

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

JANUARY 2, 2022



*They opened their treasures  
and offered him gifts of  
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*

*Matthew 2:11*

# Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

## PARISH OFFICE STAFF

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## CONVENT

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Address.....43 W. Wilhelm Schererville, IN 46375

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Office Hours: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Monday-Friday and  
by appointment  
Phone:.....322-4505 Fax.....322-4508  
Email.....office@stmichaelparish.life  
Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life  
Address.....1 E. Wilhelm St., Schererville, IN 46375

## ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:30 PM Monday-Friday  
Masks are required.  
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Traditional Classes.....Tuesday or Wednesday 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

## CHAPEL HOURS:

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-3:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 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.

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.

## 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.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Barbara Anderson.....Peace & Social Justice Liaison  
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Thomas Molnar.....Parish Life Liaison  
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Rev. Jacob McDaniel.....Associate Pastor  
Deacon Ron Pyle.....Permanent Deacon

Welcome to visitors and new members. If you would like to register, please visit the website or call 322-4505, x8220. Come Join Us!

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## From the Pastor's Desk

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***Life is full of surprises!*** The last year and a half have proven to be full of surprises. The agony of the pandemic we cannot seem to shake, the turmoil of divisive politics and the often violent and lawless reaction to all these events. We had become to feel quite secure in our daily lives before February 2020. In this security, life had become less surprising, even mundane for many. There was little need to think about the blessings of a reasonable economy or a stable society. This has changed and with that change, it is tempting to think that God's grace is no longer present. Our most recent events sensitize us to the unpleasant side of surprises. This sensitivity about surprises is good and bad. The good side is that it encourages us to plan so we are not caught in a tight spot. The bad side is that the uncertainty of surprises can tempt us to close ourselves off from new experiences, new people and new ways of understanding God's work in our life, even in the confusion of the events of our day.

Today's feast of the Epiphany is all about surprises and, thankfully, about the goodness of surprises. The surprise is that God has come into the world not just for the chosen people but for all people, even people who don't believe in God. Now this might not come to us as a shocking revelation, but it was to the people of the first century. It could be a revelation for us if we realize that God breaks through to you and me in similarly surprising ways. The difficulties we each face in life can surprise us and become the bearers of God's power and grace.

Relationships that are strained can surprise us by inviting us to grow to understand the people we dislike and so understand much more about who I am. Reaching a "roadblock" in life, feeling at the end of our rope can surprise us by finally forcing us to trust in God, and let God hold me up.



If we have a notion that surprises are to be avoided then we limit ourselves to experience God in our lives. Remember, our God is full of surprises: the God who made a Virgin the mother of God, the God who surprised Elizabeth, the God who surprised the leaders of the people in sending John the Baptist, the God who surprised all of history by first becoming a human being and then freely giving His life so all of us might live in for Him forever. If you want God to act in your life -- be ready for a surprise.

***Many Thanks!*** Many thanks go out to all those who have been extra generous this year with the less fortunate in our community. Those who contributed to the Good Samaritans "Trim-a-Tree," those who helped to purchase more substantial items for the Sisters of Charity in Gary and the Poor Handmaids of Christ at the Sojourner Truth House, for the children at the Carmelite Home, and those who donated food and helped in its distribution will find their thanks most importantly through the prayers of the many people they touched. God bless you.

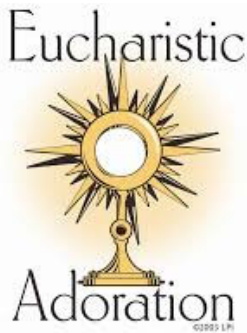
***Yours prayers are needed.*** I ask you to remember in the kindness of your prayers this week, Ryan, a Christian candidate who will be brought into full communion in the Catholic Church next Sunday on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. He is already baptized in the Christian Faith and has been growing in his relationship with Christ over the past year. He has also been learning about what it means to be a Catholic Christian. Now he is prepared to be Confirmed and brought to the Eucharistic Table for the first time. Please pray for him this week and in the weeks after his reception into the Church.

