St. Michael Catholic Church
Tybee Island, GA 31328

July 24, 2022 | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Statement: St. Michael's is a Faith Community that seeks to build up God's Kingdom on Tybee Island through living out the Gospel message as we witness to its values of love, community, stewardship, and service.

Our Parish Community extends a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors. If you would like to register as a member of our parish community, please call the Parish Office or register on-line.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jerry Ragan – Pastor hapragan@hotmail.com
Ms. Delia Robinson – Office Manager
Mrs. Ginny Murphy – Youth/Adult Faith Formation Coordinator
Mr. Ryan Beke – Music Director

Parish Office – (912) 786-4505 Phone (912) 786-4166 Fax
Monday - Friday, 9:00AM -Noon, 1:00PM – 4:00PM
office@saintmichaelstybee.org

Mailing Address: 802 Lovell Avenue

Emergency – Rev. Jerry Ragan (706) 267-1073 Cell

Parish Religious Formation Program
Fr. Jerry Ragan – RCIA
Ginny Murphy – Faith Formation
Contact the Parish Office regarding PREP

Baptismal/Wedding Preparation: Call office for information

Websites: http://www.saintmichaelstybee.org
http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection

PARISH CONTACTS

Pastoral Council – Matt Ferry
Parish Finance Mgr. – Mark Schroder
St. Michael Council of Catholic Women – Gayle Valbuena
Holy Name Society – Mike Lynch
Buildings and Grounds – Susan Ason
Endowment Fund – Mike Lynch/Fr. Jerry Ragan/Mark Schroder

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: Sat. 6:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday - Thursday – 8:00 AM
Friday – **No Morning Service**

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 AM and 6:00 PM – ***consult the bulletin***
Low-Gluten hosts – please check in the sacristy
Accessibility/seating – ramp to left of main entrance, seating available in front of Church

CONFESSIONS: **5:00-5:30 PM on Saturday OR by appointment**

St. Michael Thrift Store Hours

Wednesday and Friday 10AM – 12 Noon
Corner of 8th Street and Butler Avenue

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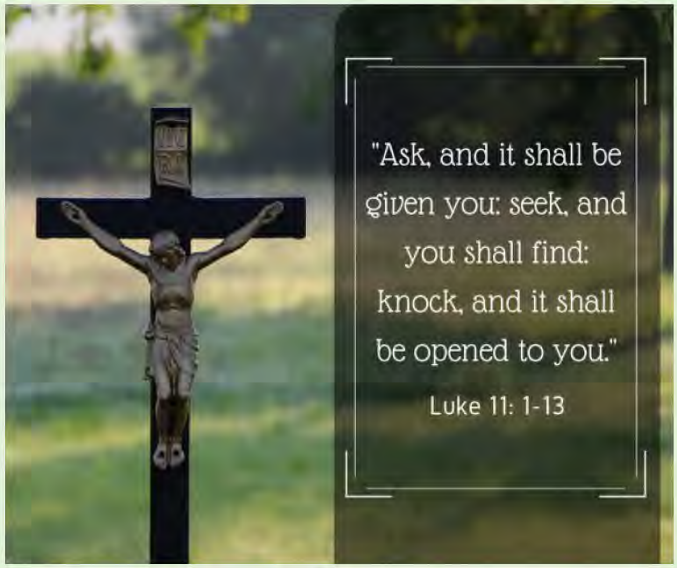


July 30 and July 31, 2022

6:00 PM
Lector: Theresa Pottratz
Altar Server: Claire Henriquez
EME: Jane Bock
Ushers: Kevin Cook/Dave Ason
Cantor: Ryan Beke

8:00 AM
Lector: Linda Cleary
Altar Server: Melissa Watkins
EME: Jerry Shamroe
Ushers: Dana Johnson/Matt Alt
Cantor: Ryan Beke

