

July 17, 2022

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



*“Lord, do you not care
that my sister has left me
by myself to do the serving?
Tell her to help me.”*

Luke 10:40

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Pastor.....322-4505, ext. 8220
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Director of Liturgy & Music.....322-4505, ext. 8227
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Head Sacristan322-4505, ext. 8228
Mrs. Loretta DePrez.....sacristan@stmichaelparish.life

CONVENT

Congregation of Mother of Carmel.....322-4011
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

Summer Office Hours: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Monday-Thursday
Friday closed
Phone.....322-4531 Fax.....322-1710
Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life/school
Address.....16 W. Wilhelm St., Schererville, IN 46375
Principal
Miss Michelle Wacnik.....mwacnik@stmichaelparish.life
School Executive Assistant
Mrs. Karen Rapacz.....krapacz@stmichaelparish.life

FAITH FORMATION

Summer Office Hours: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Monday-Thursday
Friday-closed
Phone322-3077 Fax.....322-1710
Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life/faithformation
Address.....16 W. Wilhelm St., Schererville, IN 46375
Director of Religious Education
Kimberley Hoogeveen.....khoogeveen@stmichaelparish.life
Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Mary Jo Rymarczyk...mrymarczyk@stmichaelparish.life
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

SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM
HOLY DAY LITURGY
See page 13 of the bulletin

CHAPEL HOURS:

Currently closed

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1:00-4:00 PM in the Gym-Church

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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Deacon Gary Wolfe.....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!

From the Pastor's Desk

Proper Grounding. The story of Martha and Mary has always stirred some strong feelings in its listeners. Because many listeners of this gospel story are like Martha, working hard for their families or perhaps caring for an elderly parent while other siblings do little to help. This “Martha gene” in such hearers of today’s Word resent being told that all their hard work is not as important as Mary’s just sitting around listening to the Lord. After all, if it wasn’t for the Marthas of this world, dinner would never make it to the table.

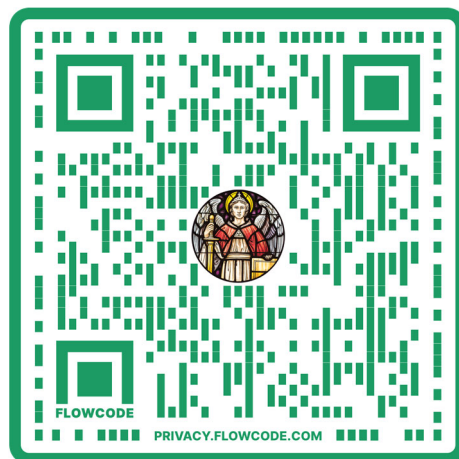
In the tradition of the Church, the story has often been presented as the difference between the monastic/contemplative vocation of prayer found in those who profess vows to the work of the Church and the active vocation of those vowed to the married state and the demands of family life. This is certainly a layer of interpretation placed upon the story. It even seems to be a justification for the monastic or contemplative life as opposed to the more active and consequently less holy life of those who are like Martha. This “traditional” interpretation can certainly limit our understanding of what Jesus is trying to tell us.

However, this incident is related to us in the gospels not to justify one vocation over another vocational choice. To reduce it to such a nice and neat interpretation is to remove from the larger gospel narrative of which it is a part. We need to take this incident seriously at face value.

Attending to the details of hospitality is not wrong. It is not wrong to be concerned about the needs of one’s guests or to be the caregiver or to work hard for one’s family. But when the details of hospitality, the hectic schedule of care-giving and the demands of work become the central focus rather than the guest, the person cared for or the individual family members then there is a problem. This is the problem that Jesus reveals in Martha’s busyness. We can become so busy with the details of living life, running the kids to and fro, caring for family members or friends and work, that we lose sight of the great guest who is constantly in our midst.

Jesus is not just a guest we come to visit on Sunday alone. Jesus is a constant guest who demands our attention. He longs for you and I to be with him in prayer every day. Because he wants us to trust in him. He wants us to allow him to show us that spending time with him is not going to result in chaos and undone tasks. Rather, keeping him as the central focus makes sense of all our busyness.

All of our work will come to nothing if we do not stop and listen to Jesus’ word. Taking time to listen to our beloved guest gives us the proper grounding to be able to take on the tasks of daily life. No grounding in the Lord allows our busyness to become our god.



Scan the QR code to request your Mega Raffle tickets
or see page 9 for other ways to purchase tickets!

