



# St. Michael

CATHOLIC CHURCH

310 S. Wheaton Avenue, Wheaton, IL 60187

August 25, 2024

**Most Rev. Ronald Hicks, Bishop**

**Rev. Santos 'Sunny' Castillo, Pastor**  
**Rev. Jacob Kolawole, Parochial Vicar**

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Monday - Thursday .....8:30 am ~ 4:30 pm  
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**SCHOOL OFFICE**

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

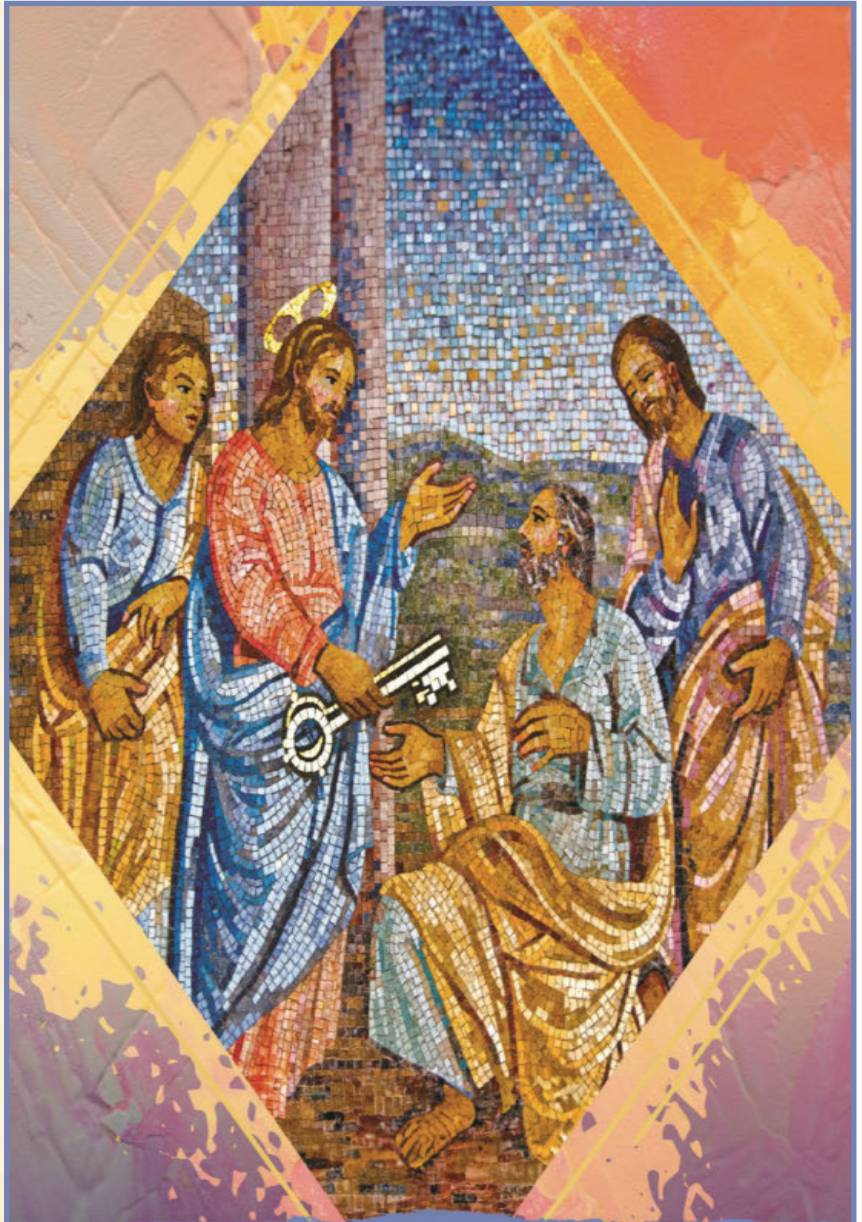
For Baptisms, Wedding and Funeral information, please contact the Parish Office.

