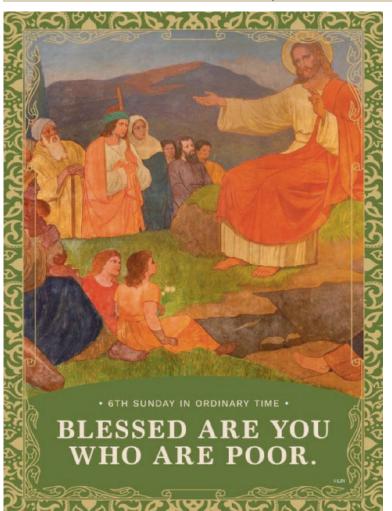
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MASS SCHEDULE		
Saturday Vigil	Confession 3:00pm 4:00pm	
Sunday	8:00am 9:30am 11:00am	
Domingo	Confesión 2:00pm 3:00pm Misa en Español	
Monday to Friday	8:00am	
Saturday	8:00am	

Welcome to our Community

Fr. Thomas J. Anastasia, Pastor

Fr. Theodore Costello, Associate Pastor Fr. John D'Antonio, Assisting Fr. Oscar Kozyra, Assisting

Pastoral Assistants:

Deacon Paul Koppie, Deacon James Munuhe, Sr. Thérèse Carolan, OSC, ext. 229

Office Manager:

Ozzie Quevedo, ext. 221

Director of Religious Education:

Cheryl de la Cruz, ext. 243

Director of Music:

Francesco Sclafani, ext. 237

Maintenance Director:

Ed Strickland, ext. 234

Chairman of the Finance Committee:

Nancy Ridenour

Guardian Angels Interparochial School:

Mrs. Danielle Lutkenhaus, 799-6724

ORATORY MEDITATION CHAPEL HOURS:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri: 8:30am to 7:00pm Wednesday: 8:30am to 8:00pm Saturday: 8:30am to 3:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is on Wednesdays in the Church from 8:30am to 7:00pm with Benediction at 6:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Friday: from 9:00am to noon.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Every Saturday from 3:00pm to 4:00pm; also after the 8:00am Mass on the Thursday before the first Friday of each month.

BAPTISM:

Arrangements are made six weeks in advance.

MARRIAGE:

Six months formation program is required.

TODAY'S MASS: JOURNEYSONGS #**945** The Parish Office and Oratory will be closed on Monday, Feb. 17th in observance of Presidents' Day. Both will reopen as usual on Tuesday, Feb. 18th



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CATHOLIC MINISTRY appeal

In 2025, we will work together to raise \$9.5 million to ensure ministries in the Diocese of Saint Petersburg can continue bringing ministry to life with every dollar donated toward our goal directly funding our ministries, outreach, and programs.

And, it is important to note that all of the ministries included in this appeal have a direct tie to our call to be missionary disciples, bringing others into a relationship with Jesus Christ.

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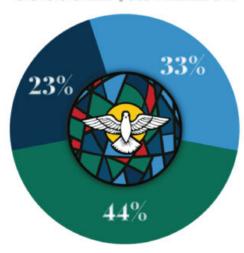
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CMA GOAL as of 2024 \$ 135,915
Pledges 137,190
Total Paid 136,508

OUR GOAL: \$9.5 MILLION



To learn more about the Catholic Ministry Appeal (CMA), go to the Catholic Diocese of Saint Petersburg website or the Gulf Coast Catholic website

PRAYER TO OUR PATRON SAINT

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen

Pastor's Column



Dear Friends in Christ,

02/16/2025

This time of year is very busy. We have lots of traffic on the roads throughout Pinellas County, especially in front of our church. What used to be a 45-minute commute for our Office Manager, Ozzie Quevedo, over the summer when he was hired is now a 90-minute commute one way. That amounts to 15hours of driving time every week. It did not surprise me when Ozzie told me that he needed to make a change. What surprised me was the number and quality of applicants for his position. While it is a tad too

early to tell you who will be coming as the new Office Manager, I am thrilled that the LORD has provided someone with a proven track record. Stay tuned to this column.

This weekend we will be hearing from the Light of the World Evangelization Retreat Team leaders regarding our Spring retreat weekend. The dates of the retreat are Saturday, March 15th to Monday, March 17th. Please mark your calendars and if you are looking for a way to truly have an enriching Lent, consider taking a plunge into this parish retreat experience. Spring training begins this week, and we welcome the Blue Jays and the Phillies to our neighborhoods. The Jays' training camp (not the stadium) is actually within our parish boundaries. Our parish school of Guardian Angels is having their Annual Gala this Friday, February 21st at the Safety Harbor Resort & Spa. I gave permission for school parents to sell tickets after the Masses this weekend so if you can support the effort, I can guarantee you a good time for a worthy cause. Saturday, February 22nd is the long-anticipated KofC Car Show in our front parking lot. Please use the parking lot on the south side of the property for the Morning Mass. While the office may be closed tomorrow for Presidents' Day, the team leaders in the justice ministry FAST are expected to take part in the Team Leader Assembly Monday night at 6:45pm at Bethel Community Baptist Church in St. Petersburg.

Peace in Christ, Fr. Tom J. Anastasia Pastor

Our Parish Nurses are offering

Free Blood Pressure Screenings
on Sunday, February 23rd
located in the Cenacle
after all Masses



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

For some years now St. Michael's grief support group has been guiding and comforting those who have lost a friend or loved one on their journey toward healing and a normal and fulfilling life once again.

There are many benefits in belonging to a support group. Two of the most important are understanding and caring among those who attend and hope for the future.

Sometimes our friends and family let it be known that "we should be over it by now" but we know that each of us experience the death of a loved one in our own unique way, and there is no time within which we should recover from our loss.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one within the past few years, you are welcome to our group.