Spirituality and Worship Commission



**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**
JULY 20
1:00-4:00 PM
in the
GYM-CHURCH

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

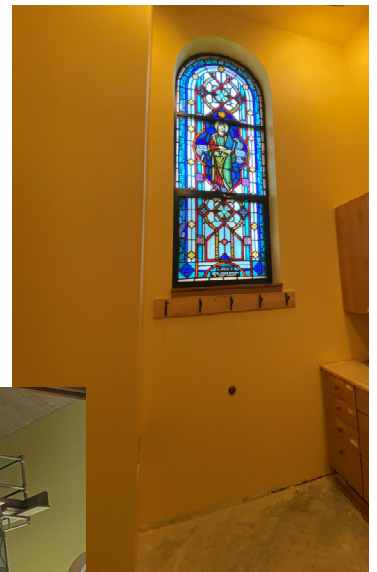


Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is the process for those who are 8 years of age through adulthood. The person may be baptized in another faith tradition, non-baptized, **or only baptized in the Catholic faith and wishes to complete the sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.** For more information about this process, please call Kimberley at 219-322-3077.



A PEEK BEHIND THE CLOSED DOORS OF THE CHURCH



Education and Formation Commission

Faith Formation News

Kimberley Hoogeveen, DRE

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

CATECHISTS NEEDED



We are in need of dedicated individuals willing to be catechists for our Faith Formation students. Catechists will volunteer their time instructing students in the Faith and Church teaching. Classes are on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, 6:00 – 7:30 PM, or Sundays once a month, 9:30-11:00 AM. Catechists who have students in the program will receive free tuition for their child. If you are interested, please contact the Faith Formation office at 219-322-3077.



Location: St. Michael School—Room 3
If you are interested in knowing what it takes to be a Catechist...

PLEASE JOIN US! No obligation to teach.

Faith Formation
Call Us Today!
RSVP 219-322-3077

St. Michael School News

ALUMNUS GIVES SMS A HELPING HAND



Great Job, Morgan! A big thank you to Morgan Battig, St. Michael School Alum – Class of 2019! Morgan built a bookcase for the school library and fixed several shelves throughout the school classrooms. Proud to have Morgan's service and commitment to this task. Morgan and his team did a great job! The completion of this project earned Morgan his Eagle Scout Badge. The bookcase was a needed piece of furniture for the school library as we continue to add new and exciting books for the students. Thank you so much, Morgan, for your dedication to this mission and serving the need of St. Michael School.

Submitted by Miss Kennedy

Education and Formation Commission

JOB OPENINGS AT SMS

St. Michael Catholic School Teaching Position: Full-Time 3rd Grade Teacher

Qualifications: Current Indiana Teaching License – Elementary Education strong and knowledgeable background in Elementary Education and 3rd Grade Curriculum. Candidate must have the desire, knowledge and ability to work with various ability levels. Candidate must promote and nourish a love of learning and an excitement for their subject matter. Differentiated instruction, technology and various tools must be implemented within every lesson. Candidate must be Catholic and practice their faith.

Job Description: The teacher is responsible for providing an educational atmosphere where students have the opportunity to fulfill their potential for intellectual, spiritual, emotional and psychological growth. This person is responsible for organizing and implementing an instructional program that will result in students achieving academic success. We are looking for a faith-filled teacher who has a genuine LOVE for children and teaching.

Requirements: Provide a positive environment in which students are encouraged to be actively engaged in the learning process. Implements instructional activities that contribute to a climate where students are actively engaged in meaningful learning experiences. Identifies, selects and modifies instructional resources to meet the needs of the students with varying backgrounds, learning styles and special needs. Uses and analyzes data to drive instruction. Maintains effective and efficient record keeping procedures. Establishes and maintains cooperative working relationships with students, parents and colleagues. Team player and promotes the Catholic Faith.

Salary: Teacher's Salary, Commensurate with Experience. Excellent Insurance Package.

Effective Date: 2022-2023 School Year

Application Instructions: Submit letter of interest, resume, copy of license, 3 letters of recommendation and transcripts to: mwacnik@stmichaelparish.life.

ABC Assistant

St. Michael School ABC Care (Before and After School Program) serves the needs of the St. Michael students before and after school. We are in need of an assistant to help supervise the students before school (7:00– 8:30 AM) and after school (3:00 – 6:00 PM). Mrs. Sylvia Guetzloff is our director and looking for an assistant to help with the daily needs of this position and care for the students. ABC Care runs during the academic school year and assistant must go through the Virtus training, assist students with homework, engage them in activities and care for their well-being and safety and be committed to this position. If you have any questions and/or interested in this position, please contact Miss Michelle Wacnik (principal) or Mrs. Karen Rapacz (school executive assistant) at the school office – (219) 322-4531. Thank you!