**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.



## 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:68-69



## A SURGE OF JOYFUL ENERGY

The month of August is the annual witness of an extraordinary surge of joyful energy in our church campus as the kids return to school for the new school year. I remember it all like it was yesterday, standing there in front of the school greeting kids and their family. This daily drop off point is where the kids rush in with excitement to meet their classmates again and see their teachers in the classrooms. We also expect then that there will be some tears shed by some little kids who are getting to school for the first time, or even parents who get nostalgic about the fact that their children are now beginning a new phase in their life.

Last Tuesday, I was so glad to go back to the front of Saint Michael School. A little banner in the corner said, "Welcome Lancers!" and the queue of cars was long earlier than normal. Principal Ferguson had some dance music blasting in the middle of the lot, as the students walked through the doors. From their cars, the parents had big smiles on their faces, waving back to the greeting team. Something about having the children back to school always injects a dose of liveliness and enthusiasm. Soon after, I went to visit the kids' classrooms to pray for them and bless them with holy water, asking God for His Divine Guidance for them to grow in wisdom, knowledge, character, and love through the teachers and staff who will journey with them to a fruitful school year.

On Wednesday morning, we celebrated the first school mass of the school year. Masses with the children are always light-hearted, and I always look forward to talk to them about Jesus and His Church. These school masses are opportunities to provide a solid foundation of faith, which is best laid during this time of their lives. These years of formation and growing are also the best opportunities to build a solid life of virtue and prayer.

My dear parishioners, as we bask on this joyful energy that surrounds our church these days, let me share some of my personal convictions about the need for us to teach our children about the faith and Christian virtues as early as now:

1. Start early in introducing God to your children. These early years of learning will shape the deeper levels of your child's consciousness.
2. The children have the innate capacity for learning. It is a disservice to their gifts if we dumb down our lessons because we presume that they don't understand.
3. The character of a child is built through the help of consistent witness and support from parents, priests, teachers, deacons and the larger community. I promise, the children are watching, and they are keen to detect inconsistencies in our witness for them, even if they may not tell us.
4. To effectively nurture a child's faith and relationship with Jesus, we have to bring them to Sunday Mass, and pray with the rest of the community. Being with the bigger community allows them to recognize the bigger picture through which their lives are appreciated.
5. Lastly, the children are our gifts and our responsibilities. It is part of our mission as a church to bring the children to Jesus, because they belong to God. By our holy vocation, we are entrusted these children as stewards of Divine Purpose that is already in God's mind for all of them. Our responsibility is to help them fall in love with God.

Let us use the energy that the children's presence gives to us. It is my prayer that St. Michael will continue to be known as the exemplary parish in nurturing the gift of children in the school and in our faith formation program. God bless our children, God bless our teaching ministries, God bless our parish!

In gratefulness and devotion,

Fr. Sunny Castillo

# Prayer Ministry

## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

"Therefore we also will serve the LORD,  
for he is our God." (Jos 24:18)

#### Psalm:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

#### Second Reading:

This is a great mystery,  
but I speak in reference to Christ and the church.  
(Eph 5:32)

#### Gospel:

Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life." (Jn 6:68)

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### Observances for the week of August 25, 2024

- Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Tuesday:** St. Monica  
**Wednesday:** St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Thursday:** The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
**Next Sunday:** 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Mass Offered For

#### SUNDAY, August 25

- 7:15AM + Marcello Naldi  
9:00AM St. Michael Parishioners  
+ Albino Aguilar  
10:45AM + Karen Murray

### Requested By

- Family  
Aguilar Family  
Greg Murray

#### MONDAY, August 26

- 6:30AM + Therese Midha  
8:00AM + James Lusco

- Striedl Family  
Sue & Ted Virgilio

#### TUESDAY, August 27

- 6:30AM + Bob & Kay Swanson  
8:00AM + Hudson Singley

- Dave & Cathy Swanson  
Knab Family

#### WEDNESDAY, August 28

- 6:30AM + Fred Wallitsch  
8:00AM + John Brady  
+ Maria King

- Family  
Brady Family  
St. Michael Parent Org.

