



What is the kingdom of heaven worth to you? What would you be willing to pay to obtain eternal joy, contentment, and peace? Would you give up having your own way? Would you share your treasures with someone else? Would you let go of anger or stop holding that grudge? Would you admit your faults out loud and then try to change? Jesus tells us what the kingdom ought to be worth to us. He says that we should be willing to give up everything we have to get heaven. Is there a price that you are not willing to pay for eternal life?

Father Joseph

## NOTE:

- Ernie Valencia

Confessions *will not* be held on the third Thursday of each month. You may say an "Act of Contrition" and go to Confession at your earliest convenience, or you may contact Fr. Joseph for an appointment for a private confession by calling the parish office at 972-279-6581, ext. 10.

## Help wanted!

- Ernie Valencia

We are seeking a part-time Maintenance/Custodian to work 20 to 25 hours per week. If you are interested, please contact Ernie Valencia, General Manager, at 972-279-6581, ext. 22.



The nursery is available during Mass for children ages newborn to three years old.

## GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
07/22/07	1995	\$15,917.00
07/20/08	1992	\$13,192.00

A second collection will be taken at all Masses this weekend for Solidarity for the Church in Africa.



CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY  
FAITH FORMATION  
REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

The following is a registration schedule for the '08-'09 school year. Registration for all dates listed will be during and after these Masses: 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12 noon.

*July 27, August 3 & 10.*

Please register on these dates to avoid any late fees. There will be an additional fee for non-parishioners.

## ATTENTION LITURGY MINISTERS!!!

- Ann Buckley

Copies of the August/September schedule have been placed behind the door in the sacristy. To save money schedules will no longer be mailed. The schedule will either be emailed or copies placed behind the door in the sacristy. Each copy of the schedule has a name on it. Please be sure to pick yours up. Thank you!!



## CASINO NIGHT!!

- Anna Quigley

The CASINO NIGHT planning committee will meet on Tuesday, July 29, at 7 PM in room 110/120. Please plan on attending this meeting if you are interested in helping with the event. Questions? Call Anna at 972-279-6581, ext. 14.



## Liturgy Intentions For The Week

### Sunday, July 27

7:30 a.m. +Joe & Kevin Bryne by their family  
 9:00 a.m. +Eugene Duffey by his family  
 10:30 a.m. +Hung The Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family  
 12:00 noon Mass for the People  
 6:00 p.m. S.I. Michael Valera by Life Teen

### Monday, July 28

8:00 a.m. S.I. Logan Adams by Grammy & Doc

### Tuesday, July 29

8:00 a.m. S.I. Samantha Silvas by Life Teen

### Wednesday, July 30

8:00 a.m. S.I. Ashley Juel by Life Teen

### Thursday, July 31

8:00 a.m. S.I. Omenukor family  
 6:30 p.m. S.I. Logan Adams by Grammy & Doc

### Friday, August 1

8:00 a.m. +Hung The Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family

### Saturday, August 2

8:00 a.m. +Hung The Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family  
 5:30 p.m. +Hung The Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family

Tabernacle candle is provided in memory of Ailene Price by Deacon Joe & Gloria Perez.



## *This Week in our Parish*

### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SUNDAY: July 27, 2008**

**MONDAY: July 28, 2008**

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul – Youth Room

**TUESDAY: July 29, 2008**

8:00 a.m. Y-Teen – Curran Hall

10:00 a.m. Women's Craft Group – Pit Area

7:00 p.m. 12:00 Noon Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

**WEDNESDAY: July 30, 2008**

7:00 p.m. Y-Teen – Youth Room

7:30 p.m. St. Gregory Choir - Sanctuary

**THURSDAY: July 31, 2008**

6:00 p.m. Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help – Chapel

6:30 p.m. Mass – Chapel

7:00 p.m. Confessions – Chapel

7:00 p.m. 9:00 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Leaders Council – Library

**FRIDAY: August 1, 2008**

**SATURDAY: August 2, 2008**

4:30 p.m. Confessions – Chapel

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
OF  
JULY 27, 2008**

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Deur 32:18-19, 20, 21/ Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Common of Holy Men and Women

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/ Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1-2, 2-4, 5-6/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:6, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

## Summertime

### Training for Altar Servers

- Penny Mione



Two training sessions are being planned for current and brand new altar servers. The dates are July 28 and 29 from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the sanctuary. If transportation

is an issue, or if you have any questions regarding this training, please contact Penny Mione in the parish office.

Altar service is open to boys and girls going into the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. It is a ministry that should be approached seriously, humbly, and reverently. Both child and parent must be committed to the ministry of altar service, so prayerful discernment is encouraged to make the necessary commitment.



