



AUGUST 23, 2026

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ,
the Son of the living God." - Mt 16:15-16

ST. MICHAEL PARISH
14327 HIGHLAND AVE., ORLAND PARK, IL 60462
WWW.SAINTMIKE.COM 708-349-0903



FR. FRANK'S FIRE

Today's Gospel begins with something that is all too familiar to us – gossip and rumors. Jesus is asking his disciples to tell him what they are hearing about his identity. The rumors included John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah and one of the other prophets. After getting a response, Jesus turns to his disciples and asked them about their opinion. I think this is the most important part of the dialog because the disciples have been with Jesus since the beginning. However, they have never really shown a clear understanding of Jesus' identity as the Son of God.

“But who do you say that I am?” This is the question Jesus asked of his disciples in today's Gospel. I suppose it is a question that each of us will have to answer. Peter, “the rock,” boldly proclaimed Jesus as the Christ. How would you respond? A response could be that Jesus is someone who lived in history and his life is chronicled in the Gospels. This description leaves Jesus as just a figure from the pages of book. A response, such as, you are the Son of the living God evokes a living Christ, one who is a part of our lives. Is Christ alive in your life? Do you believe that he is here? In the Eucharist Jesus makes himself present to us. Jesus not only was, He **IS**, and will forever more be. Let us be open to the living Christ among us. Let us work together to make Jesus known to the ends of the earth.

The Good Sisters

On our life's journey we are often privileged to meet some wonderful people along the way. Sometimes people walk with you for only a short bit and at others times they continue to journey with you and become a part of your life. Some journeys are rooted in friendship, others spiritual and still others can be both.

In 1998 as a newly ordained transitory deacon (one that is on the way to priesthood) I was assigned to St. Alexander Parish in Palos Heights and I met two awesome Sisters of Providence, Sister Diane Mason and Sister Sharon Richards. Sister Diane was the principal and Sister Sharon was a teacher in the junior high. They helped an insecure 35-year-old baby priest gain confidence and slowly grow into my role. They always were a great support and always encouraged me, especially when times seemed dark and difficult.



Over the past twenty-eight years we walked together. Laughing and crying at times, celebrating various jubilees of Religious Profession and Ordination, and most importantly friendship.

Once the Sisters retired from St. Alexander School, they became parishioners here at St. Michael. While we remained friends during the years, our paths once again crossed here at St. Michael. If you attend the Saturday evening 4:30PM Mass, you can usually spot them in the first couple of pews.

The Sisters have decided it is time to return to the Sisters of Providence Mother House in Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana. While I am saddened that I will not see their smiling faces at Mass, I am so grateful to God that he has given me these wonderful women to help me along my journey. I share this with you because religious sisters and priests never walk alone. We walk with each other, with other religious, priests and with our parishioners and those that we serve. We are all on our pilgrim journey to the heavenly Kingdom and you never know who you may meet along the way. Thank you Sisters Sharon & Diane for walking with me. This is not the end of our journey together but just a slight change of paths. Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, pray for us.

In Christ's love,
Fr. Frank

THE WORD, LET US PRAY & HEY, KIDS!

Readings of the Week GLPI

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/
Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/
Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12,
13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt
24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt
25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-
21/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27



We continue to remember the sick, the infirm and
all those recommended to our prayers; and
especially the following, that they may
experience the healing power of Christ:

Amanda Barragan, John Basta, Patricia Chuchla,
Loretta Ciszak, John Dzielski, Melita Fernandez,
Joyce Gerk, Richard Jurasek, Gary Kermer,
Celeste Koszut, Sylvia Krepton, Lizette Masters,
Rich McCasland, Julie Mohr,
Mary Mohr, Tom Nelson, Josephine Nirchi,
Kenneth Osowski, Patricia Osowski,
Denise Ostrowski, Debbie and Ray Prestige,
Lupita Ramirez, AJ Rother, James Valdez,
Hank Veith, Karen Wojcik, Lawrence Wojcik,
Mark Wojtyla, Lucille Wrobel, Roseann Ziegler,
and those injured in service to their country.

Prayer intentions may be emailed to
bulletineditor@saintmike.com Names will remain on
the list for five weeks unless otherwise requested.

Thank you.

Hey, Kids!



One of my favorite movies is Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory! I love candy and the thought of being a world where everything tasted like sugar sounded like a dream come true. Charlie is an honest, kind and well-behaved boy and when he finds the Golden Ticket to go to the factory he is BEYOND happy! Once there, even though he is in a candy-lovers dream come true, he is surrounded by a bunch of bratty kids. Each of them is bad in their own way. Charlie remains sweet, kind and obedient the entire time; well, he had some magic bubbles along the way, but we all make mistakes. At the end of the movie, Willy Wonka rewarded Charlie with the control of his factory and invited his family to stay - and he lived happily ever after.

The Gospel reading, in Matthew, tells us of a time when Jesus gave Peter the keys to heaven. Jesus handing over the keys of heaven to Peter to build His church is very powerful. Jesus knew he would die and he wanted his message to be carried on. He told Peter, "Upon this rock I will build my church." Jesus wanted Peter to preach the Word of God so that the Word would be spread throughout the world. We gather to pray in our church today because of what happened on that rock on that day.

The Willy Wonka story reminds me of this moment because just like Wonka gave Charlie the keys to the factory, Jesus gave Peter the keys to heaven. Both Peter and Charlie were good souls and were rewarded with the ultimate prize. Charlie may have made a mistake along the way, but Wonka still forgave him because he knew that Charlie truly appreciated the magical part of candy making, something that Wonka knew could not be taken for granted. Jesus knew all about Peter and knew he was not perfect but he wanted to give him the keys because he knew that Peter truly loved God the Father and did not doubt that Jesus was the Son of God - for this, he rewarded him.

Let's continue to focus on being honest, well-behaved and kind so that when Peter greets us at the gates, we will be ready to see Jesus seated at the right hand of the Father. God bless you. Amen.

WE PRAY & THIS WEEK



REMEMBER
in your prayers

*We pray for those who have died and
their families:*

Donato Gentile

Maria Del Socorro Gutierrez

John McCarthy

Robert V. Motto

Wayne W. Waiter

Joseph Zembol

FAMILY MASS

Our 1st Family Mass of the
new School Year will take
place this weekend on
Saturday, August 22 at
4:30 p.m. in Church. All are welcome!