Peace & Social Justice Commission

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



**LABORS
of
LOVE**

**Meeting
July 19th
10:00 AM-12:30 PM
American Legion
Hall
7485 Burr St.,
Schererville**

Welcome the Newly Baptized

Marshall Michael Miller

Peace & Social Justice Commission



LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER

Gayle Blair, Sharon Zalko, ***Josephine Purnell, Diana Marovich, Nicole Villanueva***, Ed Labus, ***Patricia Camp, Charles Svitko***, Genevieve Test, Art Napollilo, Alison Gatons, Kathleen Lakatos, Joan Hammik, ***Jennifer Mance*** and all those in need of the healing touch of God.

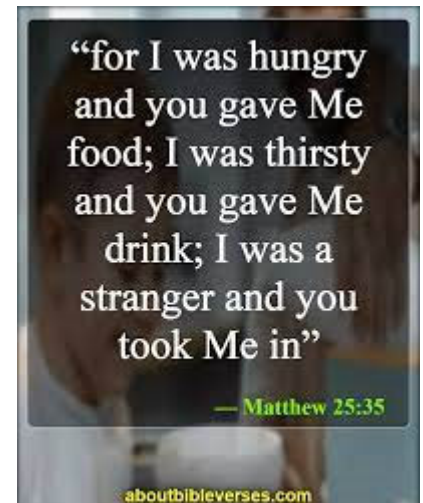
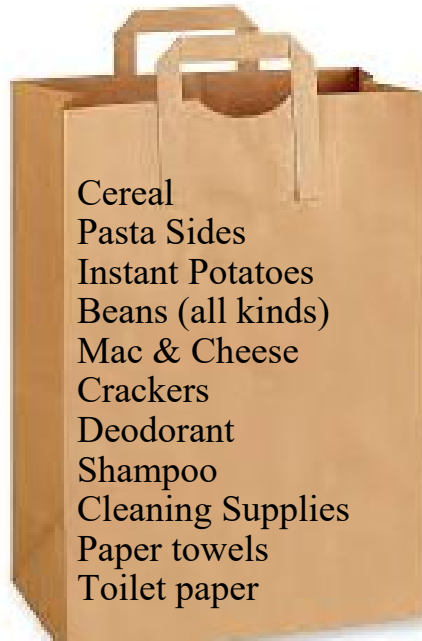
Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place a loved one on the Prayer List. In praying for a sick person, we show our solidarity with that person and we remind ourselves to do all that is within our power to help in the healing done through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Names of the sick are placed in the bulletin for a period of four weeks after which time they are either removed or placed in the Book of Intentions in the Chapel.

St. Michael's parishioners are in bold, italic print.



Please Find It in Your Heart to Help Stock our Near Empty Shelves with the Following Items:

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.



Grocery store gift cards are also appreciated!



Rebuilding Hope Mission Team will partner with United Way of Lake County for a Day of Caring on August 5th at **Campagna Academy** in Schererville.

This is an annual local event where we can give back to our community. We

promise fun, fraternity, lunch and the satisfaction you'll receive by participating.

Contact Mike Macki or Jim Koeling for more information or call the parish office at 322-4505 if you wish to participate in this local community event.

Mike Macki - mike_macki@sbcglobal.net

Jim Koeling - jkoeling@sbcglobal.net

Submitted by Jim Koeling

Parish Life

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

2022 Mercy Fund applications OPEN NOW!

Do you know a Catholic organization or group – engaged in programs or ministries dedicated to a work of mercy in our diocese – that could benefit from a grant of up to \$5,000?

Applications will be accepted until noon on August 1st.

Additional details and eligibility requirements are available at www.catholicfuture.org/grant-seekers. Please contact Judy Holicky at 219-769-9292 ext. 268 or info@catholicfuture.org with any questions.

Senior GEMS!

Join us for fun, laughter and conversation!

Please check the bulletin weekly for changes. Monthly meetings will be at different locations and times during the summer due to the cleaning of the church.

Upcoming Events:

July 26th: Meeting at Bullpen in Schererville, 11:00 AM

Sept. 28th: Bus trip to Starved Rock to see *Shake, Rattle and Roll*. **MUST REGISTER & PAY by August 28th.** Cost is \$104/person. We have 30 tickets. We will leave the church parking lot at 9:45 AM and will return around 4:45 PM.

