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St. Bernard

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(1847)



St. Joseph

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Marengo IN 47140
812-347-2326
(1885)

Reconciliation

Monday 5:30 pm St. Bernard
Tuesday 5:30 pm St. Michael
Saturday 3:30 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
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Barb Rainbolt - Business Manager
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Mass Schedule This Week

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



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

Information for all Parishes

Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Michael – Monday, Dec. 9th, 9:00 am

St. Bernard – Monday, Dec. 9th 6:00 pm

December 24th Christmas Eve

St. Bernard – 4:00 pm Mass

St. Michael – 6:00 pm Mass

St. Michael – Midnight Mass

St. Joseph (Marengo) – Midnight Mass

December 25th Christmas Day

St. Michael -10:30 am Mass

January 1, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

St. Michael - VIGIL (Dec. 31) 4:00 pm.

St. Joseph (Marengo) – January 1, 9:15 am

St. Bernard - January 1, 10:30 am

Second Collection Today - Help religious communities. "Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry," writes a religious sister. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders!

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.

A Tribute to Thomas Merton: An Evening of Film and Jazz; Mt. St. Francis. Saturday, December 14, 2019 * 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm. An evening celebrating Thomas Merton's life. The evening starts with the PBS documentary "The Many Story's and Last Days of Thomas Merton" followed by a performance from the Dick Sisto Jazz Trio of Merton's favorite music. This fundraiser will benefit the Mary Anderson Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$50.00 per person. www.mountsaintfrancis.org/event-tickets

PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL TO HOLD PLACEMENT EXAM. Our Lady of Providence High School will hold its High School Placement Exam on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 8:45 a.m. to noon for prospective freshman students for the 2020-2021 school year. Students should arrive at the Robinson Performing Arts Center by 8:45 a.m. and bring two No. 2 pencils and a check for \$15 made payable to Providence High School. Pre-registration is not required. Please contact the Admissions Office at (812) 945-3350 or admissions@providencehigh.net with any questions regarding enrollment. PHS will work with each family to make a Catholic education accessible and affordable.

St. Mary Catholic Church will host a Holiday Concert presented by The Commonwealth Brass Band on Friday, December 13, 2019 at 7:00pm. The public is invited to celebrate the holidays in our beautiful historic church in downtown New Albany (E 8th & Spring St). Free will offering. For info, contact the Parish Office 812-944-0417.

FOP Shop with a Cop 2019 is accepting donations. Donations need to be mailed no later than December 9th. Checks can be made payable to F.O.P. 171 Shop with a Cop, PO Box 143, Georgetown, IN 47122. This event will take place on December 14th at Walmart in Corydon. This will include children from Crawford, Harrison and Floyd Counties who are wards of the state (orphaned or abandoned), in foster care or are currently being housed in shelters due to no fault of their own. 75% of all money spent on each child must be spent on clothing. For more information contact Bill Wibbels at 812-969-3534 or email at w4559@aol.com

Ready to Reboot? Chris Stefanick will present REBOOT at Holy Trinity Parish, 501 Cherrywood RD, Louisville KY 40207, on Wednesday, January 29th 7:00 – 9:30PM. Chris is a dynamic Catholic speaker who has presented at NCYC and all over the country. The evening will center on a practical exploration and understanding of our faith, and all the ways it's meant to impact our lives, including: prayer and spirituality, work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more. Over the past decade, Chris has established himself worldwide to millions of people with a unique ability to make the core of the Gospel come alive. If you would like to be a part of this exciting event register at www.reallifecatholic.com.

Tax Tip – Qualified Charitable Donations - We are near the end of the year and tax time is approaching. For Parishioners over 70 1/2 with a traditional IRA, you must take a **Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)** each year. This is normally taxed, but if you take advantage of making a **Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD)** to St. Michael or another charity, you reduce your income by the amount of the donation, thus reducing your taxes. At the parish office we have more detailed information.

