



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...

Sin is a word we don't really hear about these days. It isn't that we deny the presence of a fault or evil in the world; on the contrary, evil is the one religious concept that can be scientifically verified again and again in the news reports each day. But "sin" is a word we rarely use in today's politically correct circles because—I suspect—it's impolite; it implies judgment or privately chosen religious convictions that we'd not want to foist upon another. Somehow in the name of political correctness we've stopped expressing our religious sensibilities which, one day, bring us to extinction.

But here is something to think about. I am not convinced that many of us have a good concept of sin and what it does to us, what it is capable of doing to people we don't even know. The biblical term for sin, *amartia*, means "missing the mark." As we look at our world today, does this not describe where we are? Do you think we might all be missing the mark on where God wants us to be? If you acknowledge having even a passing thought like this one, you may have identified both the problem and the source of our difficulties. We are indeed missing the mark, but what we have identified as "sin," even "mortal sin," is not even close to the experience of evil that we have seen over the past 100 years.

You may recall going to confession each Saturday and confessing your sins to the priest, hoping to God that you don't irritate him or make him raise his voice since there was only a cloth curtain between you and the other penitents lined outside the confessional. Typically, I would confess sins like eating meat on Friday or missing mass (not even a Sunday or Holy Day mass, but a votive mass or devotional mass). I was told they were mortal sins which, according to 1 John 5:16-17 were "sin unto death." In other words, it was a serious action, done intentionally, that was capable of killing my immortal soul and destroying my relationship with God. Somewhere in our youth, more than likely with the best intentions of catechists to keep us in line, we were all a bologna sandwich away from Hell. To be clear, the Church's discipline does have a place in our spiritual lives and it carries with it long term consequences that we may not see at the time, but have a serious impact on us like spiritual weakness or laziness or apathy. In this case, however, it doesn't seem to manifest itself after a singular act, but it has a more cumulative effect on us.

But what I am speaking about is a broader understanding of evil that goes beyond my own or other's individual peccadilloes and fault lines. Frequently, evil overtakes us without our knowing it, and we are often blind to recognize what (or who) it is when we stand before it. Like Jesus addressing the demon in Mark 5:9, we can't always recognize evil when we see it and far less so when we cooperate with it. I think of Hannah Arant's coverage of the trial of Adolph Eichmann (a Nazi war criminal who oversaw the brutal torture and death of thousands of Jewish and non-Jewish captives in the concentration camps). She described Eichmann as a mild-mannered grandfatherly figure and spoke of the "banality of evil" throughout her coverage of the trial. Evil doesn't always look bad; evil may feel comforting; evil may be virtually invisible to us, like just doing my job, following orders (Eichmann's defense), and seemingly doing something because everyone else was doing it.

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We in the Catholic Church focus on sin as purely a singular act and made heinous acts of evil equal in its impact on the soul to infractions that were a mere pittance in comparison. Moralists of the day were certainly able to make distinctions, but we who were fixated on keeping everyone in line lest we offend God made one act as bad as the next, at least existentially so since it killed our souls.

Somewhere we in the Church need to examine sin and its impact on our world. St. Paul understood sin from his own experience of persecution of the Church of Christ. He thought he was doing the right thing by torturing and killing Christians for their faith. He was the righteous one. Christians were the problem. After his conversion and as he wrote to the Christian community at Rome, he referred to sin as a *power*, an overwhelming experience of evil that can overtake us and blur our distinctions between good and bad, right and wrong. Listen to the way we justify ourselves these days and you might understand, as our friend St Paul did, that sin is something far greater than an individual act or the sum of its parts. It literally makes our humanity, created in God's image and likeness, beautifully, wonderfully made as the Psalmist says, miss the mark completely...without our ever knowing it.



