

We Remember

*Our Deceased Parishioners, Family Members and Friends
who were buried from St. Michael during the past year*

Join us for a Memorial Mass on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 8:30 a.m.

Michael Ahl
Lamberto Albovias
Albert Alfini
Thomas Ansonia
Jose Aranda
Richard Arlen
Margaret Barrett
Maxine Benzing
John Berens
Violet Bican
Anne Bird
Karen Brennan
Robert Brusich
William Burke
Salvatore Camodeca
James Campagna
Leonard Carrier
Mary Cawley
JoAnne Clement
Loretta Crowley
Richard Della Croce
Lillian D'Ercole
Lindsay DiOrio
Joseph Dowling
Frances Duffy
Robert Fabrie
Patrick Faloona
Steven Fechtner
Thomas Flanagan
Donald Flynn
Joan Friesenhahn

Joanne Gallas
Mitchell Gallas, Jr.
John Garcia, Jr.
LeRoy Giovanazzi
Todd Golem
Ruth Golomb
Janet Goshorn
Sarah Gross
Michael Hanrahan
Joanne Harlin
Thomas Hawk
Edgar Hield
Rita Hilliard
Frances Hoak
Ruth Hoger
Donald Holley
Sharon Igoe
Felix Izzi
Robert Kelly, Sr.
Karen Kelly
John Kolomy
Joan Korpics
William Kosic, Sr.
Dorothy Krolak
Timothy Kut
John Lapka
Christopher Lechowicz
Carol Leninger
Frank Lenti
Nieves Lopez Sanchez
Linda Lyons

Walter Maag
Miguel Macedo
Mercedes Madey
Fredric Martino
Joseph Maschek
Marion Mazieka
Brian McCarthy
Edward McNamara
Patrick McPartlin
Jacquelynn Mellen
Linn Miller
Bruce Miller
Jack Mohr
John Morales
Anita Morgan
Florence Motyka
Fredric Martino
Marianne Nelson
Patricia Neubauer
Rocio Nonato
Carole Norkiewicz
Thadeus Nowak, Jr.
Kathleen O'Brien
Caryl O'Connor
Mary Lou Oprondek
Robert Papan
Phyllis Paprzyca
Soon Ja Pawlikowski
Ronald Pawlikowski
Hector Perez
Thomas Randich

John Rafferty
Regina Rizzuto
Carolyn Roettger
Charles Ruffetti
Primo Santos
Peter Santucci
Dolores Schwab
Bonnie Siwek
Michael Smith
Carl Smith, Jr.
Joseph Stadelmann
Anthony Svrusis
Anna Svrusis
Nancy Swiszc
Mureen Syring
Roy Tiggelaar
Philip Tomaszewski
Arlene Trunk
Guy Tuzzolino
Ellen Van Westrienen
Pedro Velada
Elfrieda Vlaming
James Vlaming
Raymond Wagner
Maureen Wentz
John Wisniewski
Audrey Zarembski
Fredrick Zweilner III
William Zibits
Mark Zuro

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024

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Father Frank's Fire

Jesus reminds us today that the greatest commandment is to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. To put it more simply, to love God above all people and things, and to love him with everything we have. Put God first in your life and everything else will fall into place. Jesus also reminds us that the second commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself. Love is the key word. For many love is an emotion that we have difficulty controlling. However, in the scriptures love is described more as a choice. We choose to love, to hate, or to be simply indifferent.

A quick look at the news shows us that violence and hatred dominates our society. Every Monday we get news reports of the number of shootings that occurred over the weekend. We have become so immune to violence that many times we do not even notice or care.

We hear about hostage taking, of mass shootings in work places, stores and even schools. Leadership, not only political but also religious, have ramped up attacks on people who hold different views from them. There is a division in the Church, as our leadership attempts to deal with the significant challenges ahead of us. It seems as if we have lost respect for one another. Does the current climate reflect a society that is rooted in the love of God and neighbor?



