



Hope

So too, you also
must be prepared,
for at an hour
you do not expect,
the Son of Man
will come.

Matthew 24:44



First Sunday of Advent



Church Offering

Church offering will be available next week.

There will be a Second Collection on December 10 & 11,
for the **Retirement Fund for Religious.**

The Retirement Fund for Religious (RFR) provides funding to any religious institute in the U.S. that is listed in the religious institute section of the OCD with an identifying OCD number, and that has an unfunded past service liability. It distributes direct care, planning and implementation assistance from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conference of major superiors and bishops.

Mass Schedule

**First Sunday of Advent - Is 2:1-5, Ps 122, Rom 13:11-14,
Cf. Ps 85:8, Mt 24:37-44**

8:30 AM **Joe McGann †** by his wife and children
10:30 AM Mass of the People
12:30 PM **Esmeralda Garza †** by her husband and family
6:00 PM **For all deceased members of Salazar's family**

Monday, November 28 - Is 4:2-6, Ps 122, Mt 8:5-11

8:00 AM **Esther † & Maria de Jesus Ramos †** Quintero fam.

Tuesday, November 29 - Is 11:1-10, Ps 72, Lk 10:21-24

8:00 AM **Joe McGann †** by his wife and family

**Wednesday, November 30 - St. Andrew - Rom 10:9-18,
Ps 19, Mt 4:18-22**

8:00 AM **Mike Wacławek †** by the Gallagher family

Thursday, December 1 - Is 26:1-6, Ps 118, Mt 7:21, 24-27

8:00 AM **Mike Traphagan †** by his friends
6:30 PM **Virgilio Macabare †** by the Sosing family

Friday, December 2 - Is 29:17-24, Ps 27, Mt 9:27-31

8:00 AM **Jesse Juarez †** by Elena Juarez

Saturday, December 3 - St. Francis Xavier - Is 30:19-21, 23-26, Ps 147, Mt 9:35b-10:1, 5a, 6-8

8:00 AM **Mary †, Michael † & Thomas †** by Dawn
5:30 PM **Jean Hauptert †** by Frank Hauptert

Tabernacle candle is for the Special Intentions of the Long,
Lerch and the Daniels families.

St. Michael's Nursery

The nursery will be closed today, November 27, 2016, Nursery will reopen December 4 for the 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM, Masses.

Personal Sound Amplifiers are available for the hearing impaired. Please see one of the Ushers if you would like to use one during mass.

The Week Ahead

Sunday: November 27

9:00 AM NO Faith Formation
9:00 AM Adult RCIA - Room 110/120
9:30 PM Coffee & Donuts - Curran Hall
11:00 AM NO Faith Formation
7:00 PM NO Life Teen - Youth Room
7:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Choir Rehearsal

Monday: November 28

8:00 AM Daily Mass - Sanctuary
6:30 PM NO Faith Formation
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul - Library
7:00 PM Virgin de Guadalupe Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Tuesday: November 29

8:00 AM Daily Mass - Sanctuary
10:30 AM Women's Craft Group - Pit Area
6:45 PM Cub Scouts - Curran Hall
7:00 PM M.O.M.S. - Youth Room
7:00 PM Synoptic Gospels Class - Room 140

Wednesday: November 30

8:00 AM Daily Mass - Sanctuary
5:30 PM Youth Choir - Sanctuary
6:30 PM Faith Formation - Classrooms
6:30 PM EDGE Christmas Caroling - Christian Care Center
7:00 PM BOB & WOW Christmas Caroling - Christian Care Center
7:00 PM St. Michael's Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Thursday: December 1

8:00 AM Daily Mass - Sanctuary
9:00 AM Cenacle - Rooms 110/120 & 140
10:45 AM Synoptic Gospels Class - Room 110/120
6:30 PM Advent Penance Service
7:00 PM Pro-Life - Room 150
7:00 PM Adult RCIA - Room 230
7:00 PM Grief Ministry - Room 250

Friday: December 2

8:00 AM Daily Mass - Sanctuary

Saturday: December 3

8:00 AM Daily Mass - Sanctuary
4:00 PM Confession - Chapel

Save the Date: Advent Parish Mission

December 5-7, at 7 PM nightly

The facilitator is *Father Jacob Dankasa.*

*Developing a Lasting Habit of Prayer and a
Life of Reconciliation with God"*

Mission Meals are from 5-6:45 PM nightly in Curran Hall.