If you have any questions, please call Carol at 219-736-5085.

Submitted by Carol Rusich

A Parish Field Trip

Starve Rock Lodge Presents

SHAKE, RATTLE & ROLL

September 28th

Departure from

St. Michael's

Parking Lot at 9:45 AM

Tickets are \$104

Deadline to purchase tickets is August 28th.

Please call Carol at 219-736-5085 to purchase tickets or with any questions.



Registration begins at 7:30am

Registration for Adults \$30/

Children \$15

Run starts at 8:00am

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

FEASTDAY5K.GIVESMART.COM

YOUR PARTICIPATION SUPPORTS:



Dear Parishioners,

My husband, Jeffrey Alan Tuskan passed away 10 years ago, with a very rare cancer called cholangiocarcinoma. The cancer consumed my husband at young age of 49 years old. He was a wonderful father and loving husband. In remembrance of him, we are organizing a 5K walk/run to raise funds for the Target Cancer Foundation, which researches treatment for these rare cancers, and for his parish of St. Michael the Archangel in Schererville, IN which is hosting a 5k on September 10, 2022. We would greatly appreciate your support and invite you to run/ walk/ or donate!

Sincerely,

Christina Tuskan,

Feast Day 5K Coordinator

THANK YOU IN
ADVANCE FOR
SUPPORTING THIS 5K!

FEAST DAY

5K

September 10, 2022



Shuttle Drivers Needed To Take the Elderly, the Injured or Anyone Who Wants to Ride in Style from the Parking Lot to the Gym-Church

If you have questions or want to volunteer, please contact Jerry Bromley at 630-417-2515.

Submitted by Jerry Bromley



MEGA RAFFLE 2022

*A MINIMUM OF 1500 TICKETS MUST BE SOLD TO GUARANTEE ALL PRIZE MONEY, OTHERWISE A PERCENTAGE WILL BE GIVEN.

2ND PRIZE: \$10,000
3RD PRIZE: \$5,000
4TH PRIZE: \$4,000
5TH PRIZE: \$3,000
6TH PRIZE: \$2,500
7TH PRIZE: \$2,000



8TH PRIZE: \$1,500
9TH PRIZE: \$1,000
10TH PRIZE: \$750
11TH PRIZE: \$750
12TH-16TH PRIZE: \$500
17TH-101ST PRIZE: \$200

**\$100
PER
TICKET**

**A PORTION OF THE
PROCEEDS GOES TO:**



**\$50,000
GRAND
PRIZE**

HOW TO PURCHASE YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS:

- CALL MEGA RAFFLE HOTLINE AT 219-322-4505, EXT. 8249
- REQUEST A TICKET ON OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.STMICHAELPARISH.LIFE
- STOP BY OUR PARISH OFFICE M-F 9AM-4PM



**DRAWING WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON FACEBOOK
@STMICHAELSVILLE AUGUST 6th AT 10PM**

LICENSE #002572-155855



*"The joy of living reflects
the original joy that God
felt in creating us."*

- St. Pope John Paul II



**Food, Live Music, Bingo,
Mega Raffle, Beer Garden**

**Gates open at 5:00pm
Close at 11:00pm**

Licence #002572-155855

August

5-6

2022

St. Michael's **FUN FEST** needs **YOU!**

Drop this form in the collection basket, at the parish office or in the drop box next to the office.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Pre-Festival Needs

- _____ Electrical Set Up: Monday - Thursday: August 1 - 4 6:00 pm
- _____ Grounds Set Up: Tuesday - Thursday: August 2 - 4 6:00 pm
- _____ Final Fest Set Up: Thursday, August 4 6:00 pm

Friday, August 5 (Please circle all shifts you are willing to work)

- _____ Mega Raffle: (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 - 8:00 pm or 8:00 - 11:00 pm
- _____ Pull Tabs (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 10:00 pm
- _____ Bingo: (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:45 - 7:45 pm or 7:45 - 10:00 pm
- _____ Kid's Game Booth: 5:00 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 10:00 pm
- _____ Parking Crew: 4:30 - 6:30 pm or 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- _____ Grounds Clean-up: 7:00 - 9:00 pm or 9:00 - 11:00 pm
- _____ Stand-by Volunteer: (go where needed) 5:00 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 10:00 pm

Saturday, August 6 (Please circle all shifts you are willing to work)

