

Tri Parish Catholic Faith Community

To Learn, Live and Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ



St. Michael

11400 Farmers Lane NE
Greenville IN 47124
812-364-6646
(1835)



St. Bernard

7600 Highway 337 NW
Depauw IN 47115
812-347-2326
(1847)



St. Joseph

341 S SR 66
Marengo IN 47140
812-347-2326
(1885)

Reconciliation

Monday 5:30 pm St. Bernard
Tuesday 5:30 pm St. Michael
Saturday 3:15 pm St. Michael

Other times available upon request

Baptism

Preparation class for parents required, contact parish office.

Marriage

Six months preparation required, contact parish office.

Sick/Shut-ins

Please call the parish office to request anointing of the sick and for home visits.

New Parishioners

Contact the parish office for registration or pick up a form at the entrance to church and return to the parish office in the collection basket. We would love to have you become an official part of our parish family.

Priestly and Religious Vocations

Contact Vocations Director/Archdiocese of Indianapolis at 1-800-382-9836, ext. 1490.

Combined Parish Staff

Rev. Aaron Pfaff - Pastor - 812-364-6646
E-mail: aaronpfaff@gmail.com

Deacon John Jacobi - Director of Religious Education
Faith Formation Office - 812-364-6173
E-mail: johnjacobi@mw.twcbc.com

Website: www.saintmichaelschurch.net

Mass Schedule This Week

Sunday	8:30 am	St. Bernard
	9:15 am	St. Joseph
	10:30 am	St. Michael
Monday	4:00 pm	St. Bernard
	6:00 pm	St. Michael
Tuesday	12:00 am	St. Michael
	12:00 am	St. Joseph
	10:30 am	St. Michael
Wednesday	9:00 am	St. Bernard
Thursday	NO MASS	
Friday	9:00 am	St. Michael
Saturday	4:00 pm	St. Michael

St. Michael

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 3:00 pm
 Mailing Address: 11400 Farmers Lane, Greenville IN 47124
 Phone: 812-364-6646 Fax: 812-364-6614

Barb Rainbolt – Parish Secretary
 st.michaels@mw.twcbc.com

Beth Gettelfinger – Pre-School
 Pre-school Phone – 812-620-2807

Tim Murner – Director of Music
 tmurner1@gmail.com

Saturday	Dec 22	4:00 PM	Jane Pruitt
Sunday	Dec 23	10:30 AM	Rita Brown
Monday- Christmas Eve	Dec 24	6:00 PM	The Krider Family Living & Deceased
Tuesday – Midnight Mass	Dec 25	12:00 AM	Marie Schroeder
Tuesday – Christmas Day	Dec 25	10:30 AM	BJ Gettelfinger
Friday	Dec 28	9:00 AM	Harlan Uhl
Saturday	Dec 29	4:00 PM	Sally Gettelfinger
Sunday	Dec 30	10:30 AM	Jim Uhl

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

*Christmas Eve

December 24th, 4:00 p.m. – St. Bernard
 December 24th, 6:00 p.m. – St. Michael


*Christmas

December 25th, Midnight Mass – St. Joseph
 December 25th, Midnight Mass – St. Michael
 December 25th, 10:30 a.m. – St. Michael

*Mary, Mother of God – Holy Day of Obligation

December 31st, 4:00 p.m. – St. Bernard
 January 1st, 9:15 a.m. – St. Joseph
 January 1st, 10:30 a.m. – St. Michael

THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

 Rose Kiefer, Anna Kaelin, Wanda Gehm, Lenny Alderman, Julie Payne, Ann Lillpop, Priscilla Gettelfinger, Matthew Kruer, Marie Schroeder, Jack Dohoney, Debbie Jones, Colette Murray, Casey Shaw, Marty Rouck, Juanita Kiesler, Joanne Kochert, Mary Drabek, Linda Rothrock, Steve Brockman, Mary Lu Dietrich, Matthew Marino, Gretchen Hammett, Jaxon Nutini, Ovada Habermel, Jerry Jacobi, Kyle Costello

Please Pray for Our Military & Their Families

CPO Johnathan Akers, Danny Baker, Tyler Hall, Lt. Col. Scott Schroeder, Zachary Shinkle, Matt Train, William Gilmer, Mark Snapp, Brad Missi, Rebecca Gleitz

Church Office will be closed December 24, 25 & 27.

