



ST. MICHAEL
Catholic School • Grand Ledge

The Messenger

Feb
13
2026

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Feb 12

School Valentines Day

Feb 13

No School Teacher PD

Feb 16

No School President's Day

Feb 18

All School Mass/Ash
Wednesday

Feb 20

Stations of the Cross
1:15pm

Feb 24

Kindergarten Screening
Day

Feb 27

Stations of the Cross\
1:15pm

March 6

VIP Day
Half Day of School
Stations of the Cross
Book Fair

VIRTUE FEBRUARY

SINCERITY

TRUSTWORTHINESS

FORTITUDE

INDUSTRIOUSNESS

Winter Carnival / Virtue Winners

Winter Carnival was a huge success! Thank you to our Winter Carnival Committee: Ashley Schneider, Jessica Walter, and Becca Lyons

Raffle Prize Winners

\$250 Meijer Gift Card - Tammy Urankin

Tangy Crab Gift Card & Sky Zone Passes— Liam Day

\$75 Horrocks Gift Card - Marianne Ball

Yeti Cooler— Rachel VanDeven



Our mission at St. Michael Catholic School is to shape each individual to be in union with Jesus Christ by creating a learning community built upon a foundation of Catholic faith.

VIRTUE WINNER'S January 2026

Kindergarten-.Daniel Simonet-Richardson demonstrates the virtue of kindness. He is a caring and considerate friend, always willing to help those around him in need. Daniel is enthusiastic and kind-hearted in all interactions with peers.

1st/2nd – Isla Montero is the first and second grade virtue winner for January. She demonstrates the virtues of prudence and fortitude. Isla is always willing to read when needed and contributes to classroom discussions. She is friendly and makes sure her work is always turned in to the best of her ability.

3rd - This student shows the virtue of patience and respect in interactions with classmates and adults and often goes above in helping out in the classroom. This student had 2 Reading and Mass Buddies this past quarter and helped both focus more on the Mass by being prayerful. This student produces work that is neat and thorough. [Congratulations](#) Margaret Gadaletto.

4th -Braylon Schneider - Braylon comes to school and shows kindness, industriousness, humility, and self-control. He never rushes through work and always gives 110% on everything he does. He is never showy about his achievements. He knows when to be silly and when to be focused.

5th - Brooklyn Allen - This student was chosen for the month of January for the virtues of respect and prayerfulness. This student is a good listener to both teachers and peers. This student works hard every day and we have seen such great academic progress. However, the prayerfulness exhibited by this student during prayer time and within the artwork they create sets a great example to classmates and inspires us all.

6th - Maren Korte- This student has been a great example of virtuous behavior all school year. She can be counted on to do the right thing regardless of what those around her are doing. She is also willing to kindly encourage her classmates to do the right thing. She puts her best effort into her classwork and is kind to everyone in the building.

7th/8th - Hendrix McDaniels - This student was chosen as our Virtuous student of January because of his affability and honesty. This student can always be trusted to give us the truth and his true feelings; we know what he is thinking. This helps us to better understand them as a student and person. This student, even when they may be feeling tired, will always greet the staff and students of St. Michael kindly.



Bake Sale

Fish Fry Bake Sale School Fundraiser

St. Michael Catholic School will be selling desserts at the K of C Lenten Fish Fries from 5:00pm to 7:00pm each Friday during Lent. The class is requesting that each school family, and anyone else that is interested, provide desserts. Homemade or store made, cakes, cupcakes, pies, brownies, rice crispy treats, and cookies are always a hit! Please be sure to mark desserts as gluten free or nut free if applicable. The desserts can be taken to the church basement or left on the table in front of the school office on Thursday or Friday each week Please consider donating desserts on any Friday that may be convenient for you.

Friday, February 20th (Drop off school office or church basement)

Friday, February 27th

Friday, March 6th

Friday, March 13th

Friday, March 20th

Friday, March 27th & April 3rd No Bake Sale



The school will also be offering cheese pizza and assorted beverages for purchase as well. If you have any questions, please contact the school office 517 627-2167.

Archery Club

AFTER SCHOOL ARCHERY CLUB

5TH THRU 8TH GRADE ARE WELCOME TO STAY AFTER SCHOOL ON THE FIRST 3 TUESDAYS OF MARCH (3rd, 10th, and 17th).

Time: 3:00 to 4:15pm

Place: School Gym

Coach: Jean Reverman

Permission slip went home with your student and are required to participate.

No Cost but a snack donation is appreciated



February PTO News 2025-2026!

Catholic Schools Week t-shirt orders are ready to be picked up! Thank you to everyone that ordered extra shirts.

PTO will not be able to hold an event in February due to scheduling, but we are planning to have something in the Spring. So keep an eye out for that!

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 25th at 6:30pm.

