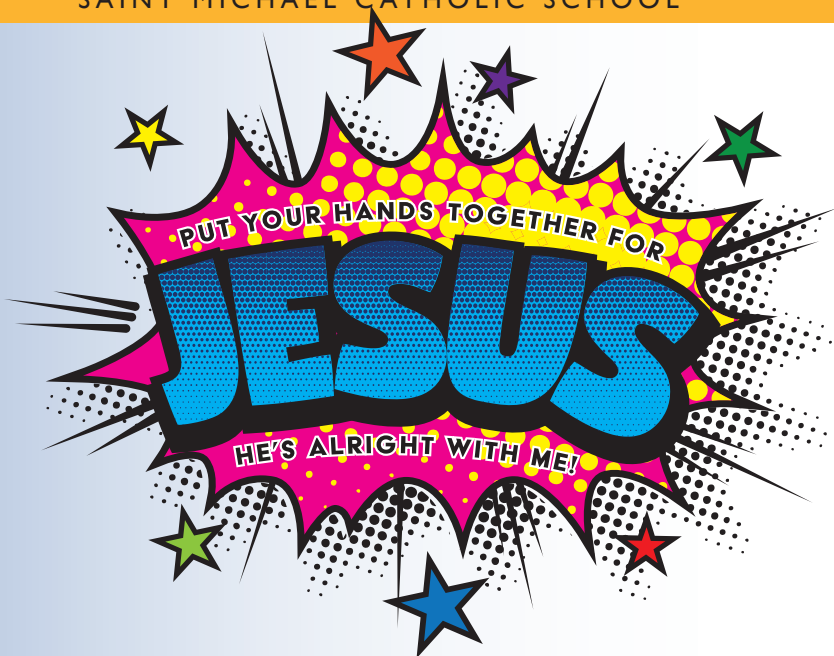




# ASPIRATIONS

SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 2023



**St. Michael School Catholic Schools Week was a success. We celebrated the 2023 Grandparents' Day with the 19th Annual Faith Rally "Put Your Hands Together for Jesus...He's Alright with Me!" FAITH-FUN-FAMILY!**

**Catholic Schools across the United States come together during Catholic Schools Week to celebrate Catholic Education.** Catholic Schools observe the week with school masses and faith-filled activities for students, families, and community members. Through these events, we focus on the value of Catholic Education in our young people and its contribution to the church, local communities, and the nation.

**St. Michael School celebrated Mass during Catholic Schools Week with the entire student body attending, PK3-8th grade, and after mass we recognized special individuals that contributed so much to making St. Michael great!**

Each year we recognize individuals who are an outstanding believer and supporter of Catholic education. This year's **St. Michael Supporters of the Year are Mrs. Emily Hensgens and Mrs. Alison Privat.** They have generously given their time, talents and service to our school for many years. They are involved, supportive, and dedicated in helping the school in all aspects. These two ladies have played an important role in ensuring that our students have the opportunity to participate in weekly morning adoration. They have supported our mission of Catholic Education by forming POP (Parents of Prayer). This is a group of parent volunteers that support our mission by bringing the virtues and the lives of the Saints to our classrooms. They are a blessing to their family, church, community, and St. Michael School.



Annually, the faculty selects a teacher to honor as the St. Michael Teacher of the Year. **This year's Teacher of the Year is Mrs. Patti Guidry.** Mrs. Patti promotes our school's mission, keeps current with best practices in education, leads in implementing school wide activities, contributes to the spiritual growth of students, embodies Christian values, and is a model for not only students but the school community. In the words







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of her colleagues, “She has a genuine love and concern for each and every student. She goes above and beyond her usual duties to make certain her students understand.” “She always makes herself available to the students for extra help.” “She is a dedicated teacher; she arrives at school early and stays late. She truly loves her job”. Others continue to say: “She has provided our students with a strong foundation to their Junior High education experience.” Students have said, “She is hard, but I learned so much in her class.” Former students seek her out at school to thank her for teaching them and pushing them to achieve their best. “She helps them see the potential within themselves.” “She genuinely cares about their needs which is why they are so prepared.” “She gives her heart and soul to her students. She is one of a kind.” This teacher has been an integral part of this faculty, always working hard finding ways to help students succeed. She is also a dedicated and loving mother and special Mimi to Shannon, Gigi and Max. Our students and St. Michael are blessed to have her as part of our family.

