



# St. Michael

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

310 S. Wheaton Avenue, Wheaton, IL 60187

May 12, 2024

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### 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 prayed 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

Perpetual Adoration. Access only with a key fob.

Call Parish Office at 630-665-2250 for information.

### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

For Baptisms, Wedding and Funeral information, please contact the Parish Office.

### CONFESSIONS

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

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

Or by appointment

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Available at [www.stmichaelcommunity.org](http://www.stmichaelcommunity.org) or call the Parish Office.





Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension. Pope Francis noted that, “With this feast we remember that after his Resurrection, Jesus presented himself alive to the disciples for 40 days (Acts 1,3), at the end of which, having led them to the Mount of Olives, ‘he was lifted up before their eyes and a cloud took him from their sight’ (Acts 1,9). Risen and ascended into heaven, our Redeemer is the anchor of salvation and support for believers in their daily dedication to serve truth, peace, justice and freedom. In ascending to heaven, he reopens for us the way to our blessed homeland, not to alienate us from history, but to give the greatest hope to our journey. We must never forget that the secret of every apostolic action is above all prayer. Indeed, given to intense prayer after the Ascension, the disciples lived in the Upper Room as they awaited the Holy Spirit promised by Christ. In their midst was Mary, the Mother of Jesus (Acts 1,14). As we prepare to celebrate the solemn Feast of Pentecost next Sunday, with Mary let us call upon the Holy Spirit promised by Christ so that he may imbue Christians with fresh missionary zeal and guide humanity's steps on the paths of solidarity and peace.”

When I think of the unique role of Mary in our salvation history, and the power of her prayers in the Upper Room for the infant Church, I can't help but be reminded of the power of the prayers of mothers in general for their children. I have to think that God hears with special attention the prayers of those with whom he cooperates to bring new souls into existence. Let us be grateful for the awesome gift of mothers on this Mother's Day.

Some years ago I came across this little reflection from Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty that I think says it all:

The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body...The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation... What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?



## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

"Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection." (Acts 1:21-22)

#### Psalm:

The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (Ps 103)  
Or: Alleluia.

#### Second Reading:

God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him. (1 Jn 4:16)

#### Gospel:

"Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one." (Jn 17:11)

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### Observances for the week of May 12, 2024

- Sunday:** The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day; Mother's Day
- Monday:** Our Lady of Fatima
- Tuesday:** St. Matthias, Apostle
- Wednesday:** St. Isidore
- Saturday:** St. John I, Pope and Martyr; Armed Forces Day
- Next Sunday:** Pentecost Sunday

### VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR May 12 — May 19

- 5/12 Deacon Armando Herrera  
Deacon Karl Huebner  
Deacon Salvador Huerta  
Deacon Michael Iozzo
- 5/13 Sr. Rosemary Rafter  
Sr. Rosemary Ward SP
- 5/14 Sr. Mary Elizabeth Clements  
Sr. Agnes Cunningham  
Sr. Loretta Finn SSCM
- 5/15 Sr. Elsie Gamez  
Sr. Martha E. Harrington  
Sr. Linda K. Hatton SSCM
- 5/16 Fr. Slawomir Ignasik  
Fr. Peter Jankowski
- 5/17 Fr. Jose Menemil Cerna
- 5/18 Emmanuel Eklou  
Patrick Frencl  
Saul Garcia  
(Deacon Aspirants)
- 5/19 Fr. Frank Pusateri  
Fr. Jeremy Leganski



**For all the Women and Men Religious in the Diocese, the Parishioners of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in Naperville, Holy Spirit Parish in Naperville, and Immaculate Conception Parish in Morris, that they would be filled with abundant blessings during our Diocesan Anniversary Year. Let us pray to the Lord.**

*Monday, May 13 ~ All Women and Men Religious in the Diocese*  
*Tuesday, May 14 ~ Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Naperville*  
*Thursday, May 16 ~ Holy Spirit Parish, Naperville*  
*Friday, May 17 ~ Immaculate Conception Parish, Morris*





# Prayer Ministry

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

John Adamek	Brice Grudzien	Ray Reynertson
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Peg Birt	Margaret Kuhn	Mike Sambo
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Marianne Bluhm	Al Liskey	Schneider
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David Brummett	George Lozancic	Ann Smith
Kathy Brummett	Theresa Lozano	Jacek Sowinski
Sue Cosgrove	Juan T. Lozano, Jr.	Stroner Family
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Evan DeBock	Robert Mucerino	Andrew Valadka
DePratt Family	Cathy McGuire	Carole Weber
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Frank Ferri	Nancy Mackowiak	Eileen Yanan
Teresa Fillman	James Oliver	Sr. Mary Clarine
Theresa Fogarty	Joan Peters	Young, SND
Dale Foreman	Victoria Holmen	Greta Zilch
David Fountain	Peterson	
Connor Giles	Vicki Piccolo	

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.

