



*Saint Michael  
& All Angels  
Episcopal Church*

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*To Know, Live and Share the Love of Christ*

## What Do We Really Want? Some Thoughts on Church Growth.

Years ago, I had the good fortune to attend an Episcopal Church conference in downtown San Francisco. While remembering very few conference details, I still vividly remember a joke and message shared by our conference leader, an acknowledged authority on Episcopal Church growth and trends. The joke went like this:

*A teenage boy receives a birthday package from his distant Aunt Ruth. Upon opening it, he finds that it contains a birthday gift for him - a beautifully embroidered tea cozy.*

*Despite his whines and protests, the boy's mother finally persuades him to write a thank-you note to his aunt. This is what he wrote:*

*"Dear Aunt Ruth, Thank you for the embroidered tea cozy.  
It's what I've always wanted, just not very much."*

While we might chuckle and possibly even relate to this joke, it's more important for us to hear the next words spoken by the conference leader. The leader stated that in her experience and opinion, the joke reminded her of most Episcopal churches. She explained that while every church says that it wants (needs?) to grow, very few really want to. And the simple reason is this - **to grow also means to change!**

I share this joke and these brief reflections now, knowing that you will soon begin the arduous tasks of identifying, meeting, interviewing, and ultimately calling a new spiritual leader for St. Michael & All Angels Parish. These tasks come on the heels of the recent and difficult work of asking and answering "who" we are now and, more importantly, "who" we wish to become in the future.

While Search Committee and Vestry members will carry the heaviest loads in the months ahead, please do not forget that there is work to share and work to be done by **every** parish member or friend. Prayer tops that list. Encouragement, patience, and a sense of humor will also be needed and play important parts. But **MOST** needed will be **TRUST** - trust in the all-too-human leaders of St. Michael's as well as trust in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Never forget this either. Pentecost was not a one-day, one-time event. Pentecost is **OUR** daily experience as well as **OUR** daily existence, now and into an unknown future.

With love and blessings...Mark+



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The Rt. Rev. Douglas Sparks  
*VIII Bishop of Northern Indiana*

***Saint Michael's Clergy***

Fr. Mark Van Wassenhove,  
*Transitional Rector*

***Treasurer:***

Linda Kroll

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Office Hours:

Call Office for Assistance at this time



**Worship, Prayer & Formation**

*Worship with the Angels!*

**10:15 a.m. on Sunday Mornings**  
**In Person & Online Eucharist Continues**

Please log in on **Facebook, YouTube** or our website  
**SaintMichaelSB.org.**

**Noonday Prayer and Bible Study**  
**Wednesdays starting at 11:15am**

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**Worship Minister**  
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**Thank you for your donations and keeping up your**  
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To make your secure, confidential  
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For information about our finances to date,  
please see **page 4.**



**Children's Chapel Has Returned!**

**\*Each Sunday when children are present\***

A brief reflection on day's Scripture lesson followed by a  
fun activity. Chapel begins at 10:15am and occurs during  
the first portion of morning worship service.

Hope to see you there!

We cannot love God unless we love each other. We know him in the breaking of bread, and we know each other in the breaking of bread, and we are not alone anymore. Heaven is a banquet, and life is a banquet too - even with a crust - where there is companionship. We have all known loneliness, and we have learned that the only solution is love, and that love comes with community.

*Dorothy Day*



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

## Michiana Episcopal Parish Picnic



Hosted by St. Michael  
& All Angels Parish

**Sunday July 16**  
**12 Noon**

Main dish will be provided, there will be sign up to bring a side dish or dessert



Service on Saturday is so excited to be back in person again, and currently is serving the community on the third Saturday of each month.

**Coming up: June 17 and July 15**

If you are able to help during the week or on that day, please email Dr. Sandy Brown to offer your arms and love.

Thank you for your ongoing support of this vital ministry of service and relationship to our community.

