



ASPIRATIONS

SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

APRIL 2024



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. This Easter Season, let us reflect on the peace and hope that is brought to us in the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Our St. Michael School students participated in Adoration and Benediction. After a beautiful mass, Fr. Mikel Polson exposed the Blessed Sacrament in the school chapel and each grade level visited the chapel throughout the day to spend time with Jesus. The students returned to the gym at 2:30 for the Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. What a blessing it is for our school community to have the opportunity for prayer, reflection, and spiritual growth in the comforting presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph is the beloved foster father of Jesus. We honored St. Joseph with a St. Joseph's altar in the school library. As a symbol of our shared commitment to charity, our students brought in food donations to adorn the altar, to be given to Ms. Helen's Soup Kitchen. It was a beautiful masterpiece that our school community - students, parents, grandparents, and community members - came together to express our faith, generosity, and honor of St. Joseph.



A passionate performance of Our Lord's Passion by our 7th grade students ended our Lenten Season. In a moving portrayal of Jesus' Passion, the students shared the journey of love, sacrifice, and redemption, touching the hearts of our school and community.

Our 8th graders embarked on a day of reflection and spiritual growth during their 8th grade retreat led by the Notre Dame Campus Ministry Retreat team. The day was filled with teamwork, self-reflection, deep conversation, and connection with Jesus. This retreat is a part of our 8th graders faith formation as they prepare to leave St. Michael School and move on to high school.





ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL 7TH GRADE PASSION PLAY



Prayer Services are an important part of our students' faith formation. Mrs. Alison Privat's 2nd grade class did an amazing job of representing the Bible story of how Jesus performed the miracle of feeding five thousand people with 5 loaves of bread and 3 fish. Mrs. Rhonda's 1st grade class brought to life the timeless parable of The Good Samaritan during their heartwarming prayer service. Our young Saints are living their mission of faith and inspiring others to live a life filled with Jesus' love.

Our St. Michael students welcomed the esteemed members of the 310 Club of Crowley. These wonderful guests took the time to read and tell stories of the time when they were growing up. They shared stories of school, adventures, and their community. This was a beautiful way of creating a bridge between generations and fostering respect and relationships with our elders. Thank you for enriching the lives of our students.



The Diocese of Lafayette held their annual Diocesan Educators Recognition Ceremony at St. John the Evangelist Cathedral in Lafayette. St. Michael School's Supporter of the Year, Father Mikel Polson, was recognized for his dedication and support of St. Michael. Ms. Christine Leleux, St. Michael's Teacher of the Year, was also recognized for her outstanding dedication and love for St. Michael and his students. St. Michael School appreciates them for all they do for our school and our students.

Our Saints Robotics team was able to travel back into history by visiting Ms. Irma Darphin of Iota. At 102 years young, Ms. Irma shared stories of her time serving as an Army nurse during World War II. The Saints Robotics team was able to gather valuable information that they will use as they gear up for the National World War II Museum's Robotics Challenge Tournament. We thank Ms. Irma for her years of service and dedication and for taking the time to share her adventures with our young generation.

St. Michael students celebrated and enjoyed "Read Across America and Dr. Seuss Day." Dr. Seuss has written several children's books that our students are able to enjoy daily. Students were treated to guest readers throughout the week. Thank you to our parents and grandparents for sharing wonderful stories with our St. Michael students. Students also 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.



St. Patrick's Day is always a fun day for our students. St. Patrick is one of the most venerated saints in the world and the patron saint of Ireland. Our students were able to dress in green and participate in several educational activities related to St. Patrick's Day.

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





SPRING FIELD TRIPS: 5TH GRADE SWAMP TOUR AND VISIT TO MONCUS PARK

The St. Michael Student Council sponsored Mix Match Sock Dress day to benefit and support Down Syndrome. The students showed off their crazy socks for \$1.00 and raised nearly \$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.



It is hard to believe we are approaching the end of the 2023-2024 school year. We have a lot planned for a very short period of time. **Field trips have been scheduled and students are excited to extend their learning off campus.**

Our 6th-8th grade drama club will be performing in the Spring Play, "The Magical Land of Oz" on April 30th. 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 drama students.

Our students are looking forward to the May events. These events signify the end of school, and we can recognize our students for their outstanding accomplishments. SPC Fun, May Crowning School Mass, End of the Year Mass and Awards Ceremony, 8th Grade Mass of Thanksgiving, PK3 Closing Ceremony and PK4 Closing Ceremony, K Closing Ceremony, Art Show, and our Academic Pep are all coming up at the in April and May. **Please see our web site at www.stmike.net calendar for all dates and events.**

Jesus' resurrection offers a promise of renewed life. Go out and spread the good news for Jesus 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.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers as we strive to fulfill our mission of Faith • Scholarship • Leadership • Service. GOD IS GOOD!

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

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Our JOURNEY continues with your support to build a CATHOLIC environment for our students to LIVE, LOVE, and SERVE as JESUS does!

St. Michael School is a family made up 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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Special EVENTS

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

Spring Pictures: Tuesday, April 23

Saints Parent Club (SPC) FUN DAY!: Friday, April 26

Spring Play "The Magical Land of Oz" Tuesday, April 30, in the Gym

May Crowning School Mass (PreK3-8th) Thursday, May 2, 8:45 in the Gym

End of Year School Mass (PreK3-8th) Thursday, May 9, 8:45 in the Gym

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