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE:

December 29 & 30, 2018

Saturday: 4:00 PM

EM (8 needed – Deacon John and Fr. Aaron count as 2) Juanita Brockman, Nadine Kaelin, Sharon Laufer, Donna Newton, Rina Rouck, Linda Smith

L (2 needed): Donna Newton, Tina Rouck

S: Sheila McIntyre

SVRS: Isabelle Abner, Olivia Abner

U: Melvin Jacobi, Leo Kaelin, Syl Kaelin, Matt Nealy

M: Quintet: Tim, Kathy, Vickie, Susan, GERALYN

Sunday: 10:30 AM

EM (8 needed – Deacon John and Fr. Aaron count as 2) Kim Renneker, Zach Robbins, Adriana Roll, Jared Willis, Kathy Atkins, Katy Casper

L: (2 needed): Christy Jones, Karen Krider

S: Rick Elder

SVRS: Goerge Voll, Samantha Voll

U: Dana & Ryan Hall, Bob & Yvonne Haller

M: All Musicians

The Week Ahead:

Sunday - Soup and Psalms at St. Michael 5:00 p.m.

Monday – Office Closed

- Children's Christmas Mass 6:00 PM

Tuesday – Midnight Mass

- 10:30 AM Christmas Mass

Wednesday –

Thursday – Office Closed

Friday – Office Closed

Saturday –

Next Sunday –

Church Directory

It's time to get a new Directory made. Our first set of dates, here at St. Michael, will be January 9-12, 2019. Please start planning! We will have sign ups in the back of Church and On-line registration. You may also call the office at 812-364-6646 to get registered.

Weekly Collection: December 16, 2018

Sun. Collection: \$ 9,221.00
Needed for Budget: \$ 7,134.65
Difference: + \$ 2,086.35

Year End Giving Note: If you are wanting to give a donation to St. Michael for your 2018 taxes, please make sure it is in the office by the morning of December 31st to count in this year's giving. Any money received into the office after will be on next year's report.

A Heartfelt Thank You

We want to thank everyone who sent us cards or keep us in their thoughts and prayers with the death of my brother Donald Drake. We appreciated it more than you will ever know. Thank you,
Judy and David Hollensead

St. Michael Food Pantry

Our current needs: **All Food** – We are getting very, very low. Toilet Paper, Paper Towel, Diapers: Size 4 & 5, all Toiletries, and Cleaning Supplies.

Gently Used Items

If you ever have household items, beds, towels, kitchen items, furniture etc. that you want to get rid

of, please let us know. With St. Vincent de Paul, we are always in homes of families who could use these. Please keep all our St. Vincent de Paul families in your prayers.

Retrouvaille Weekend for your marriage!

February 15-17, 2019 are the next dates for the Louisville/Southern Indiana community to attend a Retrouvaille weekend. Give your marriage one more chance.

This weekend will provide a set of tools that can save your marriage. Call 502-479-3329; email: 3012@retrouvaille.org; or go to www.helpourmarriage.org for more information.

Mount St. Francis Job Opportunity

Part-time Housekeeper needed at Mount St Francis. Schedule is 18 hours a week averaged for the year. Candidate needs to be available Mondays, Fridays, and some Wednesdays during the busy season (September - May). Desired start date is January 7, 2019.

Email Resumés to retreatdir@mountsaintfrancis.org

St. Mary Job Opportunity

St. Mary Catholic Church, New Albany, has an opening for a part-time Coordinator of Liturgical Music. Must be a practicing Catholic with competence both in music and liturgy. Needs to work well with staff and other liturgical ministers. Submit resume to Ruth Houghton, 415 E. Eighth St., New Albany, IN 47150 or ruth@stmarysna.org.

