



# SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

Sunday, May 15, 2022

As Jesus discussed his impending death with the disciples, he presents them with “a new commandment: love one another.” In what ways are you challenged by this commandment?



ST. MICHAEL  
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CATHOLIC PARISH AND SCHOOL

# WORSHIP WITH US

*We the people of St. Michael Catholic Church seek to celebrate our faith in Jesus Christ by sharing His message of love, peace, justice, and compassion. We are called to teach and evangelize, to praise and worship God, through prayer and service to our community and beyond.*

Visitors interested in becoming a member of our community are invited to register by collecting a registration packet in the Gathering Space, visiting us online or stopping by our Parish Office.

## CONTACT OUR OFFICES

### (513) 563-6377 Parish Office

Monday—Thursday ..... 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Friday ..... 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Email ..... office@saintmichaelchurch.net

**Prayer Chain Line** ..... (513) 563-6377, Option 6

**St. Vincent dePaul Society** ..... ext. 353

### (513) 563-6377 School Office

Monday—Friday ..... 7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday** ..... **5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday** ..... **9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.**

Monday, Tuesday, Friday..... 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.

Thursday ..... 12:00 p.m.

In the event of a funeral, daily Mass time is subject to change.

### Presider Schedule for May 21-22

Presiders are subject to change.

5:00 p.m.—Fr. Norm Langenbrunner

9:00 a.m.— Fr. Ed Burns

11:30 a.m.—Fr. Ed Burns

**Exposition** ..... Monday, 6:00 p.m.

**Evening Prayer** ..... Monday, 7:00 p.m.

**Reconciliation** .....Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

**Rosary** .....Thursday, 12:30 p.m.

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# THIS WEEK AT ST. MICHAEL

## Monday, May 16

- 8:30 a.m. Mass**  
*Intention: Richard Wysong requested by St. Michael Knights of Columbus*
- 6:00 p.m. Exposition in Church  
7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer in Church  
7:30 p.m. Community Outreach in the Teacher's Lounge  
7:45 p.m. 11:30 Choir Rehearsal

## Tuesday, May 17

- 8:30 a.m. Mass**  
*Intention: Carol Schumacher requested by John and Sylvia Astrop*
- 4:15 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal in Church  
8:00 p.m. Boosters in the Cafeteria

## Wednesday, May 18—St. John I, Pope and Martyr

- 6:00 p.m. Confession in Reconciliation Room  
**7:00 p.m. Mass**  
*Intention: Tom Dressing requested by Peter and Lisa Redden*
- 7:30 p.m. Young Adult Meeting in the Multipurpose Room

## Thursday, May 19

- 12:00 noon Mass**  
*Intention: Carol Schmidt requested by Nancy Meyers; Bill Haines requested by Mary Haines*
- 12:30 p.m. Rosary in Church  
7:45 p.m. 9:00 Choir Rehearsal in Church

## Friday, May 20—St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

- 8:30 a.m. Mass (School)**  
*Intention: Thomas Garland requested by Donna Bush, Dorothy and Danielle Miller; Fr. Wm. Wysong requested by St. Michael Knights of Columbus*

## Saturday, May 21—St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs; Armed Forces Day

- 4:00 p.m. Confession in Reconciliation Room  
**5:00 p.m. Mass**  
*Intention: Mary Ann Vacek requested by Mary Vetter; Edward "Zip" Montag requested by Nancy and Steve Rueve*

## Sunday, May 22—6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

- 9:00 a.m. Mass**  
*Intention: George Perrero requested by Donald and Barb Perrero; Ann Hovanec requested by Cindy and Tom Lukey*
- 11:30 a.m. Mass**  
*Intention: For the Parish; Tom Kneer requested by Chris and Susan George*
- 4:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group in the Multipurpose Room  
7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group in the Multipurpose Room

## UPCOMING READINGS

Monday's readings .....	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday's readings .....	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday's readings .....	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday's readings .....	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday's readings .....	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17
Saturday's readings .....	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Sunday's readings .....	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

# GATHER WITH OUR FAMILY

## FROM THE YOUTH MINISTER

In today's current environment it can be very hard to recognize fellow Christians, as well as setting ourselves out to be noticed. What are the signs? How do we find community amongst the population? Perhaps more importantly for ourselves, what are the traits or characteristics that we should strive to emulate and be noticed for?

