

FEAST DAY CELEBRATION



Throughout the month of September, our parish has been celebrating Stewardship through Ministry Month. As faithful members of our church, we have been called to be good stewards. Through our commitment to stewardship, we affirm our gratitude to God by sharing His gifts of our time, talent and treasure with others.

OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE...

This weekend, St. Michael's Church celebrates its Feast Day and The Call to Stewardship through Ministry.

Fr. Marty and other parish leaders would like to extend their deepest gratitude to those parishioners who have answered the call to stewardship and returned Ministry Commitment Cards to the parish. These commitments, which display your kind and giving spirit, signify that you have heeded God's call to live as disciples on a daily basis through the practice of stewardship.

The Ministry Card calls for a commitment to stewardship - the stewardship of our time in which we live prayer and the stewardship of our talent in which we live service through the ministries we support.

We are a community of the Lord's disciples, and we are grateful to each parishioner who has embraced stewardship as a way of life and kept the spirit of stewardship alive within our parish family.

Again, thank you for your overwhelming generosity and sharing your gifts with our parish. Your charitable spirit of giving will continue to enable St. Michael's Church to fulfill the mission that God has entrusted to us. We offer our prayers that God will continue to bestow His countless blessings upon you, your family and our parish community.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERING THE CALL OF STEWARDSHIP

Additional Commitment Cards are available in the Gathering Space

Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

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Masks are required.
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Miss Colleen Kennedy.....ckennedy@stmichaelparish.life
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FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM Monday & Thursday
12:00-5:00 PM, 6:00-7:30 PM Tuesday &
Wednesday
Friday by appointment
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Director of Religious Education
Kimberley Hoogeveen.....khoogeveen@stmichaelparish.life
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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

SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM
HOLY DAY LITURGY
See page 15 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

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 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 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!

From the Pastor's Desk

Somebody is in our corner! We say that St. Michael the Archangel is our PATRON. Just what does that mean, to have a patron? The concept of having a patron comes to us from the ancient world. The Mediterranean societies, most familiar to us as ancient Rome, upheld a complex system of patronage. It did look something like modern patronage, but was far more essential to the smooth running of the whole society. It wasn't a nasty word, indeed it saved thousands from poverty and starvation.

Your patron in ancient Rome, for example, would assume a certain responsibility for you and you would honor that patronage by seeking his interest. For example, you might be a clever person good with people and management but you came from a very poor family. The patron would hear from someone he trusted, or see in you, your talents. He would then provide you with capital (money, position, etc.) for you to use your talents to earn a living for yourself and advance his interests financially, socially and politically.

This relationship was decidedly lopsided with the patron having the upper hand; he became like your second father and he was respected as one. But the one who was patron-ized had a legal responsibility to use the special capital (gifts) given to them to produce even more capital.

This concept of a give and take relationship is at the heart of our system of spiritual patronage with St. Michael and the many other saints we honor. They have "spiritual" capital we need to be successful Christians. We each have abilities (gifts) that we share and some that are particular to each one of us. Our patron has a goal; it is Christ's goal, to have influence in all things to bring about the salvation of all. We agree to this goal when we seek the assistance of our patron St. Michael. He offers us gifts (capital) to be able to be successful in providing for ourselves and in promoting his goal, which is Christ's.



Not to use what our patron offers is a violation of the relationship. When we do this we lose the ability to use what is offered to us. It is not so much that it is taken away as it is a matter of our own pride which makes it impossible to utilize the capital offered to you or me. In a sense you and I think we can do it on our own without our patron's resources. In the spiritual life this is not possible. You and I are on a journey, we have yet to reach our common goal. We need all the help we can get and we need to know our place in the order of things so that we can use our patron(s) help effectively to provide for our salvation and to promote Christ's goal; the salvation of the whole universe.

This is why, during the past month you have been hearing about the many ways you can capitalize of the gifts that God has given you by participating in one or more of the many ministries and activities here at St. Michael's. Some people might think the parish is a "service institution" for the parishioners. It is a hub of service but not as the sole provider of service but the main source of service to the whole community. Jesus did not call us to be served. He called each of us to serve in the likeness of the example He Himself offered.