***Marriage Preparation.*** It is at this time of the year and in the month ahead that many young people get engaged. If you or someone (another Catholic) is getting engaged, please remember that you need to contact the parish office no less than six months in advance. A Catholic looking to get married must be married in a Catholic church witnessed by a Catholic priest or deacon. As Catholics, we believe that marriage is a sacramental state, not just a civil one.

Fr. Jacob, Deacon Ron and I are charged with the responsibility to help couples prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. Thus, it is best to contact the office sooner rather than later. The preparation period is at least six months, so it is best to contact us nine months from the wedding date.

# 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



**January 5th**  
**1:00-3:00 PM**  
**in the Chapel**



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Next Sunday, January 9, 2022, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, RCIA candidate, **Ryan Blair**, will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the 9:30 AM Mass. Ryan was baptized in another faith tradition and has been in the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation of adults for almost a year. Please keep Ryan in your prayers as he continues his faith journey.  
*submitted by Janice Gatons*

## Help is Needed for the Christmas Take Down

Please come and help the Art & Environment Ministry to take down the Christmas décor and set-up for Ordinary Time on **January 11th** at 6:00 PM. Please call Tina at 865-8663 if you have questions. *Submitted by Tina Kempf*

## Christmas Concert

**St. Michael Music Ministry's  
Annual Christmas Concert**

**Sing-a-long to all the  
Christmas favorites**

**January 9th**

**3:00 PM in the Church**





# 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



**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ALPHA!**

**KICKOFF PARTY**

**JANUARY 27TH**

**7:00-9:00 PM**

**ST. PATRICK HALL**

**FIRST TOPIC: "IS THERE MORE TO LIFE THAN THIS?"**

Check out the intro videos on our website and sign up online today. We will also have sign-ups after all Masses the weekends of Jan. 15th/16th and 22nd/23rd. Questions? Please call Carol 219-765-8600.

*Submitted by Carol Slager*



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

## Happy New Year!

Radiate High School Youth Ministry is inviting all High School teens to come on out and have a GREAT TIME!

We are NOT school or a classroom or religion class. We ARE here to serve our teens as they grow in their faith, make friends, have fun and eat some food! Our teens PLAN and LEAD our Radiate gatherings using the topics that they want to learn and share more about.

We promise you will have a great time!



Our next gatherings:

Jan. 18th: 6:00-8:00 PM in St Patrick Hall

Jan. 30th: 6:00-8:00 PM in St Patrick Hall

For text updates: RADIATE @81010

Questions? Contact Jeannine Quigley 219.775.5356

*submitted by Jeannine Quigley*



**UGLY SWEATER  
CONTEST WINNERS**



**COOKIE DECORATING AT THE RADIATE  
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

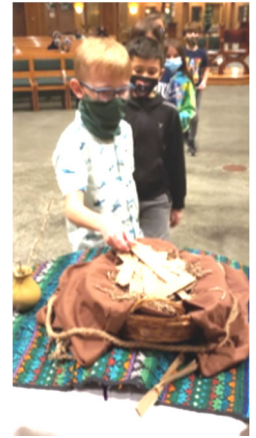
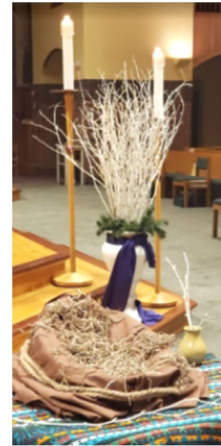


**GIFT EXCHANGE GAME**

# Education and Formation Commission

## Faith Formation News

Kimberley Hoogeveen, DRE



Sunday Families learn about the History of the Advent Wreath with Fr. Jacob. The families also shared generous gift card donations for the 2021 Advent Project which was presented to Sue Cohen, Chairperson of the Good Samaritan Ministry.

Tuesday & Wednesday Faith Formation classes sharing their "Prayers of Love" during the Advent Prayer Service.



5th Grade Faith Formation classes take time to create beautiful Christmas cards for residents in our local Senior Housing!

