

*From the Pastor* 

Many advertisers would have us believe that if we just purchased a particular product, our lives would be well lived. And many people in our society believe that if they just associate with a certain group, dress a certain way, or do certain pleasurable actions, then they will be happy and fulfilled. On the other hand, Jesus said I am the resurrection and the life. Life with God, surrounded by the love of the Father, is the only true measure of happiness. And Jesus His Son is the only way to obtain that Life. Jesus is the source of all blessing, contentment and fulfillment. Everything else falls short.

-Father Joseph

**Weekly Readings**



**Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Ez 37:12-14/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Rom 8:8-11/ Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

**Monday, Saint Stanislaus**

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday, Saint Teresa of Los Andes**

Nm 21:4-9/ Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/ Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday, Saint Martin I**

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/ Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday, Blessed Peter Gonzalez**

Gn 17:3-9/ Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Jn 8:51-59

**Friday, Blessed Caesar de Bus**

Jer 20:10-13/ Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/ Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday, Saint Bernadette Soubirous**

Ez 37:21-28/ Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/ Jn 11:45-56



**mass intentions**

**Saturday**

- 8:00 a.m. + Milica Stegnar by Ivan Sopianac
- 5:30 p.m. + Mary Jane Silas by Silas Jones & Family

**Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. SI Walt & Mary Czaus
- 10:30 a.m. + Evangelina Gomez by Felipe & Diane Salazar
- 12:30 p.m. + Moises Cruz by Lily Grio
- 6:00 p.m. Mass for the People

**Monday**

- 8:00 a.m. SI Gabriel Family

**Tuesday**

- 8:00 a.m. + Manuel Rivero by Lily Grio

**Wednesday**

- 8:00 a.m. + John Esther Hart by Mary Chad & Amanda Angelo

**Thursday**

- 8:00 a.m. + Ivan Stegnar by Ivan Sopianac

**Friday**

- 8:00 a.m. + Robert W. Casares by Pete & Rosemary Gonzales Family

CHURCH OFFERING

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
04/04/10	1941	\$28,138.00
Electronic		\$110.00
<b>Note: This was Easter weekend for 2010</b>		
04/03/11	1858	\$17,821.00
Electronic		\$873.00



**The Week Ahead**

**SUNDAY:**

- 8:00 a.m. April 10
- 8:00 a.m. K of C Breakfast – Curran Hall
- 8:30 a.m. Faith Formation Classes – Classrooms
- 8:45 a.m. RCIA – Rm. 110/120
- 7:00 p.m. Life Teen – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. This is Our Faith – Rm. 110/120

**MONDAY:**

- 5:30 p.m. April 11
- 6:30 p.m. Community Social Dinner – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation Class – Classrooms
- 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul – Library
- 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission - Sanctuary

**TUESDAY:**

- 9:15 a.m. April 12
- 10:00 a.m. Mother's Day Out – Rm. 110/120
- 5:30 p.m. Women's Craft Group – Pit Area
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner by Mark Czaus – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Den Meeting – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Financial Committee - Library
- 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission - Sanctuary

**WEDNESDAY: April 13**

- 5:30 p.m. K of C Dinner – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study – Rm. 110/120
- 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission - Sanctuary

**THURSDAY:**

- 9:15 a.m. April 14
- 5:30 p.m. Mother's Day Out – Rm. 110/120
- 5:45 p.m. K of C Dinner – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. Spanish pre-Baptismal Class – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. K of C Officers – Rm. 140
- 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission - Sanctuary

**FRIDAY:**

- 6:30 p.m. April 15
- 7:00 p.m. K of C Fish Dinner – Curran Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross – Sanctuary

**SATURDAY:**

- 9:00 a.m. April 16
- 10:30 a.m. RCIA Meeting – Rm. 110/120
- 3:00 p.m. Engaged Couple Meeting – Library
- Easter Egg Hunt – Curran Hall