St. Bernard

Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8:30 am – 2:30 pm
Mailing Address: 7600 Highway 337 NW, Depauw IN 47115
Phone: 812-347-2326 Fax: 812-347-2172

Michelle Whittaker – Parish Secretary – SaintBernardCatholicChurch@gmail.com

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday:	December 23	8:30 am	Nicholas Mauck
Monday:	December 24	4:00 pm	Herman & Elizabeth Briscoe
Wednesday:	December 26	9:00 am	Parishioner Intentions
Sunday:	December 30	8:30 am	Charles Mauck

Reconciliation: Mondays from 5:30 pm – 5:50 pm

**Last Week's
Collection
Totaled
\$3,630.00.**

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, December 23

(L) Anne Robertson
(EM) Anne Robertson
John & Ronda Petrygian
(S) Ryan Colin, Colin Griffith

Monday, December 24

(L) Veronica Battista
(EM) Eric Sieg, Mike Bary
2 Volunteers Still Needed
(S) Chloe & Brady Sieg, Marie Meyer

Sunday, December 30

(L) Nina McClelland
(EM) Mike Bary, Eric Sieg,
Nina McClelland
(S) Brady Sieg, Michael James



Please keep in your prayers:

Olive Sarles, Jacob Thieneman, Linda Magill, Donna Schellenberger, David Mauck, Veronica Battista, Michelle Wiseman, Jim Nolot, Addley Gaines, Jean Newton, Sharon Bary, Rhonda Day, Larry Colin, Juanita Hughes, Wayne Smith, Sharon Patton, Julia Griffith, Jeff Mauck, Greg Byerley, Sandy Sieg, Michael Briscoe, Bryant Otto, Carolyn Cline.

Choir practice today at 3:00 pm.

The parish office will be closed until Wednesday, January 2nd.

St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities – If you have not returned your baby bottle, you may still do so by leaving them in the basket at the entrance to church.

The carpets in church were cleaned. Please be mindful and wipe your feet when entering the buildings.

New Combined Church Directory including all three parishes – Save the DATE!!

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2019 Calendars are at the entrance to church.

The new schedule for **Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers** is at the entrance to church and in the narthex. Please pick up your copy.

All contributions that you wish to show up on your 2018 Contribution Statement need to be submitted no later than the Christmas Eve service on the 24th. Anything made after that date will show on the 2018 contribution year. St. Bernard parish office will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: If North Harrison Schools are on a 2 hour delay or cancelled there will be NO weekday morning Mass here or at St. Michael's. If the roads have been cleared by the evening Masses, there will be Mass in the evening.

Volunteers are needed for Ministers for the Christmas Eve Mass.

St. Joseph

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Michelle Whittaker – Parish Secretary – SaintBernardCatholicChurch@gmail.com

Father Fred Denison – Attended By

Parish Rosary 1-6-19 at 8:40 am before Mass

Sunday : December 23 9:15 am
Mass Intention: Loretta Robertson

Sunday : December 30 9:16 am
Mass Intention: Dan Robertson

Today 12/23/18

Offertory: Angela Crecelius
Lectors: Tom and Laura Zipp
Servers: Ashley Fow / Sarah Fow
Greeters: Charlie Totten / Richard Newton
Eucharist Ministers: Karen Eaton /
Wanda Beam / Errol Toney

12/30/18

Offertory: Carley Family
Lectors: Eric Toney and Errol Toney
Servers: Ashley Fow / Sarah Fow
Greeters: Johnnie Senn Graves
Eucharist Ministers: Imogene Talley/
Laura Zipp / Greg Wilhite



Please keep in your prayers:

Charlie Totten, Theresa Martin,
Terri Ward, Butch Carley, Jackie
Carley, Gail Reyling, Imogene
Talley, Carol Will, Richard Will, Father Fred, Mike
Trusty, George Haendiges, Francis Powell, Monty and
Mary Garrett, Delores Eisfelder, Jane Newton, Sawyer
Polen, Jerry Amoroso, Frank Neckar, Jane Zipp and all
those suffering in any way.