What can we do? Pray! Pray for our nation, pray for our leaders, pray for the Church and pray for the world that we will recognize God's command to love. It may seem too simple but I am convinced that it is only through the power of prayer that we will recognize the absolute necessity to love God and one another.

State of St. Michael Parish

Each year, the pastor of every parish is called upon to report "the state of" the parish. In the pages that follow, you will see a glimpse of the financial position of St. Michael Parish for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, and 2023. I want to begin by thanking you for your generosity to St. Michael Parish. I am aware that many sacrifice for the good of our parish and I am grateful.

The pastor is charged with the care of the spiritual needs of the parish, and he also is entrusted with the parish's resources. I, like you, am called to be a good and faithful steward of the many blessings, resources and responsibilities that God has entrusted to me. I do not take this lightly.

The major source of revenue for the church is the Sunday and Holy Day Collections. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, total collections amounted to \$1,875,602. Our budget was \$1,879,350 – total collections were \$3,748 or 0.2% below budget. If we compare fiscal year 2024 to fiscal year 2023 – our collections are \$43,806 or 2.4% higher than last year's amount of \$1,831,796. This is truly a testimony to the generosity of our parishioners.

Overall, the financial results of the parish are good and indicative of your generosity. The parish's net operating income for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 is \$292,669. The increase in net operating income is primarily attributed to the increase in interest and investment income. During fiscal year 2024, interest rates were rising and, as a result, so did interest and investment income. We are now in a period of declining interest rates and, as such, I expect a decrease in interest and investment income.

St. Michael Parish has NO debt and all of our financial obligations are current. It is because of your generosity that we stand strong today able to face the challenges that tomorrow will bring.

There is so much more to St. Michael Parish than just its finances. It is through our Outreach Ministries such as St. Vincent de Paul that the hungry are fed. St. Michael offers a variety of programs, prayer experiences and resources to help with faith formation for all ages. Through our Liturgical Ministries, God is praised and worshiped each day. The Ministers of Care make sure the homebound and hospitalized remain connected to our community. Our parish school and religious education programs are forming the next generation of Catholics – the ones to whom the sacred deposit of faith will be entrusted. QUEST gives teenagers an opportunity to remain connected to the Church during their high school years.

Last year, St. Michael welcomed 131 new disciples through the Sacrament of Baptism. One hundred forty-seven (147) children received the Eucharist for the first time and 144 were sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation. Twenty (20) couples were united through the Sacrament of Marriage and we said good-bye to 126 of our parishioners. Through the work of the Church, we preached the Good News of Salvation, reconciled those in need of forgiveness and cared for the poor, the ill and the dying. We were the face of Christ to many and most of this work — the mission of Christ — is done by you, the parishioners of St. Michael Parish.

I would like to thank the current members of the Parish Finance Council who help me sort out the financial details, offer advice and help me to make necessary decisions. I am grateful for their wisdom and dedication to our parish. A special thank you to Diana Vitela, our Business Manager, for her hard and faithful work to St. Michael. She helps keep the parish operations running smoothly and efficiently. The daily tasks and projects are completed because of her tireless efforts.

You may have noticed that included in your envelope packets is an envelope simply titled “Capital Improvements.” This envelope is for those unforeseen costs that the parish often faces, such as roof repairs; repairs to or replacement of the heating and cooling systems; electrical issues; and so on. These and others arise unexpectedly and are often not budgeted in the normal operating costs of the parish. For example, during the summer months several of our older air-conditioning units needed to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$77,000. These costs were not expected nor budgeted for – they were paid from parish savings. The “Capital Improvements” envelope will be used only for expenses such as these.

Thank you for your support and generosity. We have a rich tradition of faithful response to God’s calling. We have much to be grateful for. Our past was amazing, and our present and future will be glorious if we continue to work together by sharing our time, talent and treasure. We cannot expect someone else to do this for us. We must serve as one and be Christ to one another. St. Michael is our spiritual home; I ask for your help so that everything we do may give true honor and glory to God!

