

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the Son of Man has come to seek
and to save what was lost.

Luke 19:10





That we may joyfully share the abundant gifts God has given to us. "But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.'" Luke 19:8 We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the gifts we have been given. This means everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but everyone is called to give equal sacrifice. Open your heart and talk to God about how you use your money. How is God calling you to be more generous with your financial resources and possessions?

**Scripture Readings for the Week of
October 23, 2022**

Sunday	Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 11:22-12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14; 2 Thes 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10
Monday	Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday	Solemnity of All Saints Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Wednesday	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Martin de Porres, religious Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday	Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop Phil 3:17-4:1; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b -2, 5-6, 8a & 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday	Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16-3:5; Lk 20:27-38 or Lk 20:27, 34-38

† John Rosser, longtime parishioner and volunteer.



Rosary

**Mondays at 7 pm in the Church
Tuesdays-Fridays at 8 am. in the Church**



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Friday 9am-6pm, Saturday 9am-5pm, Sunday 12pm-6pm in the **Church**. Please prayerfully consider making the Adoration Chapel a part of your weekly prayer time. To volunteer or for more information contact Pat Williams at adoration@smlj.org. You may view the schedule and empty adoration hours on our website by clicking on "Ministries", then "Adoration Chapel".



**Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions
October 29 — November 6**

SATURDAY	5:30 PM	† Alfred & Anita Sokol † Joe Rex Epps
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
	9:30 AM	† Jack Lippman † Mary Mathis
	11:00AM	† Robert & Marilyn Rice † Fred Weatherly
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	† Salvador Awit † Rogelio Awit
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	† Abraham Awit † Marcelo Awit
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	† Friends & Relatives of Ammini † Chase Epps
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	† Lucilla Henderson In Honor of the Holy Spirit
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	† Kay Jones † Ed Kutach
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	† David Posadas † Sol Mirasol
	9:30 AM	† Weldon Drapela † Ed Prinz
	11:00AM	For the People of the Parish

Pray for those who are ill:

Bobbie Jasek, Sarah Langston, Bubba Moore, Paul Perdue, "Boots" Ermis, Paula Price, Ray Villarreal, Nolan Link, Wilhelmina & Ray Muniza, Mirella Sherman, Belia Hue, Ross Falcon, Barbara Yonge, Janie Gonzales, Carson Thelan, Steve Pelletier, Mary Perez, Lucille Engelking, Barbara Lanier, Paul & Colette Garcia, Richard Keistler, Leslie Stein, Joyceline Nachtegaele, Burney LeBouef, Joni Bergeron, David Fattig, Gay Rayburn, Maurice Badeaux, Steven Rod, Ron Jones, Ronnie Hock.



IMMEDIATE NEEDS FOR ADORATION:

- 1. We need at least one volunteer for the Friday hour from 12 - 1 pm. We have no adorers at this time.**
 - 2. We need a Friday Day Coordinator.**
- Thanks for your help and commitment to our adoration ministry!

Safe Haven Training

EVERYONE who volunteers in **ANY** ministry at St. Michael's is required to be trained in the SAFE HAVEN program: <https://galvestonhouston.cmgconnect.org/> If you do not remember your user ID, email melanie@smlj.org. Please **do not** create a new account if you already have one.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parish Family,

Two days from now, we will celebrate two great feasts of the church, All Saints Day and All Souls Day. Frequently the word saints conjure up ecstatic visions and extraordinary miracles. We sometimes think that sainthood does not apply to us as ordinary mortals.

Time and again the phrase "eternal happiness " suggests remote people not in touch with our everyday lives. Yet the celebration of All Saints is supposed to remind us that we are a community with a sense of history, a sense of pride, and a sense of continuity. Against the background of All Saints, St Matthew shows in the gospel of the feast day that the kingdom of God is made up of real people and describes the heroism required of all members of Jesus' kingdom. The merciful, the single hearted, and the peacemakers have the credentials for such membership. Do we have the faith and courage necessary to be part of the kingdom?

