

St. Michael the Archangel Parish

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Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to our St. Michael the Archangel Guide Book and Directory!

This year, we are celebrating the 125th Anniversary of Saint Michael the Archangel Parish, and it gives us a few moments to pause and thank God for the many blessings he has given us over the years, as well as listen attentively for his call of discipleship as we move forward. Whether you have been part of the long history of our parish for many years, or are new to St. Michael the Archangel, know that this is *your* parish, and we want you to feel invited and encouraged to participate fully in the life of our parish community.

As you look through this Guide Book, you will see many opportunities to get involved in serving the needs of our parish. We invite you to “step outside your comfort zone” and to give a portion of your gifts and talents for the welfare of our parish.

St. Michael the Archangel Parish truly offers something for everyone, and we pray that you will consider taking part in at least one of our ministries, to grow in your faith and love for our God, church and community. As you get more involved in the life of St. Michael the Archangel, you'll feel more connected to those in the pew beside you and foster friendships throughout the community.

Know that you are always welcome here at St. Michael's Parish and that we value your suggestions and feedback. Please feel free to contact me, the Parish office, the Parish Consultors, or any of the ministry leaders if you have specific questions or concerns you'd like to discuss. We are always happy to assist you.

Thank you for your dedication to our faith community. Together we hope and pray that our parish community will continue to grow closer to our Lord Jesus Christ as we each share our time, talent and treasure in building up the Kingdom of God.

Sincerely,

Rev. Michael Grosch
Pastor
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314-647-5611

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St. Michael the Archangel Parish Profile

At a time when ethnic parishes were established to accommodate the surge of immigrants to the area, a small group of German-speaking Catholics living in Shrewsbury Park requested and received permission to form St. Michael the Archangel Parish. Permission was granted May 31, 1895. The Murdoch Mansion and its surrounding land were and remain the location of the parish buildings.

Father F. Brand was named the first pastor of St. Michael the Archangel and immediately Mass was offered July 28, 1895 on the parish grounds. On September 2, 1895 the Ursuline Sisters opened the parochial school with forty-six students. On August 30th, 1909, the School Sisters of Notre Dame arrived to teach in the school and remained with the parish until July 2016.

In 1897, a new frame church was dedicated and, in spite that the number of families remained small (thirty-five in the next twelve years), the people of St. Michael the Archangel supported the parish generously. In July 11, 1900 Father Charles Einig was appointed pastor. Despite a meager congregation, Father Einig greatly reduced the debt of the parish, and school attendance grew to seventy-five pupils.

March 3, 1909, Father Joseph Preuss was appointed pastor by Archbishop John J. Glennon, and he remained pastor until his retirement in 1953. Many additions were made during that time. By the end of 1909 a rectory was built, and by July of 1910 the expansion of the wooden church was complete. In 1916 a new four-room brick school building was completed and dedicated by Archbishop John J. Glennon.

The old stone mansion was the home of the School Sisters until June 21, 1920 when lightning struck a telephone wire, igniting the roof of the building and caught fire. A convent was built and completed by Holy Week 1921, and the Sisters took possession on Easter Monday. Over the following ten years two additional classrooms, a boiler room, and modern washrooms were added, and the Parish continued to grow.

November 3, 1939, ground was broken for a new stone church. It was dedicated by Archbishop Glennon on September 29, 1940, which today remains our present church. Louis Preuss, the architect and brother of the pastor, traveled to Shrewsbury, England to authenticate his vision of a church that would be appropriate for Shrewsbury, Missouri. Not only was he successful in designing and building our beautiful church, but his plans have been used to build other churches in St. Louis.

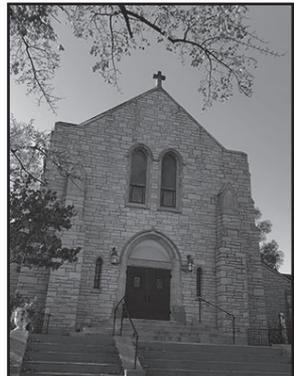
As the student body grew to 800 students, a new school was built and dedicated by Archbishop Joseph Ritter on December 4, 1955. A new convent was built in 1962, and the parish center, with gymnasium was added in 1966. Keeping with the tradition of Catholic education as an integral part of St. Michael the Archangel, beginning 2012 school year, St. Michael the Archangel School became a part of Holy Cross Academy.

