

For Christ did not
send me to baptize
but to preach the
gospel, and not
with the wisdom
of human
eloquence, so that
the cross of Christ
might not be
emptied of its
meaning.

1 Cor 1:17

Mission Statement : The Roman Catholic Saint Thomas More Parish Family welcomes and invites every person to join us on our journey in faith and celebration. With the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit, and through Sacred Scripture and Tradition, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, especially in loving service to those in need. As part of the Universal Church, we affirm the dignity of every person. All this we do to give glory and honor to God.

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Director of Religious Education Emily Hackett; Ext. 332
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St. Thomas More School

Pre-School through 8th Grade

Office Hours: Monday– Friday ~ 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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School Phone..... 836-9151 School Fax.....836-0982
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8635 Calumet Avenue ~ Munster, IN 46321

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Sacramental Information

Confessions

Saturdays **3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**
First Friday 1/2 hour before the 6:30 a.m. Mass
Baptisms First and Third Sundays at 1:00 p.m.

Parents must be registered parishioners and regularly attending at least six months before the Baptism. At least one of the godparents **must** be a practicing Catholic.

Pre Baptism Class 2nd Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Parents must call the Parish Office to schedule class and/or Baptism.

Marriage..... Must be a registered, practicing member of the parish at least six months before beginning the six month preparation program for marriage.

Communion calls and visits to Hospitals and Homebound: Call the Parish Office for Sacraments at hospital or at home.

New Parishioner Registration

To make it as convenient as possible for you, new parishioners may register at any time in the Parish Office.

St. Thomas More Religious Education

Kindergarten through 8th Grade

Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday — 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Religious Education Phone 836-8610
Director Emily Hackett; Ext. 332
Administrative Assistant Carolyn McGill; Ext. 336
Grades K through 8 ~ Wednesday or Thursday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Pastoral Commissions Chairpersons

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Spirituality & Worship Kaaren Mashura
Stewardship..... Noreen Bickel

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Altar & Rosary Society Cindy Keilman 923-9862
Blue Army Rose Marie Malburg 836-8779
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Career Networking Group..... Christine Spencer 836-8610
Circle of Prayer..... Mary Jo Humpfer 836-5002
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Gifts of Love & Warmth..... Bernadine Nemeth 513-6544
Girl Scouts..... Renee Whelan 796-6809
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Oblates..... Denise Gard 836-9115
Respect Life Leslie Dernulc (219)741-3739
Senior Citizens Herb Cleve 670-2982
The Travelers Club..... Lois Quinn 836-7902
Ushers Club..... Jim Marmalejo 836-1463
Venture Crew..... Fr. Ben Ross 322-4505

Celebrants

Saturday, January 28
5:30 p.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

Sunday, January 29
6:30 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron
8:00 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron
10:00 a.m. Fr. Jordan Fetcko
12:00 Noon Fr. Jordan Fetcko

Servers

SATURDAY, January 28

8:30 am A. & M. Reynolds
5:30 pm E. & T. Zabrecky, S. Donovan, A. & L. Forszt
MC ~ Nick

SUNDAY, January 29

6:30 am M. Hrinda, J. & F. Bernarte
8:00 am T. Walsh, G., L. & M. Buksa, J. Cipowski
MC ~ Elizabeth B.
10:00 am K. Cano, J. & M. Connelly, S. & K. Cunningham
MC ~ Xavian
12:00 pm N. Anglin, J. & M. Blanford/ MC ~ Tim

Baptisms



Viviana
Daughter of
Michael Shomo & Jessica Montella

Konrad Achilles
Son of Grant & Elizabeth Morath

Andrew
Son of Steve Rackow & Lisa Hernandez

Rest in Peace

Joseph Kowalski

Sacrificial Offerings

January 15, 2017

Adult	\$ 21,204.00
Loose	\$ 2,811.00
Children	\$ 135.35
TOTAL	\$ 24,150.35

Thank you for sharing your treasure with our parish!