## ST. MICHAEL ROSARY GROUP



Join your fellow parishioners each day at noon to pray the Angelus and the Rosary to honor our Blessed Mother. The group meets in the grotto, but prays indoors at the west end of the Narthex in inclement weather.

All are welcome!

The group also accepts prayer intentions weekly.

To submit intentions, email them to [rosarygroup@stmichaelcommunity.org](mailto:rosarygroup@stmichaelcommunity.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Mass Offered For

### Requested By

#### SUNDAY, May 12

7:15AM	+ Mary Napoli	Digenan Family
9:00AM	+ Mary & Denise Piombo	Mario, Loretta & Carla Piombo
10:45AM	St. Michael Parishioners + Kathleen Wachowiak	Hengesbaugh Family

#### MONDAY, May 13

6:30AM	+ Fr. Don McLaughlin	Anonymous
8:00AM	+ Helen Yuratovac	St. Michael Friends

#### TUESDAY, May 14

6:30AM	+ Kenneth Bergman	Family
8:00AM	+ William Englehart	Tom & Ellen Olp

#### WEDNESDAY, May 15

6:30AM	+ Elizabeth Jackson	Krynicky Family
8:00AM	+ Bruno & Julie Cortopassi Robert C. Gits	Marianne Badgley Family

#### THURSDAY, May 16

6:30AM	+ Bernie Hurley	Bill & Kathy Keller
8:00AM	+ Derek Wasilevich	Segreti Family

#### FRIDAY, May 17

6:30AM	+ Michael Hussey	Family
8:00AM	+ Paul Bimschleger	Rich & Teresa Mueller

#### SATURDAY, May 18

8:00AM	+ John Glanz	Family
5:00PM	St. Michael Parishioners + Kathleen Blandford	Joanne Blandford

#### SUNDAY, May 19

7:15AM	+ John & Eleanor Elbe	Anita Elbe
9:00AM	+ Dorothy Furie	Debbie Block
10:45AM	+ Jack Quinn	Carol Lee & PJ Borter



John Zavodany III

*"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."*

## Around the Parish



**Saturday, May 18th, 9:00-10:30AM, Call Parish Office**  
**PRAYER SHAWL GROUP** — Come by and see what we're all about! Skill level is beginner crochet/knitter & up! Questions? Contact Barb Loiacono at [bal5@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bal5@sbcglobal.net)

**Sunday, May 26th, 10:45AM Mass, Cashin Gymnasium**  
**SAVE THE DATE—ORDINATION CELEBRATION**

St. Michael Parish will celebrate the Priestly Ordination of Roger Kyaw Thu at 10:45AM Mass with a reception following in the Cashin Gym. Please join us!

**Wednesday, May 29th, 10:00-11:30AM, Faith Center, Rm 114**  
**WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP — SUMMER BOOK CLUB**

Join us as we read *The World of Marian Apparitions* by Wincenty Laszewski. We will discuss the Introduction and Pages 1-59. This month's meeting will be in the Faith Center. All are welcome!



**Sunday, June 2nd, 12:00PM, Cashin Gymnasium**  
**FR. DAN—20TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY**

Join fellow parishioners in the Cashin Gym to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Fr. Dan's Ordination to the Priesthood!

**Saturday, June 8th, 5:00PM, Church**  
**MASS & EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION at ST. MICHAEL**

Come for Mass and join the Eucharistic Procession at St. Michael Church. Please see additional information on page 6 for Eucharistic Processions that will take place at other churches.

*St. Michael Parish  
Celebrates the  
Ordination to the Priesthood  
of Deacon  
Roger Kyaw Thu, SVD*



*Sunday, May 26th  
10:45AM  
Mass of Thanksgiving*

**Reception to follow  
in the Cashin Gymnasium**

*Summer Book Club*

**WEDNESDAY, May 29th  
10:00AM - 11:30AM  
Faith Center - Room 114**

*"The World of Marian Apparitions"  
by Wincenty Laszewski*

We will be discussing the Introduction  
and Pages 1-59

**Join us as we read and discuss  
All are welcome!**



**SAINT MICHAEL  
WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP**

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION**

**Week 7**

**Your baby's first touch  
receptors develop in his  
lips and cheeks.**



# COME, LET US ADORE HIM

Octave of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
Beginning on Monday, June 3rd and Concluding with a

