

Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours: **Mon. - Thurs., 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**
Fri., 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. daily.



Sunday Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipatory 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
12:00 noon, Life Teen 6:00 p.m.

Daily Holy Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Daily Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday Benediction 8:00 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Nursery

Available during Sunday Masses
9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:00 noon.

Reconciliation

Thursday 7:00 p.m. and Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Baptisms

After the 12:00 noon Mass on the 2nd
and 4th Sunday of each month.
Pre-Baptism classes are on the
1st Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Matrimony

Engaged couples should contact Marriage
Ministry at least 6 months prior to date of
wedding for preparation.

Annulments

Contact the Marriage Ministry.

Newcomers

Welcome! We invite you with great joy to
become a member of the parish by filling out a
registration form located at each of the
entrances of the church. Thank you.

Bulletin Deadline

Monday by 10:00 a.m. No exceptions

Clergy

Rev. Peter Chinnappan, Pastoral Administrator	972-279-6581
Rev. Marcus Chidozie, Priest-in-Residence	972-279-6581
Rev. Mr. Joe R. Perez, Permanent Deacon	972-271-8051

Parish Staff

General Manager: Ernie Valencia	972-279-6581
Parish Secretary: Gloria Perez	972-279-6581 X10
Parish Catechetical Leader: Pre-School: John Krajca	972-279-6581 X16
Parish Catechetical Leader: Elementary: Gloria Gove	972-279-6581 X12
Parish Catechetical Leader: The Edge: Lisa Gonzales	972-279-6581 X11
Youth Minister: Angela Wolden	972-279-6581 X17
Marriage & Family Life Minister: Anna Quigley	972-279-6581 X14
Financial Manager: Sam Civello	972-279-6581 X18
Safe Environment Coordinator: Adela Miller	972-279-6581 X19
Director of Music: Penny Mione	972-279-6581
Facility Manager: Max Belino	972-279-6581

Parish Ministries

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Sheila Seifert	972-279-6581
Adult Bible Study: Jaki Rutter	972-686-6367
Altar Servers: Penny Mione	972-279-6581
Book Club: Anna Quigley	972-279-6581
Boy Scouts: Chris Fowler	972-203-6126
Children's Choir: Theresa Canaday	972-278-5332
Community Social Events Group: Felipe & Diane Salazar	972-686-0832
Compassionate Friends: Carol Niles-Jones	972-771-1097
Contemporary Music: Chris Cavnar	972-279-6581
Engaged Couples: Anna Quigley	972-279-6581
Eucharistic Ministry: Penny Mione	972-279-6581
Family Fellowship: Jim & Carla Boshart	972-613-7224
Financial Advisory Committee: Tom Hopkins	972-279-6581
Food Pantry: Robert Mione	972-279-6581
Funeral Meals: Elise Rittmuller	972-279-6581
Knights of Columbus: Nick Nicholson	972-240-1494
Knights of Columbus Squires: Tom Clark	214-282-6297
Lectors: Penny Mione	972-279-6581
Life Teen Band: Richard Sesbino	972-279-6581
Mother's Day Out: Hilda Rodriguez	972-681-4850
New Day Grief Ministry: Gloria Perez	972-279-6581
Nursery: Gloria Perez	972-279-6581
Parish Hall Rental: Gloria Perez	972-279-6581
Pastoral Council: Felipe Salazar	972-686-0832
Pre-Baptism Class: Felipe & Diane Salazar	972-686-0832
Pro Life: Tom Clark	214-282-6297
RCIA: Lynette Schnitzius	972-279-6581
Religious Articles, Rosary Guild: Lilia Rivera	972-279-6581
St. Vincent de Paul: Voice Mail	214-373-2339
Telephone Prayer Line: Gloria Perez	972-279-6581
Ushers: John Main	972-668-5179
Visitors & Welcoming Committee:	972-279-6581
Women's Craft Group: Jean Hauptert	972-279-6581
Young-at-Heart: Rich & Judy Fuja	972-686-4754

MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church believes that God's saving presence is made visible in Christ Jesus and that God touches all people through the mystery of the Risen Christ and His kingdom. We believe that by proclaiming the Gospel, worshipping, building community and serving others, we participate in the mystery of Christ among us.