Spending some time in prayer today in His Eucharistic Presence can help us to respond to His call to serve in His name. He longs to nourish us both in Holy Communion and in prayer with Him outside of Mass too. I realize it's busy. Come spend 10, 20 or 30 minutes with God. He will bless you in all the business that you have to endure.

In addition, our holy patron, St. Michael the Archangel is there to help us, to defend us when temptations become very appealing. I speak of those temptations to do as you or I please, to ignore the needs of others, to indulge our passions – to give into our darker side. Don't be afraid to call upon his aid to use the capital he willing gives. Unlike human patrons, our spiritual patrons have the same ultimate goal we have; to be one with God in Christ.

Spirituality and Worship Commission

***Eucharistic Adoration
September 29th
1:00-4:00 PM in the Chapel***

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

Celebrating the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel September 26th Coffee and Donuts After All Masses

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration will begin at 1:00 PM. If you are able to come, please see the following list of suggested times based on ministries and last names. This will help assure there is someone there all day. All parishioners are encouraged to visit our Eucharistic Saviour.



Evening Prayer and Benediction 4:30 PM Feast Day Dinner in St. Patrick Hall Following Evening Prayer

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Last Names Starting M-O
Cross Bearers
Lectors
Altar Servers
Eucharistic Ministers
Hospitality Ministers
Music Ministers

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Last Names Starting A-D
Faith Formation Catechists
& Assistants
Faith Sharing Groups
RCIA Team Members
Respect Life Ministers
Emotions Anonymous
Ministry
Bible Study Ministers

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Last Names Starting E-H
Ministers of Care
Ministry of Consolation &
Hope
Senior GEMS
Welcoming Ministry
RADIATE Youth Ministry

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Last Names Starting I-L
Scouts
Labors of Love Ministers
Knights of Columbus
Finance Council Members
Sacristans
Gardener Ministry

1:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Last Names Starting W-Z
Festival Committee
Pastoral Council Members
Rebuilding Hope Mission
Team
Finance Council Members
Good Samaritans

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Last Names Starting S-V
HSA
Parish/School Advisory
Board
Sports Advisory Board
Deer Creek/Clarendale
Ministers
Labors of Love Members

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Last Names Starting P-R
Art & Environment
Ministers
Comforting Chefs
Health & Spirituality
Ministers
Money Counting Ministry
Parish Nurses
Marriage Prep Ministers
Baptismal Prep Ministers



***Marian Devotions
Last One of 2021
October 3rd 6:30 PM
Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine***

October Intention:
For all those suffering from
mental illness

Spirituality and Worship Commission



LIVING SCRIPTURAL ROSARY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



OCTOBER 4TH AT 7:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL
ALL ARE WELCOMED! COME & BRING YOUR FRIENDS!
ALL ROSARY PRAYERS ARE SAID TOGETHER
NO FEAR TO BE A LIVING BEAD

Submitted by Cathy Bartczak

More information on how to register in upcoming bulletins.

Diocese of Gary
Offices of Worship and Intercultural Ministry



CONFERENCE '21

The Body of Christ - Joyfully Gathered - Gratefully Serving
El Cuerpo de Cristo - Reunidos con Gozo - Sirviendo con Gratiitud

November 12-13
St. Patrick Parish • Chesterton, IN

Minister Training
Saturday

AFTER EVENING PRAYER AND BLESSING, LITURGICAL MINISTERS PROCESS TO A FULL COMMUNAL MEAL FILLED WITH PRAYER, PROCLAIMED SCRIPTURE, HYMNS FROM THE HEART AND FELLOWSHIP

DESPUES DE LA ORACION DE LA NOCHE Y LA BENEDICION, LOS MINISTROS LITURGICOS PROCESAN HACIA UNA COMIDA COMUNAL COMPLETA LLENA DE ORACION, ESCRITURA PROCLAMADA, HIMNOS DEL CORAZON Y COMUNIDAD



FOOD FOR THE
SOUL & BODY
ALIMENTO PARA
EL ALMA & EL CUERPO



Friday

Evening Prayer • Reflection • Benediction • Agape Meal

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

Are you in High School? Want to make more Friends? Enrich your Faith? Have Fun & eat Food?