THIS WEEKEND, August 22 and 23, join us
after 4:30 p.m. FAMILY Mass on Saturday
and after the 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. and
1:30 p.m. Masses on Sunday for
refreshments and conversation in the MPR.
Thank you to the donors and volunteers of
Hospitality Ministry.

This Week

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED

VIRGIN MARY

7 a.m. Scripture Group, Ministry Room West

8:15 a.m. Feeding Hungry Food Sorting, Small Gym

3 p.m. Confessions, Confessionals

4:30 p.m. - FAMILY MASS

Hospitality to follow in the Multi-Purpose Room

AUGUST 23, 21ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Mass

1:30 p.m. Mass (in Spanish)

Hospitality to follow in the Multipurpose Room after all
Sunday Masses

9:30 a.m. Young People's Liturgy of the Word, Chapel

MONDAY, AUGUST 24, FEAST OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW

7 p.m. Hispanic Ministers Formation, Ministry Room West

7 p.m. Quinceañera Preparation, Ministry Room East

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

6:30 p.m. Evening Rosary, Marian Garden

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, FEAST OF ST. LOUIS

5 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal, Ministry Room West

7 p.m. Mental Health Awareness Ministry, Chapel

7 p.m. Scripture Group, Commons Center

7 p.m. Hispanic Adult Choir, Ministry Room East

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, FEAST OF ST. MONICA

6 p.m. Adult & Contemporary Choirs, Church and Chapel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, FEAST OF ST. AUGUSTINE

7 p.m. Hispanic Bible Class, Ministry Room West

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, PASSION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

7 a.m. Scripture Group, Ministry Room West

8:15 a.m. Feeding Hungry Food Sorting, Small Gym

3 p.m. Confessions, Confessionals

Youth Ministry Mum Sale, Before and After 4:30 p.m. Mass,
Narthex

4:30 p.m. MASS

AUGUST 30, 22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Youth Ministry Mum Sale, Before and After Sunday

Morning Masses, Narthex

7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Young People's Liturgy of the Word, Chapel

1:30 p.m. HISPANIC MASS AND PICNIC

Turtlehead Lake, 135th & Harlem Ave.

(There will not be 1:30 p.m. Mass at St. Michael Church)

UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. MICHAEL'S FALL FEST
CARNIVAL



SEPTEMBER 10 - 13
 Located at 14327 Highland Ave. in Orland Park

WINDY CITY AMUSEMENTS

RIDES • GAMES • FOOD • NIGHTLY LIVE ENTERTAINMENT • RAFFLE & MORE

saintmike.com/school-fall-fest
www.WindyCityAmusements.com

UNLIMITED RIDE SPECIALS

Thursday: 6pm - 10pm
 Saturday: 1pm - 5pm
 Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

ONLY \$30
 PER PERSON, PER DAY
 Check Ticket Box
 For Unadvertised Specials

MEGA PASS SAVINGS

UNLIMITED RIDES FOR THE
 ENTIRE 2026 FEST
 Ride each day from open until close!

ONLY \$110
PRESALE
\$125 AT THE FEST

Purchase at St. Michael's Parish by Sept 6

CARNIVAL HOURS

Thursday 6pm - 10pm
 Friday 6pm - 10pm
 Saturday 1pm - 10pm
 Sunday 1pm - 8pm

SCAN FOR MORE INFO



YOU'RE INVITED!

40
 YEAR

Grammar School
REUNION

ST. MICHAEL'S WILDCATS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
PALOS COUNTRY CLUB

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
Memories, Laughter & Celebration!
\$75 PER PERSON | DUE BY AUGUST 28, 2026

RSVP
 by 8/28 to
ann.legan@sbcglobal.net

VENMO:
 @Rebecca-Kulekowskis

PAYMENT OPTIONS
 ZELLE: 708-373-0277
 Contact: Rebecca Kulekowskis
 (Please include your name in the note)

MONEY DUE
 Please make payment by
 AUGUST 28, 2026
 THANK YOU!

GOOD FRIENDS. GREAT MEMORIES. ONCE A WILDCAT, ALWAYS A WILDCAT!

FALL FEST RAFFLE

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING SEPT 14TH

HELP SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL!

EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS \$250
 Drawn on Aug 27th, Sept 3rd and 10th

Grand Prize: \$10,000
2nd prize: \$5,000
3rd prize: \$2,500
4th prize: \$1,000

20 TICKETS FOR \$200
10 TICKETS FOR \$150
1 TICKET FOR \$20

CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. MICHAEL, MAILED OR DROPPED OFF TO THE PARISH OFFICE

Thank you for your support!

YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Michael Youth Ministry Fall Mum Sale

9" POT WITH 15" TO 18" DIAMETER

PLANTS FROM
WOLDHUIS FARMS
SUNRISE GREENHOUSE
COST \$10.00 EACH

ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE
AT SAINTMIKE.COM AND AT
THE KIOSK IN THE NARTHEX.
ORDERS ARE DUE BY 9/13

Mum Pick up is on Saturday, September 19th
9:00AM to 11:00AM, outside church at the
doors on West Ave.



St. Michael Youth Ministry Fall Mum Sale 2026

9" pot with 15" to 18" diameter plants from
Woldhuis Farms Sunrise Greenhouse
Cost \$10.00 each

Color	Quantity	Total
Red	_____	_____
Orange	_____	_____
Pink	_____	_____
Bronze	_____	_____
Yellow	_____	_____
Purple	_____	_____
Grand Total	_____	_____

NAME _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

We are pleased to offer mums from Woldhuis Farms-Sunrise Greenhouse Nursery. Please complete the above order form and include check made payable to St. Michael Youth Ministry. Return the form and payment to St. Michael Youth Ministry, 14327 Highland Avenue, Orland Park, 60462, parish office, or collection basket. If you have questions call 708-349-0903 ext. 650 or e-mail amartino@saintmike.com.