## JANUARY CALENDAR

**4th/5th:** Traditional Classes 6:00 PM  
**11th/12th:** Traditional Classes 6:00 PM  
**16th:** Family Session 9:30 AM  
 "Do This in Memory of Me" Mass 11:30 AM

**18th/19th:** Traditional Classes 6:00 PM  
**25th/26th:** Traditional Classes 6:00 PM  
**27th:** First Communion Parent Meeting  
 7:00 PM in the Church





## JANUARY CALENDAR

**3rd:** No School

**4th:** School resumes

**8th:** Semi-annual and monthly tuition payments are due

**16th:** "Do This in Memory of Me" Mass 11:30 AM

**17th:** No School

**20th:** HSA Meeting 7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

**23rd:** Open House 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

**27th:** First Communion Parent Meeting  
7:00 PM in the Church

**28th:** Distribution of Report Cards

**30th:** Start of Catholic Schools Week

## WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



Hello! My name is Sarah Gordon and I am 14 years old. I've been at this amazing school since Pre-school. Next year, I will be attending Marian Catholic High School and I am currently taking math and biology classes at MCHS. I am very excited to attend Marian but I am also very sad that I will have to leave this school. I have made so many memories here and I will miss everything very much. I will always love SMS and everything that comes with it. I am very active inside and outside of school. I play volleyball for SMS and for a club team called Michio. I am a libero and I love that position. I have played with the awesome SMS volleyball team and we have gone to two championships and won both. I have been a Student Council member ever since 6th grade and I am currently the Vice President. Another thing about me is I love to draw. I have always had a gift of drawing and hope to take art classes in high school. One other thing about me is that I am drawn to animals. Ever since I was able to look at different species of animals, I have been fascinated by them. As I get older, I hope to pursue a career in animal medicine as a veterinarian or a marine biologist. The last

fact about me is I LOVE Disney World. I have gone on a Disney vacation every year of my life since I was two years old. I love Disney because it brings my family closer together. One thing I love about SMS is the teachers and staff. They are always there to help you and guide you no matter who you are or what you do. While they do take school work seriously, they still let us play games and they still make sure we have time to have fun while learning. Something I will miss about SMS are the teachers and my friends. Like I said before, the teachers and staff here are outstanding. I will always remember them and the times we spent together. The other thing I will definitely miss will be my friends. I have made so many memories with them and I will miss those times we spent together. I will always have memories and pictures from the times we've been together. I will have some friends at the high school I'm going to but I will miss each and every one of my other friends from SMS. No matter how old I get, what school I go to, what other friends I will make, or wherever life takes me in the future, I will always keep my SMS family in my heart. Some advice I'd give to younger students would be; always work hard and make the most out of your time spent at SMS. Your time here flies by quicker than you think. If you don't stop to realize all the things around you, they might pass you by. One more last bit of advice would also be to listen to your parents. They know what they're talking about when they say, "Do your homework!" Overall, this is just a little bit about me. I will always keep this school and everyone in it with me forever in my memories.

## Education and Formation Commission



**2022**

16 W. WILHELM ST.  
SCHERERVILLE, IN  
46375

**\$60**  
PER TICKET  
DRINKS & FOOD INCLUDED

**FEBRUARY  
26TH, 2022  
5:30PM - 11:59PM**

**A STAYCATION LIKE NO OTHER**

JOIN US ON FEBRUARY 26TH, 2022 FROM 5:30PM-11:59PM FOR OUR ANNUAL PASSPORT TO OUR HERITAGE!

THE NIGHT INCLUDES SPECIALTY FOODS FROM A VARIETY OF PORTS INCLUDING ITALY, IRELAND, POLAND, MEXICO, ENGLAND & USA!

THIS STAYCATION OF A LIFETIME IS FILLED WITH AN AUCTION, DELICIOUS FOOD, ADULT BEVERAGES AND A WIDE VARIETY OF ENTERTAINMENT WHICH ALL BENEFITS THE DEVELOPMENT OF ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL!

