

the MESSENGER

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
40501 Hayes Road · Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313

MISSION STATEMENT: St. Michael Catholic Community strives to be a welcoming parish where people come together to worship, learn and grow in faith. Through our actions, we demonstrate our beliefs in fellowship, service and generous tithing of time, talent and treasure while empowering people to take a more active role in the mission of the church. We care for one another and receive comfort and support in our own times of need. All are encouraged to participate in the journey to live by Christ's example and build the kingdom of God by sharing His word with those we meet.



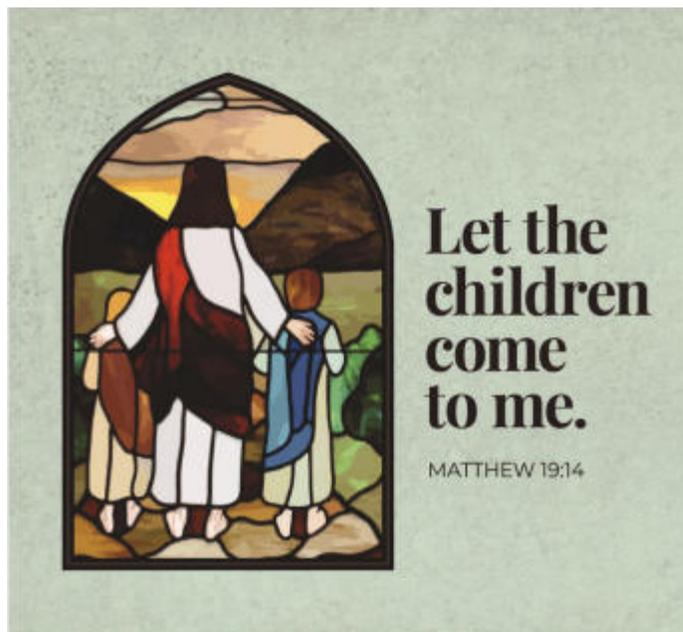
From Fr. Mike...

Cancel culture, sometimes it is referred to as call-out culture, is a form of ostracism. It's commonly found among people of differing political persuasions, but it can also be found in racial divisions, warring factions within the office or even in families. Basically, it is a censoring or cancelling out of what someone is saying or who someone is simply because they are on the other side (whatever that may be). It has become prevalent and vitriolic in recent years.

In order to participate in a cancel culture, there appears to be two things that are non-negotiable. First, you need to be absolutely certain of your correctness. There is no other opinion or perspective that is valid but your own. Conversely, those who do not hold to your point of view are incorrect. The second given for a cancel culture is the unchangeability of your opponent. The other side can never change, and they can never learn anything from you or change because of you, so it is better to ignore them. There is a divide, and that divide cannot be negotiated or compromised in any respect. It is basically a zero-sum game. There are polar opposites, binary oppositions, and there is no possibility to plea neutrality. Like being in the middle of a divorce settlement. If you don't take sides, you are hated by both parties.

I watched the sad divisions in our country and in our church take shape over the past several decades. It doesn't matter what political power is in control of the White House or the Congress, because the infighting continues regardless of who is in power, resulting in loss of productivity and a general sense of unpleasantness that permeates every sector of our government. I see the same thing in the Church as well. When I was asked to preside at Mass for a wedding anniversary of some friends of mine, a priest who was half my age and ordained

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Registration for Fall FLT is on-going! (Families Learning Together)

If you have not yet registered your child(ren) for Fall FLT please either stop by the Parish Office, visit our St. Michael webpage at

www.stmichaelcc.org

Faith Formation

Religious Ed/FLT

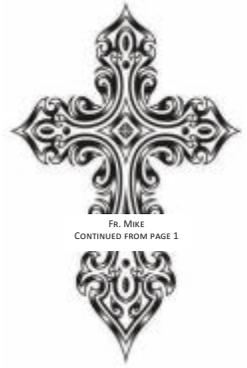


or call the FLT office at 586.247.0098.

Classes begin the week of September 26.

**We look forward to partnering with you
in the Faith Formation of your child!**

6 whole years wanted assurance of my orthodoxy. I thought: Seriously? I was ordained before he was born and your knee jerk reaction isn't to welcome me or to acquaint me with protocols for microphones or musicians or communion procedure, but to see if I were doctrinally pure? Basically, I was judged without his knowing me (I never met him) despite the fact that we were ordained for the same Church, the same Archdiocese, and doing the same work of bringing people to Jesus Christ. What I see happening in our Church is the same polarized climate that happens in families, businesses, and in our country.



