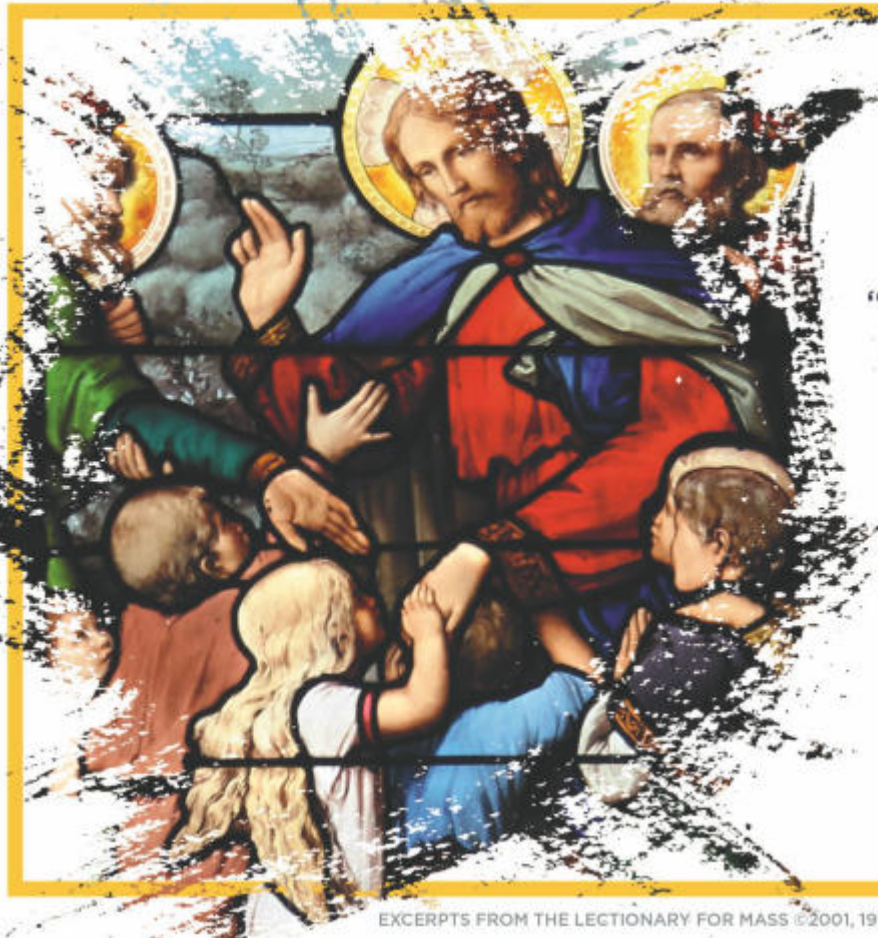


SEPTEMBER 19, 2021
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“WHOEVER RECEIVES
ONE CHILD SUCH AS
THIS IN MY NAME,
RECEIVES ME.”
- MK 9:37A

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**Confessions are heard 30 minutes prior to all weekday evening Masses
and one hour prior to the Saturday Vigil Mass.**

**Mass Times: Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday 6:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Holy Day 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

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“The Better Part” Prayer Campaign 2021-2022

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.” - Luke 10: 41-42



Over the last few years, we have been in the midst of a campaign to renovate our church and other buildings. As this work comes to an end, we need to take that same energy and generosity that made our building campaign so successful and turn it towards building our faith.

Prayer, relationship with the Lord, is the foundation of our Christian life. Over the next year, we want to make a concerted effort to begin our renewal with prayer. Being with Jesus is the “better part” of our life. All our work and service flows and is sustained by our relationship with Jesus. With this in mind, we would like to invite all parishioners to commit to this campaign to renew their prayer life as we have now renewed our buildings. We would like to encourage you to commit to at least one additional prayer opportunity this year, as well as one talk on prayer that will be offered throughout the year. We know many of you already participate in different prayer opportunities but hope that you can be challenged to additional ones as well.