11:00 AM
Lector: Deanna Fanning
Altar Server: Teddy Ashdown/Leland Hayes
EMEs: Carolyn Williams/Terri O'Leary
Ushers: Francisco Valdez/Joe Murphy
Cantor: Ryan Beke

Fr. Jerry's Corner – July 24, 2022 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday, August 3rd | Funeral Planning Workshop
5:30pm in the Church

Thursday, August 4th | St. Michael Night Out
6pm at the American Legion Post

I met with Bishop Parkes this week to ask his blessing on my retirement next summer. I will be 70 in February. He asked me to pray about continuing as pastor until the summer of 2024. Really?? Trust the Lord to lead me and guide me into the future? What a unique idea in today's "it's all about what I want to do" world. I sincerely promised the Bishop that I'd honestly pray and seek out God's will for my future.

I love being a parish priest and I doubt that I could ever find a better place to be a priest than in the St. Michael Faith Community on Tybee Island. But I am at a point in my life that I'd love to be free of the challenges of administration. And somewhat selfishly, I'd love to spend more time with family and friends and be able to travel (yes, even more than I already do) while I still can enjoy it. Then too, I've some creative ideas for priestly ministry that I look forward to pursuing in retirement. So, the dialogue with the Lord begins. Pray that I can keep my heart open to God's will. The best fruits of my priestly life have always been rooted in prayer.

Plan to attend the funeral planning workshop. When facing the loss of a loved one, family members who no longer practice the faith are frequently the ones responsible to make the funeral plans. Questions about music at the funeral, Scriptural readings, words of remembrance, and other aspects of the wake, the funeral Mass, and the burial service frequently arise. By attending this workshop, you will be able to assist your family members in preparing prayerful and beautiful funeral liturgies that are faithful to Catholic belief and tradition and which give honor to the deceased in Christ. Topics to be covered will include: the Catholic understanding of death, the role of the funeral rites in the mourning process, liturgical options (readings, music, prayers, words of remembrance), cremation questions, and the importance of the Funeral Mass.

In meeting with the Bishop this week, I also shared with him initial plans to incorporate a couple of columbaria (a vault with niches for interring the ashes of cremated bodies) near the Grotto. The Building and Grounds Committee still has some details to work on before the Bishop's final approval, but I am excited that this project is moving forward. We will share these plans at the funeral planning workshop.

Will your children be Catholic in 15 years? Studies show that the answer for 85% of young people today is no. Clearly, something isn't working. Children are spending years in formation, receiving the Sacraments, and coming out the other side disinterested in the faith. We need to take a new approach.

The new approach that is quickly spreading through the universal Church respects the parents as the first teachers. Family Faith Formation is a family-based catechetical program that helps families grow in the transforming love of God by understanding and living the Catholic Faith. It is a unique model of formation that helps children and parents to become stronger in faith together. We would like to hire a Director of Family Faith Formation to get this program up and running at St. Michael Parish. A job description can be found on our parish webpage, https://www.saintmichaelstybee.org/jobs or on the Diocesan website https://diosav.org/employment. If you have questions, please contact Ginny Murphy (912-713-3323). Send resumes to office@saintmichealstybee.org by August 8th.

Whenever you have plans to travel, please remember to bring back a Church bulletin. I love to see what is happening in other parishes.

Fr. Jerry Ragan

PRAYER ANGELS:

The following families will be remembered in prayer the week of July 24th:

- *Carolyn Sheehan*
- *Gayle and Dom Valbuena*
- *Carolyn and Gay Williams*

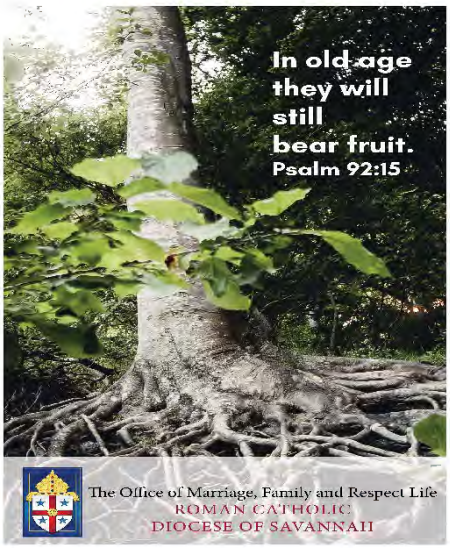
PRAYER LIST: Cathy Anderson, Kathi Anderson, Anne Blanco, Jack Boylston, Ken Colquitt, Mary Crowley, Michael Elliott, Fr. Dan Firmin, Erin Flannigan, Gloria Gilliam, Victor Kayati, Cheryl Kujawa, Liz McLaughlin, Fr. Dan O'Connell, Anthony Oliver, Chris Paslawski, JoAnne Remler, Sr. Lourdes Sheehan, Shelley Thompson, and Angie Weidner.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

If you would like to donate flowers for an anniversary, birthday, or memorial, call the Parish Office. **Cost: $100**

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION: The week of July 24th marks the 18th week since we began our pledge to pray for nine months for a baby in danger of abortion. The baby's gender can be determined with an ultrasound. "Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion" (Abp. Fulton J. Sheen).

TYBEE ISLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB (TICWC) : will meet Mon., Aug., 1st at 4PM to make sandwiches for the Social Apostolate at Joan Wambold's, 608 Jones Ave.



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WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards – those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others. See Luke 11:10

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	July 17, 2022	FY23 YTD	FY22 YTD
Offertory	$4,079	$15,639	$15,601
Online Giving	$ 1,225	$ 5,110	$ 4,150
Total	$ 5,304	$20,749	$19,751
Budget	$ 7,212	$21,635	$19,269
Surplus (Deficit)	($ 1,908)	($ 886)	$ 482
Bequest Memorials/ Donations	$ 0	$10,000	$10,332
ACA (2022 Goal)			$ 33,331
ACA (Paid-One Time/Pledges)			$ 43,964

Sat., Jul 23	6:00 PM	The Parish
Sun., Jul 24	8:00 AM	† Daniel "Doc" O'Connor
	11:00 AM	Intentions of Fr. Esteban Mallar
Mon., Jul 25	8:00 AM	† Donald McLendon, Sr.
Tues., Jul 26	8:00 AM	† Maureen Chastka
Wed., Jul 27	8:00 AM	Intentions of Anne Blanco
Thurs., Jul 28	8:00 AM	Intentions of Fr. Richard Young
Fri., Jul 29	No Service	
Sat., Jul 30	6:00 PM	† Charles W. Miller (A)

Sun., Jul 24	Faith Sharing, Meeting Room 10:00am
Mon., Jul 25	Gospel Reflection 8:30am
Thurs., Jul 28	Choir Practice 5:45pm
Sat., Jul 30	Prayer Movement 9:00am
Sat., Jul 30	Directory Photos, Mtg. Rm., Following each Mass

PARISH DIRECTORY: We will be taking photos and updating our parish directory soon. Photos will be taken inhouse in the meeting room, following each Mass on the weekends of July 30th-31st and August 6th – 7th. No appointment will be necessary.

JOB OPENING: The Diocese of Savannah has an opening for a Director of Construction and Property Services. This full-time, position acts as a liaison to pastors, architects, general contractors and construction managers in the planning and construction of diocesan capital projects. To see the full job description, go to www.diosav.org , Office of Human Resources, Employment Opportunities. To apply send a resume with references to jagreen@diosav.org.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Ways to Celebrate:

- Have children and grandchildren bless the grandparents
- Visit an elderly neighbor and be a blessing to them; do a service or bring a small gift
- Make a display table of photographs of deceased grandparents and elderly
- Create a memory scrapbook
- Remember your grandparents by doing something they loved (make a recipe, listen to music, go fishing, etc...
- Pray the Novena of Sts. Anne & Joachim for Faith and Perseverance

The Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life
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