FROM THE PASTOR



Dear Angels,

This is the Fourth Sunday in Lent. Traditionally this day is known as "**Laetare Sunday**," from the Latin word for "Rejoice!" Today's readings remind us that it is God who gives us proper vision in body as well as in soul, and who instructs us that we should constantly be on our guard against spiritual blindness. The first reading from the book of Samuel illustrates how blind we can be in our judgments and how much we need God's help. The second reading extends the metaphors of light-versus-darkness and blindness-versus-sight. The cure of blindness by Jesus reported in today's gospel teaches us that the eyes of the mind are opened by faith. A most unlikely person, namely the blind man, receives the light of faith in Jesus, while the religion-oriented, law-educated Pharisee remains spiritually blind. "There are none as blind as those who will not see." To live as a Christian is to see, that is to have clear vision about God, ourselves, and others. We are reminded to live as children of the light, seeking what is good and right and true. Our Lenten prayers and sacrifices should serve to heal our blindness so that we can look into the hearts of others and love them as children of God, our brothers and sisters. We all have blind spots in our marriages, our parenting, our work habits, and our personalities. We often wish to remain in the dark, preferring darkness to light. Some of the religious people of our day are like the Pharisees: religious in worship, in frequenting sacraments, in prayer life, in tithing, in the knowledge of the Bible but blind to the poverty, injustice, and pain around them. However Jesus wants to heal our blind spots. We need to ask Him to remove from us the root causes which blind us: self-centeredness, greed, anger, hatred, prejudice, jealousy, addiction to evil habits, and a hardness of heart.

I would like to thank all the parents for their support in allowing their children to participate in the vocation camp. I also extend my sincere appreciation to Angela Wolden for the well planned program of the day. Finally I would like to thank our parishioners who contributed towards the camp.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Peter Chinnappan

GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
02/25/07	2462	\$16,553.00
02/24/08	2000	\$12,485.00
2 nd Collection	Vocation Camp	\$1,892.00

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection on March 8 and 9 for Catholic Relief Services.

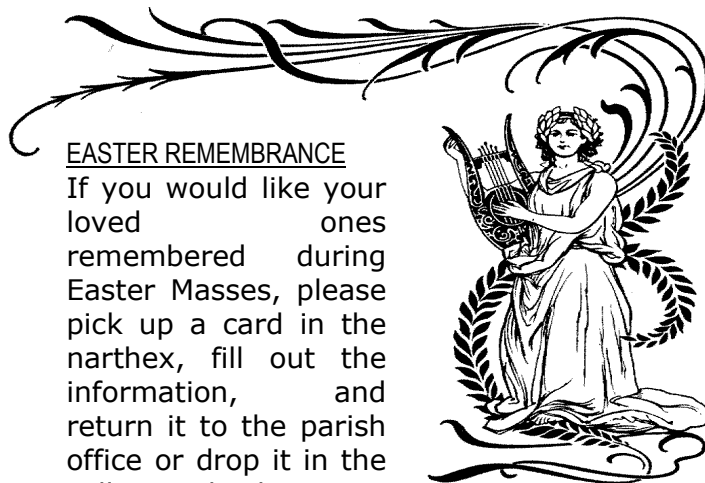


CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

It was a pleasure to have such a great turnout of parents/sponsors at last Wednesday's Confirmation meeting during 'EDGE' night. We really appreciate your presence. Please feel free to return! We can always use an extra pair of hands. We would also like to thank you for your cooperation with the short notice for the last Confirmation Retreat. If for some reason your child was unable to make it, we have a list of retreats at other parishes that your child may attend. It will be necessary to take a letter from St. Michael to that parish when attending their retreat. If you have questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Lisa at 972-279-6581, ext. 11, or email lisa.gonzales56@sbcglobal.net. Finally, please pick up the monthly Faith Formation Newsletter in front of the Faith Formation Office. It will keep you informed of the activities of our program.

EASTER REMEMBRANCE

If you would like your loved ones remembered during Easter Masses, please pick up a card in the narthex, fill out the information, and return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket.



MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon 6:00 p.m.	March 2 +Agnes Leake by Joe & Paul Leake +Evangelina Gomez by Felipe & Diane Salazar S.I. of Cecilia Cruz by Durant family Mass for the People S.I. of Lilia Rivera by Lilia Rivera
Monday 8:00 a.m.	March 3 +Agnes Leake by Joe & Paul Leake
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	March 4 +Joseph by Cuong Nguyen
Wednesday 8:00 a.m.	March 5 +Ana by Cuong Nguyen
Thursday 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	March 6 +Sylvia Roman by Quigley family +Simeon by Cuong Nguyen
Friday 8:00 a.m.	March 7 +Cecilia by Cuong Nguyen
Saturday 8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	March 8 S.I. of Omenukor family +Bill Weldon by Laura & Cyndie Weldon



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
March 2, 2008**

Sunday:	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday:	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53



MOTHER'S DAY OUT (MDO) - Hilda Rodriguez

Mother's Day Out is accepting applications for children ages 6 months-5 years old. It is with your continuous support that Mother's Day Out is offered. Applications can be found by the Faith Formation office. Or call Hilda Rodriguez at 469-471-1612.



PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. 9:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 2, 2008 Boy Scouts Donuts – Parish Hall RCIA - Library This Is Our Faith – Rms. 110/120
MONDAY: 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 3, 2008 St. Vincent de Paul – Youth Room Boy Scouts – Parish Hall Eucharistic Ministers Training II – Sanctuary
TUESDAY: 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 4, 2008 This Is Our Faith – Library Women's Craft Group – Pit Area This Is Our Faith – Library 12:00 Noon Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY: 6:30 p.m.	March 5, 2008 "The Edge" – Parish Hall & Classrooms
6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Angel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary Life Teen – Youth Room St. Gregory Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study – Rms. 110/120
THURSDAY: 6:00 p.m.	March 6, 2008 Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel
6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass - Chapel Confessions – Chapel Pre-Baptismal Class – Rms. 110/120 9:00 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary New Day Grief Ministry – Library Rosary Makers Guild – Rm. 140
FRIDAY: 5:30 p.m.	March 7, 2008 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry – Parish Hall
6:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross – Sanctuary
SATURDAY: 9:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.	March 8, 2008 Altar Server Training – Sanctuary Confessions – Chapel

RECONCILIATION SERVICE SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 13, at 7 PM

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday, March 30, at 3 PM



Angela Wolden – Coordinator

angela@smlifeteen.com

Youth Office: 972-279-6581, ext. 17

Be sure to check out our web site for current info at www.smlifeteen.com

THIS WEEK'S LIFE NIGHT (3/2): *Spent*

Tithing – it applies to teenagers too! Does God really ask that you give money? The simple answer is YES! Come find out where and why!

NEXT WEEK (3/9): *Big Brother's Watching*

Saints are more than just holy people who lived a long time ago. They're like Catholic super heroes (some even had special powers!!!).

Living Stations of the Cross (3/14) 6:30 pm:

Life Teen will lead Stations of the Cross, bringing them to "life" by acting them out. This event is open to the whole parish and will be a very moving time of prayer. Teens, if you are interested in helping with this, please come to practice at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays, March 5 and 12, in the youth room.



Mexico Mission Trip registration has begun. Sign up ASAP to get a spot. Forms are on the youth table and online! The trip is open to high school students who have completed freshman year.