Fr. Mike

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

I want to remind folks that St. Michael offers two different **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS** in the parish, both meet two times a month. Sr. Ronnie Brune, SSJ runs her grief support group the first and third Tuesday at 12:30 in the afternoon. Barb Parsons runs a grief support group on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 in the evening. Both groups offer excellent opportunities to share and feel supported in whatever loss you may be experiencing. There is no prior registration, and each session is independent (which means you can attend one in October, none in November, and two in December and still experience the support and caring that each respective group offers.) They are staggered in the afternoon and evening, the first and third Tuesday and the second and fourth Wednesday to accommodate as many folks as we can who are going through the difficult and painful process of grief.

And only because I came across this recently, I would like to share one author's experience of learning from grief. She said that grief teaches us that loss is inevitable; that we shouldn't take our loved ones for granted; that our faith can serve as a firm support; that we need to be patient with ourselves; that our life can be a way of creating memories that will comfort us when our loved one dies; that our feelings are important; that it is necessary to grieve and move forward at the same time; that it is important to find a purpose or meaning in life; that pain and joy can coexist together; that we need to always be true to ourselves; and that trusting friends will help us through the stormy parts of life (This list was adapted from a brochure of the Red Bird Ministries, a Church-backed grief support ministry out of the Lafayette, Louisiana Diocese. More brochures are available in our bookrack.)

Also, we have Mike Zuzga, a staff member from Wujek-Calcaterra, and a staff representative from Resurrection Cemetery, to address us on Wednesday, October 6 from 7:00pm-8:30pm for a Seminar of Advanced Planning for Funerals. Having recently experienced loss, I want to express the importance of the human rituals we have surrounding the death of a loved one. Funerals are expensive, but advance planning allows you to choose what you want and hold your money in escrow, so your family won't be burdened by heavy debt when you die. Changes can always be made and adjusted as the family requires when death does occur, but it is important and healing to have these human and religious rituals that allow us a chance to say good-bye—and thank you—for the blessings our loved ones have given to us. More information will follow in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

Fr. Mike

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September 2021

St. Michael Catholic Community

Families Learning Together



Thoughtful Moments

A stranger in your home?

Would you let a stranger into your home, give him your child's undivided attention for hours, and let him tell her what to wear and how to behave? Yet, that's what happens when children have too much unsupervised access to screens. To break the cycle, consider fasting from screens one day a week and substitute a family activity, such as reading aloud or playing board games instead.



Positive penance

Penance isn't punishment. When we do something that hurts our friendship with God, penance helps us to take responsibility for our actions and make amends. Our sin affects others, and our penance and reparation can, too.

The Baptized are never alone

Remind children that even when we aren't with them, God is. Baptism means we have been chosen by God and set apart for Him. Those who are baptized become part of God's family and He never forgets His own.



Take action to quiet worry

As we enter another school year in a time of pandemic, children may feel anxious about what's ahead. Taking spiritual action can help them feel less stress and worry. Consider these ideas:

Give God your troubles. Encourage youngsters to write down concerns on slips of paper. Place them in a basket or bowl before a crucifix or an image of Jesus. Then ask Him to handle your worries, and avoid thinking about them again. *"Cast all your worries upon Him because He cares for you"* (1 Peter 5:7).

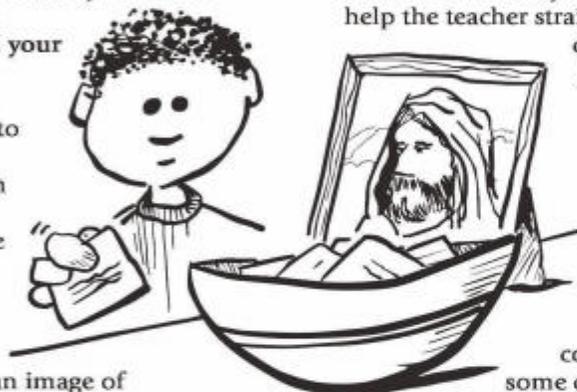
Perform a daily act of kindness. The best antidote to worrying about

ourselves can be to think of others. Ask youngsters to perform an act of kindness for someone else each day. Do an extra chore unasked, sit next to a student who may not have a friend, help the teacher straighten up the classroom.

