast by joining in the practice for that day. That practice happens at the Feast of His Table on earth, each Sunday.

The Altar of Christ beckons you and me to be near it, to be fed with His Word and Body each week. In this, you and I can find preparation for the greater banquet of Life Eternal.



**ST. MICHAEL PARISH**  
TASTING EVENT

Join us for this one-of-a-kind  
**Wine, Bourbon, Craft Beer & Cocktails Tasting Event!**

**Sunday, April 27, 2025**  
**3-6 pm, St. Patrick Hall**

**Four Tasting Rooms • Order Wine & Bourbon • Exclusive Auction • Delicious Cuisine**



**Fr. Jeff  
Burton**

Did you ever want to learn about wine? How about tasting some of the newest cocktails? Get ready to have a blast and learn something new from friendly, familiar faces.

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Momola

Mr. & Mrs. Mark Richardson  
+Remo & Eva Verta  
Ms. Janice Roberts  
+Jason C. Wesolek  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Robertson  
+Robertson & Greevich Families  
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Roe  
+Marcia Jurek  
Mrs. Catherine Rossi  
+Mary E., Thomas J. & James A.  
McHugh, +Raymond B. Rossi,  
+Rudolph LaRotunda  
Mr. Frank Rossignuolo  
+Antonio Rossignuolo, +Luigi,  
Anjelina, Michael & Fabio Gamba,  
+Rosetta Gamba-Franco  
Mrs. Rita Rossignuolo  
+Antonio, Frank & Rosetta  
Rossignuolo, +Lena Dulceh, +James  
Ross  
Ms. Mary Rozek  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Ruesken  
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Rusin  
+Norbert & Mark Saber, +Vincent,  
Lorraine & Dennis Rusin  
Mrs. Birute Ruzga  
Mrs. Connie Salas  
Mr. & Mrs. Devin Sanders  
+LaDonna Wininger, +Jan & Chad  
Sanders  
Mr. & Mrs. Marcel Satalic  
+Walter, Jeanne, Jeremy & Wilma  
Satalic, +Marcel Eck  
Mr. & Mrs. Todd Schmitt  
+Wagner & Schmitt Family Members  
Ms. Linda Schneider  
In honor of Pope Francis  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Seljan  
+Marge, Bill, William & Maria  
Gray, +Paul, Christina, Rich &  
MaryAnn Danko, +Andy & Emily  
Seljen  
Mr. Mark Semethy  
Mr. & Mrs. Sergio Serratos  
Mrs. Debra Shelby  
+Steve Shelby  
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Sieracki  
Miss Lucy Sierra  
+Peter Z. & Victoria Sierra  
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Sigrist  
+Tadeusz Glinski, +Tomasz Rojca,  
+Thelma Sigrist  
Mr. & Mrs. Garratt Simmonds  
Ms. Debra Skinta  
+Michael S. Pupa, +LaVerne  
Ohlquist, +Leon, Rocky & Rodney  
Mullenix  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Skura  
+Mary, Jim & Esther Hilbrich,  
+Dorothy & Frank Skura  
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Slager  
+Margaret & Roy Ash  
Mr. & Mrs. Marc Sokol  
+Michael, Frank, Casimir & Joanne  
Knapik, +Debra Ridley, +Joseph &  
Helen Sokol  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Solorio  
+Paul & Anne Kapitza, +Bob &  
Roberta Solorio, +Sr. M. Constance,  
+Bro. M. Leo, +Beloved Aunts &  
Uncles

Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Stofko  
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Sullivan  
Miss Marilyn Suty  
+John A., Loretta E. & Michael J.  
Suty  
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Svast  
+Mieczystaw & Agnes Kmiecik  
Mr. & Mrs. Dan Szymanski  
Mrs. Rina Testolin  
+Gino Testolin, +Deceased of  
Valente & Testolin Families, +Poor  
Souls in Purgatory  
Mr. Robert Thiel  
Ms. Ann Marie Tokarski  
+Ted & Marie Tokarski, +Helen &  
Bill Morgan, +Ed, Lilian & Eddie  
Knapp, +Nancy Greco, In honor of  
Tom & Pat Poleski, Joshua Sterne  
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Toth  
+Andrew, Mary, George & Mary  
Balog, +John & Mary Sedor, +Steve,  
Maryann, Steve & Margaret Toth,  
+Joseph & Anna Rivich  
Ms. Lynn Tuftedal  
+Raymond Tuftedal, +Marcella &  
Peter Vander Luitgaren  
Dr. & Mrs. Edwin Udani  
+Aunt Diane Dean, +Marilyn & Jerry  
Kozik, +Virginia & Ted Teets,  
+Donald Ankov, +Michael Kaufma  
Mr. & Mrs. Joel Uhrick  
Ms. Diane Urbaniak  
Mr. & Mrs. Rich Usdowski  
Miss Sharon Vail  
+Jeanette, Harold, Mark, Elsie & Roy  
Vail, +Rose & Fred Lindberg,  
+Thomas Campbell, +Hilbrich &  
Ballah Families  
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Velazquez  
Mr. & Mrs. Juan Vitela  
Mrs. Vondrak  
+George Vondrak  
Mrs. Dianna Voyak  
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Walker  
Mrs. Jane Walker  
Mr. & Mrs. John Wallace  
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Weeks  
Frances, Edward, Paul & Helen  
Kurtz, +Joseph & Mary Imborski  
Mrs. Maureen Weigand  
Ms. Roxann Whitcombe  
+Joan & Ron Whitcombe  
Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Wieser  
Mr. & Mrs. Craig Wilson  
+Bill, Helen, Cory & Carrol  
Maslowski, +Garth & Alice Wilson,  
+Rita Odorobinak  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Wisniewski  
Mr. & Mrs. James Wozniak  
In honor of Rev. James Wozniak,  
+Rudy & Harriet Mamula, +Ed, Mary  
Ann & Edward Wozniak, +Peter &  
Katherine Senkowski  
Mr. & Mrs. Kerry Yates  
Mr. & Mrs. John Zaborske  
+Anna Kuzma, +Leone Zaborske  
Mrs. Patricia Zavala  
+Ed Zavala, +Pauline, Nick & Chris  
Carovich, +Don Brokop  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Zvyak

The Arts & Environment Ministry wishes to thank all those who helped decorate the Church for Holy Week and the Easter Season and to thank all those who donated to the Easter flowers fund. This fund helps keep St. Michael's Church looking beautiful throughout the year.



## ***LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER***

Pope Francis, **Pat Matz**, **Geraldine Heintz**, Nicole Villanueva, **Tim & Helen Hazard**, Steve Gatons, **Cindy Wilson**, **Joan Gillespie**, **Mary Ann Adam**, Ruth Marie Sarros, **Timothy Buncek**, Cheryl Fetcko, **Maureen Claich**, Alyssa Barnhart, Phyllis Leyba, Rose Ilgin, Carole Horejs, Fr. Jim Wozniak, **Elizabeth Munoz**, **David & Nancy Shiesser**, Glinda DaValos, Joan Hammik, **Sherry Lazzaro**, Stephen Dravet, Gerry Scheub, Karen DeZarn, **Kenneth Nitz** and all those in need of the healing touch of God. Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place a 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.*

Submitted  
by E. Munoz

**Get Involved!**

## **St. Michael Parish Festival 2025**

## **AUGUST 1ST & 2ND**

The St. Michael Festival planning is underway, and we need your help! We're looking for more helping hands and leadership to ensure this parish tradition thrives for generations to come. Your involvement will make all the difference.

**Won't you say yes?** We can't do it without you!

Call 219-322-4505 to get involved today.

## **MOTHER'S DAY/FATHER'S DAY MASS CARDS**

The Respect Life Ministry will be selling Mother's Day and Father's Day Mass cards after all Masses the weekends of April 26th/27th and May 3rd/4th. For \$2.00, you not only get a beautiful card to present to the women and men in your life, but their names will be entered in our Mass Book of Intentions and prayed for at every Mass for a year. Mass cards can be bought for those living and also for the deceased. This is a major fundraiser for our group and allows us to continue our support of those organizations that are helping to promote life throughout the year.

For those who miss us after Mass: If you would like to just have a Mass said for the man or woman in your life, just PRINT their name(s) on a sheet of paper indicating living or deceased and enclose it with a check made out to St Michael Respect Life for \$2.00 per name and place it in the black drop box outside the office in an envelope addressed to Respect Life Ministry. ***Names must be turned in by May 8th to have them added to the Mass list for Mother's Day.***

We also have some exciting news. The Respect Life Ministry has received 2 large donations this past month. Knox, IN is in need of a portable ultra sound machine which costs \$18,000. The National Knights of Columbus group will pay half and we are able to pay \$9,000.