St. Michael

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 3:00 pm
Friday – 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

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

Tim Murner – Director of Music
812-736-1189 - tmurner1@gmail.com

St. Michael Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	Dec. 7	4:00 PM	Rita Brown
Sunday	Dec. 8	10:30 AM	Donald Drake and Joan Woosley
Monday	Dec. 9	9:00 AM	Tri Parish Intentions
Tuesday	Dec. 10	6:00 PM	Joanne Kochert
Friday	Dec. 13	9:00 AM	Barb Rainbolt (for whom this mass is offered)
Saturday	Dec. 14	4:00 PM	Paul McCauley

THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS



Barb Rainbolt, Bruce Book,
Joseph Robbeloth, Carol
Ransom, Trish Waggoner, Judy
Rae Gettelfinger, Rose Kiefer,

Anna Kaelin, Wanda Gehm, Julie Payne, Cletus &
Priscilla Gettelfinger, Matthew Kruer, Jack
Dohoney, Debbie Jones, Colette Murray, Casey
Shaw, Mary Drabek, Linda Rothrock, Matthew
Marino, Gretchen Hammett, Jaxon Nutini, Jerry
Jacobi, Kyle Costello, Ray Kordek, Carol Cox, Doug
Fessel, Patricia A. Trent, Roy Kruer, Luna Smith,
Ted Lippert, Irma Morales, Cherie Vickers,
Archdiocese of Indianapolis, All our Food Pantry
and St. Vincent de Paul Friends.

Please Pray for Our Military & Their Families

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

Weekly Collection:	Dec. 1st, 2019
Sun. Collection:	\$ 7,431.00
Needed for Budget:	\$ 7,134.65
Difference:	+ \$ 296.35

Please keep Barb Rainbolt, our business manager,
in your prayers as she recovers from a stroke. Cards
can be sent to: Barb and Chris Rainbolt, 5624 E
Whiskey Run Rd NE, Georgetown, IN 47122.

St. Michael Food Pantry

Our Current Needs: Coffee, Canned Meats, Ketchup,
Mustard, Jelly, Crackers, canned fruits, Macaroni &
Cheese, Spaghetti & Sauce, Hamburger Helper,
Cereal, Potatoes, Kleenex, Laundry Soap, and
Cleaning Supplies, Toilet Paper and Paper Towels.
Your kindness warms hearts!

United Catholic Appeal

Please fill out your UCA envelope, if you haven't
already. You may put it in the collection basket and
we will mail them, unless you wish to mail your own.
Either way is fine and St. Michael will get the credit.
Thank you.

Welcome

We welcome to our community of faith, Charlotte
Anne Kern who was baptized on December 1st at St.
Michael. Charlotte Anne is the daughter of Emily
and Matthew.

Thank You

Thanks to St. Michael parishioners, a huge amount
of "Share The Warmth" items were delivered to
Ann's Angels of Hope located at Kellum Imprints in
Ramsey. These items will be distributed during the
cold winter months to meet an enormous variety of
needs. Thanks again for your generous support!

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE:

Dec 14 & 15, 2019

8 people needed, please adjust accordingly.

Saturday: 4:00 PM

EM: Sharon Laufer, Nadine Kaelin, Linda Smith, Pam Waller, Frank Brown, Donna Newton

L: Donna Newton, Tina Rouck

S: Pam Waller

SVRS: Katie Wise, Olivia Wise

U: Alan Wise, Frank Brown, Sue Craig, Brian Dohoney

M: Quintet

Sunday: 10:30 AM

EM: Jerry Renneker, Kim Renneker, Zac Robbins, Lisa Roll, Jared Willis, Kathy Atkins, Juanita Brockman

L: Stephanie Willis, Katy Casper

S: Rick Elder

SVRS: Reece Harkness, Asher Abner, Lauren Goodall

U: Fred Uhl, Bob Book, David Buechler, Dan Carney

M: Teen Group

St. Bernard

Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

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Michelle Whittaker – Parish Secretary – SaintBernardCatholicChurch@gmail.com

