

St. Michael Church
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Sunday, Jan, 14th, 2024

St. Joseph Church
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St. Michael Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:30 P.M.
Sunday: 10:00 A.M.

Confessions:

Saturday: 2:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Adoration: Friday 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.



St. Joseph Mass Times:

Saturday: 4:00 P.M.
Sunday: 8:00 A.M.

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

Adoration: Thursday 8:30 AM -12:30 P.M.

St. Michael

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Welcome Newcomers

With great joy, we welcome you to our parish family. We invite you to call the Rectory to register.

Baptism

Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.
Baptismal preparation is required before
your first baby is baptized in the parish.

OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
is a process for those interested in
becoming Catholic or those
inquiring about the Church.
Please call the rectory.

Bulletin

Please have all bulletin items in the
parish rectory by Noon on Wednesday.

Matrimony

Make an appointment with Father before setting your date
of marriage at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

If you're approaching surgery or facing significant illness,
connect with Father to receive the Anointing of the Sick.
(a source of comfort and Spiritual renewal.)

Mass Schedule & Intentions Jan. 13th – Jan. 21th, 2024

Saturday	1/13	4:00 PM (Arma) 5:30 PM (Girard)	† Sharon Cizerle Richard Saporito
Sunday	1/14	8:00 AM (Arma) 10:00 AM (Girard)	† Pro Populo Kevin O'Brien
Monday	1/15	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	1/16	5:30 PM (Arma)	† Bill Harman & Linda Davied
Wednesday	1/17	6:30 PM (Girard)	† Daughters of Isabella
Thursday	1/18	8:00 AM (Arma)	† Rick Bland
Friday	1/19	7:30 AM (Girard)	† Carly Carnes Twarog
Saturday	1/20	4:00 PM (Arma) 5:30 PM (Girard)	† Helen Normand Pro Populo
Sunday	1/21	8:00 AM (Arma) 10:00 AM (Girard)	† Bill Harman & Linda Davied Marjorie Geifer

Dates of Importance

Jan. 14: St. Joseph remove Decorations
Jan. 16: St. Michael Parish Council
Jan. 17: First Reconciliation
Jan. 21: Right of Acceptance

Baptism



*We would like to offer
congratulations to the family of:
Esther Fayelynn Goble
in celebrating the
Holy Sacrament of Baptism.*

First Reconciliation

Pray for our first communicants as they make
their first reconciliation on
January 17 at 7:00 P.M.

Congratulations!



Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	<u>Saturday (1/20)</u>	<u>Saturday (1/20)</u>	<u>Sunday (1/21)</u>	<u>Sunday (1/21)</u>
	<u>4:00 PM</u>	<u>5:30 PM</u>	<u>8:00AM</u>	<u>10:00 AM</u>
<u>Altar Servers</u>	Volunteers	Nolan Leonard	Volunteers	Aiden Ashbacher Andrew Graham Seth Wilson
<u>EME</u>	Volunteer	Linda DeGarmo	Terry Cleland	Anna Goble
<u>Lector</u>	Anna Meyer	Nancy Bauer	Linda Broyles	Michelle Puckett
<u>Gifts</u>	Joe & Linda Broyles	Josh & Julye Smith Family	Mike & Janet Ashbacher	Kerry & Tammie O'Brien
<u>Ushers</u>	Pat Westhoff Volunteer	Dave Garrett (Lead Usher)	Ron Black Joyce Klinkon	Bob Davied (Lead Usher)

Bible Study

Father offers a Bible Study for anyone that would like to attend.

They are being offered in both parishes on Tuesdays.

10:00 A.M. in St. Michael Hall

4:15 P.M. in St. Joseph Rectory

We hope to see you there!



Scan this QR code,
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activities for children.



St. Michael Collections:

	<u>Last 2 Weeks</u>	<u>July 2023 to Date</u>
Contributions:	\$3,056	\$106,465.29
Expenses:	\$ -	\$133,076.89
Over/(Under)		(\$26,611.60)



St. Joseph Collections:

	<u>Last 2 Week</u>	<u>July 2023 to Date</u>
Contributions:	\$1,912	\$37,605.40
Expenses:	\$ -	\$59,742.32
Over/(Under)		(\$22,136.92)

St. Michael Parish Council Meeting

St. Michael Parish Council will have a meeting on January 16th, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

St. Joseph (Christmas Decorations)

The Christmas decorations in the church will be taken down after the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, January 14. All volunteer help is always appreciated.