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, January 22 — Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased
8:00 am Amanda Jurkash (Ann.) by Jurkash Family
10:00 am Stanley Marczak (Ann.) by Slough Family
12:00 pm Geraldine Lesko by Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Moldenhauer

MONDAY, January 23

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:30 am Roger Smitley by Wife and Family
8:30 am James Pelozo by Barbara Pelozo

TUESDAY, January 24 — St. Francis de Sales

6:30 am Linda Parkison by Rose Yothment
8:30 am Antonio F. Serrano Sr. (Ann.) by Serrano Family
10:00 am Joyce Vale by STM Altar & Rosary Society
(MASS AT MED-INN CHAPEL, Group 1)

WEDNESDAY, January 25

Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle

6:30 am Mary Curtis Boland by Skip Lind
8:30 am Andrew Pajor by Pajor Family

THURSDAY, January 26 — Sts. Timothy & Titus

6:30 am Intention of Dan Zurawski by Glenn, Joan & Paula
9:00 am Jack Nordyke by Joseph & Carole Janusonis

FRIDAY, January 27 — Angela Merici

6:30 am Clyde Ableseth by Rose Yothment
8:30 am Rosemarie Arent (Ann.) by Family

SATURDAY, January 28 — St. Thomas Aquinas

8:30 am Frieda Prince by Veronica Brtos
5:30 pm Doreen Jurkash by Jurkash Family

SUNDAY, January 29 — Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased
8:00 am Gene Leahy by Family
10:00 am Al Smith by Michael Wolak
12:00 pm John Edward Figler by Carole & Joseph Janusonis

Readings for Week of January 22

Sunday: Is 8:23--9:3/Ps 27/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23
or 4:12-17
Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117/Mk 16:15-18
Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

Bulletin Deadlines

All bulletin articles must be submitted via email at least two weeks in advance to: bulletin@stm-church.com. Thank you.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him." Peter, Andrew, James, and John's lives would never be the same. They were going about their usual business--fishing on the Sea of Galilee--when Jesus approached them and said, "Come after me." And that's just what they did. "At once they left their nets and followed him." Such a quick response to such a radical request!

What compelled these men to leave their livelihood to follow the Lord? His promise to them was that he would make them "fishers of men." Perhaps they thought that promise sounded fabulous. But it seems more likely that it was Christ himself who drew the men. There must have been something utterly attractive about him, and completely trustworthy. Otherwise, it seems unbelievable that these men would have been so quick to respond to his call.

This compelling man is the same Christ who calls us. We hear his voice in a different way, of course, through the Church and through the Bible, through his Spirit in our hearts, but it is nonetheless the same Jesus of Nazareth who asks us to follow him. Have we allowed ourselves to be drawn by his voice? Are we open to a real encounter with the Lord who changes lives?

If our relationship with Jesus does not transform us, if it does not change us into different, better people moment by moment and day by day, then chances are that we are not truly encountering him. He is too powerful to be inconsequential. It might take some courage and commitment to come into authentic contact with the Lord, but when we do, our lives will never be the same.

Please pray for the sick of our parish...

Joshua Alvarez
Margaret Amatulli
Frieda Andersen
Mary Anhalt
Doris Aurelio
Maria Aurelio
Antonio Belmonte
Michael Berry
Michael Billedo
Michael Blazeovich
Laverne Blumka
Cheryl Bostrom
Robert Boyle
Linda Braun
Stephany Burney
Paul Burns
Dorothy Campbell
James Campbell
Thomas Cak
Al Carollo
Janet Cattanaach
Jacqueline Morrow
Christian
Willie Colby
Vincent Corsello
Mike Curtain
Lucille Dettlerline
Irene Dettmer
Ann DeVoy
MaryPat Devoy
Jeanine Doescher
Jim D'Orazio
Alex Eiland
Sherlon Evans
John Forde
Phyllis Garber
Denise Gard
Andrea Garritano
Margaret Geary
Emily Gibson
Dorothy Gillespie
Margaret Good
Howard Gralewski
Margaret Gray
Susan Graff
James Grunewald
Amy Hayes