"A friend owes kindness to one in despair ..." (Job 6:14),

Pick a saint. When a situation causes anxiety but is out of our control, call in some celestial backup.

Pick one saint each month to read about, learn about, and to ask for intercession. The saints are God's best friends, and He listens to them. *"... (I)f the word of the Lord were with them, then they would intercede with the LORD of hosts"* (Jeremiah 27:18).

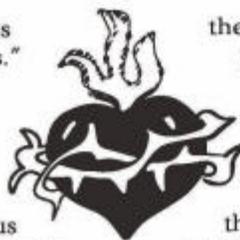


Why Do Catholics Do That?

The word "catholic" comes from the Greek, "katholikos." It means "throughout the whole" or "universal."

The first record of the Church being called "Catholic" quotes a first-century letter St. Ignatius wrote to the Smyrnaeans, "Where

Why is our Church called "Catholic"?



the bishop appears, there let the people be, just as where Jesus Christ is, there is the Catholic Church." St. Cyril of Jerusalem (347) wrote, "Now it [the Church] is called Catholic because it is throughout the world, from one end of the earth to the other."

Lean on Christ

Catholic parents want children to be strong enough to live virtuously as adults. It is critical for children to grow up leaning on Christ, not just meeting him as an infrequent visitor. Taking steps to keep youngsters connected when they are young will ensure they stay close to Jesus when they are grown.

Keep holy the Lord's Day by taking your family to Mass every Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation. Avoid activities that would hinder worship or relaxation.

Lead a sacramental life. Encourage your family to receive Holy Communion frequently and the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly.



Study and share Catholic teaching. See that children are properly Confirmed and remain active in their faith.

Educate children in the Catholic faith. Use parish schools or catechetical programs.

Strengthen the Church. Contribute to your parish, support your priests, the universal Church, and the pope.

Perform and teach penance for forgiveness of sins – our own and those of others.

Help spread the good news of God's love and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

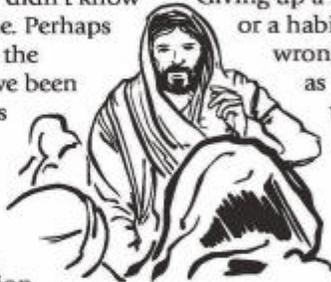
Scripture LESSON

Mark 9:38-48, Work together for God

In this reading, the disciples were upset because a man they didn't know was healing in Jesus' name. Perhaps they were afraid of losing the spotlight, or they may have been concerned because he was different from them.

Faithful followers of Jesus don't all look alike or talk alike, but we do act alike. Christianity is a kingdom, not a competition. All are welcome to work together to build it up. Those who share a common faith in Christ cooperate, not compete.

Some of Jesus' words sound strange but he is very clear; we treat sin like a



cancerous tumor and cut it out. Giving up a friendship, an activity, or a habit that causes us to do wrong may seem as painful as cutting off a hand. But the consequences of our choices last forever.

What can a parent do? The caution against harming little ones in faith applies to us as parents and teachers. Our thoughts and actions must be motivated by love so that we can model Christian behavior for our children.

Feasts & Celebrations

Sept. 16 – St. Cyprian (258). Born in Carthage to pagan parents, Cyprian converted to Christianity and became bishop of Carthage. A noted orator and theologian, Cyprian helped Pope St. Cornelius defend the Church against Novatian heretics. He set guidelines for readmitting lapsed Christians. Cyprian was arrested for refusing to worship idols. He was exiled and subsequently beheaded.

Sept. 28 – St. Wenceslaus (929). As the king of Bohemia, Wenceslaus worked closely with the Church to end the persecution of the Christians in his

country. "The Good King" encouraged German missionaries, built churches, cared for the sick and poor. Political conflict led to his assassination by his brother. He was immediately recognized as a martyr.