Thankfully in the Gospel this weekend Our Lord sets us on the right track to answering these questions. He tells us that we should be recognized by His Love and our love for Him. What a difference we could make in our world if all Christians could be recognized by the love they showed. My prayer for us this week is that we are empowered by His love so that we can be such good and strong examples of it that our love becomes a name tag that we proudly wear that declares we are Loved by God.

**Tyler Marsh**, Youth Minister  
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### Scheduling & Room Reservations

Please call the Parish Office or email:  
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## MINISTRY MEETINGS

- St. Vincent de Paul Society** .... 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
  - St. Michael K of C** ..... 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
  - Athletic Boosters** ..... 3rd Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.
  - Parent Teacher Organization** ..... TBD
  - Religious Education** (Grades 1-8) .. Sunday, 10:10 a.m.
  - Catholic Inquiry Sessions** ..... Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
  - HS Youth Group** ..... Sundays, 7:00 p.m.
  - Jr HS Youth Group** ..... 2nd & 4th Sundays, 4:00 p.m.
  - Young Adult Group** ..... Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
- Subject to cancellation on holidays and during festival season.

## COUNCIL & COMMISSIONS

- Parish Pastoral Council ..... Every six weeks
- President: Jim Konves**
- Worship Commission ..... 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m.
- Chair: Jack Hornsberger**
- Finance Council ..... Last Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.
- Jan, Mar, Apr, Jun, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov
- Chair: Jerry Mussari**
- Community Outreach ..... 3rd Monday, 7:30 p.m.
- Chair: Mary Heilers**
- Youth Commission ..... 1st Thursday, 4:00 p.m.
- Contact: Tyler Marsh**

## PARISH COLLECTION FINANCIAL REPORT

Collection for Apr 23-24	\$7,552.87	Income Budgeted for 4/22	\$98,500.00
Online Donations	\$9,284.70	Collections, Online, and Stocks for 4/22	\$83,323.31
Lump-Sum Donation	\$750.00	Amount over budget for 4/22	\$15,176.69
Additional Easter	\$1,940.00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,527.57</b>	Total Income Budgeted 7/1/21-4/30/22	\$855,500.00
Collection for Apr 30-May 1	\$11,453.87	Total Contributions for 7/1/21-4/30/22	\$926,925.93
Online Donations	\$2,676.40	Total amount over budget for 4/22	\$71,425.93
Lump-Sum Donation	\$2,000.00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,130.27</b>		

**Easily donate to St. Michael Church online at:**  
saintmichaelchurch.net/About-Us/Donate-Online

## ROUNDING THE BASES, SENDING THEM HOME

Casey Cole, O.F.M., is an American Franciscan friar, Catholic Priest, writer, and blogger

This Memorial Day weekend, two friars on a pilgrimage like no other, will make a stop in Cincinnati. YouTube sensation Fr. Casey Cole and Fr. Roberto “Tot” Serrano plan to visit all 30 Major League Baseball stadiums, meeting young adults where they are to invite them to return home to Jesus and his Church.

Fr. Casey Cole will be saying Masses at Saint Michael Church in Sharonville the weekend of May 28/29. Saint Michael and its family of parishes, invite you to hear more from Fr. Casey at a stadium-style, BYOB social event on Sunday, May 29th.

### Rounding the Bases, Sending them Home Social

Sunday, May 29, 2022 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist Pavilion Grove

9080 Cincinnati Dayton Road

West Chester Twp., Ohio 45069

Your RSVP is not required but is requested. Please RSVP at: <https://bit.ly/3LSZY8v>

Learn more about Fr. Casey Cole’s pilgrimage at [www.breakinginthehabit.com](http://www.breakinginthehabit.com)



## FRIENDS OF JESUS

Come Together in Support of Adults with Developmental Disabilities

Friends of Jesus is a group for adults with developmental disabilities (18 years of age or older). This group’s focus is primarily for support, prayer and socializing. The parishes of All Saints, St. Columban, Good Shepherd, St. Margaret of York, St. Philip the Apostle and St. Vincent Ferrer would like to extend an invitation to our neighboring parishes who would like to join them **May 21, 2022**, from 12:00-3:00 p.m., at the Dick Hartman Picnic Shelter in Sellman Park, located directly behind Madeira Middle School at 6700 Marvin Avenue in Madeira. Come together in prayer, do some craft-making and enjoy refreshments. New members are always welcome. All participants MUST RSVP to Jane Callan by May 16 at (513) 793-3546 so they can plan accordingly for food and craft supplies.