Then come to our next gathering. RADIATE IS WAITING FOR YOU!
This year, we have so many things we want to do, and we can't wait!



Upcoming Schedule:
Oct. 3rd: Friendship Bracelet Night – making bracelets together, 6:00-8:00 PM in Hall
Oct. 10th: 6:00-8:00 PM in Hall
Oct. 24th: Halloween Party Night with Spooky Bible Study, 6:00-8:00 PM in Hall

For updates on our gatherings:
Check Church Bulletin weekly
Sign up for our Radiate Texts: **Send text to 81010**
Text this message: **@radiate**

Submitted by Jeannine Quigley



SMS NEWS

Due to COVID-19 all dates/times are subject to change and/or cancellation.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sept. 29th: Feast Day of St. Michael the Archangel Spaghetti Lunch

OCTOBER CALENDAR

1st: Western Night Grades 1 & 2
5:30-8:30 PM in the gym

2nd: Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grade 3
10:30 AM in Church

12th: Picture Day

15th: Middle School Dance in SMS Gym

18th: Confirmation Parent Meeting
7:00 PM in Church

22nd: Classroom Halloween Parties
Fun Fair 5:30-8:30 PM

27th: Special Person's Day

28th & 29th: Fall Break/eLearning Days

Education and Formation Commission

LAST WEEKEND TO REGISTER FOR CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY

Come and learn about the Gospel of Luke. It is a two part session running on Tuesdays, October 5th-November 9th and March 1st-29th, 7:-00-9:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall. The cost is \$10 per session. No late registration will be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Linda at 322-1717 or Deacon Ron at 742-8263.

Faith Formation News

Kimberley Hoogeveen, Director of Religious Education

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

28th/29th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM

OCTOBER CALENDAR

2nd: First Reconciliation for Grade 3
10:30 AM in Church

5th/6th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM

10th: Family Session 9:30-11:00 AM

12th/13th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM

17th: Do This in Memory Mass 11:30 AM

18th: Confirmation Parent Meeting
7:00 PM in Church

19th/20th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM

26th/27th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM

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Peace & Social Justice Commission

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

LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER



Emily Lopez, Claudia Solis, Francisco Flores, Michael McBride, Dean & Diane Taylor, Whitney Brittle, Ashley Floit, Jerry Caravana, Ken Caravana, Courtney Aydt, Sumi Blake, Kay Parker, Tina Serna, Audrey and Pam Weber, Zbigniew Sochacki, David Sarros, Beth Ann Brown, Robert Marszowski, Linda Bayus, June Czajkowski, Kenny Kollosch, Sr., Christine Lee 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.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

40 DAYS OF LIFE CAMPAIGN SEPTEMBER 22ND-OCTOBER 31ST



The Respect Life Ministry would like to inform everyone that there is another 40 Days for Life Campaign that began on September 22nd and will go through October 31st. The 40 Days for Life is a prayer campaign held worldwide with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. Some exciting numbers to share with you at this time because of the 40 Days for Life Campaigns: 19,198 babies saved, 221 abortion workers have quit, and 112 abortion facilities closed. If you would like to take part in this 40 Days for Life campaign, consider joining other pro-lifers "on the hill" at Planned Parenthood in Merrillville anytime between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM for a peaceful, non-confrontational prayer vigil to pray for the end to abortion. **Parishioners from St Michael's are planning to go to Planned Parenthood on Friday, October 1st at 11:00 AM for an hour of peaceful vigil to pray for the end of abortion. There are 960 hours that make up the 40 Days for Life; can you give up just 1 hour to stand up for life?**

**One Life Saved. One Mother Protected. One Mind Changed.
One Worker Converted. One Facility Closed.**

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY - ROSE SALE



Respect Life Sunday is next Sunday, October 3rd and in honor of the day, The Respect Life Ministry will be selling roses after all Masses. A donation of a \$1 for a rose or a dozen for \$10 is appreciated. Proceeds help to support Lake County Right to Life and the Women's Care Center. At 2:00 PM on October 3rd, please join the Life Chain that takes place on Ridge Road from Wicker Park and goes West into Lansing where pro-lifers stand together to form a Chain to promote Life and pray for an end to abortion.