Our meetings start on Thursday, March 6th, 2025, in Room 13 (Library) at 1:30p.m. for six consecutive weeks.

For further information call Sr. Therese 727-797-2375 Ext. 229





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After the Sunday Masses

(All proceeds supporting to KofC Catholic Life Charities)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

upcoming events

Car Show

Saturday, Feb. 22, 2025 9am until 1:30pm

Ash Wednesday - Meager Meal Wednesday, March 5th, 2025

St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

Thursday, March 13th, 2025 Doors open at 6:30pm Dinner is served at 7pm



Come and enjoy a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner, live performances, awesome door prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased after the Masses, during Coffee & Donuts and at the Parish Office.

Don't delay get your tickets today!

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS		
Gunday, Feb. 16 8:00aM 9:30aM 11:00aM	Patrick Kennedy Our Parish Family Lucia Santana Laracuente	
<u>Monday, Feb. 17</u> 8:00aM	Kathleen A. Melone	
<u>Tuesday, Feb. 18</u> 8:00aM	Chris Defucey	
<u>Wednesday, Feb. 19</u> 8:00aM	Vocations	
<u>Thuroday, Feb. 20</u> 8:00aM	Joyce Marie	
<u>Friday, Feb. 21</u> 8:00aM	Gary Whitcher	
<u>Gaturday, Feb. 22</u> 8:00aM 4:00PM	Mary O'Donnell Laurie LeClare	
Gunday, Feb. 23 8:00aM 9:30aM 11:00aM	Neil McLaughton Pasquale & Violet Mancini Our Parish Family	

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers for the week of February 15th on the altar and in front of the Blessed Virgin are from Michael & Virginia McCormack

IN LOVING MEMORY OF BRYAN A. McCORMACK

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary to commemorate a special occasion, please call or visit the Parish Office.

The St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry here at St. Michaels is in need of the following items: peanut butter, jelly, soups, canned chicken and tuna, canned or boxed meals, baked beans, spaghetti sauce, condiments

such as ketchup, mayo, mustard, BBQ sauce, salad dressings, paper towels, toilet paper. Items can be placed in the donation boxes at the church or dropped off at the SVDP food pantry. Thank you for your generous donations. Thanks to you we were able to help 45 families during the month of July

WEEKLY EVENT SCHEDULE			
	Sunday, February 16		
All Masses	Coffee & Donuts	Cenacle	
9:00am	Catechesis of the Good Shephard	#2	
9:30am	Grade Level 1	#7	
10:45am	Grade 2nd/1st Communion	#5	
10:45am	OCIC - Class Order 1st Level Kids	#3	
12:15pm	Parish Library - Movie	#13	
Monday, February 17			
Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5, 6 & 7	
Tuesday, February 18			
Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5, 6 & 7	
6:00pm	OCIC - Class Order 1st Level Kids	#11	
7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous Meeting	#6 & 7	
7:00pm	Adults - OCIA - English	#13	
Wednesday, February 19			
9:00am	Arts & Crafts	#11 & 12	
Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5, 6 & 7	
7:00pm	Music - Choir Practice	#4	
Thursday, February 20			
Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5, 6 & 7	
8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous - Nights	#6 & 7	
Friday, February 21			
11:00am	Parish Library - Opened	#13	
Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5, 6 & 7	
Saturday, February 22			
9:00am	KofC - Antiques Car Show	Parking Lot	

LIGHT OF THE WORLD RETREAT 03/15 - 03/17

This parish-based experience is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your journey with Christ. The retreat is free of charge and intended for men and women, individuals, and couples over the age of 18. Register on the parish website at https://stmichaelfl.org/light-of-the-world-retreat or contact Corrine Austin at (603) 315-2107



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD. (Jer 17:7)

Psalm: Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. (Ps 1) **Second Reading:** If the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain. (1 Cor 15:16-17) **Gospel:** "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours." (Lk 6:20)

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CATHOLIC TRIVIA

JUST FOR FUN

THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN QUESTION IS

What is the term for sharing of the faith through witness of life and word?

THE answer WILL BE IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

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LAST BULLETIN QUESTION WAS.....

What country do the majority of Coptic Catholics live in?

ANSWER: Egypt



SUNDAY, FEB. 09, 2025

 Offertory:
 \$ 15,912

 Online:
 \$ 8,069

 Attendance:
 1,406

We are ever grateful for your generosity

READINGS FOR THE WEEK		
Gunday 6TH SUNDAY IN OFDINARY TIME	Jer 17:5-8/ Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/ 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/ Lk 6:17, 20-26	
Monday THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER; PRESIDENTS' DAY	Gn 4:1-15, 25/ Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/ Mk 8:11-13	
Tuesday	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/ Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b & 9c-10/ Mk 8:14-21	
Wednesday	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/ Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/ Mk 8:22-26	
Thursday	Gn 9:1-13/ Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 & 22-23/ Mk 8:27-33	
Friday St. Peter Damian	Gn 11:1-9/ Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/ Mk 8:34—9:1	
Saturday THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE & THE BVM	1 Pt 5:1-4/ Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/ Mt 16:13-19	
Next Gunday 7TH SUNDAY IN OFDINARY TIME	1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/ 1 Cor 15:45-49/ Lk 6:27-38	

The Parish Directory

The website is, www.ucdir.com **Select**: "Photography Session Sign-up" **Enter Church Code**: fl956

Church Password: Photos
Each family photographed receives a
complimentary 8x10 portrait and
directory. Contact Ozzie Ouevedo in the

Parish Office for further info and volunteer opportunities!

The second sittings are scheduled from Tuesday, March 18th through Saturday, March 22nd





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