A commitment sheet along with a list of prayer opportunities and talks is available on our website at www.stmichaelsgrfld.org/better-part-prayer-campaign. Look over the sheet and pray about your commitment. In the coming weeks, you will have an opportunity to submit your commitment sheet to the parish office. In addition to the commitment sheet, there are prayer resources and a link to Google calendars that include all the upcoming prayer opportunities on the website address above.

St. Michael Novena



In preparation for the feast of our patron, St. Michael, we would like to invite all parishioners to pray the following novena for nine days prior to the feast day, September 21-29. Pray for your own intention or pray for the spiritual renewal of all at St. Michael.

Saint Michael the Archangel, loyal champion of God and His people, I turn to you with confidence and seek your powerful intercession. For the love of God, Who made you so glorious in grace and power, and for the love of the Mother of Jesus, the Queen of the Angels, be pleased to hear my prayer. You know the value of my soul in the eyes of God. May no stain of evil ever disfigure its beauty. Help me to conquer the evil spirit who tempts me. I desire to imitate your loyalty to God and Holy Mother Church and your great love for God and people. Since you are God's messenger for the care of His people, I entrust to you this special request (add your request here).

Saint Michael, since you are, by the Will of the Creator, the powerful intercessor of Christians, I have great confidence in your prayers. I earnestly trust that if it is God's holy will, my petition will be granted. Pray for me, Saint Michael, and also for those I love. Protect us in all dangers of body and soul. Help us in our daily needs. Through your powerful intercession, may we live a holy life, die a happy death, and reach heaven where we may praise and love God with you forever. Amen.

Michaelmas - September 29, 2021

Silent Auction Preview 4-5:15 p.m.
Chaplet of St. Michael 5:15 p.m.
Mass 6 p.m.
Dinner, Silent Auction, Raffle 7 p.m.



Raffle tickets are available after Mass or during the dinner (if not sold out). Tickets are \$50 each with a chance to win \$7,000, \$2,000 or \$1,000. License #011187

Register for the catered dinner on our website by midnight on Sunday, September 19.

Adult/Youth Ministries & Resources



Apostles of the Returning King (ARK) - The Apostles of the Returning King (ARK) prayer group meets on the 1st Thursday of each month.

Members are encouraged to attend Mass on the first Thursday of every month at 6 pm and to pray the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. After the Rosary, we will gather in Mtg. Rm. 2 of the Parish Office until approximately 8:30 pm. There is no need to register and all are welcome. Contact Eileen Thompson at 765-357-1459 or eileen.indiana@gmail.com for more info.

Bereavement Group - If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and would like to connect with others who understand, contact Marilyn Killila for more information at marilynkillila@comcast.net or 317-200-8938.

Coffee & Donuts - Coffee and donuts are available in PLC Rm. 2 after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday. All are welcome.

Divine Mercy for Addicts - No meetings - just prayer! This group prays the Chaplet of Divine Mercy daily for people with addictions. The instructions for the Chaplet can be found at www.thedivinemercy.org and click on "Pray the Chaplet".

Embrace Grace - is a ministry focused on supporting single parents and their babies. If you or someone you know needs help, please contact Tanya Livingston at 317-498-4239. You do not need to be a parishioner of St. Michael to receive help.

First Friday Adoration - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available on the 1st Friday of every month. Sign up for a one hour time slot at <http://www.stmichaelsgrfld.org/first-friday-adoration>.

Funeral Meals - Funeral meals are prepared for bereaved families who have a funeral Mass at St. Michael. Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve the meal. If you would like to help, please call the Parish Office.

Our Lady of Fatima's Rosary Makers Guild- meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month 9:30-11:30 A.M. in the parish office meeting room. For more information, contact Jody Smith at 317-374-7083.

Pro-Life Committee- meets the 2nd Tuesday at 6:30 P.M. in the narthex of the church. All ages are welcome to join, especially teens! Contact Mary Beth Sifferlen at mjsifferlen@comcast.net for more details about this group.

Public Rosary - Pray the Rosary with others immediately after the 6 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week.

