

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16, 2022

Jesus asked, "Will not God secure the rights of
his chosen ones who call out to him day and night?"

Luke 18:7

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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:

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-3:00 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 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.

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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

Be Stubborn About Praying. Human beings, since the moment they possessed consciousness, have longed to understand the Divine. We are “hard-wired” to search for God and the “software” we use is prayer. Prayer is what activates our deep longing to be one with God. Communal prayer is the most effective in accomplishing this. Certainly, private prayer is necessary and beneficial but communal prayer, ritual prayer, seems to trigger that built-in desire to be in union with God.

It is in prayer, particularly communal prayer, that our collective memory and our collective search for meaning meet. In the liturgy, we are gathered together in the present to not only recall but to re-enter the past events of our salvation. Liturgy is not like a time machine; rather we re-enter the events of our salvation as they are timeless. These events are constantly unfolding around us, but we most truly recognize them when we pray together. When Christians join in prayer, we are more than just a collection of individuals who happen to be doing the same thing in the same place. We are called to be one in voice, in posture and in our intention. This oneness is essential for the experience of the oneness we seek in God.

What happens when we truly strive to be one, together, in our communal prayer is that we really experience the “Body of Christ” in more than just the reception of communion. Believing that this is possible is an act of faith. In order for our prayer to be effective, it must be rooted in the faith that we can be one with God and that we experience this reality as the Body of Christ. When we realize this, we understand the significance of our communal prayer, both as a witness to our common faith and as the doorway to union with God.

As with all things in life, “keeping at it” is the first action we must take. Remaining faithful by coming each Sunday to the Lord’s Table and to hear His Word is the first step to success. Showing up for practice is the first requirement to do well at whatever sport is undertaken. When we want something we go after it, like the widow in the gospel story today. If you and I want to become close to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we have to go after it with the same tenacity we pursue other things in our lives. The other side of the gospel parable is that God is tenacious about us too. He is constantly calling us to Him. He constantly showers His Presence (His Grace) upon us every day. The trouble is that we too often are looking in another direction. I am reminded of the lyrics, “*Turn, turn to the Living God, the God of healing and comfort; and with delight God will turn to you, with delight God will turn to you.*”



MINISTRY IS "HEART" WORK

This week we are taking a closer look at our....

SPIRITUALITY & WORSHIP MINISTRIES



Altar Servers: Young people, from fifth grade through seniors in high school, are encouraged to participate in the liturgy, pray, socialize together and give glory to God through service

Art and Environment: Members take care of the church décor throughout the liturgical year. Families are welcome and help of all ages is needed in placing and watering flowers & arrangements, braiding palms or just pushing a broom! What goes up always must come down!

Cross Bearers: Our celebration begins when the Cross is raised! Those between high school age to senior citizens, male or female are needed!

Eucharistic Adoration: Exposition of the Eucharist – Quiet Time with Jesus

Eucharistic Ministers: Members get to experience the joy of seeing people receive our Lord

Hospitality: Joyfully welcoming and assisting our Mass attendees

Lectors: Members glorify God by proclaiming His Word at all Liturgies

Ministers of Care: Members take Communion to the home bound and nursing home residents. Bringing service to our elderly and the joy they experience in moments of prayer is very rewarding

Music Ministry: Beautifying liturgies as we lead the assembly in worship. Members work hard, but have fun and inspire one another. Many friendships are made and that tradition will continue

Prayer Ministry: Members meet the needs of parishioners in a devotional way through prayers when personal events or circumstances occur, such as illness, marital difficulties or tragic events. Members are called for prayers when a request is received

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Introducing people to the Catholic Faith and preparing them to receive the Sacraments of Initiation

Sacristans: "Our sacristans treat our church as the House of God". Many are needed to keep our place of worship beautiful

**ALL OF OUR MINISTRIES NEED HELP,
PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING ONE TODAY!**

Spirituality and Worship Commission

Eucharistic Adoration
October 12th
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

All Souls Day, November 2nd Mass of Remembrance

Wednesday, November 2nd, at 7:00 PM



A liturgy of special remembrance for all the faithfully departed of the parish and especially for those who have died since October 15, 2021.

