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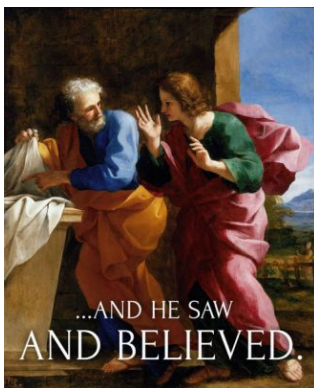
He is Risen!

Happy Easter and Welcome to St. Michael Church!

Today we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, who was crucified, died, and was raised from the dead to pay the penalty of sin so that we would have eternal life. If you only take one message away from today's festivities, readings, and homilies, we hope that it is the knowledge of how very deeply you are loved. God's mercy is unfathomable and never ending. He desires to heal you and save you from every life circumstance that pulls you away from Him. You are here today because He has called you. His plan is perfect for your life. Come home. We at St. Michael's welcome you and are praying that you will accept His invitation.

If you are already Catholic but have not been participating in the sacraments, all it takes is coming to Confession to jumpstart your return. If you are not Catholic but have been feeling a tugging at your heart to learn more about Catholicism, we invite you to check out our RCIA program. Come discover why we believe Christ has given us His church and how he calls us to community with Him and the Father.

We hope you will come back to worship with us soon. Please check out the resources in the bulletin that will help you on your faith journey.



That we let our lives reflect God's love, mercy and forgiveness. "...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (Acts 10:38) We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

Scripture Readings for the Week of April 17, 2022

Sunday	Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8a; Jn 20:1-9
Monday	Acts 2: 14, 22-33; Ps 16: 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28: 8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2: 36-41; Ps 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20 & 22; Jn 20: 11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab & 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 & 4,22-24,25-27a; Ps 118:24; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 & 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday	Second Sunday of Easter Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions April 16— April 24

EASTER VIGIL	8:30 PM	†Rex Epps Fr. Dwight Canizares
EASTER SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00AM	For the People of the Parish †Sol Marisol †David Posados †Andrew Gore †David Iglesias
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	†Richard D. Smith †Cindy Pellizzari
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	†Homero Salinas †John & Sosamma Panicker
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†Charlie & Georgie Hundl †Dave & Doris Jones
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	Alan Mikus-Knight of the Month Janet & Doug Gipson- Family of the Month
SATURDAY	8:30 PM	†Claire Cromeans †Benny Morgan
SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00AM	†Claire Crosley †Heinrich Aletter †Carol Barton †Alfredo Larre For the People of the Parish

Pray for those who are ill:

Bobbie Jasek, Sarah Langston, Bubba Moore, Paul Perdue, Lori Sipple, "Boots" Ermis, Paula Price, Ray Villarreal, Nolan Link, Wilhelmina & Ray Muniza, Mirella Sherman, Belia Hue, Ross Falcon, Barbara Yonge, Susan Jurecka, Janie Gonzales, Carson Thelan, Steve Pelletier, Mary Perez, Lucille Engelking, Barbara Lanier, Paul & Colette Garcia, Susan Cade, Patty Sayes, Richard Keistler, Rebekah Calhoun



†Rex Cade, husband of Susan,
father of Ryan, Chad, and Mary Ashley

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

EASTER SUNDAY

Dear Parish Family,

He is risen as He said!

Yes, this is the mystery of the great feast of the church. It is the foundation, the focal point of all that we believe and hold dear. We really cannot fully understand, but we believe. Life has meaning and purpose. We know where we are going! Our sights are set on a goal that reaches beyond the expectation of human life.

There is a great curiosity today about life after death. Remember the book made into a movie some years ago, "Heaven is for Real"? I read that book but did not see the movie. It is interesting to see just how many people were fascinated by it, seemingly forgetting that Jesus did just that. He rose from the dead, just as He said He would!

Faith is such a powerful, awesome gift! We believe and it changes our whole life. We follow the light. We obey His laws. We reverence His presence in our midst. We fall down on our knees in humility and thankfulness. My Lord and my God! May we rise to live with You forever. No, we are not worthy, nor do we deserve this life, but because of your love, we can! Yes, we can shout and sing Alleluia!

Incomprehensible as the Resurrection is for us, my prayer is that He appears in your midst and renews your commitment to enjoy and possess the Resurrection all the days of your eternal life.

May this Easter Sunday be the greatest day of your life. Happy Easter to you and your family from me and the parish staff!!

