



World Day of Prayer
For Vocations



Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Parish



**Diocese of Peoria
Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, D.D., C.S.C.**

**Rev. Monsignor Philip D. Halfacre, Pastor
Rev. Father Dustin Schultz, Parochial Vicar**

Parish Church

Located at the corner of Lundy & Shabbona Streets

Parish Office (Behind the Church)

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Located in the school

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Secretary: Rosanne Gallick

**I am the
good shepherd.
A good shepherd
lays down
his life
for the sheep.**

John 10:11

Mass Intentions and Devotions

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Saturday Evening Vigil Masses, April 28

- 4:00 PM Winifred Blassick
5:30 PM Ralph Walker (23rd Anniv) by Rosemary

Sunday Morning/Afternoon Masses, April 29

- 7:00 AM Nancy Appel by Bill & Cheryl Sangston
8:30 AM Deceased of the Farkas Family
10:00 AM William Kovach (55th Wedding Anniv)
by Marilyn
11:30 AM First Communicants
1:00 PM Pro Populo

MONDAY, April 30 ▪ *Saint Pius V, Pope*

- 7:00 AM Helen Hastings by Patrick Hastings & Family

TUESDAY, May 1 ▪ *Saint Joseph the Worker*

- 7:00 AM Shirley Benning by Carol Rybacki
7:30 AM *St. Anthony of Padua Novena*

WEDNESDAY, May 2 ▪ *Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

- 7:30 AM *St. Michael Chaplet*
7:30 AM *Confessions*
8:00 AM Margaret Mary Yugas

THURSDAY, May 3 ▪ *Saints Philip and James, Apostles*

- 7:00 AM Marjorie J. Hansen by Fr. Richard Crawford

FRIDAY, May 4 ▪ *First Friday*

- 7:00 AM Monthly Memorial Mass Association
9:15 AM School Mass - Irene (Gutek) Micklos
by George & Judy Schultz

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday Evening Vigil Masses, May 5

- 4:00 PM Raymond Tutoky by Joanne Salata
5:30 PM Robert "Ray" Negray (63rd Wedding Anniv) by Anna Mae & Family

Sunday Morning/Afternoon Masses, May 6

- 7:00 AM George E. Simko by Marge, Georgene & Carolyn
8:30 AM Evelyn D. Mehock (32nd Anniv) by niece, Margaret Mary Gillman
10:00 AM Joyce (Shawback) Burash & Dale Shawback
11:30 AM First Communicants
1:00 PM J. Guadalupe Lopez by Family

**Confessions are held
before the Saturday Vigil Mass
from 3:00 to 3:45 pm,
and before Wednesday Morning Mass
from 7:30 to 7:50 am.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS ON April 21 – 22

Regular Sunday	\$16,423.50
Loose Money	897.51
Youth Offerings	32.50
Parish Development	156.00
School Support	207.00
Air & Heat	656.00
Vigil Lights	109.00
Mother's Day	564.00
Feast of Ascension	10.00
Total	\$19,055.51
Holy Land	\$ 10.00

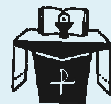


FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will take place at the following Masses:

Sunday, April 29th, 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 6th, 11:30 a.m.

Meeting for Volunteers of the Sacred Linens



Altar Care

Thursday, May 3rd at 10:00 a.m.
In the Mother's Chapel.

Your attendance is very important.
New volunteers are welcome also.

Ministry Schedule for Next Weekend

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

May 5	4:00 PM	Kaye Koltveit, Sr. Alice Ann Harcharik, Louise Elias, Margaret Hogan, John McGowan
	5:30 PM	Sr. Laura Northcraft, Jean Anderson, Mary Jo Hiltabrand
May 6	7:00 AM	Connie Barton, Al Kmetz, Joyce Kmetz
	8:30 AM	Dan Ebker, Lynn Ebker, Ray Phillis, Nancy Phillis
	10:00 AM	Mike Walzer, Gail Phillips, Dan Koval, Margie Pavlick
	11:30 AM	Vicki Leonard, Dee Hernandez

Lectors

May 5	4:00 PM	Ella Killian
	5:30 PM	Steve Broadus
May 6	7:00 AM	Merlene Hawley
	8:30 AM	Judy Schultz
	10:00 AM	Marcia Robertson
	11:30 AM	Theresa Quaka