Suicide Prevention Hotline - 1-800-273-8255

Women's Club - meets the 3rd Tuesday in PLC Rm. 2 after Mass & Rosary. Also meets the 4th Monday in Parish Office Rm. 1 at 10 a.m. All women of the parish 18+ are welcome. Contact Mary Beth Sifferlen at mjsifferlen@comcast.net for more information. **Women's Club Cards -** Women play each Tuesday from 1-4 p.m. at the Parish Office. Call 317-462-4240 for details.

To place a name on the Prayer List, please call the Parish Office at 317-462-4240 or email names to cmurphy@stmichaelsgrfld.org. Names remain on the list for **two months**. You may request a name be added back to the list at any time.



AUGUST: Kathy Dowling, Peggy Havlin, Don Long, Leah Fargo, Patricia Anderson, the Harville Families, Msgr. Paul Koetter, Joyce Seib, Richard Kreienbrink, Betty Richardson, Ron Kramer, Steve Hill, Matthew Royster, Rosemary Hoff, Dan & Theresa Eure, Mort Williams, Philip Fleming, Jeff King, Rich Steinmetz, Darlene Schauff, Kevin Schauff, David Schauff, Mike Schauff, Kevin Sweeney, Lori Hembree, Donald Wethington, John Wolf, Lori Morton Fiers, Thomas Hopkins, Diane Oefinger, Duane & Janet Wahl, Tom O'Neill, Wayne Eck, Brad Mueller, Samantha Mueller, Ferolyn Cadena, Dyn Paolo Cadena, Kenneth Plesinski, Dial Holliday and Kimberly Revillesa

SEPTEMBER: The Lawyer Families, Jan O'Neill, Ann Churchill, Jan & Doug Markham, Jodiliza Reynolds, Jeff Miles, Elizabeth Trela, Lynell McCracken, Andrew Sanders, Jesse Seville, Paula Richey, Jim Matthews and Jaret Wicker

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For all Sacraments, including Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Eucharist Preparation, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), Matrimony/Marriage, and Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office at 317-462-4240.

If you would like to request a prayer blanket, please call Martha Knecht at 317-462-4415.

2021 St. Michael Sunday Collections

September 12, 2021 **\$8,991.50**
Electronic Giving **\$5,122.00**

If you are unable to attend Mass, you can sign up for online giving on our website at www.stmichaelsgrfld.org/online-giving. Please click the link for VANCO Checking & Savings Debit, Credit & Debit Card Giving . Once there, you will be able to set up payments on a one-time or recurring basis.



PINK ENVELOPE 50/50 RESULTS



September 12, 2021
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Mayer
No Winner

Players: 75
Amount Rolled Over: \$228

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How to Play Pink Envelopes

Playing the Pink Envelopes is easy to play and really fun to win! Pink envelopes are located in the basket on the north credenza in the narthex. Simply place \$1 per week in a pink envelope (or pay several weeks in advance via cash or check) and place the envelope in the locked box near the automated door in the narthex. Each week, a name is drawn at random and the pot is split 50/50 between the winner and St. Michael. It's a win/win!

Please note: Winners are drawn by envelope number so families cannot play individually unless they have separate envelope numbers. **Due to Indiana Gaming Laws, Pink Envelopes cannot be placed in the collection basket.** All envelopes placed in the collection basket will be ineligible for play and returned to the player.

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September 20-24, 2021



Monday 6:00 P.M. Evening Prayer
Tuesday 6 P.M. Donna Davis by John Davis
Wednesday 6 P.M. Larry Hembree by Gary & Theresa Frieden
Thursday 6 P.M. Dan. Wayne Davis by Darlene Davis
Friday 8:30 A.M. Fr. Severin Messick, OSB by Vince & Alma Reynolds

Friday Adoration will begin immediately after Mass and will end with Benediction 2:30 p.m.

September 18-19, 2021

Saturday 5 P.M. Hugh Orrell by the Sirk Family
Sunday 8:30 A.M. Nora Prendergast by Larry & Eileen Robinson
Sunday 11 A.M. For the People

To offer a Mass, please call the Parish Office.

