

*Peace be with you!* When we consider the sinfulness of human beings, it seems amazing that *Peace be with you!* is the first thing Jesus says to His disciples on the night of the resurrection. Despite the betrayal by Judas Iscariot, the denials by Simon Peter, and the cowardice of the majority of the apostles and disciples, our Lord does not scold them or lecture them or shame them for their weaknesses or sins. Rather, He bestows His peace upon them. But even more, Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit upon them and gives them the power and authority to grant forgiveness of sins in His name. With what astounding mercy does our God and Lord treat us! Being on the receiving end of such great love really ought to completely change our lives.

Father Joseph

## Mass Schedule

### Sunday of Divine Mercy - Acts 2:42-47, Ps 118, 1 Pt 1:3-9, Jn 20:19-31

8:30 AM Easter Novena  
10:30 AM † Gerald Smith by Jack Smith  
12:30 PM † Douglas Braga by Dick and Mary Kay Ritchie  
3:00 PM † Paul Coerver by the Mehan family  
6:00 PM Mass of the People

### Monday, April 28 - Acts 4:23-31, Ps 2, Jn 3:1-8

8:00 AM Easter Novena

### Tuesday, April 29 - St. Catherine of Siena - Acts 4:32-37, Ps 93, Jn 3:7b-15

8:00 AM † Bob McQuade by his family

### Wednesday, April 30 - Acts 5:17-26, Ps 34, Jn 3:16-21

8:00 AM † Dean Cuzick by Sandra Gist

### Thursday, May 1 - Acts 5:27-33, Ps 34, Jn 3:31-36

8:00 AM † For all the deceased parishioners of St. Michael who have recently passed away in the month of April.  
6:30 PM † Enriqueta Salazar by Felipe & Diane Salazar

### Friday, May 2 - Acts 5:34-42, Ps 27, Jn 6:1-15

8:00 AM † Mary Minh by Dawn

### Saturday, May 3 - St. Philip & St. James - 1 Cor 15:1-8, Ps 19, Jn 14:6-14

8:00 AM (SI) Benigno Rojas, Jr. by Cresencia Pahela  
5:30 PM † Thomas De by Dawn

## Second Collection

There will be a second collection this weekend,  
April 26 & 27, for

### The Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

The Bishop's Subcommittee on Catholic Home Mission is a grant-making agency. It offers financial support to missionary activities that strengthen the Catholic Church in the United States, and in its territories and former territories. Through its annual fundraising campaign, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, Catholic Home Missions educates American Catholics about mission needs and invites them to assist fellow Catholics in the practice of the faith.

## The Week Ahead

**Sunday: April 27**  
8:00 AM Community Social Events Breakfast - Curran Hall  
9:00 AM Faith Formation - Classrooms  
9:00 AM Adult RCIA - Room 110/120  
11:00 AM Faith Formation - Classrooms  
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Sunday Mass - Sanctuary  
4:00 PM Cenacles of the Divine Mercy - Room 110/120  
7:00 PM Life Teen - Youth Room  
7:15 PM This is Our Faith - Room 110/120

**Monday: April 28**  
6:30 PM Faith Formation - Classrooms  
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul - Youth Room  
7:00 PM Boy Scouts - Curran Hall

**Tuesday: April 29**  
10:00 AM Women's Craft Group - Pit Area  
6:45 PM Cub Scout Pack Meeting - Curran Hall  
7:00 PM Annulment Workshop - Room 140  
7:00 PM Adult RCIA - Room 110/120  
7:00 PM M.O.M.S - Youth Room

**Wednesday: April 30**  
12:00 PM Eucharist Holy Hour - Chapel  
12:00 PM Catholic Study Group - Room 150  
6:30 PM Faith Formation - Classrooms  
6:30 PM Edge - Curran Hall  
6:30 PM BOB/WOW - Curran Hall  
7:00 PM Adult Bible Study - Room 110/120

**Thursday: May 1**  
6:00 PM Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel  
7:00 PM English Pre-Baptismal - Room 110/120  
7:00 PM Pro-Life - Room 140

**Friday: May 2**  
6:00 PM Cenacles of the Divine Mercy - Room 110/120

**Saturday: May 3**  
8:00 AM Women's ACTS - Room 110/120  
1:00 PM Couples for Christ - Curran Hall

### *The Divine Mercy Devotion*

Our Lord told St. Faustina, "... whoever approaches the Fount of Life on the Feast of Divine Mercy will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment. ... I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. *The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.*" This Feast is the only occasion, other than baptism, when souls receive this great gift.