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th for delivery on
Saturday, September 19th – St. Michael Church – 9:00am to 11:00am**

Pick Up Date: Saturday, September 19th – St. Michael Church – 9:00am to 11:00am

FIND YOUR TEEN FAITH FAMILY! >>>>



QUEST IS COMING

WHAT IS QUEST?

- Quest is an informal discussion group made of high school teens
- They meet twice a month on Sunday nights for two hours in Leader Couple homes.
- Teens are in grouped by the same grade level and all come from the same parish.
- There is no homework, no sermons.
- A typical evening allows for teens to discuss contemporary topics, allowing them to share their views, all with a Christian overview. Social time is included.

WHO IS QUEST FOR?

Sometimes parents and teens are mistaken that because the teen attends a Catholic high school, they don't need Quest. WRONG! Quest is a group of teens getting together talking about their life issues in a relaxed atmosphere with friends and their Quest parents. Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors from public and Catholic schools need QUEST. Teens will be placed in groups by their year in high school and with a friend, if they request.

**KICK-OFF MASS
& CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, SEPT 20th
5:30P.M. AT
ST. MICHAEL
CHURCH
FAMILIES WELCOME.**

Questions April Martino,
amartino@saintmike.com
708.349.0903 ext. 650

Sign up forms can be found at <https://saintmike.com/quest/> and by the bulletin board in the Narthex.

MINISTRY

WOMEN'S FAITH GATHERING

NEXT MEETING:
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1,
6-8 P.M.
MINISTRY ROOM EAST



Join Us on Tuesday, September 1. We'll come together for a simple and meaningful time of connection, prayer, and conversation. During this gathering, we will listen to a short, faith-based podcast together and reflect on it as a group—no preparation needed! Whether you joined us last time or are coming for the first time, all are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Evening Rosary – The Rosary is said weekly at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday nights at the Marian Garden (weather permitting.)



Saturdays, 7 A.M.—
Min. Room West
Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
- Commons Center
All are welcome!

Memorial Service for Aborted Children at St. Mary Cemetery in Evergreen Park on Saturday, September 12th

On Saturday, September 12th, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the 14th annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 65 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. The memorial service at St. Mary Cemetery takes place at the gravesite of 500 babies who were discovered and retrieved from the garbage dumpsters of several downtown Chicago abortion facilities in early 1987. It is one of the earliest of the gravesites across the United States. Please join us for the memorial service in our community.



Join Us: Saturday, September 12th, Noon, St. Mary Cemetery, 87th Street at Hamlin Ave. Evergreen Park **Speaker:** Bishop Joseph N. Perry
Info: Contact John Ryan at (708) 945-8247 or domer_10305@yahoo.com

St. Michael Catholic Church

MEN'S RETREAT

As we start planning for the St. Michael Parish Men's Retreat— **it will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2026** -- we are very interested to get your thoughts and opinions on a few things. **We are so hoping you will be able to attend the retreat** so we'd appreciate **the men of our parish** taking a few minutes to answer a short survey that will help us organize a retreat that will appeal to you. Your answers will be kept confidential.

To take the survey, please scan the QR code or click the link:
<https://forms.gle/rdvtwnAPITkcLLmt7>



More information on the St. Michael's Men's Retreat will be communicated in the coming weeks and months. In the meantime, **please mark your calendar for Saturday, Nov. 7, 2026**, to attend the retreat and take some time for spiritual renewal.

Thank you so much for your time and input.
The St. Michael Parish Men's Retreat Planning Team



St. Michael Mental Health Awareness Ministry

Our Next Prayer Gathering:

WED | **7 PM**
AUG 26 | **IN THE CHAPEL**

If you or someone you love is struggling and/or living with mental health afflictions we are here with compassion, prayer and holy listening. We offer prayer intentions (and much more) for those with mental illness and their families, praying through the intercession of St. Dymphna.

For additional information on our ministry, please visit <https://saintmike.com/mental-health-ministry/> or send an email to StMichaelMHAM@gmail.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Catholic Charities

DAYBREAK CENTER/SHEPHERD'S TABLE

Every month a group of 8th graders & High School students prepare and serve lunch at the Shepherd's Table - Soup Kitchen in Joliet. Our next visit will be on **Saturday, September 5, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.** If you are a teen and would like to lend a hand, please email Therese Hansen at hansentherese12@gmail.com to register by Sept 2.

SHEPHERD'S TABLE NEEDS YOUR HELP

SHEPHERD'S TABLE NEEDS YOUR HELP. Our teens will be making Pasta for lunch at the Soup Kitchen this month. Olive Garden donated their Vodka Sauce and we will be purchasing Italian Sausage. Please donate rigatoni noodles, green beans, green peppers, onions, French bread, minced garlic, butter, Italian seasoning packets, parmesan cheese, lettuce, cucumbers, tomatoes, red onions, homemade desserts, fresh fruit, liters of pop, red solo type beverage glasses and disposable salad bowls.

Place your donations in the Narthex kitchen on

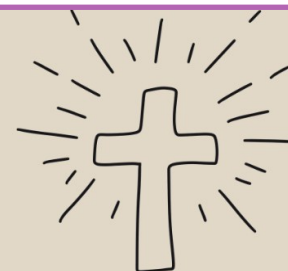
Thursday, September 3th and Friday, September 4th
from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE for your generosity!

St. Michael Youth Ministry



Youth Ministry Softball



THE LOVE THAT
TRANSFORMS



CONFESSIONS
EVERY SATURDAY
3-4 P.M. AT
ST. MICHAEL

MUSIC MINISTRY



Lift Your Voice.
PRAISE HIS NAME!

JOIN OUR CHURCH CHOIR!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!
— PSALM 100:1

Our choir is more than music—it's a community of faith, friendship, and joy! When we sing together, we lift our hearts in worship and praise God in a powerful way.

Why Join?

- PRAISE GOD**
Use your voice and gifts to glorify Him.
- MAKE FRIENDS**
Build lasting friendships and be part of a welcoming family.
- HAVE FUN!**
We laugh, encourage each other, and enjoy the journey together.
- BE INSPIRED**
Music lifts our spirits and draws us closer to God.

One Voice. One Heart.
One Purpose:
TO PRAISE GOD!

All Are Welcome!
WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU!