It has been documented that 80% of women considering an abortion will choose LIFE for their preborn child when they see their baby and hear their baby's heartbeat on an ultrasound.

**Without an ultrasound, 1 of 3 preborn babies will never see Life.**

*Submitted by Respect Life Ministry*

## **SCHERERVILLE PARADE • JUNE 7TH**

*Celebrating 125 years of faith, tradition and academic excellence.*

*Submitted by  
Elizabeth Munoz*



**Register Here**

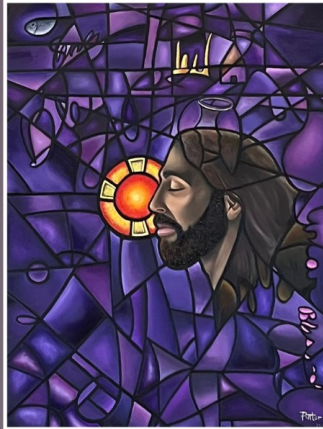
St. Michael School 125th Anniversary Committee is excited to announce the start of our 125th Anniversary Celebration! To kick off this special milestone, we're participating in Schererville's Town Parade on June 7th, and we would love for you to join us. We want to make it extra special by inviting all current students and alums to walk alongside the float. Scan the QR code to register. Questions please email Megan Barry Marco at [meganbarry517@gmail.com](mailto:meganbarry517@gmail.com)



# 1000 WORDS

BY ARTIST  
FREDERICO PINTOR

36" X 48"  
FRAMED, OIL CANVAS



Submitted by Elizabeth Munoz

**EXCLUSIVE AUCTION**  
Opening April 1, 2025  
Closing April 27, 2025 at 5:30 PM

All proceeds to  
benefit the  
G.I.F.T. Campaign.

Scan to bid.



**High School Students Join Radiate**  
as we gather on a few Sunday  
evenings of the month.

**Note: 8th Graders are NOW  
WELCOME to join us!**

**April 27th:** Pickle Ball & Make-Your-Own-  
Sundae Night, 6:00-8:00 PM in SMS Gym

**May 18th:** Gathering, 6:00-8:00 PM

Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Jeannine  
Quigley 219-775-5356 or Mrs. Marisa  
Richardson 219-730-4735

**Keep updated with our Radiate Texts by  
joining our messaging:**

Send text message to **81010**

Then text this message to:

**@strad**

*submitted by Jeannine Quigley*



**Keep in touch with us  
via email and text!**

Mass times, ministry updates, parish  
events and more delivered to your phone

To sign up,  
text MIKE to 84576

Sign up online at:  
[stmichaelparish.flocknote.com](http://stmichaelparish.flocknote.com)

Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text  
HELP for help. There is no charge for this service but our  
carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy  
and conditions at [flocknotes.com/txt](http://flocknotes.com/txt).

If you are having any issues, please email Elizabeth at  
[emunoz@stmichaelparish.life](mailto:emunoz@stmichaelparish.life)



The St. Michael 125th Anniversary Committee would like to  
invite everyone to contribute their special photos helping  
us showcase the rich history of our school community  
throughout the past 125 years. From Communion  
celebrations and dedicated teachers to school events,  
sports teams, and everything in between. We want to  
highlight the moments that have shaped St. Michael School.  
Please join us in reliving these cherished memories.

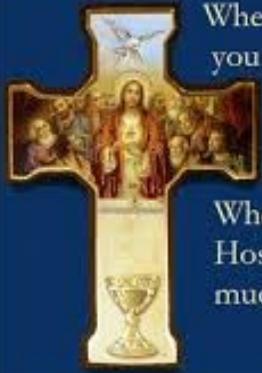
*Thank You!*

*Submitted by Elizabeth Munoz*



**Upload  
Photos Here**

**Eucharistic Adoration  
April 23rd 1:00-4:00 PM  
in the Chapel**



When you look at the crucifix,  
you understand how much  
Jesus loved you then.

When you look at the Sacred  
Host, you understand how  
much Jesus loves you now.