Our Military Family Members:

Tom Shawler, Jr., Hannah Bradley, Chris Eaton



Family and Friends of our parish members:

Paul Panozzo, Michael Will, Elmer Ray Jenkins— Connie
Conklin's father; Jamie Craig—Barb Flispart's son-in-
law, Carol Goins —Tom Zipp's sister, Adeline Talley—
Imogene Talley's granddaughter, Butch Carley's mother
— Ruth Norton, Angela Crecelius's nephew — Martin
Gabel, Ann Phillips son — Ronnie Phillips, Mary Lee
Sneed's brother — Victor Dubois, Raymond Jones, Brian
Bauer, Robin Bowman, Joni Shaw - Patty Reyling's
sister, and all Prayer Requests in the Prayer Book.

12-16-18 Collection Totaled: \$749.00

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*Please be Reverent and Quiet before Mass. Please be
considerate of others in prayer and meditation.
Thank You!*



**The Christmas Candy Cane originated in Germany about 250 years ago.
They started as straight white sugar sticks.**

A story says that a choirmaster in 1670 was worried about the children sitting quietly all through the long Christmas nativity service. So he gave them something to eat to keep them quiet! As he wanted to remind them of Christmas, he made them into a 'J' shape like a shepherd's crook, to remind them of the shepherds that visited the baby Jesus at the first Christmas. However, the earliest records of 'candy canes' comes from over 200 years later, so the story, although rather nice, probably isn't true!

Sometime around 1900 the red stripes were added and they were flavored with peppermint or wintergreen. Sometimes other Christian meanings are giving to the parts of the canes. The 'J' can also mean Jesus. The white of the cane can represent the purity of Jesus Christ and the red stripes are for the blood he shed when he died on the cross. The peppermint flavor can represent the hyssop plant that was used for purifying in the Bible. Around 1920, Bob McCormack, from Georgia, USA, started making canes for his friends and family. They became more and more popular and he started his own business called Bob's Candies. Bob McCormack's brother-in-law, Gregory Harding Keller, who was a Catholic priest, invented the 'Keller Machine' that made turning straight candy sticks into curved candy canes automatically! In 2005, Bob's Candies was bought by Farley and Sathers but they still make candy canes!

E-mail bulletin submission to: st.joseph.marengo.bulletin@gmail.com

Faith Formation News for St. Bernard and St. Michael Churches

Faith Formation Office Hours are: St. Michael Church - Tuesday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Fridays 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. and St. Bernard Church – Fridays 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Faith Formation News:

Upcoming Faith Formation Classes at St. Michael and St. Bernard:

December 23	No Faith Formation Classes – Christmas Break
December 30	No Faith Formation Classes – Christmas Break
January 6	FF Classes – Grades Pre-School – Grade 12
January 13	FF Classes – Grades Pre-School – Grade 12



Prepare the Way

An Advent Journey for Our Parish

Week Four: The Last Things

Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell are not necessarily topics that people like to think of or discuss. However, at the end of time, Christ will come again in glory, our bodies will be resurrected, and all humanity will face the Last Judgment, in which the truth of each man's relationship with God will be made known and the consequences of each person's actions will be revealed. Are we preparing ourselves for this moment?

This week, login to formed.org, go to the "Study" section and watch *Prepare the Way, Session 10*.



FORMED

Formed in Advent! During the 4th Week of Advent we will study Week Four of our Prepare the Way study through Formed. This week we will study the "Last Things" and ask ourselves "What happens after we die?" If you haven't yet signed up for Formed go to our parish website at www.st.michaelschurch.net and click on the formed registration banner. After registering, go to FORMED.org then enter your email and password or enter through our parish portal at www.saintmichaelchurch.formed.org You can also download the free app to your mobile device.

Soup and Psalms – All are invited to join us for our last Soup and Psalms at St. Michael Church on December 23rd. We will gather in the Church for Evening Prayer and then everyone is invited to join us for some delicious soups!