REHEARSALS: Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30

WHERE: In the Church

CONTACT: Contact the Music Director

MORE INFORMATION: gpatin@saintmike.com

COME SING WITH US... *And* BE PART OF SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

1st–8th Grade

rehearsals start in September

Children's Choir is a wonderful opportunity for children to grow in faith, build friendships, and share their musical gifts through worship.

- Sing at select Sunday Masses throughout the year, along with Christmas, Easter, First Communion, and other special liturgies
- Collaborate with other choirs and musicians in our parish and beyond
- Share the joy of the season by caroling at a local nursing home
- Enjoy a family-friendly, flexible schedule
- Grow in confidence, faith, and musical skills in a fun, welcoming environment

Whether your child is an experienced singer or simply loves to sing, we'd love to have them join us as we praise God through music and serve our parish community.

Email Gina at gtorbett@saintmike.com to join!

TEEN CHOIR

✦ **8th–12th Grade** ✦

college students welcome

**SING AT QUEST MASSES, GOOD FRIDAY,
& PALM SUNDAY – PASSION PLAY**

Calling all teen singers and instrumentalists to join us in leading worship through music.

- Flexible commitment that fits your busy schedule
- Minimal rehearsals
- Participate at one Mass or as often as you're available
- Grow in faith while sharing your musical talents
- Build friendships with other teens who love music

Come pray, worship, and make music together as we grow in our faith.

Email Gina at gtorbett@saintmike.com to join!

JUBILATION RINGERS

*Come Join Our Handbell Choir
Children and Adults*

Ever tapped your foot to a hymn and thought, "I could make some noise with that"?

Well, now's your chance — minus the noise, plus the music!

Our handbell choir is on the hunt for new ringers.

No experience necessary — if you can count to four and don't mind a little sparkle in your step (and your sound), you're already qualified!

All rehearsals are on Wednesdays

Beginner and Intermediate Handbells

Grades 5-8 4:15 PM–5:00 PM

Jubilation Ringers -

Advanced Grade School, High School & Adults

5:00 PM–7:00 PM

(Minimal ability to read music required for Jubilation Ringers)

Call Gary Patin at 773.230.2602
Email: gpatin@saintmike.com

EL ESPIRITU DE PADRE FRANK

El Evangelio de hoy comienza con algo que nos resulta muy familiar: los chismes y los rumores. Jesús pide a sus discípulos que le digan qué se comenta sobre su identidad. Entre los rumores se mencionaba a Juan el Bautista, a Elías, a Jeremías o a alguno de los otros profetas. Tras recibir la respuesta, Jesús se volvió hacia sus discípulos y les preguntó su opinión. Creo que esta es la parte más importante del diálogo, ya que los discípulos han estado con Jesús desde el principio, pero nunca han demostrado realmente una comprensión clara de la identidad de Jesús como Hijo de Dios.

“¿Y vosotros, quién decís que soy yo?”. Esta es la pregunta que Jesús hizo a sus discípulos en el Evangelio de hoy. Supongo que es una pregunta que cada uno de nosotros tendrá que responder. Pedro, “la roca”, proclamó con valentía que Jesús era el Cristo. ¿Cómo responderías tú? Una respuesta podría ser que Jesús es alguien que vivió en la historia y cuya vida se narra en los Evangelios. Esta descripción deja a Jesús simplemente como una figura de las páginas de un libro. Una respuesta como «tú eres el Hijo del Dios vivo» evoca a un Cristo vivo, alguien que forma parte de nuestras vidas. ¿Está Cristo vivo en tu vida? ¿Crees que Él está aquí? En la Eucaristía, Jesús se hace presente ante nosotros. Jesús no solo fue, sino que **ES** y será por siempre. Estemos abiertos al Cristo vivo que está entre nosotros. Trabajemos juntos para dar a conocer a Jesús hasta los confines de la tierra.

En el Amor de Cristo,
Padre Frank



**St. Michael's 2026-27
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
FAITH FORMATION**
Children 1st - 9th Grades

To learn about the two program options for your child and family and the schedule of 2026-27 RE sessions

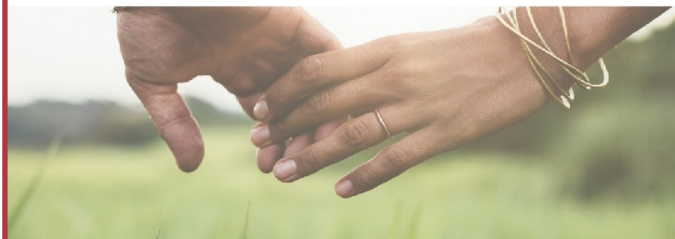
Visit: www.saintmike.com and click on the Religious Education page.

[Returning Families](#)

saintmike.com/religious-education-registration/

[New Families](#) contact: Kelly Martinez, Coordinator of Religious Education, kmartinez@saintmike.com
708-349-0903, ext. 633.

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES
RETROUVAILLE®
OF JOLIET ILLINOIS



build a better marriage

Our team couples are ready to guide you through the process of restoring your marriage and setting you on a new path.

Retrouvaille is a marriage program, not just a weekend event.

**Start building your better marriage this Sept 18 - 20
at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL**

For more information, call 815-246-2080, email us at joliet@HelpOurMarriage.org, or visit us at HelpOurMarriage.org



The Adoration Chapel is
open Monday-Friday
7 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
Saturdays 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday 7 a.m.-3 p.m.
**Holy Hour will resume
on Tuesday, Sept 8,
at 6 p.m. in Church**

YOU. ARE. CALLED.

Starting this fall, will you serve one day a week as a Catechist, Catechist Aide or Office Aide — for Monday or Tuesday evening sessions? If so, contact Kelly Martinez, kmartinez@saintmike.com or 708-349-0903 ext. 633.
Bring the good news to the world, one word at a time.

MINISTERIO HISPANO SAN MIGUEL



Ven y celebra la Santa Misa en el parque junto a la naturaleza y comparte una tarde de comidas, amistad y comunidad parroquial. Invita a tus amigos y familiares como cada año. Trae tus alimentos y bebidas y disfruta esta hermosa celebración anual.

