



# St. Michael

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

310 S. Wheaton Avenue, Wheaton, IL 60187

September 24, 2023

**Most Rev. Ronald Hicks, Bishop**

**Rev. Daniel E. Hoehn, Pastor**

**Rev. Jacob Kolawole, Parochial Vicar**

**Deacon Dan Aderholdt**

**Deacon Dan Simmet**

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### Hours

Monday - Thursday .....8:30 am ~ 4:30 pm

Friday.....8:30 am ~ 1:00 pm

### SCHOOL OFFICE

(630) 665-1454.....(630) 690-1491 (Fax)

314 W. Willow Ave, Wheaton

### FAITH CENTER

**Religious Education Office**

(630) 682-3650.....(630) 690-3324 (Fax)

317 W. Willow Ave, Wheaton

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil for Sunday .....5:00pm

Sunday.....7:15am, 9:00am, 10:45am

Monday-Friday.....6:30am, 8:00am

Saturday.....8:00am

Rosary recited after all daily Masses

### Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil for Holy Day.....5:30pm

Holy Day.....6:30am, 8:00am

12:15pm, 7:00pm

### ADORATION CHAPEL

Open Daily .....4:00am ~ 10:00pm

Access only with a key fob. Call Parish Office  
at 630-665-2250 to obtain a key fob.

### CONFESSIONS

Tuesday.....4:00pm ~ 5:45pm

Saturday.....8:30am ~ 9:30am

Or by appointment



## 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning  
with the last and ending with the first.” - Mt 20:1, 8



In today's Gospel, the laborers in the vineyard all received the same wage, even though some worked only one hour. Those who toiled all day were upset by what they considered to be an injustice. The parable seems to be addressed to the Jewish people who were upset because Jesus was implying that salvation was open to those who were not Jewish. After all, the Jews were the ones who had been trying to keep God's Commandments. Why should those who didn't even know the Commandments experience any reward?

Pope Benedict, in his book "Co-Workers of the Truth" addressed the question of this seeming injustice on God's part. This is how he put it:

"When we raise the question about the foundation and meaning of our Christian existence, there slips in a certain false hankering for the apparently more comfortable life of other people who are also going to heaven. We are too much like the laborers of the first hour in the parable of the workers in the vineyard (Mt. 20:1-16). Once they discovered that they could have earned their day's pay of one denarius in a much easier way, they could not understand why they had to labor the whole day. But what a strange attitude it is to find the duties of our Christian life unrewarding just because the denarius of salvation can be gained without them! It would seem that we — like the workers of the first hour — want to be paid not only with our own salvation, but more particularly with others' lack of salvation. That is at once very human and profoundly un-Christian."

If you are tempted to say that the landowner in the parable is not just — because those who labored all day in the hot sun should have gotten more than those who stood around all day in the marketplace — then let me challenge a basic assumption: Are you sure that it is really a bigger burden to labor all day, expecting a fair wage, than it is to be unemployed, not knowing whether there will be anything at all at the end of the day? Physical toil is certainly not the only form of suffering. Is it not possible that those who were hired at the last hour in fact bore a heavier burden — the anxiety of having to provide for their families?

I would suggest that we needn't be saddened when we see the wealth and the apparent ease of the life of those who are not laboring in the vineyard — in other words, the ones who don't seem to have to follow all the "rules" that we have to "put up with." Such a life is never what it appears. Such a life is not the secret to happiness. Such people usually struggle with fears and anxieties that people of faith don't experience.

Laboring in God's vineyard can be challenging at times, of course. But let us not suppose that those who do not know whether or not there will be a reward at the end have an easier life. Rather, let us pray that they will join us — at whatever stage in their life— to share in the rewards of God's Kingdom.



## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. (Is 55:8)

#### Psalm:

The Lord is near to all who call upon him. (Ps 145)

#### Second Reading:

Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or  
by death.