Eleanore Heggi
Charles Helms
Marie Henke
Marisol Hernandez
Becky Hill
Mary Jo Humpfer
Charlotte Hunt
Betty Ingbretson
Steve Izzo
Dennis Jablonski
Elizabeth Jacob
Barbara Janrose
Stanley Jayjack
Carol Keilman
Kelly Jean
Irene Kerps
James Klein, Sr.
Janet Knight
Susan Kolodziej
Miller Krizmanic
Isabella Lappo
Annika LeMonier
Chris LeMonier
Debbie LeMonier
Nicklas LeMonier
Mike Lewis
Jo Lisiniewicz
Edward Liskiewicz
Stanley Liskiewicz
Maria Lovell
Marilyn Madsen
Charlene Madura
Mary Manchak
Brady Martin
Larkin McKenzie
Jenny Mendoza
Faye Meny
Sandi Merlo
Erin Meyer
Ann Miskovich
Andrew Moll
David Moll
Elissa Moll
Genevieve Mrvan
Jean Narvid
Donna Nichols
Steven Nowaczyk

Clare O'Brien
Valerie O'Donnell
Danny Ogren
Maryann Pancheri
James Pancheri
Marty Pavovic
Johanna Petruich
Angelo Petrungraro
Andrew Pieczyrak
Elizabeth Pilones
Ron Plewniak
Sylvester Porras
Dennis Powell
Jerry Reach
Timothy Ribble
Jackie Roach
Shirley Romanyak
Ann Sardella
George Sauer
Marie Schultz
Marianne Schwartz
William Schwartz
Zachery Scriff
James Secviar
Jim Seul
Renee Shehan
Ruth Siorek
Nick Skinner
Lydia Skorupa
Carolyn Smiley
Deborah Stareck
Georgianne Suto
Florence Stevens
Barbara Szypczak
Rose Theis
Gerardo Trevino
Kathie Trudgian
Anthony Ubiane
Tony Vanden Heuvel
Raymond Vanderbok
Julia Vrbnich
Adele Wall
Stephanie Wisniewski
Don Woszczyński
Cecilia Ziegler
Cody Ziemkowski

Weekly Schedule

MONDAY, January 23

5:45 pm Handbell Practice (until 7:00 pm) ~ Church
6:30 pm Blue Army ~ Chapel
7:00 pm Schola Choir ~ Church
7:00 pm Religious Formation ~ Conference Room
7:30 pm Knights of Columbus ~ Solar Room

TUESDAY, January 24

9:15 am Eucharistic Adoration (until 6:30 p.m.) ~ Chapel
1:00 pm Prayer/Vocations ~ Chapel
6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Chapel
7:00 pm RCIA ~ Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, January 25

9:30 am Bible Study ~ Conference Room
4:30 pm Religious Education Classes (until 6:00 pm)
5:00 pm RCIC ~ Teachers' Lounge
7:00 pm Gabriel Project ~ Teachers' Lounge
7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul ~ Conference Room
7:15 pm Handbell Practice (until 8:30 pm) ~ Church

THURSDAY, January 26

4:30 pm Religious Education Classes (until 6:00 pm)
6:45 pm All Seasons Chorale ~ Church

FRIDAY, January 27

9:00 am Gifts of Love & Warmth ~ Conference Room

SATURDAY, January 28

9:00 am Pastoral Council ~ Conference Room
7:00 pm **STMS Family Dance ~ Gym**

SUNDAY, January 29

St. Thomas More School Open House ~ 9:00 a.m. to Noon
Ushers Club Pancake Breakfast ~ 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. ~ Gym

Catholic Services Appeal

The Catholic Services Appeal Campaign officially ends on January 31, 2017. Only payments received by 12/31/16 can be claimed as a tax deduction for 2016.

New: To request tax receipts for donations for the 2016 year, email: www.dcgary.org/csa.htm.

Ushers Club

Pancake Breakfast

Don't miss the Ushers Club annual Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, January 29th

7:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

in the STM Gym

Free-will donation.

Enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee and milk or juice.



And don't forget to tour St. Thomas More School during the

Open House

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

DO NOT DILUTE THE MESSAGE OF THE CROSS

It has been reported to me about you, my brothers and sisters, by Chloe's people, that there are rivalries among you.

I mean that each of you is saying, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."

Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with the wisdom of human eloquence, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its meaning. (1 Cor 1:11-13,17)

It bothers me, it really bothers me, when I see "ministers" who develop a "cult of personality". I believe you know the kind of people of whom I speak. There are ministers out there who so value themselves that they have their flock pledge themselves to their minister rather than to the Lord. There are ministers out there who exact all sorts of money from their flock to care for their own needs.

I could go on and on about the kinds of ministers who have multi-million dollar homes or complexes, who have an armada of cars and boats and planes, who value themselves over the word of God.