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday:	December 8	8:30 am	Brian & Charles Mauck
Monday:	December 9	6:00 pm	Doris Bary
Wednesday:	December 11	9:00 am	Parishioner Intentions
Sunday:	December 15	8:30 am	Dennis Lambert

**12-01-19
Collection
Totalled
\$2,844.00.**

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

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, December 8

(L) Nina McClelland

(EM) Lisa Rathgeber, Anne Robertson
Nina McClelland

(S) Needed

(U) Eric Sieg

Sunday, December 15

(L) Jill Robertson

(EM) Mike Bary, Roberta Robertson
Stacy Robertson

(S) Ryan Colin & Colin Griffith

(U) Leisa Roll

Please keep in your prayers:

Elizabeth Montero, Michael Smith, Mary Senn Taylor, Paul Bary, Bobby Harris, Donnell Royer, Wayne Smith, Marlana Cheatham, Toni Rothrock, Jolene Mauck, Olive Sarles, Linda Magill, Donna Schellenberger, David Mauck, Veronica Battista, Jim Nolot, Addley Gaines, Jean Newton, Sharon Bary, Rhonda Day, Larry Colin, Juanita Hughes, Sharon Patton, Julia Griffith, Jeff Mauck, Greg Byerley, Sandy Sieg, Michael Briscoe, Bryant Otto, Carolyn Cline.



Altar Flowers - Please pray for the souls of Ralph & Doris Bary in whose loving memory this week's altar flowers have been donated.

Norfolk Pines on Altar – Please pray for the soul of Scott DuBois in whose loving memory these have been donated.

The St. Rita Altar Society – Congratulations to Dale Schmelz and Stephen Robertson the winners of the Nativity sets.



Cookies and Candy by the Pound sale will be held today following mass in the Narthex. Religious items are also still be offered for sale. Items ordered from Rada can be picked up this morning as well. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, December 16th following mass. We welcome all women of the church.

The parish office at St. Bernard will be closed December 18th through January 3rd. If there are any emergencies during that time, please contact the office at St. Michael's. If there is anything upcoming that can be addressed before then, please contact the office ASAP. December 29th will be the final day to submit contributions to be included on this year's contribution statements.

Eucharistic Adoration will be Monday evening after Mass.

The next St. Bernard Unity Meal is Wednesday, December 11th. Serving begins at 5:00 pm. Volunteers and donations are always welcome and needed. Please contact Therese Beyerle at 812-347-2750 for more information on how you can help. This is a parish wide ministry and everyone is welcome to help in whatever way they can.

The Men's Club will host a breakfast after Mass next Sunday, December 15th. Their next meeting will be Wednesday December 11th at 6:00 pm.

2020 Calendars are at the entrance to church. Please take only one per family until we can see how many are left.

The new 2020 Workbook for Lectors have arrived and are placed on the choir benches by the organ. Please pick up your copy.

Last Call - Please submit unavailable dates for the Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Servers list as I will be making the list for the next quarter. If you know any dates that you will be not available from January through March, please call or e-mail the parish office. Also if anyone would like to be added/deleted from the list, please relay that information to the office.

A Volunteer is still needed to Lector for the 4:00 pm Mass on Christmas Eve. If you are able to do so, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

St. Joseph

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Michelle Whittaker – Parish Secretary – SaintBernardCatholicChurch@gmail.com
Father Fred Denison – Attended By

Sunday: December 8, 9:15 am

Mass Intention: Emil Kaelin and Willie Kaelin

Minister Schedule December 8

Offertory: Schaftlein Family

Lectors: Angela Crecelius/Marty Will

Servers: Sylvia Ferriell/Hays Ferriell

Greeters: Terri Ward/Richard Newton

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Eaton

Wanda Beam/Errol Toney

Sunday: December 15, 9:15 am

Mass Intention: Richard Lord Jr.

