

The great flood which destroyed the world is a sign of Baptism. Just as water cleansed the world of evil, so though water and the Holy Spirit we die to sin and receive new life from God. The word "Baptize" means "to plunge," so as we recall this Lent how we were plunged into the life of the Spirit of God we might purify our hearts of anything which would prevent us from celebrating Easter with great joy.

Father Joseph

Mass Schedule

<u>First Sunday of Lent - Gn 9:8-15, Ps 25, 1 Pt 3:18-22, Mk 1:12-15</u>

8:30 AM † Sylvia Chavoya by the Macias family 10:30 AM † Roger Dean Fontenot by the family 12:30 PM † Cornelia Taino by Marinel Taino

6:00 PM Mass of the People

Monday, February 23 - St. Polycarp - Lv 19:1-2, 11-18, Ps 19, Mt 25:31-46

8:00 AM † Rosario Sosing by the family

Tuesday, February 24 - Is 55:10-11, Ps 34, Mt 6:7-15

8:00 AM † John McGuire by Lucy Gussoni

Wednesday, February 25 - Jon 3:1-10, Ps 51, Lk 11:29-32

8:00 AM † Roger Dean Fontenot by the family

<u>Thursday, February 26 - Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25, Ps 138,</u> Mt 7:7-12

8:00 AM † Norbert Hernando by the family

6:30 PM † Mary S. Wagner by Michael and Karen Wagner

Friday, February 27 - Ez 18:21-28, Ps 130, Mt 5:20-26

8:00 AM † Margaret Francis by Nancy Hill

Saturday, February 28 - Dt 26:16-19, Ps 119, Mt 5:43-48

8:00 AM † Maria and Peter Tran by Madeleine Tran

5:30 PM † Richard Hranicky

Tabernacle candle is burning for † Mary Giaele by her daughter and grandsons

just to let you know

Sunday Nursery

The nursery is available during Sunday Masses

(8:30, 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM)

for children ages 6 months to 4 years old. This is a free service to all parishioners.

The Week Ahead

Sunday: February 22

9:00 AM Faith Formation - Classrooms 9:30 AM Coffee and Donuts - Pit Area 11:00 AM Faith Formation - Classrooms

1:00 PM Nigerian Community Group - Curran Hall

6:00 PM Pro-Life - Room 140 7:00 PM Life Teen - Youth Room

Monday: February 23

6:30 PM Faith Formation - Classrooms

7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society - Youth Room

7:00 PM Boy Scouts - Curran Hall

Tuesday: February 24

10:00 AM Women's Craft Group - Pit Area 6:45 PM Pack Meeting - Curran Hall 7:00 PM M.O.M.S. - Youth Room 7:00 PM RCIA - Room 110/120

7:00 PM Pastoral Advisory Council - Library

Wednesday: February 25

6:30 PM Faith Formation - Classrooms

6:30 PM EDGE - Curran Hall

7:00 PM BOB & WOW - Youth Room

Thursday: February 26

8:45 AM Divine Mercy Cenacle - Room 140 7:00 PM Divorce Ministry - Room 150

7:00 PM Tea Hostesses Meeting - Curran Hall

Friday: February 27

5:00 PM Lenten Fish Fry - Curran Hall 6:30 PM Stations of the Cross - Sanctuary 7:00 PM Divine Mercy Cenacle - Room 150 7:00 PM Men's Fellowship - Room 140

Saturday: February 28

8:20 AM Communion Workshop Sign-In - Curran Hall

7:00 PM Chili Cook-Off - Curran Hall

7:00 PM K of C 1st Degree - Rooms 100-150

Church Offering

 02/15/2015
 Mass Count
 Contributions

 Sunday Collection
 1822
 \$ 16,095.73

 Electronic
 \$ 2,496.83

 \$ 18,592.56

02/16/2014 1858

 Sunday Collection
 \$ 15,770.80

 Electronic
 \$ 3,551.61

 \$ 19,322.41

There will be a second collection this weekend for the Black and Indian Missions. Please be generous.

Since 1884, proceeds from the Black and Indian Missions Collection (BIM) are distributed as grants to dioceses supporting and strengthening evangelization programs, which would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among the Black, American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleute communities of the United States.

Faith Formation

RCIA 2nd Year 8th-12th grade

- * RCIA Sacrament Interviews have begun
- * Feb. 23 Letter to Father Joseph is due
- Mar. 2 Service hours are due

First Reconciliation and Communion Workshop

* Sat., Feb. 28 - Curran Hall, 8:30 AM-2 PM

RCIA Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation

- * Sat., Apr. 4, Rehearsal, Classrooms at 9 AM
- * Sat., Apr. 4, Easter Vigil Mass arrive at 7:30 PM

Second Grade First Communion Rehearsal and Mass

- * April 23 Rehearsal, Classrooms, 7 PM
- * April 25 Mass, 9:30 AM

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

Mark your Calendar!

