

From the Pastor

The water from the rock which slaked the thirst of the Israelites in the desert represents the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Baptism. Jesus spoke about it to the Samaritan woman when He told her that He would give her living water which would always refresh her. Truly in Baptism, God has given His Holy Spirit to dwell within us and be a constant source of contentment and blessing. Yet do we drink from this fountain of Life which our Lord provides? Or do we rather seek to sate our passions with earthly things? May each of us come to our Lord to receive mercy and help to live with true joy.

-Father Joseph

Weekly Readings

Sunday, Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7/ Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/ Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday, Saint Hesychius of Jerusalem

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/ Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/ Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday, Blessed Ludovico of Casoria

Dn 3:25, 34-43/ Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9/ Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday, Saint Peter Regalado

Dt 4:1, 5-9/ Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/ Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, Saint Stephen of Marsaba

Jer 7:23-28/ Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/ Lk 11:14-23

Friday, Saint Hugh of Grenoble

Hos 14:2-10/ Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17/ Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, Saint Francis of Paola

Hos 6:1-6/ Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/ Lk 18:9-14



mass intentions

Saturday

- 8:00 a.m. + Christopher Dressner by Mom & Dad
5:30 p.m. + Thomas Martino by Wife & Sons

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. + Mickie Hunt Hart by Gallager Family
10:30 a.m. + Eloisa Mendoza by Pete & Rosemary Gonzales Family
12:30 p.m. Mass for the People
6:00 p.m. + Antonio Legaspi

Monday

- 8:00 a.m. + Ethyl May Tucker Thomas by Lucy Kim

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- 8:00 a.m. SI Gabriel Family

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- 8:00 a.m. + Arthur by Family

Thursday

- 8:00 a.m. + Ethyl May Tucker Thomas by Lucy Kim
6:30 p.m. + Josefina Perez by Lily Grio

Friday

- 8:00 a.m. + Roberto Rivera, Gracie Guerra, Elaine Smith by Mr. & Mrs. Nick Monroy

*Tabernacle Candle is in memory of Joseph Kim by Lucy Kim

CHURCH OFFERING

Weekend	Mass Count	Contributions
03/21/10	1941	\$13,127.00
Electronic		\$50.00
03/20/11	1918	\$15,697.00
Electronic		\$622.00
Japan Relief Collection		\$4,420.00



The Week Ahead

- SUNDAY: March 27**
8:30 a.m. Faith Formation Classes – Classrooms
8:45 a.m. RCIA – Rm. 110/120
1:00 p.m. First Communion Rehearsal – Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Life Teen – Curran Hall
7:00 p.m. This is Our Faith – Rm. 110/120
- MONDAY: March 28**
6:30 p.m. Faith Formation Class - Classrooms
6:45 p.m. Boy Scouts – Curran Hall
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul – Library
- TUESDAY: March 29**
9:15 a.m. Mother's Day Out – Rm. 110/120
10:00 a.m. Women's Craft Group – Pit Area
6:30 p.m. Engaged Couple Sponsor Meeting – Library
7:00 p.m. St. Gregory Choir – Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Den Meeting – Curran Hall
7:00 p.m. K of C – Rms. 110/120, 130, 140
- WEDNESDAY: March 30**
6:00 p.m. Edge – Curran Hall
6:00 p.m. Bob & Wow – Youth Room
6:30 p.m. Littlest Angel Choir - Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study – Rm. 110/120
- THURSDAY: March 31**
9:15 a.m. Mother's Day Out – Rm. 110/120
5:45 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Chapel
- FRIDAY: April 1**
5:30 p.m. K of C Lenten Dinners – Curran Hall
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross – Sanctuary
- SATURDAY: April 2**
9:00 a.m. First Communion - Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. 25th Anniversary - Sanctuary

Lenten Practices

So the purpose of Lent is to be of fasting, self-denial, Christian growth, penitence, conversion and simplicity.

Fasting: The Western Rite of the Catholic Church requires its members age 18 to 59 to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, unless a physical condition prevents otherwise. This means only one full meal is permitted. The Fridays of Lent are days of required abstinence, meaning meat, and soups or gravies made of meat, are not permitted. Abstinence is required of those age 14 and older. Some give up things they have an inordinate desire for, e.g. sweets, caffeine, etc. By giving these up, the person learns to control a particular part of his or her life, which leads to greater self-discipline even when Lent is over. As such in Lent we are able to learn, examine, and get under control our material excesses. Whatever you decide to fast from, remember "Lent is more than a diet." Lent is about spiritual results, not material ones. So, while losing a few pounds may be a nice side benefit, all fasting should be done for God's glory and spiritual growth.

MOTHER'S DAY OUT

Mother's Day Out is now accepting registration for the summer season. Spots are going fast and limited are accepted due to accommodation abilities, it is first come first serve. Please consider registering your child for this great opportunity. The children are taken care of Tuesday and Thursday from 9:15-2:15.



CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Mary Rak – Middle School Youth Minister

MaryR@stmichaelgarland.org 972-279-6581 ext. 14
Meet every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

WHAT'S COMING:

- April 7** Confirmation Rehearsal – 7:00 p.m.
April 8 Confirmation Mass – 7:00 p.m.
April 10-14 No Edge – Parish Mission – 7:00 p.m.
 Parents please take your teens and go to the Parish Mission! This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about your faith and reconnect with the Lord.
April 14 Penance Service – 7:00 p.m.
 Great chance to get in your Lenten Reconciliation.
April 20 No Edge – Holy Week
 Please participate as a family
May 13 Movie Night – 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars now with all of these activities, as well as our regular Edge Sessions on Wednesday nights. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Rak at maryr@stmichalegarland.org or call the church office.

PARENTS: This past week in The Edge we talked about the role of the assembly (that's you and me) in the liturgy. We talked about how Mass is not a "me and God" experience, it's a "we in God" experience. Do you come to Mass every week and bring your family? This is expected of every Catholic! Beyond that, we as Catholics are called to full, active, and conscious participation in the Liturgy. We actively participate in the Mass by:

- I. Arriving early for Liturgy
- II. Reaching out to other members of the assembly in a spirit of Christian hospitality.
- III. Actively participating in the Liturgy by responding to the prayers and singing the song.
- IV. Remaining for the entire Mass (don't leave until the final song is over).

Wednesday, March 30, Fr. Joseph will be our guest speaker at The Edge. He will be leading a teaching Mass, taking us through the mass and explaining as he goes why he is doing what he is doing and how it affects us. Parents are welcome to join us. Take this opportunity for a refresher course and learn again (or for the first time) the whys and wherefores and beauty of the structure of the Mass. You are all welcome!

Have a great week Edgers!

St. Michael High School Youth Ministry

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Life Teen starts with Life Teen Mass at 6pm, followed by a Life Night and dinner that last until 9pm.

2011 Spring Semester Schedule

- Mar. 27 Promoting a Culture of Life at Home
(1 of 4 part night that identify the subject of attack by the Evil One)

Upcoming Church Activities

- Apr. 15-17 HS Spring Retreat
@ Sabine Creek Ranch
(Cost: \$100)
- Apr. 22 Live Stations of the Cross
(Teens can sign up to help act out! Sign up by email.
Opportunity for service hours!)
- Jun. 25-27 Steubenville South Conference
(In Alexandria Louisiana, Cost: \$200)
- Jul. 17-24 Mission Trip in Corpus Christi
(Week long trip with other parishes in the area. Cost: \$275)

Parents: We all live in a world that has distorted the truth of who God has created us to be. The foundational elements of our identity have become the subject of attack by the Evil One. This 3 part life night will give the teens the opportunity to look at a few specific areas that hit close to home and how they have been influenced by the culture of death.

All forms, information, & details about events and activities can be found on our website, www.smlifeteen.com

For more information about getting your high school teen registered into the program please contact Rachel Kollhoff at 972-279-6581 ext. 17, or Rachel@stmichaelgarland.org.

Young at Heart

Due to scheduling conflicts and a busy month there will not be Bingo during the season of Lent. However, Knights of Columbus will have Bingo every Friday before and after stations of the cross. The price is 3 cards for \$1.00 and a chance to win big prizes. Watch the bulletin for an announcement of the next Young at Heart Bingo.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Anyone wishing to be a volunteer at St. Michael must be up to date on their annual Safe Environment training. Please contact Diane Salazar, Safe Environment Coordinator, 972-279-6581, ext. 19, to check your status and have your photo taken for your ID badge.

**Saint Michael the Archangel
Boy Scout Troop 548**

March 28	Boy Scout Meeting, 7PM, Curran Hall
April 3	Pope Pius XII Awards, 2PM, St. Patrick
April 4	Boy Scout Meeting, 7PM, Curran Hall
April 7	Gray Owl District Roundtable, 7:30PM
April 10	Big D White Rock Marathon
April 11	No Boy Scout Meeting
April 14	Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting
April 18	Boy Scout Meeting, 7PM, Curran Hall
April 25	No Boy Scout Meeting/TAKS
April	Camping: TBA

For more information
contact Scoutmaster
Chris Fowler
email: cdf364@att.net
Phone: (972) 567-3175



Eagle Scout Project

Malachi Morell, a parishioner of St. Michael's, will be installing two light poles and a new basketball goal in the back parking lot activities area for the youth groups. This will also provide safety lighting for multiple purposes and organizations. He will be in the Narthex after all masses this weekend taking donations to aid in the project to benefit the church and it's youth. Your generosity would be deeply appreciated.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 11862**



The Knights are looking for golfers. We have our 3rd annual gold tournament at Eastern Hills Country Club in Garland. It's on Sunday, April 17 at 1pm. Food-Fun-Fellowship-Prizes. Call Jeff Muessig at 214-533-1046 or go to www.kofc11862.org for more information. If you would like to donate prizes for this event you can also contact Mr. Muessig. If you are interested in obtaining information about joining the Knights, please contact Gary Labac 214-649-8043, or email labacs@verizon.net

Women's Craft Group

Spring Bake & Craft Sale will be after the 8:30am, 10:30am, and 12:30pm Masses on Sunday, April 17 in the Pit Area of the church. Buy "goodies" for Easter and Mother's Day plus other crafts. This supports the St. Michael Food Pantry.