## THANK YOU 8TH GRADERS

8th Grade Gifts School with Buddy Bench

“Buddy Benches” are appearing in schoolyards around the country. Introduced from Germany in 2014, the concept is simple: When a child sits on the bench, it’s a signal to other kids to ask him or her to play.

The St. Michael School Class of 2022 has gifted a buddy bench to our campus, along with several copies of the book “The Buddy Bench” by Patty Brozo (Author) and Mike Deas (Illustrator).

# PRAY WITH US

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

May 15, 2022—5th Sunday of Easter

“It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God.” Many folks really work very hard to circumvent difficult situations. We prefer the easier way around something, rather than risk inconvenience, hurt or prolonged suffering. It’s no wonder euthanasia is rapidly becoming acceptable around the world. Through purely human eyes, there is no issue bypassing the inevitable, taking control and bringing things more swiftly to a place of peace. If this is the way God sees things, then why does Jesus make such a big deal helping us understand the experience of suffering and embrace it? God’s wisdom clearly takes us in another direction.

Imagine if we were able to eradicate ALL hardship and suffering. Where would we be? As we look at our own journeys, many of our solid more growth producing life lessons have been born of suffering, disappointment, inconvenience, darkness, and despair. There is something sacred about all of these experiences as God uses them to create something new. Envisioning a life without hardship and suffering brings us to a vision where everything is flat-lined and dull. As much as hardship and suffering are difficult crosses to bear, not taking them up runs the risk of us becoming shallow, empty, and lifeless. Helen Keller remarks that, “a happy life consists not in the absence but in the mastery of hardships.” What an incredibly wise insight! Many really successful people and saints were brought to their station in life because they suffered. Suffering teaches us about what’s important and propels us to search the depths of our souls for resources and strength we never would have known before.

This is especially true when we love as Jesus asks us to love. Love, perhaps above any other experience, can

cause us great hardship, pain, and suffering especially when it’s authentic and unconditional. While it can thrust us into an incredible experience of God and life on one hand, it can bruise and wound us deeply on the other. Mastering the art of love is the secret to living life well, walking in the presence of God and investing in the joy of the Gospel. Love and suffering walk hand in hand. Compromising one will compromise the other. Maybe that’s why Jesus spent so much time convincing us to accept both.

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## ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

Remembering Relatives and Friends

May 17	Betty Steckler
	Marie Bauer
May 19	Bill Haines
May 22	Frieda Klein

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## THEY COME BEFORE YOU

Celebrating Marriage

Gracious God, we ask for your blessing that the happiness promised by engagement will be brought to fulfillment for:

**William Roth and Emma Enderle**

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## LOVING GUIDANCE, EVERLASTING CARE

Celebrating Recent Baptisms

Please welcome the following children into our Christian community, who were baptized recently at St. Michael:

**Joshua Michael Shea**

Son of Benjamin and Anne

**Owen Viltro**

Son of Luke and Meghan

## LIVE THE LITURGY

The resurrected Christ gives us the strength to do things we can never have imagined. Life will often give us mountains to climb, and we wonder how we will find the energy, ability, and determination to forge ahead. But, with a good dosage of faith and a fervent life of prayer we find ourselves succeeding and ascending to heights that once frightened us. What we realize after we have reached the other side is that this hardship we once saw as an obstacle has become a vehicle for something better and greater. We are stronger. The same is true with the Gospel. The prospect of loving one another may seem idealistic or unobtainable. Yet, when we risk moving beyond just looking out for or helping each other to actually LOVING each other, miracles happen. There is something wonderful that occurs with love. We see people in ways we never saw before, understanding and appreciating each other's journey. Love leads to reverence. Faith is strengthened and we move on to try again.

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## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Loving as New Creations by Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

"There's something different about you."

