

August 25, 2021



Dear Parishioners,

Here are some important updates for you:

St. Michael School

St. Michael School is now in session. Please remember to pray for the Students, Faculty and Staff as they begin this new school year. While last year was difficult, this year is a vast improvement. We are very hopeful that our students will flourish in their Personal, Spiritual and Academic development. St. Michael the Archangel, Pray for Us! Go Warriors!

Special Collection for Haiti.

The US Bishops Conference has requested that all parishes take up a Special Collection for Haiti Earthquake relief efforts. The collection at St. Michael Parish will take place at Masses the weekend of September 11-12 in which there will be a second collection taken up after communion for this purpose. Please make your checks payable to St. Michael Parish with Haitian Relief on the memo line and place it in the second collection. In order to keep it separate from the regular Sunday collection, all donations should be placed in the second collection, or in a separate envelope clearly marked for this collection. Thank you for your generosity.

More information may be found at

<https://www.saintmichael-cd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/USCCB-Haitian-Relief-2021.pdf>;
and

https://support.crs.org/donate/haiti-earthquake?ms=agicrs2021heq00gen00&_ga=2.187785389.424180301.1629145027-347388816.1596639226

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

We are making plans for the Parish RCIA program for this next year. If you know of someone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church, or in learning more about the process to become Catholic, then please have them contact us via email at RCIA@saintmichael-cd.org. Classes will begin in mid to late September. More information will be coming soon.

Family Faith Formation (formerly known as PSR).

There have been several inquiries regarding our plan this year for the Family Faith Formation Program. As I have yet to hire a Coordinator for this program, it is difficult to say exactly what those plans are. I am exploring a few alternatives and will notify families soon as to what will happen. As it is now, we may not start until October. I will apprise you of any developments.

Season of Hope Bereavement Ministry

The Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry is an initiative of the North High Deanery for those who are experiencing grief suffered from the loss of a loved. The Fall sessions will be held here at St. Michael Parish beginning on Sunday September 12th and will meet every Sunday after through November 7th. Sessions are held in the Upper Meeting Room in the Parish Ministry Center starting at 2:00pm. To register, please call Karen Droll at 614-582-8848, or email her at kdroll@gmail.com. All are welcome.

Parish Festival

Our Parish festival is just a little over a week away. Surprisingly, some of the festival ride equipment has already arrived. We are told that this is because they are experiencing a shortage of drivers to make deliveries of this type, so they brought some things early.

We are in need of many volunteers in order to make this a success. Please sign up today. For information on the festival and how you can participate go to our Festival Webpage at www.saintmichaelfestival.com. We hope to see you there!

Real Presence, Real Future Consultation Sessions Dates Set

As part of the ongoing strategic process for *Real Presence, Real Future*, the Diocese of Columbus will be hosting Consultation Sessions for each parish throughout the Fall. The Consultation Sessions for St. Michael will take place on Tuesday September 21st and Thursday September 23rd via Zoom videoconferencing from 6:30-8:30pm. Only one session will need to be viewed. Registration will be required, and a link will be provided next week. So, stay tuned for more.

In Christ,

Fr. Anthony A. Dinovo, Jr.
Pastor