



310 S. Wheaton Avenue, Wheaton, IL 60187

March 2, 2025



8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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RESTORE THE CHURCH BUILD THE FUTURE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For more than 40 years, and in some countries more than 70 years, communism ruled Central and Eastern European countries and the Soviet Union's many republics. The Soviet Union stretched from Eastern Europe across central Asia and beyond to the Pacific Ocean. One of its former republics is Tajikistan, in central Asia. Bordering China to the east and Afghanistan to the south, Tajikistan is today the poorest of the former Soviet republics.

The country's economic challenges—along with a population that today is 98% Muslim—make Tajikistan a true mission country for the Church, because Catholics are few and needs are great. In fact, the Church's presence is so small that the Tajikistan Church is not part of a diocese with its own bishop but is an independent mission of the pope, administered by priests from the Institute of the Incarnate Word, a missionary order from Argentina. Along with the institute's order of sisters, the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará, these priests faithfully serve the pastoral needs of the people through education and accompaniment. Despite its small size and relative poverty, this community has fostered the first two priestly vocations and ordinations of two Tajik men, as well as the religious vocation of a Tajik woman who professed perpetual vows with the sisters.

With critical support from the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the sisters continue their mission by educating the children and providing them with instruction, school supplies, school uniforms, and the food they need to develop intellectually, spiritually, physically, and socially. Guided by their faith and this material support, the sisters witness to Christ's love while carrying out their works of mercy. You can participate in their success by donating to this special collection when it is taken up in our diocese, either by contributing at Mass or through your parish's e-giving platform. #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds online for the collection.

For more information about the collection and who it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccee. Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe.

With best wishes, I ask God to bless you always.

As I remain –

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks Bishop of Joliet

For more information on the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, visit www.usccb.org/ccee

Prayer Ministry

Most Rev. Ronald Hicks, Bishop Most Rev. Dennis E. Spies, Auxiliary Bishop

Rev. Santos 'Sunny' Castillo, Pastor Rev. Jacob Kolawole, Parochial Vicar **Rev. Anthony Taschetta (Retired)** Deacon Dan Aderholdt **Deacon Dan Simmet**

PARISH OFFICE

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communications@stmichaelcommunity.org

The Parish Office will be closed Wednesday, March 5th Monday - Thursday......8:30am ~ 4:30pm

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

SCHOOL OFFICE

(630) 665-1454.....(630) 690-1491 (Fax) 314 W. Willow Avenue, Wheaton

FAITH CENTER

Religious Education Office

(630) 682-3650......(630) 690-3324 (Fax) 317 W. Willow Avenue, 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 prayed after all daily Masses

Ash Wednesday - March 5, 2025 6:30am & 8:00am - Masses 12:15pm & 4:30pm - Liturgy of the Word 7:00pm - Mass

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 for more 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 & BULLETIN

Available at www.stmichaelcommunity.org or call the Parish Office.

Fridays in Lent 7:00AM & 7:00PM



Also available anytime on our YouTube channel, 'St. Michael Wheaton', or the St. Michael Church website at:

www.stmichaelcommunity.org

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Praise no one before he speaks. for it is then that people are tested. (Sir 27:7)

Psalm:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you. (Ps 92)

Second Reading:

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 15:57)

Gospel:

"A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." (Lk 6:45)

Observances for the week of March 2, 2025

Sunday:	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Monday:	St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin	
Tuesday:	St. Casimir	
Wednesday:	Ash Wednesday	
Friday:	Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs	
Saturday:	St. John of God, Religious	
Next Sunday:	1st Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins	

St. Michael Catholic Church

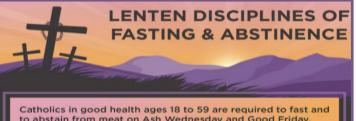
Ash Wednesday March 5, 2025

Mass 6:30am & 8:00am

Liturgy of the Word 12:15pm & 4:30pm

> Mass 7:00pm

For you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Genesis 3:19



to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal. Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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 Yecenia Bosley David Brummett Kathy Brummett Frank Cycenas Althea G. Dades Evan DeBock DePratt Family Lynn Dennis Lisa Fanucchi Joseph Fenton Carol Ferri Frank Ferri Teresa Fillman Theresa Fogarty Dale Foreman