Sept. 28 – St. Lawrence Ruiz and his companions (1630). Lawrence was born in the Philippines to Christian parents—a Chinese father and a Filipino mother. Accused of murder, he fled with four Catholic priests and a leper to Nagasaki, Japan where there was violent persecution. They were arrested, brutally tortured and martyred on Okinawa.



Parent TALK

Throughout the months of the pandemic, Kara has been stressed and anxious. A worrier by nature, she said that she is afraid something will



happen to her (or us) and she doesn't feel safe. I realized that she needed to meet her guardian angel.

I told Kara that, according to tradition, each of us has a guardian angel who is with us from the moment of our birth until our death. Our angel stays by our side, tries to advise us for good, to steer us to the right path, and above all to help us be good people and good children of God.

Together we started praying the Guardian Angel prayer every night. We ask our guardians to look after us and protect us from harm. Now, whenever Kara feels concerned throughout the day, she whispers the same prayer and has confidence that she is safe in celestial hands.

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I was not at the church last week as I had a torn meniscus repaired on Friday, September 10th at the Ascension Outpatient Surgery Center at 23 Mile and Romeo Plank. The surgery went well and I will be recuperating throughout the week. A meniscus tear is not considered a major injury and I should be back to 100% shortly. There may be some physical therapy involved; I'll find that out when I have my follow up visit this Monday.

While I was down over the weekend, my Lazy Boy and I became best friends, and I had the opportunity to read. I love to read and, to be honest, I've gotten away from reading books as it seems most of my reading is on the internet or via emails or text messages. After finishing my first book and starting a second, I realized how much I missed reading novels, especially those that have to do with history. The first book I read and finished was one Fr. Mike had given me and it had to do with religious violence. The second book was one I purchased sometime ago. It had to do with a historical record (with many photos) of Macomb County and Sterling Heights from the early days of Michigan statehood. The third book, yup, I read three of them, was maybe the most intriguing of them all. It was called *Washington and his Spies* by Brian Kilmeade and detailed how the spy network developed and run by George Washington had a major impact on the American Revolution and, in essence, probably had a major role in ensuring a patriot victory. It's interesting how critical points in that war and, I suspect in all wars, really turn on little known work behind the scenes by anonymous people that risk their lives, sometimes lose their lives. We will never know their names or exactly what they did. I started to think of Jesus and how the authorities, both the Romans occupying government and the Temple hierarchy, had spies to keep an eye on him and his followers. We have firsthand evidence of this in Luke, 20:20 (paying taxes to Caesar): *When the scribes and chief priests realized that Jesus had spoken this parable against them, they sought to arrest Him that very hour. But they were afraid of the people. So they watched Him closely and sent spies who pretended to be sincere. They were hoping to catch Him in His words in order to hand Him over to the rule and authority of the...Really...Judas can be correctly identified as a spy, probably the most*

infamous spy in history. OK, enough about spies.

Next weekend after all Masses, we'll be celebrating our namesake, St. Michael the Archangel, in the Social Hall. We'll go outside for the event if the weather is nice. Our plan is to provide both alcoholic and non-alcoholic Mimosas and angel wings and give people a chance to visit, should they choose. So what do you know about St. Michael the Archangel? Did you know that St. Michael is the patron saint of grocers, mariners, paratroopers, police officers, and military personnel? Remember the prayer to St. Michael? I remember praying it during religious education when I was a little kid at Sacred Heart in Roseville.

This That from Deacon Franz

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

*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. Amen.