Sincerely,

Fr. Dwight



Congratulations Father Dwight on your Ordination Anniversary
April 16th
41 Years as a Priest
Thank you for your years of Service

A special **THANK YOU** to all those who helped to make our church look so **BEAUTIFUL** during the Lent and Easter seasons. Our **Environment & Art Ministry** works very hard all year, but especially during the **special liturgical seasons**. Please take a moment to thank them and acknowledge their dedicated efforts to make our worship space look so amazing!



All parish offices will reopen Tuesday, April 19th at 9:00 am

Adoration will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 17th



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday thru 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".

Thank you to all adorers and coordinators and those who substitute and volunteer your time to keep our adoration ministry going.

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

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 24

3:00 pm in the Church



Divine Mercy Prayer Service
With Eucharistic Exposition and
Adoration

Come and give thanks to God
for His great gift of
Mercy upon the whole world
on this special day!

Ask for Mercy, Receive Mercy,
be Merciful

Reminder to begin the Divine
Mercy novena on
Good Friday, April 15th.

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.**



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!

Senior Parents! Graduation is approaching; please remind your senior that scholarship applications are Online (<https://smlj.org/youth-ministry>) and also located outside the youth office with important information. **The deadline for Senior Scholarship applications to be turned in is Tuesday, April 19th by 4:00 pm.** Senior Graduation Mass will be Sunday, May 15th at the 11:00 Mass with a luncheon in the Msgr. Leo Hall where scholarships will be awarded. Reservations must be made. Additional meals will not be ordered. Please send 3 pics of your senior in jpeg format for a slideshow to janet@smlj.org. (1 baby, 1 child, & 1 current-do not have to be professionally taken. Candid are great!)

WARNING—IMPOSTER PRIEST EMAIL & TEXTING SCAMS

In recent months, there have been numerous reports of individuals impersonating a parish priest and soliciting donations—normally in the form of gift cards—from members of their congregation. In an effort to minimize the impact of these fraudulent actions, we would like to remind you that the parish priests would never make such appeals to the parish community.

St. Mary Star of the Sea, Freeport currently has an opening for Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry. For details please refer to our website at www.stmarystarofthesea.org or contact the office at 979-233-5271.

St. Joseph Catholic Church Annual Bazaar Sunday, April 24th | 11 am—2 pm 219 CR 762, Brazoria BBQ Plates \$15 Raffle, live & silent auctions, country store, baked goods and much more! For more information, call St. Joseph @ 979-798-2288. All are welcome!

St. Anthony's Church Bazaar will be held Sunday, May 1st at Skrabanek Park in Danbury. BBQ Brisket and Sausage with homemade trimmings, serving from 11:30—2:00 pm, \$15/plate. Country store, kolaches, tea rings, Auction, and much more.



In Memoriam Gifts

We have been asked about on-line Memorial Gifts and so 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.

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, especially at this time.

Visit our website: www.smlj.org and follow us on:

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EASTER EGG HUNT

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for young children on Easter Sunday, April 17th, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Have your children bring their Easter baskets and come enjoy the fun.

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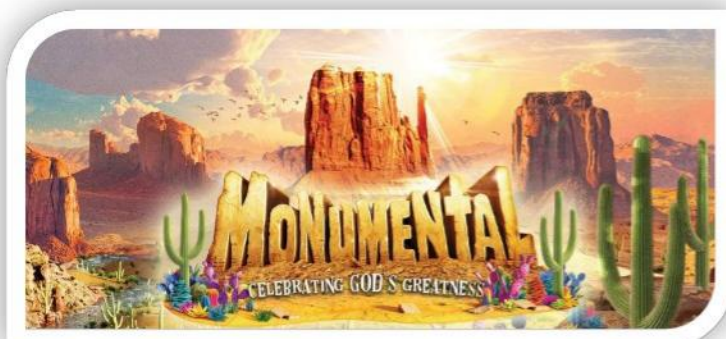
Open to Pre-Kinder (4-year-old) to 5th grade students (10 to 11 years old)

Online Registration is now open.

If you are a volunteer and your own children will attend VBS, contact the office before registering.

To obtain the link to this, go to home of the parish website - smlj.org

Due to uncertainty with the -Jerusalem Market Place- previous announced program's provider, we changed the theme.



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Amount Needed Per Week: \$17,670



IGNITE UPDATE
\$1,249,062 from 256 families.



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