Gratefully,

Fr. Frank A. Kurucz
Pastor

ST. MICHAEL PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year: July 1 – June 30

	<u>Fiscal Year 2024</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2023</u>
Sunday and Holy Day Collection	\$1,621,678	\$1,581,373
Christmas Collection	143,007	141,528
Easter Collection	84,675	84,744
Other Collections	26,242	24,151
Stipends and Stole Fees	95,138	74,109
Interest & Investment Income	205,133	34,367
Tuition and Fees	3,670,185	3,505,800
Fund Raising (Net)	136,412	138,429
Other	<u>5,846</u>	<u>55,434</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$5,988,316	\$5,639,934
Salaries	\$3,029,299	\$2,969,138
Employee Benefits	969,544	885,998
Books & Supplies	185,520	159,596
Administrative Expenses	347,794	381,100
Utilities	117,426	105,737
Maintenance & Building Repairs	410,965	387,483
Altar and Liturgical Supplies	50,962	39,776
Furnishings & Equipment	40,062	38,614
Archdiocesan Assessments	292,538	277,700
Insurance	172,451	162,831
Other Expense	<u>79,082</u>	<u>71,032</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$5,695,647	\$5,479,005
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$292,669	\$160,929



**ALL SOULS DAY *and*
PARISH MASS OF REMEMBRANCE**
Saturday, Nov. 2
Mass in English at 8:30 a.m.

**DAY OF THE DEAD/
MISA DEL DIA DE
MUERTOS**
Saturday, Nov. 2

Mass in Spanish/Misa en español at 6:00 p.m.



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October 24, 2024

Dear St. Michael Parish Family,

Last year, I wrote to you about Reverend William Killeen, a retired priest who served in your parish as an associate pastor from June 1989 to April 1991. The Archdiocese had received an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor while Father Killeen was assigned to St. Patricia Parish more than 40 years ago. In keeping with our child protection policies, the allegation was reported to civil authorities and the person making the allegation was offered the services of our Victim Assistance Ministry. Father Killeen cooperated with my direction to remain out of ministry while the allegation was investigated.


The Archdiocese Independent Review Board met this week to evaluate the results of the investigation. They determined that there is not a reasonable cause to believe Father Killeen sexually abused a minor. In addition, the Board recommended that Father Killeen be returned to ministry and that the file be closed. After prayerful consideration, I have accepted their recommendations and restored Father Killeen's faculties to minister in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The welfare of the children entrusted to our care is our paramount consideration. Consequently, we take seriously all allegations of sexual misconduct. It is to the credit of our priests that they support our child protection policies. They understand that only by applying a meticulous and impartial process to all allegations can we remain committed to our work of assisting survivors and, with the help of independent advisors, thoroughly evaluate all allegations.

At the same time, I am committed to restoring the good name of those so accused if the case is unsubstantiated. To that end, I publicly affirm that Father Killeen is a priest in good standing and express sincere appreciation for his many years of service to the People of God in the Archdiocese of Chicago. This period away from ministry has been challenging for him. He deserves our respect and gratitude and I hope you will join me in thanking him for his long-standing dedication.

In closing, I encourage anyone who believes they have been abused by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee to come forward. You will be received with respect and compassion. To report abuse please refer to the Archdiocesan website at www.archchicago.org.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please Pray For The Sick

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 and power of Christ:

**Jennifer Bailey, John Baker, Dorothy Basta,
John Basta, Bernie Bittner,
Keith Thraen Borowski, Kathy Bruss,
Vince Candelerio, Patricia Chuchla, Eileen Cocco,
Aileen Collura, Mary DiFilippo, Clara Grala,
Jack Handley, Carole Holding, Lisa Johnston,
Celeste Koszut, Joan Krasneck, Sylvia Krepton,
Roger Krzyzowski, Fr. Frank Kurucz, Joyce Kwak,
Don Lambert, Robert Levinthal, Mark Lunn,
Fr. Robert Mair, Tom Mallon,
Bill Marich, Rich McCasland, Donna Micun,
Patricia Minogue, Art Morgan,
Mary Anne Nievera, Alice Prendergast,
Debbie Rogers, AJ Rother, Maria Rzonca,
Cara Scanlon, Isabella Trujillo,
Jennie Vaccarell, Mary Pat Walsh,
Aleksandra Waresiak, Donna Wilczek,
Lawrence Wojcik**
and those injured in service to their country.

If you want to add a name to the list of sick or recently deceased, there is a link on the parish website at www.saintmike.com. You may also call the parish at 708-349-0903. *Names are kept on the sick list for five weeks. Those who have died recently are listed for one week.*

If you need a Mass card and/or someone to be prayed for at a specific Mass, please come to the parish office Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are unable to go out, you may call the parish office at 708-349-0903 with the request and to make arrangements for your donation and for a Mass card, if needed.

Pray WITHOUT
CEASING



Halloween means, “All Saints Day Eve.” A saint is a person who lives in heaven with God. We should all strive to be saints someday. That means we should share our blessings and talents in life to give glory to God. We can easily do this by being kind to everyone each day!

One of the things I love about Halloween is that it brings communities together. I love to make my house inviting to everyone. I want people to see my home and know they are welcome. Displaying Halloween decorations on the outside of my home sends a signal to the community that “THIS HOUSE GIVES OUT CANDY!” I also like to pass out treats to the adults – warm apple cider or some big candy bars always bring a smile to the faces of unsuspecting adults, and that makes me feel really good! I want my neighbors to know that I care about them because that is what Jesus wants us to do.

Jesus wants us to love God with all of our hearts but he also wants us to love our neighbors as well. Halloween helps us to do this. We smile at strangers coming to our doors. We watch out for children crossing the streets to make sure they are safe. This is a happy holiday that brings many people together. It is also important to remember that around this time of year, we also celebrate All Souls Day and remember those who have passed. If there is someone special to you that has passed away, All Souls Day is a special day to honor and remember them.

Let's Pray: Dear Jesus, Help us to let our light shine so that others will see our good works and glorify our Father in Heaven. Amen.



Readings for the Week Nov. 3, 2024

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34
Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17;
Jn 2:13-22
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44
or 12:41-44

**COMING UP THIS WEEK
AT ST. MICHAEL PARISH**

Saturday, Nov. 2—All Souls Day

- Men’s Scripture Sharing-7:00 a.m.—Ministry Room West
- Parish Mass of Remembrance-8:30 a.m.—Church
- Feeding The Hungry Food Sorting-8:45 a.m.—Small Gym
- Mass for the Day of the Dead in Spanish/Misa del Dia de Muertos en español-6:00 p.m.—Church

Sunday, Nov. 3

- Young Peoples Liturgy of the Word (YPLW)-during 9:30 a.m. Mass—Church and Chapel
- Hispanic Young Peoples Liturgy of the Word/Liturgia de la Palabra de los Jóvenes (YPLW)-durante la Misa de la 1:30 p.m.— Ministry Rooms

Tuesday, Nov. 5

- Holy Hour with Rosary & Benediction-7:00 p.m.—Church

Wednesday, Nov. 6

- Bible Study-7:00 p.m.—Commons

Thursday, Nov. 7

- St. Michael Parents & Tots Playgroup-9:15 a.m.—Ministry Room East

Friday, 8

- Hispanic Bible Study/Estudio Bíblico Hispano-7:00 p.m.—Ministry Room East

Saturday, Nov. 9

- Men’s Scripture Sharing-7:00 a.m.—Ministry Room West
- Feeding The Hungry Food Sorting-8:45 a.m.—Small Gym

Sunday, Nov. 10

- Young Peoples Liturgy of the Word (YPLW)-during 9:30 a.m. Mass—Church and Chapel
- Hispanic Young Peoples Liturgy of the Word/Liturgia de la Palabra de los Jóvenes (YPLW)-durante la Misa de la 1:30 p.m.— Ministry Rooms



In October we welcomed the following children who were baptized into our faith community...

