

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
JUNE 14, 2026

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE HARVEST IS
ABUNDANT.

— MATTHEW 9:37 —





SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY LITURGY

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

Livestream 5:00 PM and 9:30 AM

DAILY LITURGY

Weekdays 7:00 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY LITURGY

See page 9 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

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

9:00 AM. Holidays have exceptions.

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Sharing the Melody. When I was a young child my older sister had a desire to learn how to play the organ. So, my parents bought a Sears Chord Organ. As I watched her learn how to move her fingers over the keys, learning how to choose the proper keys corresponding to the notes on the page in front of her I was intrigued. Soon she began to let me try. Her first concert and mine was not in an auditorium or a hall, but in our living room. The guests were my mom, dad, and grandparents. Thank goodness we began in an intimate venue. Later, I would play for morning prayer or evening prayer at the seminary, but only after years of playing for a more limited audience.

In the Gospel today, Jesus sends out the twelve to preach His message of repentance and preparation because “the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.” In this first missionary sending, Jesus is clear: don’t go into pagan territory; only go to the “lost sheep of Israel.” Why this admonition? Clearly Jesus understood that the message they were proclaiming presumed some background and understanding on the part of the listeners. This advantage would encourage the apostles as they begin to get used to doing this kind of work. They would not have to devise creative ways of explaining Jesus’ message to Gentiles, who knew nothing of the “One” God, or the Prophets, or the Law of Moses. They needed a limited audience until they could better incorporate Jesus’ teachings into their own lives more readily. They were just learning the primary notes of the melody; the accompaniment would come later.

In Paul’s letter to the Romans, an audience of mixed origin, some Jewish - many Gentile, we see a broader understanding of why we need to repent and prepare for the Kingdom of God. The passion, death and resurrection of Jesus provided the broader accompaniment to the main melody line drawn out by the Law and the Prophets. Paul, in simple logic, plays the theme: God, who had no reason other than love, takes on human flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary. God has acted on our behalf to free us from the death of sin/selfishness when we were most unlovable. Indeed, we put Him/Jesus to death and yet, He has still acted on our behalf. If now we believe in His merciful love and act out of that belief, how can we not think that He will give us the fullness of Life in the Kingdom to come?

Knowing this reality in our daily lives becomes a challenge and a blessing for all who look for the peace the world cannot give. It is a challenge because we are regularly confronted with the temptation to put ourselves first. To act in our own interest, to use others for our good, to remain, in a sense, unlovable. You and I are challenged like the Apostles to go outside of our comfort zone and tell others about God’s awesome work in our lives, by enacting that work through our relationships with others around us.

It is a blessing because it invites us to grow deeper in our relationship with God. When we think of the other first, and use ourselves for their good, we imitate our Leader, our Inspiration, our Lord, Jesus. When we imitate Him you and I slowly become like Him. In becoming like Him we show ourselves as friends of God, not enemies. Sharing our story of turning towards God (conversion) strengthens us in our resolve to be better followers every day and invites us to learn even more about God’s love for us.

The first place we share this story is with the limited audience of our spouse, our children and grandchildren. We join up with like-minded people and together share our story with others; perhaps with a close friend or neighbors. Starting with an intimate audience allows us time to grow in knowledge of how to share our story of falling in love with God. However, we cannot stay with our limited audience, you and I must branch out. There will be successes and rejections, the Apostles dealt with the same, but it did not stop them from sharing the Story, the melody of God’s goodness. Someone shared that melody with you, don’t let it stop there, otherwise the family, the neighborhood, the world becomes tone deaf.

Eucharistic Adoration

“Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it is recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity!” - Mother Teresa
Wednesdays, 1 - 4 PM in the Chapel.



Anointing Mass

Join us for Anointing Mass this
Saturday, June 20 at
8:00 AM in the Chapel.



Ministry Profile

Meet Mike!



Mike Zajac

Hospitality/
Greeter

Mike Zajac, a retired Regional Project Manager with ACE Hardware, has been a member of St. Michael Parish since 2009. He and his wife, Susan, have been married for 42 years and are blessed with three adult children and a growing family that includes three grandchildren, with another on the way this July.

Mike became involved in the Hospitality Ministry as a way to connect more deeply with the parish community. From the start, he saw it as an opportunity to be present, meet others, and help create a welcoming environment for all who come to Mass.

With a genuine desire to greet others with warmth and kindness, Mike enjoys being a friendly and approachable presence as parishioners enter and leave church. Through this ministry, he has found a greater sense of belonging and connection within the St. Michael Parish family.

He encourages others to consider joining Hospitality, sharing that even a simple smile can make a meaningful difference. With flexible opportunities to serve and a team that feels like a small, welcoming family, Mike believes it's a wonderful way to get involved and help others feel at home.

St. Michael Ministries

Have you considered joining a ministry at St. Michael Parish? There are over 32 ministries where you can use your time, talent, and treasure in the Name of Jesus.



