ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 16, 2015
AT THE TABLE

In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply.

Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding **(Proverbs 9:1-6).**
Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord **(Psalm 34).**
Second Reading — Live as wise persons trying to understand what is the will of the Lord, filled with the Spirit and giving thanks always **(Ephesians 5:15-20).**
Gospel — Jesus says, **"I am the living bread . . . whoever eats this bread (my flesh) will live forever" (John 6:51-58).**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If the alb is the premier baptismal garment, then why are there so many other styles of vesture in evidence in our parishes? In some places, altar servers and other ministers might wear a garment, usually black, called a cassock. Over that is normally worn a white garment (a "surplice"), reminiscent of the alb but much shorter, often of starched linen and trimmed with lace. The cassock is not a liturgical garment, but a clerical robe. Its origins lie in the religious habit of monks. By the late Middle Ages, diocesan priests and clerics increasingly were encouraged to emulate religious priests. Very small boys were often apprenticed to monasteries, especially for music education, and would be invested with a cassock and sometimes even inducted into the ranks of clerics.

For centuries before the Reformation, it was required that all men entering higher education be clerics, and so the cassock and its variations became familiar academic garb. At the Reformation, many ministers retained a form of the cassock as ordinary dress, rejecting liturgical garments. In the seventeenth century, the English Civil War was in part provoked by the Archbishop of Canterbury's insistence that ministers wear surplices. Although the Episcopal Church now retains "cassock and surplice" as the normal dress for lay men and women assisting at liturgy, Catholics are increasingly attentive to the deeply traditional treasure of the alb, our baptismal robe, when special liturgical vesture is needed.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy takes place during the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday. All children 3 years of age and older are welcome.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF ST. AUGUSTINE

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner.
To report abuse, call:

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator
Judy Pinson at (904)262-3200, ext. 129 or
Department of Children & Families at
1-800-96Abuse or
1-800-962-2873.
Brochures are at the church entrance

ULTREYA

All cursillistas are invited to St. Michael's monthly Ultreya on Thursday, August 20th at 6:30pm in the community room of the parish office.

CCW FIRST ANNUAL ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW

This year, in lieu of the holiday bazaar, CCW will host their First Annual Arts & Crafts Show in our parish hall. It will be held on Friday, November 13th from 4pm—7pm and Saturday, November 14th from 9am—4:30pm. All items for the show will be hand crafted items from local crafters and artists.

If you are interested in renting a booth, applications are available in the parish office. For more information, please contact Janet Treadwell at:
JanetTread@gmail.com.

DEAR DONORS—*ALL* DONORS

We are now enjoying the beauty of the newly expanded church.

NOTE:

If you donated an item that required a dedication plaque, most of the plaques have arrived. When we receive the rest, they will be placed on the correct item with your personal dedication/s.
ALL donors will be named on the plaque in the Narthex (not dedications – only the names of the donors) This plaque will be completed in approximately a month.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS IS IT FOR YOU?

Interested in becoming Catholic? Are you a baptized Catholic who would like to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharistic? **Please call the office at 261-3472 to register for our upcoming session on Tuesday, August 25th, at 7:00pm in the community room of the Parish Office, 505 Broome Street.** We look forward to meeting you.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Classes for grades 1—8 will begin on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 for children. Classes begin at 6:30 and end at 7:45 and are held in the Academy building. Registration will begin the weekend of August 22nd and August 23rd after all the Masses. In this year of our parish Renewal, we will be offering wonderful opportunities for all our families to live out the words spoken to parents at their child's baptism: "...this light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly. This child of yours has been enlightened by Christ. He (she) is to walk always as a child of the light. May he (she) keep the flame of faith alive in his (her) heart. When the Lord comes, may he (she) go out to meet Him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom". ***from the Roman Missal (1970) Baptism of Children.***

CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR TEENS

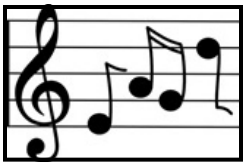
Confirmation classes for high students that have not been Confirmed will begin Sunday, September 13th at 10:45am in the Art Room in the Academy. Please note that students must have attended 8th grade Level I Confirmation preparation before attending Level II through the parish Religious Formation program or, be a current 8th grader in a Catholic school. Please call Lori in the parish office at 261-3472 or email her at bairac2@hotmail.com.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings will meet **this Sunday, August 16th at the La Mancha restaurant on Sadler Road next to the Days Inn at 1PM.** We welcome you to join

GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING!