#### THURSDAY, August 29

- 6:30AM + Richard Ciombor  
8:00AM + John & Marilyn Suerth

- Harper Family  
Ude Family

#### FRIDAY, August 30

- 6:30AM + Jordan DeFrank &  
Jeanne Jordan  
8:00AM + Richard Maskeri

- Cindy Matre &  
Eric Krull  
Kania Family

#### SATURDAY, August 31

- 8:00AM Maribeth & Phil Spittler  
5:00PM + Tim & Lynn Borter

- Friend  
PJ & Carol Borter

#### SUNDAY, September 1

- 7:15AM + Jack Quinn  
9:00AM + Doug Brown  
10:45AM St. Michael Parishioners  
+ George Carr

- McHugh Family  
Friend  
Pete Scarpelli

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

W-K

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

H

<https://www.hultgrenfh.com>



**Gregory Devane**  
**Brother of Brian (Julie) Devane**

*"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."*

# Prayer Ministry

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

John Adamek	Carol Ferri	Andja Lozancic	Jon Riley
Elaine Adamek	Frank Ferri	George Lozancic	Sheryl Rutkowski
Eleanor Agan	Teresa Fillman	Theresa Lozano	Mike Sambo
Teresa Aguilar	Theresa Fogarty	Juan T. Lozano, Jr.	Anne Marie
Charles Baker	Dale Foreman	Wilma	Schneider
Josu Beruete	David Fountain	Mabilangan	<b>Jan Seimetz</b>
Peg Birt	Connor Giles	Robert Mucerino	Tobias Siennetts
Steve Blagaich	Brice Grudzien	Cathy McGuire	Ann Smith
Marianne Bluhm	William Harris	Joanne Metoyer	Jacek Sowinski
Yecenia Bosley	Giancarlo Herrera	Nancy	Stroner Family
David Brummett	Robert	Mackowiak	Dominic Thomas
Kathy Brummett	Hoppenstedt	James Oliver	Cindy Tory
Sue Cosgrove	Kathy Keller	Joan Peters	Andrew Valadka
Frank Cyenas	Miki Kern	Victoria Holmen	Carole Weber
Althea G. Dades	Maribeth Kerr	Peterson	The Wulffe
Evan DeBock	Barbara	Vicki Piccolo	Family
Joseph Debre	Krzyzewski	Ray Reynertson	Eileen Yanan
DePratt Family	Margaret Kuhn	Rita Richards	Sr. Mary Clarine
<b>Joe Duckworth</b>	Barbara Lambke	Margaret Riggs	Young, SND
Lisa Fanucchi	Al Liskey	Bill Riley	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.

## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION 4 - 5 Months

The mother first feels  
the baby's movements.  
The child can grasp  
with hands, swim, and  
turn somersaults.



**For the Parishioners of  
St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Itasca and  
St. Andrew Kim Parish in Itasca,  
that they will experience many blessings  
during this our Anniversary Year.  
Let us pray to the Lord.**

***Monday, August 26 ~ St. Peter the Apostle  
Parish, Itasca  
Friday, August 30 ~ St. Andrew Kim Parish,  
Itasca***

## VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR August 25 — September 1

- 8/25 Sr. Rose Mary Pint OSF  
Sr. Diane Przyborowski OSF
- 8/26 Fr. Clive Otieno  
Fr. John Ouper
- 8/27 Sr. Mary Patrick Salm OSF  
Sr. Lynn Schafer OSF  
Sr. Rosemarie Stewart OSF
- 8/28 Sr. Julie Walsh OSF  
Sr. Sylvia Wehlisch OSF  
Sr. Georgene L. Wilson OSF  
Sr. Mary Lou Wirtz OSF
- 8/29 Fr. J. Agustin Ortega Ruiz  
Fr. William O'Shea
- 8/30 Fr. Michael Groth  
Fr. Gregory Alberts
- 8/31 Sr. Ella Binz OSF  
Sr. Christine Bowman OSF  
Sr. Ellen Mary Brenner OSF
- 9/1 Br. Alphonsus Brown O.H.  
Br. Charles Pratt O.H.



