From the Principal’s Desk: Mrs. Laurie Cathcart

DON’T FORGET • We have entered the month of October so that means this is the last month of wearing shorts until May. No School on Friday, Oct. 11th. The teachers will be attending a conference at Lansing Catholic High School on the topic of Building Intercultural Competence.

NWEA • Our first test session of standardized testing continues until October 15th. Please continue avoiding doctor appointments and providing a healthy breakfast each morning to help fuel the brain.

SPIRIT WEAR • YEAH! School spirit wear order form is in the messenger. Please make checks out to Grand APPS, LCC. Forms can be turned into the school office. Keep in mind that children are allowed to wear crew neck spirit wear sweatshirts over a collared shirt on any given day especially during the colder months. Hooded spirit wear sweatshirts are only allowed on Spirit Wear Fridays.

One more reminder, whenever there is an all school mass on FRIDAYS, uniform attire is required. This means no spirit wear for the week.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITY • If a member in your family or friend needs prayers, feel welcome to enter his or her name or even special intention. Our prayer intentions each morning refer to the prayer book which is located outside Mrs. Mooney’s office.

THANK YOU MRS. MOONEY & FAMILIES • A huge thank you goes out to Mrs. Mooney and all the students and their families for making the Race For Faith last Friday a huge success. You all raised $6,024. This has broken last year’s record. I love seeing the commitment our school families show every year to this fundraiser. You are ALL amazing!

PICTURE RETAKE DAY IS OCTOBER 23 • If you would like your child to have picture retakes, please pay particular attention to the time that Picture.com will be in the school. Preschool parents, if your child does not attend on Oct. 23, you will need to bring your child in anytime between 8-10:30 am on that day. It would be helpful if you can let your child’s teacher know that retakes are wanted.

MSU CONCESSIONS • Thank you to all volunteers during the Football season. The basketball season is right around the corner as well. Keep your eye open for the sign up genius and please volunteer if you can help out. Expect a phone call from your child’s room rep. They have offered to help with recruiting volunteers if needed. Thanks in advance for your support. The monies raised go directly back to your child’s education.

Our mission at St. Michael Catholic School is to shape each individual to be in union with Jesus Christ by creating a learning community built upon a foundation of Catholic faith.
Congratulations Most Virtuous Students

Congratulations to the following students who received the Most Virtuous Student of the Month award for September. They celebrated by enjoying a pizza lunch on Tuesday, October 1st.

PRESCHOOL— Lucas Orzula, Eli Smith, Blantley Bliesener
KINDERGARTEN— Isabella Messina
FIRST GRADE— McKinley Jandernoa
SECOND GRADE— AvaSofia Frazier
THIRD GRADE— Ryan Vieth
FOURTH GRADE— Padraig Brege
FIFTH GRADE— Maria Walczak
SIXTH GRADE— Audrea Hufnagle
SEVENTH GRADE— Ryan Bouck
EIGHTH GRADE— Joe McCrackin

MSU Men’s Basketball Games

Our school is volunteering at MSU Men’s Basketball games again this season. I’ve listed a few dates & times that we need volunteers, more to follow: Sign-up Genius will be sending out notifications very soon.

October 29 and arrive at 4:30pm
November 10 and arrive at 4:30pm
November 18 and arrive at 4pm

MSU provides free parking and a free food item while working the event. All volunteers (including 14-18 year olds) need to have a background check at no cost. The permission to allow MSU to run a check can be completed by filling out an on-line application. Only one background check per person is needed during the 2018-19 year. Here is the link for the background check and the online application to allow MSU to run a background check is a simple process. Just go to https://concessions.rhs.msu.edu/volunteer-application-and-background-check-authorization-form.

For additional information, or a calendar of all upcoming events, please contact Lisa Fox at LFox@mea.org. This will be a huge money maker for St. Michael School and we need your help!! Thank you in advance for becoming a member of our St. Michael Concessions Team!
Thank you everyone for making Race for Faith Color Run a huge success! Many thanks to the volunteers, Mrs Elder (co-chair), family pledge donations, and St. Michael teachers and Mrs. Cathcart for your willingness to get blasted in so many ways!! Thanks to everyone’s dedication to our school we were able to raise $6,024 dollars!! I am just blown away by your generosity and huge support, small school with a big heart!!
Archery Club

Archery is back!! Students 4th-8th grade are welcome to practice archery after school every Wednesday in October. Permission slips were sent home with students last week. If you have any questions, please call Jean Reverman at 627-6204.

**Dates:**
- Oct. 9th
- Oct. 16th
- Oct. 23rd
- Oct. 30th
Our MSU Concessions team is looking for volunteers for the **MSU Football game** on October 26, 2019. MSU provides free parking and a free food item while working the event. All volunteers (including 14-18 year olds) need to have a background check at no cost. The permission to allow MSU to run a check can be completed by filling out an on-line application. Only one background check per person is needed during the 2019-20 year. The online application to allow MSU to run a background check is a simple process. The background check link follows:


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**Reconciliation and Eucharistic Preparation**

**St. Michael School and Parish Calendar**

**Dates for Reconciliation and First Holy Eucharist Preparation**

All workshops are held in the St Michael Parish Fellowship Hall, Thursdays at 6:00 pm.