Registered Families 1550	**August 9, 2015**
Offertory	**$21,326.07**
Children's Collection	**39.00**



TAIZE' PRAYER SERVICE

Our Taize' ensemble invites you to attend a 35 minute program of subdued musical chants, simple prayers and blessed moments of silence for reflection. Taize' prayer is a quiet and easy way of prayer. Feel free to take a "little" time to rest in the Lord and feel the power of God's love in communal song and prayer before we rush into Fall activities. Please join us on Monday, August 24th at 7 pm in our beautiful church.

Let the Spirit move you to join us and bring a friend. In about a half hour, we'll depart to carry our peace to our homes.

PAPERBACK BOOK DRIVE

The Nassau County Detention Center is in need of paperback books for the recreational use of the men and women that are incarcerated there. St. Michael's was instrumental in establishing the library at the detention center 8 years ago and periodically we supplement the books with new donations. We will have boxes in the Narthex of the church and in the parish office starting on August 22nd and continuing through August 30th. Donations of recent paperbacks having to do with adventure, romance, fantasy, science fiction and spirituality are especially welcome. No hardbacks please.

If you have books to donate, but cannot drop them at the church or office, please call Jan Smith at 261-3677 and we will pick them up from you.

"Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you."
John 6:53

Sat. Aug. 15 (5pm)	**Richard Black by Maureen & Brigitte Black**
Sat. Aug. 15 (7pm)	**Jacquie Thomas by Jean & Sharleen LeBrun**
Sun. Aug. 16 (8am)	**Parishioners of St. Michael's**
Sun. Aug. 16 (10am)	**Dan Albi by Peter Albi**
Sun. Aug.16(12noon)	**Tom Martin by Mariela Martin**
Mon.Aug.17(8:30am)	**Don Bruchman by Barbara Bruchman**
Tues. Aug. 18 (6pm)	**Michael Tuttle by Alice Weiss**
Wed.Aug.19(8:30am)	**Andrew and Mary Pollak by Jim & Barbara Lauerman**
Thurs.Aug.20(8:30am)	**SPECIAL INTENTION for the Respect Life Ministry**
Fri. Aug. 21 (8:30am)	**James Gilbert Montague, Sr. by Jim & Joan Matague**
Sat. Aug. 22 (5pm)	**Jan & Jan Smith's 53rd Wedding Anniversary**
Sat. Aug. 22 (7pm)	**Marita DeTapia from Angie Martino**
Sun. Aug. 23 (8am)	**Gloria Goodell by the Goodell family**
Sun. Aug. 23 (10am)	**Parishioners of St. Michael's**
Sun.Aug. 23(12noon)	**Stephen Gibson by Mark & Mayra Hitson**

Please pray for the sick and all requests in our Prayer Request Book. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margarita Matagolai. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

MORNING OF REFLECTION

All women of the parish are invited to a Morning of Reflection on Saturday, September 12th in the Parish Hall from 9:00am—12:00noon. The focus will be on **"Living a Joy -filled Life."**

A light breakfast will be offered at 8:30am and lunch to follow the Reflection. Please to call the parish office, 904-261-3472 by September 8th to RSVP so that lunch can be appropriately prepared. We look forward to sharing this time together.

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Rev. Jose Kallukalam, Pastor
Visiting Priest: Rev. Gerard O'Shea
Deacon Art Treadwell

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Masses:	**5:00 pm**
	7:00 pm (Spanish Mass)
Sunday Masses-	**8:00 am—10:00 am—12:00 noon**
Confessions:	
Saturday:	**4:00-4:45 pm or by appointment**
Daily Masses:	**8:30 am Mon., Wed., Thurs., & Fri.**
	6:00 pm Tues.
Holy Days Vigil:	**6:00 pm**
Holy Day	**8:30 am & 6:00 pm**

MINISTRY TO SICK & HOMEBOUND

Weekly visits and monthly Communion Services are held at Savannah Grand, Quality Health Care and Jane Adams House. Visits by Priest or Extraordinary Minister can be arranged by calling 261-3472.

MATRIMONY

Marriage preparation for couples who wish to be married in a Catholic ceremony must meet with their parish priest at least eight months prior to the wedding date.

R.C.I.A.

For those seeking to learn more about the Catholic faith, call 261-3472.

RELIGIOUS FOREMATION

Classes are available for grades K—8. Sacrament preparation is available for Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Call the parish office, 261-3472.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Walt Edwards: 491-0180

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Denise Ziegler: 654-3855

ST. MICHAEL ACADEMY

Pre-K—Grade 8 Principal—Jackie Stewart
Call 321-2102 for information
Email: smacad@smacad.org
Website: www.stmichaels-academy.org

St. Michael Catholic Church Mission Statement

We are the body of Christ at St. Michael's Parish, called to: Gather for Worship, Celebrate the Paschal Mysteries, Preach the Gospel, Minister to Others, Be Witnesses to the World.