Altar Servers

May 5	4:00 PM	Hannah Negray, Becca Cagley
	5:30 PM	Brett Dresbach, Ryne Dresbach
May 6	7:00 AM	Owen Muntz, Sam Leskanich
	8:30 AM	Cora Schultz, Benjamin Vogel
	10:00 AM	Anna Schmitz, Grace Schmitz
	11:30 AM	Gregory Rashid, Alea Rashid

Our First, Most Cherished Liberty

A Statement on Religious Liberty
(Part 2 of 8)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty

(For the full text go to www.usccb.org)

Religious Liberty Under Attack—Concrete Examples

Is our most cherished freedom truly under threat? Sadly, it is. This is not a theological or legal dispute without real world consequences. Consider the following:

HHS mandate for contraception, sterilization, and abortion-inducing drugs. The mandate of the Department of Health and Human Services has received wide attention and has been met with our vigorous and united opposition. In an unprecedented way, the federal government will both force religious institutions to facilitate and fund a product contrary to their own moral teaching and purport to define which religious institutions are "religious enough" to merit protection of their religious liberty. These features of the "preventive services" mandate amount to an unjust law. As Archbishop-designate William Lori of Baltimore, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, testified to Congress: "This is not a matter of whether contraception may be *prohibited* by the government. This is not even a matter of whether contraception may be *supported* by the government. Instead, it is a matter of whether religious people and institutions may be *forced* by the government to provide coverage for contraception or sterilization, even if that violates their religious beliefs."³

State immigration laws. Several states have recently passed laws that forbid what the government deems "harboring" of undocumented immigrants—and what the Church deems Christian charity and pastoral care to those immigrants. Perhaps the most egregious of these is in Alabama, where the Catholic bishops, in cooperation with the Episcopal and Methodist bishops of Alabama, filed suit against the law:

It is with sadness that we brought this legal action but with a deep sense that we, as people of faith, have no choice but to defend the right to the free exercise of religion granted to us as citizens of Alabama. . . . The law makes illegal the exercise of our Christian religion which we, as citizens of Alabama, have a right to follow. The law prohibits almost everything which would assist an undocumented immigrant or encourage an undocumented immigrant to live in Alabama. This new Alabama law makes it illegal for a Catholic priest to baptize, hear the confession of, celebrate the anointing of the sick with, or preach the word of God to, an undocumented immigrant. Nor can we encourage them to attend Mass or give them a ride to Mass. It is illegal to allow them to attend adult scripture study groups, or attend CCD or Sunday school classes. It is illegal for the clergy to counsel them in times of difficulty or in preparation for marriage. It is illegal for them to come to Alcoholic Anonymous meetings or other recovery groups at our churches.⁴

Altering Church structure and governance. In 2009, the Judiciary Committee of the Connecticut Legislature proposed a bill that would have forced Catholic parishes to be restructured according to a congregational model, recalling the trusteeism controversy of the early nineteenth century, and prefiguring the federal government's attempts to redefine for the Church "religious minister" and "religious employer" in the years since.

Christian students on campus. In its over-100-year history, the University of California Hastings College of Law has denied student organization status to only one group, the Christian Legal Society, because it required its leaders to be Christian and to abstain from sexual activity outside of marriage.

Catholic foster care and adoption services. Boston, San Francisco, the District of Columbia, and the state of Illinois have driven local Catholic Charities out of the business of providing adoption or foster care services—by revoking their licenses, by ending their government contracts, or both—because those Charities refused to place children with same-sex couples or unmarried opposite-sex couples who cohabit.

Discrimination against small church congregations. New York City enacted a rule that barred the Bronx Household of Faith and sixty other churches from renting public schools on weekends for worship services even though non-religious groups could rent the same schools for scores of other uses. While this would not frequently affect Catholic parishes, which generally own their own buildings, it would be devastating to many smaller congregations. It is a simple case of discrimination against religious believers.

Discrimination against Catholic humanitarian services. Notwithstanding years of excellent performance by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Migration and Refugee Services in administering contract services for victims of human trafficking, the federal government changed its contract specifications to require us to provide or refer for contraceptive and abortion services in violation of Catholic teaching. Religious institutions should not be disqualified from a government contract based on religious belief, and they do not somehow lose their religious identity or liberty upon entering such contracts. And yet a federal court in Massachusetts, turning religious liberty on its head, has since declared that such a disqualification is *required* by the First Amendment—that the government somehow *violates* religious liberty by allowing Catholic organizations to participate in contracts in a manner consistent with their beliefs on contraception and abortion.

³ Most Rev. William E. Lori, Chairman, USCCB Ad Hoc Committee on Religious Liberty, Oral Testimony Before the Judiciary Committee of the United States House of Representatives, February 28, 2012.