Please use the All Souls Remembrance envelope to **PRINT** the names of those you wish to be remembered. Envelopes are due to the parish office no later than October 17th.

submitted by Janice Gatons

Diocese of Gary
Offices of Worship and Intercultural Ministry



CONFERENCE '22

The Body of Christ - Behold, I Make All Things NEW
El Cuerpo de Cristo - He Aquí, Yo Hago NUEVAS Todas Las Cosas

Training and Renewal for Lectors •
EMHCs • Ministers of Care • Music Ministers
Art & Environment • RCIA • Clergy



SAVE THE DATE
RESERVA LA FECHA

SPREAD THE WORD
CORRER LA VOZ

November 11-12
St. Michael the Archangel
Schererville, IN



Bishop Robert J. McClory
Friday
Eucharistic Adoration • Reflection • Benediction

Register for the conference by calling Janice at 219-322-4505, ext. 8241 starting on October 17th.

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



FAITH FORMATION

Learning to serve others...

Guest Speaker- Fr. John Gibson shares his experience in mission work with the middle school students.



Returning to Faith Formation-
Sunday Family Program!

**HAPPY FACES FROM THE SILVAS
FAMILY!**

Izzy, Payton & Matt are excited that their
youngest sister Katie will begin her Faith
Formation this year!

OCTOBER CALENDAR

18th/19th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM
20th: Confirmation Parent Meeting
7:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

23rd: Family Session 9:30-11:00 AM
25th/26th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM



In Pastoral work it is always important to make Christian Families part of the process of initiation. **First Holy Communion** is a key moment, not only for the individual receiving the Sacrament, but also for the entire family, which should be supported in its educational role by the whole parish community. **Sunday, October 23rd**, will be the Mass to start a new program for such families. **"Do This in Memory."** Beginning at the **11:30 AM Mass**, the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion and their families will begin to participate in the liturgy, through the

"Mass of Enrollment." Each child will begin to experience **"Whole Faith Community"** which goes far beyond the day of First Holy Communion. This new and exciting program will help the families participate more fully in the celebration of the Eucharist!

Education and Formation Commission



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**Children's Bulletins are Back
available on the two tables
by the glass windows in the
Gathering Space**



THEOLGY UNCORKED

October 26th

6:00-8:30 PM

in St. Patrick Hall

Presenter: Father Declan McNicholas

**Topic: Reintroducing Your Children
or Grandchildren to Jesus**

Registration for this session is after all Masses this weekend and next weekend or you may call Janice at 219-322-4505, ext. 8241. Bring your own snacks. Wine, pop and water will be available.



**ARE YOU IN HIGH SCHOOL?
THEN COME ON OUT AND JOIN US AT
RADIATE!
RADIATE IS A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN
ENCOUNTER CHRIST WITH OTHER TEENS.
WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU!**

Upcoming calendar:

Oct. 23rd: Halloween Party Night. Games and don't forget to dress up! 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

Nov. 6th: Gathering, 6:00-8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall

Nov. 19th: An evening RETREAT: CHRIST ALIVE with our Diocese held at St. Michael. Join other TEENS from around the diocese and experience an amazing night of "CHRIT ALIVE!" 3:00 PM-Midnight. *"High Schoolers from Northwest Indiana are invited to an evening retreat this Fall. Take some time to meet new people, learn a little bit about yourself and celebrate the gift that is you! There will be Mass, speakers, small group discussions, candle lit Adoration, games, and more. We hope to see you there!"*

Register now at <https://www.garyoyya.org/christalive/>

Cost: \$20 will cover the cost of food and supplies

PLEASE BRING A CANNED GOOD FOR OUR GOOD SAMARITANS PANTRY, TOO.

Keep informed and join the Radiate texts: Send a text to 81010, then text this message @radiate

Contact Jeannine Quigley at 219-775-5356 if you have any questions.

submitted by Jeannine Quigley

Education and Formation Commission



The Feast of St. Michael Brings Smiles to SMS Students & Staff



On September 29th, the school children and staff celebrated the Feast of St. Michael. Thank you to HSA for providing a delicious ice cream treat! Students and staff had a great time enjoying the amazing weather, spending time together and enjoying the treat. Thank you for making this a special day and a fun way to celebrate the Feast of St.. Michael.