The Feast of Divine Mercy this year is Sunday, April 27, at 3 PM. If you have been to Confession within a few days before the Feast of Divine Mercy and are in a state of grace when you receive Holy Communion on that day, this is sufficient to receive Our Lord's promise.

## Sunday of Divine Mercy



St. Michael parish welcomes and congratulates those who received their Easter Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Valerie Davila, Ashley Gates and Samantha Suess were Baptized, Confirmed and received the Eucharist for the first time. Eric Diamond and David Shellman, Jr., made their Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church and its teachings were Confirmed and welcomed to the Eucharistic table. Welcome into our parish family! Congratulations to the following who were Confirmed and welcomed to the Heavenly Banquet for the first time: Ann Marie Delgadillo, Gustavo Rodriguez, Troy Stradtman, Robert Judex. Congratulations to those completing their Sacraments of Initiation with Confirmation: Raul De La Cruz, Ethan Durand, George Fino, Richardo Leal, Jurnee Monico, Christel Rafol, Christian Palacios and Erika Palacios. We were delighted to welcome to the Table of the Lord the following First Communicants: Danielle Borro, Madeleine De La Cruz, Precious Emeh, Lizeth Fino, Amber Frescas, Emily Frescas, Alexander Guardiola-Elizalde, Jenna Humberson, Ikechukwu Iwunnah, Olechukwu Iwunnah, Udochukwu Iwunnah, Christian Luna, Joe Luna, Jaylyn Monico, Angelique Ortega, Carelle Rafol, Christine Rafol, Breana Simon, Luis Simon, Victor Terrazas and Johnaven Toves. We are so proud of each of you and welcome you more fully into our parish family!

### Faith Formation Program

(Pre-3-year-old - 6th Grade)

Children & Youth RCIA (2nd - 12th Grade)

#### Second Grade First Communion Rehearsal and Mass:

Dress Rehearsal - Tuesday, May 6, 2014, at 7 PM

Class and individual photos by first "come/first served"; refer to the student handbook for details.

Mass - Saturday, May 10, 2014, at 10 AM

For more information contact Sherri Williams, at (972) 279-6581, ext. 11 or [swilliams@stmichaelgarland.org](mailto:swilliams@stmichaelgarland.org).

### Faith Formation, EDGE and LifeTeen

Registration 2014/2015

Registration for 2014-2015 has begun. Registration packets for EDGE, Faith Formation and RCIA second year for all returning students are located in the church lobby by the Faith Formation office. Please stop by and pick up your registration packet.

#### Mark your calendars!

- \* **New student registration begins May 15 by appointment only call today to schedule. Be sure to take advantage of "early bird registration savings." Watch the bulletin for details.**

### *A Big Thank You*

The Faith Formation department wishes to send a heartfelt thank you to all the Knights and volunteers who helped make both the Easter Egg Hunt and the Easter Vigil Sacrament Celebration a complete success. May God richly bless you all!

### Middle School Youth Ministry

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[www.smlifeteen.com](http://www.smlifeteen.com)

Meets every Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 PM in Curran Hall

**Confirmation Rehearsal** - Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 7 PM, Curran Hall

**Confirmation Mass** - Friday, May 9, 2014, at 7 PM, Sanctuary

- \* Individual pictures - before and after Confirmation Mass

#### EDGE Registration Forms

Edge registration forms are available for the 2014/2015 school year. Packets are located outside the Faith Formation office in the brown envelopes by family last name.

