



310 S. Wheaton Avenue, Wheaton, IL 60187

#### September 22, 2024

Most Rev. Ronald Hicks, Bishop

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

#### Deacon Dan Aderholdt Deacon Dan Simmet

#### PARISH OFFICE

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Monday - Thursday .......8:30 am ~ 4:30 pm Friday......8:30 am ~ 1:00 pm

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil for Sunday	5:00pm
Sunday7:15am, 9:00a	am, 10:45am
Monday-Friday6:30	
Saturday	
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Rosary prayed after all daily Masses

#### Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil for Holy Day	5:30pm	
Holy Day		
	12:15pm, 7:00pm	

#### ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Adoration. Access only with a key fob. Call Parish Office at 630-665-2250 for information.

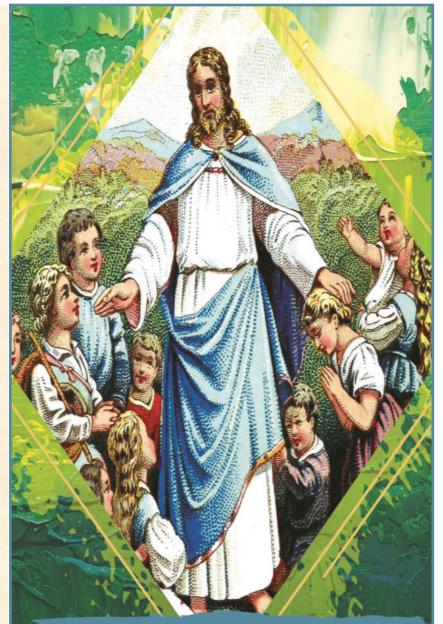
**SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION** For Baptisms, Wedding and Funeral information, please contact the Parish Office.

#### CONFESSIONS

Tuesday	4:00pm ~ 5:45pm
Saturday	8:30am ~ 9:30am
Or by appointment	

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

Available at <u>www.stmichaelcommunity.org</u> or call the Parish Office.



### 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:37





### LOOKING FORWARD WITH GREAT JOY

I learned very early in my ministry as a priest that if I do not calendar my time away early in the fiscal year, there is a great likelihood that I will not be able to maximize all the days that are allotted for a priest to use for vacations, retreat and ongoing formation. And so all these years, I have been very systematic and mathematical about those days, and I always look forward to them, especially with the action-packed life we live in ministry here at Saint Michael.

Unlike Father Jacob who has taken all six weeks of his allotted time away in his one trip back to Nigeria, I have broken my vacation, retreat and continuing education schedule into three major trips this year. (Btw, for those who were asking, Fr. Jacob has not moved out; he is just gone for six weeks back to his home country, and will be returning before the end of this month.) The first of the three trips is happening by the first week of October.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE. I am looking forward to my pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines of Portugal, Spain and France, which includes a visit to the incredible apparition sites of Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of the Pillar (Zaragoza), as well as the epic places of Marian devotion like the Almudena in Madrid, the Black Madonna of Montserrat and Our Lady of La Mercè in Barcelona. On top of all that, my pilgrim group will also visit a prominent site of a Eucharistic Miracle in Santarem, Portugal, and the cities associated to some saints like Lisbon, Avila, Toledo, Coimbra and Salamanca. I am sharing my excitement to go back for my sixth time in this region because of all my many pilgrimages, this has proven to produce the most reported answered prayers. Something about the devotion to our Heavenly Mother must surely open passage ways of graces and blessings in this trip. So, I invite you to share your intercessions and prayer requests with me before I leave. You are welcome to write the intentions down and drop them at a basket provided by the baptismal font. You are also able to email the prayer request to the parish office.

THE INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM STATUE OF FATIMA. In the same spirit, I am excited to announce that the International Pilgrim Status of Our Lady of Fatima will visit Saint Michael Parish for the first time on October 16, 2024! As the current spiritual director of the World Apostolate of Fatima (Blue Army) Joliet Chapter, I am privileged to bring this gift to our parish. This statue is very special! Here are some important things to know about the statue:

"The beautiful image of Our Lady of Fatima was designed by famous sculptor José Thedim in 1947. Sister Lucia herself instructed him, and later remarked that she had never seen any image which so resembled the actual apparition of Our Lady. The bishop of Fatima entrusted the image to John Haffert, co-founder of the Blue Army, and prayed that Mary herself accompany the statue wherever it goes. It has traveled around the globe many times for more than 76 years and continues its journeys today under the custody of the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA – Our Lady's Blue Army. An uninterrupted flow of graces and favors have been reported wherever the statue has traveled, including physical cures (which can only be officially pronounced by Church authorities), favors granted and numerous conversions. The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue tours was and still is to bring the graces of Fatima and Our Lady's message of hope, peace and salvation to those many millions of people who may never have an opportunity to make a pilgrimage to Fatima itself."

