



# Saint Michael Catholic Church

6912 Chestnut Rd. Independence, OH 44131

September 26, 2021

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Pastor

**Fr. John Vrana**  
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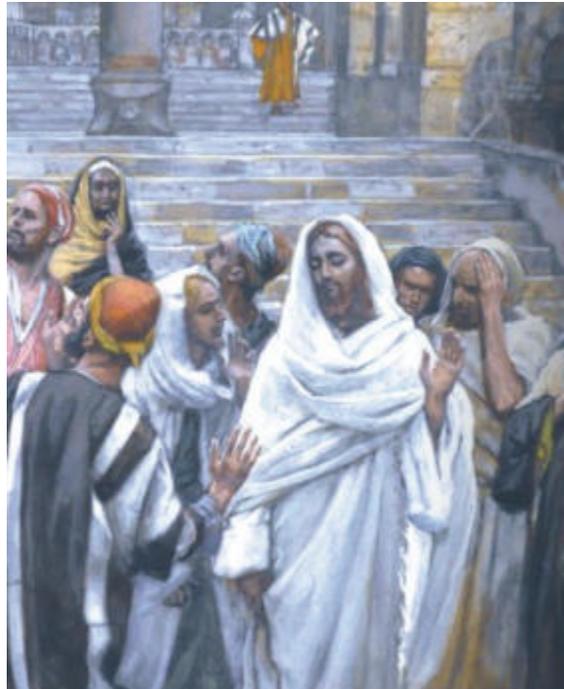
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## 26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:38-39

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**Rectory Hours (Mon.-Fri.)**  
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## **Mass Schedule**

**Saturday**—4:30pm  
**Sunday**—8:00am  
10:00am  
12:00pm  
**Mon.-Wed. & Fri.**—8:30am  
**Holy Days**—8:30am  
12:05pm  
7:00pm  
**Legal Holidays** 8:30am

## **Confessions**

**Saturday**—3:30pm  
and by appointment

## **Anointing of the Sick**

by appointment

## **Weddings & Baptisms**

please call the Rectory  
to schedule

**“Meeting Christ through prayer and  
being Christ for the World”**

# I WILL CHOOSE CHRIST

Tom Booth

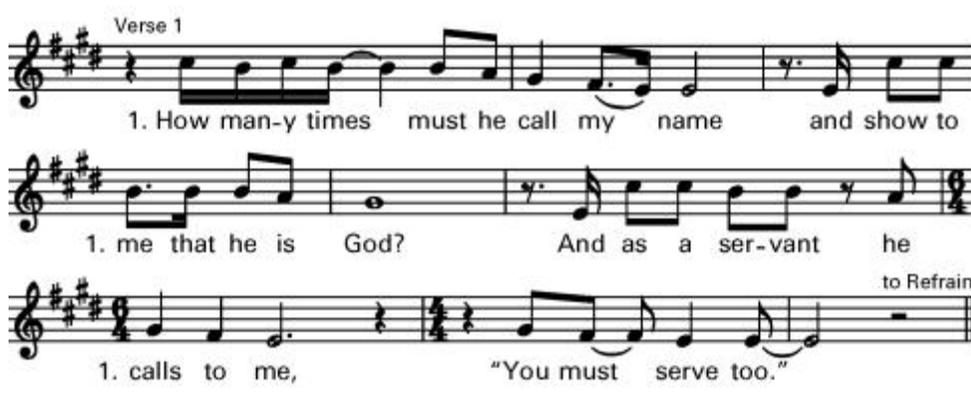
Refrain



I will choose Christ, I will choose love, I choose to serve.  
I give my heart, I give my life, I give my all  
to you. to you. I give my all to you.

1-3 to Verses | Final

Verse 1



1. How many times must he call my name and show to  
me that he is God? And as a servant he  
calls to me, "You must serve too." to Refrain

Verse 2



2. Christ, my teacher and healer, teach my  
heart and heal my soul. And as I walk this  
road with you, teach me to love. to Refrain

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Glory to God in the highest,  
And on earth peace to  
people of goodwill.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks  
for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins  
of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins  
of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right  
hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are  
the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most  
High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of  
God the Father,  
Amen.