For more information contact Richard Sesbino, at (972) 279-6581, ext. 17, or [RichardS@stmichaelgarland.org](mailto:RichardS@stmichaelgarland.org)

### High School Youth Ministry

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<http://www.smlifeteen.com>

Attention all high school teens grade 9-12. You are invited to join us after the 6 PM Sunday Mass in Curran Hall. *Dinner will be provided! We hope to see you.*

#### Registration

Parents of Teens - Youth Group registration is still open.

#### Still in Need of Adult Volunteers!

- \* Looking for a way to get more involved in church, grow in your faith and develop leadership skills, sign up now!
- \* **The Life Teen Band is seeking an adult guitarist.** For more information contact Richard Sesbino at (972) 279-6581, ext. 17. *All forms, information and details about events and activities may be found on our website:*

<http://www.smlifeteen.com>.

Come take part in the treasures of

### **God's Kingdom**

at St. Michael's VBS

**Monday, June 16th through Friday, June 20th**

Come and learn what it would be like to be a citizen in a medieval castle village who serves the Kingdom of God and spreads the Good News.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

Contact Onie Wright for more information at [atoniewright@yahoo.com](mailto:atoniewright@yahoo.com) and sign up to volunteer or satisfy confirmation service hours. Watch the bulletin for details.

### *Protect our Children*

The best way to protect our children and our church is for adults to learn red flag behaviors and to report concerns to supervisors. This creates a culture of protection. Sign up for a safe environment training class even if you are not required. Call the Safe Environment Coordinator, (972) 279-6581, ext. 19, to schedule a class.

### BSA Scouts 548

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| April 28 | Boy Scout, Meeting - Curran Hall, 7 PM |
| April 29 | Pack Meeting - Curran Hall, 6:45 PM    |
| May 2-3  | Troop Camp Out - Catholic Retreat      |
| May 2-4  | Cubs Camp Out - Lake Tawakoni          |
| May 4    | Scout Café - Curran Hall, 8 AM         |
| May 5    | Boy Scout Meeting - Curran Hall, 7 PM  |
| May 6    | Pack Meeting - Curran Hall, 6:45 PM    |
| May 11   | Pack Committee Meeting - Library, 1 PM |

Cub Scouts are boys from the ages of 7 to 10 years old. They meet every Tuesday in Curran hall at 6:30 PM. Boy Scouts are boys from the ages of 11 thru 17 years old. They meet every Monday in Curran Hall at 7 PM. Venture Crew are boys and girls from the ages of 14 thru 21 years old. They meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month in room 210.

### Rosary Guild

The Rosary Guild meets on the third Tuesday of each month (except November and December), at 9:15 AM in room 150. All parishioners interested in making bead rosaries for the missions at home and abroad, or twine rosaries for our troops, are invited to attend. All supplies will be provided. Come and join us as we help spread the devotion of the rosary to others. Contact Mary Cormier at (972) 270-4572 for more information.

### Divine Mercy Devotion Forming

The Cenacles of the Divine Mercy are faith groups which meet to pray and experience the splendor of our Catholic faith through the study of Sacred Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the Diary of St. Faustina Kowalska. Please join us for a brief informational meeting after the 3 PM Divine Mercy Sunday Mass in room 110/120 on April 27. Questions contact Marian Casamassa at (972) 494-2703.

### Food Pantry

**The Food Pantry** is in need of your help. Please consider donating non-perishable food items such as mac and cheese, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, canned tuna, canned hams up to 12 pounds, canned vegetables, fruits and soup.

