

The Messenger

April 2024



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To Know, Live and Share the Love of Christ



INTRODUCING MOTHER JEN!

We are excited to announce that, starting April 15, **Mother Jen Fulton** will be the new rector of Saint Michael and All Angels!

Mtr. Jen and her husband, Brad, have been happily married for thirty years. She earned a Master of Ministry from Nashotah House Theological Seminary in 2014 and was ordained that same year. Brad is a research psychologist with a PhD in Applied Social Psychology from Loyola University. They have two young-adult children, Ben and Lee. They have an additional two young adults living in their home, Kris and Brian ("Deuce"), a dog (Shannon), a cat (Misty), and a bearded Dragon (Rocky).

Mtr. Jen was born and raised in Wisconsin, spending childhood and adolescence in Kenosha. She was raised in a loving Roman Catholic family and attended Catholic schools. After graduating from St. Joseph High School in Kenosha—where her father taught Theology for over 30 years—she received a BA in English from the College of Benedict in St. Joseph, Minnesota. She then earned an MA in English from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. She taught English at Queen of Peace High School in Burbank, Illinois for seven years, after which she worked as a stay-at-home mom for seven years.

Mtr. Jen began serving at St. John of the Cross Episcopal Church in Bristol, Indiana shortly ordination in 2014. She served as their Priest-in-Charge for nearly a decade. She has served on the Bishop's Search Committee, Standing Committee, and the Board of Examining Chaplains, and has participated in Gathering of Leaders and the Sewanee Ministry Collaborative.

With her passion for The Word and sacrament and for connecting with all ages and liturgical styles, we look with joy and excitement toward our future! Welcome to the Saint Michael and All Angel's Family, Mtr Jen!

See Page 6 & 7 in the Messenger for various opportunities to meet Mtr Jen in the coming month.









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Our Bishop is

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

Saint Michael's Clergy
Mother Jen Fulton
Rector

Treasurer: Linda Kroll

Vestry

Lynne Switalski, Senior Warden (2025)
Colm Cregan, Junior Warden (2025)
Beth North (2025)
Jack Mueller (2025)
Spencer Hixon (2025)
Carol Nickel (2025)
Mel Chapman (2026)
Laura Knoppers (2026)
Andi Zavor (2026)
Michael Griffith (2027)

Staff

Nnamdi Chikere (2027)

Dr. Marvin Curtis, Music Director Michele Layher, Finance Secretary Andi Zavor, Event Coordinator & Custodian

> Articles and Ministry Schedules for *The Messenger* are due on the Second Monday of each month

> > Office Hours: Call for an appointment



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

> Reader/Proclaimer and Worship Minister Schedules

> > are on page 10.

Thank you for your donations and keeping up your pledge and offerings to Saint Michael's!

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For information about our finances to date, please see *page 4*.



Children's Chapel!

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!



There are different kinds of gifts but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kind of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Ministries Below is a list of the active ministries of the church. Please take a peek and if you feel called to share your time and talent with any of these,

please reach out to either the current leader of this ministry, our Senior Warden, Chris Dunlap, or Father Mark:

Ministry	Ministry Leader	Description of Ministry	
Card Ministry	Sharon Fiorella-Teves	Sends Birthday and Anniversary Cards	
Living Our Faith Ministry	Lynne Switalski	Our obligation is to live and share our treasures with others. "All things come of Thee, oh Lord, and of Thine own have I've given thee"	
Altar Guild	Korina Mueller	They care for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens of the parish. Altar Guild members prepare the sanctuary for Holy Eucharist	
Children's Chapel	Father Mark	A brief reflection on day's Scripture lesson followed by a fun activity for children. Chapel begins at the first portion of morning worship service	
Saint Michael's Family Garden	Beth North	Growing vegetables and flowers to share with all	
Service on Saturday "SOS"	Sandy Stackhouse	Packing and serving food bags and a meal to those in need	
Adult Formation	Carol Nickel	Classes and resources offered to adults to deepen their biblical knowledge, learn a new spiritual discipline, or find some comfort and inspiration	
Proclaimers	Shery Roussarie	Readers of the Word of the Lord during Holy Eucharist	
Supper Club	Andi Zavor	To give opportunity to become acquainted with the members of our Parish, on a social level during a meal	
Church Sign Ministry	Sharon Piechorowski	Changing the words on the outside sign to invite the community into the church	
Mary & Martha Guild	Nanette Krieger	Serving coffee and snacks after an event	
Music Ministry	Grayling Hawkins & Marvin Curtis	Serves the music during the Holy Eucharist	
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Sharon Fiorella-Teves	Lay person licensed by the bishop to administer the consecrated elements of the eucharist	
Flower Ministry	Charlene Bollman	To brighten the sanctuary with flowers in celebration and in honor of loved ones	