*1st Reading - Numbers 11:25-29*

A Reading from the Book of Numbers

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied. Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp," Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said, "Moses, my lord, stop them." But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Responsorial: Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14*



The pre-cepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

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*The law of the LORD is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.*

*The fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true,  
all of them just.*

*Though your servant is careful of them,  
very diligent in keeping them,  
yet who can detect failings?  
Cleanse me from my unknown faults!*

*From wanton sin especially, restrain your  
servant;  
let it not rule over me.  
Then shall I be blameless and innocent  
of serious sin.*

*2nd Reading - James 5:1-6*

A Reading from the Letter of Saint James

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days. Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

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*Your word, O Lord, is truth;  
consecrate us in the truth.*

*Gospel - Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time, John said to Jesus,  
"Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name,  
and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us."  
Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him.  
There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name  
who can at the same time speak ill of me.  
For whoever is not against us is for us.  
Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink  
because you belong to Christ,  
amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin,  
it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck  
and he were thrown into the sea.  
If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off.  
It is better for you to enter into life maimed  
than with two hands to go into Gehenna,  
into the unquenchable fire.  
And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off.  
It is better for you to enter into life crippled  
than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna.  
And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out.  
Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye  
than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna,  
where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Nicene Creed*

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven (*bow*) and by *the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man*. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Apostle's Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (*bow*) *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary*, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

## ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

John Foley, S.J.

Refrain

One bread, one bod - y, one Lord \_ of all,

and one cup of bless-ing which we bless. And we, though

man-y, through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this

Verses

one Lord.

1. Gen - tile or Jew, \_ ser - vant or

2. Man - y the gifts, \_ man - y the

3. Grain for the fields, \_ scat - tered and

to Refrain

1. free, wom - an or man, no more.

2. works, one in the Lord of all.

3. grown, gath - ered to one, for all.

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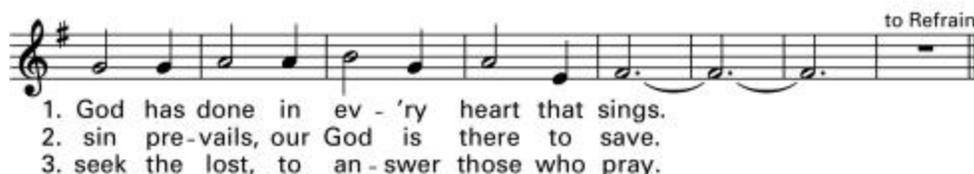
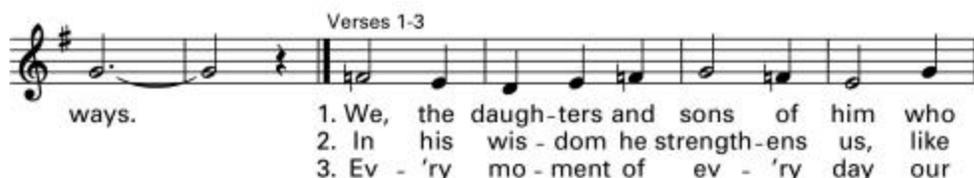
*After everyone has received communion and after the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle, you may be seated or kneel for a time of quiet prayer.*

### *Prayer to St. Michael*

**Saint Michael  
the Archangel,  
defend us in battle,  
be our protection  
against the wickedness  
and snares of the devil;  
may God rebuke him,  
we humbly pray;  
and do thou,  
O Prince of the  
heavenly host,  
by the power of God,  
cast into hell  
Satan and all  
the evil spirits  
who prowl about  
the world seeking the  
ruin of souls.  
Amen.**

# GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD

Dan Schutte



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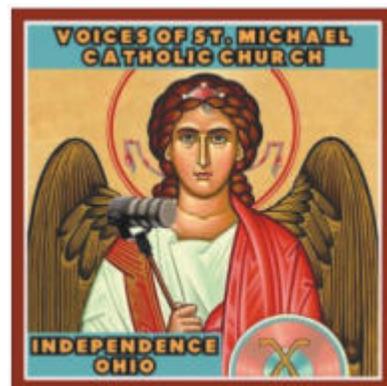
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## from the Pastor

Fr. John J. Mullee



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference will be held on Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup> at the Hilton Garden Inn in Mayfield. If there are any companies that would like to be a sponsor, please call Jen Ricard at St Basil parish in Brecksville.