O glorious prince St. Michael,

chief and commander of the heavenly hosts,

guardian of souls, vanquisher of rebel spirits,

servant in the house of the Divine King

and our admirable conductor,

you who shine with excellence

and superhuman virtue deliver us from all evil,

who turn to you with confidence

and enable us by your gracious protection

*to serve God more and more faithfully every
day.*

May God Bless you all,
Deacon Franz

Strangers No Longer is a Catholic organization that studies ways to address immigration issues in a Christ-centered way. We want to hear about your experiences with immigrant families in our area. Are you or your parents immigrants? Do you know someone who was? What was your impression? How do you think we can make life better for our immigrant neighbors? Our parish Circle of Support is working with the **Strangers No Longer** network to learn more about your viewpoints on immigration and to help us in our discussions with local leaders. Please share your thoughts with us by taking this online survey. Go to <https://forms.gle/sSzXF7uzxJQ6spAP8> and fill out the survey. If you choose to, you may stay anonymous. Thanks so much for your ongoing support.



Strangers No Longer

You are also 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, September 21st at 7:00pm over zoom. For more information, send an email to juliewatanabe2@gmail.com or visit our website: stmichaelstrangersnolonger.weebly.com.

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 from September 24-26.

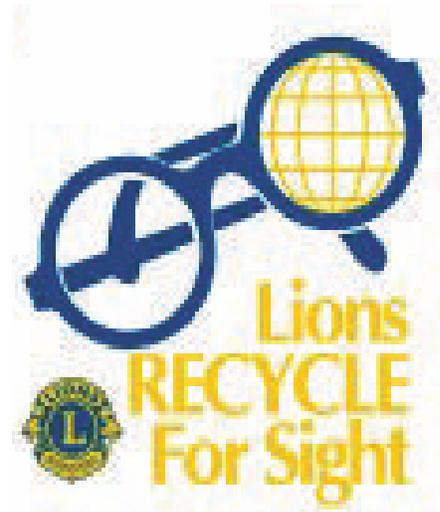
For more information, call Carrie Kulasa at 586-306-2683 or Patty Takle at 586-524-5358. Hope to see you soon!

Join Fr. Mike to help

An estimated 120 million people* are visually impaired because of uncorrected refractive errors (far and near sightedness). Almost all cases can be corrected and normal vision can be restored with eyeglasses, contact lenses or refractive surgery.

The lack of eyeglasses denies children and adults opportunities for education, employment and a better quality of life.

*World Health Organization Statistics



**Bring any of your old glasses or sunglasses no longer in use to
St. Michael and drop them in the box provided in the Parish Office
Continuing through October 17th**

St. Michael is working with the local Lions Club where glasses are shipped to the nearest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center and trained volunteers sort, clean and determine the prescription strengths of the glasses.

Volunteers at the recycling center carefully package the prepared glasses and store them until they are required for eyeglass dispensing missions. Glasses that are not suitable for reuse are recycled for scrap, with the earnings benefitting local Lions and Leos projects.

At the mission site, eye care professionals and trained Lion and Leo volunteers perform vision screenings and dispense the appropriate recycled glasses, free of charge, to children and adults in need.

**CARE
GIVE
RECYCLE**



ANNIVERSARY MASS



Please join us on Saturday, October 17 at the 4:30pm Mass as we celebrate our St. Michael family members who are celebrating a special wedding anniversary. Couples who are observing an anniversary of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, etc. are invited to attend Mass and be honored for their example of true love and commitment.

Also, couples who are celebrating one of these milestones are invited to submit a copy of their wedding picture to be published in the October 17/18 Messenger. Please follow the instructions below.

Please email a copy of your wedding picture (simply attach a picture to an email) at kathyc@stmichaelcc.org. Once we receive the picture, you will receive a confirmation email.

Be sure to include the following information:

- 1. Name of Couple*
- 2. Date of Wedding*
- 3. Anniversary Celebrating*
- 4. Contact Phone Number*



Or, bring your wedding picture into the Parish Office and we can scan it. Please, do NOT mail your picture via US mail or put it in the Offertory Basket, we cannot be responsible for its safety. The deadline for wedding pictures is Sunday, October 3.

The St. Michael Worship Commission is spearheading the celebration and we look forward to paying tribute to your example of God's love.