For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. (Phil 1:20-21)

#### Gospel:

“What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?  
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?  
Are you envious because I am generous?” (Mt 20:14-15)

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### Observances for the week of September 24, 2023

- Sunday:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Priesthood Sunday
- Tuesday:** Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
- Wednesday:** St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
- Thursday:** St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz  
and Companions, Martyrs
- Friday:** Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,  
Archangels
- Saturday:** St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of  
the Church
- Next Sunday:** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Respect Life Sunday

### VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR

September 24 — October 1

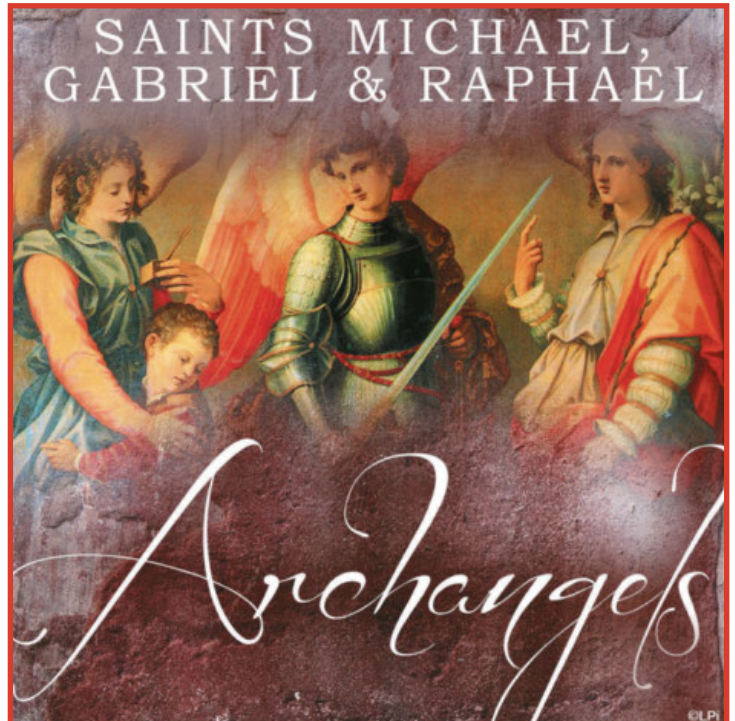
- 9/24 Fr. Rolf Willemsen O.Carm.  
Fr. Lawrence Jagdfeld O.F.M.
- 9/25 Sr. Mary Mark Segvich OSF  
Sr. Joyce Shanabarger OSF  
Sr. Mary Shinnick OSF
- 9/26 Fr. Gerald Riva  
Fr. Mark Rosenbaum
- 9/27 Fr. Larry Janezic O.F.M.  
Fr. Michael Jennrich O.F.M.  
Fr. Herbert Jones O.F.M.
- 9/28 Sr. Josephine Mulcahey OSF  
Sr. Francis Therese Ortega OSF
- 9/29 **Bishop Ronald Hicks**
- 9/30 Sr. Cristina Soyao OSF  
Sr. Elaine Teders OSF  
Sr. Kim Marie Wolf OSF
- 10/1 Br. Lawrence Fidelus O.CARM  
Br. Dominic Saganich O.CARM  
Br. Edward Marc Arambasich OFM



### PRAY THE ANGELUS AND THE ROSARY

Join your fellow  
parishioners each day at  
noon in the Marian Grotto  
to pray the Angelus and  
Rosary to honor our  
Blessed Mother.

Feel free to bring a chair,  
if needed. In inclement  
weather, the group meets  
in the Church.  
All are welcome.



# Prayer Ministry

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

John Adamek	Dale Foreman	Victoria Holmen
Elaine Adamek	David Fountain	Peterson
Eleanor Agan	Connor Giles	Vicki Piccolo
Dan Bates	Brice Grudzien	Tony Pisciotta, Sr.
Josu Beruete	Giancarlo Herrera	Ray Reynertson
Peg Birt	Robert	Rita Richards
Steve Blagaich	Hoppenstedt	Margaret Riggs
Marianne Bluhm	Dawn Jacobsen	Sheryl Rutkowski
Yecenia Bosley	Miki Kern	Mike Sambo
Brandon "Bubba" Brewster	Barbara Krzyzewski	Steve Schultz
David Brummett	Margaret Kuhn	Anne Marie Schneider
Kathy Brummett	Al Liskey	Tobias Siennetts
Michael B. Calamia	Andja Lozancic	Ann Smith
Althea G. Dades	George Lozancic	Stroner Family
DePratt Family	Theresa Lozano	Dominic Thomas
Jack Deshida	Juan T. Lozano, Jr.	Andrew Valadka
Joe Duckworth	Wilma Mabilangan	Andrew Valadka
Carol Ferri	Robert Mucerino	Carole Weber
Frank Ferri	Cathy McGuire	The Wulffe Family
Teresa Fillman	Joanne Metoyer	Sr. Mary Clarine
Theresa Fogarty	Nancy Mackowiak	Young, SND
	Joan Peters	Greta Zilch

To inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a parishioner or family member, call the Parish Office at (630) 665-2250 to add or remove a name. Due to privacy laws and family preferences, the names of the sick and the deceased can only be published in the bulletin with specific consent and request of the patient or their immediate family.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Mass Offered For

### Requested By

#### SUNDAY, September 24

7:15AM St. Michael Parishioners

9:00AM + Carol Kahlfeldt

Michael Kahlfeldt

10:45AM + Elizabeth Jackson

Laurie Winter

#### MONDAY, September 25

6:30AM Peggy Finnegan

Fran Duckworth

8:00AM + Kathleen McFadden

Family

#### TUESDAY, September 26

6:30AM + Mary Lomma

St. Michael's RE Staff

8:00AM + Nancy Elbe

Anita Elbe

#### WEDNESDAY, September 27

6:30AM Rebecca M. Raimonde

Anne Leslie

8:00AM Special Intention

Fran Duckworth

+ Fleur Crooks

Draths Family

#### THURSDAY, September 28

6:30AM + John Bert Hawney

Draths Family

8:00AM + John Newell

Bridie Newell

#### FRIDAY, September 29

6:30AM + Michael Hussey

Family

8:00AM + Ernestina Bautista

Miranda & Bautista

Families

#### SATURDAY, September 30

8:00AM + Dan Zierk Sr.

Don Aldrich Family

5:00PM + Edward Witt

Elaine Luse

#### SUNDAY, October 1

7:15AM + George Poyer

Family

9:00AM St. Michael Parishioners

10:45AM + John & Helen Kern

Kern Family



**Anthony Gorzak, Sr.**

**Thelma Lacerte**

**Louis Tochet**

*Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

For information regarding recently departed parishioners and others, please consider subscribing to email notifications from local funeral homes.



<https://www.williams-kampp.com/obituaries/obituary-listings>



<https://www.hultgrenfh.com>

# Around the Parish

## SEPTEMBER

**Friday, September 29th, 6:00-9:00PM, Faith Center**  
**WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP — Family Fun Night**

Fun for all families of St. Michael Parish and School! Pizza, fellowship and supervised games.

## OCTOBER

**Sunday, October 1st, after 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM Masses**

**DONUT SUNDAY** — Join us downstairs in the Parish Center after the 9:00 & 10:45am Masses for FREE donuts, coffee, juice, milk and fellowship. A service of the Holy Name Society of St. Michael Parish.

**Sunday, October 1st, 12:00PM, Outside Mary Grotto**

**ANNUAL PET BLESSING — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi**

Pets of all shapes and sizes are welcome to attend! All animals must be safely secured or on leashes.

**Tuesday, October 3rd, 6:30-8PM, Adult Faith Room, Faith Center (317 W. Willow Avenue)**

**ST. MICHAEL'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** — Compassionate support for those experiencing a loss. Join us as we pray, journey through scripture, reflect and share. Contact: Deacon Dan Aderholdt, [daderholdt@gmail.com](mailto:daderholdt@gmail.com).

**Tuesday, October 3rd, 7:00PM, Faith Center**

**RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE — Ground Zero Tour**

Mary Kate Zander, Executive Director of Illinois Right to Life will discuss important trends, Illinois laws and public policy changes in the pro-life movement. See ad on this page for more information and to register.

**Thursday, October 5th or October 19th, 4:00-5:00PM, Church**

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING — Grades 5—8** — Liturgical Ministry opportunity for Teens. See Page 7 for sign up information.

**Friday, October 6th, 7:00PM, Church**

**MINISTRY OF LECTOR INSTALLATION** — Join us for Mass as diocesan diaconate candidate receive The Rite of Installation of Lector. Bishop Ronald Hicks, Celebrant.