Their judgment, I believe, will be especially harsh since their people had trusted them to be shown the way. God is not pleased with shepherds who lead the sheep astray.

Paul, in today's second reading, was upset, almost to the point of panic, because he heard that the people in the early Church were pledging themselves more to people — Paul, Apollos, Cephas — than to Christ. Paul knew that if people gave themselves over to a human person, they could be led astray easily. They needed to give themselves to the Lord.

Cults of personality can be lots of fun, they can provide great entertainment, they can even give us a sense of belonging. But they can be totally devoid of what we really need: a deep spirituality that strengthens our soul rather than our egos or pocketbooks.

FAITH ACTION: If you know someone who has pledged themselves to someone other than the Lord, help that person to return to God before it is too late. At the very least, pray for that person.

Fr. Mike



PLEASE REMEMBER THEM

Please pray for the priests and deacons who have served the Diocese of Gary so faithfully and whose anniversaries of death are this week:

January 23: Rev. Anthony A. Balczun (1977)
January 25: Rev. Joseph Judnic (1958)



Next week, January 29 to February 4, we will celebrate the heritage of Catholic Schools. I truly believe that we have much to celebrate in our parish.

Our school is strong and vibrant and our graduates go out and excel in the high schools and colleges they attend. This is a testament not only to our administration, faculty, and staff; but, also, to the generosity of our parish family who subsidizes the workings of the school annually.

I ask you to pray, continuously, for our school that it remains strong and that our students continue to excel in their academics as well as their extra-curricular activities. A well-rounded student is a true benefit to our world!

OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

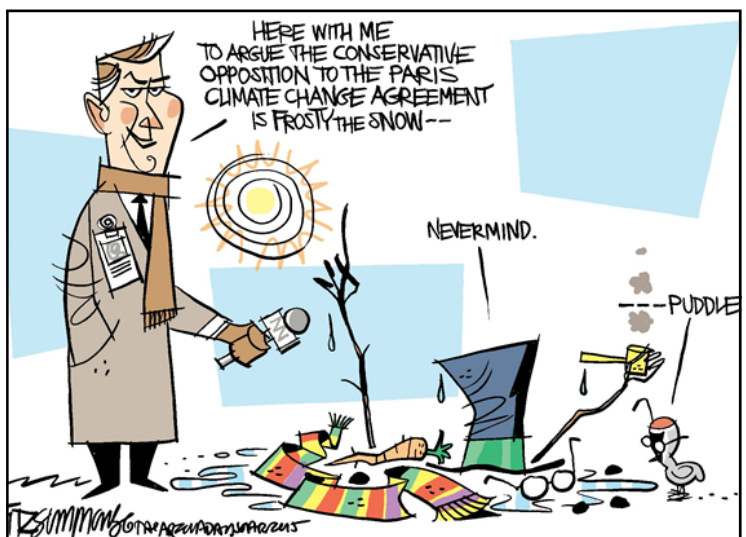
One of the reasons that we are trying to raise the money needed to do the capital improvements in our church and school buildings is to make our school space a welcoming environment in which to learn and thrive. The building is in desperate need of replacing the boilers and adding air-conditioning throughout the facility. We will only be able to do that with your help.

If you have contributed to our campaign already, many thanks. If you are still "on the fence", kindly help us to get the job done.

If you give just a little bit, you will help us save a whole lot. Our boilers alone are almost 90% inefficient. Back in the day they may have been great. Now, they are a financial drain. Replacing them will save the parish thousands of dollars a year.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

A mother and her young son returned from the grocery store and began putting away the groceries. The boy opened the box of animal crackers and spread them all over the table. "What are you doing?" his mother asked. "The box says you can't eat them if the seal is broken," the boy explained. "I'm looking for the seal."