SHELTER 1 - entrada

Turtlehead Lake

Lake • Cook County, IL

13 min

Website

Elevation

663 ft

Distance

3.9 mi



Create a Custom Route

Build your own walk or hike from this location.



Foursquare



Foursquare

Details

Phone +1 (800) 870-3666

Website fdpcc.com

Location Cook County
Illinois
United States

Turtlehead Lake
Shelter 1

W 135TH ST

Toma la 1ra entrada en
la Harlem Ave con
135th hacia el sur.

Proximos eventos

- Registros Abiertos para Sacramentos y para formación de Adultos que necesitan Sacramentos. - **ULTIMA SEMANA**
- Hora Santa el 4 de Septiembre a las 7:00 pm. - Todos bienvenidos.
- Las clases para el catecismo empiezan el 17 de Septiembre de 2026. Gracias.
- Sept 18, NOCHE MEXICANA Cena y Baile - Compre sus boletos después de Misa. Apoya tu parroquia y ven a compartir.
- Todos los Miercoles el Santo rosario por las vocaciones a las 6:30 pm en la Capilla del Santisimo.

ULTIMA SEMANA

Inscripciones para Sacramentos

2026-2027

Registre sus niños y jóvenes para los sacramentos de Bautismo, primera Comunión y confirmación.

Para registrarte, favor de comunicarse con
Patty Rentería en la oficina parroquial
llamando al

708-349-0903 Ext 619

NOCHE MEXICANA
CENA - BAILE
St Michael Parish

Lugar: Orland Chateau (14500 LaGrange Rd, Orland Park, IL 60462)

Fecha: Septiembre 18, 2026
Hora: 6:00 pm - 12:00 am

Incluye: Cena, baile y una rifa sorpresa

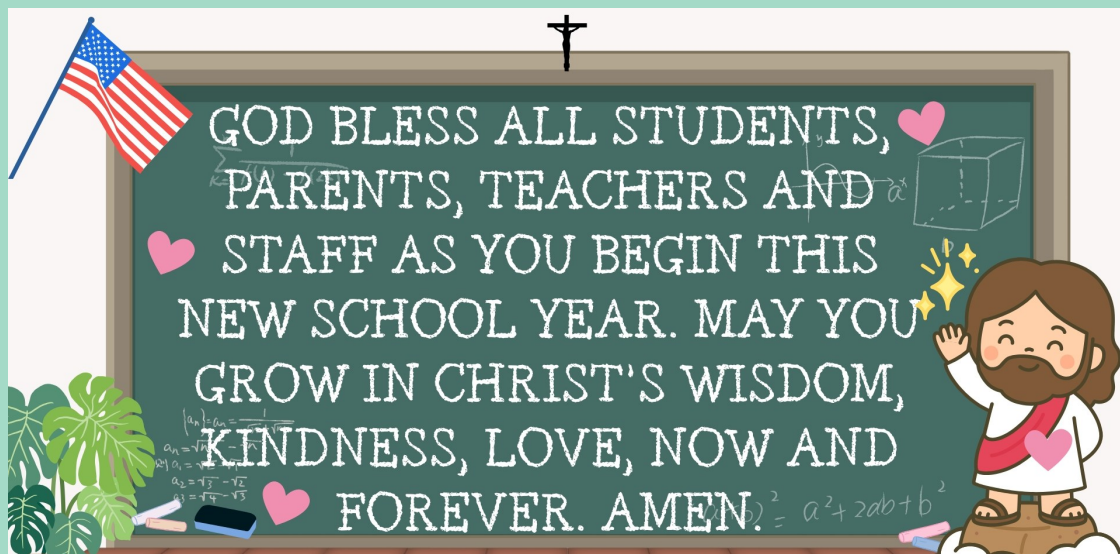
Ticket: \$70
Cash Bar
No traer niños

Info: 708-314-5752

Celebremos Juntos!

MASS INTENTIONS (AUGUST 22-30)

Saturday, 8/22	8:30 AM	Special Intention for Kathryn Musk		
	4:30 PM	Elda Torres	Don Latronica	Norene Tesmond
		Ronald Wagner	William J. Connors	
Sunday, 8/23	7:30 AM	Joyce Christensen	Frank, Angie & Bogdan Jaronczyk	
	9:30 AM	Paddy Murphy	Maureen Sullivan	Richard W. Pisarski, Sr.
		Special Intention for Robert Kochalka		
	11:30 AM	John James Wadas	Patrick J. Halm	Dale Douglas
Spanish		Special Intention for Diane Gneda's Grandchildren		
	1:30 PM	Bernard Dino Reyes	Tere & Olegario Herrera	Lupe & Pablo Rivera
		Marilyn & Edward Marshall		
Monday, 8/24	6:30 AM	Special Intention for the Parishioners of St. Michael		
Tuesday, 8/25	8:00 AM	Mary Damato	Bill O'Neil	Special Intention for Ginger Bittner
	6:30 AM	Mary Preibis		
	8:00 AM	Margaret Mary Koskan	Thomas J. Metz	Mary Pappas
Wednesday, 8/26	6:30 AM	Special Intention for St. Michael School Teachers, Staff & Volunteers		
	8:00 AM	Bob Reece	Catherine Kizior	Holy Poor Souls in Purgatory
Thursday, 8/27	6:30 AM	Special Intention for St. Michael School Children		
	8:00 AM	Catherine Bauman	Daniel McWeeny	Special Intention for Arnulfo Leyva
Friday, 8/28	6:30 AM	Emma Kucharski	Holy Poor Souls in Purgatory	
	8:00 AM	Emmett Till	Bill Huizenga	Katie Fregeau Torres
Saturday, 8/29	8:30 AM	Gloria Farrell	Rita Musser	
	4:30 PM	Edgar & Loretta Hield	Mary Pat Walsh	Frances Taglieri
		Philomena Kearns	Noriel Elumbaring	Raymundo & Rogelio Laput
Sunday, 8/30	7:30 AM	Alice Dzursin	Maureen Sullivan	
	9:30 AM	Julie Pacelli	Anna & Chet Gutkowski	Patricia Phelan
		Special Intention for Robert Kochalka		Special Intention for Bill Mastro
	11:30 AM	Joseph Galica	Joanne Smith	Mary Pappas
Spanish		Special Intention for Narciso P. Casco, Jr.		
	1:30 PM	Angelica Alvarez		