## 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)

# Around the Parish

**Wheaton Knights of Columbus  
Our Council 2601  
Continues the Tootsie Roll  
Intellectual Disability Drive 2024**



The Knights are back in force to support the effort to raise funds for Intellectual Disabilities. These children in need do not go away. They still need your help and support.

The Wheaton Knights of Columbus Council 2601 ask that you continue to make your donation to the Tootsie Roll Intellectual Disability Drive 2024 by:

Sending in a check to "Wheaton Knights 2601"  
at P.O. Box 525 Wheaton IL 60189



Or email:

WheatonKnights2601@gmail.com

A Knight will email you back to make arrangements to pick up a gracious donation.

Or, conveniently scan the QR code on this announcement and make a donation on our official fundraising page.



If you are an adult and would like to assist with our collection drive September 6th-8th, please contact us via the contact info above.

*Thank you so much for your support this year.  
Maybe we will see you around town!*

## Fall Book Club

**FRIDAY, September 6th  
9:30AM - 11:00AM  
Faith Center - Room 114**

*"Into Your Hands, Father"*  
by Wilfid Stinissen

We will be discussing  
the Preface and Chapter 1.

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



SAINT MICHAEL  
WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP

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## kick-off party

WITH FR. SUNNY

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT 11**

Saint Michael Faith Center at 7:00 PM

Please join us for a fun night of fellowship. Light apps and drinks provided. Learn about upcoming WFG events and meet our new pastor!

For all women of Saint Michael Parish and School.  
We hope to see you there!



## ATTENTION MEN BOWLERS

St. Michael's Holy Name Bowling League is looking for men interested in bowling on Monday nights with fellow members of our parish.

We will begin this season on September 9th at Bowlero on North Avenue in Glendale Heights, starting at 7:30 p.m.

If you like to bowl, at any skill level, come join the FUN!

Questions? Call Bill Keller at 708-602-6972.



## Around the Parish

### St. Michael Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, September 21st  
9:00 - 10:30 a.m. in the Bridal Room

We are a ministry of women who come together to knit or crochet prayer shawls to be blessed and then distributed to anyone who needs the comfort of God. All levels of stitchers are welcome.



**REGISTER NOW!**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
2024-2025**

Online registration is available through the St. Michael Church website  
[www.stmichaelcommunity.org](http://www.stmichaelcommunity.org)

Questions?

Please call the RE Office at  
630-682-3650



### BROTHERS IN CHRIST

**Saturday Mornings - 7:00AM - 8:00AM**

310 S. Wheaton Avenue - Conference Room - Use Door #8



The men's faith sharing group, Brothers in Christ, provides Catholic men with a form to study the Bible together, to compare experiences striving to lead a faithful Catholic life, and to encourage one another to continue to grow in the Catholic faith. We are faithful to Church teachings, respectful of each other, welcoming of participants from different rites, apostolic movements, and other Catholic organizations, and require confidentiality to encourage participation.

Questions? Please contact Brian Hengesbaugh at 312-315-6178 or [chicagomensbiblestudy@gmail.com](mailto:chicagomensbiblestudy@gmail.com)



**Religious Education  
Volunteers Needed!**

We are still in need of catechists, classroom aides, attendance volunteers, crossing guards, & traffic safety volunteers.