And then there's All Souls Day. I think it used to be called Poor Souls but the name has changed as the church reminded us that they were on their way to heaven after Purgatory. The day seemed so sad and many times it usually was one of those chilly and dreary days of Fall. Life and death. Childhood dreams and adult tears. What does it mean?

It is a good and wholesome thing to think about, to remember..... and to pray to God for those who have gone before us. May they rest in peace!

Sincerely,

Fr. Dwight



G A P Christmas Project

Our Parish Family is supporting G A P (Grandparents as Parents) for Christmas!

Please consider taking a gift tag from the tree in the Msgr. Wleczyk Hallway, and return the unwrapped gift with the tag to the Youth Office **NO later than Thursday, Dec. 1st.**

Get families, bible study groups, ministries, or work groups to go in together for a gift (s).

If you take a tag and see that you are unable to purchase the gift, please return the tag to the tree in a timely manner.

If you prefer not to come in and want to shop online, just call Janet and I can help you get a tag, take a picture and send the info. to you.

For non-shoppers, monetary donations are welcome. We have several elves (Becky, and Chris) who love to shop! It is in the giving that we truly receive!



Altar of the Dead

Father will be praying for our deceased loved ones on the altar of the dead everyday after each Mass.



Bring a frame picture of your deceased family member, make sure you write your name and phone number on the back of the picture frame so we can return it back to you at the end of the month of November.



EYE GLASSES Please donate prescription eye glasses you no longer use to the Crystal Crafters. A collection basket is located outside the library. Thank you for helping us help others.



Welcome to St. Michael the Archangel

We welcome all visitors to our faith community and hope that your experience here was 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 and receive parish communications, 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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In Memoriam Gifts

We have been asked about on-line Memorial Gifts and have now added the capability for on-line donations to St. Michael's made 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.



The Knights of Columbus will be selling BBQ chickens on Sunday November 6th after all Masses.

The Church Nursery is now open

We are looking for a few adults that are Safe Haven trained and teens that are 14 years old & older to help us get our nursery back up and running. The nursery is only open for our children ages 3 and under if we have volunteers. Please contact Michelle Jones 979-285-5030 if you are able to help us out with one Sunday a month. The Nursery is now open for the 9:30am and 11am masses and need your help.



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\$10 per person to play * Winners get cash prizes**
***** Door Prizes**

Please consider bringing non-perishable food items needed for SVdP food pantry. (Cereal, pop tarts, canned meat, complete pancake mix, and SNACKS FOR KIDS are especially needed!)

If you cannot attend, you can drop donations by Janet's office before event.

Door prize drawings - You receive one ticket for every item donated - Must be present to win.

***** Door prize donations always welcome - Can drop by Janet's office or contact Betty Jo or Pat *****

Please bring an appetizer, finger food or sweet to share - Drinks will be provided

No RSVP's required! If you have questions, call:
Betty Jo Jurries at 979-297-2962 OR
Pat Williams at 979-239-8646



"Thanks" for "Giving"

Helping Families in Need at Thanksgiving and other critical times during the year

Stop by the table in the Hallway of the Family Life Center to participate in the **SVDP Fall Fundraiser** the weekends of **October 29-30 and November 5 & 6**. Please consider sponsoring a generous food basket for a needy family at Thanksgiving (cost is \$85) or give **any monetary gift** to help out when our Pantry Supplies are critically low (summer, Christmas, etc.)

Contact Gwen Williams 236-4064 for more information.

You may also mail your donation to SVDP 100 Oak Drive South, Lake Jackson

Thank you to the ladies' sewing group for making new beautiful and up to date costumes for our Stations of the Cross!

L to R: Lynette Walsh, Donna Rogido, Toni Sabrasula, Binnie Bauml and Margie Kaus. Not pictured: Charlene Jones, Betty Jo Jurries and Emily Matzke.



Planning to be married in the Church?

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

It is imperative that you meet with Father before setting a wedding date or reserving a reception venue.