- _____ Grounds Set Up / Clean Up: 8:00 - 10:00 am
- _____ Mega Raffle: (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 - 8:00 pm or 8:00 - 11:00 pm
- _____ Pull Tabs (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:00 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 10:00 pm
- _____ Bingo: (must be 18yrs. of age) 5:45 - 7:45 pm or 7:45 - 10:00 pm
- _____ Kid's Game Booth: 5:00 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 10:00 pm
- _____ Parking Crew: 4:30 - 6:30 pm or 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- _____ Grounds Clean-up: 7:00 - 9:00 pm or 9:00 - 11:00 pm
- _____ Stand-by Volunteer: (go where needed) 5:00 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 10:00 pm

Sunday, August 7

- _____ Take Down & Clean Up Grounds: starting at 9:00 am

**** Students: Don't miss this opportunity for needed Service Hours ****

Contact: Jill Hartog 219-865-6872 (jimhartog@comcast.net)
Lynn Schmitt 219-322-6025 (Schmitt0826@gmail.com)

Thank you for your Support!

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

If you need to contact the office by email,
please use office@stmichaelparish.life.

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

The Gifts of Stewardship



Stewardship in Action

What do you need to set aside in order to spend time
with the Lord daily? Ask a loved one to join you this
week.
Submitted by Conchita Bryner

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



June 5, 2022

Adult	\$16,764.00
Children	\$8.00
EFTs*	\$6,137.00
Loose	\$368.00

Total Weekly Offering
\$23,277.00

**Electronic Funds Transfer*

Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY JULY 17

RCIA 9:30 AM

WEDNESDAY JULY 20

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM

FRIDAY JULY 22

K of C Blood Drive 11:00 AM-5:00 PM

SATURDAY JULY 23

Finance Council Meeting 9:00 AM

Confessions in Gym-Church 3:30 PM-4:30 PM

Mega Raffle Ticket Sales After Vigil Mass

SUNDAY JULY 24

Mega Raffle Ticket Sales After All Masses

RCIA 9:30 AM

Marian Devotions 8:15 PM



ST. MICHAEL
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

AUGUST 28th

@ Scherwood Golf

11:00AM Registration

12:00PM Shotgun start

BBQ dinner to follow golf



TO REGISTER OR SPONSOR, CONTACT:

PATRICK_CUSICK@HOTMAIL.COM

OR CALL

219-713-5472

\$75 PER GOLFER



SERRA CLUB OF NWI



We need YOU to help foster and support vocations in our diocese. Join Serra on the first Monday of each month for a business meeting to learn what we do and how we serve. We also meet on the third Monday of each month for Holy Hour of Exposition, Rosary and

Benediction for vocations in our diocese at 6:30 PM at St. Bridget in Hobart. Call Susan Gryfakis at 219-688-8209 for more information.

*PIG ROAST & BAKE SALE

The Descent of the Holy Spirit Church, 545 E. 77th Ave./Seberger Rd., Schererville is having a Pig Roast and Bake Sale on **July 23rd**, 1:00-4:00 PM. Eat in or Take out! Dinner includes; pork roast, sauerkraut, rice, cucumber salad, bread and fruit. Cost is \$20 per person.

NWI CAMINO: A YOUNG ADULT WALKING PILGRIMAGE THRU NWI

Young adults are invited on a spiritual walking pilgrimage in their own backyard **July 23rd-24th**. Pilgrims (18 years old +) will journey approximately 10.5 miles on July 23rd beginning at St. Mary Catholic Church in Crown Point and ending at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Highland, and 7.2 miles on July 24th ending at All Saints Parish in Hammond. Pilgrims will end their journey by receiving their very own official document of completion and Mass. To register or learn more information, visit www.garyoyya.org/nwicamino.

FCSLA LIFE

ST. ANNE'S DAY CELEBRATION

All local FCSLA branches of the Helen Kocan district will be celebrating the feast day of St. Anne, the patroness of our organization, on **July 26th**, with a Mass at 11:00 AM at Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville. A luncheon will be served afterwards at The Croatian Center, 8550 W. Taft St., Merrillville. Members are free. The cost is \$25.00 for guests of members. RSVP to your branch:
81-Becky Coleman 219-801-6665
452-Betty Ortiz 219-671-9278
289-Lillian Zaborske 219-322-4709
317-Agnes Chervanek 219-865-6396
before July 17th, to make your reservation.