⁴ Most Rev. Thomas J. Rodi, Archbishop of Mobile, August 1, 2011.

Congratulations to the following students from St. Michael School and the St. Michael Religious Education Program who will receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist for the first time today at the 11:30 Mass.

2012 First Communion Class



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| Megan Borner | Aylin Miramontes |
| Kieran Cassady | Yoselin Miramontes |
| Brian Chavez | Carter Novotney |
| Jessa Durbin | Conner Novotney |
| Estephania Flores | Addison Ramon |
| Christal Gutierrez | Skyler Schimek |
| William Hatzler | Carsyn Stipp |
| Jack Haynes | Giselle Villanueva |
| Nicholas Hoekstra | Perla Villanueva |
| Emily Kestner | Claire Vogel |
| Abigail Leskanich | Natalie Williams |
| Anita Leskanich | Kyla Yedinak |
| Chayse Martin | Aiden Yuhas |

May these children, all their life, stay close to the table of the Lord!!



2012 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Thanks to all who made a pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. No gift is too small, and our parish is trying to reach 100% participation. If you have not yet made a gift to the ADA, we invite you to do so today. There are envelopes in the vestibule. Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important diocesan services and every dollar raised over our goal will be returned to the parish.



**Rejected By The Builders
Has Become The Cornerstone.**

2012 EMMAUS DAYS

"Lord, help me to want to be what you want me to be!"

Emmaus Days is a vocations awareness program sponsored by the Diocese of Peoria. This program was created to help young men discover their vocation. Participants are immersed in a spiritual and fun-filled environment designed to make them more aware of God's presence in their life.

- Session I: High school graduates
June 8-11 at Nazareth House
- Session II: High school juniors and seniors
June 21-24 at Nazareth House
- Session III: High school freshmen and sophomores
July 8-11 at St. Bede Abbey
- Session IV: 7th and 8th graders
July 11-13 at St. Bede Abbey

Registration materials are available online at www.cdop.org/vocations/emmaus and also at the parish office.

Daily Prayer for Vocations

O Mary, St. Therese ever turned to you in love, telling you her desires in simplicity and trust, and begging you to speak of them to Jesus. With her, we ask you to offer our prayers to your Son for increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese. Place within the hearts of men and women a love which is strong enough to lead them to devote their lives to the service of the Church. Help them to respond to your Son's call with a love that will spend itself in service to their brothers and sisters.

St. Therese, patroness of vocations, pray for us.

FAMILY DAY
May 20, 2012

"The future of humanity passes through the family" — Pope John Paul II

Nazareth Retreat House will host Family Day on Sunday, May 20, 2012. Come and enjoy a day of fun and activities for the whole family! The day will begin at 10am and will include Mass, Rosary, a talk, games for the children, and other fun activities. The cost is \$25 per family, which will include lunch. We hope you can come! Please contact us for more information: Nazareth Retreat House, PO Box 165, Henry, IL 61537. 309-364-3084.

**St. Michael's
1st Annual Euchre Tournament**



Thanks to everyone who joined us for St. Michael's **1st Annual Euchre Tournament**. A special thanks to those who made donations! A fun time was had by all! 1st Place winners were Kyle Hagerty and Zack Garrison. The 50/50 was won by Zack Garrison.

STUDENTS

You May Be Eligible To Win A Scholarship If:

- You are a member of the First Catholic Slovak Union's - St. Clement's Society Branch #40
- You are in high school and have applied for a fall term at a qualifying institution OR
- You are attending a Private Grade School

St. Clement's Society Branch #40 will be offering scholarships to their youth members. They will be giving out one - one time \$500.00 scholarship for college and one - one time \$250.00 scholarship for a Private Grade School student.

These scholarships are solely funded by your local lodge (Branch #40), not the national office.

For more criteria and an application, please call Theresa at (815) 672-6142 (leave message) or e-mail her at ttegraves@mchsi.com for an electronic application.

Application must be postmarked by May 18, 2012.

**ST. MICHAEL'S ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
MOTHER - DAUGHTER BANQUET**

Wednesday, May 9th
at Knights of Columbus Hall
Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Menu: Chicken dinner (light or dark), baked potato, vegetable, salad, dinner roll, coffee and ice cream. Cost \$10.00 (tax & tip included).

All women of the parish are invited. For reservations, call Kathy at 815-672-8770 or Donna at 815-672-7818 by Wednesday, May 4th.