Come witness the power of God's Mercy during the
Sixth Annual Mercy in Action Service Day



This event is hosted by individual vicariates and parishes who hunger for an experience of God's Mercy. Multiple locations bring volunteers together who courageously engage in the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy!

Saturday, October 16th



Join our local group on this special day:

St. Ephrem St. Michael Our Lady of Czestochowa St. Peter/St. Hubert

***Service Projects Available on October 16, 2021 - Starting at 9:00AM
(Unless otherwise noted)***

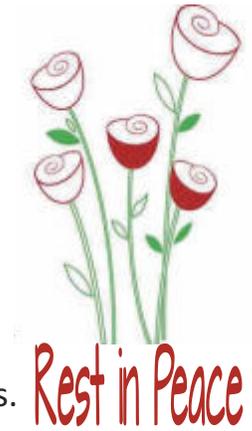
**** Choose your activity/location to participate then call contact to register****

- ❖ **St. Ephrem - Contact Sarah Hunt at office@stephremms.org (586) 264-1230 to register**
 - Blessing Bag Assembly for St. Aloysius - **October 9th at 10AM**
 - Volunteer at St. Aloysius' Street Picnic hosted by St. Ephrem - **Meet on October 16th at 9:30AM at St. Ephrem**
 - Vincent De Paul Donation Truck available at St. Ephrem (**October 16th 9AM-12PM & 4PM-6PM October 17th Sun. 8AM-2PM**)
- ❖ **St. Michael - Contact Michelle Hayes at michelleh@stmichaelcc.org (586)566-4487 to register**
 - Fall Clean Up of senior private homes through Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers
 - Make "Mats for the Homeless" at St. Michael (Bring Scissors) (Up to 40 people)
- ❖ **Our Lady of Czestochowa - Contact Barbara Slominski at basienka59@yahoo.com (248) 467-6778 to register**
 - Collect (Large Homemade Chocolate Chip Cookies) & Package Cookies for Oakmont Senior Living – **October 9th 10AM-12PM**
 - Blessing Bag Assembly - **October 9th at 10AM-12PM**
 - Cemetery Clean Up - Location to be advised (Please bring gloves, rakes, clippers, shovels, etc.)
 - Adoration at Our Lady of Czestochowa - **10AM-12PM - All are Welcome - Spoken prayers will be Bi-Lingual- English & Polish**
- ❖ **St. Peter/St. Hubert - Contact Deb Goff-Lieghio at dglieghio@spmconline.com (586) 468-4578 to register**

Registration & Breakfast begin at 8AM

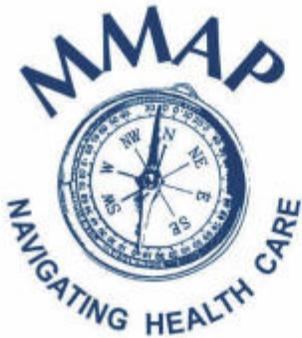
 - Food Drive for SVDP
 - Clean Up at St. Peter Cemetery
 - Community Garden Clean Up
 - Donate Children's Reading Books & Laundry Baskets with Laundry/Cleaning Supplies for Big Families of Michigan
 - Adoration at St. Peter

Megan Hilden, age 23, died August 28. Beloved daughter of Joanne (David Klicki) Hilden and Michael (Jo Sanderson) Hilden. Dear sister of Sean Hilden. Loving granddaughter of Frances Fournier.



Viola "June" Doroshenko, age 94, died on August 29. Beloved wife of the late George. Dear mother of Lorraine (Tim) Slack and the late Larry and George Gary.

Rosaline Brennan, age 95, died September 1. Beloved wife of the late Thomas. Loving mother of Carolyn (John) Ryan, Kevin (Margaret), Maureen (Christopher) Stefani, the late Thomas (June), Colleen (John) Bausman, and Nadine (Paul) Lisi. Dearest grandmother of 28, great-grandmother of 18, and great-great-grandmother of one.