If you have any questions feel free to reach us at stmichaelgpto@gmail.com

God Bless,

Elizabeth Ford
PTO President

Executive Board

President Elizabeth Ford	Vice President Cassie Hull
Secretary Becca Lyon	Treasurer Jackie Nelson

Room Reps

Preschool Tu/Th	Halley Beardslee	Preschool	MWF Katie Helfmann
PreK	Katie Helfmann	Kindergarten	Ashley Schneider
1st/2nd Grade	Jessica Walter	3rd Grade	Amy Korte
4th Grade	Laura Cleland	5th Grade	Devin Day
6th/7th/8th Grade	Heather Klopp		

February is Heart Month

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For Heart Month Awareness, we are participating in a “Jump Rope for Heart” activity on Wednesday, Feb. 18th (K-8th grade). You may notice in your Friday folder a Kids Heart Challenge pamphlet. This is strictly optional.



Honor Roll

FIFTH GRADE

All A Honors

Emma Bauer

Lily Day

Anna Kuhl

A/B Honors

Lucas Orzula

SIXTH GRADE

All A Honors

Joseph Hanson

Max Keyes

Reagan Klopp

Maren Korte

Luke Montero

A/B Honors

Will Corbett

Boutros Chahine

Ivy Parks

Simon Schulte

SEVENTH GRADE

All A Honors

Jude Keyes

A/B Honors

McKinley Jandernoa

Sawyer Nelson

*Congratulations to our students
for their outstanding academic
achievements!*

Book Fair March 6-13th

A promotional graphic for a book fair. The background is a collage of various children's book covers. In the center, there is a blue rounded rectangle with white text. At the top, it says "I:55 BOOK FAIRS". Below that, in large white letters, is "BOOK FAIR COMING SOON!". Underneath is a shield-shaped logo with a mountain, trees, and a deer, with the text "ADVENTURE AWAITS" and three stars. At the bottom of the shield, it says "MARCH 6-13". Below the shield, it says "Preview books now at www.i55bookfairs.com".

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School Registration Now Open!



An email was sent to all families for re-enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year. As in years past we are offering an early enrollment discounted fee and after March 2nd the fee will increase.

Now that we are utilizing the FACTS system, there are additional costs. It has been a few years since this fee has been increased. Therefore we needed to increase this fee to \$150.

New this year: there is not a separate registration fee if you have a preschooler and a K-8th grade student. Please follow the instructions in the email. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the school office.

God Bless,

Nathan Sweet
Principal



QR Code for Registration

Applying for Financial Aid for 26-27

Applying for Financial Aid for 2026-2027 is OPEN in FACTS.

Applications are in your Family Portal. Please click on the Financial Aid Tab. More aid is available this year thanks to the Saints and Scholars Campaign. Please apply!

There is a \$35.00 fee payable to FACTS through their online application process for Financial Aid.

The link is available December 1, 2025 thru March 1, 2026.
The deadline for applications is March 1, 2026.

Once the FACTS online form has been completed, the following information will need to be submitted to FACTS online, by fax or mail to complete the financial assistance process:

1. Copies of your most recent Federal tax forms including all supporting tax schedules and W2's.
2. Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and TANF.

All supporting documentation can be uploaded online through the FACTS online form or mailed to the address below. Please be sure to include the applicant ID on all faxed or mailed correspondence.

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment
P.O. Box 82524
Lincoln, NE 68501-2524

If you have questions about the financial assistance process through FACTS, you may speak with a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 866-441-4637. Diocese of Lansing, Financial Aid Advisor, 517-267-2107. Or call Mr. Sweet at 517-627-2167.



DIOCESE OF LANSING NEW FAMILY GRANTS



\$500 New Family Elementary Grant

Awarded to families enrolling a new elementary student if the family has never been enrolled in any Diocese of Lansing elementary school (K-8).



**Now Enrolling PS-8th
Call for a Private Tour
(517) 627-2167
school.stmichaelgl.org**



\$1,000 New Family High School Grant

Awarded to families enrolling a new high school student if the family has never been enrolled in any Diocese of Lansing high school.

Example: Oldest sibling has attended St. Gerard and will be the first in the family to enroll at Lansing Catholic High School this fall. This family is **eligible** for the \$1,000 New Family High School Grant.



**(517) 267-2113
lansingcatholic.org**



Families may qualify for both Elementary and High School New Family Grants at the same time if they are new to both the elementary and high school levels. The maximum award is \$1,500 per family.

To learn more about the New Family Grant or to complete a New Family Grant Application, scan the QR code or visit dolcatholicschools.org

HOT COCOA SALES

Student Council is sponsoring Hot Cocoa sales this coming Tuesday, February 17th, as a way to kick off the coming season of Lent.



Hot Cocoa and toppings will be \$1.00

Youth Group

Youth group has been gifted by guest speaker Finn Korte. He has been sharing his faith journey with the group and presenting how he grows daily in his faith life. Thank you, Finn, for your leadership and dedication to your peers on their spiritual journey!

Cary Anderson
Middle School & High School Youth Group Coordinator



FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH GROUP

COOKIES FOR CAMP

after all the masses - February 14 & 15



- proceeds go to help fund a week at Damascus Summer Camp
- any donation appreciated