As I think about my own intellectual, emotional, and spiritual development over the past several decades, I have rethought previously held positions or, if I didn't change my mind, I changed my attitude and my response to them. Maybe it's maturity or developing wisdom or fatigue that happens as I'm aging, but there is a value to working together even if we don't share agreement 100% of the time. There are things that I used to fight for that are of little consequence to me now. Looking back, I wonder now what the heck was wrong with me? It seemed important at the time, but it isn't now. My perspective changed. And, quite frankly, I am glad it happened. As I reflect, my values are pretty consistent. They haven't changed. But I have learned a great deal from other people with whom I've worked throughout the years, even those with whom I did not agree. I listen better. I am more sensitive to a wider range of perspectives than my own. And I can champion causes like addiction, even though I am not in recovery, and I do not have a problem with either drugs or alcohol. I can feel solidarity with parents who have lost children to an overdose and feel a genuine sense of pride in walking with them at the 5K Families Against Narcotics Walk last weekend. More, talking with others about this work, I have honed my work for the better. I have come to see my role not as getting people into recovery, though I have done that, but chipping away at the stigma and misunderstanding that surrounds this awful brain disease. (This is not my term for it but the way the American Medical Association describes the neurological impact of drugs and alcohol on the brain of one who is addicted.) I've learned from others, and I have even found an important way to use my perspective and my role as a priest ministering to a large congregation to talk about ways we can break through our hardline thinking. Even the kind of thinking I once had (It is a crime. Period.) to something more nuanced (Though treatable, it is a chronic, progressive, and fatal disease that impacts all of us.). My current perspective was shaped by families coping with the disease and with people who had a hard time fighting it.

So, change of mind, perspective, and approach can happen. And we can learn from those who think differently.

I was recently reminded of two public persons who were ideological opposites. Both served as Jurists on the Supreme Court of the United States. Antonin Scalia was a Sicilian-American, son of an immigrant, and raised with a staunch Roman Catholic upbringing. He was nominated by the late President Ronald Reagan in 1986. He was the first Italian American to be named to that post, and he represented a conservative understanding of the law and of politics. One of his high school classmates remarked that Scalia was "conservative when he was 17 years old, and also smarter than the rest of us." The second Jurist was Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a Jewish constitutional scholar and someone who worked for the equality of women and minorities for the better portion of her career. She was nominated to her position by President Bill Clinton in 1993. She clearly represented a liberal perspective on law and politics. Professionally, the two would go toe to toe, arguing from their own respective points of view. Personally, what did they do? They set time aside each week for tea and laughter. They went on vacations together with each other's families. They cared for each other and genuinely valued each other despite the wide differences of opinion.

What concerns me about the cancel culture beyond being counterproductive, negative, and disrespectful of others is that we rob ourselves of great opportunities to grow. Married couples change as they live their marriage covenant together. Students change when they are taught by teachers who in many cases challenge them and are tough on them. We often hear the complaint that my teacher doesn't like me, but the real important question is what you are learning from your time together. Parents learn from your children (Do you not have more patience than you did prior to having your kids?). Cancelling out the other person because their opinion differs from your own, disregarding people and their right to disagree simply because they disagree continues to maintain an unhealthy and unproductive division among any family. As Deacon Franz mentioned in his homily last week, bashing people on social media is not only unchristian, but it also diminishes our own humanity as well as the quality of our family life, our country, our world, and our Church.

Fr. Mike



Claudia

DIRECTOR, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
YOUTH MINISTER



Every year, about this time, the information below is put into the *Messenger*. This information is so important that I believe it bears repeating.

Although schools have dismissed for summer break, it's never too early to be thinking about the beginning of the next academic year. Many of you will be heading off to college or university for the first time and perhaps even moving away from home. An incredible resource you will find at most colleges and universities is Campus Ministry. These are great organizations which provide opportunities for prayer, retreats, liturgies, discussions, counseling, and plain old fun! From experience, I can tell you that the liturgies and prayer services on campus are **nothing** like what you are familiar with. They are neither better nor worse—just different. You are surrounded by people *your* age, with common interests, and an enthusiasm like you have never seen! Liturgy is an awesome experience and you have the opportunity to totally immerse yourself in a plethora of ministries. As you move in to your dorm or make the commute from home, I encourage you to check out Campus Ministry at your college. Let us know what your college spiritual life is like and what you would like to see us try to incorporate at St. Michael.