I look forward with great joy for these incredible opportunities to grow in our devotion, in our love of the Virgin Mary, which leads to our love of her Son Jesus. As always, you are in my heart and thoughts in my prayers, my dear Saint Michael family. God bless our parish!

With fervent expectations,

Fr. Sunny Castillo

### **Prayer Ministry**

### Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

Let us condemn him to a shameful death: for according to his own words, God will take care of him. (Wis 2:20)

Psalm: The Lord upholds my life. (Ps 54)

#### Second Reading:

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. (Jas 3:18)

#### Gospel:

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mk 9:35)

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### Observances for the week of September 22, 2024

Sunday:	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; National Migration Week
Thursday:	Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Friday:	St. Vincent de Paul, Priest r
Saturday:	St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
Next Sunday:	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

anary time; Priesthood Sunday

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

> > https://www.williamskampp.com/obituaries/ obituary-listings

ttps://www.hultgrenfh.com

MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Requested By Mass Offered For** SUNDAY, September 22 7:15AM + Nancy Elbe Anita Elbe 9:00AM St. Michael Parishioners + Salvatore, Angelina & Family **Bernie Tacito** 10:45AM + Mary Lieven Laurie Winter **MONDAY, September 23** 6:30AM + Henrietta Mularski Arlene Klawitter 8:00AM + Gloria Fortman Fortman Family **TUESDAY, September 24** 6:30AM + John Phillip Muench Jr. Barbara & Deborah Bjorn 8:00AM + Carol Kahlfeldt Michael Kahlfeldt WEDNESDAY, September 25 6:30AM + Frances Bradford Family 8:00AM + Sandra Buksa Christine Cody + Maria Renee King Jennifer Sessions Kramer & Jaime Sessions **THURSDAY, September 26** 6:30AM + Therese Midha **Dey Family** 8:00AM + Michael Senczysen Laurie Winter FRIDAY, September 27 6:30AM + Michael Fazio Friend 8:00AM + John Newell **Bridie Newell** SATURDAY, September 28 8:00AM + Dorothy Furie Debbie Block 5:00PM + William Saelinger Dennis & Barbara Lenzie SUNDAY, September 29 7:15AM + Ernestina Bautista Miranda & Bautista Families 9:00AM + Judy Rutkowski

St. Michael Parishioners 10:45AM + Daniel Zierk

Kania Family

Family



Jadwiga "Harriet" Rozylowicz Jerry Klein

"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."

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### Prayer Ministry

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

John Adamek Elaine Adamek Eleanor Agan Teresa Aguilar Charles Baker Josu Beruete Peg Birt Steve Blagaich Marianne Bluhm Robert Yecenia Bosley David Brummett John Hyde Kathy Brummett Kathy Keller Frank Cycenas Althea G. Dades Maribeth Kerr Evan DeBock DePratt Family Joe Duckworth Lisa Fanucchi Joseph Fenton Carol Ferri

Frank Ferri Teresa Fillman Andja Lozancic Theresa Fogarty Dale Foreman Theresa Lozano David Fountain Connor Giles Wilma Brice Grudzien Mabilangan Giancarlo Herrera Robert Mucerino Jacek Sowinski Cathy McGuire Hoppenstedt Nancy Mackowiak Miki Kern James Oliver Joan Peters Barbara Krzyzewski Peterson Margaret Kuhn Ray Reynertson Barbara Lambke **Rita Richards** Al Liskev Margaret Riggs John Lisner Jon Riley

Matthew Lisner Sheryl Rutkowski Mike Sambo George Lozancic Anne Marie Schneider Juan T. Lozano, Jr. Jan Seimetz **Tobias Siennetts** Ann Smith Stroner Family Joanne Metoyer Dominic Thomas Cindy Tory Andrew Valadka Carole Weber The Wulffe Victoria Holmen Family Eileen Yanan Sr. Mary Clarine Young, SND 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.