**Saturday, October 7th, 10:45AM-Noon, Compass Church**

**RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE — Chain-For-Life** — Register now for the event hosted by St. Michael Catholic Church of Wheaton. Signs provided. See Page 7 for more information.

**Thursday, October 12th, 6:00PM, Church**

**MASS & DEDICATION CEREMONY** — Join us for Mass as St. Michael Parish celebrates the opening of the Lavin Learning Center. Bishop Ronald Hicks, Celebrant..

**Friday, October 20th, 9:30-11:00AM, Faith Center**

**WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP BOOK CLUB** — Join us as we read "An Introduction to the Devout Life", by St. Francis de Sales. We will discuss Part Two, Chapters 13-21 and Part Three, Chapters 1-5. All are welcome!

**Saturday, October 28th, 8:00AM, Mass at St. Michael Church**

**EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION FOR LIFE — SAVE THE DATE**  
Begin with Mass at St. Michael; procession concludes at St. Petronille, Glen Ellyn. More information coming soon!

## family fun night

FRIDAY, SEPT 29 • 6:00 - 9:00 PM • FAITH CENTER

For all families of St. Michael Parish and School.  
We hope to see you there!

Bring the whole family to eat pizza and stay for supervised games for the kids/teens and fellowship for the parents. Take this opportunity to meet other parish families for a night of wholesome fun. Pizza is \$5 /person and children under 5 eat free. Just bring a side or dessert to share.

Sign-up details coming soon.



SAINT MICHAEL WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP

Illinois Right to Life Presents  
**GROUND ZERO TOUR**  
Turning Illinois Pro-Life in a Post-Roe America  
**GZ**  **2023**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023**  
St. Michael Catholic Church  
Faith Center  
317 W. Willow Avenue, Wheaton  
7:00PM

Join us and hear Mary Kate Zander,  
Executive Director of Illinois Right to Life discuss:

- the growing trend of abortion tourism in Illinois and the greater Midwest;
- changes to Illinois laws and public policy that have opened the floodgates for more abortion travel;
- where women seeking abortions are coming from and how they're making the trip;
- risks to women's health that are uniquely associated with abortion tourism;
- what's being done by Illinois' pro-life movement to change the tide on abortion travel

To register,  
scan here



To register for this FREE event, scan the QR code, click on the link, or go to <https://forms.gle/uqZPFBV3o1wyW6WY7>

## Eucharistic Procession for Life

Presented by the West DuPage Deanery

Save The Date!  
**SATURDAY,**  
**OCTOBER 28**



# Around the Parish



**Donut Sunday**  
ST. MICHAEL HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Sunday, October 1st  
in the Parish Center after  
9:00 & 10:45am Masses

**Annual Pet Blessing**  
Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday, October 1st  
12:00PM

Outside in the Mary Grotto

All animals must be safely secured or on a leash.

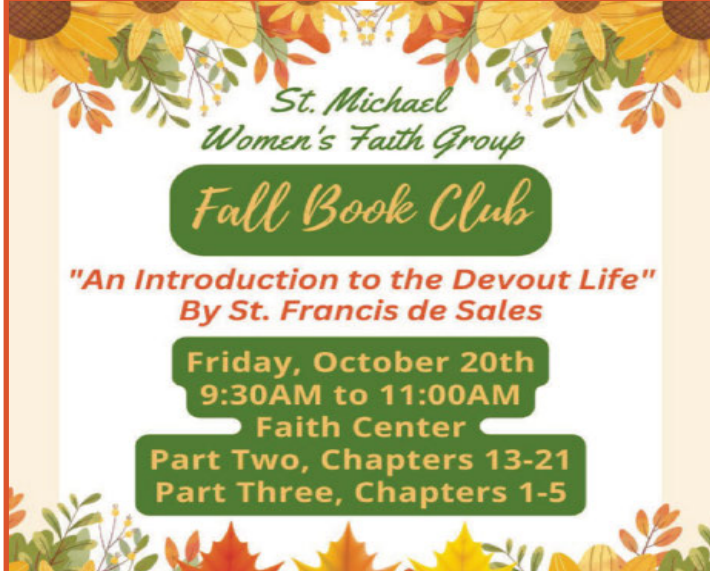


*St. Michael's*  
**Grief Support Group**



Please consider attending the St. Michael's Grief Support Group meeting to receive support, encouragement, and comfort from those facing your common concerns.