Religious Education

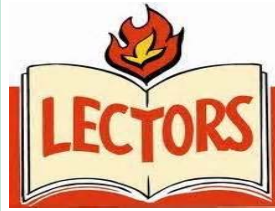
January Schedule

25/26 Class

February Schedule

1/2 Class
8/9 Class
15/16 Class
22/23 Class

Lectors for the Week



Saturday, January 28

5:30 pm Mass

Jay Gianotti &
Rob Mangus

Sunday, January 29

6:30 am Mass

Don Dulkoski & Micki Richter

8:00 am Mass

Judy Buksa & Paul Liszewski

10:00 am Mass

James Landowski &
Jesse Montenegro

12:00 Noon Mass

Richard & Sylvia Komyatte



Sunday, January 29

6:30 am Mass

Chapel: Carla Covelli

8:00 am Mass

Main: Jim & Nancy Kaczka

Chapel: Mary Silvasi

Choir: Christie & Katie Kordeck

10:00 am Mass

Main: Diane Ayala

Chapel: Joan Mucha & Diane Adley

12:00 Noon Mass

Main: Diane Gralewski

Chapel: Susan Anglin

Choir: Pat Batchelder



STM Career Networking Group

80% of Jobs are Unadvertised

82% of Jobs are found through Networking

15% Found through Search Firms • 10% Found through Want Ads
4% Create Their Own Jobs • 2% Blindly Send Resumes



**Thursday
February 16, 2017**

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Elevator Pitch

3 Steps to the Perfect 3 Minute

Where: STM Weis Center
8635 Calumet Avenue • Munster, IN
When: The 3rd Thursday of Every Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
Email: STMCareerGroup@gmail.com

Regular Meetings are Free! Open to All!

For those who are *unemployed* (in transition), new to the job market, employed but changing careers or those who can offer employment opportunities through their current professional connections. Have your cover letter, resume or thank you note critiqued by a professional.



Gabriel Project

The first regular meeting of the Gabriel Project Ministry for 2017 will be held



Wednesday, January 25th

7:00 p.m. — Teachers' Lounge

We hope to see all of our regular members and some new members there, too. If you are interested in what we do as a ministry, please come to our meeting & see what we're all about.

Oblates of St. Benedict

Saturday, February 11th

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon in the STM Conference Room

All are welcome: bring the kids, your family & your neighbors!
Continue Studying the Psalms-Royal Kingdom.

Ultra-Sound Tech Needed

The Women's Care Center, a pregnancy resource center operated by Catholic Charities of our Diocese, is in need of an **Ultra Sound Technician (or qualified nurse)** for ultrasounds of pregnant clients.

The Center is located at 7127 Indianapolis Blvd. in Hammond. Part-time or full time positions will be considered. Competitive pay and benefits. email resume, along with type of position sought and salary request, to wccnwi@gmail.com.

Vocations Committee

Spend Time in Adoration

In the apparitions to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1675, Jesus promised twelve privileges to those who are devoted to His Sacred Heart. Here are the first three:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace to their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.



St. Thomas More School

Join us for a St. Thomas More School



Open House

Meet our teachers, tour the school & discover why St. Thomas More School students enjoy continued success in and out of the classroom!

Sunday, January 29th

9:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon or

Tuesday, February 21st

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Prospective families, current families, parishioners & alumni are invited to attend!

Fully Accredited by the IN Department of Education and AdvancEd with "A" Rating
Outstanding Academics with Emphasis on the Arts
Small Class Sizes with 19:1 Student to Teacher Ratio • Honors Program
Faith-Based Curriculum with Catholic Values
Strong Parent & Student Community • State-of-the-Art Technology



Over 20 Clubs & Organizations

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| Altar Serving | Lectors |
| Student Ambassadors | Media Club |
| Art Club | Musical Productions |
| Band | National Junior Honor Society |
| Boy Scouts | Rainbows |
| Choir | Safety Patrol |
| Chess Club | Science Olympiad |
| 4-H | Spelling Bee |
| Girl Scouts | Student Council |
| Girls-on-the-Run | ...and more! |
| Leadership Committee | |

5 Sports Offered

Co-ed Cross Country • Co-ed Soccer • Co-ed Track
Boys & Girls Volleyball • Boys & Girls Basketball



Weis Center (Preschool & Pre-K):
8635 Calumet Avenue in Munster
Main School Building (Grades K to 8):
8435 Calumet Avenue in Munster

For more information, please contact Pam Pasyk at (219) 836-9151 or ppasyk@stm-school.com.

Senior Citizen News

All senior members of our parish are invited to join. Meetings are held twice a month at the Kish Community Room, 10000 Calumet in Munster at 1:00 p.m. (unless noted). In addition, we meet monthly for lunch at a nearby restaurant.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Wednesday, January 25th

Social Gathering — “Bingo Bonanza”
1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Monthly Luncheon

Monday, January 30th at 11:00 a.m.