Minister Schedule December 15

Offertory: Bernie and Wanda Beam

Lectors: Jane Newton / Nick Siler

Servers: Hays Ferriell / Isaac Gresham

Greeters: Laura Zipp / Angela Crecelius

Eucharist Ministers: Imogene Talley

Laura Zipp /Terri Ward



Please keep in your prayers:

Judy Neckar, Erin Haendiges, Gail Reyling, Imogene Talley, Carol Will, Richard Will, Father Fred, Mike Trusty, Francis Powell, Monty and

Mary Garrett, Delores Eisfelder, Jane Newton, Jerry Amoroso, Frank Neckar, 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:

David Thomas – Susan Sauer's brother; Joan Jackson – Jane Newton's sister; Paul Panozzo; 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; Angela Crecelius's nephew – Martin Gabel; Ann Phillips son – Ronnie Phillips; Mary Lee Sneed's brother – Victor Dubois; Robin Bowman; Joni Shaw - Patty Reyling's sister; and all Prayer Requests in the Prayer Book.

Angel tree gifts are due back by December 22. They need to be wrapped and labeled. The food donations for the food basket are also due back by 12/ 22.

On Sunday, December 15th after mass, we will be having our Annual Christmas Pitch In Brunch. Everyone is invited to attend. There is a signup list in the back of church. Please join us for a great meal and good company.

Collection for Sunday December 1st was \$1,210.00
Collection for Campaign for Human Development was \$40.00

CORRECTION Last week, I erroneously listed the wrong name for a bell ringer. It should have been Thanks to Carolyn, Kevin, and Madison Pittman.

Faith Formation News



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
– on Friday Mornings.

Faith Formation News:

Upcoming Faith Formation Classes:

December 8 Grades Pre-School – Grade 12
December 15 Grades Pre-School – Grade 12
December 22 Grades Pre-School – Grade 12
December 29 No Classes – Christmas Break



Soup and Psalms – All are invited to join us this Sunday at St. Michael for Soup and Psalms. We will gather at 5:00 p.m. in the church for evening prayer and then everyone is invited to enjoy some soup in the Parish Center.



Epic – A Study of Church History: All are invited to join us for our Church History Study on Tuesday evenings at St. Michael and Sunday mornings at St. Bernard. We meet this Sunday, December 8th at St. Bernard and discuss Conversion & Councils and we will meet on December 10th at St. Michael and discuss Missionaries and the Emperor Part II.



Thursday Morning Bible Study – Our Thursday Morning Bible Study at St. Michael will meet this Thursday, December 12th at 9:30 a.m. in the Faith Formation Center. All adults at St. Michael,

St. Bernard, & St. Joseph are welcome to join us anytime!

Children's Christmas Play Practice – Our next practice for our Christmas Play at St. Michael will be on Thursday, December 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the church for any child that would like to be in the play.

Children's Christmas Play – We invite all parishioners to join us for our Christmas Play according to St. Luke on Christmas Eve before the 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in the church at St. Michael.

Children's Epiphany Play – We invite all Sunday, January 5th following the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Bernard. We will practice for our Epiphany play on Saturday, January 4th at 11:00 a.m.

Men's Group – Our next gathering at St. Michael will be on Sunday, January 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the faith formation center. All men in the parish are invited to join us! Come join us as we walk together to grow spiritually as Catholic Men.

Senior Gathering – Our next gathering will be on Wednesday, January 29th 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. Our featured dish in January will be Tomato Basil and Toscana Soup.

Sacramental Parent Meetings – We will have meetings for parents who have children preparing for their First Holy Communion at St. Bernard Church on Sunday, January 19th at 10:45 a.m. in the 2nd Grade classroom or at St. Michael Church on Sunday, January 26th at 9:10 a.m. in the lower level of the church.