Thank you to everyone who patronized and/or donated to our Spring Line Bingo. Congratulations to the money raffle winners: \$50-Megan Nink, \$30-Janet Overocker, \$20-Donna Sabol, 50/50-Carolyn Hoffner. Congratulations also to all the other raffle winners.

A big thank you to the businesses who donated raffle items— Chix, Chippers, Grant Street Grocery, Flowers Plus, Streator Drugs, John & Joe Florists, as well as all the individuals who made donations, including the Parish Bakers for their rosek rolls.

God bless all of you. Hope to see you at our Fall Line Bingo.

St. Michael the Archangel Parish
Altar & Rosary Society

Monthly Memorial Mass Association - May 2012—April 2013

Shirley Benning & Jennie Smith
Sara & Joe Benning
Robert O'Donnell
The Secular Franciscans
Frank Sabino
Henry & Mildred Lechner
Ron Gengenbacher
Donna Pouk
Adams & Schorn Family
Catherine & Peter Ellena
John & Margaret Handzo
Mary Lou Handzo
Edward G. Green
Thomas, Louise & Tom Nagle

Winifred Hilliard
Clyde & Vivian Boyd
Richard Ross
Victor, Madeline, Katherine & Evelyn Rashid
Andrew & Florence Matsko
Joseph Wargo
Nelda J. Lyons
Adamchak & Balke Families
Thomas J. Leheney
Wirges, Coates, & Richard Families
Dorothy & Joseph Crisp & Family
Edward L. Uhren Family

Molly & Joseph Mattioda
Margaret Mary Yuhas
Koval & Thompson Families
Victor W. Bandura
Puskar & James Families
Edward & Catherine Gulvas
Knut Gudmunson
Grako, Pollett, & Harcharik Families
Andrew & Antonia Hamara
Joe, Mary & Jerry Hughes
Anacleto & Porfiria Hernandez
Aggie Majernik

Marjorie & Elmer Adams Family
John C. Gaydos Family
Lutz & Wargo Families
Ftacek-Demko Families
Madara & Wahl Families
Stacie Simpson
William Warwick & Nadine Lund
Bea, Art, Jack & Bob Zack
Christopher James Pollett
Cathy Killian
James J. Churney, Sr.
The Dzuryo Family
Savage & Trainor Families



Diocesan 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

If you are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2012, notify the parish office. Each couple will receive a personal invitation this summer from the Bishop to attend a Mass on September 16 at 3:30 p.m. in your honor.

Widowed & Divorced Diocesan Conference June 16, 2012

All widowed and divorced are invited to attend this day long conference on Saturday, June 16, 2012 at the Spalding Pastoral Center in Peoria from 9am-5pm. \$40 includes refreshments and lunch. Our Keynote presenter is Catholic author, speaker, TV and radio hostess Johnnette Benkovic. She has been a widow since 2007, after 34 years of marriage. There will be separate workshops for the divorced, the widowed and for both, as well as confession and adoration. A brochure and registration form is available on our website at www.cdop.org or by calling the Office of Family Life at 309-671-1550.



BREAKFAST to benefit Light Up Streator

Sunday, April 29th
Streator Knights of Columbus Hall
Serving from 7:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon
Pancakes, sausage, eggs,
biscuits & gravy, coffee and juice.
Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00

All proceeds to benefit "Light Up Streator"

WATCH FUNDRAISER.....Congratulations! "LUCK OF THE DRAW" WINNER:

The WATCH Easter \$100 raffle winner is: ticket # 15012, Mr. & Mrs. George Mitchell, Holy Family Parish, Lincoln, IL



FLOWER SALE

Friday, May 11th 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday, May 12th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Long Point Christian Church Fundraiser
Just north of the Long Point City Park

Get ALL your annual and perennial flowers & plants. Bring spring to your home & yard! For 16 years we have been bringing you a wide selection of quality flowers, plants, hanging baskets, planted pots, and much more!
.... The perfect Mother's Day Gift!

St. Mary's Men's Drive Thru Pork Chop Dinner

Sunday, April 29th, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
St. Mary's Church, 2005 Center St., Naplate
\$10.00 per person



MILESTONES

BAPTISMS:

April 21, 2012
Joseph Clay Grako
Keaton Louis Yedinak

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

GARAGE DOORS & OPENERS

Bulletins are free through the generous businesses that advertise on the back pages. Please show your support by patronizing these businesses. Thank them when you shop there.