First Sunday of Advent

Faith Formation

No Faith Formation classes - Dec. 18-Jan. 7

Classes resume January 8, 2017

Have a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

Spiritual Opportunity Service Hours

- * Mon.-Sat., 9-11:30 AM - St. Michael's Food Pantry
- * Dec. 10, 8:30 AM-12 PM - Cleaning of the Sanctuary
- * April 14, 7 PM - Living Stations of the Cross
- * Feb. 25 - Mardi Gras Dance
- * Habitat for Humanity
- * Shoes for Orphan Souls

All 2nd Year Sacrament Parent Workshop #3

- * Sunday, January 22, at 11 AM - Youth Room
- * Monday, January 23, at 6:30 PM - Youth Room
- * Wednesday, January 25, at 6:30 PM - Room 110/120

Parish Advent Mission

December 5-7, 2016

All second year sacrament prep students must attend at least one day. Monday and Wednesday classes will be replaced with Mission. Attendance will be taken.

Parents must stay with children.

RCIA 2nd Year 8th-12th Grade Confirmation Retreat

- * Friday, January 27-Sunday, January 29
- * Location: **The Pines**, Permission consent forms are due by Wed., Jan. 4. Remember your place is not reserved until forms and releases are turned in with full payment.

First Reconciliation - Tuesday, February 7, 2017

1st Communion Workshop - February 18, 2017

All First Communicants must attend.

Pictures with St. Nicholas

"Pictures with St. Nicholas" will be Sunday, December 11, from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM in Curran Hall. We are back to the original roots of Santa Clause, which of course is St. Nicholas, and children of all ages may have their pictures taken with him. Pictures are \$2 each, and they will be available for pickup on Sunday, December 18. The pictures will be placed in a basket in the Narthex marked "Pictures with St. Nicholas." A face painter will be on hand, and free crafts will be available for the children. The Community Social Events group will be selling breakfast tacos. Questions, please call the Family Life office, (972) 279-6581, ext. 19, or email DaineS@stmichaelgarland.org.

Middle School Youth Ministry

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Are you registered for REMIND? Emergency text for cancellation of classes due to inclement weather will be sent out.

- * 7th grade text @edge7 to 81010
- * 8th grade text @edge8 to 81010

8th Grade EDGE Confirmation Retreat

- * Friday, January 27-Sunday, January 29
- * Location: **The Pines**, Permission consent forms are due by Wed., Jan. 4. Remember your place is not reserved until forms and releases are turned in with full payment.

Save the Date:

8th grade Confirmation Rehearsal - Wed., May 3, at 6:30 PM
8th grade Confirmation Mass - Thurs., May 4, at 6:30 PM

Save the Date: Confirmation Reception - May 4 at 5 PM

7th grade students and parents are asked to assist with either setup for the reception in Curran Hall starting at 5 PM or assist with cleanup at 8:30 PM.

Questions? Contact Richard Sesbino, Youth Minister at (972) 279-6581, ext. 17, or RichardS@stmichaelgarland.org

High School Youth Ministry

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Join us for Life Teen Mass – Sundays at 6 PM
Visit www.smlifeteen.com for forms and information.

Life Nights

Sunday, 7-8:30 PM, Youth Room (dinner provided)
BOB & WOW - Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 PM, Youth Room

Lt-Nights for Nov. & Dec.

Nov. 20 - Love Wins, Evangelization, Ultimate Victory
Nov. 27 - No LT, Thanksgiving
Dec. 04 - Stressed Out! - Final Exam Stress Relief Social
Dec. 11 - Advent XLT/Adoration Night
Dec. 18 - LT Christmas Party
Dec. 25 - Christmas Break - No LT

BOB & WOW

Guys & girls discussion groups and fellowship!
Registration is open all year long - bring a friend (even if they're not Catholic). Questions?
Contact Richard Sesbino, (972) 279-6581, ext. 17

Angel Tree

If you need assistance providing gifts for your children this Christmas, please contact St. Vincent de Paul Society at (214) 373-2339. Deadline for request is December 2.

Interested in Online Electronic Tithing

Demonstrate your thankfulness this season

Each holiday season, **St. Michael the Archangel** anticipates and relies on a seasonal increase in contributions. It is through the donations of every individual and family in the congregation that we are able to carry on our work now and throughout the year.