Campus Ministries in the Archdiocese of Detroit

Lawrence Tech

litcatholics@gmail.com - (248) 356-8787

Madonna University

(734) 432-5839

<https://www.madonna.edu/resources/campus-ministry/>

University of Detroit-Mercy

kluegag@udmercy.edu - (313) 993-1560

<http://www.udmercy.edu/ministry>

Oakland University

catholiccampusministry@sjfcup.com

(248) 370-2189

apeters@oakland.edu

www.stjohnfisherparish.org/campus/

University of Michigan—Dearborn

Henry Ford Community College

grnc.dearborn@gmail.com

(313) 271-6000

www.grcnewmancenterdearborn.org/

Wayne State University

newman@wayne.edu - (313) 577-3462

catholic.wayne.edu

Campus Ministries at other Michigan Universities

Albion College

www.stjohn-church.org

Michigan State University

www.stjohnmsu.org

Aquinas College

www.aquinas.edu/campusministry

Michigan Technological University

<https://mtucatholic.org/>

Central Michigan University

www.stmarycmu.org

Northern Michigan University

<http://www.nmucatholic.org/>

Eastern Michigan University

<http://www.ypsilanticatholic.com/>

University of Michigan

www.stmarystudentparish.org

Ferris State University

<https://stmarystpaulbr.org/newman-center/>

Western Michigan University

sttomskazoo.org

Grand Valley State University

<https://stlukegvsu.org/>

A comprehensive list of Catholic Campus Ministries at Michigan Colleges/ Universities can be found at: [Campus Ministries \(aod.org\)](http://CampusMinistries.aod.org) or by scanning the QR code.



August 15, 2021 • Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary this week. Mary is considered the first disciple of Jesus. Her life tells us who she was: a mother, wife, daughter, niece, friend, neighbor and disciple. Her presence in Jesus' life has to have been formative. The scriptures reveal that Mary lived a life of generosity, compassion, forgiveness, hope and kindness. She was the very first servant leader in the church. She gave up her own status in the community for the sake of Jesus – bearing him, raising him, teaching him, and learning from him. She teaches us how to serve and how to lead. Your challenge this week is to read Luke 1: 39-56. How is God asking you to lead in a spirit of service? What is your response?

Mary Visits Elizabeth

Mary is pregnant when she sets off to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who is also pregnant. Mary has just said "yes" to becoming the mother of Jesus. Elizabeth welcomes Mary, and experiences a special blessing for herself and her child. She praises Mary for her faith and rejoices with her over her miracle.

Sometimes people think that Mary went to visit her relative Elizabeth to help her out during her pregnancy. Elizabeth had never had children, and everyone, including her, thought she was too old to get pregnant. But the angel Gabriel told Mary about the miracle and reminded her that "nothing is impossible with God." So after Mary found out that she was pregnant with Jesus, she set off in a hurry to see Elizabeth, who was already six months pregnant with John the Baptist. Maybe Mary went to help her, but I think it's more likely that she went to visit her older relative because she was excited, probably a little bit scared, and needed advice after she said 'yes' to bearing God's son. After all, she was just a teenager and not even married yet. She wanted someone to talk to who knew what it was like to be pregnant and could share the experience with her. How could she keep all that to herself?

As soon as they met, the babies in their wombs recognized each other, and both mothers were filled with joy and excitement about the amazing thing God was doing in them and through them. Elizabeth recognized how blessed Mary was and spoke the lines that later became a part of the Hail Mary:

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

Pray a decade of the rosary while remembering when you were expecting your children. Let yourself feel the amazement of what a mother's body can do in cooperation with God, and let yourself feel wonder at who your children are now and who they are becoming.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Tell stories this week about what happened while you were awaiting your children's arrivals and thoughts you had at the time. Who was the first person you told when you found out each child was on its way?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Spend some time this week cherishing, celebrating, and thanking God for the gift of your children.

Well, the Olympics are over and we should all be very proud of how our athletes did. I was really pretty proud of all the athletes regardless of the country they were representing. I saw a lot of mutual respect and camaraderie that really spoke of the respect each of the participants had for each other. It would be so nice if that respect and civility for each other would spread to the politicians and leaders of all countries, including our own.