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

#### **VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR** September 22 — September 29

- 9/22 Deacon Edwin Petak **Deacon Charles Peterson Deacon Anthony Plese**
- 9/23 Fr. Bruce Taggart O.Carm. Fr. Edward Ward O.Carm. Fr. John Welch O.Carm.
- 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 lones O.F.M.
- 9/28 Sr. Josephine Mulcahey OSF Sr. Francis Therese Ortega OSF Sr. Mary Barbara Hassler OSF
- 9/29 Bishop Ronald Hicks

For the Parishioners of St. Matthew Parish in Glendale Heights, St. Petronille Parish in Glen Ellyn and St. James the Apostle Parish in Glen Ellyn, that abundant blessings will be bestowed upon them during this our **Anniversary Year.** Let us pray to the Lord.

Week of September 22 (Remembrances in praver during the weekday Masses)

Tuesday, September 24 ~ St. Matthew Parish, **Glendale Heights** Thursday, September 26 ~ St. Petronille Parish, Glen Ellyn

Friday, September 27 ~ St. James the Apostle Parish, **Glen Ellyn** 





### **Around the Parish**

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# **St. Michael Catholic Church** MINISTRY FAIR WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 28TH & 29TH

COME AND SEE!

### St. Michael Catholic Church **Ministries**

### **Liturgical Ministries**

- Music Ministry
- Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)
- Mass Coordinators
- Lectors
- Extraordinary Ministers of **Holy Communion**
- Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion - Homebound & Sick
- Wedding Hostesses
- Laundering of Church Linens
- Art & Environment
- Altar Servers

### Parish Life

- Brothers in Christ
- Women's Faith Group
- Young Adults Prayer & Social Group
- Be Formed
- Cursillo
- Communio
- Holy Name Society
- Knights of Columbus
- Parish Fish Fry
- Hospitality Group
- Youth Ministry

### **Outreach Ministries**

- Inter-Faith Food Pantry
- Respect Life Ministry
- St. Vincent DePaul Society
- Feed My Starving Children
- Serra Club

### **Pastoral** Care Ministries

- Grief Support Ministry
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Baptismal Bibs

#### Faith Formation

- Religious Education Catechists, Classroom Aides and Volunteers
- OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults
- Adult Faith Formation

### St. Michael **Advisory Boards**

- Parish Council
- Buildings & Grounds
- Finance Council
- St. Michael School Board
- Faith Formation Board

Rosary Group

### **Around the Parish**

### St. Michael's Grief Support Group

Jn grief, the one person you'd like to talk to, is no longer here for you. 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 1st 6:30-8:00PM Faith Center - Room 114. For more information, please contact Deacon Dan L. Aderholdt at dladerholdt@gmail.com or Hope Keber at HopeK19@comcast.net

FRIDAY, October 4th 9:00AM - 10:30AM Faith Center - Room 114

"Into Your Hands, Father" by Wilfid Stinissen We will be discussing Chapter 3.

Join us as we read and discuss All are welcome!

SAINT MICHAEL



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How to Pray the Rosary Thursday, October 3rd 9:30AM - 11:00AM Faith Center - Room 114

All women of the parish are welcome to attend. Kids are welcome, too. We will have some toys available for the children. We will start each session praying a decade of the rosary over the God Box that holds intentions of the parish and the school. Then, we will discuss the topic for that month.







### **Around the Parish**

### **THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!!!**



Thank you to the 100 volunteers who stepped forward to share our faith with the nearly 900 students enrolled in the St. Michael Religious Education Program. Catechists and volunteers joined Father Sunny and the RE Team for training in early September and kicked off classes September 14 and 15. We are off to an outstanding start to the new year and we are truly grateful for the community's support! Families who have not yet registered their children for RE should visit the parish web site for next steps.

## Little Flower Girls Club

Calling all girls K-5th grade to join us in this Catholic based club for girls.



We will be teaching virtues through learning about the lives of the saints and our Catholic faith. Our monthly meetings will also include a craft, snacks, and social time. Come join us and help instill a love for the beauty of our Catholic faith in our girls while also making some new friends. Junior high girls, 6th-8th grade, are invited to volunteer as assistants.