**LORD,  
I love your  
commands.**



- Bob Mione

Thank you for your donations to our Food Pantry. Many needy families have been helped through your generosity. May God bless you!



**PRAYER GROUP**

- Gloria Perez

St. Michael has a prayer group which prays for

anyone who calls in a prayer request or fills out a prayer request form and places it in the Prayer Box in the narthex. If you are interested in joining this group, or if you want prayers for yourself or someone with a need, call the parish office and leave your name and phone number. Once a month a prayer list goes out to all group members, and they are asked to pray for requests at least once a day. For emergency prayers call the parish office and we will give your petitions to the staff, remembering "where two or more are gathered in my name, I am in their midst."



**IS SOMEONE AMONG YOU ILL?**

If a member of your family is going into surgery, recovering from surgery, or suffering from a life-threatening illness or injury, call Gloria Perez in the Parish Office at 972-279-6581, ext. 10, or leave a message on her extension with your name and phone number. The name of the person to be remembered will also be included in the Prayers of the Faithful during Sunday Masses.



**ST. MICHAEL WOMEN'S CRAFT GROUP**

- Jean Hauptert

The St. Michael Women's Craft Group meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the pit area. Come join us, have fun, make new friends, and create treasures. These items are then sold and the proceeds go to our Food Pantry.



**GUADALUPE RADIO STATION**

- Gloria Perez

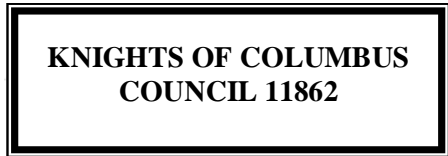
If you would like to have an announcement aired on the Guadalupe Radio Station, submit it three weeks in advance of your event. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Palmer at [davepalmer@grnonline.com](mailto:davepalmer@grnonline.com).

*Radio for your soul...KATH 910 AM*



*Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.*

*1 John 4:11*



**EVENTS CALENDAR**

- August 9-10** Passbook Sales – after all Masses
- 14** Officers Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 16-17** Passbook Sales – after all Masses
- 21** Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 23-24** Passbook Sales – after all Masses

Sign up now for the 34<sup>th</sup> annual K of C State Golf Tournament being held September 12-14 in Bastrop, TX. For information call Richard Fuja at 972-686-4754 or Leo Whalen at 972-686-7266.

If you are interested in obtaining information about the Knights of Columbus, contact Gary Labac at 214-649-8043.



**Why do Catholics do that?**

Another sacred symbol: **LIGHT**

**WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?**

Light also plays an important role in religions. Candles are not utilized for purpose of illumination, although they may have originally been used for that reason. Candles symbolize joy and praise of God and are so used in the Catholic Church at all liturgical celebrations, as well as for private devotions. Candles are solemnly blessed on February 2, known as Candlemas Day. The Paschal Candle is blessed at the Easter Vigil.



**Life in the Spirit Seminar**

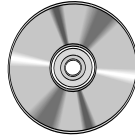
- Joy Cambel

Learn how to live a life empowered by the Holy Spirit at a free seminar open to all. It will be held for three consecutive Saturdays on August 9, 16, and 23 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 3905 Hickox Rd. in Rowlett. This event is sponsored by Families for Christ. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Call Joy at 469-682-7149 to sign up or email [joycambel@msn.com](mailto:joycambel@msn.com) before August 4.

## INSPIRING CATHOLIC CDs

- Lili Rivera

Have little time to study about your faith? See the display of available titles of *Inspiring Catholic CDs* in the narthex. Enjoy listening to one while you are driving in your car.



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## HAVE COMMENTS?

- Felipe Salazar

The Parish Advisory Council at St. Michael wants to know what you are thinking. We have a suggestion box for your ideas, comments, concerns, or suggestions. This box will only be opened by Parish Council members. Staff and clergy will not have access to comments submitted in this box. The box has a "COMMENTS" label on it and is located on a table in the narthex.

# Thank you

The Community Social Events Group would like to thank the parishioners of St. Michael for their support of last week's Taquito Breakfast. A total of \$491 was raised for the Curran Hall Renovation Fund. We would also like to thank our wonderful volunteers and donors of supplies. We will offer this event again in October.

Any group that would like to host a similar event to raise money for the Curran Hall Renovation Fund, promote fellowship, and showcase their cultural food, art, music, dance, etc., should contact Diane Salazar of the Community Social Events Group at 972-686-0832 or [salazar.d@tx.rr.com](mailto:salazar.d@tx.rr.com). We would be more than happy to have you join us in our effort!!