KEEP UPDATED ON CURRENT EVENTS

The Respect Life Ministry would like to encourage everyone to watch EWTN's ProLife Weekly every Thursday at 9:00 PM or Tuesday at 12:00 PM to keep informed on issues that are currently being discussed. Also visit their website at Prolifeweekly.com for the weekly CALL TO ACTION!

Submitted by Cathy Bartczak

Peace & Social Justice Commission

Bereavement Sessions Every Thursday, Sept 30th-Nov. 4th 7:00-8:30 PM in SW Room in St. Patrick Hall Today is the Last Day to Register!

At these sessions, you will be actively listened to and nonjudgmental support will be offered. For more information and to register, please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241.

Submitted by Janice Gatons



We are here to assist anyone with temporary help. If you know someone from Dyer, Schererville 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.

WHEELCHAIR RAMP MINISTRY



On Labor Day, members of St. Michael's Wheelchair Ramp Ministry installed their 25th ramp to help a family in Schererville to get their wife and mother to doctors' appointments.

If you would like to participate in this ministry in any, please contact the parish office at 219-322-4505. Also check out one of our trifold pamphlets in the kiosks in the church narthex. *Submitted by Jim Koeling*

**Mondays
6:00-7:30 PM**

GRIEF



**ST. MICHAEL
1 W. WILHELM ST.
SCHERERVILLE, IN**

ANXIETY

DEPRESSION

"NEW HOPE ROAD"

**EA-EMOTIONS ANONYMOUS
12 STEP PROGRAM**

ANGER

FREE EMOTIONAL SUPPORT GROUP
FOR PEOPLE 15 YEARS OLD & UP

EMOTIONAL DISORDERS

**Southwest Meeting Room in St. Patrick Hall
Use east doors to enter**

RELATIONSHIP ISSUES



**Pet Blessing
October 2nd
9:00 AM**

**St. Francis Shrine
next to the Parish Office**

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

Simple Maths:

"2get" and "2give"
creates many problems.

So, just double it ..

"4get" and "4give"
solves many problems.

MEN'S FAITH SHARING GROUP



**SAINT MICHAEL MEN'S FAITH
SHARING GROUP INVITES MEN OF
THE PARISH TO JOIN US TO BE
TRANSFORMED BY SHARING OUR
FAITH WITH ONE ANOTHER AND
GROWING IN RELATIONSHIP WITH
CHRIST.**

**OCTOBER 2ND
@ 9:00AM
ST. AMAND ROOM**

**FOR MORE INFO: CONTACT
GARYWWOLFE@HOTMAIL.COM**

SENIORS ROCK!

Senior GEMS
September 28th
10:00 AM-12:00 PM
St. Patrick Hall

Book Club is Finally Here
September 28th
11:00 AM-12:00 PM
St. Patrick Hall
All are Welcome!

Book Title: *Two Steps Forward*
by Sharon Garlough Brown

RED MASS FOR ALL THOSE IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION

October 7th
Our Lady of Consolation
8303 Taft St., Merrillville
Mass at 8:30 AM
SEMINAR TO FOLLOW

RESERVE ONLINE AT [HTTP://WWW.CATHOLICFUTURE.ORG/NEWS](http://www.catholicfuture.org/news)
OR CONTACT [JHOLICKY@CATHOLICFUTURE.ORG](mailto:jholicky@catholicfuture.org)

Rotisserie Chicken Dinner

Saturday, October 9th
5 - 8 PM
St. Michael Church ~ Schererville, IN

\$12 ~ Carry - Out Only

Ticket Sales after Masses:
Sept 25-26 & Oct 2-3
No tickets will be sold at the door.