**The Area Agency on
Aging 1B-Medicare/Medicaid
Assistance Program is BACK
and ready to help answer your benefit questions!**

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

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

Friday, September 24th

in the Youth Center Conference Room.

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

1 Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 18

4:30pm Joseph and Anna Seidel requested by Barb and Bob Seidel
Ron and June Lothmer requested by Kathy Groves and family

Sunday, September 19

8:00am Barbara Zahringer requested by daughter and family
Stephen Bugajewski 7th Anniversary requested by mom and dad
Dolores and Robert Gorin requested by family
Philip Szuba 1st Anniversary requested by Carol Szuba

9:45am Lucy Mollicone requested by Laura and Donna and family
Richard Prudlo requested by Nancy Dillon
Joan Giltz and Ed and Sylvia Potonac requested by Barb Hering

11:30am Triestina Casasanta requested by Vittoria Capoccia
Philip Szuba 1st Anniversary requested by Carol Szuba
Leonore Parker requested by Dave and Laura Parker
Jim Peace requested by Les and Verna Nevens, Chris and Lauren Nevens, and Leslie and Eric Richards
Henry and Gladys Zaleski 20th Anniversary requested by Pat and Joe O'Loughlin
Giuseppe Liano requested by family

Special Intentions for Ed Bill requested by the 11:30 Ushers

Monday, September 20

9:30am Rose Misuraca requested by daughter
Dorothy O'Grady Birthday Remembrance requested by son

Tuesday, September 21

9:30am

Wednesday, September 22

9:30am

Thursday, September 23

9:30am

Friday, September 24

9:30am

Saturday, September 25

4:30pm Simon and Walter Kalka requested by Eleanor Kalka and Sue
Vince Coscione 1st Anniversary requested by wife, Lisa
Fernando Fornelli 1st Anniversary requested by wife, Elaine

Sunday, September 26

8:00am Betty and Robert Waddell Jr. requested by daughter
Richard Prudlo requested by Julia Dillon

9:45am Jon Fresard requested by family

Special Intentions of St. Michael Parishioners

11:30am Mark Frost requested by the Bonk Family
Dolores Pawlak requested by Janice Cangelosi

Rest in Peace

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the families of

Rosaline Brennan

Rosanna Piva

Mass Schedule for September 25/26

	<i>Presider</i>	<i>Commentator</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>E.M. Captain</i>	<i>Cantor</i>
4:30pm	Fr. Mike Deacon Franz	Nancie Whaley	Virginia Chadwick	Debbie Dixon Ann McKenzie	Joe Sant
8:00am	Fr. Mike Deacon Franz	David Pranger	Heather Knapp	Debbie Kuskowski Louise Snyder	Anna Gloria
9:45am	Fr. Tim Deacon Franz	Barbara Parsons	Cameron Chadwick	Kayla Wouters	Stan Sikorski
11:30am	Fr. Tim Deacon Franz	Bill Pruzinsky	Marlene Coscione	Pat Bedner Sonny Sison	Stacey Conte

Liam O'Donovan
Sheila Sienkiewicz

Josephine Basacchi
Betty Gajewski
Rachel Parsons
Robert Smolarz

Frank Couture
Ann Grime
Katie Murray
Phyllis Rizzi
Nadine Sienkiewicz
Betty Wilk

Philip Briffa
Liam Snyder-Welbes
Vita Solitro
Tracy Root Weck

Robert Bray
Claudia Epsha
Maria Hastings
Ralph Vogan
Barbara Wentrack
Deb Young

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

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Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a,
4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer
31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-
45

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab,
2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4,
5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8,
10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-
43, 45, 47-4

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3,
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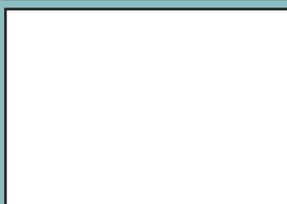
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