**Cash donations are also being accepted.** While the level of giving has stayed the same, requests for assistance have increased tremendously, so please, be generous when you can. *May God bless you.*



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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| April 27 | Divine Mercy Corporate Communion Mass, St. Michael the Archangel, Sanctuary - 3 PM        |
| May 2-4  | 2014 State Convention - Sheraton Hotel, Dallas (Holy Smokers in Dallas Hospitality Suite) |
| May 8    | Council Officers Meeting - Room 140, 7 PM   |
| May 11   | Knights Breakfast - Curran Hall, (after 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses)                           |
| May 15   | Council Officers Meeting - Curran Hall, 7 PM  |
| May 18   | 6th Annual Leo Whelan Memorial Golf Tournament 1 PM, Duck Creek Golf Club, Garland        |

**Degree Schedule Calendar:** Visit <http://www.kofc11862.org>

#### Support the Knights of Columbus Charities!

Make a difference by supporting K of C Charities. The 6th Annual Charity and Leo Whelan Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, May 18. Tournament details along with online registration and credit card payment are provided in the Council website at <http://www.kofc11862.org>.

#### Divine Mercy Sunday (April 27)

A special 3 PM Mass on the Divine Mercy Sunday will be held in addition to the regularly scheduled Masses. The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy will be prayed prior to the start of Mass. This Mass also fulfills the Sunday Obligation. The St. Michael's community is invited to attend. All members of the Knights of Columbus are encouraged to attend as it will also be a Corporate Communion Mass.

#### Why join the Knights?

Scan the QR Code with your smartphone, or visit: <http://bit.ly/18arK9a>.

#### Like us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/KofC11862>

**Make a Difference! Be a Knight!**



### May Weddings & Convalidations

May 2 - Luis Rodriguez and Cintia Hernandez  
May 3 - Robert Balthazar, Jr., and Valerie Davila  
May 17 - Juan Herrera, Jr., and Natalie De La Cruz  
May 24 - Jose Garcia and Selena Ibarra

### Adult Bible Study Group

Is hosting informal Adult Bible Study group "**Meet & Greet**" along with a presentation on the life of Jesus and his Gospel Ministry **May 7 and May 14 from 7-8:30 PM in room 110/120.** All are welcome. Come and See! For inquiries please contact *Jaki or Marvin Rutter at (214) 300-8148.*

## Sunday of Divine Mercy

### Pro-Life

#### Help save Babies!

Join us for the next Pro-Life meeting Thursday, May 1, at 7 PM, room 140. St. Michael's Pro-Life Committee meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 PM. Contact Reg Platt at (214) 392-4098 or [prolifecentral@aol.com](mailto:prolifecentral@aol.com) for more information.

#### Baby Banks

Please return your Baby Bank to the designated cart in the Narthex by Sunday, May 4. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Bloodmoney

Learn how your tax dollars are contributing to the multi-billion abortion industry in America. Come view "**Bloodmoney**" a documentary exploring the many hidden facts from the lips of former clinic owners and post abortive women. Sunday, May 2, at 2 PM in Curran Hall sponsored by STM's Prolife Committee. Contact Reg Platt at **(214)392-4098/prolifecentral@aol.com** for more information.

### Pre-Baptismal Class



The next English Pre-Baptismal class will be held Thursday, May 1, at 7 PM in room 110/120. The Spanish Pre-Baptismal class will be held May 8, at 7 PM in room 110/120. Pre-registration is not required. If you wish to baptize a child age 7 or older, please contact the Faith Formation office.

### Parish Reserve Fund

We thank all of you for your donations and support in rebuilding the Parish reserves. Donations to date are **\$74,454**. Please be generous and thank you for your continued support.

### Convalidations

Has your marriage been blessed by the Catholic Church?  
Did you know you can have a Convalidation?

- \* A convalidation is a blessing of your marriage in the Church.
- \* Convalidation makes your marriage sacramental which allows you to receive the Sacrament of matrimony.
- \* Having a Convalidation places you in good standing with the Catholic Church.
- \* This gives you admittance to the Sacrament of the Eucharist (Body and Blood of Jesus Christ).
- \* At least one of the couple needs to be a baptized Catholic. You do not need to have received all sacraments to be married, except baptism.

If you have questions or would like to have a Convalidation, please contact Diane Salazar, Director of Marriage & Family Life, at (972) 279-6581, ext.19, or [DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org](mailto:DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org).



Young at Heart invites you to the final Bingo of the season on Wednesday, May 14, at 1 PM in Curran Hall.