Knights of Columbus
St. Michael the Archangel Council #12177

Nelson's
CATERING & FUNDRAISING
1/2 chicken, cole slaw, baked potato, roll



buy online



CALLING ALL ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL ALUMNI

With over 100 years of providing quality Catholic education to thousands of students, we are now asking the St. Michael Catholic School alumni family to join our alumni network & support St. Michael Catholic School for present and future years!

This network will allow alumni to reconnect with former classmates and join the shared mission of #WarriorCatholic. The larger the network, the more future reunions and other St. Michael alumni activities possible!

On behalf of all current and future St. Michael Catholic School students, we thank you for your generous support!

If you would like to donate, please visit <https://stmichaelparish.life/school/alumni/>

Submitted by Marty Lucas and Megan Jones

MOSAIC CROSS WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 06, 2021

9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

COST: \$35

REGISTER BY October 31st.

Includes all materials and short teachings by Jenny Spontak on how to have:

Peace with God

Peace with Yourself

Peace with Others

**St. Michael Parish
1 E. Wilhelm St.
Schererville, IN 46375
(219) 322-4505**



**PEACE
BY
PIECE**
MINISTRIES

**Register by contacting Father Jacob at:
frjacob@stmichaelparish.life**

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

Stewardship in Action

Reflect on habits that do not support you. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you create new healthy habits.
Submitted by Conchita Bryner

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

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26

Catholic Bible Study Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses and Before 11:30 AM Mass
 Coffee & Donuts After All Masses
 Nelson's Chicken Dinner Ticket Sales After All Masses
 RCIA 9:30 AM
 Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:30 PM
 (see schedule on page 4)
 Evening Prayer & Benediction 4:30 PM
 Feast Day Dinner Following Evening Prayer

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

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 27

Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28

Senior GEMS 10:00 AM
 Book Club 11:00 AM
 Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 29

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM
 Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM
 Genesis to Jesus 7:00 PM

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 30

Bereavement Session 7:00 PM
 Choir Practice 7:00 PM

SATURDAY OCTOBER 2

First Saturday Devotions After 8:00 AM Mass
 Men's Faith Sharing Group 9:00 AM
 Pet Blessing 9:00 AM
 First Reconciliation 10:30 AM
 Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM
 Nelson's Chicken Dinner Ticket Sales After Vigil Mass
 Respect Life rose Sale After Vigil Mass

SUNDAY OCTOBER 3

Nelson's Chicken Dinner Ticket Sales After All Masses
 Respect Life Rose Sale After All Masses
 RCIA 9:30 AM
 Radiate 6:00 pM
 Marian Devotions 6:30 PM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



August 22, 2021

Adult	\$17,449.00
Children	\$8.00
EFTs*	\$7,675.00
Loose	\$533.00

Total Weekly Offering
\$25,665.00

**Electronic Funds Transfer*

*In a world that
 "couldn't care less,"*

WE ARE A PEOPLE
who couldn't care more.



EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Please consider supporting our education endeavors at St. Michael Parish through the **St. Michael Education Foundation with a Memorial Donation.**

Your gift will be listed here and acknowledged to the family or individual you memorialize.
 Living Memorial - Anniversary Memorial - Deceased Memorial

Directors of the Foundation

Rev. Martin J. Dobrzynski, Pastor
 Colleen Kennedy, Principal
 Dr. Ed Udani, Secretary
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 Julie Hudec, Hal Slager, Joe Townsend,
 Donna Velez

Look for us on the website: www.stmichaelparish.life.

*DINNER, FOOD & CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

Those in need of clothing and/or food are invited to the 37th Annual Spaghetti Dinner on **October 2nd**, 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM at the Hammond Civic Center, 5825 Sohl Avenue, Hammond. Sponsored by Lucy Perz, Calumet Region Youth and many local churches. To donate non-perishable items and clothing or to volunteer to help, please contact Lucy at 219-838-6602 or 219-381-4670.