Deacon Vince will offer the **Blessing of Pets on Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11AM in the parking lot.**

Thank you to all those who shared their time, treasure, and talents in organizing the St Michael golf outing and the Feast Day Mass and dinner.

Thank you, Fr Crespo, for your inspiring message. May God continue to strengthen the **Missionaries of Jesus** as they work to bring the Light of Christ to our human family in need.

It was great seeing all the CYO families at Mass last weekend. To give at least one hour a week to our Lord is important for the spiritual growth for all of us on our Christian journeys.

A reminder that we need servers at all the Masses. Please call the office and we can set up personal training sessions. This includes servers for funerals. When I was at St Rita around half of the servers for funerals were women.

Father Jacques Philippe of the Community of the Beatitudes reflects on how to enter into Life: "This is the human tragedy: to seek to realize an image of happiness proposed to us by the surrounding culture, without ever finding true happiness...As Saint Paul says: What no eye has seen, nor ear has heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him (1 Cor 2:9). Sorrow and renunciation, struggle and agony are part of the opening up to reality. This is a work in progress, never complete here on earth, that makes possible for us an ever more abundant and fulfilling life."

St Michael the Archangel- Pray for Us  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help- Pray for Us



St. Michael Holy Name & Altar Rosary Society

### TURKEY RAFFLE TICKETS

Available for purchase in the rectory office.

Drawing – Thursday, November 11, 2021

Winners will be notified

"One Turkey prize winner per household"

Donations: \$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00

*Have you ever thought about becoming Catholic?  
Have you been attending Mass with your spouse, a friend, or family member and would like to learn more about joining the faith and sharing in the full sacramental life of the Church?*

*R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which non-Catholics journey towards sacramental initiation within the Catholic Church.*

*RCIA is a learning and loving process in which one walks with members of our faith community towards a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Body, the Church.*

*Contact Fr. John in the Parish Office for more information.*

### Remembering all of our beloved deceased

#### Antoinette Gollon

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.  
Amen.

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

October 3rd inserts are due by  
Monday, 9/27 by 12pm.  
all announcements need to be emailed to:  
[tjd@stmichaelchurchindependence.org](mailto:tjd@stmichaelchurchindependence.org)

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, September 25

4:30 + Deceased Members of the Bednarski Family  
(Jerry & Vera)

## Sunday, September 26

8:00 Parishioners  
10:00 + Rosetta & Louis Cipriano  
(Nilda Jerina)  
12:00 + Janet & John Zust  
(Dan & Linda Zust)

## Monday, September 27

8:30 + Yolanda Marotta  
(David Catalano)

## Tuesday, September 28

8:30 + Edward S. Hudak  
(Wife-Joanne)

## Wednesday, September 29

8:30 Steve & Diane Polasko  
49th Anniversary  
(Family)

## Friday, October 1

8:30 + Nicholas & Jennie Fill  
(Family)

## Saturday, October 2

4:30 + Guiseppe, Poala, Heather & Joe Giaimo  
(Antonia Giaimo)

## Sunday, October 3

8:00 + Joseph & Josephine Paterniti  
(Son)  
10:00 + Joseph (Jim) Kanar  
(Neighbors)  
12:00 Parishioners

In the event the Mass Intention for the weekend is for your loved one and you would like to bring up the gifts, please see the ushers in the back of Church prior to Mass, thank you!