For an appointment, call 979-297-3041.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The SVDP food drop-off chest is located in the hallway of the Family Life Center for donations of non-perishable items.
Thank you for your continued support!

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time C 1
Wisdom 11:22—12:2

Gentle Mercy

When you regard a single grain of sand or a single drop of morning dew, it looks quite small. And it is. When God looks upon each of us, we look quite small. And we are.

We feel especially small when we become aware of our sins. We acknowledge with some embarrassment the evil we have done, the people we have hurt, the lies we have told, and the cover-ups we have made. The awareness of our sin fills us with remorse and diminishes our stature. If our sin becomes public, we want to hide, to go home, and to make ourselves as small as we possibly can.

We do all this as if we could hide from God. We cannot. God notices the tiniest grain of sand and the single drop of morning dew. And God notices us. God notices the tiniest things we do—for good or for ill.

When we sin, when we feel small, we need not hide from God. We can appear before God quite openly and acknowledge the wrong we have done. God will forgive. God sees the intimacy of our lives and loves it.

As the Book of Wisdom says, “You have mercy on all, because you can do all things; and you overlook people’s sins that they may repent.”

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effort.

The Knights are sponsoring a **Pancake Breakfast** benefitting Grandparents as Parents (GAP) Christmas Presents after the 8:00 and 9:30 Masses on Sunday, October 30th. Come out and help us support this worthwhile



ONLINE GIVING The process is very simple! You may go to our website, www.smlj.org and click on the Online Giving icon. Another option is www.osvhub.com/smlj. Thank you for continuing to support St. Michael’s, especially at this time.



2022 DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

God bless each of you who have so generously responded in support of the 2022 Diocesan Services Fund. To give online, please visit www.archgh.org/dsf.

Help us attain our goal of \$101,847.

221 Donors have contributed \$97,925



IGNITE UPDATE

\$1,251,462 from 256 families.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 10/23/22

Collections and Mail:	\$ 12,073.00
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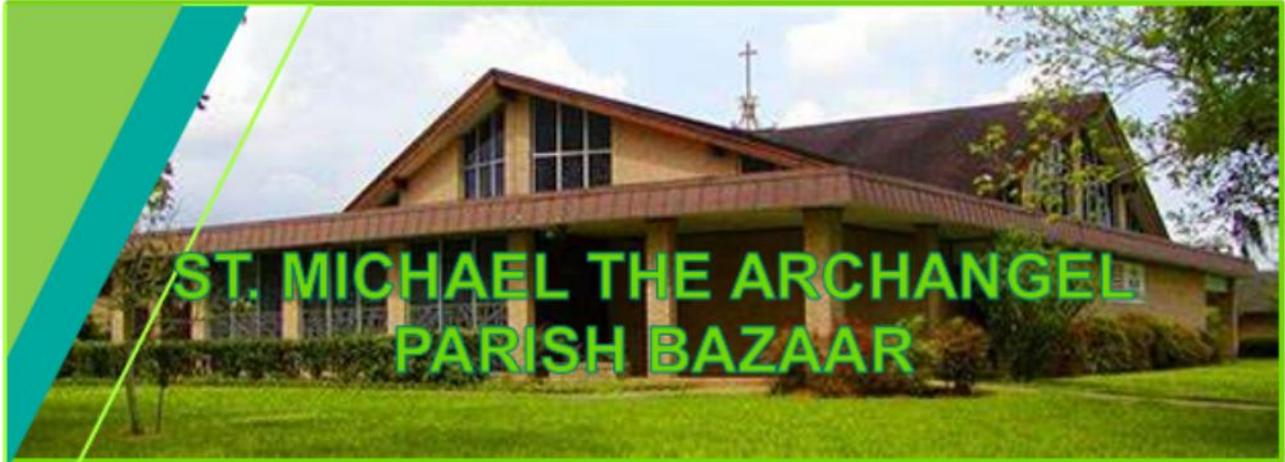
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