GATHERING OF MOTORCYCLES

The Polish Bikers' Annual Fall Gathering of Motorcycles will be **October 3rd** at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine, 5755 Pennsylvania St., Merrillville. Mass at noon followed by the blessing of motorcycles and a picnic on the shrine grounds. The event will be held rain or shine and is open to everyone.

For more information, please call 219-884-0714.

*OCTOBERFEST

St. Nicholas Apostolate/St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, 557 W. 57th Avenue. Merrillville is hosting an Octoberfest on **October 10th**, 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Menu items include: stuffed cabbage, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread/butter/dessert. Donation is \$11/Adult and \$5/Child. John Pruzin, Jr. & His Tamburitza Band will entertain. Proceeds will benefit the less fortunate.

STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP

STM Career Networking Group is hosting a seminar, "*Inspiration for your Job Search*" presented by Deacon Joe Stodola on **October 13th**, 7:00-8:30 PM, at STM Weis Center, 8635 Calumet Avenue, Munster. This is free and open to all those who are unemployed, new to the job market or want to change careers. Masks are optional.

*INTERNATIONAL WAVE OF LIGHT



In observance of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day on **October 15th**, NWI parents, their families and friends are invited to participate in a candlelight vigil, the International Wave of Light, at the Calumet Park Funeral Chapel. Doors open at 6:30 P.M. The candle vigil takes place 7:00-8:00 PM. Please call 219-730-9199 or email info@miscarriedbaby.com by October 8th if you would like to attend.

DINNER & WINE PAIRING EVENT

You are invited to Catholic Charities Sip, Savor, & Support Dinner and Wine Pairing Event on **Friday, October 22nd** at Trinity Banquet Hall located at St. Patrick Catholic Community in Chesterton, Indiana. Tickets are \$55 per person and you must be 21 to attend. Come and expand your wine knowledge and delight your taste buds as we Sip, Savor, & Support Catholic Charities through this exciting Wine & Food Pairing Dinner Event. Sponsorship opportunities that will showcase your business, organization, group, or an individual are also available. To learn more about this event and sponsorship opportunities, please visit <http://www.catholic-charities.org/events/dinner>, or contact Esther Miller at 219-689-3153.

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 25	THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 30
5:00 PM	✦ Patricia Lyza	7:00 AM	✦ John Finley
SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 26 CELEBRATING THE PATRONAL FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL	FRIDAY	OCTOBER 1
7:30 AM	✦ Joe & Jeri Saternus	7:00 AM	✦ Andrew Curosh
9:30 AM	St. Michael Parish	3:00 PM	Wedding-Kevin Scarborough & Ashley Binol
11:30 AM	✦ Otis Cochran ✦ Raymond Napiwocki	SATURDAY	OCTOBER 2
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 27	8:00 AM	✦ Robert & Carol Keyl
7:00 AM	✦ Daniel Ketchmark	2:00 PM	Wedding-Bryan Sanders & Abigail Sebahar
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 28	5:00 PM	✦ Aida Padilla
7:00 AM	✦ Elizabeth Rainford	SUNDAY	OCTOBER 3 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 29 STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL	7:30 AM	St. Michael Parish
7:00 AM	✦ Joaquim D'Souza	9:30 AM	✦ Joyce Mullaney ✦ Vivian Peifer ✦ Jeffrey Tuskan
8:55 AM	For the Health and Safety of SMS Students and Staff (Mass for SMS children only)	11:30 AM	✦ Mike & Mary Starr
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THE WORD

(Readings for October 3, 2021, The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)

- I. *Genesis 2:18-24* "A man leaves his father and mother and clings too his wife, and the two of them become one flesh."
- II. *Hebrews 2:9-11* "He who consecrates and those wo are being consecrated all have one origin."
- III. *Mark 10:2-16* "So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

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