Ways to Help SMS Students

- ❖ School Scholarship Tax Credit Program-donate and get 50% tax credit on your IN state taxes.
To donate online: <https://scholarshipsforeducationchoice.com/st-michael-school/>
To donate by mail: Make your check payable to **Sagamore Institute SGO**. On the check, please indicate that it is for St. Michael School, Schererville. You should mail the check to:
SEC at Sagamore Institute
P.O. Box 301076
Indianapolis, IN 46230
- ❖ Apples for the Students-save Strack & Van Til receipts (Sept. 1, 2022-March 31, 2023) put them in an envelope marked Apples for the Students and place in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office during normal business hours. The school will earn technological items. The more receipts saved the more the school receives.
- ❖ Office Depot-Make a purchase of qualifying school supplies, provide SMS id, 70037368, at checkout and SMS will receive 5% back in credits for FREE supplies!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SMS!

Peace & Social Justice Commission



Blood Pressure, Glucose and Oxygen Level Screenings

**This Weekend in the St. Amand
Room After 5:00 PM, 7:30 &
9:30 AM Masses**

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

The Good Samaritans are here to assist anyone with temporary help. If you know someone from the Tri-town area 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.

Peace & Social Justice Commission

LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER

Special Prayers
For Those In Need



Daniel Krivickas, Audrey Strayer, Josephine Purnell, Diana Marovich, Nicole Villanueva, Kathy Lakatos, Joan Hamnik, Diane Beckett, Ashley Floit, Jerry Caravana, Ray Pacholski, Marisa Kuepfe, ***Linda Kinzer, Don Bluethmann, Kay Parker,*** Linda Iwan, Angela Koutsis, Gayle Blair, ***Bob Hansen, Tim and Helen Hazard, Don Borem, Kenny Kollasch,*** Zbigniew Sochacki, Beth Ann Brown, ***Tina Serna, Audrey Weber, Barbara Krivickas, Pat Christenson, Sherry Lazzaro, Lance Vlcek*** 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.



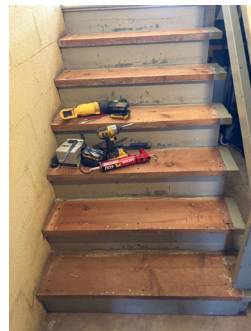
Labors of Love Meeting

October 18th

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

St. Patrick Hall

DOWNSTAIRS OFFICE STAIRS REPAIRED



The Good Samaritans asked the Rebuilding Hope Mission Team to repair the stairs in the parish office going down to the basement where the food pantry supplies are kept. If you would like to participate in projects such as these, please contact St. Michael's Rebuilding Hope Mission Team by calling the parish office at 219-322-4505, ext. 8220. *submitted by Jim Koeling*

THE WHEELCHAIR RAMP MINISTRY KEEPS ON GIVING!



St. Michael's Wheelchair Ramp Ministry installed its 41st Ramp in rural Crown Point for 85 year young Marilyn Leonian who had just been released from Rehabilitation. Pictured are St. John the Evangelist members Katy DeSchepper behind the wheelchair and Susan Warstler who cares for Marilyn.

Bill Marvel of St. John the Evangelist and Jim Koeling of St. Michael the Archangel installed the ramp.

If you would like to participate in this ministry in any way, please contact the St. Michael's parish office at 219-322-4505, ext. 8220.

If you know of anyone in need of a wheelchair ramp, contact Catholic Charities at outreach@catholic-charities.org or call 219-886-3549, ext. 113.

submitted by Jim Koeling

40 Days for Life Campaign September 28th - November 6th

The Respect Life Ministry would like to remind everyone that there are 22 days left of the 40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign sponsored by Lake County Right to Life. 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 to 7:00 PM for a peaceful, non-confrontational prayer vigil to pray for the end of abortion. Peaceful vigil is not the only way to participate in this prayer campaign. If you cannot participate at Planned Parenthood perhaps you would be able to attend Adoration on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 4:00 PM or just praying and fasting in your own home. There are 528 hours left of this campaign; can you give just 1 hour to stand up for life?