David Fountain Connor Giles Mary Ellen Giner Brice Grudzien Giancarlo Herrera Robert Hoppenstedt John Hyde Kathy Keller Miki Kern Maribeth Kerr Barbara Krzyzewski Paul Kubica Margaret Kuhn Barbara Lambke Al Liskey Andja Lozancic George Lozancic Theresa Lozano Juan T. Lozano, Jr. Robert Mucerino Cathy McGuire Joanne Metover Nancy Mackowiak James Oliver

Bill Parrilli Joan Peters Victoria Holmen Peterson **Ray Reynertson** Margaret Riggs Jon Riley Sheryl Rutkowski Mike Sambo Anne Marie Schneider Jan Seimetz **Tobias Siennetts** Ann Smith Jacek Sowinski Stroner Family Mary Ann Timoney **Dominic Thomas** Cindy Tory Andrew Valadka The Wulffe Family 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.

VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR March 2 — March 9

3/2 Deacon Michael Fitzpatrick Deacon Anthony Holmes Deacon Andrew Jalove



- 3/3 Sr. Theresa Fix IHM Sr. Monica Allamandola Sr. Arlene Ashack IBVM
- 3/4 Fr. James Dougherty
- 3/5 Sr. Marietta Brummel Sr. Lorna Hays IBVM
- 3/6 Sr. Ann Hyzy Sr. Judy Illig IBVM
- 3/7 Fr. Stanley Drewniak Fr. Robert Duda
- 3/8 Fr. Thomas Dunn Fr. Douglas Hauber
- 3/9 Deacon Joseph Cuzzone Deacon Donald Cyr Deacon Joseph Dalpiaz

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Offe		Requested By	
SUNDAY,			
7:15AM			
9:00AM	0	Dan & Anne Trotta	
	+ Marie Feller	Hengesbaugh Family	
10:45AM	+ Kathleen Wilkosz	Jim & Debbie Walsh	
MONDAY, March 3			
6:30AM	+ Eileen Cronin	Dale & Maureen Foreman	
8:00AM	+ Katie Wanner Hassberger	Drabik Family	
TUESDAY, March 4			
6:30AM	+ Laurence E. Golden	Laurence A. Golden	
8:00AM	+ Margaret Balane	Connie Healy	
WEDNES	DAY, March 5		
6:30AM	-	Bill Keller	
8:00AM	+ Charlotte McPherson	St. Michael Choir	
	+ Virginia Maskeri	Dey Family	
7:00PM	+ Rose & Roy Kupsche	Phil & Maribeth Spittle	
THURSDAY, March 6			
6:30AM	+ Carmella & Dan DeLeo	Judy Augustine	
8:00AM	+ Tom Newell	Bridie & Family	
FRIDAY, N	March 7		
6:30AM		Tasha Rice	
8:00AM	+ Linda Morgan	Joyce Gagnon	
SATURDA	Y, March 8		
8:00AM	+ Nereida Zayas &	Cora Family	
	Lucy Cora		
5:00PM	+ Kathleen Wilkosz	Carol Lee & PJ Borter	
SUNDAY, March 9			
7:15AM	+ Anton Dschida	Bruce & Kathy Dudzik	
9:00AM	St. Michael Parishioners		
	Cindy Tory	Nancy Hughes	
10:45AM	+ Penny Butler	Pierce - Bible Study	



Dennis Hagedorn Claire Schneider

Around the Parish

St. Michael's Grief Support Group

In 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, March 4th 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

How to Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet Thursday, March 6th 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.