- **Reconciliation**
  - September 19 Parent Orientation
  - October 17 Parent/Child Workshop I
  - November 21 Parent/Child Workshop II
  - **December 5 First Reconciliation Celebration** in the Church, 6:00 pm

- **Eucharist**
  - January 16 Parent Orientation
  - February 20 Parent/Child Workshop I
  - March 19 Parent/Child Workshop II
  - April 30 Pictures and Practice, Church, 6:00 pm
  - May 2 **First Eucharist Celebration** in the Church, 4:30 pm OR
  - May 3 **First Eucharist Celebration** in the Church, 8:30 am and 11:00 am

For more information please contact Jennifer Nelson, Coordinator of Family/Child/RCIA at 627-8493 or email: jennifernelson@stmichaelgl.org
Hello everyone,

We had a great Bounce House family event. It was so nice getting to meet some of the new families and students. We hope your family enjoyed the event! Here are a couple of pictures from the day. We are always looking for new ideas for our PTO events so if you have an idea please consider sharing with us and we’ll see if we can make that happen. Our next event is Trunk or Treat later this month. It’s a great time for the kids. Just decorate your “trunk” and the kids can enjoy trick or treating in the parish/school parking lot. We will have pumpkin decorating and a best trunk contest! **It’s free…just bring candy to pass out!** Reach out to us if you have any questions.

**Upcoming PTO events**

**October 16th PTO Meeting**

**October 19th PTO Trunk or Treat (St. Michael Community only)**

If you’re interested in attending a PTO meeting to see what we’re all about reach out to your room rep or just plan to attend our next PTO Meeting on October 16th, 2019. PTO Meetings are generally the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the school library.
PTO Committee

Heather Klopp, PTO President
Laura Vieth, Treasurer

Amy Korte, Vice President
Tricia Smith, Secretary

Room Reps:
Preschool Tu/Th   Brianna Smith
Preschool MWF   Nikki Brown
Preschool M-Th/F Renee Moore
Kindergarten   Sarah Montero
1st Gr.        Grace Keyes
2nd Gr.        Candice Messina
3rd Gr. Rashmi Travis
4th Gr. Jill Dawson
5th Gr. Ondrea Bernard/Alison Walczak
6th Gr. Kurt Gorski
7th Gr. Dawn Goodman
8th Gr. Rose McCrackin/Laurie Thorpe

Please feel free to contact us at stmichaelglpto@gmail.com or check us out on our Facebook page at St. Michael Catholic School PTO.

Healthy Kids in Action

Healthy Kids Camp has been meeting after school enjoying exercise and games with Mrs. Simon. Big shout out to Mrs. Schulte and Drew Birchmeier for volunteering!!
LANSING CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PROSPECTIVE FAMILY NIGHT

Wednesday, October 16, 2019
6:30pm - 8:30pm

6:30-7:00PM - TOUR THE SCHOOL
7:05-7:15PM - WELCOME
7:20-7:35PM - BREAKOUT SESSION 1
7:40-7:55 PM - BREAKOUT SESSION 2
8:00-8:30PM - QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

Choose two of four breakout sessions: Curriculum, Tuition & Assistance, College Planning, and Athletics & Extracurriculars

501 Marshall Street, Lansing, MI 48912 | 517-267-2102
Register online at: www.lansingcatholic.org

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Trick or Treat & Costume Concert

Thursday, October 24, 2019

TRICK OR TREAT | 6:30PM
CONCERT | 7:00PM

Lansing Catholic High School
501 Marshall St.
Lansing, MI 48912

Combined Middle School & LCBS Band
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### Payment:
Check: __________, Credit Card: Please call 517-489-8837

Make checks out to Grand Apps, LLC

**Possibility of color not being available, you will be notified if this is the case.
**December 1st cut off in order to make before Christmas
September 25, 2019

Dear St. Michael Family,

The Funeral Ministry at St. Michael is looking for student volunteers willing to serve as acolytes for funeral masses. This is a great opportunity for students to exercise their stewardship and to show support for our parish family members.

A typical time commitment for funeral liturgies is one and a half hours – one hour for the actual funeral mass and fifteen minutes before and after. Students who volunteer for this ministry will serve based on their availability and on a rotating basis. If the funeral is during the school year, I will first contact the teachers to ensure the student will not miss any important event in class. The parent will then be contacted to grant permission. It is the student’s responsibility to make up any missed work if the liturgy is during the school year. In order to serve a funeral mass, the student must be a trained server for weekend liturgies. I will be holding a training session on Tuesday, October 8th, from 12:00-1pm, for those who sign up.

I encourage students to take advantage of this wonderful service opportunity. If you’re interested, please complete the bottom half of this letter and turn it into the school office by October 4, 2019. Please feel free to contact me or Father Jim with any questions.

Many blessings,

Kellee Birchmeier
Pastoral Minister to Homebound & Funeral Ministry
517-627-8493 x16 | kelleebirchmeier@stmichaelsgl.org

I give __________________________ permission to serve funeral liturgies.  

student name

Preferred method of contact: ____________________________  

cell, email, text – please list contact information

Please indicate preference:

☐ Any funeral  ☐ School day funeral  ☐ Saturday/Summer funeral

Parent signature: ____________________________  Date: ____________