Sofia’s Restaurant • 9344 Indianapolis Blvd. • Highland, IN
(corner of Indy Blvd. & Hart Street)

No reservations needed. Come and enjoy the warmth of a good meal and some even better conversation.

Friends are welcome to join us, too. See you there!

Wednesday, February 1st

Business Meeting
Guest Speaker to be announced.

Saturday, February 18th

Pizza Party
12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m. in the Solar Room.

Holy Name Society

All men of the parish are invited to join us for our next meeting on

Monday, February 20th at 7:00 p.m.

In the Solar Room.

We will begin with the Rosary and follow with a brief meeting, discussion and planning for our March Fish Fry and conclude with refreshments. We hope to see you there.

Holy Name Fish Fry

Friday March 10th in the St. Thomas More Gym

Respect Life

March for Life in Merrillville

There will be a March for Life in Merrillville on

Friday, January 27 from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

to coincide with the annual March for Life Rally in

Washington D.C. The local march will begin at Noon at the

Diocesan Pastoral Center at 9292 Broadway in Merrillville.

The group will walk one mile to the Planned Parenthood office at 8645 Connecticut Street in Merrillville for prayer and speakers.

If you can't walk, there is parking available at the Chase Bank lot at 86th street.

The March for Life Merrillville is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Learn more: call Mike Velasco (219) 663-0509.

Christmas Gala Rescheduled

The Celebrate Life Gala has been rescheduled to a Valentine’s celebration. Please join us for a Valentine’s Day Celebration of Life at Innsbrook Country Club on Saturday, February 11th, 2017.

Events in the Area...

Respect Life Prayer Service

The Whiting/Robertsdale Faith Enrichment Committee invites you to its annual Respect Life Prayer Service on Sunday, January 22 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Elizabeth Guzman-Arredondo, MSW, LSW of Calumet College is the guest presenter. Ms. Guzman-Arredondo is a 1991 graduate of Loyola University of Chicago’s Graduate School of Social Work and currently serves as Director and Assistant Professor of the Human Services Program at Calumet College of St. Joseph. Info? Call Margaret Saliga 219-659-4138

Pierogi Sales

Order pierogis from St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church. Call your order in by Wednesday each week and pick up on Friday between Noon and 4:00 p.m. at the church. Leave your order (quantity and flavor) on the answering machine at (219) 838-9811. Potato, kraut, cheese or prune. \$9/dozen or \$5/half-dozen.

Wounded Healers

Sessions are available for those grieving the loss of a loved one (spouse or significant other, parent, sibling or friend, child or grandchild) including separate sessions for those dealing with loss due to suicide and a teen support group. Sessions are as follows: February 1 & 15 • March 1 & 15 (with speaker) For more info: 924-5577 or www.woundedhealers-nwi.com.

Habitat Fashions for Foundations

Habitat for Humanity of NWI is hosting Fashions for Foundations on January 28th at the Halls of St. George, 905 E. Joliet in Schererville, to raise funds to help families build a future. \$40 per person. Contact Rosanna at (219) 836-6269 or the Habitat office at (219) 923-7265 for tickets and info.

Soup Supper

Join All Saints Church, 570 Sibley Street in Hammond, for their All-You-Can-Eat Soup Supper on Saturday, January 28th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the school hall. The cost is \$10 per person and includes soup, salad, fresh baked bread, crackers, pop, coffee and dessert. Carryout is extra. For more information, please contact the church at (219) 932-0204.

All-You-Can-Eat Soup Kitchen

St. Andrews Church is hosting an All-You-Can-Eat Soup Kitchen, complete with salad bar & bake sale on Sunday, January 29 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Andrews Ameling Hall, 801 W. 73rd Avenue in Merrillville.

Adults—\$7.00/Seniors (62+) —\$6.00

Children (12 & under) —\$4.00 or Family Plan (2 adults & children)—\$18.00. Carry out: \$7.00/quart & \$4.00/pint.

Proceeds go to the Deacon George Modrak Tuition Assistance Fund for Aquinas School. Rick or Tina @ (219) 662-2437.

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