

ASPIRA ION

SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Alleluia, Alleluia, He is Risen! "I have come into the world as LIGHT, so that whoever believes in Me may not remain in the darkness." – John 12:46

Happy Easter to our St. Michael community. We have prepared our hearts during Lent for this glorious event. Jesus has defeated death and sin because of His love for us. As we celebrate Easter with our families, let us reflect on the peace and hope that is brought to us in the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

St. Michael School, through many spiritual activities, has guided our students, faculty, and families to use Lent as a time to deepen their relationship with the Lord and be spiritually prepared for the Easter celebration.

During Holy Week, the St. Michael School students participated in Adoration and Benediction. Fr. Mikel Polson exposed the Blessed Sacrament in the school chapel and each grade level visited the chapel throughout the day to spend some time with Jesus. The students returned to the gym at 2:30

for Benediction and reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Our students, faculty, staff, and parents had the opportunity to have a beautiful and spiritual encounter with Jesus.

During the Lenten season we were called to prayer.
Through our Lenten Prayer
Egg Project, St. Michael students and faculty were encouraged to pray daily for other students and faculty members. Each day, the classes picked an egg and prayed for the person



whose name was in it. They then send them a spiritual prayer card letting them know that they were prayed for that day. Each prayer card was designed by one of our talented 8th grade art students.

St. Michael students and faculty continued their preparation for Easter by praying the Way of the Cross each Friday. As we prayed the Way of the Cross, we were able to unite our suffering with the Cross of Christ and become transformed by His grace.

We are always proud of all of our students and the hard work they put into their academic studies. We celebrated the end of the 3rd quarter by treating the students to donuts. We also celebrated our 3rd Quarter Principal's List with pizza for a special lunch. GO SAINTS!





ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL ADORATION AND BENEDICTION



St. Michael 4H Club members attended the 4H Achievement Day at Midland High School, where they won multiple awards. They received the Best Mannered Club Award, 2nd place Elementary Club in Livestock judging, and 2nd place Club Scrapbook. Ryleigh Ostreicher received Overall Junior Achievement Award and 1st in Record Book Award. Congratulations to our 4H members. Way to go, Saints 4H!



The Diocese of Lafayette held their annual Diocesan Educators' Recognition Ceremony at St. John the Evangelist Cathedral in Lafayette. St. Michael School's Supporters of the Year, Mrs. Emily Hensgens and Alison Privat, were recognized for their dedication and support of St. Michael. Mrs. Patti Guidry, St. Michael's Teacher of the Year, was also recognized for her outstanding dedication and

love for St. Michael and her students. St. Michael School appreciates them for all they do for our school and our students.

St. Michael students celebrated and enjoyed "Read Across America and Dr. Seuss Day." Dr. Seuss has written a number of children's books that our students are able to enjoy daily. Students participated in various fun class activities which promoted the love of reading. "The more that you READ, the more things you will KNOW. The more that you LEARN, the more places you will GO!" – Dr. Seuss.

Our athletic program is closely coming to an end.

The St. Michael baseball and softball teams had a great year. They strengthened their skills, played as a team, and built everlasting relationships. The track team and golf team has had a great start to the season. Good luck to all our student athletes as they finish their seasons. GO SAINTS!

St. Michael School prides itself on having a rigorous curriculum that provides our students with a strong education that allows them to succeed. Our curriculum also

prepares our students for Standardized Testing. Our 3rd-8th grade students were not only supported by their teachers; the entire student body lined-up daily to cheer our testing students on during testing week. They wanted to let them know that they were all STAR students and encourage them to do their best. This was a wonderful display of support.

The Saints Robotics and Quiz Bowl teams have been working hard in preparing to attend Nationals. Saints Robotics is heading to Houston for Nationals and Saints Quiz Bowl is heading to Chicago. They have worked hard in raising money so that each member of the team could experience this wonderful opportunity. Parents, students, moderators, and the community worked together to raise enough money for them to make the trips. We are extremely proud of both teams and we thank you for all your support and hard work!