This weekend, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary. Here is some history and some thought-provoking commentary on that from <https://sacredheartfla.org/seasonal/feast-days-solemnities/the-solemnity-of-the-assumption-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary/>

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: August 15th

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven is the bodily taking up of the Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life. This belief is part of the treasury of the Roman Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodoxy, Oriental Orthodoxy, and parts of Anglicanism. In the Eastern Orthodox churches, the Assumption is referred as the Dormition of the Theotokos (a Greek word literally meaning “God bearer”). Notice that the belief leaves open the question of Mary’s natural death.

Catholic Teaching and the Sense of the Faithful: *The Catholic Church teaches as dogma that the Virgin Mary “having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.” This doctrine was dogmatically defined by Pope Pius XII on November 1, 1950, in the Apostolic Constitution Munificentissimus Deus, while exercising papal infallibility. But Pope Pius was not declaring the belief*

in the Assumption as something new or novel. There is written evidence of the belief as early as the 4th century in text that covers several different languages and a fairly wide geographical dispersion. Teaching of the Assumption of Mary became widespread across the Christian world, having been celebrated liturgically as early as the 5th century in the East. It was celebrated in the West under Pope Sergius I in the 8th century and Pope Leo IV then confirmed the feast as official. Theological debate about the Assumption continued, following the Reformation, climaxing in 1950 when Pope Pius XII defined it as dogma for the Catholic Church. Pope Pius took advantage of modern communications available in his time. He asked bishops worldwide to tell him what the people believed and practiced – the sensus fideum – the sense of the faithful. The dogmatic declaration that

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*the Assumption was part of the “deposit of faith” for all Catholics was just the formal declaration of what the faithful already believed and practiced. **Is it Biblical?** If you mean, is the word “Assumption” or “dormition” of Mary specifically mentioned in the Bible. No. And for some people, unless the exact word is in the Bible, it can’t really be called God’s revealed truth. But the Catholic Church does not hold that Sacred Scripture is the whole of Divine Revelation. Along with the Scriptures, the Catholic Church holds traditio, literally, “the handing on” as also Sacred and Spirit-inspired. Tradition (with a*

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capital “T”) helps us to understand Scripture and to proclaim some of our most basic teachings. The doctrine of Mary’s Assumption is based on what is called a theological conclusion because of other indirect references to it in the Scriptures. For example, at the Annunciation (celebrated March 25th, nine months before December 25th), the Angel Gabriel declared Mary to be “full of Grace” and “God’s highly favored daughter.” (Lk 1:28) Mary conceived Jesus, the Son of God, by the power of the Holy Spirit as a consequence of accepting God’s plan for her. Further, when Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth, who herself was pregnant with John the Baptist, she addressed Mary with the words, “Who am I that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” (Lk 1:42) All these biblical statements led the Church to conclude that because of her role as Mother of the Messiah, Mary would be preserved from original sin and its consequences. Her freedom from sin was accomplished by reason of Jesus’ foreseen redemptive death on the cross. As such it would not be possible for Mary, whose womb carried the Son of God, to suffer the corruption of the body that all people experience after death. In *Munificentissimus Deus* (item 39), Pope Pius XII pointed to the Book of Genesis (3:15) as scriptural support for the dogma in terms of Mary’s victory over sin and death as also reflected in 1 Corinthians 15:54: “then shall come to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.” In this passage Paul alludes to Genesis 3:15 (in addition to the primary reference of Psalms 8:6), where it is prophesied that the seed of the woman will crush Satan with his feet. Since, then, Jesus arose to Heaven to fulfill this prophecy, it follows that the woman would have a similar end, since she shared this enmity with Satan. The pope also mentioned Psalm 132, a liturgical psalm commemorating the return of the Ark of God to Jerusalem and lamenting its subsequent loss. The second half of the psalm says that the loss will be recompensed in the New Covenant, and so it is hopefully prayed, “Arise, O Lord, into thy resting place: thou and the ark, which thou hast sanctified.” (v. 8) Since the Church sees this New Covenant ark in Mary, it understands that she was taken into Heaven in the same manner as the Lord – that is, body and soul. Finally, he mentioned in the next paragraph “that woman clothed with the sun [Revelation 12:1 –2] whom John the Apostle contemplated on the Island of Patmos” as support for the doctrine. **Did Mary Actually Die?** But that brings up another point. What is death? We see it as the end of a person’s life when the body disintegrates into dust later to be resurrected at the Last Judgment. But death is also a passage from one state of life (on earth) to another state of existence (in eternity). The Church has not said whether Mary died or not. It says only that Mary made the transition from this temporal life into eternity with God. The fact that Jesus himself died on the cross would not exclude Mary’s dying, and, in fact, is an argument for some that Mary experienced death herself in imitation of her son. We just don’t know. The significant issue is that, like Jesus, her body did not suffer corruption.