Lawn

Funeral Home

Proudly Family Owned and
Operated by The Jarka Family
Since 1962

WWW.LAWNFH.COM

BURBANK
(708) 636-2320
ORLAND PARK
(708) 429-3200
TINLEY PARK
(708) 532-3100

Funeral
Cremation
Memorials
Pre-Planning
Grief Support

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH
WHILE SHOPPING LOCAL
LABELLE
JEWELERS



Engagement Rings • Fine Jewelry
Custom Designs
Jewelry & Watch Repair
10% OFF for Parishioners
Plus 10% donated back to church
708-966-4442
14267 Wolf Road, Orland Park



**JIM'S INDEPENDENT
HEATING AND COOLING, INC.**
Go green, save green, have your furnace and
A/C tuned and cleaned!

• **Sales • Service • Install**
Servicing All Major Brands
Family Owned & Operated
(708) 518-6755

PROVIDING FAST FRIENDLY SERVICE TO
ORLAND PARK AND SURROUNDING AREAS

JOHN'S PAINTING & REMODELING



• Baths • Kitchens • Basements • Drywall/Plaster Repair
• Interior/Exterior Painting • General Handyman Work
• Popcorn Ceilings & Wallpaper Removal
• Water Damage Specialist • Staining & Varnishing

Experienced Painters & Remodelers Wanted

Fully Licensed & Insured | Parishioner Discount
Free Estimates John Lonosky 708-268-5666

Fine Footwear & Accessories
for Men & Women

MIROBALLI 10% OFF
SHOES WITH THIS AD
Since 1959 Some Exclusions Apply

14360 S. LaGrange Road, Orland Park
708-349-7377 • www.miroballishoes.com

IF YOU LIVE ALONE

MDMedAlert!™

\$1 Less Than
a day

✓ Ambulance ✓ Police/Fire
✓ Family/Friends ✓ GPS & Fall Alert*

CALL NOW! 800.809.3570 md-medalert.com



Support Our Advertisers!

Never
miss our
bulletin!

Get this bulletin delivered
straight to your inbox
every week.

Scan to subscribe on
parishesonline.com



IMPRESSIONS
THE BEAUTY SALON
**HAIR COLORISTS
BALAYAGE EXPERT**

Call for appointments!
(708) 737-7972
(Se Habla Español)

14316 Beacon Ave. • Orland Park, IL



**SOUTH SUBURBAN
CONTRACTORS INC**
708-259-6642

Flooring • Interior/Exterior Painting
Remodeling • Deck Repair/Staining

**D&D
CONCRETE**

40 Years Experience

• Patios • Sidewalks
• Driveways • Garage Slabs
• Foundations

Licensed - Bonded - Insured

FREE ESTIMATES

708.429.2424

Dave Manthei, Owner

Little space.
Big impact.

Advertise here
Call 800-950-9952



**BROTHER RICE
HIGH SCHOOL**

www.BrotherRice.org

J&J PARTY RENTAL
Family Owned & Operated 36 years
Weddings • Graduations
Family Reunions • Yard Parties • Festivals
**We carry many types of tents & party
accessories including:**
Frame Tents • Canopy Tents • Dance Floor
Round Tables • Long Tables • Chairs • Linen
630.257.0622 | www.jandjpartyrental.com

Jack Gibbons
Gardens
Steaks • Prime Rib • Chicken • Seafood
708-687-2331
147th & Oak Park Ave • jackgibbonsgardens.com

ComForCare™
HOME CARE

- ♥ Companionship
- ♥ Meal Preparation
- ♥ Light Housekeeping
- ♥ Transportation
- ♥ Personal Care
- ♥ Medication Reminders
- ♥ Safety Supervision
- ♥ Family Respite Care



Patricia "PJ" Arthurs 847-616-8007

comforcare.com/Illinois/lake-county

Now Open in the South Suburbs

ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide

Authorized Provider **SafeStreets**

833-287-3502



**MAKING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AN ATTRACTIVE
PLACE TO LIVE AND WORK.**

ROOFING • SIDING • GUTTERS
SOFIT • FASCIA & MORE!

CALL FOR A FREE ESTIMATE
815-774-0900

15% OFF
for Parishioners

www.ApekInc.com

APEK
INCORPORATED

Licensed • Bonded • Insured
Lic # 104.015809



PAUL DIFRANCO
ORTHODONTICS
start smiling.

Braces & clear aligners
for children and adults

Check out our 5 star reviews



10059 S. Roberts Rd Suite 2A
Palos Hills, IL 60465



708-930-5941
pauldifrancoortho@gmail.com

Jim Parthemore
Insurance Agent

9432 W. 143rd St.
ORLAND PARK

708-745-5151

Service & Claims 866-COUNTRY

Jim.parthemore@countryfinancial.com

AUTO | HOME | LIFE | BUSINESS | RETIREMENT





We have the keys to your future!

Selling Buying Residential Commercial



Each office independently owned and operated.

Kathy & Laura O'Radnik

Managing Brokers/Owner
Parishioners & St. Michael School Alum
Orland Park & Tinley Park Residents

708-209-7520

kathyoradnik@msn.com

kathyoradnik.remax.com



10730 W. 143rd St, Ste 33

Orland Park IL 60462

708-722-4300

iasis.care

Can't Connect With Your Doctor? We're Here.



Georgios Karanastasis, MD

Tired of long waits and never reaching your physician?

Our concierge internal medicine practice offers:

- Direct access to your doctor
- Same-day or next-day appointments
- Unrushed, personalized visits

Concierge medicine is not just for the rich, it's for people who choose to prioritize their health and their time.

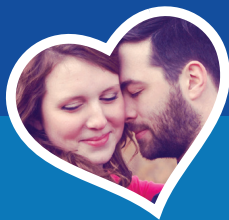
Proud to be the first concierge internal medicine practice in Orland Park.

Advertise Here!

Contact Jeff Hansen

jhanzen@4LPi.com | (800) 950-9952 x2683

catholicmatch®
Illinois



CatholicMatch.com/IL

Made you look.