Sabrina Marie Boleaga

Daughter of Eric and Gina

Daniel Paul Ceballos

Son of Daniel and Barbara

Murphy Josephine Clancy

Daughter of Matthew and Holly

Daniel Stephen Farley

Son of Dylan and Meghan

Enrique Salvador Palafox

Son of Enrique and Aaliyah

Aria Myka Pappas

Daughter of William and Ashley

Himawari Aylen Rojas

Son of Carlos and Jennifer

David Axel De La Rosa

Son of David and Lizannia

Mason De La Rosa

Son of David and Lizannia

Charlie Becker Walsh

Son of Daniel and Chelsea



We welcomed the following new parishioners to our parish in October 2024:

Cecilio & Raquel Acosta
 Michael Diaz & Angelica Calderon
 Molly Donnelly
 Thomas & Bridget Mcinerney
 Jorge & April Montoya
 Eric & Cherisa Noonan



Funerals & Memorials at St. Michael in October 2024

Michael Ahl
 Margaret “Peggy” Barrett
 Alexis Esparza
 Todd Golem
 Thomas R. Hawk
 William P. Kosic, Sr.
 Jesus Rios
 Enrique Santamaria



**Join us for
Eucharistic Holy Hour
This Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Church**

Fr. Geoffrey will lead all gathered in Eucharistic Holy Hour, Rosary and Benediction. Please join us for this beautiful time to receive God's grace, healing, mercy and comfort, as we lift our spirits up to Jesus!



**ANNUAL
THANKSGIVING
FOOD
COLLECTION
For St. Basil/
Visitation Parish
Nov. 16 & 17**

The annual Thanksgiving food collection for our sister parish, St. Basil/Visitation, will take place on the weekend of November 16 & 17.

Please bring your donations of canned and non-perishable foods to St. Michael this weekend and place them in the Ministry Room West. Gift cards for Jewel are also appreciated. Please put gift cards in the collection basket or leave them in the parish office.

Can You Help with Load Up & Delivery?

We will be loading up the food on **Monday, Nov. 18 after the 8 a.m. Mass.** We would welcome any help. If anyone wishes to drive the food to St. Basil/Visitation on that day, please call Cee Cee at the Parish Office: 708-349-0903.

Thank you!

St. Michael's Social Concerns Ministry

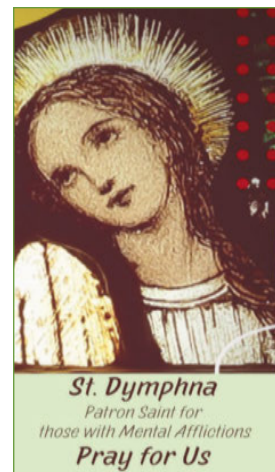


**Please Return
Baby Bottles**

If you haven't turned in your baby bottles yet, please do so. Even if they aren't completely filled, **please bring them to the office or bring them to Mass and give them to a greeter.** Thank you!