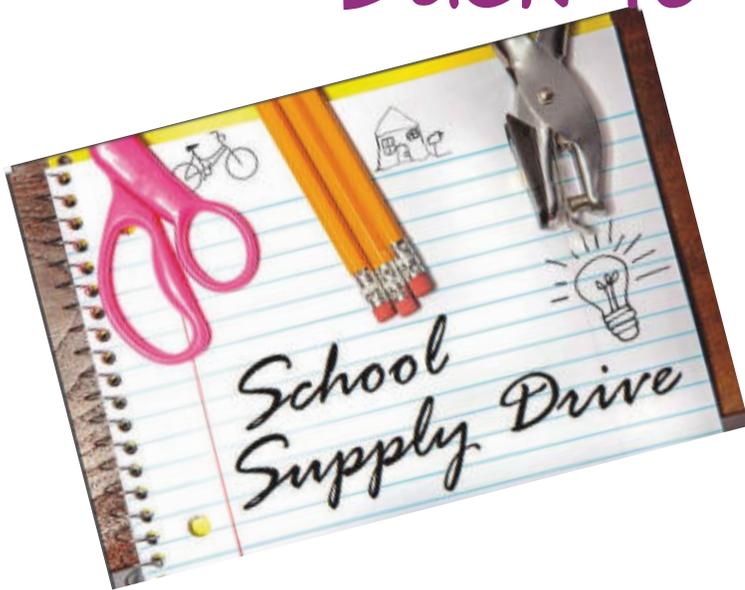
God Bless,
Deacon Franz



Thank you to the St. Michael parishioners who participated in the Families Against Narcotics Run Drugs Out of Town event at Fraser High School on August 7th by either walking or through your monetary donations. St. Michael was fourth in team donations with \$2730.00. In the midst of the morning clouds, the event was opened by Linda Davis, Executive Director of FAN. After the National Anthem was sung everyone participated in a release of balloons: Blue for those helped through Hope Not Handcuffs, Green for those lost to addiction, and Orange to represent those still suffering. Not a dry eye was in the house as banners were flown in memory of those who have lost their lives. Please consider joining us next year as we Run for our Kids and help St. Michael breakdown the stigma against this substance use disorder.



Back to School!



Members of Christian Service are teaming up with our St. Michael Circle of Support Strangers No Longer Group to provide school supplies for children of needy families. Backpacks this year will go to help the

313 Community & Development Project (part of the former St. Luke Outreach Ministry), Strangers No Longer-Macomb Vicariate Hispanic Ministry, Freedom House and members of our own parish.

Our goal is to collect 80 backpacks.

If you are out and about shopping over the next few weeks, the following school supplies are in the greatest need:

Backpacks (<i>Of Any Variety</i>)	Colored pencils
Spiral Notebooks (<i>Wide & Narrow Rule</i>)	12" ruler
3 Ring Binders	Ink pens
Packs of loose leaf paper (<i>Wide & Narrow Rule</i>)	Glue sticks
Pack of #2 pencils	Pencil sharpener
Box of 16 crayons	Scissors (children's)
Pocket folders	Hand sanitizer
Pink erasers	Pack of Kleenex

Please bring your donations to the Parish Office marked "Christian Service" by Sunday, August 22nd.

Thank you for your compassion and generosity



Ladies of St. Michael!

These last 2 years have been rough and I am happy to say that the Capuchin Retreat Center is up and running! The theme this year is: **I will always be with you!** This seems so appropriate considering what all of us have been through! I hope to see many of our prior retreatants and many new ones this year. The retreat center is in Washington Township. It has private rooms, great food and the most beautiful nature and wildlife, and trails to walk. It is peaceful and serene and you will feel closer to God because of it. Please consider joining us. For more information call Carrie Kulasa at 586-306-2683 or Patty Takle at 586-524-5358. Hope to see you soon!