## OFFERTORY 9/19/2021

Regular Collection	\$6,429
Parish Maintenance	\$275
School Endowment	\$25

*Thank you!*

## A Prayer for our Military:

*Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

**PFC Joshua Strenk, National Guard**  
**1LT Zak Zubic, Marine Corps**  
**LTJG George Ponce, Navy**  
**Lt. Col. Michael Oetjens, Air Force**  
**Ensign Kevin Clymer, Navy**

## Please Remember in Your Prayers Our Sick

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Joyce R.	Charlenea Fabrizo
Michael Herasimuk	John Patrick Gallagher
Tom Matia	Diane Bernaciak
Betty Schwab	RaeAnn DiBaggio
Rick Schreiber	Thomas Gannon
Laura Kelley	Lisa Bielawski
Christopher	Danny Goins
Mary Stanley	Lorenzo Gramuglia
Gina Childress	Connie Fossa
Gayle Telford	Fred Wright
Phyllis Owskiak	Gaylene Bielawski
Gaetano Rini	Judy T.
Gayle Rini	Posy Grzincic
Daisy Santocildes	Ron Krzynowek
Ron Gerba	Dorothy K.
Jerry Wright	Christine Banaszak
Judy Fiore	Nina Gollon
Mark L.	Terrie Goodrich
Jen LeBlanc	Linda Szymanski
Cecilia M.	Ken Stephan
Joe Denk	Alexis Cerio
Barbara P.	Tony Kucia
Ashley Skuhrovec	Rosanne Cifani
Sylvia Priebe	Mafalda Fiorentino
Rita Matthis	Donald Keller
Maryann Cohara	Patrick Baker
Michelle Murach	The White Family
David Pichert	Mary Jane Blue
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Vincenzino Ciclone	Sue Synek
	Judy Scouloukas

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## Adoration Chapel Meditations

Brothers in Christ Ministry of St. Michael  
([www.brothersinchristcmf.org/blog](http://www.brothersinchristcmf.org/blog))

### Prep for the Light at Our Tunnel's End

Once you reach the autumn of life, a certain medical procedure is recommended to stave off a certain kind of cancer. The procedure's name ends in "scopy," because it sends a scope in where the sun rarely shines. Nobody looks forward to this procedure with joyful anticipation, but we do anticipate a happy result. That's much like the scoping many of us expect our Maker to give us at the end of our life to assess our soul's freedom from a variety of moral cancers.

Both scoping procedures require "prep." In its physical manifestation that prep entails our downing a couple liters of a chalky beverage designed to enhance scoping visibility. Like the revenge that is one of humanity's deadly sins, this is a beverage best enjoyed cold. Nobody likes lukewarm prep. In our soul's scoping procedure, the prep is what we serve-up for God's consumption. The Book of Revelation ([REV 3:15-16](#)) tells us He hates lukewarm prep as much as we do.

*"I wish you were either cold or hot. So, because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth."*

This was a circuitous route to the point of this Sunday's readings. Both Old and New Testament accounts demonstrate our Holy Spirit's passion for and love of truth. Spreading that truth is the job of prophets, and passionate prophecy is everybody's job. It helps ensure everyone's spiritual well-being.

In the first reading from Numbers ([Nm 11:25-29](#)), Moses is warned that a couple people HIS people didn't recognize as spiritually authorized were passionately spreading God's word. Moses retorts,

*"Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"*

Fast-forward a few centuries to the time of Christ and Sunday's passage from Mark's gospel ([Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48](#)). It's almost a reenactment. John the disciple gives Jesus a heads-up that strangers are driving out demons in his name.

*"We tried to prevent him because he does not follow us,"* John tells him. Jesus replies, *"Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."*

*Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward."*

Giving someone a figurative cup of cold water on a hot day or a hot beverage on a cold day is excellent prep for our end-of-life reward screening process. It's all about sharing our soul's treasures in life. If our soul is well- and completely-spent by the time we face our Maker, that prep is bound to please God's palate. After all, as stated in Jesus' Beatitudes, *"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven."*

### Attention 8th thru 12th graders!!!

St. Michael's Youth Ministry  
invites you to an afternoon of  
**Ultimate Frisbee, Touch Football and  
Tailgating Picnic on  
Sunday, October 10th, 2021  
from 1:30-3:00 PM** (Browns play at 4:05P M)  
@Heritage Park  
(next to CVS parking lot; old Middle School site)



Join us for some  
food and fun!!!