**St. Michael
Mental Health
Awareness Ministry
NOVEMBER
PRAYER
GATHERING**

**Wednesday, Nov. 20
7:00pm in the Chapel**

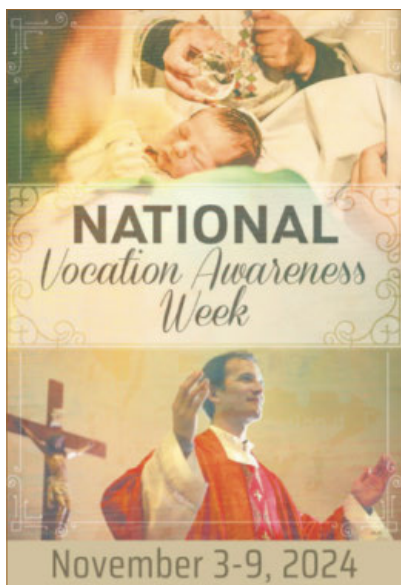


All are welcome to come and pray at our Mental Health Awareness Ministry's monthly gathering on **Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 7:00 p.m.** We are meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the Month in November and December because of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Our December Prayer gathering will be on **Wednesday Dec. 18** at 7:00 pm in the Chapel. Starting in January 2025, we will meet on our usual 4th Wednesday of the month.

If you or someone you love is struggling and/or living with mental health afflictions, members of our Mental Health Awareness Ministry are here to accompany you. We gather one Wednesday a month. We each light a candle and offer prayer intentions. We then listen to and reflect on scripture, followed by praying the rosary, a Chaplet or Stations of the Cross with meditations for those with mental illness and their families. We hope you can join us.

For more information, visit

<https://saintmike.com/mental-health-ministry/>.



This week we celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week. Let us pray for the Holy Spirit to guide more men and women to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Good and gracious God,
You call each person by name
and invite them to follow you.

We pray that each person may hear and respond
to the call they have received.

We pray for all discerning
consecrated life or ordained ministries,
that your Holy Spirit would
guide, inspire, and strengthen them.

May your Church and the world
be enriched by the "yes" of your children.
Amen.



JOIN US FOR A
Prayer Service
FOR OUR
NATION

REFLECTION	CONFESSION
ADORATION	SCRIPTURE
SONG	PRAY

SUNDAY, NOV. 3 ★ 3:00 PM ★ IN THE CHURCH
St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 9300 W. 167th St., Orland Hills, IL

ONE NATION, UNDER GOD

Our Nation is plagued by many difficulties today: a tense and divisive election season, the aftermath of devastating natural disasters, prejudice and violence, fear and discouragement. In the midst of our sufferings, the Lord Jesus invites us to gather close to him and trust in his Divine Mercy and compassion for us, for we are "One Nation, Under God."

Join us for an afternoon of Adoration, Confession, Scripture, Reflection, and Song as we pray for our beloved United States, our politicians, and all Americans.

ST. MICHAEL HOSPITALITY MINISTRY CELEBRATES 1ST ANNIVERSARY

What a wonderful 1st Anniversary Party! Our Hospitality Ministry leaders provided a beautiful and delicious thank-you party for all the volunteers who helped make this new ministry a blessing to our parish. The Holy Spirit is truly at work bringing all of His children together in fellowship and love.



CAN YOU HELP?

If you would like to be part of this energetic and fun ministry, whether you can help before or after Mass; provide goodies; or be a welcoming presence to all who attend the events, please contact one of the Hospitality Committee Co-Chairs: Ellie Olson: ero1958@yahoo.com or 708-699-7224; and Sara O'Brien: sarajob1003@gmail.com or 585-414-5005. Thank you!



Thank You for Supporting Our Knights

The **Knights of Columbus Council 10858** wishes to thank everyone who contributed to our annual Intellectual Disabilities/Tootsie Roll fundraising event. The Knights collected outside Orland Park Bakery on LaGrange Rd. in Orland Park, as well as after Masses at St. Michael Church on Sept, 20, 21 and 22.