**Volunteers receive  
a tuition discount!**

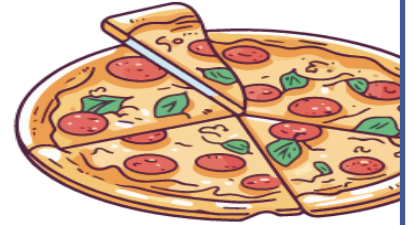
To volunteer or learn more, click here or go to:  
<https://www.stmichaelcommunity.org/religious-ed>



# Newly Married & Engaged Social

Join us for a fellowship and Pizza after mass

Meet new couples! Make new friends! Have fun!



## September 21st St. Michaels in Wheaton After 5pm Mass

# BE FORMED

A 90 DAY DISCIPLESHIP EXPERIENCE FOR MEN AND WOMEN

SEPTEMBER 11th- DECEMBER 9TH, 2024

Join us for a life-changing 90 days of Prayer, Scripture, the Sacraments, Community and the Traditions of the Catholic Church

- Daily videos from Fr. Burke Masters
- Weekly Small Group Sessions
- Monthly Eucharistic Adoration
- Personal Commitments & Prayer Partners help you grow in Discipleship

SEASON 9  
LIFE IN CHRIST  
PART 2

REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED  
Scan the QR code  
on or after  
August 1st or visit:  
[tinyurl.com/  
3t4x6mw9](http://tinyurl.com/3t4x6mw9)



Workbooks available for a limited time. Please order during registration by August 19th!



## Calling All Boys, Age 5-18 Years!

Consider joining Scouting, right here at St. Mike's, to experience Outdoor Adventure, Camping, Pinewood Derby, Campfires, Cookouts, Friendship and Life Skills.



### Cub Scout Pack 134

Kindergarten through 5th grade  
Contact Cubmaster Andy Andersen  
at [andrew.Andersen@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.Andersen@gmail.com)



### Boy Scout Troop 34

5th-12th grade  
Contact New Family Coordinator  
Sharon Cline at  
[ladibug245@gmail.com](mailto:ladibug245@gmail.com)

# Around the Diocese

## Diocese of Joliet 75th Anniversary Regional Masses



All are invited to join us in celebration of the Diocese of Joliet 75th Anniversary!  
Please join us!

**September 14, 2024 - 4:00pm**  
Montini Catholic High School  
Lombard (DuPage County)

**September 27, 2024 - 4:00pm**  
Lewis University  
Romeoville (Will and Kendall Counties)

**Presider: The Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks**

Liturgies will be celebrated in various parts of the diocese to bring people together in celebration of our anniversary. Priests from the local areas will join Bishop Hicks. Receptions will follow each of the liturgies, featuring entertainment and food for purchase. The first Mass took place in June at Bishop McNamara High School in Kankakee.

### NFP: UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

We invite men and women 21+ to a two-part series exploring female and male fertility, why it's important (even if you're not trying to have a baby!) and how it relates to health. We'll also explore what NFP looks like in practice. We'll discuss cycle abnormalities and what you can do about it, while honoring God's plan for sex, marriage and families.

 Simply NFP



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Marquette Method Certified Instructor



Meg Murray RN, BSN, MMCP  
Marquette Method Certified Instructor



Dr. Teresa Asam Jensen MD, CrMC  
Naprotechnology Fertility Care

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### A two-part series: September 6th & 13th

7pm @ Our Lady of Mercy in Aurora (in the gym)

**Part 1 - Charting and NFP: what does it look like in your everyday life?**

**Part 2 - Hormonal Health: a Catholic perspective. Ethical ways of treating hormonal problems and infertility.**

Attend one or both talks, attendance is free! Any donations will be appreciated.

#### Giveaways!

- Whiskey and cigars
- Cooper's Hawk gift card

#### Questions?

simplynfp.com  
annie@simplynfp.com

No matter how much you're hurting

## No Marriage is Beyond Hope

RETROUVAILLE  
A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES  
OF JOLIET ILLINOIS

There is a light at the end of the tunnel.