Youth Ministry News:

Youth Activities Team Advent/Christmas Outing –

All members of our Activities Team are invited to our dinner out on Saturday, December 21st. We will meet at St. Michael following the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

Sr. High Lock-In – All youth in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for our Lock-In on January 3rd – 4th. We will meet at St. Michael at 6:00 p.m. and head out for some laser tag and then come back to the parish center for games, kickball, Volleyball, and great food! The cost is \$30.00 per person which includes laser tag, transportation, pizza, snacks, and breakfast. The deadline to sign up is December 23rd.

Confirmation Retreat – Our retreat for our Confirmation class will be January 11-12 at St. Michael Church. We will gather at 8:30 a.m. on the 11th and will finish up following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on the 12th. The cost of the retreat is \$40.00. The deadline to sign up is December 22nd.

Youth Activities Team – We will have a Youth Activities Team meeting on January 19th, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Faith Formation Center at St. Michael. Please make sure you bring your calendars with you.

March for Life - The 47th annual March for Life gives

you an opportunity to publicly stand for gift of life! High school students in the New Albany Deanery are encouraged to join Catalyst Catholic for an incredible pilgrimage to Washington DC, January 21-26, 2020. Along with participating in the actual march on Friday afternoon, we will

also be attending Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, participating in daily prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, visit historical sites such as the National Holocaust Museum, and more. The cost is \$325 per person. A \$100 deposit today will secure your reservation. Upon reservation, you will be billed monthly for the remainder of your registration fee. The final payment will be due by January 8, 2020. The deadline to sign up is December 8th. To register go to: <https://catalystcatholic.org/march-for-life>

Upcoming High School Retreats – Be sure to mark your calendar for an upcoming retreat at Mount St. Francis through Catalyst Catholic.

THE SUMMIT (Senior Retreat), February 13-16, 2020. \$200 per person including lodging, food, and retreat materials

TO THE HEIGHTS (Underclassmen Retreat / 9th-11th grade), February 29-March 1, 2020. \$125 per person including lodging, food, and retreat materials
FIRE & WATER (Confirmation Retreat), April 4-5, 2020. \$55 per person including lodging, food and retreat materials



Abide – Catalyst Catholic hosts Eucharistic Adoration in the Main Chapel at Mount St. Francis on Tuesday, December 17th, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Take some time to spend in prayer with the Lord.

Question of the Week for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

Question for Children: Beyond toys and other things, what do you hope will happen in your family this Christmas?

Question for Youth: What are the greatest challenges you face as a young person today in terms of allowing Christ to be your teacher and following him?

Question for Adults: Name the one thing in your life which you must “move out of the way” in order to make more room for Christ – a grudge, a possession, a memory, hurt, or feeling.



Formed Pick of the Week: If you have not yet registered for formed go to our parish website and click on the registration banner and register for your free account. Then go to www.formed.org and sign in with your username and password or enter through our parish portal at www.saintmichaelchurch.formed.org You can also download the free mobile app.

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PICK OF THE WEEK



Guadalupe
The Miracle and the Message

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The Heart of the Evangelization of the Americas

The most important event in the evangelization of the New World occurred in December of 1531. Over the course of four days, the Virgin Mary, as Our Lady of Guadalupe, appeared to an indigenous convert named Juan Diego. As a result of this encounter, the image miraculously imprinted on Juan Diego's tilma (cloak). This gripping film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image and the continued relevance of this Marian apparition to the modern world.

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Coming to St. Michael Church

The Peace Light of Bethlehem

Each year, a young Scout from Upper Austria retrieves the Peace Light from the grotto in Bethlehem where Jesus was born. Historians believe that it has burned continuously for at least 700 years. The Peace Light is then flown to Austria from where it is distributed to countries for use in churches and homes.

**The Peace Light will be at St. Michael Church at
the Masses celebrated on the weekend of
December 14th and 15th.**

Families and Individuals can come and light a lantern or candle following Mass and take this light, burning for hundreds of years, into their homes to remind them that true peace comes only from the Prince of Peace, Jesus, who is the Light of the World.