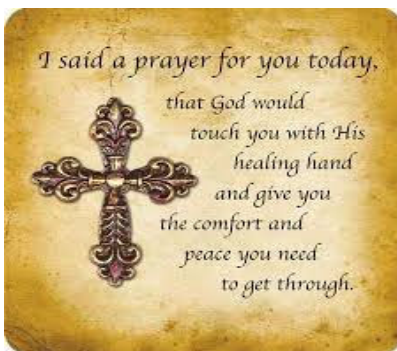
## Peace & Social Justice Commission

Welcome the Newly Baptized

Noelle Marie Jaracz

**Commission Members:** Ministry of Consolation and Hope, Good Samaritans, Pastoral Care, Respect Life, Health & Spirituality Committee, Parish Nurse Ministry, Rebuilding Hope Mission Team, Wheelchair Ramp Ministry, Labors of Love, Emotions Anonymous

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



Phil Kadner, Peyton Buikema, Fr. John Fiore, Ron & Victoria Elkins, Alena & Kyle Kobus, ***Mary Ketchmark, Barb Krivickas, Rita Rossignuolo, Frank Rossignuolo, Zbigniew Sochacki, Beth Ann Brown, Tina Serna, Audrey and Pam Weber, Sharon Valko, Mary Taylor, Patti and Mike O'Rourke, Fritz Priller, Joan McInerey, Maeve Companik, Jo Brown, John & Patricia Malinowski, Victor Guernier*** and all those in need of the healing touch of God.

Please call Monica at 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place a loved one on the Prayer List. 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.***





**EMOTIONS ANONYMOUS  
WILL RESUME SESSIONS STARTING  
JANUARY 10TH  
6:00-7:30 PM  
IN SOUTHWEST MEETING ROOM  
PLEASE ENTER THROUGH EAST DOORS**

This is a 12 step program for those ages 15+ to help with depression, anger, anxiety, grief, relationship issues and emotional disorders. For more information, please call 219-308-0929.

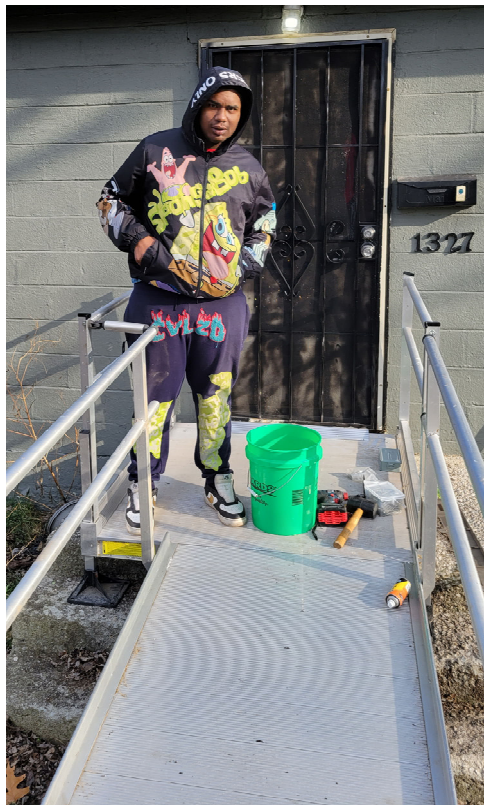
## WHEELCHAIR RAMP MINISTRY KEEPS ON GIVING

St. Michael's Wheelchair Ramp Ministry installed their 28th Ramp for Latrice Hill in Gary.

This installation was a referral from Kaylie Wilson, a social worker from St. Mary's Hospital in Hobart. It was necessary so Latrice could be released on December 23rd, and be home with her family.

Pictured is Michael Hill, Latrice's son who helped us throughout the installation. Also pictured is Bill Marvel from St. John the Evangelist and St. Michael's parishioner Jim Koeling.