Advertise here to reach your local audience.

Visit 4lpi.com/advertising-solutions

Scan to get started!



TOMMY TRIPOLIS
Roofing Inc.
• SIDING • GUTTERS • WINDOWS
(815) 485-1900
IL ROOFING LICENSE #104-019868
tripolisandsonsroofing.com



Oh, Vinny! The Perfect House

A heartfelt new children's book written by church member Lisa Ullrich

Now available at Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and right here in Orland Park at Holly House, 8104 W 143rd St.

Visit Holly House to skip shipping costs and enjoy an exclusive \$1 off each copy purchased when you show this ad



Now is a great time to buy.



COLDWELL BANKER REALTY

Jane Ramirez Mendez

Broker, CRE, CPRES, SRES

708-307-9677

jane.mendez@cbexchange.com

Oficina de Bienes Raices

Hablo Español



COLONIAL CHAPEL

FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY



Private On-Site Crematory • Family Owned & Operated

Ed Damstra & Mark Birmingham, Directors

15525 S. 73rd Ave. (155th & Harlem) • Orland Park

708-532-5400 • ColonialChapel.com

Serving your parish community for over 50 years
In gratitude for your trust, please present this notice to receive
\$500 OFF your at-need or pre-need arrangements.

RITE WAY BRICK RESTORATION



- Tuck Pointing • Masonry Work
- Expert Chimney Repairs • Chimney Liners
- Foundation Repairs • Building Cleaning
- Lintel Repairs • Mailbox Repairs
- Waterproofing and Caulking
- Stone Veneer • Glass Block Windows & More



45 Years of Experience • Free Estimates • Fully Insured and Bonded
Senior Discounts • Voted Best in the Suburbs ★★★★★

Residential & Commercial Service **708-354-2501** | ritewaybrick@sbcglobal.net

A One-Stop Shop For All Of Your Commercial Or Residential Landscaping Needs!



It's time for new mulch, aeration, over seeding, and fall cleanup. We also offer plowing and snow removal.

708-942-8242
goblanchardco.com

RICHARD J.

Modell

FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES

Family Owned & Operated

Richard J. Modelski ~ James J. Modelski - Funeral Directors
Expanded Chapels & Coffee/Lounge Areas

12641 W. 143rd St.

708.301.3595

Homer Glen rjmodellfh@gmail.com www.RJModellFH.com

State Farm



Tim Kacerovskis, Agent

14340 LaGrange Road
Orland Park, IL 60462
Bus: 708-349-6919
tim@timkinsurance.com

Se Habla Español

State Farm, Bloomington, IL
2001738

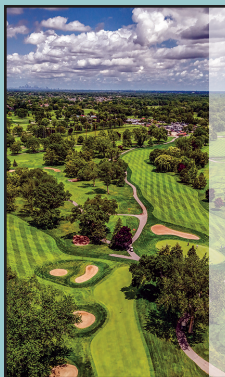


For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com

St. Michael Church, Orland Park, IL

01-2138

**Ed the Plumber
Ed the Carpenter**
708.652.1444
Best Work • Best Rates
PARISHIONER DISCOUNT



SILVER LAKE
WHERE FRIENDS COME TO *Play*
SILVER LAKE COUNTRY CLUB
708.349.6940
silverlakeecc.com f i

NOGAS
Landscaping
Residential & Commercial
Maintenance & Snow Removal
815-462-4475
www.nogaslawncafe.com

Dine in • Carry out • Delivery
BEGGARS PIZZA
\$5⁰⁰ Off a \$30 Purchase
(Code SM2026)
(708) 364-1500
11329 W 143rd St • Orland Park
www.beggarspizza.com

**A Vibrant Senior
Living Community**

Call 630.243.3479
1270 Village Drive, Lemont, IL 60439
FRANCISCAN VILLAGE
FRANCISCAN COMMUNITIES
Franciscan Ministries sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago



Independent Living
Assisted Living
Memory Care
Skilled Nursing
Long-term Care
Therapy Services

BL Bernardin Landscaping Inc.

(708) 479-2122
19248 S. Blackhawk Pkwy.,
Mokena, IL 60448
bernardins@bernardinlandscaping.com
Landscaping • Lawn Maintenance
Water Features • Paver Patio & Walls
Landscape Lighting



*Orland Park's favorite
neighborhood Irish Pub.*
Come for the Food Stay for the Fun
Wednesday - TRIVIA NIGHTS
Friday & Saturday Nights - KARAOKE
BEER GARDEN NOW OPEN
9875 West 143rd Street, Orland Park
www.theirishpatriot.com | 708-949-8287

BUYING OR SELLING REAL ESTATE?

K.C. Realty
Kathleen "KC" Calandriello
K. C. Homes Realty
Managing Broker
30+ years experience
Call Today!
708-460-3702

**Winnie's
McCart's**
CATERING • APPETIZERS
OPEN 10AM • 7 DAYS
OPEN FOR LUNCH & DINNER
WE DELIVER! • CARRY OUTS
143RD & S.W. HWY
(708) 349-0390

"When You're Shopping for a Chevy, Pick Apple Chevrolet"



CHEVROLET Together let's drive
CHEVROLET DEALER of the YEAR
PROUD PARTNER: American Red Cross
EUSO

8585 W 159th St, Tinley Park, IL
(708) 429-3000

FOX'S PIZZA
IRISH PUBS
ORLAND 1973 MOKENA 2006
www.foxspubs.com

Orland Park
708 349-2111
9655 W 143rd St

- 8 Party Rooms for 25-200 people
- Live Entertainment 5 nights a Week
- Half Price Cheese Pizza Carryout - Tuesdays
- Half Price Cheese Pizza Dine In Wednesdays

Mokena
708 478-8888
11247 W. 187th St

A 3rd generation southside tradition
Longest standing restaurant in Orland Park

ALLEGRA
MARKETING • PRINT • MAIL
PRINT • DESIGN • SIGNS • PROMO • APPAREL
Invitations by Daniels
AWARD WINNING WEDDING INVITATIONS
708.385.0200 • AlsipAllegra.com