Our Success is driven by our base of parishioner and guest volunteer's who pack bags, store inventories and distribute food to those in need. If you are a current volunteer "Thank you for your Service", If you would like to join our volunteer staff, contact Dr. Sandy Stackhouse at 574 532 4706 or [srbrownmd1951@gmail.com](mailto:srbrownmd1951@gmail.com).

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## **Saint Michael's Financial Report**

"Where your treasure is there the desires of your heart will also be." *Matthew 6:21*

### **Income**

For Month: \$15,749 vs. budget of \$21,667 (\$5,918 worse)  
YTD: \$55,705 vs budget of \$86,667 (\$30,962 worse)

### **Expense**

For Month: \$22,894 vs. budget of \$21,667 (\$1,227 worse)  
YTD: \$84,925 vs budget of \$86,667 (\$1,742 better)

### **Net**

For Month: \$7,145 unfavorable  
YTD: \$29,220 unfavorable

**Thank you so much for you ongoing support of our parish.  
We are currently in a deficit  
and every gift will help us finish the year!**

**Thank you again.**

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## Supper Club: *Kick off dinner for our “Supper Club”*

The Kick-off dinner for the St. Michael and All Angels ‘Supper Club’ was originally planned to start in April but it has now been moved to this upcoming **AUGUST**. We will provide several opportunities to sign up for one of our groups for this summer. The sign up sheets will be located in the Narthex on one of the tables. We truly hope that you will take this opportunity to become acquainted with the members of our Parish, on a social level. All are welcome to participate. More details will soon be provided!



## SAVE THE DATE

Saturday August 5th

Women’s Retreat at  
Saint Michael’s

More information to follow later



A blessed congratulations to **Lauren Chapman** as she was confirmed into the Episcopal Church in April!





## *A special shout out to a few graduates:*



**Larissa Tungate** graduated from John Glenn High School with dual credits from Ivy Tech where she received her CNA certification.



She is off to Manchester University where she will pursue a degree in Nursing



**Lizzie White** received her Masters Degree in Social Work from IUSB and will be entering the work force as a Mental Health Therapist at Ellie Mental Health in Holland, MI.



Her sister **Caroline White** graduated from John Adams High School and is off to her own Hoosier college career at Indiana University, Bloomington.

**CONGRATS TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES!!**



# CONCERT AT SAINT MICHAEL'S



Who: **South Bend Symphonic Choir and Elkhart Community Chorus**

When: **June 9th at 7pm**

**Admission is free but donations will be accepted**



A message from **Dr. Marvin Curtis**  
regarding this event:

Two of the regions choirs, The South Bend Symphonic Choir and the Elkhart Community Chorus are combining together to perform at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. on June 18, 2023.

The combined groups, named **The Michiana Celebration Chorus**, will be a part of a 160 voice group celebrating the 60th Anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's "I have a Dream" speech that he delivered on August 28, 1963. The concert, featuring works of African American composers, will take place in the Concert Hall of the John F Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, our National Cultural Center at 2pm. The concert will be conducted by Dr. Eugene Rogers, director of choirs at the University of Michigan.

In preparation for this historic trip, the combined ensemble will present two concerts in the region, with one of them at St Michael's and all Angels Episcopal Church on June 9th at a 7pm.



## SAVE THE DATE - 2023 DIOCESAN CONVENTION

This year St. Michael And All Angels will be the host parish for the annual diocesan convention. It will be held here the first weekend in November. Mark your calendars now as we will be needing volunteers to help with the many activities that are being planned. There will also be educational sessions for those interested in attending.

More information will be provided as we progress into 2023.

## UPDATING OUR RECORDS

We are currently asking everyone to please send us your **Birthday and Anniversary dates** for all your family members so we can update them in our system.