Marian Devotions

Join us for a night of prayer that will leave you feeling calm, refreshed and ready for a peaceful night's sleep. The next Marian Devotion is this Sunday, June 14 at 8:30 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine. Blessed Mother Mary, thank you for your love and intercession!



Senior Altar Servers' Dinner



On June 8, a special dinner was celebrated at Gamba Ristorante in honor of our graduating senior altar servers: Bella York, Sarah Gordon, Michael Wisniewski, Carter Knueppel, Khang Kuynh, and Drew Doffin. We extend our gratitude to Fr. Marty for treating these dedicated young men and women to an evening of fellowship and celebration. Through their faithful service at the altar over the years, they have helped make our liturgies prayerful and reverent while training and serving as role models for younger servers.



2026 YOUNG ADULT SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES



Dee Bernhardt

WED. JUNE 17

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Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place a loved one on the Prayer List. Please see page 2 for guidelines regarding Pray for the Sick List. St. Michael's parishioners are in bold, italic print.

FATHER'S DAY MASS CARDS

The Respect Life Ministry will be selling Father's Day Mass cards after all Masses this weekend. This is the last chance to purchase Father's Day cards. For \$2.00, you not only get a beautiful card to present to the men in your life, but their names will be entered into our book of intentions and prayed for at Mass for a year. Mass cards can be bought for those living and deceased. This is a major fundraiser for our group and allows us to continue our support for those organizations that are helping promote life throughout the year.

Education and Formation

Did You Know...? Faith Formation Starts in 1st Grade!

Children 6-7 years old are enthusiastic to learn, enjoy stories, games, and are eager to connect with their peers. We create an environment that builds a warm welcoming spirit, allowing room for learning and spiritual growth. Starting June 8, the office will now be open: Tuesday ~ Thursday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CALL THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE TODAY AT 219-322-3077 TO REGISTER YOUR 1st GRADER FOR 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR!



FAITH FORMATION HOURS

RADIANCE SOCIETY INDUCTEES

Last Sunday, 12 members of Radiate were inducted into the Radiance Society. These teens have kept their connection with our Lord, chosen to enrich their experience of Jesus, kept the sacrament of Confirmation alive and well, and continued to show their commitment to their church while growing in their faith and serving others. Each of them has been involved in our Radiate gatherings, completed service projects, and are currently serving on a church ministry. The Radiance Society is where RADIATE meets excellence.

Seniors:
Sarah Gordon
Mazy Redhead
Michael Wisniewski
Bella York

Juniors:
Tessa Murzyn
Leah Velazquez

Sophomores:
Gabriela Jimenez
Victoria Klug
Aidan Nowinski

Freshman:
Dominic Buonadonna
Benedict Schwemlein
Camrie Thiel



Radiate Youth Ministry gives high school students a welcoming space to grow in their relationship with Jesus, build meaningful friendships, express themselves without judgment, and discover leadership opportunities. It also helps teens stay connected to their church, community, and family. If you would like to join or have questions please contact Jeanine Quigley at 219-775-5356.

Parish Life

Ministry Highlight



CHAIR YOGA

Have you ever wondered what chair yoga is? Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that adapts traditional movements and stretches to be performed while seated in a chair or using a chair for support. It is an excellent way to improve flexibility, balance, strength, circulation, and overall well-being, especially for individuals who experience joint pain, limited mobility, or difficulty participating in more strenuous exercise. Participants can enjoy the physical and mental benefits of yoga in a safe, comfortable, and welcoming environment. The Chair Yoga Group meets Friday mornings at 8:00 AM in the St. Amand Room. Whether you are new to exercise, looking for a low impact fitness option, or simply seeking a fun way to stay active and connect with others, you are invited to join. To register or learn more, please contact Ursula at 219-741-3276.



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Whether you've moved, changed contact information, welcomed a new baby, gotten married, experienced a loss, or had another major life change, we encourage you to keep us informed so we can walk alongside you and be there when you need us most. Thank you!



Updating your information is simple:

- Call the parish office at (219) 322-4505
- Complete the form available in the Gathering Space.
- Fill out the Google Form



SENIOR GEMS

Please join us for our next meeting on June 23 at 10:00 AM in the SE Room. Come join the fun.



CHAIR YOGA

Chair Yoga will meet on June 19, 8:00 AM in the St. Amand Room. Please call Ursula at 219-741-3276 to register.



LABORS OF LOVE

Our next gathering will be on June 16, 10:00 AM -12:00 PM in SPH.



CENTERING PRAYER

Centering Prayer will meet on June 15, 6:00 PM in the SW Room.

GOODBYE RECEPTION

FOR **FATHER ROBERT**

SUNDAY, JUNE 28TH

Please join us after ALL Masses for a Goodbye Reception with coffee and donuts. Come share your well wishes, memories, and appreciation as we celebrate Father Robert's ministry among us. As of July 1, Father Robert will begin his new assignment as Associate Pastor at St. Thomas More in Munster. While we will miss him, we send him with our prayers and gratitude for all he has given to our parish.