*Submitted by Jim Koeling*





From the St. Michael Staff

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

**Good, better, best. Never let it rest. 'Til your good is better and your better is best.**

St. Jerome



## SUPER RAFFLE 2022

**Support St. Michael Parish & School with our Super Raffle!**

**1st Prize \$15,000**  
**2nd Prize \$2,500**  
**3rd Prize \$1,500**

**\*30 additional cash prizes**  
*For every 20 tickets over 1,000 sold, another cash prize will be added!*



**\$50**  
**TICKET**  
**PER TICKET**  
**LICENSE #002572-155563**

**Livestream of Drawing @ 2PM, Feb. 13th on Facebook @StMichaelSville**

**CALL 219-322-4505 EXT. 8246 OR**  
**REQUEST A TICKET ONLINE AT:**  
**[WWW.STMICHAELPARISH.LIFE/EVENT/SUPER-RAFFLE-2022/](http://WWW.STMICHAELPARISH.LIFE/EVENT/SUPER-RAFFLE-2022/)**



# Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

## Stewardship in Action

Make a commitment to enhance your prayer life in this new year so you feel led by God's spirit. Join a study or prayer group. *Submitted by Conchita Bryner*

## Weekly Schedule

### SUNDAY JANUARY 2

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM Masses  
RCIA 9:30 AM

The Rosary is said after the 7:00 AM Weekday Mass  
Except Tuesday-after OLPH devotions

### MONDAY JANUARY 3

No School-Christmas Break  
No Emotions Anonymous  
Parish Office Closed

### TUESDAY JANUARY 4

Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 5

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-3:00 PM  
Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

### THURSDAY JANUARY 6

Choir Practice 7:00 PM

### SATURDAY JANUARY 8

Men's Faith Sharing Group 9:00 AM  
Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM  
Super Raffle Ticket Sales After Vigil Mass

### SUNDAY JANUARY 9

Coffee & Donuts After All Masses  
Super Raffle Ticket Sales After All Masses  
RCIA 9:30 AM  
Christmas Concert 3:00 PM

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

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



November 21, 2021

Adult	\$13,704.00
Children	\$47.00
EFTs*	\$7,135.00
Loose	\$430.00

**Total Weekly Offering**  
**\$21,316.00**

**Campaign for Human Development**  
**\$2,781.00**

\*Electronic Funds Transfer



*A Way of Life*

*Receive God's gifts gratefully  
Nurture God's gifts responsibly  
Share God's gifts justly and charitably  
Return those gifts to God abundantly*

## EDUCATION 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  
Jesica Cherry, Treasurer  
Kenneth Bohling, Patrick Cusick, Don Doffin,  
Julie Hudec, Hal Slager, Joe Townsend,  
Donna Velez

Look for us on the website:  
[www.stmichaelparish.life](http://www.stmichaelparish.life)

# Diocesan Life Information

## \*MARCH FOR LIFE CHICAGO

Join the Diocese of Gary on a bus trip to the March for Life Chicago, **January 8th**. Cost is \$10 per person or \$40 per family which includes transportation to and from the event. Buses will be leaving from Queen of All Saints in Michigan City and from Our Lady of Consolation in Merrillville. Kick-off Mass, open to everyone, will be at 9:30 AM at Our Lady of Consolation. Detailed information, schedule, and registration (required) can be found at [www.prolifegary.org](http://www.prolifegary.org), events tab - March for Life bus trip. Space is limited. Contact Clark at 219-680-0901 with any questions.

## \*STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP

The STM Career Networking Group is having a session, "Employee Rights and Employer Responsibility-An EEOC Overview" on **January 12th**, 7:00-8:30 PM at the Weis Center, 8635 Calumet Ave., Munster. Chandra L. Gray, MAIO will be the guest speaker. Chandra is the owner of Solutions by Chandra LLC. She is an educator specializing in helping women gain confidence to leave toxic and unhealthy work environments. This session is free and open to all who are unemployed, new to the job market, changing careers or who can offer employment opportunities through their current professional connections.