Please bring a food item to share with  
everyone. We'll supply the hot dogs & drinks!  
Also, bring a friend or two!!!

Bring a camping chair if you want one...



RSVP to Randy Kula at  
[randy@stmichaelchurchindependence.org](mailto:randy@stmichaelchurchindependence.org)  
216-409-2639

## FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND!!!

Join us after any of the Masses  
next weekend in the parking lot  
for fellowship & goodies!



On Friday June 25<sup>th</sup> friends and family of St. Michael School gathered under a tent on the school grounds to participate in the schools 2021 fundraiser, Under the Stars. Attendees were treated to gourmet food donated by Guarino's and surrounded by trees and flowers donated by Petitti Garden Center. Throughout the night attendees could try their luck with various raffles as well as live and silent auctions.

But not only was the event held to raise funds for the school, but also to honor the teachers and staff who worked to provide an in-person school year for students at St. Michael School. Teachers enjoyed special gifts, presentations, thank you program ads and a teacher of the hour drawing.

Special thank you to our sponsors Petitti Garden Center, Guarino's, The Kurtz Family, MKB Stormwater Innovations, Wain Security, CBIZ, The Primozic Family, St. Michael PTU and Paramount Concrete & Construction.

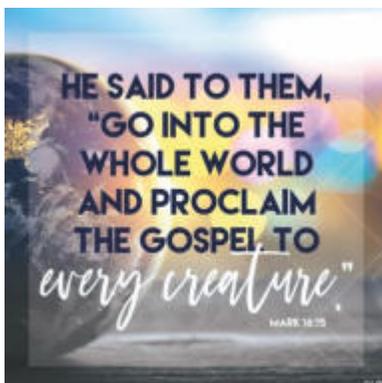
With the help of generous sponsors and donors the event was able to raise over \$150,000 for St. Michael School capital improvements and operating expenses. Students and teachers are already enjoying upgrades provided by funds raised, including new water fountains, white boards, and a freshly painted gym, with more projects in the works.



### THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF CLEVELAND

The Christ Child Society of Cleveland is pleased to announce Reverend Walter H. Jenne as the 2021 Person of the Year. Fr. Walt will be honored at the organization's 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Starlight Soirée on November 5, 2021. Fr. Walt has supported the mission of the Christ Child Society of Cleveland throughout his ministry and has encouraged his parishioners to join the organization. Additionally, St. Michael supports many of the same social service organizations served by the Cleveland Chapter.

Fr. Walt's commitment to helping disadvantaged children aligns perfectly with the mission of the Cleveland Chapter – *Challenging Childhood Poverty in Greater Cleveland*. Christ Child Society of Cleveland invites all St. Michael parishioners to join them in honoring Fr. Walt at the Starlight Soirée. For more information and tickets to the event at the Cleveland History Center, visit <http://www.christchildsocietycleveland.org>. All donations in Fr. Walt's honor will help challenge childhood poverty in Greater Cleveland.



***Please Help Blanket Others in Warmth & Compassion this Winter!***



**St. Vincent de Paul Society**  
**35th Annual Blanket Sunday**  
**October 9-10, 2021**



**BACK TO BASICS!**

**Sisters of Notre Dame**



**BBQ** 2021

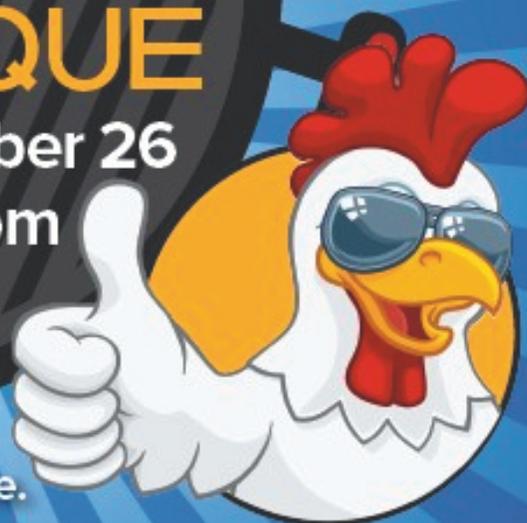
**& BOUTIQUE**

**Sunday, September 26**

**12 noon - 5 pm**

**Chicken Dinner**

**\$15**



Take out available.