The Student Council sponsored a quiz bowl match between four teams made up of 5th-8th grade students. There were some competitive matches among the teams, but our Saints Quiz Bowl Team came up with the WIN! Thank you to our quiz bowl team for allowing other students to experience the fun and excitement of being part of the team.

The St. Michael Student Council sponsored Mix Match Sock Dress day to benefit and support Down Syndrome. The students showed off their fun, crazy, mixmatched socks for \$1.00 and raised over \$300. All proceeds were donated to Zoe's Toolbox, which is a non-profit organization that



supports children with Down Syndrome. This is a beautiful way for our students to live out the mission of service.



ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL TESTING FINISHED CELEBRATION

The St. Michael Beta Club sponsored a special dress day for Epilepsy Awareness Day. Students were able to dress in jeans, St. Michael t-shirt, and tennis shoes. All proceeds were donated to benefit Epilepsy. St. Michael students continue to serve others in need.

We had two special Principals visit our school in March - Mr. David Michael Hundley and Miss Finley Guidry. They each spent a day as principal with Mrs. Terri. They helped with morning announcements, had breakfast and lunch away from school, visited classrooms, and assisted the office staff with various jobs. Mr. David Michael surprised the 1st grade classes with a field day with fun activities and ice cream floats. Miss Finley Guidry surprised the 2nd grade class with an art party. Mr. David Michael and Miss Finley both did an amazing job as principal for the day.



It is hard to believe we only have two months left of the 2022-2023 school year. During these two months, we have a lot of special events coming up. Field trips have been scheduled, and students are excited to extend their learning off campus. Our 8th grade students will be performing in the Spring play "Alice in Wonderland" on April 27th.

The cast has been chosen, and they have been practicing their lines. We are excited to see what they can do. Tickets will be available through the front office. We invite everyone to come out and support our students.

Our students are looking forward to the May events.

These events signify the end of school, and we are able to recognize our students for their outstanding accomplishments. SPC Fun Day is scheduled for May 2nd, May Crowning is May 4th, End of the Year Mass and Awards Ceremony is May 11th, 8th Grade Mass of Thanksgiving is May 16th, PK3 Closing Ceremony is May 18th, PK4 Closing Ceremony is May 22nd, K Closing Ceremony is May 23rd, Art Show is May 12th, and our Academic Pep Rally is May 25th.

Christ's resurrection offers a promise of renewed life.

Go out and spread the good news for Christ has Risen! Easter is a time to enjoy all of God's blessings; families, friends, and Jesus' love. During this Easter Season, St. Michael School continues to offer our prayers and support to all our St. Michael families.

Faith-Scholarship-Leadership-Service

GOD IS GOOD!

God Bless, Your Servant in Christ, **Terri Hebert**, Principal

Saints 4H Achievement Day





FAITH LOVE CHRISTONE!

Through FAITH, LOVE, and CHRIST we can continue to build a MAGNIFICENT Catholic environment for St. Michael School students! St. Michael School is a family of students, parents, grandparents, alumni, faculty, staff and community that work together as one to help keep the school's mission of faith, scholarship, leadership and service alive. Helping to build the St. Michael Annual Fund enables each student to grow in a Catholic environment and to learn through hands-on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) based lessons that will help prepare them for their future. Your gift to the St. Michael Annual Fund helps to make St. Michael School's curriculum stronger and helps to ensure committed and highly-skilled teachers for the students. St. Michael School strives to build each student's love for God, themselves, and others! You can help build St. Michael School through giving to the Annual Fund!

St. Michael School Annual Fund

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or planned giving to St. Michael School, please call Holly Broussard at 337-783-1410.



Please join St. Michael School as we celebrate these special events:

Spring Play "Alice in Wonderland" 8th & 4th Grade Thursday, April 27, 7:00 at the Rice Theater

Saints Parent Club (SPC) FUN DAY! Tuesday, May 2, PreK3-8th Grade

May Crowning School Mass (PreK3-8th) Thursday, May 4, 8:45 in the Gym

End of Year Mass & Awards (PreK3-8th) Thursday, May 11, 8:45 in the Gym

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