We hope you can join us! SAINT MICHAEL **NOMEN'S FAITH GROUP**

Adult Faith Formation Bible Studies Winter 2025



Video & Discussion A Lent to Remember Sunday evenings 6:30pm - 8:00 pm March 9, March 16, March 30 & April 6

Scan the QR Code to register or contact Colleen Brodhead at cbrodhead@stmichaelcommunity.org or (630) 462-5043 for more information



Ash Wednesday Food Collection Wednesday, March 5th

For People's Resource Center, Milton Township Food Pantry in Wheaton & Interfaith Food Pantry in Carol Stream

Food collection boxes will be in the Narthex before the 6:30am & 8:00am Masses, the 12:15pm and 4:00pm Liturgy of the Word & Ashes services and the 7:00pm Mass

Thank you for your generosity!

Canned Goods canned chicken, canned tuna, vegetable soup, canned corn (low sodium), black beans (low sodium) green beans (low sodium) dried pinto beans, ketchup, diced/crushed tomatoes

Mednesday

Other food items applesauce, mixed fruit (packed in fruit juice), peanut butter, jelly, rice, dry pasta, pasta sauce, mustard, mayonnaise

Toiletries shampoo, bars of soap, body wash, toothpaste detergent

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MOBILEPACK

MARCH 7-8, 2025



Please consider participating in this life-saving ministry! Join fellow St. Mike's parishoners and other partnering churches at Benedictine University's Rice Center (Lisle) on March 7-8, 2025!

Questions? Please contact the parish's FMSC coordinator, Julia Morrow, for more information.

julialouisemorrow@gmail.com cell: 714.397.7076 (text or call)

FRIDAY, MARCH 14TH 9:30AM - 10:30AM Faith Center - Room 114

"He Leadeth Me" by Walter J. Ciszek

We will be discussing Chapters 3, 4 & 5

Join us as we read and discuss All are welcome!

WOMEN'S FAITH GROUP

SAINT MICHAEL

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Around the Parish

FREE SHIPPING ignatiusbookfairs.com

March 9-14

Shop literature that can better form your child's mind while supporting St. Mike's. Free shipping to school when you select "St. Michael Parish School" during checkout March 9-14. You will be contacted when your books arrive. Questions? Ask Annie Funke at 847-533-5110.



Saturday, March 15th 8:00 am Mass (optional) 9:00 Brunch & Workshop

> We welcome Catholic Inspirational Speaker, Jenny Krumdrick for another inspirng, engaging & interactive presentation. Jenny will help us build community & practice listening lovingly to God with peaceful prayer. She'll walk us through simple exercises to approach ourselves (and others) with compassion & curiosity.

All adult women (single & married, all ages & stages) are invited to participate.

Tickets are \$25. Please RSVP at <u>stmichaelcommunity.org</u> by March 11. If you have any dietary requests email Gina Carroll <u>sigginacarroll@yahoo.com</u> Learn more about Jenny Krumdrick at <u>ContagiousLight.org</u>.



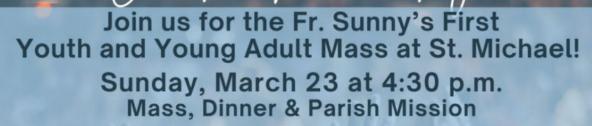
arish Mission "The Eucharistic Life"



Chris Bray Chalice Ministries Catholic Speaker, Musician and Author Sunday, March 23rd & Monday, March 24th 6:30PM ~ St. Michael Church

Join us for an invigorating, joyous and deeply Eucharistic two-night mission as we listen and learn to encounter Christ more deeply and empower ourselves to share and live the faith with others. Both evenings, Chris will give a lively talk and perform his music. All ages are welcome!

Faith Formation



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Father Sunny will celebrate a teaching Mass that will feature contemporary praise and worship music from St. Michael's very own teen band. Afterward, join us for dinner in the parish center followed by our Parish Mission with Chris Bray.

Engaging Music! Dynamic Speaking! Boldly Catholic!