~ Mother Teresa

**PREPARING FOR ADULT  
CONFIRMATION**



If you are a Baptized Catholic, 18 or older, out of High School and you have also received First Communion and Reconciliation, but have not been Confirmed, then these classes are for you. Both classes must be attended.

**May 7th & 14th  
6:00-8:00 PM**

For more information and/or registration, please contact Kimberley Hoogeveen at 219-322-3077.

*Submitted by Kimberley Hoogeveen*



**REGISTRATION  
IS NOW OPEN  
TO ALL NEW &  
CURRENT  
FAMILIES!  
NEW  
APPLICANTS  
PLEASE VISIT  
THE SCHOOL  
WEBSITE AND  
CLICK ON  
ADMISSIONS  
OR CALL  
219-322-4531.**



**Grottos open Easter  
and will be open every  
Sunday after the  
7:30 AM Mass  
and remain open until 4:00 PM.**



**Chair Yoga  
April 25th  
8:00 AM in  
St. Patrick Hall  
Cost: \$5  
Please call Ursula at  
219-741-3276 to register.**

**Faith Formation  
Registration for  
Returning Students  
April 23rd After the 6:30 PM  
Mass in St. Patrick Hall**

**All Are Welcome  
CHILDREN 10 YEARS AND UNDER  
ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE**

**EASTER  
EGG HUNT  
SUNDAY  
APRIL 27TH**

**ST. MICHAEL PARISH  
SOCCER FIELD  
STARTING AT  
1:00 PM**



*If raining, hunt will take place  
in the school gym.*

***Wedding Anniversary Mass***

***May 18th at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels***

Couples celebrating a 5 year milestone anniversary or 50+ years of marriage are invited to join Bishop McClory for a special anniversary Mass and light luncheon. Families welcome. RSVP to [dcgary.org/2025AnniversaryMass](http://dcgary.org/2025AnniversaryMass)



Diocese of Gary



## INSTALLING TWO MORE RAMPS FOR THOSE IN NEED

St. Michael's Wheelchair Ramp Ministry recently installed ramps #90 and 91. Ramp 90 went to Randy Taylor who is in hospice and is going home. Ramp #91 was installed for Ljubomir Dobras of Schererville.

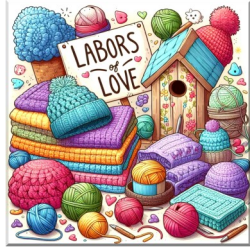
If you would like to participate in this ministry in any way, please contact the St. Michael parish office at 219-322-4505. If you know of anyone who may benefit from our services please contact Catholic Charities at outreach@catholic-charities.org or call 219-886-3549 and ask for Daniela Ocanas.

*Submitted by Jim Koeling*

Ramp #90



Ramp #91

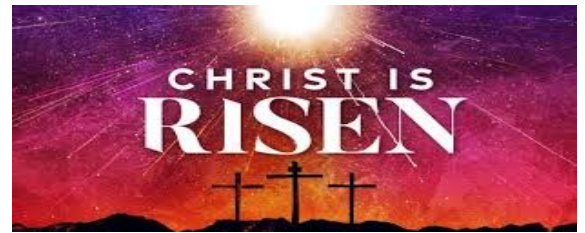


### Meeting and Pizza

April 29th

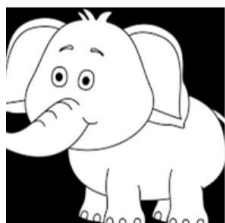
10:00 AM in

St. Patrick Hall



**COME JOIN THE FUN!**  
**SALT CAVE OR THE SHRINE**  
**APRIL 22ND**

**CALL DEE GALINSKI**  
**FOR DETAILS ABOUT**  
**OUTING**  
**219-308-1812**



**BINGO-MAY 13**  
**BRING WHITE ELEPHANT**  
**GIFT FOR PRIZES**

*Flower Sale*  
*Going on Now*

**ORDER FORMS IN GATHERING SPACE OR CALL CHERYL AT 219-242-2630**

**ORDER DEADLINE IS MAY 11TH**  
**PICKUP DATE IS MAY 17TH**  
**9:00 AM-12:00 PM**  
**IN RECTORY GARAGE**



## Italy & Amalfi Jubilee Pilgrimage

12 days: 7 cities

December 1 - 12, 2025

Hosted by Fr. Marty and Fr. Peter  
interested? email: [frmartyd@stmichaelparish.life](mailto:frmartyd@stmichaelparish.life)



*Submitted by Elizabeth Munoz*

**\$4599 from Chicago**



# THE SHROUD OF TURIN

TWO PRESENTATIONS: EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 21

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM OR 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

IN THE ST. MICHAEL CHAPEL

Come enjoy a dynamic presentation featuring a life-size image of the Shroud of Turin and nine realistic instruments of Christ's passion, including the nails, the spear, and the crown of thorns.