Please email them to us at  
[info@stmichaelsb.org](mailto:info@stmichaelsb.org)

## MAY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARIES

### Birthdays

- 3 Sheila Davis  
Jennica Liberatore
- 5 Mary Meyers
- 6 Lauren Chapman
- 9 Gary Rigley
- 10 Vivian Harwood
- 12 Marie Boetsma  
Kristina Chapman
- 13 Sharon Fiorella-Teves
- 17 Debra Ball  
Bernal Cortes
- 18 Christine Anderson
- 22 John Liberatore
- 24 Evan Kroll

### Anniversaries

- 2 Randy & Cindy Vanparys
- 28 Paul & Trang McLeod  
Michael & Andi Zavor



# Prayers of the People at Saint Michael's

Those prayed for here will remain listed for thirty days and may be renewed upon request.

Don't see your Birthday or Anniversary here? Want to add someone to the prayer list?

Please contact the office to have it added.

## June/July Birthdays

### June

1 Katharine Swain  
2 Alexis Crittendon  
5 Michele Arnett  
7 Bryce Crittendon  
8 Barb Coddens  
9 Robert Swain  
11 Kornga Kamanda  
14 Alasdair Ladd  
24 Charles Loeser  
26 Mia Cortes  
27 Francis Gray  
Tracey Griffith  
28 Anne Gruenig  
30 Carl Tungate

### July

9 Frankie Badur  
10 Osinachi Ezenekwe  
Daniel Pfeifer  
18 Sandra Konrath  
19 Garrick Meyers  
22 Irene Singleton  
Jolene Tungate  
Cynthia Vanparys  
23 Charles Henkel  
25 Mark Baxmeyer  
27 Grace Liberatore  
Leo Liberatore  
Marie Liberatore  
Dominic Manu  
Jack Mueller  
Rick Switalski  
28 Rick Wilson

## Anniversaries of our beloved Departed

Anthony Crane  
Douglas John Mohnke  
Ida Ajevon  
Leonard Clizbe  
Darryl Monroe  
Doug North Sr.  
Jessie Wong  
Martha Meacham  
William Hargreaves  
Hubert Woodcox  
Jerry Ward  
Leslie Kelley  
Patrick Douglas Yocum  
Gerald Gilpin  
Ralph Seaman  
George Underkirk  
Keith Lanning  
Norman Salmons  
Louisa Hughes  
Arthur Banicki  
Janice Joy Dryden  
Kevin Cook  
Art May, Sr.

Foday Kamara  
Valerie Lattimer  
J.Paul Douglass  
Vincent Schubert  
Dorothy Janssen  
Martha Wheeler  
June Wiltfong  
Donald Takacs  
John Kallenberg  
The Rev. Robert Bollman  
Charles Riewe  
Lisa Wilcox-Coonan  
Mary Mast  
Julie Mertz  
Thomas Cassady  
Dale J. Kroll  
Robert Canary  
Shane  
Eugenia Lockhart  
R.D.Thimlar  
Bettimarie Miller  
Anne Raymer  
Samuel Penland



## Anniversaries

### June

6 Chuck & Devon Brugh  
8 Doug & Linda Kroll  
9 Adrian & Sandra Stackhouse  
11 Jon & Sandra Badur  
21 George & Carolyn Tungate  
23 Dean & Madeline Catanzarite  
Robin & Lisa Douglass  
29 Phil & June Bays  
John & Jennica Liberatore

### July

7 Ned & Beth North  
12 Spencer & Amy Hixon  
14 Daniel & Sheila Davis

## For Protection for our Armed Forces and those in Foreign Service

Trevor Miller  
Erin Ford  
D.W. North  
Casey North  
Nathan Ratliff  
John Zendt  
Ashlee Zendt

Morgan Severeid  
Alexander Sasha Petkova  
Cecily & Adam Teach  
Peter Kristl  
Matthew Monroe  
Jacob Monroe  
Brian Knipple

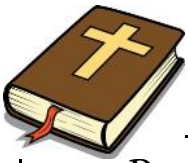
## For our elected leaders

President Joe Biden  
Vice President Kamala Harris  
Governor Eric Holcomb  
Mayor James Mueller (South Bend)  
Mayor Dave Wood (Mishawaka)