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: April 20

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.

Saint Michael's Financial Report

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

For February 2024

Revenue: \$11,859 vs Budget: \$19,417 Unfavorable: \$7,558

Expense:\$19,821 vs Budget:\$19,417 Unfavorable:\$404

Net Income: \$7,962

For Year to date 2024:

Revenue:\$24,048 vs Budget:\$38,834 Unfavorable:\$14,786 Expense:\$40,116 vs Budget:\$38,834 Unfavorable:\$1,282 Net Income:\$16,068

Thank you so much for you ongoing support of our parish.

Thank you again.

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

GARDEN TEAM RECRUITING FOR SPRING



Now that Mabel and Hank Blunk have sadly moved away, Beth North is RECRUITING for a co-leader of the SAINT MICHAEL'S FAMILY GARDEN efforts.

Responsibilities include:

- Working on/in the garden for 2-4 hours at least one day during the week beginning in late April/early May through early November.
- An orientation to UNITY GARDENS is strongly recommended

I would be happy to arrange for ALL VOLUNTEERS interested in helping, even if not as my co-leader.

CALL or TEXT Beth North – OR – take her aside during coffee hour some Sunday . MOBILE # - 574.298.4987

Thank you! Beth North



AUDIO VISUAL TEAM

Be one of Saint Michael's newest teams! We are looking for some more members to help stream the weekly service - no previous experience necessary, you just need to be somewhat comfortable with technology. Training will be provided, and step by step instructions are by your side to make it even easier.

Young members are encouraged to pursue this as well as we all know they are more tech savvy than most of us adults.....

See **Chris Dunlap** if you want to learn more about this ministry or would like to at least sit with a Sunday technician to see them in action.



Join the Meet & Greet

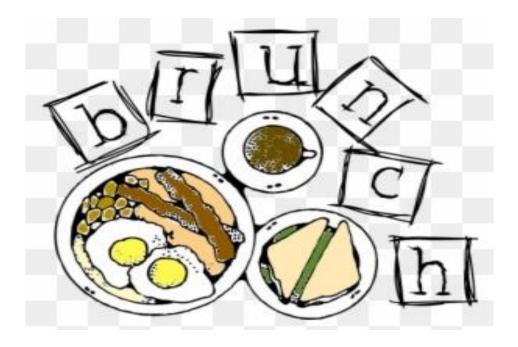
Tuesday April 16, 2024 5:30 to 7:30 Hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer, soft drinks





Join us Sunday April 21st for Mother Jen's First Worship Service at 10:15am

Followed by A Celebration Brunch directly after service!



Please see sign up sheet on table in Narthex!!!



A Farewell Celebration

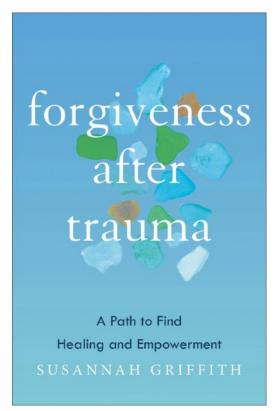
Join us **Sunday April 7th** during and after the Service for a Farewell Celebration honoring **Father Mark** & his family.

Food, Fun and Many memories to Share

Thank you Father Mark for your 20+ months of service to Saint Michael and All Angel's! We will miss you and wish you well!

God Bless You!