Ronald Lothamer, age 57, died July 1. Beloved husband of the late June. Dear cousin of Michael Groves.

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Wadad Herrala "Woodie," age 96, died July 24. Beloved wife of the late Arthur. Dear sister of Joe (Ann) Neme, Dick (Irene) Neme and Marlene Neme (Bill McFeely) and sister-in-law to Carmen (Yvonne) Herrala.

Elsworth D. White, age 87, died July 31. Beloved husband of the late Evelyn. Loving father of Michael (Susan), the late Alan, and the late Charles (Ann Marie). Proud grandfather of four and great-grandfather of three.

Josephine Audet, age 77, died March 6. Beloved wife of Charles. Dearest mother of Debbie (John) Gillett and Jeff (Tina). Loving grandmother of five and great-grandmother of two.

Strangers No Longer would like to invite you to contribute your family's immigration story for publication in our parish



Strangers No Longer

bulletin series "We Are a Pilgrim People." If you know a lot about your family's story or if you know a little, we would love to put it into the *The Messenger*. Please send us your stories! Email juliewatanabe2@gmail.com with your stories, and we will put them together for the bulletin.

You are invited to join the St. Michael Strangers No Longer Circle of Support. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00pm over Zoom. For more information, send an email to the address above and visit our website: stmichaelstrangersnolonger.weebly.com.

Please Join US!

Adult Formation Program

We all have a desire to pray. Even the apostles asked for Jesus' help to pray. Everyone has their own style of prayer and there are many forms of traditional Catholic prayer. In prayer we encounter God; He is always there waiting.

Discover how to hear God's voice in scripture, in your heart and in ordinary moments. Pray and study scripture all in one process!

Are you looking to grow in your relationship with God?

Are you looking for a different way to pray?

Are you looking for a new way to understand scripture?

Have you thought about praying with scripture?

This adult formation program sponsored by the St. Michael Education Commission will begin in the fall.

THURSDAY EVENINGS 7PM-8:30PM

SEPTEMBER 23 AND 30, OCTOBER 7, 14, 21 AND 28, AND NOVEMBER 4 AND 11

An eight week DVD presentation will lead one to become aware of traditional prayer forms found in the Catholic Church that leads one to encounter scripture in a different way, becoming aware of how God is speaking through scripture which allows for new ways of relating to God. Using specific passages of scripture provided in a journal/workbook, scripture becomes the vehicle to express yourself in prayer. The journaling activity gives the opportunity to practice the process taught in the DVD. Following the DVD session, there will be a small group discussion.

OREMUS—Let Us Pray!

Registration for the program begins August 29. A registration sign-up sheet can be found in the Parish Office. You may also phone the Parish Office to get your name on the list. Registration is important so that the right number of journal/workbooks can be ordered.

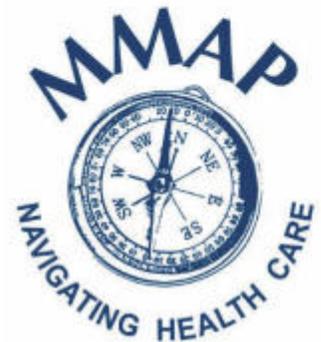
You are invited to grow in a relationship with God through the gift of prayer.

The Area Agency on Aging IB-Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program is BACK and ready to help answer your benefit questions!

**St. Michael Catholic Community
Youth Center Conference Room**

**Friday, August 20th
Friday, August 27th
Friday, September 10th**

**Friday, September 17th
Friday, September 24th**



While some elements of Medicare coverage can only be changed during Open Enrollment in the fall, did you know that you can review your benefits year-round? Free assistance with a state-certified counselor from the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) will be on-site at St. Michael for individual meetings to help with these or other questions concerning Medicare. MMAP is funded by your tax dollars through the national Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, to help you find the best health care programs available for you.

Counseling will be available from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

No appointment is necessary; meetings will be on a first come, first served basis in the Youth Center Conference Room.

For more information about MMAP services, call 800-803-7174.