Submitted by Cathy Bartczak

Parish Life

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



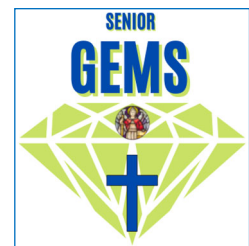
Come celebrate and support the Culture of Vocations to the Priesthood with Bishop Robert McClory at the Valparaiso University Ballroom, Harre Union, 1509 Chapel Dr., Valparaiso on November 18th. Open Bar and appetizers start at 6:00 PM with a Family Style Dinner served at 7:00 PM with Music and Dancing until 10:00 PM. Cost is \$85/person or \$600/table of 8. Register online at GARYVOCATIONS.com by November 11th or mail checks to Vocation Office Diocese of Gary 1511 LaPorte Ave. Valparaiso, IN 46383



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TO WIN A PRIZE AND RESPECT!
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GWOLFE@STMICHAELPARISH.LIFE

CALLING ALL SENIORS TO JOIN GEMS



October Schedule:

Oct. 25th: Meet in SE room of St. Patrick Hall, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. Meeting will be at 10:00 AM with games after.

Oct. 26th: Outing to TOTO and North Judson. We will meet in the church parking lot at 8:30 AM to carpool. This is a shopping expedition with lunch.

Please check bulletin weekly for updates.

Submitted by Carl Rusich

Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

Stewardship in Action

Reach out to loved ones and ask them how their prayer life is. Let them know you will pray for them or say a prayer together.

Submitted by Conchita Bryner

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



September 4, 2022

Adult	\$17,602.00
Children	\$5.00
EFTs*	\$5,177.50
Loose	\$260.80

Total Weekly Offering
\$23,045.30

Habitat for Humanity Collection
\$3,276.00

**Electronic Funds Transfer*
Thank you for your generosity!

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

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Donna Velez

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

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

Stewards

What is a Steward?



Be a Good Steward

A Steward is a person who **MANAGES** the affairs of God on earth. God has made each of us a Steward and has given us **ABILITIES** that are unique.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY OCTOBER 16

Blood Pressure Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM

Masses

Spirituality & Worship Ministry Informational Table

After All Masses

Theology Uncorked Sign Ups After All Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM

MONDAY OCTOBER 17

Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM

TUESDAY OCTOBER 18

Labors of Love 10:00 AM

Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

Catholic Bible Study 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 19

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM

Faith Formation Traditional Classes 6:00 PM

THURSDAY OCTOBER 20

Bereavement Session 7:00 PM

Choir Practice 7:00 PM

Confirmation Parent Meeting 7:00 PM

FRIDAY OCTOBER 21

eLearning Day

SATURDAY OCTOBER 22

Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM

Chili Cook Off 5:00 PM

Theology Uncorked Sign Ups After Vigil Mass

SUNDAY OCTOBER 23

Blood Pressure Readings After 7:30 & 9:30 AM

Masses

Theology Uncorked Sign Ups After All Masses

Family Session 9:30 AM

RCIA 9:30 AM

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

Radiate 6:00 PM

*FRESH GREENERY FUNDRAISER

St. Stephen Martyr Women's Club Fresh Greenery Fundraiser:

10" Wreath-\$22 16" Wreath-\$27
24" Wreath-\$35 Large Grave Pillow-\$45

All orders must be turned in by November 13th with payment. Payment is to be made to St. Stephen Women's Club. Please call the parish office at 219-980-9348 to place an order or for more information.

MOTHERS & TEEN DAUGHTERS!

You are invited to attend a very special webinar: "Know Your Body" on **Oct. 19th**, 6:30-8:15 PM. Speakers from the FACTS Foundation will bring the science underlying the female cycle, in an age-appropriate level, to girls along with their moms. This is a free, online event sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Gary, open to mothers (or guardians) and daughters. Call 219-769-9292 ext. 259 to register or email rkouris@dcgary.org.

WINE & FOOD PAIRING DINNER EVENT



Hurry and register for Catholic Charities Sip, Savor & Support Dinner and Wine Pairing Event on **October 21st** at Trinity Banquet Hall located at St. Patrick Catholic Community in Chesterton! Tickets are \$75 per person, and you must be 21 to attend. Sponsorship opportunities

that will showcase your business, organization, group or an individual are still available. This charity event includes an elegant dinner and wine pairing with Sommelier, Patrick Cullars—Manager at William B's Steakhouse - Blue Chip Casino. Guests will also enjoy a live auction and some exciting raffle items as they expand their wine knowledge and delight their taste buds while they help support our neighbors in need! To learn more about this elegant dinner and wine pairing event, please visit our <https://www.catholic-charities.org/events/dinner> page or contact Esther Miller at 219-689-3153.