## \*ANDREAN EVENTS

### SCHEDULE A SHADOW DAY

Contact Mr. Jim Nohos, Director of Enrollment Management at 887-5959, ext. 260 to schedule a visit. **APPLY TODAY!**

Families are invited to apply for the 2022-23 school year. The application can be completed online at [andreanhs.org](http://andreanhs.org).

### UPCOMING ADMISSION EVENTS

Entrance Exams are scheduled for **Jan. 15th, Feb. 13th, Mar. 12th and Apr. 3rd**. All start at 1:00 PM.

Pick up is at 4:00 PM.

Niner Night is **April 13th**, 7:00-8:00 PM.

## \*BINGO

The Good Shepherd Council of the Knights of Columbus will host a Bingo on **January 16th** at Our Lady of Consolation, Vamos Hall located at 8303 Taft St., Merrillville. Doors open at 12:00 PM. Early Bird starts at 12:30 PM. Fifteen gift card games begin at 1:00 PM. Special games and door prizes, food and beverages available.

## \*2022 NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE January 19, 2022

For more information, please contact the Lake County Right to Life, [www.lakeloveslife.org](http://www.lakeloveslife.org) or 219-838-1138.

## \*RETREAT FOR POST-ABORTION HEALING

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for post-abortion healing will be held the weekend of **February 4th-6th** in Michigan City. Anyone who is suffering from the painful mental and spiritual effects of a past abortion is encouraged to attend this confidential healing retreat. More information can be found at [www.helpafterabortion.net](http://www.helpafterabortion.net) or by calling or texting 219-552-2944 or emailing [nwinrv@outlook.com](mailto:nwinrv@outlook.com). All inquiries are confidential.

## \*WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Office of Evangelization, Catechesis and Family Life is hosting the 2022 Diocese of Gary Women's Conference on Saturday, **April 2nd**, 8:00 AM-3:00 PM, at Bishop Noll Institute, Hammond. Online registration and payment is at [www.nwicatholicwomen.com](http://www.nwicatholicwomen.com). Tickets are \$35/adult and \$20/student. If you have any questions, please contact Rosanne Kouris, [rkouris@dcgary.org](mailto:rkouris@dcgary.org), 219-796-9292, ext. 259.



Join the Serra Club of Northwest Indiana on the first and third Mondays of the month to learn more about their support for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Meeting time is 6:30 PM in St. Bridget's Hall, 107 Main St., Hobart. Call Susan at 219-688-8209 for more information.



# We Remember . . . We Prepare . . .



## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY JANUARY 1 THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY

No 5:00 PM VIGIL MASS

### SUNDAY JANUARY 2 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30 AM ✠Carol Jakubowicz-4th Anniversary  
 9:30 AM ✠John Finley  
 ✠Lupe Herrera  
 Intentions of Those who Purchased  
 Right to Life Christmas Cards  
 11:30 AM St. Michael Parish

### MONDAY JANUARY 3

7:00 AM ✠Sharon Kras

### TUESDAY JANUARY 4

7:00 AM ✠Otis Cochran

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 5

7:00 AM ✠Margaret Sauter  
 8:55 AM For the Health and Safety of Faculty  
 and Students  
 (Mass for SMS students only)

### THURSDAY JANUARY 6

7:00 AM ✠Stanley Pytel, Sr.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 7

7:00 AM ✠Pauline Schutz

### SATURDAY JANUARY 8

8:00 AM ✠Philip Bruno

5:00 PM ✠Mildred Prenizny

### SUNDAY JANUARY 9 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:30 AM ✠Joe & Geri Saternus

9:30 AM ✠George Pfothbauer

✠Florence Revenew & Chuck Revenew

✠Cary Bosak

11:30 AM St. Michael Parish

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## THE WORD

(Readings for January 9, 2022, The Baptism of the Lord)

I. *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*

“Comfort, give comfort to my people.” Isaiah prophesies that “the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.”

II. *Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7*

Through the grace of God’s appearance, we have been saved “through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit...through Jesus Christ our Savior.”

III. *Luke 3:15-16, 21-22*

When Jesus was baptized, the heavens opened and a voice said, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

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