Ren Singleton  
Barb Wilson  
Susan Slack  
Anita Thomas  
David Hixon  
Victoria  
June Bays

Michael Thomas  
Theresa Wilson  
Joel Blunk  
Andi Zavor  
Chuck & Devon  
John Seehafer  
Joyce Frost

Charlene Bollman  
Marvin Curtis  
Jerriann Lorae  
Tammy Bowers  
Grandma Ma



## Readers-Proclaimers, Prayer Leaders

Date	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	<b>Genesis 12:1-9</b>	Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7)	Genesis 21:8-21
Psalm	<b>Psalm 8</b>	Psalm 33:1-12	Psalm 116:1, 10-17	Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	<b>2 Corinthians 13:11-13</b>	Romans 4:13-25	<b>Romans 5:1-8</b>	Romans 6:1b-11
Gospel	Matthew 28:16-20	Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26	Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)	Matthew 10:24-39
Prayer Leader for Prayers of the People	Grayling Hawkins	Doug Kroll	Carol Nickel	Lauren Chapman

Date	July 2	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Genesis 22:1-14	Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67	Genesis 25:19-34	Genesis 28:10-19a	Genesis 29:15-28
Psalm	Psalm 13	Song of Solomon 2:8-13	Psalm 119: 105-112	Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23	Psalm 105:1-11, 45
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Romans 6:12-23	Romans 7:15-25a	Romans 8:1-11	Romans 8:12-25	Romans 8:26-39
Gospel	Matthew 10:40-42	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Prayer Leader for Prayers of the People	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

## Crucifer / Altar Assistant(s)/Worship Leader, etc.

	Crucifer: Carry Cross In/Out/Gospel time, Welcome & Altar Asst: Credence table (assist setting Altar)	Gospel Book: Carry in/out/Gospel time, Welcome & Altar Asst Tabernacle side (assist clearing Altar)
June 4	Chris Dunlap	Lynne Switalski
June 11	Larry Willoughby	Paul McLeod
June 18	Spencer Hixon	Linda Kroll
June 25	Sandy Stackhouse	Sharon F-T
July 2	Nathan Hawkins	Dinah Hawkins & Lynne Switalski
July 9	Larry Willoughby	Sharon F-T
July 16	Spencer Hixon	Sharon F-T
July 23	Chris Dunlap	Linda Kroll
July 30	Nathan Hawkins	Dinah Hawkins & Lynne Switalski



## From: Girl Scout Troup 54118– Granger/South Bend

We meet at Saint Michael and All Angels on the 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoons of each month. We are a troop of 5th-8th grade girls, with a particular focus on STEM and the Outdoors, and scouting in a Christ centered environment.

For more information: Please contact Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana– Michiana, and request Troop 54118. The council will put interested girls and their families in contact with us.

Girl Scouts Northern Indiana– Michiana  
Phone#: **1-800-283-4812**

### **Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings ~ Small, Distancing Group Resuming**

We are proud to host this critical ministry at Saint Michael's. Meetings are held on Monday mornings at **10 a.m.** All meetings are for those with a willingness to stop drinking.



### **Al-Anon Meetings ~ Small, Distancing Group Resuming**

These meetings are for the family members of those with addictions. Living with a spouse or family member or having been raised by a parent who battled addictions has unique challenges.

Al-Anon is a safe place to share similar experiences and do the work of healing, learning to manage oneself. Meetings are Tuesday mornings at **9:30 a.m.**

## **OUR COOKBOOK NEEDS RECIPES!**

We are looking for a variety of recipes for our new cookbook, it will hopefully be completed this summer. Some of the recipes that were contributed, have disappeared from the recipe box in the Narthex. We are looking for at least 4 recipes from each person who chooses to donate their recipes to our book. If you enjoy cooking or baking, don't hesitate to add your recipes to our box! We really want this to be a great success and to show off the culinary skills here at St. Michael and all Angels. We would also LOVE any sweet tooth recipes!



Sunday July 16  
12 Noon



# Michigan Episcopal Parish Picnic



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