As part of the centennial celebration of St. Michael the Archangel, a time capsule was buried at the northeast corner of the church encasing the updated history of the parish, including the year 1995.

Today, St. Michael the Archangel boasts some 1,536 parishioners, from 550 families. This year, we celebrate our 125th Anniversary of the Parish. We continue to have the same vision as our founding mothers and fathers. Though we have long since become an all-inclusive parish we still maintain the same goals of those in the past. Our mission is to “enhance the spiritual growth of our parish community, reach out in welcome to others and share the vision of the Catholic Church.”

Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Michael the Archangel Parish, in union with the Holy Father and our Bishop, are believers in Jesus Christ, Son of God and His Gospel. Our purpose is to enhance the spiritual growth of our parish community, reach out to welcome all people and share in the vision and activities of the Church. We will, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, encourage active participation, interaction and open communication among God’s people.



Liturgy

Weekend Masses

Saturday..... 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Daily Masses

Monday through Friday..... 7:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses

See Weekly Bulletin for Mass Times

Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Confessions will also be heard by appointment.

Baptisms

A family wishing to have a child baptized is asked to contact Kim in the parish office, rectory@stmike.org.

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify us about a long-term illness or inability to attend Mass.

Eucharist for the Homebound

For Communion (in the home), please call the Parish Office.

Marriages

Arrangements are to be made at least eight months in advance of the desired wedding date. Please make an appointment to speak with Fr. Grosch.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

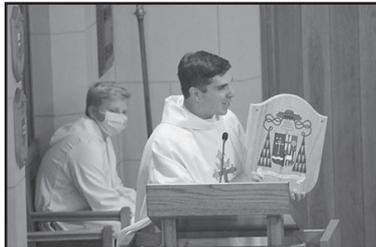
Every Wednesday 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Perpetual Help Devotions

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Legion of Mary

Every Monday morning at 8:30 a.m.





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Deacon Dale Follen Permanent Deacon

Parish Offices in the Notre Dame Center

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E-Mail rectory@stmike.org
Website www.stmike.org
Facebook @stmichaelsrebury
Instagram stmichael_stl

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry 314-520-4919

Holy Cross Academy Primary School @ St. Michael the Archangel campus

7630 Sutherland (63119) 314-647-7159
Fax Number 314-644-1433

Holy Cross Academy Preschool @ St. John Paul II campus

7748 Mackenzie Road (63123) 314-832-4161

Holy Cross Academy Middle School @ Annunciation campus

16 West Glendale (63119) 314-961-7712

Holy Cross Academy - Intermediate @ Our Lady of Providence campus

8874 Pardee Road (63123) 314-842-2073

Holy Cross Academy @ Seven Holy Founders supporting parish

6741 Rock Hill Road (63123) 314-638-3938



Parish School of Religion

The Church is a sign of Jesus Christ in the world today. Therefore, the mission of Christ is the mission of the churches of St. Michael the Archangel and St. John Paul II. Jesus was sent to reveal the Father to all people and teach them about the fullness of His love. He commissioned his Church to do likewise—to help men and women know about God and themselves and to nourish their love of Him and for each other.

Passing along the gift of our Catholic faith to our children in a formal way is an essential part of Catholic parenting. The parish campuses of Holy Cross Academy have three options for religious education, please reach out to these resources.

Annunciation Campus..... Ann Kelly, psr@goannunciation.com
16 West Glendale (63119)

Our Lady of Providence Campus.....Peggy Krupp, olppsr@gmail.com
8874 Pardee Road (63123)

Seven Holy Founders CampusJenifer Broyles, jbroyles@foundersaffton.org
6741 Rock Hill Road (63123)

Safe Environment Program

Here at St. Michael the Archangel, we ensure the safety of our children and the confidence of their parents that the environment for learning and playing is a safe environment. We do this by following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and the U. S. Council of Catholic Bishops.

St. Michael's Parish continually updates and maintains the process and is in full compliance with these guidelines. If you are interested in volunteering at St. Michael the Archangel, please contact Kim Schultz, 647-5611, or rectory@stmike.org.