Thursday Morning Bible Study – Our Thursday Morning Bible Study at St. Michael will not meet this Thursday. Our next gathering will be on January 3rd, at 9:30 a.m. in the Faith Formation Center when we study "Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist. All adults at St. Michael, St. Bernard, & St. Joseph are welcome to join us anytime!

Children's Christmas Play – Please join us for our Children/s Christmas Play on December 24th before the Christmas Vigil Mass (starting at 5:15 p.m.). They will present the play "A Christmas Play." Join us! **Parents:** Please have your child who is in the play in the lower level of the church at 4:50 p.m. to get into their costumes.



Epiphany Play – The children at St. Bernard will have Epiphany play practice on January 3rd at 6:00 p.m. and on January 5th at 10:00 a.m. in the church.

Senior Gathering – We will not have a Senior Gathering in December. Our next gathering will be on Wednesday, January 23rd at St. Michael. We will gather at noon for mid-day prayer and then everyone is invited to bring something to share for lunch. All parishioners from St. Michael, St. Bernard, & St. Joseph are invited to attend.

Men's Group – The Men's Group will not meet in December. Our next gathering at St. Michael will be on Sunday, January 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the faith formation center. We will continue our reflection on "Into the Breach," a pastoral letter from Bishop Olmsted, the Bishop of Phoenix, to the men of his diocese. Come join us as we walk together to grow spiritually as Catholic Men.

Youth Ministry News:

Sr. High Lock – In – All high school youth in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for our Lock-In on January 11th – 12th. We will gather at 7:00 p.m. on the 11th and finish up by 10 a.m. on the 12th. We will play volleyball, basketball, other games, eat loads of pizza, and enjoy each other's company. The cost of the event is \$10.00. The deadline to sign up is January 6th.

Youth Liturgical Team will meet on January 13th at 5:00 p.m. in the Faith Formation Center.

Youth Activities Team will meet on January 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Faith Formation Center.

SUMMIT High School Senior Christian Awakening Retreat - Feb. 21-24, 2019 at Mt. St. Francis. You've made it to your SENIOR YEAR! You're almost to the SUMMIT. Once you're there what do you see? **More mountains!** On this retreat, you will have an opportunity to prepare for the difficulties you will face in college and the real world. This retreat is a chance for you to grow deeper in love with Christ and His Church, knowing that our ultimate end is the Heavenly SUMMIT!! The SUMMIT is four days of authentic encounters, formation, fellowship, and FUN! Deadline to register is **Feb. 8, 2019**. Registration forms can be picked up in the Faith Formation Office.

Deanery Retreats for High School Youth. Be sure to put these dates on your calendar!

TO THE HEIGHTS for Freshman, Sophomore and Juniors Mar. 29-31, 2019

THE JAM for Middle School Apr. 5-6, 2019

Young Adult News:

Encounter! College students age 18 -22 every Thursday. Come out to Mount St. Francis to Catholic Youth Ministries for a dynamic community seeking the face of Christ in the life of the Church...Oh, yeah and the food is delicious! 7-9 pm. Contact Philip 812-923-8355 or Philip@nadyouth.org

Theology on Tap Jan. 8th Head out to Wick's in New Albany, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. to grab a pizza special and hear straight talk and honest answers to your questions about faith, love, work and other real-life experiences. All are welcome, Catholic or not! Bring your friends and meet other young adults for 2/\$25 pizza specials from 6:30-7:15 pm with a talk and Q/A to follow from 7:15-8:30 pm. Hosted by Catholic Youth Ministries, 812-923-8355.

ABIDE is a night of Adoration, Reflection, Confession, and Praise at Mount St. Francis Chapel starting at 7 pm - 9 pm on Tuesday, January 15th. There will be childcare available at Catholic Youth Ministries office on location. All of our sitters are Safe Sitter trained.

Question of the Week for the 4th Sunday of Advent:

Question for Children: How does the Blessed Virgin Mary help you to follow Jesus?

Question for Youth: When have you experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit?

Question for Adults: What role does Mary play in your own spirituality? If you were Elizabeth, how would you greet her at your doorway, if she were to arrive there?