Faith Formation Registration

Faith Formation registration for 2015-2016 is coming-up this spring. Watch the bulletin for dates and "Early Bird" savings. Parents Note: You must be a registered contributing member of St. Michael Parish for a minimum of four months to register your children in the Faith Formation Program. If you are not receiving your envelopes, call the Parish Office to request them.

Part-Time Position Available

St. Michael has an opening for a part-time Administrative Assistant to the Faith Formation Department. The candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point, Publisher and Outlook with good public relations and communication skills in both English and Spanish. Two years of experience as an Administrative Assistant is preferred. The candidate must be reliable, able to fulfill all Diocesan Safe Environment requirements and work flexible hours including evenings and weekends. References will be required. Please submit applications to

Sherri Williams at swilliams@stmichaelgarland.org.

Maintenance Position Available

St. Michael currently has a position available for part-time maintenance person, evening shift Monday-Friday, 5-9 PM. All interested applicants should contact: John Sharp at (972) 279-6581, ext. 22, <u>JohnS@stmichaelgarland.org</u>, Roy Escobar (972) 279-6581, ext. 14, RoyE@stmichaelgarland.org.

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EDGE 7th grade

- * Mar. 4, Service Projects and Service Hours forms due
- * May 7, parent and teen setup and cleanup for the Confirmation reception Curran Hall, setup from 5-9 PM.

EDGE Confirmation Class

- * May 6, Confirmation Rehearsal, Curran Hall, 6:30 PM
- * May 7, Confirmation Mass, Sanctuary & Curran Hall, 7 PM

Contact Richard Sesbino at (972) 279-6581, ext. 17, richards@stmichaelgarland.org for more information.

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LIFE NIGHT SCHEDULE

Life Teen begins with Sunday Youth Mass at 6 PM followed by Life Night at 7 PM and dinner at 8:30 PM.

BOB & WOW SCHEDULE

Every Wednesday night from 7-9 PM in the Youth Room!

<u>Upcoming Youth Activities</u>: *March* 20-22, 2015, Spring Retreat - Camp Copass, Denton, fee \$ 90.00,

Live Stations Rehearsal

We are in need of teens to step up and volunteer to reenact the Stations of the Cross! Rehearsals are Sundays at 3 PM. Contact Richard Sesbino for information.

Contact Richard Sesbino at (972)279-6581, ext. 17, RichardS@stmichaelgarland.org for more information.

Chili Cook-Off

The date of the Chili Cook-off has been changed. Please make note of the new date: **Saturday, February 28, 2015**, **at 7 PM in Curran Hall.** The sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex along with copies of the rules. There is no entry fee. There will be a prize for first, second and third place. Join us for some good friendly competition and great fellowship! Questions? Please contact the Family Life office, (972) 279-6581, ext. 19, or <u>DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org</u>.

BSA Scouts 548

Feb. 23	Boy Scout Meeting - Curran Hall, 7 PM
Feb. 24	Pack Meeting - Curran Hall, 6:45 PM
Feb. 24	Crew Meeting - Room 210, 7 PM
Mar. 01	Scout Café - Curran Hall, 8 AM
Mar. 02	Boy Scout Meeting - Curran Hall, 7 PM
Mar. 02	Court of Honor *CX*
Mar. 03	Pack Meeting - Curran Hall, 6:45 PM

Parish Tea

Ladies, our next parish Tea is scheduled for Saturday, March 21, 2015, at 2 PM in Curran Hall. Please mark this table hostess or helping in a committee. You may invite a female child who is 10 years of age and up. Tickets are \$15 each. Proceeds will go to our food pantry and St. Vincent de Paul. Tables are still available if you would like to be a hostess. To purchase your tickets, contact the Family Life office, (972) 279-6581, ext. 19, or DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org. Silent auction donations are needed, please.

Discernment Retreat for Women

The School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province invite you to their annual Women's Leadership Luncheon. The guest speaker is Sheila Madigan Levatino. The purpose of the luncheon is to further the understanding of leadership, bring women leaders and colleagues together to reflect on the integration of the spiritual and professional dimensions of life. The luncheon will be held on Thursday, March 26, from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Family Center at St. Monica Catholic Church, 9933 Midway Rd, Dallas, Tx 75220. Seating is limited.