**Lenten Practices**

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

Almsgiving (Charity): While Lent is about giving something up (i.e. fasting), it is also about putting something positive in its place. The best way to remove vice is to cultivate virtue. Lent has been a traditional time of helping the poor and doing acts of charity and mercy. While as Christians this is a year round calling, Lent is a good time to examine ways to get involved and to make resolutions to actually do them. Giving alms can be done in more ways than just giving out money to people on the street. It can be done by helping your family, friends, and neighbors out of tight situations or being more generous to hired help. However, one of the best ways to give alms is to get out of your comfort zone a little bit, maybe by volunteering for a charity or a shelter. There are many lay religious orders, which devote much of their time to charity.

## 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.

## Faith Formation Easter Egg Hunt

St. Michael's Faith Formation office will host an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 p.m. All children ages 9 and below may participate in the hunt. Please have your child(ren) in Curran Hall by 2:45 p.m.

The Faith Formation Office is asking for donations, of individually wrapped candy, for the Easter Egg Hunt. There will be a basket by the Faith Formation Office to place these donations. The deadline for donations is Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Mary Rak – Middle School Youth Minister

[MaryR@stmichaelgarland.org](mailto:MaryR@stmichaelgarland.org) 972-279-6581 ext. 14

Meet every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

### WHAT'S COMING:

<b>April 13</b>	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.
<b>April 14</b>	Penance Service – 7:00 p.m. Great chance to get in your Lenten Reconciliation.
<b>April 20</b>	No Edge – Holy Week Please participate as a family
<b>April 27</b>	Edge – The Resurrection of Jesus Christ
<b>May 4</b>	Edge – Mary & the Rosary
<b>May 11</b>	Edge – You're a Temple of the Holy Spirit
<b>May 13</b>	Movie Night – 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
<b>May 18</b>	Edge – Party for Father Joseph
<b>May 25</b>	Edge – So Now What? End of year party for Middle School Youth, <i>Registration (Parents) for Middle Schoolers Year 2011-2012</i>

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](mailto:maryr@stmichalegarland.org) or call the church office.

**PARENTS:** This past week we talked about the Passion of our Lord. This is the most important time of our liturgical year in the Catholic Church, so try and find ways to make the Passion a real focal point from now through Easter. Watch movies about Jesus' life or the Passion itself. (The film *The Passion of Christ* is a very good movie, but if you watch it with your children prepare them for the violence of Jesus' beating.) Go to the parish mission as a family and participate in the Holy Week service. Use this time to bring yourselves closer to Christ by sharing His journey; you'll be much more joyful at Easter!

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

- Apr. 10 Attack on Sexuality
- Apr. 17 NO LIFE NIGHT
- May 1 Attack on Truth

### 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!)
- May Crowning  
(Need a total of 8 Jr's or 8 Sr's to help with crowning Mary)
- May 20-22 Jr & Sr Camping Trip  
(Cost: \$40)
- Jun. 25-27 Steubenville South Conference  
(In Alexandria Louisiana, Cost: \$200)
- Jun. 27-July 1 Vacation Bible School  
(Teens wanting to volunteer as a crew leader need to be 13 years old or older! Contact Gloria Gove in the parish office at 972-279-6581, ext. 11)

### BOB & WOW (Every Wed. unless notified)

- Apr. 13 Bob & Wow attending Parish Mission
- Apr. 20 **NO** Bob & Wow due to Holy Week
- Apr. 27 Bob & Wow resumes 7pm-9pm
- May 4 Bob & Wow  
(Tutorials available during all Bob & Wow sessions but upon request)

### Summer Activities

- Summer Softball  
*Coaches and Players needed*
- Summer Bowling  
*Coaches and Bowlers needed*
- Monday Movie Nights 7-9pm
- Tuesday Breakfast of Champions 8am-12noon
- Wednesday BOB & WOW 7-9pm
- Thursday Cooking Class 2:30-5pm

**More details for summer activities to come...**

All forms, information, & details about events and activities can be found on our website, [www.smlifeteen.com](http://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](mailto:Rachel@stmichaelgarland.org).

