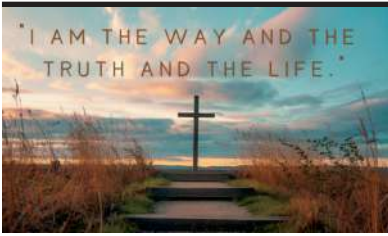




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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



That we encourage those who are struggling to find direction in their life and help them discern how they might use their gifts. "The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 Peter 2:7 Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom of earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember - no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

Scripture Readings for the Week of May 3, 2026

Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12
Monday	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday	Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

In Memoriam Gifts

If you are wishing to make on-line Memorial Gifts to St. Michael's in memory or in honor of a loved one, you can go to www.osvhub.com/smlj/funds and select Memorial Gift. Please note this is **not intended to be used for Mass Intentions** which need to be made in the office.

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions May 2 thru May 10 (†) for Deceased

SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Atanacio Gonzales †Jessica Bullock Duncan
SUNDAY	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	For the People of the Parish †Virgil & Opal Edwards †Daniel Swist †Gilbert Bohuslav †Harold Fattig
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	All who helped the Panicker Family The Morton Family
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	†Michael Rubalcaba Maria Esther Martinez
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†Rosario Iglesias †Michael Dougherty
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	†Mary Claire Becker Gordon Moore
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Randy Crosley †Betty Hennig
SUNDAY	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	†Ruth Ermis †Paul Garcia For the People of the Parish †Dcn. Julio Garcia †Sosamma Panicker

Join us in Praying the Rosary

Mondays at 7 PM in the Church
Tues-Fridays at 8 AM in the Church,
before the morning masses



Pray for those who are ill:



Fr. Dwight Canizares, Wilhelmina & Ray Muniza, Mary Perez, Lucille Engelking, Barbara Lanier, Colette Garcia, Joni Bergeron, Steven Rod, Carolyn Erickson, Rene Damian, Amelia Garcia, Stacy Yates, Juan & MaryAnn Longoria, Kenny Cicherski, Elena Cesarini, Virginia Garcia, Patrick Martin, Cheryl Brownlow, Kathleen Ward, Maria Larre, Donna Dougherty, Oscar Ramirez, Betty Hickl, Norma Barnshaw, Rose Marie Filip, John Taylor, James Mertink, Brittney Jones, Jessica Jasek, Joan & Ken Taplett, Kerri Moore, Bernetta Cook, Patrick Martin, Clara Buegeler, Msgr. Leo Wleczyk, Jocelyn Pitts, Laverne Lippman, Carla Schneider, Stacy Nunez

Dear Parish Family,

We continue this weekend to celebrate the season of Easter. Last Sunday, our Lord Jesus Christ gave us the image of Him as the Good Shepherd. "The sheep know the shepherd, they recognize his voice and follow him." Today, on this fifth Sunday of Easter, He tells us, 'I am the vine, you are the branches'. Another powerful image! Isn't it? This is what He wants of us in our relationship with Him. When we are connected to Him, like branches to the vine, we are assured that He will be present in all aspects of our life. But without Him we will wither and die. As branches of the vine, may our lives bear much fruit and be a source of life for others.

What a beautiful thought to dwell on as we welcome and congratulate the boys and girls in our parish who just received the precious body and blood of the Lord for the first time in their lives. They too will become like us, branches of the vine who is the Lord Jesus. The connection to the Lord began when they were baptized, and now they are experiencing the fullness of being the 'branches' to the Vine. I would like to thank our Faith Formation office for their love and dedication, the catechists for their patience, their time in helping our boys and girls for this special moment in their young lives. I am very sure, this experience will be imprinted in the pages of their lives. With Jesus' body and blood in me, I will now be a part of Him, as a branch is part to the vine.

Have a blessed Easter week!

Fr. Dwight

As our music ministry continues to grow, we are seeking **volunteer pianists**—or those who feel called to learn—to help accompany our Masses. **Training will be provided by Don Nguyen. Many gifts and talents are alive in our parish—now is the time to step forward and shine for the glory of God.** Your offering, no matter how small it may seem, can make a profound difference in our worship and in the life of our community. If you are interested or would like more information, please email Don at Don@smlj.org

Planning to be married in the Church?

Please contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

It is imperative that you contact the Parish Office before setting a wedding date or reserving a reception venue. For an appointment, call (979) 297-3041.



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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

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Welcome to St. Michael the Archangel

We welcome all visitors to our faith community and hope that your experience here is blessed with the spirit of Christ. If you are a new resident of the area and would like to know more about our parish opportunities, please read this bulletin for more information or check out our website at www.smlj.org.

If you are interested in joining our parish as a registered member, please fill out the registration form from our website or stop by or call our Parish Office, Monday - Friday; 9:00am-4:00pm for more information.

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If you do not remember your user ID, email janet@smlj.org. or 979-299-3507 Please **do not** create a new account if you already have one.

The annual Altar Server Appreciation party is scheduled for Sunday, May 3rd at 5:30 pm in the Hall. Please plan on joining us for food, games, and prizes.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



We welcome you to join us in our Divine Presence chapel. **Please consider spending one hour a week with the Blessed Sacrament** so we can keep our chapel available 7 days a week.

NEW HOURS: Sunday: 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM; Monday thru Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM; Thursday and Friday: 9:00 AM to 6 PM; Saturday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

These hours are needing Adorers but you can sign up for any hour: **Fri:** 10-11, 2-3, 3-4; **Sat:** 10-11, 12-1, 2-3, 4-5; **Sun-Tue** 8:00 to 9:00 PM, **Sun.** 7-8, **Mon.** 5-6, **Thurs.** 1-2

St. Michael's Adoration Ministry has expanded the hours of Adoration into the evenings until 9:00 PM on Monday - Wednesday.

We would like to extend the hours on Thursday & Friday evenings as well, but this can not happen until we have committed volunteers to fill the positions.

We are in need of a weekly coordinator for these new evening hours.

We are also in need of day coordinators for the three new hours each day.

If you would like to commit to spending one hour a week with the Blessed Sacrament, please contact:

Deacon John Kyle at dcnjohn@smlj.org or (979)-236-9464 for evenings


Pat Williams at adoration@smlj.org or (979)-239-8646 for days

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979-417-8012 or dick_barbara_robie@yahoo.com

Join us for Fun and Fellowship



Senior Bingo every 2nd **Tuesday of the month**, in the F wing from 10:00 to noon. Please bring a snack to share for lunch. Must be a member of St. Michael's.

Join in the fun! No Experience needed!
Straight **dominoes** every **Wednesday** after morning Mass (9:00am) in Room 133 (formerly the nursery) until noon.



Updated Scam Alerts There has been an increase in fraudulent emails asking for financial support, usually in the form of gift cards. These reports are coming from email accounts or text messages identifying as Archdiocesan priests. Please remember that priests/churches would never make such appeals to the community. Please report these to the parish office.



Thank you to the 54 donors (mostly from St. Michaels) who donated blood on April 26. Approximately 160 people will have their lives sustained by these selfless individuals!

3rd-12th Grade Catholic Summer Writing Camps

Catholic Literary Arts offers its 3rd-12th Grade Catholic Summer Writing Camps **June 8-12** at the University of St. Thomas. This camp inspires students to increase their creative writing skills, increase their writing confidence, and learn how to write poetry, fictional stories, essays, and sacred stories. Our writing camp typically closes registration early due to full enrollment, so enroll today! To register or for more details, go to catholicliteraryarts.org/camps.

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