We collected enough money to send approximately **\$1,500 to both St. Coletta's of Illinois and Park Lawn, which serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.**



We also wish to thank everyone who volunteered for and participated in our Bingo Fundraiser on Oct. 11. Everyone had a great time. **We raised more than \$1,700, which will be used to:**

- **Purchase coats for needy children supported by the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Michael;**
- **Support our local food pantry, and**
- **Provide assistance to the intellectually disabled through support of Park Lawn and St. Coletta's of Illinois group homes and training centers.**

A special thanks to the businesses that donated prizes for the Bingo games:

Orland Park

- Heinie's McCarthy's Italian Villa**
- Nothing Bundt Cakes**
- Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant**
- Pop's Italian Beef**
- The White Sheep**
- Roco Vino's Italian Restaurant**

Gerard & Ursula Aguilar Family

Brackenbox Roll Off Service
(Markham)

Homer Glen

- Babalu's Pizza**
- Blueberry Hill Cafe**
- Chesdan's Grille**
- Nicks Barbecue**

Tinley Park

- McGonigle Dental Associates**
- Vogt House by Banging Gavel Brews**



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL
Helping Our Friends & Neighbors In Need

THANK YOU KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!

St. Michael's St. Vincent de Paul Conference and its friends would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for their generous donation.

The Knights shopped for and purchased this mountain of coats to keep our SVdP friends in need warm during the colder weather. Forty-one (41) children will be well-prepared for winter, thanks to the kindness and generosity of our Knights.



Date Extended for St. Michael Parents to Take Archdiocese Parent Survey Your Input Is Important So Please Share Your Voice Today!

As part of St. Michael Parish's participation in the National Community of Catechetical Leaders (NCCL's) "Parents and Families at the Center of Faith Formation Project," we are asking St. Michael parents who have children between the ages of 0 and 18 to complete a Catholic Family Survey. The results of this survey are very important, as they will help parish leaders better understand your life as a parent and your family so that we can develop a plan that successfully and intentionally supports your family's faith formation journey. The survey will take just 8-10 minutes to complete and your voice will be heard in this very important process.

There are two ways to access and take the survey:

- You can visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ChicagoParentSurvey>; or
- You can scan the QR code on your cell phone.

The Parent Survey will be available until Monday, Nov. 4, 2024.

We appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey.



New Senior and Older Adult Activity Ministry

Enjoy fellowship, guest speakers and activities such as painting and games with seniors and older adults at St. Michael Parish. We will meet one Tuesday a month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Commons to provide well-being to adults through motivational and sharing activities. Our meetings are scheduled for:

Tuesday, Nov. 19

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2025

Tuesday, Dec. 17

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2025

Questions: Please contact Irma Almanza at irmalopez1@aol.com or 708-580-5023

All Seniors and Older Adults are Welcome

Ministerio de actividades para personas mayores y adultos

Ven a participar de Charlas, juegos, artes y demas actividades para adultos mayores. Nuestras actividades seran una vez al mes y estan destinadas a dar bienestar a los adultos a traves de actividades motivacionales y de compartir.

Siguiente Juntas:

Noviembre 19 - 6:30 pm a 8:30 pm

Diciembre 17 - 6:30 pm a 8:30 pm

Enero 21 - 6:30 pm a 8:30 pm

Febrero 18 - 6:30 pm a 8:30 pm



Preguntas: comuníquese con Irma Almanza en irmalopez1@aol.com o al 708-580-5023

Todas las personas mayores y adultos son bienvenidos

QUEST TEENS ENJOYING HALLOWEEN AS THE BODY OF CHRIST



To view more photos of our QUEST Teens gathering for Halloween, visit the photo gallery on the parish website at <https://saintmike.com/gallery-2024/quest-enjoying-halloween-2024/>

El Espíritu del Padre Frank

Jesús nos recuerda hoy que el mandamiento más grande es amar a Dios con todo nuestro corazón, con toda nuestra alma, con toda nuestra mente, y con toda nuestra fuerza. Para decirlo de manera más sencilla, amar a Dios sobre todas las personas y cosas, y amarlo con todo lo que tenemos. Pon a Dios primero en tu vida, y todo lo demás estará en su lugar. Jesús también nos recuerda que el segundo mandamiento es amar al prójimo como a ti mismo. Amor es la palabra clave. Para muchos el amor es una emoción que tenemos dificultad para controlar. Sin embargo, en las Escrituras, el amor se describe más como una elección. Elegimos amar, odiar o simplemente ser indiferentes.

