

Upcoming Events

11/21: Turkey Connection

11/13-27: Advanced Giving Phase of iGiveCatholic

11/22-11/26: Parish Office Closed

11/23: Thanksgiving

11/28: iGiveCatholic: fundraiser for Youth Faith Formation



Calendar

11/5: Regular Class (**NO Parent Session**)

Confirmation Class: 2:00 PM Parish Hall

11/12: Regular Class & Parent Session

First Reconciliation Class: 2:00 PM Parish Hall

11/19: Regular Class

11/26: NO CLASS

12/3: Regular Class

Retreat for Confirmation & First Reconciliation 2:00 PM Parish Hall



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From Miss Fessler:

Congratulations! We had 46 children with perfect YFF attendance in our first seven classes. The children's names have been put into a drawing for a surprise gift. The next attendance drawing will be at our Epiphany Family Breakfast on January 7, 2024.

Included in the newsletter is an envelope for iGiveCatholic. This is a fundraising effort started as a Catholic response to Giving Tuesday. Saint Michael Parish is participating with all funds going to our Youth Faith Formation dream of technology in all the classrooms and for our catechists. The estimated cost is \$25,000 and includes Smart TVs, brackets, cables and installation, iPads and accessories, sound bars, and updating the Parish Hall sound system. I have applied for a grant through Catholic Extension for part of the cost. It will be several months before we know if we will receive the grant.

More information on iGiveCatholic, including the link to donate online, will be in the bulletin, on our website, Facebook page and Instagram. Last year we received \$455 from 8 donors. This year our goal is \$3,000. The envelope is for the Advanced Giving Phase and is optional. All donations are tax deductible.

God bless,
Miss Fessler



Saints of November

The Catholic Church calendar is filled with feast days and Saints. Here are *some* of the Saints on the calendar this month:

November 9: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

November 11: Saint Martin of Tours

November 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

November 16: Saint Margaret of Scotland

November 17: Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

November 21: Presentation of Mary

November 22: Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

November 24: Saint Andrew Dung-Lac
and Companions

November 29: First Sunday of Advent

Altar Servers

Any child in Grade 3 and up is welcome to be trained as an altar server. Training will take place in the new year. Please, fill out the form attached to the newsletter and return it to your child's catechist, by December 3.

Monthly Prayer

Our Monthly Prayer is: The Lord's Prayer
(aka: the Our Father).

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

Please pray the Lord's Prayer with your children throughout the month at home. We will be praying it during class time.

Celebrate with us!

Our Kindergarteners have mastered the Sign of the Cross! They are moving onto the Lord's Prayer and a few of our littlest disciples already know part of it.

Spotlight on: Turkey Connection

The children in YFF have been asked to donate canned soups, boxed mac & cheese (the kind that does NOT need milk and butter), pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly. Donations should be brought to each child's classroom.



BRING THEM TO CHURCH

Saturate their lives with the Word of God. Even if they lay on the floor. Even if they need 437 goldfish and a sucker to be quiet. Even if you stand in the back swaying back and forth holding them. Even when it's hard.

Even when your row looks like a small hurricane just came through. Bring them to church. Let them see you worship. Let them see you pray. Let them see you running toward the Savior ... because if they don't see and learn these things from you, who are they going to learn them from?

The world will teach them it's not a priority. The world will teach them it's okay to lay out, not to pick up their Bibles. The world will direct them so far off course, confuse them, and misinform them that just being "good" is enough. The world won't teach them about Jesus. That's our job. Bring them to church.

Courtesy of one of our Moms who found a "something good to share."

Please remember if you are out of town and unable to make it to Mass here at Saint Michael, take a picture of your family with the bulletin in the church and send it to Miss Fessler.