FCSLA JUNIOR BRANCH DISTRICT BOWLING PARTY

A bowling party will be held at Set 'Em Up Lanes, 135 N. Broad St., Griffith on **Oct. 23rd**, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Costumes are encouraged. Fun for the whole family! RSVP to your branch:
58-Becky Coleman 219-801-6665
184-Lillian Zaborske 219-322-4709
317-Agnes Chervanek 219-865-6396
346-Betty Ortiz 219-671-9278
on or before Oct. 16th.

*WIN BIG WITH BNI'S QUEEN OF HEARTS GAME

Take a chance during Bishop Noll Institute's Queen of Hearts game! Tickets cost \$5 each or \$20/5 tickets for this 50/50 progressive style raffle. Tickets will be sold until the first drawing **Oct. 21st** and weekly after that until the queen is revealed. Each Friday, a ticket will be drawn during a Facebook live event. If the Queen of Hearts is revealed that week, that ticket holder will win half of the pot. If the queen is not revealed, the ticket holder will win a prize of \$250 (\$500 if a Joker is drawn). All other raffle tickets will be discarded and a new weekly raffle begins with the prize money rolling over. Tickets are on sale at Bishop Noll, 1519 Hoffman St., Hammond, and can be purchased with cash, check or debit. For full rules and the current game board, visit bishoppnoll.org/queen-of-hearts-2022. Call (219) 932-9058, ext. 1002, or email advancement@bishoppnoll.org for more information. Bishop Noll holds Indiana Gaming License # 000575.

RETREATS AT LINDENWOOD RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTER

Henri Nouwen Series: "God" Discovering the Divine
Oct. 29th 9:00 AM-4:30 PM EST. Through the spiritual writings of Nouwen encounter God in today's world.

Living into the Truth of God's Abundant Love
Nov. 4th-6th 4:00 PM EST. Join Roger Parks in guided meditation, prayer, silence, solitude, journaling and writing a Beloved Chapter to explore a more life-giving and loving presence of God.

For cost and registration, please visit Lindenwood.org. The Center is located at 9601 S. Union Rd., Plymouth, IN.

*FAMILY ROSARY FOR LIFE

Fr. Ben Ross and the good people of St. Bridget Parish (Hobart) will be hosting the November Prayer Service. We pray for our families and the end of abortion. It will be held on **November 5th** at 10:00 AM **INSIDE** St. Bridget Church. Please invite your family and friends to join us in prayer.

*LAS VEGAS NITE BENEFIT

St. Joseph is hosting a Las Vegas Nite on **November 5th** at St. Joseph Gym, 440 Joliet St., Dyer, 5:30 to 11:30 PM. Featuring all your favorite games at \$1 minimums. Admission is \$15/person or \$25/couple and includes all foods, desserts and beverages. Open to everyone 21 years and older. For more information: 219-718-3787.

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SATURDAY OCTOBER 15

5:00 PM †Robert & Carol Keyl

SUNDAY OCTOBER 16 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM St. Michael Parish
9:30 AM †Patricia A. Hansen-1 Year Anniversary
11:30 AM †Deacon Jack Krol
 †Nancy Gordon
 †Peter Belko

MONDAY OCTOBER 17

7:00 AM No Mass

TUESDAY OCTOBER 18

7:00 AM No Mass

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 19

7:00 AM No Mass

8:55 AM No Mass

THURSDAY OCTOBER 20

7:00 AM No Mass

FRIDAY OCTOBER 21

7:00 AM †Richard Kalembe
 †Joseph Zaborske
 †Aida Colon

SATURDAY OCTOBER 22

8:00 AM †Joseph Heintz
5:00 PM †Victoria Gargas

SUNDAY OCTOBER 23 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM St. Michael Parish
9:30 AM †Beverly Guiden
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11:30 AM †Jose Macaya
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THE WORD

Readings for October 23, 2022, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I. *Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18*

“Though not unduly partial toward the weak,” God hears the cry of the oppressed. God is not deaf to the wail of the orphan or the complaints of the widow. “The Lord is a God of Justice.”

II. *2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*

Paul told Timothy that he had fought the good fight, finished the race and kept the faith. Now a crown of victory awaits him when he arrives in the heavenly reign.

III. *Luke 18:9-14*

Jesus told the story about the Pharisee and the tax collector to help those who placed confidence in their own righteousness while holding others in contempt. Jesus encouraged people to pray with the tax collector. “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.”

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