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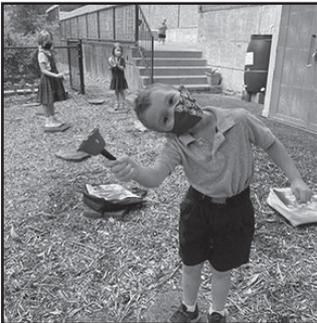
Parish Staff

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Deacon Dale FollenPermanent Deacondalefollen@archstl.org
Mrs. Kim Schultz.....Parish Secretary rectory@stmike.org
Mrs. Teresa Meyer.....Bookkeeper tmeyer@stmike.org

Parish Consultors

Objective: While the Mission Statement sets the tone for all activity in a parish, the Mission Statement comes alive through implementation of objectives. The Parish Consultors, through its leadership, develops the goals and objectives and retains an interest in them and is responsible for evaluating them annually. The actual accomplishment of the goals—through objectives and implementation—is the responsibility of the Parish Consultors, working through its mission, the parish staff, ad hoc committees, and the parish at large.

Geno Azar 314-210-3248
Jeannine Beck 314-210-3248
Jon Givens 314-369-0393
Meg Kellogg 314-368-5766
Brian Koenen 314-807-0451
M’Aggie Maranzana 314-560-0706
Barb Roemerman 314-707-7087



Mike Tabash..... 314-471-4324

Mission of Conversion, Sacred Worship and Faith Formation

Objective: To ensure that St. Michael the Archangel provides all parishioners with the opportunities and resources to enhance their spiritual life and personal relationship with God to the greatest extent possible. This will include the overall Mass experience, as well as special ministries to the disabled, homebound, youth and seniors.

Eucharistic Adoration.....Joanie Hasser. 314-647-1818
Extraordinary MinistersFr. Grosch. 314-647-5611
Hospitality Ministers Jim Collins. 314-565-8294
Lectors Cheryl Harness. 314-647-2348
Legion of Mary..... Dawn Nordyke. 314-255-3051
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)Fr. Grosch. 314-647-5611
Retreats: Men's-White House Brian Koenen. 314-647-5481
Sacristans..... Kathy Winfrey. 314-961-7942
Servers Deacon Dale Follen. 314-792-7433
Welcoming Committee Jeannine Beck. 314-210-3248

Mission of Education and Evangelization

Objective: To facilitate a person's life/faith journey through education. This includes the faith formation of children, the continuing religious education of adults and reaching out in reconciliation to the fallen away, with emphasis on increasing active participation in our Catholic experience.

Adult Religious Education.....Fr. Grosch. 314-647-5611



Respect Life Committee..... Gail Morrissey. 314-583-7654

Mission of Community and Apostolic Service

Objective: To educate the Parish family and the community at large about the various social organizations in existence at St. Michael, neighboring parishes and the surrounding community, and to solicit new members to become active participants in the work and outreach of these organizations.

American Heritage Girls..... Peggy Hoff. 314-646-0131
Athletic Association..... Joe Porter. 314-703-5080
Donut Social Jim Collins. 314-565-8294
Helping Hands Rita Feeny. 314-645-7919
Oktoberfest Kurt Odenwald. 314-647-5611
Parish Facilities Coordinator..... Kim Schultz. 314-647-5611
Parish Picnic..... 314-647-5611
Trivia..... Allen & Anne Cavedine.....
..... allen@cavedine.com
SVDP Food Pantry Joe & Tanya Summers. 314-520-4919
Scouts-Boy Rita Buechter. 314-968-9723
Scouts-Cub Kyle Grate. 314-471-5916
Ministers of the Eucharist for Homebound..... Fr. Grosch. 314-647-5611
Women of St. Michael Sharon Tolbert. 314-647-2420

Mission of Stewardship/Administration

Objective: To be responsible stewards of parish monetary and physical resources. To better communicate the financial condition and results of operations of the parish. To implement financial and administration controls over the parish assets to minimize waste and inefficiency.

Administration and Finance Committee..... Ed Kopff. 314-647-0734
Annual Catholic Appeal Bob and Rose Macher. 314-645-5914
Endowment Committee Fr. Grosch. 314-647-5611