1 Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 14

4:30pm John and Jane Watrobski requested by family
Arthur Donovan 13th Anniversary requested by wife
Fernando Fornelli requested by John Kaminski
Phyllis Jaskolowski requested by Sally Durzo
Christine (Nardoni) Clark requested by John and Claudia Vorpagel
Bob Rosol requested by wife, Joyce

Special Intentions for Patrick and Stephanie Fayad
Wedding Anniversary requested by parents

Sunday, August 15

8:00am Betty and Robert Waddell Jr. requested by daughter
Linda and Sophia Popa requested by Norman Popa

9:45am John Boutorwick requested by family
To Honor Our Blessed Mother requested by Sally Durzo
Jean Podrasky requested by Bob and Mary Ann Jaskulka

11:30am Lucy Mollicone requested by Laura and Donna and family
Joseph Tytran requested by Mary Jane Tytran
Mike Blake requested by the 11:30am Ushers
Ann Marie Gherardini requested by Jack and the 11:30am Ushers

Monday, August 16

9:30am John Wells requested by Larry M. Wells
Carl and Alice Potts requested by Larry M. Wells
Cleonce Giorgiantonio 8th Anniversary requested by daughter
Robert and Mary Borst requested by family
Dominic Ciaravino requested by Tony Bono

Tuesday, August 17

9:30am Msgr. Yontz requested by Larry M. Wells
Dave McKee requested by Larry M. Wells
Donald Zak requested by family

Wednesday, August 18

9:30am John Kelly Birthday Remembrance requested by Tom
Ronald Cunningham Birthday Remembrance requested by Karl and Sue Koss

Special Intentions for Tootie McKee requested by Larry M. Wells

Thursday, August 19

9:30am The Deceased of Resurrection Cemetery
Philip Szuba requested by Carol Szuba
Ann Schefke and Judi Schefke requested by daughter and sister-in-law

Friday, August 20

9:30am

Saturday, August 21

4:30pm Tom Gillette 7th Anniversary requested by sister
Phil Przybyla requested by Linda Ridge
William Travis requested by Gerald and Pat Kaminski

Sunday, August 22

8:00am Dolores and Robert Gorin requested by family
Linda and Sophia Popa requested by Norman Popa
Antonio Raona requested by Rocco and Mary Lou LaTorre

9:45am

Special Intention of St. Michael Parishioners

11:30am

Rest in Peace

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the families of

*Josephine Audet
Barbara Quayhackx
Raymond Tucci
Ellsworth White*

Mass Schedule for August 21/22

	<i>Presider</i>	<i>Commentator</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>E.M. Captain</i>
4:30pm	Fr. Tim Deacon Franz	Nancy Smith	Ann McKenzie	Felicia Allen Debbie Dixon
8:00am	Fr. Tim Deacon Franz	Janice Osantowski	Barb Knapp	Louise Snyder Susie Waddell
9:45am	Fr. Mike	Dillon Johnson	Sherrill Cronin	Virginia Chadwick
11:30am	Fr. Mike	Larry Carrico	Brian Downey	Pat Bedner Sonny Sison

Shirley Barch
Susan Nesbitt
Chris Schmidt
Donna Swalya

Kathy Black
Don Garrett
Holly Mackler
Diane Orazac
Bob Smelser
Judy Zimmerman

Bev Adkins
Marisa Arabo
Diana Horne
Rev. Phyllis Kersten
Nancy Kramer
Vincent Ferrante
Lore Pautz

Albert Shamaly
Emily Shimmel
Ed Siarkowski
Dave Stoppelkamp
Ralph Vogan
Carol Wipp

Betty Gajewski
Ann Grime
Liam O'Donovan
Sheila Sienkiewicz
Betty Wilk

Roger Andrews
Philip Briffa
Liam Snyder-Welbes
Vita Solitro
Tracy Root Weck

Lettie Fox



Email the Parish Office at parish@stmichaelcc.org to add or remove a name from the Prayer List. Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks.

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MASS SCHEDULE
SATURDAYS: 4:30PM
SUNDAYS:
8:00AM, 9:45AM, 11:30AM
WEEKDAYS: 9:30AM

PARISH SUMMER OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-FRIDAY —9AM-2PM
SATURDAY—3PM-6PM
SUNDAY—9AM-1PM

PRIVATE CONFESSIONS
SATURDAYS 3:00PM, OR BY APPT.

BAPTISM
SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
CALL FOR APPOINTMENT
MARRIAGE
ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE AT
LEAST SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE
MARRIAGE DATE.

Staff

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Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16;
16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1
Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 **Day:** Rv
11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11,
12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:
39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35,
36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt
19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12,
13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3,
4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5,
7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps
146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt
22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps
128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17,
18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21,
22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/
Jn 6:60-69

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