Tuesday, October 3rd  
6:30-8:00PM  
Faith Center  
317 W. Willow Avenue.  
First Floor - Room 114



*St. Michael*  
*Women's Faith Group*

**Fall Book Club**

*"An Introduction to the Devout Life"*  
By St. Francis de Sales

Friday, October 20th  
9:30AM to 11:00AM  
Faith Center  
Part Two, Chapters 13-21  
Part Three, Chapters 1-5



## WE WELCOME BACK OUR



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS

# Around the Parish

## Altar Server TRAINING

### Liturgical Ministry for Teens - Be an Altar Server!!

One of the best opportunities for students in grades 5-8 to serve the church is to be an Altar Server. Students fill an important role in the Mass and grow closer to Jesus in their ministry. Please prayerfully consider having your student sign up to be a Server.

There are two training dates for new Servers:

Thursday, October 5th - 4:00-5:00 pm  
in the Church

Thursday, October 19th - 4:00-5:00 pm  
in the Church

[Click here](#) or scan the QR Code  
to sign up for a training time



Questions? Contact Colleen Brodhead  
at 630-462-5043

## *St. Michael Catholic Church*

### INSTALLATION TO THE MINISTRY OF LECTOR Diocesan Diaconate Candidates

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6  
MASS - 7:00PM**

TODD BLY (ST. PATRICK - JOLIET)  
STEPHEN CONTRERAS (ST. ANTHONY - FRANKFORT)  
MICHAEL DOERRIES (ST. MICHAEL - WHEATON)  
EMMANUEL ELKOU (ST. ELIZABETH - NAPERVILLE)  
SAUL GARCIA (ST. MARY - WEST CHICAGO)  
JOHN JENSEN (ST. PATRICK - YORKVILLE)  
SCOTT PARKS (ST. MARGARET MARY - NAPERVILLE)  
MICHAEL RAIZ (OUR LADY OF MERCY - AURORA)  
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**BISHOP RONALD HICKS  
CELEBRANT**

## A WORK OF MERCY

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local Christian churches and National Life Chain

## CHAIN-FOR-LIFE

ecumenical + prayerful + silent

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH  
10:45 TO NOON**

520 E. Roosevelt Rd., Wheaton  
(Compass Church Parking Lot)

Signs will be provided

Questions? Contact Vince Heaton at  
[vheaton2@gmail.com](mailto:vheaton2@gmail.com)

## *Mass & Dedication Ceremony*

**ST. MICHAEL PARISH  
CELEBRATES THE COMPLETION  
OF THE LAVIN LEARNING CENTER**

**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 12 - 6PM**

**BISHOP RONALD HICKS  
CELEBRANT**

# Around the Diocese



Fall Campaign  
September 27th - November 5th

Put your faith in action by joining your fellow parishioners for the Fall 2023 *40 Days for Life* prayer vigil to end abortion.

Please consider committing to a specific hour of prayer at the Access Health abortion clinic in Downers Grove during the hours of 7AM to 7PM from September 27 to November 5, and bring a friend. Another option would be to sign up your church for an entire day or even half a day to pray.

For more information and to sign up, go to [www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove](http://www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove). Access Health Clinic is located at 1700 W. 75th Street, Downers Grove.

**PRAY TO END ABORTION**

Adoration · Confession · Praise & Worship · Prayer · Community

# COMMUNIO



Please join us for our next Communion on  
**October 6, 2023**

Fr. Michael Kearney  
Permission to Wrestle with God

**First Fridays 7-8:30pm**  
St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Naperville, IL



## ST. PEREGRINE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP



**Monday, October 16th**

St. Elizabeth Seton  
2220 Lisson Road  
Naperville, IL  
7:00pm - 9:00pm

*"When you are in trouble, turn to prayer and ask God for help. He will never abandon you." St. Peregrine*

The journey through a struggle with cancer can be lonely and painful - let's help each other make it manageable. This group is intended to provide a place where we can support each other and engage the patron saint of cancer patients, St. Peregrine.