*BLESSING OF VEHICLES

In celebration of the Solemnity of the Feast Day of St. Christopher (recognized on July 25th), the Blessing of Vehicles will take place after all Holy Masses at 9:00 AM (English), 10:30 AM (Polish), and 12:00 PM (Polish) on **July 24th**, at the Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine (Salvatorian Fathers Monastery), 5755 Pennsylvania St., Merrillville. For information, call 219-884-0714.

RETREATS AT LINDENWOOD RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTER

Women of and for Diversity Retreat July 27th 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The day includes prayer, meditation, reflection small group and whole-group sharing around our stories so that we learn how to walk with and support each other as women of and for diversity. Cost \$55

Register at Lindenwood.org

A Brush with God Icon Retreat. July 31st-Aug.5th

Peter Pearson, renowned iconographer, will lead you through the process of prayerfully making an icon brushstroke by brushstroke. Sts. Brigid and Patrick are the icons. Cost: \$675 includes room, meals, retreat. \$425 for commuters include noon meal and retreat.

Register at Lindenwood.org

The Center is located at 9601 S. Union Rd., Plymouth, IN.

*COME & JOIN THE FUN!

Share Foundation is holding its 28th Leprechaun Hunt on **Aug. 7th**, 12:00-6:00 PM at Sharing Meadows. All day enjoy delicious food, drinks, games and Irish music. Thirty-three leprechauns wait to be found for pots of gold worth up to \$1,500. Advance adult tickets are \$60. Tickets at the gate are \$70. Children 13 and under are free with parents and grandparents. For tickets, please visit our website, sharefoundation.org or call the office at 219-778-2585. Proceeds benefit adults with intellectual disabilities.

CONVERSION RETREAT

Bonds of Marian Love (Diocese of Gary) is having a Conversion Retreat. The retreat is **Aug. 26th starting at 8:00 PM and ending Aug. 28th at 5:00 PM.** The retreat will take place at Cedar Lake Ministries House, 13701 Lauerman St., Cedar Lake and will be in Spanish. Donation is \$200 which includes lodging and meals. If interested, please visit www.bondsofmarianlove.com or call Juana at 219-365-0582 or Lolita at 708-833-1578.

*RED MASS

The 2022 Red Mass and free CLE Seminar will be held **October 6th** at Our Lady of Consolation Church, Merrillville. Bishop McClory will celebrate Mass at 8:00 AM. The CLE seminar after Mass is "Life, Death and Taxes." This event is open to everyone in the legal and finance community. More info is available at 219-769-9292, ext. 268. RSVP by Sept 23rd.

We Remember . . . We Prepare . . .



Mass Intentions

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>JULY 16</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>JULY 21</u>
5:00 PM	✠Robert & Carol Keyl	7:00 AM	✠Philip Bruno
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>JULY 17 16TH SUNDAY IN</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>JULY 22</u>
	<u>ORDINARY TIME</u>	7:00 AM	✠Patricia Conroy
7:30 AM	✠Pat Carlay	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>JULY 23</u>
	✠Mary Lee Thiel	8:00 AM	✠Deceased Members of the Nick & Genevieve Doffin Family
	✠Doris Schweitzer	5:00 PM	✠David Hildebranski
9:30 AM	✠Stanley Kulig	<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>JULY 24 17TH SUNDAY IN</u>
11:30 AM	St. Michael Parish		<u>ORDINARY TIME</u>
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>JULY 18</u>	7:30 AM	✠Rosa Castagna
7:00 AM	✠Mary Ann Gawel	9:30 AM	✠Deacon Jack Krol
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>JULY 19</u>		For an End to Abortion on Demand and for a Conversion of Heart for those who Provide Abortions
7:00 AM	✠John Finley		✠Gloria Smokvina- <i>Birthday</i>
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>JULY 20</u>	11:30 AM	St. Michael Parish
7:00 AM	✠Stanley Pytel, Sr.		
	✠Gloria Smokvina- <i>Anniversary</i>		
	✠Perla & Borferio Gubatenga		

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THE WORD

(Readings for July 24, 2022, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

I. *Genesis 18:20-32*

The Lord was outraged at the sinfulness of Sodom and Gomorrah and was determined to destroy them, but Abraham interceded on behalf of the innocent who lived in those towns.

II. *Colossians 2:12-14*

The author of Colossians wrote, "You were buried with him in baptism...also raised with him." God has forgiven all our transgressions and "removed it from our midst, nailing it to the cross."

III. *Luke 11:1-13*

Jesus taught His disciples the "Abba" prayer. He encouraged them to pray with persistence and to keep knocking on the door. "For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds."

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