September 25-26, 2021		Liturgical Ministers Schedule
SATURDAY - 5:00 P.M.		
Reader	Mike Grimes and Mimi McKee	
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Siobhan Schafer, Jean Medley, Jay Shiningier	
Sacristan	Jeanne O'Donnell	
Server	Frank Titus, Emily Schafer, Isaac Johnson	
SUNDAY - 8:30 A.M.		
Reader	Diana Dijak and Liz Galloway	
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Carol Houston, Vera Price, Diane Wuestefeld	
Sacristan	Vera Price	
Server	Nathan Ellenberger and Aaron Lake	
SUNDAY - 11:00 A.M.		
Reader	Paul Bykowski and Cindy Geswein	
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Catherine Spann, Isaac Berty, Mary Ann Walker	
Sacristan	Catherine Spann	
Server	Reese Hill, Hadley Hill, Shepherd Dodds, Otto Sickles	

Altar Server Training

Fr. Aaron will hold a training for altar servers on Wednesday, September 22 at 7 p.m. in the church. Altar servers need to be in 5th grade or older to serve at a weekend Mass and 3rd grade or older to serve at a weekday Mass. Weekend altar servers are scheduled for their preferred Mass time on a rotating schedule. Weekday servers are not scheduled, but can serve if they attend Mass. Contact Christie Murphy at cmurphy@stmichaelsgrfld.org or 317-462-4240 if your child cannot attend the training but would still like to serve.



New Parish Council Member

Thank you to Amy Higgins for submitting her name to be on the Parish Council! Amy has been at St. Michael since moving to Indiana in 2016 and she is the Donor Relations Coordinator for the Office of Stewardship and Development at the Archdiocese. She has volunteered as a Catechist for Religious Ed, is a member of the Young Adult group and cantors at 11 a.m. Mass. She was also given the opportunity to be on the Pastoral Planning Steering Committee for the Archdiocese in 2018 - 2019. Amy and her husband, Jonny, were married in October of 2019 and welcomed their first child to the family this past March. Amy looks forward to finding new ways in which she can serve the parish and Greenfield community and greatly appreciates the chance to serve on the Parish Council.



Landscaping Donations

Donations are needed for plants around the church. We are working with Horning's Landscape and Nursery in Greenfield to secure trees, shrubs and perennials. A list of plants has been created along with the quantity needed and a price per item. To sign up to donate a plant, visit our SignUp Genius link at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b45aea72da7fa7-stmichael>. Once you have made your selection, simply place your donation in a marked envelope in the collection basket at Mass or mail it to the Parish Office, 519 Jefferson Blvd., Greenfield, IN 46140. The trees will be planted by Horning's in the next few weeks. All other plants will be planted on Saturday, October 23 during a campus planting day.



Grounds Help Needed

On Tuesday, September 21, after 6:00 p.m. Mass, the Knights of Columbus are requesting volunteers from the parish to help them with weeding the flower beds around the church and school grounds. Please bring your gloves, hoes, rakes, hedge trimmers, and leaf bags as some of the shrubs also need trimming. If it is a nice evening, we may also have a grill ready for cooking some hot dogs and brats.



Respect Life Sunday - October 3

The Life Chain in Indianapolis is back this year and we need you to come be a part of this visual reminder about the stance of our Catholic Church on the topic of the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. The National Life Chain is the largest peaceful, prayerful, pro-life, public witness in the world. Approximately 2,000 cities across the United States and Canada are expected to participate. Our parish has been assigned the area at 33rd and Meridian from 2:30-3:30 p.m. We need an estimate of how many will be able to be a part of this public support for life. Please call the parish office or Mary Beth Sifferlen 317-408-5476 mjsifferlen@comcast.net with how many people will be attending.

St. Michael Respect Life Ministry



Day Retreat for Couples

All married and engaged couples are invited to attend a Day Retreat for Couples at St. Simon Catholic Church, 8155 Oaklandon Road, Indianapolis. The retreat will be held on Saturday, October 16 from 9 am - 4 pm in the Parish Life Center.



Check-in at 9 am in the Parish Life Center. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am in the church. Activities include Catholic speaker and author Rose Sweet, couple and small group sharing, and lunch. The fee to attend is \$20 per couple. Register online at www.saintsimon.org by October 9, 2021.

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