Expanded indoor seating.

All meals will be boxed.

Look for more info in July on our website:

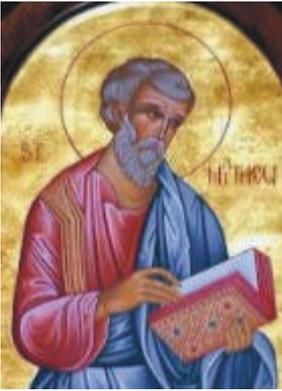
**[www.sndusa.org/bbq](http://www.sndusa.org/bbq)**

**Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin gymnasium**

On the Notre Dame Center campus

13000 Auburn Rd., Chardon (South of Mayfield Rd.)

Handicapped accessible



## Matthew 25

*Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.'*

Have you read about the ministry started by Fr Gregory Boyle SJ in Los Angeles? I know some Cleveland priests who have met Fr G- as he is affectionately known by those he serves. He is the author of the 2010 New York Times-bestseller *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion*. His book, *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship*, was published in 2017.

He has received the California Peace Prize and been inducted into the California Hall of Fame. He received the University of Notre Dame's 2017 Laetare Medal, the oldest honor given to American Catholics. Currently, he serves as a committee member of California Governor Gavin Newsom's Economic and Job Recovery Task Force as a response to COVID-19.

What began in 1988 as a way of improving the lives of former gang members in East Los Angeles has today become a blueprint for over 400 organizations around the world, from Alabama and Idaho to Guatemala and Scotland.

Homeboy Industries provides hope, training, and support to formerly gang-involved and previously incarcerated people, allowing them to redirect their lives and become contributing members of our community.

Each year over 10,000 former gang members from across Los Angeles come through Homeboy Industries' doors to make a positive change. They are welcomed into a community of mutual kinship, love, and a wide variety of services ranging from tattoo removal to anger management and parenting classes.

### MEET JOHNNY GOMEZ

Johnny Gomez conquered a long, hard fight as he got off probation for the first time since 2010! Johnny began his time as a Trainee at Homeboy Industries, and now serves the Homeboy Fire Crew while also training to become a welder. "This day feels really good. I had always been on and off, in and out of prison. But, not anymore thanks to Homeboy. This place has helped me to stay busy, to stay working, and to stay clean. Following the program has taken me a long way."

# St. Michael Parish School of Religion (PSR)



## **PSR Open House Nights Monday 9/27, Tuesday 9/28 & Thursday 9/30 6:30pm-7:30pm**

Families can attend any night to pay tuition, turn in necessary forms & pick up materials.

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**WE ARE IN NEED OF A 4TH GRADE TEACHER, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE OR THE PSR OFFICE IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN FILLING EITHER OF THESE ROLES. THANK YOU!**

There is still time to register—registration deadline is **Monday, October 4th**  
(tuition & all necessary forms must be turned in by this date.)

PSR information including the registration form is available on the Parish website in the PSR section under the ABOUT US tab.

(You do not have to re-register for PSR unless you are registering a new student.)

If you have questions, feel free to contact Todd in the Religious Education Office at 216-524-4212 or email him at [tjd@stmichaelchurchindependence.org](mailto:tjd@stmichaelchurchindependence.org)

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## **CORNERSTONE OF HOPE PAIN TO PURPOSE RETREAT**

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## **TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL**

Trinity High School invites families to its featured **Open House on October 24, 2021**, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Find out what Trinity has to offer and why we are ALL in at TrINity! More information can be found at [www.ths.org/admissions/OH](http://www.ths.org/admissions/OH).