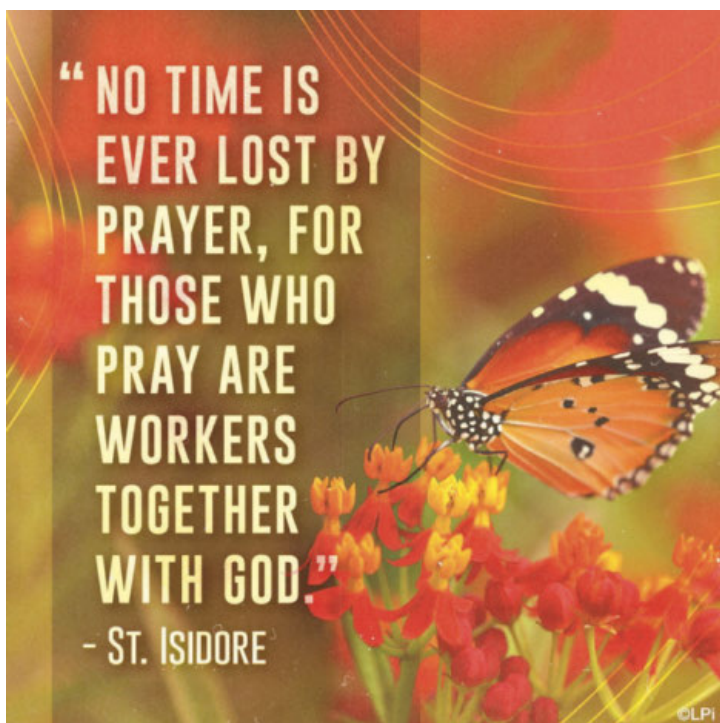
Think about the times in your life when this has been said to you. Maybe it was after someone complimented you on a job well done, and you realized that you were walking through life with a little more confidence. Maybe it was after meeting someone special, as you carried the glow of that relationship wherever you went. Chances are, if someone has noticed something different about you, it's because, inwardly, you've been changed by the loving or respectful actions of another person.

Love, you see, can make us into new creations. From the love of God flows the grace to tackle any challenge, including the biggest challenge of all: loving each other well. Christ knows what a big request this is. He was human, too. He came and lived among us. He knew intimately what it was to love people in the chaos of their own flaws. He knew what he was asking of us when he said, "As I have loved you, so you should also love one another."

In essence, this is the call to stewardship: loving as Christ loves, amidst the messiness of everyday reality. Loving with accountability, challenging ourselves and our brothers and sisters to be faithful even when it is hard. Loving with an unflinching sense of hospitality that welcomes even those we do not agree with or understand. Loving with gratitude, giving thanks for the great variety of ways that Christ can make himself known to us through others.

It isn't easy — we all know that. But if we ask God for the grace to remain steadfast in this greatest commandment, we will be given what we need to live as new creations.

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# SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

## CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR FIRST COMMUNION

May You Feel the Warmth and Comfort of the Lord's Love with You Every Day

Colt Awalt	Ella Groves	James Keller	Caroline O'Conner	Lucia Stubenrauch
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Ruby Doecker	Isabella Jackson	Austin Luckhaupt	Caroline Sink	
Miguel Garcia	Oliva Johnson	Caroline Mentrup	Jackson Sonneck	
Zoe Grimsley	Cameron Keezer	Benjamin Nedzel	Frank Strickland	

## CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR CONFIRMATION

Best Wishes as You Follow in Our Lord's Way

Elliot Bachmann	Julianna Castilla	Rosalina Garcia	Jake Johnson	Avery Miller
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Abby Bicknell	Justin Coulehan	Raelyn Goldie	Catherine Johnston	Liam O'Connor
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Josie Broenner	Hayden Elmlinger	Jonny Hesketh	Preston Koch	Malia Trovillo
Erik Brown	Kendall Elmlinger	Nathan Hoffman	Evan Konys	Sam Willis
Sophia Brown	Claire Farwig	Ellis Jacobs	Trent Konys	Caitlyn Wood
Dillon Brus	Andrew Feczko	Rylee Jankowski	Nathan Kowalski	
Eli Capell	Grace Fischer	Grace Johnson	Sophie Lattin	

## HONORING HEROES ON MEMORIAL DAY

In our Memorial Day bulletin, we would like to prayerfully honor our parishioners, family members, and friends who are currently serving in the military. Please send the honoree's name and branch of service to the Parish Office or email [amanda@saintmichaelchurch.net](mailto:amanda@saintmichaelchurch.net) by May 19. The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 31st.





# MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

## WELCOMING BECKY ALBRINCK PARISH FAMILY PASTORAL ASSOCIATE OF EVANGELIZATION

Becky Albrinck joins us as Pastoral Associate of Evangelization for the new family of parishes being formed on July 1st with St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. John the Evangelist. As Fr. Ed's first hire for our parish family, this is an exciting time to be joining the parish staff. Much of Becky's work will be with Beacons of Light, assisting Fr. Ed and the staffs with logistics, transitions, and the reporting that will be critical over the next five years. She will also be supporting youth, young adult, and family ministries across all three parishes.

Becky is a Cincinnati native, graduated from McAuley High School and Mount St. Joe with a Theology and Music Education degree. Her background is diverse: she taught theology at the high school level, is a licensed real estate agent, and has volunteered and worked for thirty years in the youth ministry field. In 2016, she earned her Master's Degree in Religious Studies from Mount St. Joe. Her most recent position was for nine years serving another parish as the Pastoral Associate of Youth Ministry. There she developed a comprehensive program for preschool aged children through young adults. Becky has been married for 25 years to Alex, and together they have three children: Abby (23), Mandy (21) and Ben (19).



"My entire family is looking forward to meeting and being a part of your community," says Becky, "For the first few months, I will be doing a lot of listening: learning about each parish and their cultures, the things that make your parishes unique and special, fears and worries about the Beacons process, and meeting each one of you. I am praying for all of you as we begin this journey, and I humbly ask that you pray for me and my family as well."

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## MERCY NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES

### May Wish List Items

Mercy Neighborhood Ministries continues to feel the support and generosity of Saint Michael Church. The following items are requested for the May 21-22 collection, and may be left on the appropriate wire racks in the Gathering Space.

- Cream Soups
- Cans of Chili
- Cleaning Supplies
- Hearty Dinner Soups
- Canned Fruit
- Laundry Detergent
- Rice Sides
- Small Instant Coffee
- Dryer Sheets
- Hot Cereal
- Small Instant Creamer

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## ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM

### On-Site After School Child Care for School Families

St. Michael School offers on-site childcare immediately following the school day for families of St. Michael Parish School. The program welcomes full-day kindergarten through sixth grade students. New families can find registration forms at [www.stmichaelsharonville.org](http://www.stmichaelsharonville.org) or in the School and Parish Offices. Returning families should complete registration by Thursday, May 26th and new families should complete registration by Friday, July 15th.

# ST. MICHAEL FESTIVAL

**Friday, June 3**  
6:00 p.m. - Midnight  
DV8

**Saturday, June 4**  
6:00 p.m. - Midnight  
The Rusty Griswolds

**Sunday, June 5**  
3:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
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## HELP US PROMOTE

**Yard signs and car magnets are now available in the Gathering Space.** Please display them proudly in your yard and on your vehicles. In addition, if you live or work in a high traffic area and are willing to have a larger sign placed at your location during festival week, please email Mike Chaney at [mike@saintmichaelchurch.net](mailto:mike@saintmichaelchurch.net).

## VOLUNTEER WEEKEND

**It's Festival Volunteer Sign-up Weekend!**

**Saturday, May 14 and Sunday, May 15**  
**in the Gathering Space**

We need you to help make this the best festival yet!

## BID 'N BUY GIVING TREE

This is a simple way to help out with the festival. Each donation allows us to fill baskets for raffles and bidding at the festival. There are three easy ways to give:

- **Grab a tag from the giving tree** in the Gathering Space. Buy the item and bring it back to the tree by Saturday, May 28th.
- **Visit our Festival Amazon wish list.** Buy the item from Amazon and follow the directions to have it shipped directly to the Parish Office. Scan the QR code for the list.
- Finally, we are more than happy to take **gift cards, cash, or other donations** for a wheelbarrow of cheer! You can leave those items at the tree or drop them off to the Parish Office.



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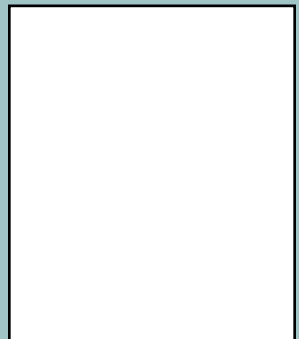
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