Position Opening

With the departure of Mr. Bellino we are in need of an experienced maintenance service professional. If you are interested or know someone who may be qualified please send resumes to Johnnym@stmichaelgarland.org or call 972-279-6591, ext. 22.

The Cross of Nails

You may have noticed the wooden cross in the narthex that is covered with nails. The little squares of paper tied with ribbons contain the concerns and Lenten promises of the parishioners at St. Michael. Please add your intentions to the Cross of Nails, and know that our entire community will be praying for you.
May God bless you.

Pre-Baptismal Class

An English pre-Baptismal class is held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month in room 110/120. The next class will be held on Thursday, April 7. However if you wish to baptize a child who is seven years of age or older, please contact the Faith Formation office.

Thank You!!

Thank you to everyone who participated in **A Taste of St. Michael**. It was a successful event, and it was wonderful to see so many ethnic groups that we have here at St. Michael. Thank you for taking the time to prepare, serve and share your food. The food was excellent! We are hoping to make this a continued annual event. May God bless you!!

Pilgrimage to San Juan, Texas

-National Shrine in San Juan, Texas – October 18, 19 & 20, 2011

St. Michael's Community Social Events Group is sponsoring a pilgrimage to visit the Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan Del Valle – National Shrine in San Juan, Texas, on October 18, 19 & 20, 2011. Only 48 spaces are available. Adults only, please. If you would like to join us, please turn your reservation in early to assure your spot as well as \$75 per person. The deadline date is June 10, 2011, to complete your payment for the trip. We will be traveling by a chartered bus. For more information, contact Diane Salazar, 972-279-6581, ext. 19, or go by her office. For information on the Shrine, visit their website: www.olsjbasilica.org/web/home.

FREE MULCH & FIRE WOOD

We hope you have noticed the many changes that have been going on in and around the parish. One of these changes has been beautifying the church, which included grounds cleaning. Over the past several months the trees have been trimmed to make the church more appealing. As a result of this we now have a plethora of fire wood and mulch that we don't need. If you would like to have some free fire wood or mulch please help yourself. It is first come, first serve and it is located in the back of the church near the children's playground.

Thank you, Management.

Second Collection

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports six Catholic agencies benefiting millions of vulnerable, displaced, and impoverished families and individuals around the world. From direct humanitarian service to helping victims of human trafficking and working to reunify families, the funds from this Collection make a real difference in lives across the globe. **How will you help?** Next week, please support The Catholic Relief Services Collection and **Jesus in disguise**.

Beginning Experience

DFW Beginning Experience is offering a faith based ministry for persons who are separated, divorced or widowed. The next weekend to attend is April 15-17 in Dallas at the Catholic Conference and Formation Center. Beginning Experience is a weekend program to help grieving single-again persons who are ready to move from the darkness of their grief into the light of a new beginning with renewed hope and faith. For more information, visit their website:

www.beginningexperiencedfw.org; email the DFW Beginning Experience Team at dfwbe@hotmail.com; or call their voicemail metro 972-601-4091. Their participant coordinator will return the call or email in a few days, as there is no permanent staff, so please be patient.

Lenten Reflection

The Trinitarian Auxiliary of Holy Trinity Seminary will host a Lenten Reflection on March 27 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Father James Vasquez, Seminary Formation Advisor, will speak on "Our Lady of Sorrows at the Foot of the Cross: A Model for the Church and All Christians." Public is invited. No cost. Holy Trinity Seminary is located at 3131 Vince Hagan Drive, Irving, Texas. The Trinitarian Auxiliary supports the staff of Holy Trinity Seminary and seminarians through prayer, sacrifice, and service. For information and to RSVP, please contact either Rita Backus at 972-438-2212 or Juanita Ramirez at 214-379-2821

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WELCOME

Registration sheets are available at both entrances of the church. Please fill out and return the registration form to the parish office or place it in the collection basket. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Gaines in the parish office at (972) 279-6581, ext. 10.

Bulletin Deadline



If you have an announcement that you would like printed in the bulletin, please send it to Samanthas@stmichaelgarland.org by 3:00 p.m. Friday afternoon. You may also contact Samantha Silvas at the parish office at 972-279-6581 ext. 12 or drop off a copy of the announcement at the church.



Website

If you would like to contribute photos, articles, or share information, on the parish website please contact Johnny Martinez at

JohnnyM@stmichaelgarland.org. You can view the bulletin and other information on the website at www.stmichaelgarland.org

Pulpit Announcement

If you have something you would like announced at the ambo after mass please call Darnell St. Romain at 972-279-6581 ext. 15 or email him at Darnells@stmichaelgarland.org by Friday afternoon.