The Shroud of Turin is the #1-studied human artifact, believed by many to be the authentic burial cloth of Jesus himself!

Using various props and demonstrations, Fr. Robert Ross and his father Tom Ross will discuss the many scientific studies performed on the Shroud to discover its authenticity, as well as what the Shroud reveals about the sufferings of Jesus--beyond what we can imagine from the Bible.

**FREE TO ALL, NO RESERVATION REQUIRED.**

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH, 1 E. WILHELM ST., SCHERERVILLE, IN  
PARISH OFFICE - 219-322-4505

*Submitted by Elizabeth Munoz*

COME AND SEE THE MARK OF THE NAILS, THAT YOU MAY  
NO LONGER BE UNBELIEVING BUT BELIEVE (JOHN 20:24-29).





Submitted by Elizabeth Munoz

**YEE HAW**  
Celebrating God's Greatest Gift

**VBS 2025**  
**June 9-13**  
9 AM - NOON  
ST. PATRICK HALL  
FEE IS \$45 PER CHILD  
AGES 5 - 11

REGISTER BY JUNE 1ST!

INTERESTED IN BEING A TEEN LEADER?

Scan HERE to fill out Family Registration Form

Scan HERE to fill out Teen Leader Form

Get Ready For...  
Fun, Songs, Activities, & Daily Snacks!




Growing Into the Future  
**Together**

# UPDATE

As of April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**The Growing into the Future (GIFT) Campaign  
has great news to share!**

**G**reat News! Your generous pledges and dedication to our Growing Into the Future Together campaign have made it possible to begin the air conditioning of the school building, our first goal.

- The construction work will begin on June 7 and is expected to be completed by August 1. Our general contractor, Larson Danielson, has assured us that the construction schedule is sufficient to complete the project within the allocated time.
- All air conditioning units will be installed on the roof to prevent damage and theft of the equipment. Each unit serves a single classroom, meaning that if one unit encounters a problem, only that classroom will be affected. Each classroom will draw in fresh air from outside for heating and ventilation, incorporating a filtration system to keep dust and particles out of the room. This setup will help reduce allergy issues, among other benefits. Additionally, measures have been taken to ensure a balanced temperature between the sunny classrooms on the south side of the building and the shaded classrooms on the north side.
- The GIFT campaign's second goal is to build a new handicapped-accessible Parish Administration Building that is safe for all volunteers, visitors, and staff. Since February, contributions for this project have been increasing as planned. Your continued support is vital to keep us on track. Thank you for your pledge and commitment.
- Finally, there is a special opportunity involved in this second goal. Fr. Connolly, the beloved pastor of this parish responsible for our beautiful church building, once commissioned stained glass windows for the now-closed St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hammond. St. Michael's acquired those windows before the property was sold. The goal is to reinstall these custom-made stained-glass windows in the new construction to preserve Fr. Connolly's legacy. Please see the Wiseman Table for more information on how you can make this happen.

For questions about our contractors, subcontractors, or operations, please visit the G.I.F.T Wisemen Table. If you missed the opportunity to pledge for the new Administration building, stop by—we're here to help!

*Submitted by GIFT committee*





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.



"Faithful Giving, Blessings Abound – Thank you for Support."

To make online giving easier, please scan the QR code to donate.