If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions or plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving options. As the pace of life speeds up around the holidays, you may find electronic giving a most welcome way to make contributions.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit us online at www.stmichaelgarland.org and locate the online giving button, or stop by or call the parish for assistance. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Marriage Convalidation

Are you married by the Catholic Church? No? Did you know you can have a Convalidation? If you have questions or would like to have a Convalidation, please contact Diane Salazar, Director of Marriage & Family Life, at (972) 279-6581, ext.19, or DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Monday, December 12, is the **Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe**. We will be celebrating this special day honoring her at the 7 PM Mass. The celebration will be complete with a Spanish choir, Juan Diego and children dancers and a light reception after. Please join us for a special celebration.

Spanish Choir Rehearsal

The Spanish choir that will sing at the **Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass** will rehearse on November 28 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary and December 5 at 7:30 PM in Curran Hall. Please join us if you are interested. Thank you! Questions, please call the Family Life office, (972) 279-6581, ext. 19, or email DianeS@stmichaelgarland.org.



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Nov. 26-27	Christmas Raffle Ticket Sales - All Masses
Dec. 03-04	Christmas Raffle Ticket Sales - All Masses
Dec. 06	Advent Mission Dinner
Dec. 08	Officers & Directors Meeting - Room 140, 7 PM
Dec. 10-11	Christmas Raffle Ticket Sales - All Masses
Dec. 13	1st Degree Team Practice - Room 220, 7 pm
Dec. 14	Knights Free Throw Contest - Basketball court in rear parking lot, 6:45 PM
Dec. 15	Business Meeting - Curran Hall, 7 PM
Dec. 17-18	Christmas Raffle Ticket Sales - 5:30 PM, 8:30, 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM masses only
Dec. 18	Christmas Raffle Drawing - after 12:30pm mass

Council News

Annual Kof C Christmas Raffle Ticket Sales

Council 11862 continues its annual Christmas Raffle ticket sales today after all masses. Please see a Knight in the Narthex for raffle tickets. Ticket prices remain the same as in previous years: 3 for \$5, 8 for \$10, 18 for \$20, and 25 for \$25. Prize drawings will be held on December 18 after the 12:30 PM mass. The list of prizes is available at the Knights table in the Narthex. Raffle ticket sales support Knights of Columbus charities.

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

Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/KofC11862>

Posada

A Posada will be presented at St. Michael on Saturday, December 17, at 7 PM. We will begin by praying the rosary in the Sanctuary and then process outside through the west side front door and around to the back of the church building and re-enter through the ramp entrance on the east side where we will have a reception in Curran Hall. A Posada is the re-enactment of Mary and Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of shelter. All are welcome!

Altar Society

The Altar Society would like to invite you to the cleaning of the Sanctuary. The call is for men, women, and confirmation students of our parish to join us on **Saturday, December 10, at 8:30 AM until 12 noon**. If you have any questions or concerns, email Gloria Perez at gloriafelan81@gmail.com.

First Sunday of Advent

Pro-Life

Help Mothers, Save Babies! Come Meet With Us!

Join us for the next Pro-Life meeting Thursday, December 1 at 7 PM, in room 150. St. Michael's Pro-Life Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 7 PM. Contact Reg Platt at (214) 392-4098 for more information.

Save the Date

Roe Memorial Events: January 13 & 14

On Friday, January 13, and Saturday, January 14, North Texas will mark the 44th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, legalizing abortion in America and leading to the death of over 56 million unborn children. Join Bishop Greg Kelly with thousands of people of faith to pray and march for LIFE. **Come for all or some of the events...Just be sure to come!**

More details coming soon at www.prolifedallas.org/roe

- * Friday, January 13, 2017, 7:00 PM Roe Memorial Mass at St. Monica, Dallas
- * Saturday, January 14, 2017, 11:00 AM Roe Memorial Rosaries at Southwestern and Planned Parenthood abortion facilities
- * 12 PM Pro-Life Ministry Fair in downtown Dallas
- * 12:30 PM Rose Procession in downtown Dallas
- * 1 PM North Texas March for Life and Rally

St. Vincent de Paul

The National St. Vincent de Paul has started a Mini Loan Program (MLP) that assists those who have become financially trapped by the exorbitant lending rates of payday and auto title loans whose interest rates can be as high as 500% APR. Here in Dallas, we have started working with a local Texas banking partner that has established a new low-interest loan conversion program. If you or someone you may know needs help with this please give us a call. Some restrictions apply so call us for details at (214) 373-2339.

St. Michael Food Pantry

The pantry is in need of your help for the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Please consider donating food items for those in need such as **turkeys, fixings and side items for preparation.**

Cash donations are also accepted. While the level of giving has stayed the same, requests for assistance have increased tremendously, so please, be generous when you can. *Thank you and May God bless you.*

New Food Pantry Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9-11:30 AM

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