## MASS WITH BISHOP RONALD HICKS

on Sunday, June 9th at Corpus Christi in Carol Stream



### SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND EUCHARISTIC PROCESSIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 3 AT 5:30 P.M. | *St. John the Baptist, Winfield*

TUESDAY, JUNE 4 AT 6:00 P.M. | *St. Walter, Roselle*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 AT 6:00 P.M. | *St. Mary, West Chicago*

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 AT 6:00 P.M. | *St. James the Apostle, Glen Ellyn*

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 AT 6:00 P.M. | *St. Matthew, Glendale Heights*

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 AT 5:00 P.M. | *St. Michael, Wheaton*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 9 AT 10:00 A.M. | *Corpus Christi, Carol Stream***

*All are invited to join the West DuPage Deanery in the third year of the National Eucharistic Revival as we celebrate the Octave of Corpus Christi. During the Octave, six parishes will hold an evening Mass, followed by a Eucharistic Procession. **The conclusion of the Octave will be held on Sunday, June 9th at Corpus Christi Parish in Carol Stream, with BISHOP RONALD HICKS presiding at the 10 A.M. Mass, and leading the solemn blessing to four altars. Immediately following Sunday's procession, all are invited to a parish picnic with food, music and entertainment for families.***



**ST. MICHAEL PARISH  
CELEBRATES**

**FR. DAN HOEHN**



**20TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY**



**SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND**

**12:00PM**

**Cashin Gymnasium**





## Bishop Hicks' Column

May 2024

*Valuing Life, No Matter Where You Live*



Recently, on April 17, 2024, I traveled to the second annual "March for Life" in Springfield, Illinois. The morning began as over 1,500 people gathered for Mass at University of Illinois' Sangamon Auditorium in Springfield. We started the day fittingly through, with and in Christ, to be strengthened and nourished by the Word and Sacrament, the real and true Bread of Life. Among this large crowd, I concelebrated Mass on the stage with many bishops, priests, deacons, and seminarians from all six dioceses in the state of Illinois. I had the honor and privilege to deliver the homily.

As I preached, I could not help but notice the youthful spirit of the assembly. It was encouraging to see so many young Catholics present to celebrate, promote, and pray for the gift of life. Those who are my age and older were heartened and reassured to witness the baton of this important pro-life ministry being passed on to and embraced by the next generation.

In my homily, I began by asking everyone to raise their hands according to the diocese they lived in. It was uplifting to see representation from all six dioceses, including Belleville, Chicago, Joliet, Peoria, Rockford, and Springfield. After that quick survey, I inquisitively asked, "Do those of you who live in one diocese have more value than those who live in another?" They instantaneously responded, "No!" I affirmed their response and added, "You are right! Those of you who live in one diocese do not have more value than those who live in another diocese."

And here is my point: One's value should not depend on where one lives! Likewise, one's value should not depend on whether one lives inside the womb or outside of the womb.

Too many people support a culture that claims that human life only has value once he or she is living outside of the womb. However, in the Catholic Church, we support a counter-cultural point of view. Namely, we value life from conception to natural death. God is the creator and author of life, and life itself is a gift from God. Therefore, we respect, support, pray, promote, and value life both inside and outside of the womb.

There are people who would prefer we not gather at events like the March for Life with our prayers, our voices, and our advocacy. Yet Pope Francis has stated, "I urge civil authorities to be especially attentive to children who are denied their fundamental rights and dignity, particularly their right to life." And that is exactly what happened on April 17th in Springfield: together we urged civil authorities to be especially attentive to children who are denied their fundamental rights and dignity, particularly the right to life.

Let me extend a word of gratitude to those of you who support the gift of life through your prayers. Thank you, too, to those of you who put your faith into action through your donations, support, advocacy, and care to assist with those choosing life for the unborn child, especially in crisis situations. We are grateful to those involved with ministries of accompaniment, by supporting post-abortive women and men, through counseling, retreats, and compassionate support groups.

The month of May is often associated with the arrival of Spring and the renewal of life. During this time, we also turn to Mary in a special way, celebrating her "YES" in bringing forth new life through Jesus Christ. Through her Son's life, suffering, death, and resurrection, we have been given the gift of life eternal. We acknowledge one's value should not depend on where one lives, because life is a gift from God both inside the womb and outside of the womb. And with Easter joy, we continue to celebrate that eternal-life is a gift from God for those who believe and follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Our Lady of Mercy, Life-Giving Spring, pray for us. And let us celebrate our mothers - those on this earth and those in heaven - with prayers of love and gratitude this Mother's Day.