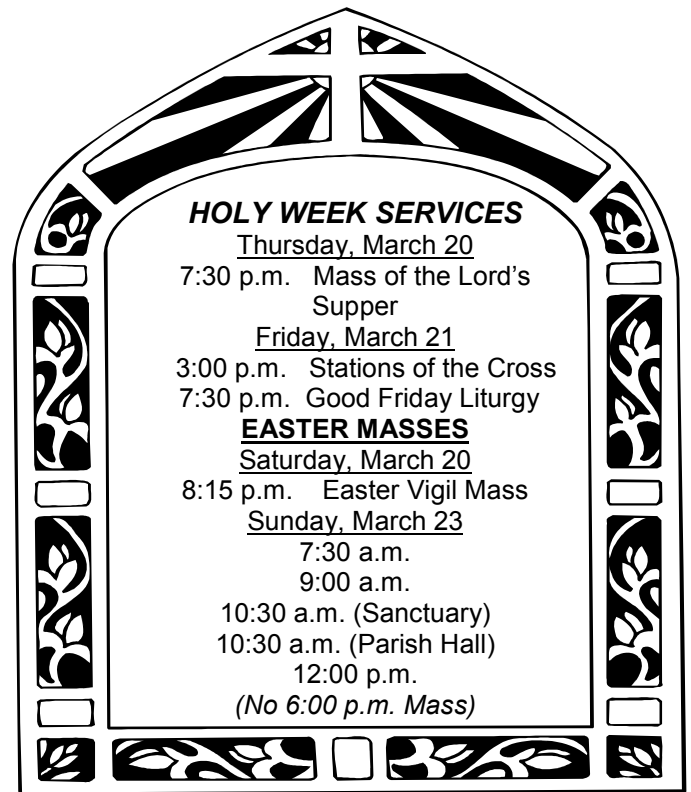


PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL – MEMBER BIO

Kathleen Huggins has been a member of St. Michael since 1987. Married for 25 years, Kathleen is the mother of three boys. She is currently a Faith Formation teacher for 2nd graders, a Eucharistic minister and the secretary of the Pastoral Advisory Council (serving a 3-year term due to expire on June 30, 2010). She worked for 12 years as the preschool coordinator here at St. Michael and is now working as a librarian for St. Pius X Catholic School. She usually attends the 7:30 am Mass on Sunday.

THANK YOU

The Boys Scouts of St. Michael would like to thank everyone for the food donations benefiting the St. Michael Food Pantry. Your generous donations of 4400 lbs of food surpassed last year's donation of 1300 lbs. Thank you very much!!!



A WELCOME RECEPTION - Anna Quigley

A welcome reception for newly registered parishioners will be held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 9, in the Parish Hall. We will have information on ministries at St. Michael and be available to answer any questions you may have about the parish. Please call Anna at 972-279-6581, ext. 14, and let her know if you plan to attend.

Welcome

CHALLENGE FOR THIRD WEEK OF LENT: *DARE TO BE DIFFERENT* (Judy Sara Mathew)

Dare to be different in all walks of your life.
 Dare to stand alone.
 Dare to stand up for your convictions even if the crowd around you may move in another way.
 Dare to be a fool for the sake of Christ.
 With the Word of God and power of the Spirit, dare to be a Crusader for Christ.
 Dare to follow the footsteps of our heavenly Father.
 Dare to take up the cross and follow him wherever He leads you.
 Dare to be a real Christian with a strong backbone.
 Dare to say "no" to momentary pleasures that the world has to offer.
 Dare to listen to your parents rather than peer groups.
 Dare to uphold family values rather than media values.
 Dare to tell others about your Heavenly Dad.
 Dare to stand for holiness, purity, and sanctity as a dove, no matter what it takes.

ANNUAL ST. MICHAEL EASTER EGG HUNT

- John Krajca



Get Ready!!!! The Annual Saint Michael Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 22, at 3 p.m. Children should bring their own baskets and be ready to hunt for lots of goodies! Donations of

individually wrapped Easter candy, gum, small toys and stickers are needed for this annual event. Please be generous and donate a bag of goodies to make this a fun and successful event for the children of our parish. Donations should be placed in the labeled box near the church office. Thank you in advance to all who can help!

BLESSING OF EASTER MEAL

According to custom, food may be blessed before or after the Easter Vigil or on Easter morning for consumption at the first meal of Easter, when fasting is ended and the Church is filled with joy.

PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS

A pre-baptismal class will be held Thursday, March 6, at 7:00 PM in Rms. 110/120.

MUSIC NOTES

The St. Gregory Choir is looking for a few good instrumentalists: 2 flutes, 2 trumpets, 2 trombones, and tympani are needed for Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday Masses. Contact Penny Mione in the church office for more details.

YOUNG-AT-HEART - Rich & Judy Fujia

The Blackfriars Guild of Bishop Lynch High School announces their production of "Footloose!" There will be a **free** show on Thursday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. for senior citizens. Complimentary refreshments will be served. Contact Rich & Judy Fujia at 972-686-4754 if you have any questions.

ST. MICHAEL ROSARY MAKERS GUILD - Lili Rivera

The St. Michael Rosary Makers Guild will meet on Thursday, March 6, at 7:00 PM in Rm. 140.

TABERNACLE CANDLE SPONSORS - Gloria Perez

We are seeking sponsors for the weekly tabernacle candle. Please contact Gloria in the church office.