April 13, 2025	
Adult	\$15,478.00
Children	\$80.50
EFTs	\$2,842.81
Loose	\$589.75
<b>Total Weekly Offering</b>	
<b>\$18,991.06</b>	
<b>Thank you for your generosity!</b>	




**ST. MICHAEL**  
**PARISH**  
Schererville, Indiana



## THE GOOD SAMARITANS

**SERVING THE SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY...  
FOR GROCERIES OR UTILITY/ RENT ASSISTANCE,  
PLEASE CALL**

 **219-322-4505 EXT. 8250**

## Stewardship in Action

Pray for all the newly baptized and share your Easter joy!  
*submitted by Conchita Bryner*

## Weekly Schedule

GS-Gathering Space

SPH-St. Patrick Hall

### SUNDAY APRIL 20

"1000 Words" Art Display After All Masses, GS  
Wine Tasting Event Tickets on Sale After All Masses, GS

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

### MONDAY APRIL 21

*Parish Office Closed*  
Presentation of the Shroud 12:00 & 7:00 PM, Chapel

### TUESDAY APRIL 22

Bereavement Session 7:00 PM, SW Room

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 23

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM, Chapel  
Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM, SMS  
Faith Formation Registration After Mass, SPH

### THURSDAY APRIL 24

Confirmation Practice 7:00 PM, Church

### FRIDAY APRIL 25

Chair Yoga 8:00 AM, SPH  
Confirmation 5:30 PM, Church

### SATURDAY APRIL 26

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM, Chapel  
"1000 Words" Art Display After Vigil Mass, GS  
Mother's Day Card Sales After Vigil Mass, GS  
Wine Tasting Event Tickets on Sale After Vigil Mass, GS

### SUNDAY APRIL 27

"1000 Words" Art Display After All Masses, GS  
Mother's Day Card Sales After All Masses, GS  
Wine Tasting Event Tickets on Sale After All Masses, GS  
OCIA 9:30 AM  
Wine Tasting Event 3:00-6:00 PM, SPH  
Radiate 6:00 PM, SMS Gym



## RENEWED ADORATION NIGHT

Renew your faith during a peaceful and transformative evening of Adoration, featuring a brief reflection by Fr. Steven Caraher, live praise and worship music, silent prayer and more.

**April 25th**, 7:00-8:15 PM  
at Our Lady of Consolation

Questions? Call 219-769-1755, ext. 308

## REFLECT

Mid-life singles (mid-30s-50s): are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose and belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL, **April 25th-27th**. Take a chance and get involved...you won't regret it! Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), email [reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com) or call 630-222-8303 for details.

## LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. Mary's Men's Club is hosting a Las Vegas Night on **April 26th**, 5:30 - 11:30 PM.  
Hildebrandt Hall 525 N.  
Lafayette, Griffith.  
\$20/person and \$35/couple.  
Includes all you can eat and drink.



## DIOCESAN RIGHT TO LIFE MEETING

The next Diocesan Right to Life meeting is **April 28th**, 6:30 PM, Pastoral Center, Merrillville. Veronica Janiszewski from Students for Life (SFL) will be the guest speaker. She will give an overview of SFL, how they change minds and hearts for life, and how they partner with other pro-life organizations and more. We will also be discussing our local parish prolife activities and the Walking with Moms in Need program. Hope you can join us! For more information contact Rosanne at 219-769-9292 x88259 or [rkouris@dcgary.org](mailto:rkouris@dcgary.org)



## SINGLES UPPER 50S AND ABOVE

Register today for a life-changing RENEW weekend retreat at the Carmelite Renewal Center in Darien, IL (southwestern suburbs of Chicago, **May 2nd-4th**. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Visit [www.RenewRetreats.org](http://www.RenewRetreats.org), e-mail [renew.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:renew.chicagoland@gmail.com), or call (309) 912-6065 for details.

## CHILI FEST

St. Mary of the Lake is hosting a Chili Fest on **May 3rd**, 4:00-6:00 PM, 6060 Miller Ave, Gary in Lessard Hall. Tickets are \$1/adult and \$7/child under 12. Tickets will be available at the door or please call 219-742-0571. Beer and wine available, basket raffles, 50/50 raffle, silent auction, wine pull, dancing (music by DJ Midwest Mike) are some of the highlights of the evening. There will be a Wild West Parade starting at 3:30 PM at Lake St. and 4th Ave.

## ANNUAL POLISH BIKER'S BLESSING OF MOTORCYCLES

On **May 4th**, the 16th Annual Polish Biker's Blessing of Motorcycles will be held at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine, 5755 Pennsylvania St., Merrillville. Holy Mass in Polish begins at noon followed by the Blessing of the Motorcycles with food available for purchase. The gift shop will be open 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. The event is hosted by the Stowarzyszenie Rajd Katynski Pamiec i Tozsamosc USA (Katyn Riders Society).

