



St. Michael Catholic Church

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From the Pastor

As I was reading one of my normal 'informational' magazines, I came across an article about our patron saint. That would be, of course, Saint Michael. Actually it was a question about why the three Archangels that we celebrate at the end of this month have a special celebration among the millions of angels. Each of these three angels appears in Sacred Scripture. They have interactions with people, but we should pay more attention to what they do as more important than their names. They offer us an inside look at the mystery of God because they are doing the work of God as messengers.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says: "The whole life of the Church benefits from the mysterious and powerful help of angels. In her liturgy, the Church joins with the angels to adore the thrice-holy God...Moreover, in the 'Cherubic Hymn' of the Byzantine Liturgy, the Church celebrates the memory of certain angels more particularly (Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, Saint Raphael, and the guardian angels). From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession". (CCC 334-336)

Michael is the great protector of the Jewish people in the Book of Daniel and of the Church in the Book of Revelation, particularly in their community encounters with evil. We can be confident that we, too, have God's personal protection with the help of the angels, even amid the terrifying darkness of our personal and community lives. There may be many personal reasons for each of us to pray 'defend us in battle', but we can also remember how Michael and the other angels are intercessors in helping us turn away from the evil one. May we continue to be faithful in our prayers to God with the multitude of intercessors in heaven.

MASS SCHEDULE GIRARD ARMA

Saturday 5:30 pm 4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am 8:00 am

CONFESSION GIRARD ARMA

Saturday 2:00-2:30 pm 3:15-3:45 pm

Before all Masses, anytime by appointment

RECTORY HOURS & INFORMATION

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - Noon

Rectory: (620) 724-8717

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Finance Council Parish Council
Tony Stonerock, Chair TBA
TBA

Altar Society Knights of Columbus
Sept. 25 @ 6pm 1st Tuesday of month
St. Michael's Hall St. Michael's Hhall

Helping Hands Daughters of Isabella
Carrie Smith Marilyn Bradshaw
724-6684 724-7133

Kapaun's Men: Friday mornings at 6am

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Sept. 2 - 10

Date	Day	Time	Intention	Minister
Sept. 2	Saturday	4:00pm	BJ & Pat Billiard	Arma
		5:30pm	Ron Breneman	Girard
3	Sunday	8:00am	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard
4	Monday	No Mass		
5	Tuesday	5:30pm	Connie Morris	Arma
6	Wednesday	6:30pm	Robert Haderlein	Girard
7	Thursday	8:00am	Gertrude McKinney	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
8	Friday	7:00am	Gertrude McKinney	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
9	Saturday	4:00pm	Jack Jarboe	Arma
		5:30pm	Thurma Masser	Girard
10	Sunday	8:00am	Joe & Betty Youvan	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Next Saturday (9/9/17) 5:30 pm	Next Sunday (9/10/17) 10:00 am
Altar Servers:	Brandon & Bailey Leritz	Aydin & Evan Sisney, Isabella Walsh
EMHC:	Rhonda Stonerock	Jerry Hanson
Lector:	Tony Stonerock	Faith Paoni
Gift Bearers	Dave & Mary Twarog	Kerry & Tammy O'Brien family

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

I will be hearing confessions before all Masses; that means I will be in the confessional until 10 Minutes before each Mass, daily and weekend. At the present time I will continue the 2:00pm time in Girard except for Sept 16, Sept 30, and Oct 14 which have weddings at 2:00. - Fr. Floyd

GREENBUSH DAY

The 24th Annual Greenbush Day is Sunday, September 17. Festivities include a hog roast, kiddie tractor pull, music, silent auction, horse rides, open fishing, and fun for all. Hope to see you there! This event is sponsored by the St. Aloysius Historical Society.

ST. MICHAEL'S 2016 FALL BAZAAR

Mark your calendar, the Fall Bazaar will be Sunday, Oct. 22. We have placed last year's food and work list in the entrance of the hall. Please stop by in the next 2 weeks. We need everyone's support to make our Bazaar a success once again. Thank you so much!

CARD SHOWER

The family of Barbara Unrien has asked for cards for her 90th birthday. Her address is Pioneer Ridge, 485 Harbard Rd., Lawrence, KS 66049

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Officers for 2017-2018 are: Linda Degarmo and Joan Davied - Co-presidents; Connie Sponsel - Secretary; Karen Zerngast - Treasurer. All the plans for the Bazaar were put into motion. Save the date: Oct. 22, 2017. The Altar Society also gave money to six organizations for the 2017. Next meeting will be at St. Michael's hall on Sept. 25 to stuff envelopes for the Bazaar. Come and join us. Thank you for all the support!

ELEMENTARY PSR CHANGE

After much prayerful consideration, we plan to return to Wed. afternoon PSR for grades 1-5 this fall. In order to do this, we need volunteers to help serve as catechists, subs and snack helpers. An email was sent to all previously registered elementary PSR families detailing the changes. PSR will begin on Sept 6. Classes will be held until 3:30 pm on Wednesdays. Each family will need to have turned in registration papers prior to Sept. 6 or we will not be able to escort your student from RVH to PSR. Registration forms available in the church and parish hall.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL PSR

The first session of PSR for middle and high school students will be Sept. 6, beginning at 6:30 pm.

COLLECTIONS	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$2,164.00	\$24,354.70
Children's Offering	\$17.00	\$152.51
Expenses		\$5,840.78
Over / (Under)		\$18,666.43
Building Fund Contributions	\$10.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$95,913.81	

MUSICIANS NEEDED

Our PSR programs are looking for musicians willing to share their talents with our parish youth during our PSR/CYM program time. If interested, please contact Fr. McKinney or Michelle Puckett at 620.238.0428.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Teresa Davenport, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred and Marjorie Giefer, Herman Masser, Rosemary O'Toole, Howard Peak, Marie Pyle, Carter Roberts, Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

EMHC TRAINING

Pat Westhoff is offering a Virtus Training Session on Thursday Sept. 7 from 6-9 pm at St. Francis Rectory in St. Paul.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Save the date... there will be a training "update" on Wed., Oct. 25 from 6:30-8:30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Daughters of Isabella will meet Tuesday, Sept. 12 at St. Francis Hall at 7:30pm. The meeting will open with spiritual reading on St. Gabriel by Chancellor, Lois Corn. September is the month for election of officers. Ladies, a reminder to bring your school supplies for our "Little Kids Drive". Also, be thinking about our scholarship awards. Applications are open to any Member's Senior daughter or granddaughter. More information forthcoming. A fun September meeting will be hosted by Jolene Born, Linda DeGarmo, Joan Davied and Jane Schibi. Come and enjoy a fun evening.

CRAFT DAY

We will do craft day the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month. It will be from 8:30 until 1:30.

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