Daughters of Isabella

Daughters of Isabella, St. Luke Circle, will not have a meeting in January.

Winter weather cancellations:

In the event of inclement winter weather, If Girard or Arma Schools cancel classes, then our additional church activities will also be canceled. (Bible study, RCIA, PSR, Adoration...). This **does not** include weekend masses, which will still be offered.

*Cancellations will also be posted on our church Facebook pages.

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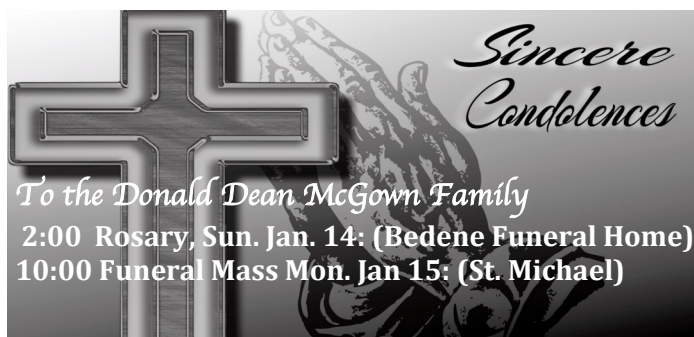
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Celebrating Right of Acceptance

On **January 21st**, we will formally be recognizing our candidates in preparation of joining the Catholic Church. We invite your prayers for them as they undergo their final weeks of preparation.



Understanding the Mass (by Father Vacca)

#18 The Bible says a great deal about money and about tithing to support the Church. "Abram gave a tenth of everything" he had.

But the Bible goes further than just implying that we give God and Church only a percentage of what we have; the Biblical attitude is that everything we have is God's. We are the ones on borrowed time; we make temporary use of God's creation. We enter this world with nothing and we leave with nothing. It is all blessing and gift from the Lord.

So when the Offertory basket passes by, it's not about what can I spare to part with; instead, it's an act of thanksgiving to God for all that we have. Like the Parable of the Talents, we give thanks for His gifts and we return it back to Him 100 or 60 or 40-fold.

The early Christians not only shared what they had with the whole community, especially those in need, but they provided the bread and wine to be used in worship. Today, we don't bring bread from home, but the Offertory gifts include the bread and wine for worship as well as our financial support for parish functioning and charity.

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Martin Luther King Jr.

Jan. 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968



ML King's Legacy: A Good Lesson For All Today

On Monday, our nation will observe Martin Luther King Day. It occurs on the 3rd Monday of January each year; in fact, this MLK Day arrives exactly on his birthday! Born on Jan. 15, 1929, he would have been 95 years old. He was the son of a long line of Baptist ministers. He grew up in Atlanta, GA, at a time when Jim Crow laws, mainly in the South, made segregation & discrimination a daily reality for African Americans residing there. He attended Boston University's School of Theology & received his Doctor's Degree. He became an iconic (revered) figure of the 1960s. In August, 1963, he delivered his now famous "I Have A Dream" speech to more than 200,000 people gathered at the Lincoln Memorial in our nation's capital. Here, King stated that "all people should be judged, not by the color of their SKIN, but by the content of their CHARACTER."

Dr. King's leadership led to the overall success of the civil rights movement of the 1960s & continues to impact civil rights today. His legacy provides us a firm model as to how to combat inequality today and we know that inequalities still exist. But in 2008, U.S. citizens elected an African American president and re-elected him in 2012. African Americans serve at all levels of government from Congress to the Supreme Court. And yet we're aware that race problems do exist today. More could be gained if we focused on improving our families & seeing to it that our children receive a good educational experience. Race problems in our nation have little to do with slavery and everything to do with the culture we live in -- TV, movies, social media and the Hollywood culture-- that often negatively influence our kids but they do very little to encourage them to a better, moral life. If he were here, ML King would be the first to lead a movement toward a better life for young people by improving the home & the school.

- Marcel Normand



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