ANTIPHONS FOR THIS WEEK'S MASSES	SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK
<p><b>Monday 9/27</b></p> <p><b><u>Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest</u></b>  <b>ENTRANCE</b>—The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me and sent me to preach the good news to the poor, to heal the broken-hearted.  <b>COMMUNION</b> cf. Psalm 107:8-9—Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.</p>	<p><b>9/27</b> <i>St. Vincent de Paul, Priest</i>  Zechariah 8:1-8  Ps. 102:16-18, 19-21, 29&amp;22-23  <b>The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.</b>  Luke 9:46-50  or  1 Corinthians 1:26-31  Ps. 112:1bc-2,3-4,5-7,7-8,9  <b>Blessed the man who fears the Lord.</b>  Matthew 9:35-38</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 9/28</b></p> <p><b>ENTRANCE</b> Daniel 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42—All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.  <b>COMMUNION</b> cf. Psalm 119:49-50—Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.</p> <p><b><u>Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr</u></b>  <b>ENTRANCE</b>—This holy man fought to the death for the law of his God and did not fear the words of the godless, for he was built on solid rock.  <b>COMMUNION</b> cf. Matthew 16:24—Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.</p> <p><b><u>Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs</u></b>  <b>ENTRANCE</b>—The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ, and since for love of him they shed their blood, they now exult with Christ for ever.  <b>COMMUNION</b> Luke 22:28-30—It is you who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer a kingdom on you, says the Lord, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom.</p>	<p><b>9/28</b> Zechariah 8:20-23  Psalm 87:1b-3,4-5,6-7  <b>God is with us.</b>  Luke 9:51-56  or  <i>St. Wenceslaus, Martyr</i>  1 Peter 3:14-17  Ps. 126:1bc-2ab,2cd-3,4-5,6  <b>Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.</b>  Matthew 10:34-39  or  <i>St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs</i>  2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14  Ps. 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9  <b>The Lord delivered me from all my fears..</b>  John 15:18-21</p> <p><b>9/29</b> <i>Ss. Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael, Archangels</i>  Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14  or Revelation 12:7-12ab  Ps. 138:1-2ab,2cde-3,4-5  <b>In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.</b>  John 1:47-51</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 9/29</b></p> <p><b><u>Saints Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael; Archangels</u></b>  <b>ENTRANCE</b> cf. Psalm 103:20—Bless the Lord, all you his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word, and heeding his voice.  <b>COMMUNION</b> Psalm 138:1—I will thank you, Lord, with all my heart; in the presence of the Angels I will praise you.</p>	<p><b>9/30</b> <i>St. Jerome, Priest &amp; Doctor of the Church</i>  Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12  Ps. 19:8,9,10,11  <b>The precept of the Lord give joy to the heart.</b>  Luke 10:1-12  or  2 Timothy 3:14-17  Ps. 119:9,10,11,12,13,14  <b>Lord, teach me your statutes.</b>  Matthew 13:47-52</p>
<p><b>Friday 10/1</b></p> <p><b><u>Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin &amp; Doctor of the Church</u></b>  <b>ENTRANCE</b> cf. Deuteronomy 32:10-12—The Lord led her and taught her, and kept her as the apple of his eye. Like an eagle spreading its wings he took her up and bore her on his shoulders. The Lord alone was her guide.  <b>COMMUNION</b> Matthew 18:3—Thus says the Lord: Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.</p>	<p><b>10/1</b> <i>St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin &amp; Doctor of the Church</i>  Baruch 1:15-22  Ps. 79:1b-2,3-5,8,9  <b>For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.</b>  Luke 10:13-16  or  Isaiah 66:10-14c  Ps. 131:1bcde,2,3  <b>In you, Lord, I have found my peace.</b>  Matthew 18:1-4</p>
<p><b>Scripture readings (continued)</b>  <b>10/3</b> Genesis 2:18-24  Ps. 128:1-2,3,4-5,6  <b>May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.</b>  Hebrews 2:9-11  Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12</p>	<p><b>10/2</b> <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>  Baruch 4:5-12,27-29  Ps. 69:33-35,36-37  <b>The Lord listens to the poor.</b>  Matthew 18:1-5, 10  or  Exodus 23:20-23  Ps. 91:1-2,3-4ab,4c-6-10-11  <b>The Lord has put angels in charge of you, to guard you in all your ways.</b>  Matthew 18:1-5, 10</p> <p>(continued under the Mass propers)</p>

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