Un vistazo rápido a las noticias de la semana pasada nos muestra que la violencia y el odio dominan nuestra sociedad. Todos los lunes, recibimos noticias sobre la cantidad de tiroteos durante el fin de semana. Nos hemos vuelto tan inmunes a la violencia que, muchas veces, ni siquiera nos damos cuenta o nos preocupamos.

Oímos hablar de tiroteos masivos con rehenes en lugares de trabajo, tiendas e incluso escuelas. Los líderes, no solo políticos sino también religiosos, han aumentado los ataques contra personas que tienen opiniones diferentes a las suyas. Hay una división en la Iglesia mientras nuestros líderes intentan lidiar con los desafíos significativos que tenemos por delante. Los obispos se señalan entre sí con el dedo. Parece como si hubiéramos perdido el respeto mutuo. ¿Refleja el clima actual una sociedad arraigada en el amor a Dios y al prójimo?

¿Qué podemos hacer? ¡Oremos! Oremos por nuestra nación, nuestros líderes y el mundo para que reconozcamos el mandato de Dios de amar. Puede parecer demasiado simple, pero estoy convencido de que sólo mediante el poder de la oración comprenderemos la absoluta necesidad de amar a Dios y a los demás.

En el Amor de Cristo;

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Seguimos trabajando para preparar la Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Su colaboración es necesaria para celebrar esta Solemnidad con mucho cariño a nuestra Madre del Cielo.

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Clases de Inglés regresan.

Inscribese a la salida de la Iglesia después de Misa de 1:30 pm para las clases de Inglés. Las clases serán los Domingos de 11:30 a 1:00 pm.



Agradecimiento al coro por preparar el Altar de los Muertos 2024.

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Masses for the Week — November 2 to November 10

Saturday 11/2	8:30 AM	All Souls Day - Mass for All Deceased of St. Michael Parish		
	4:30 PM	Christopher Lechowicz Thomas McAllister	William & Mary Morrissey Carol Leninger	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Spanish →	6:00 PM	Day of the Dead Mass/Misa del Dia de Muertos		
Sunday 11/3	7:30 AM	Alice Dzurisin	Michael Sheeran	People of St. Michael Parish
	9:30 AM	Buzz Van Hecke Maureen O'Malley	Tom Godwin Lois Finger & Peter Miller	Feria & Ilagan Families
Spanish →	11:30 AM	Elisabetta Vari	John Garcia, Jr	Regina Rizzuto
	1:30 PM	Ramiro Martinez Tostado	Elena Barajas	
Monday 11/4	6:30 AM	Fr. Paul Burak		
	8:00 AM	John Laciak	Varghese NT	Joseph Ponnezhan
Tuesday 11/5	6:30 AM	Fr. Leo Lyons		
	8:00 AM	Scott Skarbek	Special Intention for Steve O'Brien	
Wednesday 11/6	6:30 AM	Daniel Hiter	Joe Quinn	
	8:00 AM	Tricia Walsh	Jim Cwik	Special Intention for John P. Daley
Thursday 11/7	6:30 AM	Anne Marie Hartnett	Denis Ryan	Paul Raymond Tamich
	8:00 AM	Elfrieda Vlaming	Arlene Trunk	Special Intention for Celex & Zayden
Friday 11/8	6:30 AM	Frances Murphy		
	8:00 AM	Special Intention for Mary Ramirez		Ponnezhan Family Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 11/9	8:30 AM	Sr. Marietta Umlor		
	4:30 PM	Patricia McAllister Gary Michael	Leona Pieczyrak Edwin Herrera	Walter Handzik
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The Thanksgiving holiday is just around the corner and that means we have early bulletin deadlines.

Content for the
Nov. 17 bulletin is due **Friday, Nov. 8 @ 9am**
and content for the
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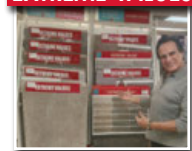
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