MY-SUKI
Filipino Favorites, to your home
SHOP FILIPINO GROCERIES ONLINE
5% off your first order
Free Shipping on dry goods orders above \$59
shopmysuki@gmail.com
www.my-suki.com

**NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD.
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE**



Thomas P. Germino, DDS
Gregory T. Germino, DDS
PARISHIONERS

708.349.3443

9763 W. 143rd St., Ste. A
Orland Park, Illinois

GerminoDental.com

**Let Go.
Let God.**



COMPLETE REMODELING
Kitchens ■ Baths ■ Basements
Electrical ■ Flooring ■ Painting
Plumbing ■ Odd Jobs
**NO JOB TOO SMALL
FREE ESTIMATES**
708.289.8476
Ramiro Morales Bryan Morales
St. Michael Parishioners

EDWARDS
REALTY COMPANY
14400 South John Humphrey
Dr., Suite 200, Orland Park, IL
708.923.6312
www.edwardsrealtyco.com

Edward Jones Member SIPC
**Schedule your
complimentary portfolio
review. Give us a call.**

Marcos R Alvarado
Financial Advisor
13500 Circle Drive Suite 103
Orland Park, IL 60462
708-923-6678
MKT-5894N-A > edwardjones.com

RDM BUILDERS & SONS
Bonded • Licensed • Insured
708.691.9912
Rough & Finish Carpentry • Additions
Kitchens • Bath • Basements
Decks • Handyman Services

Need a Caregiver?
708 971-3210
Compassionate, Reliable
Care You Can Trust -
Serving All of Illinois
14340 LaGrange Rd, Orland Park
www.pinkangelshomecare.com

TAKING CARE OF EACH OTHER is what community is all about.



Dignity
Every Detail Remembered

WE'RE PROUD TO SERVE
our community with
personal, compassionate
care. As your Dignity
Memorial® professionals,
we're dedicated to helping
families create a unique
and meaningful memorial
that truly celebrates the life
it represents.

ORLAND FUNERAL HOME
9900 W. 143rd St
ORLAND PARK
708-460-7500
OrlandFuneralHome.com
Proudly owned and operated by
S.E. Funeral Homes of Illinois, Inc.

SAFE ELECTRICAL
708-361-1555
SafeElectrical.com
• General Repairs
• Panel Upgrades
• Whole House Rewiring
• Lighting Upgrades
• Smart Home Devices
• EV Chargers
(ICC Certified)
4.8 ***** Rating

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Evening: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.,
1:30 p.m. (Spanish)

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Friday 6:30 and 8 a.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Rosary

Monday through Friday after the 8 a.m. Mass and
on Saturday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Holy Hour and Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament: Holy Hour will resume in September.

First Saturday Devotions in reparation to the
Immaculate Heart of Mary with the Rosary and
Divine Mercy chaplet after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**Recorded Masses for Sundays and Daily Prayer
Service** can be viewed at www.saintmike.com

Adoration Chapel is open

Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
Saturday 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday 7 a.m.-3 p.m.

Confessions: Every Saturday 3-4 p.m.

Confesiones: 2ndo y cuarto sabado del mes
3-4 p.m.

**To Schedule Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals or
Memorial Masses:** Call the Parish office,
708-349-0903.

Ministers of Care are available to bring Holy
Communion to the homebound who are unable to
attend Mass. Call the Parish office, 708-349-0903.

Religious Education August Office Hours:

Tues 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wed 1-5 p.m., Thurs 10 a.m.-1p.m.
Appointments can be scheduled for other times as
needed. All voice messages and emails will be answered
in a timely manner. Kelly Martinez, 708-349-0903 x 633
or kmartinez@saintmike.com

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

You may leave a voicemail at any time at
708-349-0903 or email contact@saintmike.com
with questions or to request information.

NEED HELP?

St. Vincent de Paul Society provides emergency
food assistance and guidance in satisfying utility
bills. Call 708-349-0903, ext. 669; **San Vicente de
Paul en Español** 708-349-0903, ext. 506.

ST. MICHAEL PARISH OFFICE

14327 Highland Avenue
Orland Park, IL 60462
708-349-0903



Website: www.saintmike.com

Facebook: [St. Michael Parish-Orland Park](https://www.facebook.com/St.MichaelParish-OrlandPark)

Rev. Frank A. Kurucz, Pastor	873-4611
Rev. Louis Mboe, Associate Pastor	873-4612
Rev. Daniel Villalobos, Associate Pastor	873-4613
Diana Vitela, Business Manager	873-4617
dvitela@saintmike.com	
Paul Smith, School Principal	349-0068
psmith@saintmike.org	ext. 639
Maureen Morrissey, School Asst. Principal	349-0068
mmorrissey@saintmike.org	ext. 696
Susan O'Connell, Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries & Virtus Site Administrator	349-0903
soconnell@saintmike.com	ext. 672
Gary Patin, Director of Music Ministry	349-0903
gpatin@saintmike.com	ext. 627
Kelly Martinez, Religious Ed. Coordinator	349-0903
kmartinez@saintmike.com	ext. 633
Paty Renteria, Hispanic Ministries Coordinator	349-0903 ext. 619
prenteria@saintmike.com	
Rose Koch, Youth Ministry	349-0903 ext. 650
rkoch@saintmike.com	
April Martino, Youth Ministry	349-0903 ext. 650
amartino@saintmike.com	

DEACONS

Tom Bartholomew (retired)	Colin & Sarah Huie
Tony Cocco	Michael & Donna McDonough
Raymundo & Maria	Abel & Yolanda Trujillo
Diaz de Leon	

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin entries are most commonly due on the Friday one
week prior to the weekend of publication. Please send in
Word, PDF., JPG. or PNG. format. Submit entries via
email to: Pilaar Pantoja, Bulletin Editor,
bulletineditor@saintmike.com Thank you.



Mother's Room St. Michael Parish is pleased to
provide a mother's room for nursing mothers during
Mass times. Anyone interested in using this room
should see a greeter for assistance. This room is made
possible by our loving parish, and the St. Mike's Moms &
Women in Faith groups.

THANK YOU

For your Financial Support of St. Michael Parish
To learn more about securely donating to St. Michael
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stmikeop>