Blood Pressure, Glucose, and Oxygen Screenings will be available next weekend after 5:00 PM Mass Saturday, and after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses Sunday in the East Cloak Room.





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TO 84576

Diocesan Info

Ethnic Dinner & Bake Sale

Fri., June 19, 2026
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

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2026

YOUNG ADULT SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES



Consolation and Desolation: Ignatian Discernment of Spirits



WED. JUNE 17 AT 7 P.M.

St. Michael the Archangel Parish
1 W Wilhelm Street
Scherverville, IN 46375

Have you ever wondered how to make a prayerful discernment instead of an impulsive decision? Do you struggle to interpret your gut feelings or rationalizations? This talk is about discernment, prayer and understanding the ups and downs of the process (consolation and desolation).

Dee Bernhardt has spent her life as Director of Campus Ministry in many settings, currently in her fourteenth year at the Catholic Center at Purdue. She has been involved in spiritual direction and retreat ministry in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Minnesota for thirty years.

6:15 p.m.: Doors open for potluck and fellowship in St. Patrick's Hall. Please sign up to bring a dish to share.



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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

GS-Gathering Space

SPH-St. Patrick Hall

SUNDAY JUNE 14

Respect Life Father's Day Card Sales, After All Masses, GS
 OCIA, 9:30 AM, SE and SW Rooms
 Marian Devotions, 8:30 PM, Cemetery

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

MONDAY JUNE 15

Centering Prayer, 6:00 PM, SW Room

TUESDAY JUNE 16

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion, After 8:00 AM Mass, Chapel
 Labors of Love, 10:00 AM, SPH

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17

Eucharistic Adoration, 1:00 - 4:00 PM, Chapel
 Bereavement, 5:00 - 6:00 PM, SW Room
 Young Adult Group Summer Series, 5:30 PM, SPH
 Good Samaritans Meeting, 6:30 PM, SW Room

THURSDAY JUNE 18

Our Lady of Guadalupe Meeting, 5:00 PM, Conference Room

FRIDAY JUNE 19

Chair Yoga, 8:00 AM, St. Amand Room
 Respect Life Meeting, 1:30 PM, SW Room
 Parish Council, Finance and SMS Committees Picnic, 6:30 PM, Church Grounds

SATURDAY JUNE 20

Anointing Mass, 8:00 AM, Chapel
 Confession, 3:30-4:30 PM, Chapel
 Blood Pressure Screenings, After 5:00 PM Mass, East Cloak Room

SUNDAY JUNE 21

Blood Pressure Screenings, After 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses, East Cloak Room
 OCIA, 9:30 AM, SE and SW Rooms
 Vietnamese Confessions and Mass, 5:00 PM, Church
 Vietnamese Reception, 7:00 PM, SPH



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Mass Intentions and Readings

<p>SATURDAY JUNE 13 5:00 PM +Lorriane and Gary “Skip” Rice, Jr.</p> <hr/> <p>SUNDAY JUNE 14 ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30 AM +Departed Souls in the Congregation of the Mother of Carmel</p> <p>9:30 AM +Philip Mullaney +Walter Zdonek +John LaMagdeleine</p> <p>11:30 AM St. Michael Parish</p> <hr/> <p>MONDAY JUNE 15 7:00 AM +All Souls</p> <hr/> <p>TUESDAY JUNE 16 7:00 AM +Norma Dobrzynski 1 Year Anniversary</p> <hr/> <p>WEDNESDAY JUNE 17 7:00 AM +Julia Urban</p>	<p>THURSDAY JUNE 18 7:00 AM +Robert Scobee</p> <hr/> <p>FRIDAY JUNE 19 7:00 AM +All Souls</p> <hr/> <p>SATURDAY JUNE 20 8:00 AM +Gene Wydrinski +Florence, Russell, Ellen, and Chuck Revenew</p> <p>5:00 PM +Janet Ivkovich</p> <hr/> <p>SUNDAY JUNE 21 TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30 AM All Fathers</p> <p>9:30 AM All Fathers</p> <p>11:30 AM All Fathers</p> <p>+ indicates deceased</p>
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The Word

(Readings for June 21, 2026, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reflections...

- I. Jeremiah 20:10-13 Jeremiah found comfort and strength in the Lord though his friends sought to trap him and take vengeance on him. He praised God and entrusted his cause to the Lord.

- II. Romans 5:12-15 Paul the apostle believed death entered the world through sin, but life comes as a gracious gift from God through Jesus Christ.

- III. Matthew 10:26-33 Jesus encouraged His apostles not to be intimidated or afraid because “Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.” He comforted them, assuring that in God’s eyes their worth exceeds a flock of sparrows. God knows them intimately and cares for them.



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