Meetings will be held on the 3rd Friday of each month from 2:15-3:45 pm in the Faith Center. Space is limited.

If you are interested in joining or would like more information, contact Diana LaHood at di@thelahoods.com.



### Eucharistic Procession for Life Saturday, October 19th ~ 8:00-11:00AM



"The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it." John 1:5

Join us as we transform entirely ordinary suburban streets into a prayerful and powerful walk with Jesus.

Celebrating our faith and our unshakable commitment to the sanctity of life, we will experience Eucharistic Adoration in a three-mile-long expression of praise and worship.

The event will begin with 8AM Mass at St. Michael. We will then process with Jesus from there to St. Petronille for the Benediction and a continental breakfast.

Bring your family and friends and experience the graces and blessings for yourselves – you'll all be grateful you did!



### **Around the Diocese**

### **Diocese of Joliet 75th Anniversary Regional Mass**



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

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.



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### **Parish Support**

### **Monthly Stewardship Report**

### As of 9/16/24

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	Sept 2024
<b>Offertory Budget</b>	\$ 150,000
Envelopes	62,670
Online	44,710
<b>Offertory Actual</b>	<u>\$ 107,380</u>
Total Over (Under)	< \$ 42,620>

#### **Stewardship Servants**

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." MARK 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we as Christian Stewards are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many

of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is

"to make holy," from the words "sacer" = sacred and "facere" = to make. In other words, when we sacrifice, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.



### Donating Made Easier! Enroll in WeShare on our website at:

https://www.stmichaelcommunity.org/donate

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. 间





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.



### Commemorating 75 Years of **Catechesis**, Evangelization and Service

All-knowing and loving God. we give you thanks for your blessings upon the Diocese of Joliet. For 75 years, we have been founded in faith. called to witness and, sent forth to serve.

In thanksgiving, for your abiding presence among us, and with gratitude for the life and service of those who have gone before us, we recommit ourselves to carrying out this mission entrusted to them, to us, and to future generations.

Relying on the intercession of our patron, St. Francis Xavier, may our diocese continue to be a source of hope for the Church and all peoples, now and in the years to come.



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We pray this in the name DIOCESE OF JOLIET of Jesus, your Son by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen



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		Annu	al Ap	opeal
		Dio	cese of	Joliet
9/15/2024	2024	2023	Inc/Dec	2023 (Final)
	\$169,300	\$176,900	(\$7,600)	\$176,900

Goal	\$169,300	\$176,900	(\$7,600)	\$176,900
Amount Pledged	\$222,019	\$259,508	(\$37,489)	\$277,084
Amount Paid	\$203,984	\$243,392	(\$39,408)	\$276,504
Balance Due	\$18,035	\$16,116	\$1,919	\$580
Donor Count	574	579	-5	613
2024 Rebate	\$24,279			

**Bulletin Submission Deadlines** & Requirements



October 6th—Deadline: Friday, September 27th Send to: communications@stmichaelcommunity.org Please send content that can be used in a 1/4 & 1/2page format, as full-page space availability is limited. Earlier deadlines occur before holidays.

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# WE ARE CALLED

Updates from Principal Ferguson & St. Michael Parish School



#### 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.

CONNECT WITH US

AMEN.

### WONDER BUDDIES

When you step outside, do you wonder? Do you wonder at the world around you; at God's creation? Do you wonder about the earth, its flowers, seeds, trees, leaves, grass, the birds, or the wiggly bugs all about?

Each year, our classes pair up as "buddy" classes. Perhaps one of the most special relationships comes from our 2<sup>nd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Buddies, who help each other prepare for their Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Recently, these buddies took to the beautiful outdoors in scientific pursuit of "finding." How glorious to examine, wonder, and joy in God's great creation. Having a Big or Little Buddy is its own true wonder here at St. Michael. We are so grateful! BELIEVE EXCEL RESPECT SERVE LEAD



## INFO TOURS #BEALANCER

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

PRESCHOOL INFO TOURS 9AM on 10/8 & 10/28 PRESCHOOL & 4. 4 JUS OPTIONE

KINDERGARTEN INFO TOURS 9AM on 10/7 & 10/29

> CALL TO RSVP FOR AN INFO TOUR: 630-665-1454 LEARN MORE AT STMICHAELSCHOOLWHEATON.ORC

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