Monthly Memorial Mass Association - May 2012—April 2013

Ed Burash
Burash, Higgins, & Ahearn
Families
John & Helen Bottino
James M. Bailey
John & Anna Fialko & Family
William Harcar, Sr. & son, Gary
Roman & Marie Obenhin
Norman & Thomas Obenhin
Mary M. Devera
Andrew Ballock
Dorothy Essman
Michelle "Shelley" Olson
Clarence & Cecilia Klachko
Harcar & Kiss Families
Senko & Ulrich Families
Randy Pearce
Maurice Killian
Easi & Glowicki Families
Haar & Hiltabrand Families
Gerald Sweeden
Milton & Betty Klein
Mark DeMoss & Grandparents
Living & Deceased of the Doran,
Harty & Salvati Families
Patricia & Harry Kear
Jason Parcher Family
Kennedy-O'Hara Families
San Gabriel-Balana Families
John & Ann Crawford
The Brown Family
Hart, Bresney, Dankovich,
Teegardin Families
Zarolzin & Makarewicz Families
Wright & Elias Family
Lou & Jane Ramza
Bradach-Barton Families
Bandura & Ryan Families

Harry Thomas
Woodward & Walker Families
Pizzolato, Hersheyway & Spellious
Families
The Cannella Family
Leon Pastirik
Elsie & Carl Swanson
Lloyd & Lucille Kudrick & Families
Boik & Collner Family
Angelos & Farrington Families
Clarence & Kathrynne Connors
Evelyn E. Lee
Kmetz & Novotney Family
Dan DeBernardi & Ballock Family
Yendro & McGee Family
Bellis & McGurk Families
Albert & Catherine Kmetz
Wurmnest & Divora Families
Andrew L. & Ethel F. Leskanich
Florence & Jack Adams
John & Barb Murphy Family
Ted & Catherine Schmitz & Family
Ohmes, Keesee & Williams Families
Robert Graham
Michelle I. Graham
Elizabeth (Dunn) Morrison
Raymond Morrison
The Dan Sedlock Family
M/M Alvis Sabbe, Maurice Sabbe
& Marie Malhein
Cebulko & Wargo Families
Crawford & Sopko Families
Fred, Agnes & Al Salvati
Liptak & Ondercho Families
Bud Trainor & John Hogan
Trainor & Lesak Families
Les & Viola Davis Family
Marvin Lee

John W., Ursula & John, Sr.
Cunningham
Florence & Jack Adams
Lechner, Muhlstadt & Marquis
Families
Purcell & Lytle Families
Sandy Beavers
Randy Sullivan
Martha Averweg
Danny Fechter
Pleasant & Delheimer Families
Forrest Cox
Jakupcak & Krockner Families
Segovich & Vavrek Families
Richard G. Tutoky
Gregg & Rithmiller Families
Rozak & Smith Families
Roy L. Lathrop
Decased of Drapa & Paterak
Families
Michael, Mary & Jim Novak
Carl & Agnes Schaibley
Gotch & Trainor Family
Deceased of Kozel & Sankovich
Family
Todd Spellious
Panno & Leskanich Families
Frank & Lois Jurcak
George McGurk
Helen Chismarick
Lutz & Seaman Families
Joseph & Grace Stehlo
Albert & Audrey Kooi
Centko Family
Mehalic Family
Francis & Gertrude Hatzner
George & Kathleen Sabol
Ray Armstrong

Kathryn Thorson & Madigan Family
Mack, McClary & Prendergast Families
John R. Solon & Lynne
Ayers & Weiss Families
The Richard Crane Family
Benner & Miiller Families
Vera Stasell
Jack Balke, Zeller Family
Chalkey & Urbance Families
Dominic & Cecelia Baietto
Barra & Rizzo Families
William J. Miller & Bernard L. Miller
Koprowski, Grube, Palasky, Mattis
Families
Walter Gura
Manypenny & Johnson Families
Jaegle & Talty Families
James Bowman
John Peruba, Tillie Peruba & Jack
Peruba
Ronald Foster
Raymond Schmitt
Paula & Frank Corrigan
Steve & Florence Hrasch
Dyas & Yuhas Family
Zavada & Hernandez Families
George "Kooch" Novotney
Patrick J. McClernon
Oliver J. Lawrence
Doris Yedinak
Churney & Katcher Families
Barbara Bartman
Breen, Plumb & Sharkey Families
Patrick Walker & Lisa Walker
Andrew & Lena Yarusinsky
Drapp & Dzurisin Families
Lucy Schultz
Tony Harcar, Jr.