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

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](mailto:cdf364@att.net)  
Phone: (972) 567-3175



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
COUNCIL 11862**



The Knights are looking for golfers. We have our 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://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](mailto: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.

### Community Social Events Group

#### Upcoming Event:

Mother's Day Dance  
Saturday, May 7, 2011  
Dinner: 6:30-7:30 PM  
Dance: 7:30-Midnight  
Curran Hall

More details coming in next week's bulletin! Please plan on joining us for good fun and fellowship!! Please contact Felipe and Diane Salazar if you would like to volunteer or if you have questions, 972-279-6581, ext. 19.

### 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.

## Spanish Pre-Baptismal Class

A Spanish Pre-Baptismal class is offered the second Thursday of each month at 7 PM. The next class will be held in Curran Hall. Pre-registration to attend the class is not required. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions, 972-279-6581.

Una clase pre-bautismal en español será tenida a las 7 de la tarde el segundo jueves de cada mes. El próximo clase será en Curran Hall.

No es necesario para registrar para asistir la clase. Si tiene cualquier pregunta, llama por favor la oficina de la parroquia al 972-279-6581

## 2011 Lenten Mission

### Fr. Jerome LeDoux

Sunday, April 10	Mass	6PM	
Monday, April 11	Service	7PM	Sacrifice
Tuesday, April 12	Service	7PM	Fellowship with Service
Wednesday, April 13	Service	7PM	Intimacy with God
Thursday, April 14	Service	7PM	Metanoia / Conversion

Fr. Jerome LeDoux is a priest of the Society of the Divine Word Missionaries. He has been a priest for over fifty years. He is a syndicated columnist. Fr. LeDoux is currently the pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Fort Worth, Texas. His messages are normally delivered with music. He is known as a "singing" priest.

The topics covered will help us on our Lenten Journey and will prepare our souls for a glorious Easter. The most important topic being covered is Metanoia, which is turning back to God, asking for forgiveness and confessing our sins. On the last night of the Mission there will be an opportunity for the sacrament of penance.

## Holy Week Schedule

During the 2011 Holy Week there will not be 8AM Masses beginning Thursday, April 21 and continuing through Saturday, April 23. In observance of Holy Week there will be a 7:30PM Mass Thursday, April 21, a 3PM Service Friday, April 22 and end with the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 23 at 9:30PM.

## Easter Mass Schedule

The April 24, 2011 Easter Mass schedule will be as follows:

Easter Vigil	9:30 PM
Easter Day	8:30 AM
	10:30 AM
	10:30 AM
	12:30 PM

Note: There are two 10:30 Masses to accommodate more people.

## Divine Mercy Sunday – May 1, 2011

We will have a special Mass and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Sunday, May 1, at 3 p.m. Special graces and the forgiveness of all sins and punishments for sin are granted to those who keep this Feast in accordance with the wishes of Our Lord.

**Please remember to throw out your gum before Mass, as it is disrespectful to chew gum before our Lord. Trash cans are located in the Narthex. Thank You!**

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

April is National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month.  
**The Prevalence of Abuse in Society**

In surveys of adults, one out of five women and one out of ten men reported that they were sexually molested before they were 18 years old. This means that an estimated 40 million adult survivors of child sexual abuse are living in the United States today. An estimated 9.6% of all school children will be molested by an educator or an employee of a school between kindergarten and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Between 13 and 34% of all females will be victims of sexual assault before the age of 18, and 7 to 16% of all males will also be victimized before they are 18.

### **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](http://www.olsjbasilica.org/web/home).

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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](mailto: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](mailto:JohnnyM@stmichaelgarland.org). You can view the bulletin and other information on the website at [www.stmichaelgarland.org](http://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](mailto:Darnells@stmichaelgarland.org) by Friday afternoon.