We have many support staff members that play important roles in the daily activities of our school. We appreciate each one of them;



however, we have one special support staff member that goes above and beyond while doing her job. Our **St. Michael Support Staff Member of the Year is Mrs. Stephanie Vice**. She demonstrates dedication and loyalty to St. Michael, its students, families, faculty and staff through her actions and willingness to be a team player. She has been part of the St. Michael family as a parent and as a staff member for many years. Our Support Staff Member of the Year has been selected by the faculty and staff. In the words of her colleagues, “She is always a team player who is trustworthy and reliable.” “She is a great asset to not only the St. Michael Staff and faculty but to all the children that adore her.” Other colleagues go on to say, “She is very patient and caring with her students.” “She is an extremely hard worker, kind to all, has a heart of gold, and the kids love her because she is so fun with them.” It is evident that this person loves her job and St. Michael. She is the wife of Rusty Vice and they have three handsome sons: Jacob, William, and Nick, which are all alumni of St. Michael.

**Our week of celebration ended with a two-day Faith Rally and Grandparents’ Day celebration “Put your hands Together for Jesus...He is Alright with Me!”** The students’ performances were amazing and uplifting, from PK3-8th grade! The students performed songs, dances, and cheers proclaiming their love for Jesus and the joy of celebrating their faith for the grandparents, parents, family, and friends. These two days are the most spiritual uplifting days of the school year because our students proudly entertain their grandparents, family and friends. They celebrate their love for them and for Jesus!





## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2023

After the Faith Rally, grandparents were able to visit their grandchildren in their classrooms. The generosity of our grandparents has been a wonderful gift to the school through the years. **This year, our grandparents and other guests lovingly contributed over \$10,000 in an offering from the heart. Thank you for your continued prayers, love and support for our students and St. Michael School.**

**St. Michael students and teachers celebrated the 100th day** of school on January 27th. Students celebrated 100 days of learning by having a special dress day, enjoying treats and fun activities in their classrooms.

### St. Michael's Robotics Team WINS the First LEGO League Robotics State Tournament!

They competed against 59 Louisiana teams. The competition included robotic design, programming, engineering projects, and teamwork. **Our Robotics Team will now be traveling to Houston for the National Competition.** Congratulations to our Robotics Team. Thank you, Mr. Tim and Mrs. Tammy, for all you do for our students!



**St. Michael School basketball season has come to end.** All of our student athletes worked hard and competed well. **Congratulations to our St. Michael Saints 5th**

**grade girls' basketball team for winning the Christian League Championship!** Great job, girls! **Thank you to all the basketball coaches for their dedication and the time they gave to their players. WE APPRECIATE**

**YOU! Softball, baseball, and golf season is now under-way.** Please come out and support our student athletes. **Good Luck, SAINTS!**

**2nd Quarter ended and the Principal's List and Honor Roll** were announced during morning announcements. We have some hard-working students that strive for excellence, and we are so proud of them. As a treat, students that earned the Principal's List were treated to breakfast for a job well done! We are proud of all our students and their academic achievements.

### St. Michael Saints 4H members lived out their mission of service by raising money for the Miles Perret Cancer Services.

They held a school- wide pajama dress day and 4H movie night to raise the money to help those with cancer. We are so proud of our students for living their faith by helping others in need. **Our 4H students also had a great showing at the Acadia Parish 4H Jr. Livestock show. Congratulations, SAINTS 4H!**



In-House and new student registration has been opened for the 2023-2024 school year. **With heartfelt appreciation, we thank you for choosing St. Michael School and entrusting your precious children to us.** We are proud of our school and our dedicated faculty and staff. We are blessed to have the opportunity to serve the families of St. Michael and the children entrusted to our care.

God bless St. Michael, God keep St. Michael!  
Your Servant in Christ,  
**Terri Hebert, Principal**







# rooted IN FAITH united IN LOVE strengthened IN CHRIST we ARE ONE!

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

ARCHANGEL SOCIETY	\$5,000 & ABOVE
ST. MICHAEL BENEFACTOR	\$2,500 - \$4,999
ST. MICHAEL ASSOCIATES	\$1,000 - \$2,499
ST. MICHAEL FOUNDERS	\$500 - \$999
BLUE/GOLD CLUB	\$250 - \$499
SUPPORTER OF ST. MICHAEL	\$100 - \$249
FRIENDS OF ST. MICHAEL	UP TO \$99

Please Contribute to the St. Michael School Fund today by sending your gift to:

St. Michael School Fund • 805 East Northern Ave. • Crowley, LA 70526

or you can give on-line by going to: [www.stmike.net/giving/ways-give.html](http://www.stmike.net/giving/ways-give.html)

If you would like to discuss other giving opportunities, such as tuition assistance, memorial gifts, or planned giving to St. Michael School, please call Holly Broussard at 337-783-1410.

## Special EVENTS

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

**Krewe de PreK Mardi Gras Parade**  
Thursday, Feb. 16, at 2:00 in the gym

**Mardi Gras Holiday**  
Friday, Feb. 17 - Tuesday, Feb. 21  
Return to school on Wed., Feb. 22

**Ash Wednesday Mass**  
Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 8:45 a.m.

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