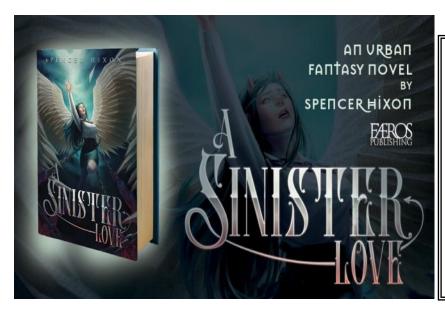
Congratulations to two Saint Michael and All Angels members for their recent published books!





Susannah Griffith–
Forgiveness After Trauma:
A Path to Find Healing
and Empowerment

AND.....





Spencer Hixon-A Sinister Love

Prayers of the People at Saint Michael's



April Birthdays

2nd Kim Van Wasshenhove

3rd Alex Tungate10th Megan Kroll

30th Dinah Hawkins 30th Anita Thomas



If we have missed your Birthday or Anniversary, we are sorry and would love it if you would please see Andi Zavor or contact the church office.

April Anniversaries

6th Tom & Holly Dell

10th Charles & Janet Henkel

11th Rick & Barbara Wilson

29th Rick & Lynne Switalski

30th Jim & Gill Snyder

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)

Anniversaries of our Beloved Departed

1st Lydia Naus

2nd Leonard Tucker

4th Alva Raiford

4th Pamela Chadwick

4th Ruby Sterzik

7th Eugene Kraft

12th Frank D'Ambra

13th Sheila K. Berg

15th Lowell Berg

15th Jean Mitchell

15th Norma Yager

19th Dr. James H. Naus

19th Ronald Roughton

21th Pattricia Derose

22nd Claudia Addison

22nd Jack R. Melton

22nd William Hargreaves

26th Harold Yager

28th Jack Hickey

29th John E. Hargreaves

For Healing, Guidance and Strength

Ren Singleton
Barb Wilson
Susan Slack
Anita Thomas
Michael Thomas
Victoria
Chuck & Devon
John Seehafer
Joyce Frost
Marvin Curtis
Grandma Ma
Charlene Bollman
Joel Blunk
Larry Willoughby

Claire Van Wassenhove
Phil & June Bays
Mike & Cindy
Larry Howe
Tony & Beryl Cockram
Michael Griffith & family
Jim Piechorowski
Jack Mueller
Dr. Bill Kamanda
Brielle Sia Kamanda
Sonja Smith
Clara Furlang
Marcy Cortez

Cericola Family

Readers-Proclaimers, Prayer Leaders

Date	April 7	April 14	April 21	April 28
1st Reading	Acts 4:32-35	Acts 3:12-19	Acts 4:5-12	Acts 8:26-40
Reader	Charlene Bollman	Nnamdi Chikere	Marcy Cortes	Sally Hansen
Psalm	Psalm 133	Psalm 4	Psalm 23	Psalm 22:24-30
2nd Reading	1 John 1:1-2:2	1 John 3:1-7	1 John 3:16-24	1 John 4:7-21
Gospel	John 20:19-31	Luke 24:36b-48	John 10:11-18	John 15:1-8
Prayer Leader for Prayers of the People	Michael Zavor	Nanette Krieger	Sandy Stackhouse	Carol Nickel





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)
April 7	Chris Dunlap	Sharon Fiorella-Treves
April 14	Paul McLeod	Linda Kroll
April 21	Chris Dunlap	Dinah Hawkins Lynne Switalski
April 28	Larry Willoughby	Sandy Stackhouse



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 6th-9th 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.

Supper Club

This club is to give opportunity to become acquainted with the members of our Parish, on a social level. We will be meeting at the church on the 2nd Friday of each month. Dinner will be potluck style each time.

All are welcome to participate.

The sign up shorts will be on one of the Northey tables.

The sign up sheets will be on one of the Narthex tables. Dinner on April 12 @ 7 pm





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Please join us for Brunch following the service

First Worship Service: Sunday, April 21st

Meet and Greet: April 16th at Shery and Colm's House

First Official Day: Monday, April 15th