No charge to attend but registration is required by March 20. To register online, go to www.ssndcentralpacidic.org. For more information contact Debbie Rohrich-Tyler at (314) 633-7032 or drohrichtyler@ssndcp.org.

Easter Novena Masses are for those who would like their loved ones remembered in the Novena Masses beginning with the Easter Masses. If you are interested, please pick up an envelope in the Narthex, complete the information, and return the envelope to the parish office or put it in the collection basket.





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Feb. 27	Lenten Fish Fry - Curran Hall, before and after Stations of the Cross, meals begin at 5 PM
Feb. 28	1st Degree Exemplification - Room 110-150, 6:45 PM (after 5:30 Mass)
	Knights of Columbus Wheelchair Sunday (Read bulletin insert)
Mar. 06	Lenten Fish Fry - Curran Hall, 5 PM Before and after Stations of the Cross
Mar. 07	Dallas Diocesan K of C Corporate Communion - Cathedral Guadalupe, 10 AM

Degree Schedule Calendar: Visit http://www.kofc11862.org

K of C Wheelchair Sunday, February 28-March 1

Next Sunday is WHEELCHAIR SUNDAY. Please join the Knights of Columbus in the Parish Hall on that day for a brief presentation on how you can help someone in need receive a free wheelchair. \$42,000 will deliver a container of 280 brand new wheelchairs to date in your calendar to join us. Also, please consider being a over 150 countries in the world. 100% of your tax-deductible contribution goes toward the purchase and delivery of these life-altering chairs. Please help Father Joseph in his efforts to reach his goal of one full container of wheelchairs. A bulletin insert is provided with additional information.

Did vou Know?

Some 300 Dallas-area children in need received the gift of warmth in the form of brand new winter coats from local Knights and representatives of the Dallas Cowboys. The event was held on Saturday, Dec. 6, at St. Augustine's Church and led by linebacker Sean Lee. Joining him were the Cowboy's Director of College and Pro Scouting Tom Ciskowski, Offensive Coordinator Scott Linehan and Director of Security Larry Wansley. Also participating were retired Texas Ranger first baseman Dave Hostetler, Catholic Athletes for Christ President Ray McKenna, members of nearby St. Thomas Council 4370 and Columbian Squires from the area.

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Family Life Vpcoming Lvents

Mark these dates on your calendar to join us:

- A Taste of St. Michael Sunday, April 19, 2-4 PM in Curran Hall. Entertainment by McTeggart Irish Dancers of North Texas.
- Texas Rangers Baseball Game vs. Boston Red Sox -Saturday, May 30, 6:15 PM at Globe Life Park in Arlington. Tickets: \$30.00.

Questions? Contact the Family Life office, (972) 279-6581, ext. 19, or DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org.

2015 LENT/EASTER CALENDAR

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6:30 PM

"The Light is On for You"

March 25 & April 1, 2015 Confessions with Father Joseph 6 PM-9 PM

Vigil, Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Saturday, March 28, 2015, 5:30 PM

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 29, 2015 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM & 6 PM

Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper April 2, 2015, 7 PM Mass

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

April 3, 2015, 3 PM

Passion of the Lord's Service with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

LAWS OF FAST & ABSTINENCE

The National Conference of Catholic Bishops has determined that the following practice shall prevail in the U.S. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all those who have celebrated their 18th birthday and have not yet celebrated their 60th birthday.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent by all who have celebrated their 14th birthday.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ in English

February 27-March 1: Rachel's Vineyard™ is a life-changing opportunity for any person who struggles with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. This process is extremely helpful for those who have difficulty forgiving themselves or others. The weekend will help your soul find a voice and transform the pain of the past into hope! For more information and to register, contact healing@racheldallas.org or the Abortion AfterCare-Healing helpline 214-544-CARE (2273) in English, or sanacion@racheldallas.org or 972-679-4760 in Spanish, or visit racheldallas.org. For information about a retreat for men only, visit projectjosephdallas.org or contact 469-416-2101 or healing@projectjosephdallas.org.

All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

BABY BANK CAMPAIGN

Today we begin the Baby Bank Campaign to raise funds for the Catholic Pro-Life Committee and our parish prolife projects. Remember: each time you add to your Baby Bank, your contribution helps moms and saves babies! Pick up Baby Banks in the Narthex after Mass. Baby Banks are a great way to show your family how their sacrifices can help babies and moms! Contributions to the Baby Bank Campaign may be sent directly to CPLC, P.O. Box 80341, Dallas, TX 75380 Attn: "Baby Banks."

Please indicate St. Michael-Garland. For pro-life information or help, call 972.267.LIFE.

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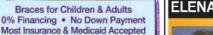
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