#blessedinRETROspect  
#RetrouvailleJoliet

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help married couples who are struggling. We will help you learn to communicate on a deeper level, approach conflict constructively, build a stronger marriage, and rediscover the love you once had for each other.

**Our Joliet area weekend is coming this September 13th - 15th, 2024**

HelpOurMarriage.org

For more information, call us at 815-246-2080  
or visit us at HelpOurMarriage.org



815-246-2080



# Parish Support

## Monthly Stewardship Report

As of 8/19/24

August 2024

Offertory Budget	\$ 144,000
Envelopes	60,898
Online	<u>46,102</u>
Offertory Actual	\$ <u>107,000</u>
Total Over (Under)	\$ <37,000>

### Stewards Commit

"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." JOSHUA 24:15

When we commit to serve the Lord, we become Stewards in the work of the Lord. A disciple is a person who spends time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports their local parish and Church mission. If we say we serve

God, our words and actions should reflect the Gospel message to others.



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or scan the QR code with your phone's camera. Tap on the pop up link which will bring you to our website for one-time or recurring online donations.



### *Never Miss A Bulletin!!*

Sign up to have our weekly parish bulletin emailed to you at [www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)

**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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## August is Catholic Charities Month!

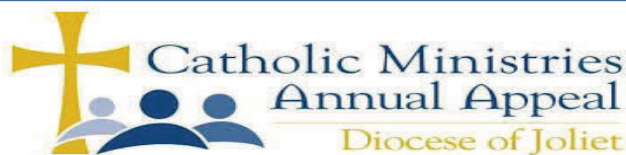
While many of us associate summer with carefree days and fun activities, it is important to remember that summer brings unique challenges for those living in poverty. At Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, the need is greater than ever.

Extreme heat can be unbearable (and sometimes dangerous) for our neighbors without air conditioning in their homes or vehicles. The current high costs of housing and food have placed an even greater strain on those who were already struggling. We all feel the pinch, but for families living at or below the poverty level, this situation can be devastating. The need for food and shelter in our community has never been greater. In response, we have expanded our services, but we need your help to continue providing much-needed programs and services to those in need.

Your generous donation will help us provide food, shelter, and other critical services to our most vulnerable neighbors. Each gift makes a positive difference in the lives of those we serve. Will you help the poor and vulnerable in honor of Catholic Charities Month?

Thank you for your continued support and for making a difference in our community.

To donate, visit [catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](http://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org) or call 815-724-1140.



Thru 8/18/2024	2024	2023	Inc/Dec	2023 (Final)
Goal	\$169,300	\$176,900	(\$7,600)	\$176,900
Amount Pledged	\$219,882	\$256,378	(\$36,496)	\$277,084
Amount Paid	\$198,196	\$234,584	(\$36,388)	\$276,504
Balance Due	\$21,686	\$21,794	(\$108)	\$580
Donor Count	573	574	-1	613
2024 Rebate	\$20,227			

### Bulletin Submission Deadlines & Requirements



September 8th—Deadline: Friday, August 30th  
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.

# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

## Week of August 25, 2024



### The First Multiplication | Bread of Life | Episode 1

In this first episode of Bread of Life, Dr. Tim Gray shares insights from Sacred Scripture and dives into the Gospel of Mark's account of the first multiplication of loaves. Dr. Gray shows how Christ's eucharistic teaching is grounded in the Old Testament, provides hope for the reconstitution of Israel, and anticipates the Last Supper.



### Confessions of Augustine: Who Is St. Augustine? (Part 1 of 6)

Join these two patristic scholars as they help viewers learn how to read this classic text and draw from the riches of the spiritual life of the doctor of the Church, Saint Augustine.



### The Bread of Life: Celebrating the Eucharist!

Join Brother Francis in the delightfully inspirational and instructive presentation that teaches children all about the sacrament of the Eucharist!

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