With multiple awards and numerous #1 Christian songs, Chris Bray presents to tens of thousands each year at hundreds of events that have included World Youth Day, Steubenville Conferences, National Catholic Youth Conferences and more. Chris is coming to St. Mike's for a not to be missed experience sure to super-charge your faith as we move through Lent.

> Scan the QR code to RSVP! Questions? Contact Judith Zapf at jzapf@stmichaelcommunity.org



JUNE 7-13 8:30am-12:30



for more information visit the link EMAIL: VBS@STMICHAELCOMMUNITY.ORG





JOIN US! REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 5 @ 10AM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 9-13 9AM-12:30

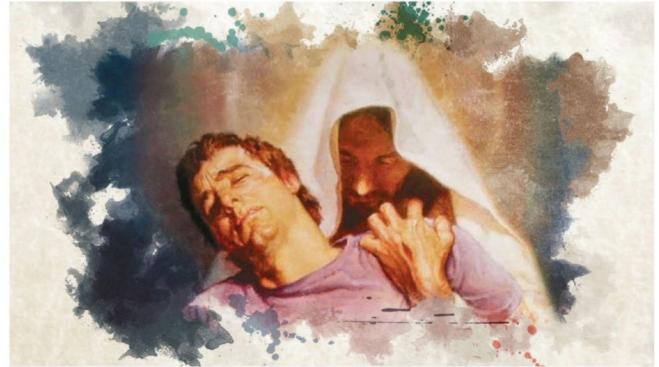
Open to all kids entering grades K-5 (in Fall 2025) \$40 per camper

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP OPENS MARCH 5 @8am: Adults, Teens, and Junior Crew Leaders (grades 6-8) OUR PROGRAM CANNOT RUN WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS!

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Around the Diocese



Lenten Confessions for the West DuPage Deanery

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All 16 Parishes of the West DuPage Deanery are sharing in **TWO special days** of Confessions with multiple priests

ALL DAY from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM

on Friday, April 4, 2025 at Divine Mercy Parish, Lombard

on Friday, April 11, 2025 at St. Mark Parish, Wheaton

Our Deanery priests will be assisting in this Holy Time of grace. We invite you all to take advantage of this opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession.

"When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul."

(Our Lord to St. Faustina)

Parish Support

Monthly Stewardship Report

As of 2/25/25

	February 2025
Offertory Budget	\$ 155,000
Envelopes	73,921
Online	52,158
Offertory Actual	<u>\$126,079</u>
Total Over (Under)	< \$ 28,921 >

Steward Uniqueness

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." - LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God has called you to Stewardship to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.



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Scan the QR code with your phone's camera and tap on the pop up link which will bring you to our website for one-time or recurring online donations or go to our website at https://www.stmichaelcommunity.org/donate

Watch Us on YouTube



https://www.youtube.com/ StMichaelWheaton

The 10:45AM Mass will be live-streamed.

Bulletin Submission Due Dates & Requirements



March 16th Due: Friday, March 7th March 23rd Due: Friday, March 14th

Send to: <u>communications@stmichaelcommunity.org</u> Please send content that can be used in a 1/4 & 1/2 page format, as full-page space is limited.



Pledge your gift to the CMAA

This is commitment weekend for the 2025 Catholic Ministries Catholic Appeal (CMAA). The appeal is a beautiful way we can put our faith into action by supporting the mission and important ministries of the Diocese of Joliet.

This year's CMAA theme is *Open your heart to God's goodness*. When we care for our brothers and sisters in need, we are answering this call. Through our annual appeal, our parish joins with other parishes in the diocese to enrich the lives of those most vulnerable among us, grow our children in deep faith, and strengthen vocations. We could not foster these and the many other ministries the CMAA supports on our own. This is a diocese-wide effort.

Seventy percent of any amount on how you can best support our annual appeal and help our parish reach its \$177,100. To make a gift, complete and return one of the pledge envelopes in church today.

Thank you in advance for your support!



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