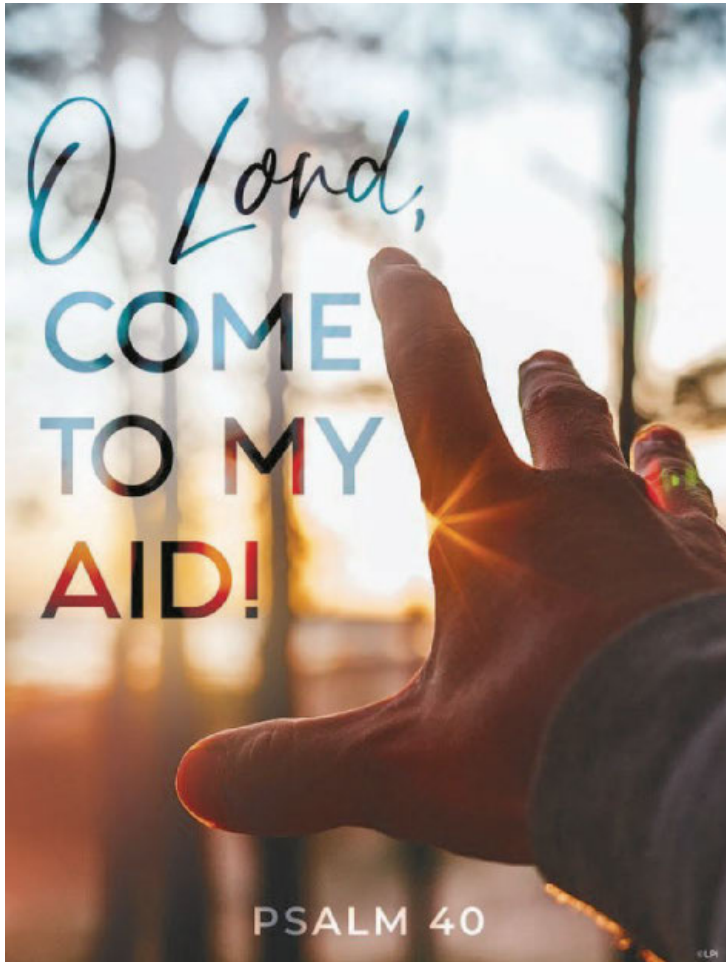


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MASS SCHEDULE

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

TODAY'S MASS: *JOURNEYSONGS*
#987

ORATORY ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS:

Monday thru Friday: 8:30am to 8pm
Saturday: 8:30am to 3pm

Please note: Adoration on Wednesdays has been moved to the Oratory until Labor Day. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 8:30am to 7pm with Benediction at 6:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday from 9am to 4pm
Friday from 9am 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.

Ushers Wanted!

St. Michael's is in need of Ushers during the weekend Masses. All registered parishioners are welcome to join. For more information, please call Dave Napoli at 608-9215

Want to receive the Sacraments?

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation) and Adult Confirmation classes are starting soon! For more information please contact the Parish Office or visit the St. Michael's website to register

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KofC Update

The Knights of Columbus hosted the Christmas in July on Sunday, July 27th in honor of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



Pastor's Column



Dear Friends in Christ,

08/17/2025

We live in a world where families are divided due to strong feelings about politics and religion. This is really nothing new. It just is at a fever pitch in recent days. In the gospel this weekend Jesus predicts that families will be divided three against two and two against three. When I was at my cousin Fr. Ken Hallahan's 50th Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination celebration in New Jersey two weeks ago, he was nervous about two family members present. One of them had strong left leaning passions and the other was a heavy duty Maga supporter. Thankfully, problems were averted when the parties didn't sit anywhere near each other.

One week from Tuesday is the birthday of one of my closest friends who happens to be a pastor just up the road, settling into his new assignment. That is also the day (August 26th) that our New Associate Pastor, Fr. Emmanuel Ofori, has an expedited appointment with the U.S. Embassy in his home country of Ghana to take care of the visa issue that has been the cause of his delay in arriving for his assignment here at St. Michael the Archangel. When I know more about how that appointment went and if he was able to get the green light on making his travel plans to join us, I will be certain to let you know. This week is when our new Youth Minister, Nathan Gonzalez, will begin his new ministry with our parish. The fire that our LORD wishes were ablaze on the earth was seen in Rome at the Jubilee Year of Hope's celebration of Youth and Young Adults a couple of weeks ago. I understand that Nathan was present for that celebration, and I'm quite eager to meet with him this week to see how we can work as a team to attract more young people to our Youth Ministry here at St. Michael the Archangel Parish. As our faith formation and youth ministry programs get going for this year it's an exciting time of renewal. Pray that our young families will be engaged in the process and be convinced that investing in their Spiritual lives is worth the time and effort.

Peace in Christ,
Fr. Tom J. Anastasia
Pastor

ALTAR FLOWERS

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on the altar and in front of the Blessed Virgin
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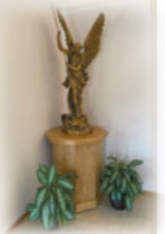
Future Altar Servers!

Parents, if you have a child who
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weekend Masses at St. Michael's, please contact
Mike Manion - mmanion@stmichaelfl.org
or
Jeff Brown - JBrownieUNC@yahoo.com

PRAYER TO OUR PATRON SAINT

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in
battle. Be our protection 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



If you are planning on
moving or are new to our
parish, please notify the office

St. Michael's Council of Catholic Women

The Women's council will be having a Tricky Tray fundraiser to raise money for the Guardian Angels Interparochial School. At this time, we are asking for donations of the following kind...