The conversations will be led by Rebecca Hamilton, LCSW and Deacon Gerard, a cancer survivor. The only fee is \$20 for the book we will use. Registration is not mandatory but we encourage folks to let us know they will be attending so we have enough material for everyone:  
[StPeregrineGroup@gmail.com](mailto:StPeregrineGroup@gmail.com)

They may also contact Deacon Gerard with questions at:  
[FunDeacon@yahoo.com](mailto:FunDeacon@yahoo.com)



## MAKE IT MARMION DAY!

JUST FOR 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS!  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9  
9AM TO NOON!



SCAN TO RSVP

[www.marmion.org/makeitarmion](http://www.marmion.org/makeitarmion)

\*A light breakfast will be served at 8:30AM. The program will end by noon so you can collect your MA swag and enjoy the rest of your day!

8th grade boys are invited to experience Marmion Academy like never before. Explore the campus through a scavenger hunt, compete in trivia, interact with school leaders who will share their Marmion experiences, and discover that Marmion just may be the school you're looking for.

**RSVP by Friday, October 6.**



# Parish Support

## Stewardship Report

As of 9/20/23

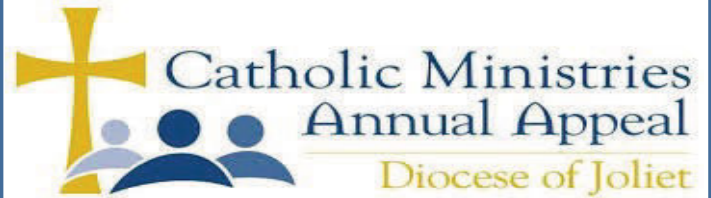
September Offertory Budget	\$ 150,000
September Envelopes	\$ 51,748
September Online Giving	\$ 46,378
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 98,126</b>

**Total Over (Under) < \$ 51,874 >**

**September 24, 2023  
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last"*  
Matthew 20:16

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.



Thru 9/17/23	2023	2022	Inc/Dec	2022 (Final)
Goal	\$176,900	\$171,600	\$5,300	\$171,600
Amount Pledged	\$258,411	\$240,948	\$17,463	\$267,594
Amount Paid	\$243,035	\$221,709	\$21,326	\$263,709
Balance Due	\$15,376	\$19,239	(\$3,863)	\$3,885
Donor Count	579	585	-6	626
2023 Rebate	\$46,295			

**PARKING** In an effort to accommodate our seniors and members with special needs, we ask you to refrain from parking in the main parking lot adjacent to the church/school and the parish office parking lot during Church services.

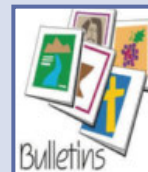


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## Bulletin Submission Deadline & Requirements

October 8th Bulletin Deadline:  
Friday, September 29th

Send items to:



[communications@stmichaelcommunity.org](mailto:communications@stmichaelcommunity.org)

Please send content that can be used in a 1/4 and 1/2 page format, as full-page space availability is limited. Earlier printing deadlines occur before holidays.



## St. Michael Parish

So that we might better serve your needs, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to us at:

310 S. Wheaton Avenue, Wheaton IL 60187

[www.stmichaelcommunity.org](http://www.stmichaelcommunity.org)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ New Parishioner \_\_\_\_\_ Returning to Parish

New Parishioner Form On Website  
Please complete and return to Parish Office.

\_\_\_\_\_ New Address \_\_\_\_\_ Interested in becoming Catholic

# INFO TOURS

ONLINE  
REGISTRATION  
OPENS  
NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

# #BEALANCER

JOIN US FOR AN INFO SESSION & TOUR  
OF ST. MICHAEL PARISH SCHOOL

## PRESCHOOL INFO TOURS

9AM on 10/24 & 10/30

PRESCHOOL 3s, 4s, & 4PLUS OPTIONS

## KINDERGARTEN INFO TOURS

9AM on 10/25 & 10/26

ALL-DAY or HALF-DAY OPTIONS

ST. MICHAEL



CALL TO RSVP FOR AN INFO TOUR: 630-665-1454  
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