## FCSLA ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON

First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association, Whiting Branch 81 members are invited to attend our annual spring luncheon on **May 4th** at 12:30 PM at Little Italy, 1155 Joliet St (RT 30), Dyer. Please RSVP early due to limited seating to Rebecca Coleman 219-801-6665 by April 22nd. Guests of members price \$25.

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Annual Mass of Remembrance will be on **May 4th**, 3:00 PM, at St. Patrick Church, 638 N. Calumet Rd., Chesterton. This is the Mass for families of those who have had a miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss. To include your child's (children's) name in the Litany of Remembrance and to reserve a free candle for the Candle Lighting Ceremony, please RSVP before April 25th at [www.dcgary.org/events](http://www.dcgary.org/events). For more information contact [rkouris@dcgary.org](mailto:rkouris@dcgary.org) or call 219-769-9292 x 88259.

## CLASS REUNION & GOLF OUTING

Andrean's Class of 1975 is having their 50th class reunion, **July 18th-20th**. Andrean's Golf Classic is **July 18th** at White Hawk Country Club, Crown Point. Visit [Andreanhs.org/support/2025golfclassis.ofm](http://Andreanhs.org/support/2025golfclassis.ofm)





**SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS  
OF  
PERPETUAL ADORATION**



**HIGH SCHOOL**  
*Day with Sisters*

**May 10, 2025  
10:00 AM-7:30 PM**

*Inquire at  
ssfpa.org/day-  
with-sisters*



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JUBILEE 2025  
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

*Please join the faithful  
of the Diocese of Gary  
TO HONOR You,*

*the dedicated men and women who serve and  
protect our communities in a diocesan*

**BLUE MASS**

Saturday, May 10, 2025, 11 a.m.

St. James the Less

9640 Kennedy Ave, Highland, IN

**BBQ reception to follow in the parish hall**

**Register at:**

[dcgary.org/2025bluemass](https://dcgary.org/2025bluemass)



All current and retired Armed  
Services, EMTs, Firefighters,  
Police and Security Services  
are encouraged to attend.



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**CALL TO SERVE:  
DIOCESAN  
MISSION TRIP**

September 25-30, 2025

Mexico City, Mexico

\$1600



**JOIN US FOR THIS  
INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIP  
TO MEXICO CITY WITH  
HOPE OF THE POOR.**

This all inclusive mission trip includes:

- international flights
- safe housing and meals
- all transportation
- a donation to provide a child in Mexico City to go to school for a whole year.

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# Mass Intentions

## **SATURDAY      APRIL 19   HOLY SATURDAY**

**8:00 PM**      Newly Baptized

## **SUNDAY      APRIL 20   THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD**

**7:30 AM**      All Souls

**9:30 AM**      All Souls

**11:30 AM**      All Souls

## **MONDAY      APRIL 21**

**7:00 AM**      Maria Torres  
Morgan Lockhart  
✠ Marcella Zvyah

## **TUESDAY      APRIL 22**

**7:00 AM**      ✠ James Grossmann

## **WEDNESDAY      APRIL 23**

**7:00 AM**      ✠ Kristin & John Finley

**8:55 AM**      All Souls

## **THURSDAY      APRIL 24**

**7:00 AM**      All Souls

## **FRIDAY      APRIL 25**

**7:00 AM**      All Souls

## **SATURDAY      APRIL 26**

**8:00 AM**      ✠ Anna Kuzma

**5:00 PM**      ✠ Helen Frantz

## **SUNDAY      APRIL 27   DIVINE MERCY**

**SUNDAY**

**7:30 AM**      St. Michael Parish

**9:30 AM**      Marlene Townsend

**11:30 AM**      ✠ For Deceased Members of Patzelt  
Family

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## THE WORD

*(Readings for April 27, 2025, Divine Mercy Sunday)*

I. *Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16*

Through the work of the apostles, many signs and wonders took place among the people. People in great numbers became believers, and many sick people were cured.

II. *Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19*

The author of Revelation had a vision of seven gold lampstands. Among the lampstands was one like a son of man dressed in a robe, with a gold sash around his chest.

III. *John 20:19-31*




One of the Twelve, Thomas, was absent when the risen Lord first appeared to the others. Later, when Thomas was with them, Jesus came and said, "Bring your hand and put it into my side and ...believe." Thomas cried, "My Lord and my God!"



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