1. Large wicker baskets.

Not the Easter basket type please.

2. New or gently used items to make specialty themed baskets.

This could be a Kitchen basket Coffee/Tea basket, Car wash basket, Religious items basket, Holiday themed basket; the possibilities are endless.

3. Gift Certificates.

Restaurants, movie theatres, retail stores such as Walmart, Target, Hair/Nail Salons, etc.

As the time gets closer, we will be advertising the event so you can buy your tickets to help this worthy cause.

Boxes are placed in the Narthex during the weekend Masses. One box is for donated items and a smaller box is for gift cards.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in joining the Women's Council

Thank you and may God bless you!

**St. Michael's Assisting Staff
(Part Time) available via office (727) 797-2375**

Maria Acuria - Head Sacristy

Nancy Faucette - Catechesis of the Good Shephard (CGS) and Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Mike Manion - Pastor's Assistant



Lost something valuable during Mass or on the grounds of St. Michael's?

Come to the Parish Office during office hours to reclaim your missing treasures.

Please note:

Any unwanted items will be given to the poor if not collected within 90 days of being found by our maintenance staff

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Faith Formation classes start today! If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Religious Education Office at (727) 797-2375 ext. 243

For questions regarding Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), please contact Nancy Faucette at (727) 797-2375 ext. 238

YOUTH MINISTRY!

Please welcome Nathan Gonzalez as he begins our new Youth Ministry here at St. Michael's. Watch for our Youth Ministry to start in Aug/Sept!

For any questions, please contact Nathan Gonzalez at (727) 797-2375 ext. 244



St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is in need of the following items: spaghetti sauce, mayo, cake mixes, brownie mixes, canned fruits, laundry pods, dish detergent and paper towels. Please no cheerios at this time. Items can be placed in the donation box located in the Narthex or at our SVdP food pantry.

As always may God bless you and your generosity!

**TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading: Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

Psalm: Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

Second Reading: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us. (Heb 12:1)

Gospel: Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk 12:49)

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Date/Readings (August 17th-24th)	Mass Intentions (This Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered to...)	Event Schedule (August 17th-24th)		
Sunday, August 17th <u>20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u> Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/ Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14B)/ Heb 12:1-4/ Lk 12:49-53	8:00am Darryl McGill 9:30am Dominic Gentile 11:00am Our Parish Family	All Masses	Coffee & Donuts	Cenacle
		9:00am	CGS - Level 1	#2
		9:30am	Grade Level 1	#7
		10:45am	First Communion Prep	#5
		10:45am	OCIC - 1st Level Kids	#13
		12:30pm	Parish Library Opened	#13
Monday, August 18th JGS 2:11-19/ Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/ Mt 19:16-22	8:00am Patrick Fallon	Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5 - 7
		6:30pm	CGS - Level 2	#1
		6:45pm	Faith Formation Grades 3 - 8	#3 - 12
Tuesday, August 19th <u>ST. JOHN EUDES, PRIEST</u> JGS 6:11-24a/ Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/ Mt 19:23-30	8:00am Patrick Fallon	Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5 - 7
		6:00pm	1st Communion Faith Formation	#1
		7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous - Nights	#6 & 7
Wednesday, August 20th <u>ST. BERNARD, ABBOT</u> JGS 9:6-15/ Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mt 20:1-16	8:00am Vocations	9:00am	Arts & Crafts	#11 & 12
		Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5 - 7
Thursday, August 21st <u>ST. PIUS X, POPE</u> JGS 11:29-39a/ Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8B-9, 10/ Mt 22:1-14	8:00am Dominic Gentile	Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5 - 7
		8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous - Nights	#6 & 7
Friday, August 22nd <u>THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</u> RU 1:1, 3-6, 14B-16, 22/ Ps 146:5-6aB, 6C-7, 8-9a, 9BC-10/ Mt 22:34-40	8:00am Dominic Gentile	11:00am	Parish Library Opened	#13
		Noon	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting	#5, 6 & 7
Saturday, August 23rd <u>ST. ROSE OF LIMA</u> RU 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/ Ps 128:1B-2, 3, 4, 5/ Mt 23:1-12	8:00am Laurie Neiman 4:00PM Our Parish Family	No Events Today!		
Sunday, August 24th <u>21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u> IS 66:18-21/ Ps 117:1, 2 (MK 16:15)/ Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/ Lk 13:22-30	8:00am Robert & Mary Lacke 9:30am Kate Carmichael 11:00am Jeff & Jason Zajac	All Masses	Coffee & Donuts	Cenacle
		9:00am	CGS - Level 1	#2
		9:30am	Grade Level 1	#7
		10:45am	First Communion Prep	#5
		10:45am	OCIC - 1st Level Kids	#13
		12:30pm	Parish Library Opened	#13

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What is the Queenship
of our Blessed Virgin Mary?

THE ANSWER WILL BE
IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

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LAST BULLETIN QUESTION WAS.....

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ANSWER:

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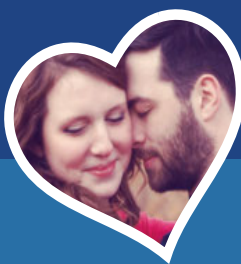


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