(To view photos from this year's March for Life in Springfield, I encourage you to visit our website at [www.diojoliet.org](http://www.diojoliet.org) )



# Parish Support

## Monthly Stewardship Report

April 2024

	April 2024	YTD
Offertory Budget	\$ 151,000	\$ 1,558,000
Offertory Actual	\$ 158,668	\$ 1,630,447
Total Over (Under)	\$ 7,668	\$ 72,447
Major Maintenance	\$ 1,390	\$ 20,057
St. Michael Needy Fund	\$ 2,242	\$ 30,481

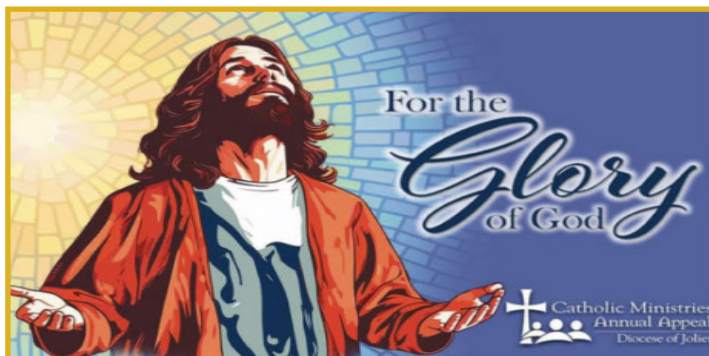
### Diocesan Collections

Catholic Home Missions	\$ 2,485
LEAD Project update	
Pledged	\$ 1,786,542
Collected	\$ 1,567,915

### Ascension of Our Lord

*"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 John 4:15*

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.



Thank you to everyone who has already pledged their gift to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Catholic Appeal. We know that **every** contribution comes from the heart and each dollar we receive helps our parish meet our CMAA goal. Together, we can come to the aid of our brothers and sisters in need *For the Glory of God*.

If you still plan on making your gift, pledge envelopes are still available in the church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at [jolietdioceseappeal.org](http://jolietdioceseappeal.org)

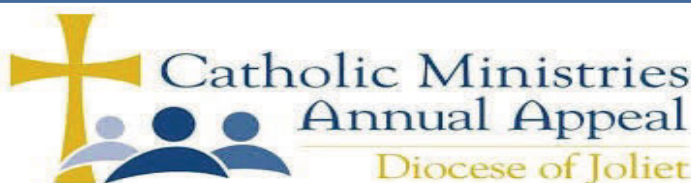
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Thank you for your generosity!



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	Thru 5/5/2024	2024	2023	Inc/Dec	2023 (Final)
Goal		\$169,300	\$176,900	(\$7,600)	\$176,900
Amount Pledged		\$194,053	\$222,835	(\$28,782)	\$277,084
Amount Paid		\$141,989	\$181,771	(\$39,782)	\$276,504
Balance Due		\$52,064	\$41,064	\$11,000	\$580
Donor Count		527	513	14	613
2024 Rebate		\$0			



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### Bulletin Submission Deadlines & Requirements

May 26th — Deadline: Friday, May 17th  
Send to:

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

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





# WE ARE CALLED

*Updates from Principal Ferguson & St. Michael Parish School*

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RESPECT.  
SERVE.  
LEAD.

## JOIN US IN PRAYER

ST. MICHAEL THE  
ARCHANGEL, DEFEND US IN  
BATTLE. BE OUR DEFENSE  
AGAINST THE WICKEDNESS  
AND SNARES OF THE DEVIL.  
MAY GOD REBUKE HIM, WE  
HUMBLY PRAY, AND DO  
THOU, O PRINCE OF THE  
HEAVENLY HOSTS, BY THE  
POWER OF GOD THRUST  
INTO HELL SATAN AND ALL  
THE EVIL SPIRITS WHO  
PROWL ABOUT THE WORLD  
SEEKING THE RUIN OF  
SOULS.  
AMEN.

## MAY CROWNING

The month of May holds so many beautiful traditions for our community. We were grateful to celebrate May Crowning as a school family. Thank you to the Class of 2024 for your reverence and prayerful leadership, and for uniting us all through the Living Rosary. We see Mary's "yes" in the ways you respond to God's call toward goodness, holiness, and love for others. May God bless you all as we close out your time here at St. Michael Parish School!



Class of 2023  
& Class of  
2020

WELCOME BACK EVENT

Tuesday, May 14, 2024  
3:15-4:30pm\*

\*Extended video viewing for Class of 2020 until 5:30 in conjunction

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