



That recognize we everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." – Matthew

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? Putting God first in everything helps keep us from becoming a slave to our possessions and to our pride.

### Scripture Readings for the Week of October 29, 2023

Sunday	<b>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40		
Monday	Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2 & 4, Lk 13:10-17		
Tuesday	Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 13:18-21		
Wednesday	<b>Solemnity of All Saints</b> Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a		
Thursday	The Commomeration of All the Eaith		

The Commemoration of All the Faith Thursday ful Departed (All Souls) Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6; Rom 6:3-

9; Jn 6:37-40

Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday **Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo,** 

**Bishop** 

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a,

14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11

**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time** Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1, 2, 3; 1 Sunday

Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

## Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions Oct. 28 thru Nov 5

SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Chase Epps Julia Epps
SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	†Mary Mathis †John Bongiovi †Weldon Drapela †Johnny Merritt For the People of the Parish
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	†Msgr. Fred O'Connor †Sherry Aaron
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM 6:00 PM	†Raffaella & Italo Viotto Carolyn Young †Andrew Gore †Wanda & Thomas Hanks
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†Charlie & Georgie Hundl †Dave & Doris Jones
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	†John Rosser †Bobbie Jasek
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Bubba Moore †Anne Platzer
SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	For the People of the Parish †Bobbie Jasek †Imelda Jimenez †Rey Villarreal †Annie Luce



Our condolences and prayers are offered to the family of:

† Janie Salinas



**Friday** 

# Rosary

Mondays at 7 pm in the Church

Tuesdays through Fridays at 8 am. in the Church



### Pray for those who are ill:

Sarah Langston, Paula Price, Nolan Link, Wilhelmina & Ray Muniza, Belia Hue, Ross Falcon, Barbara Yonge, Janie Gonzales, Carson Thelan, Steve Pelletier, Mary Perez, Lucille Engelking, Barbara Lanier, Paul & Colette Garcia, Richard Keistler, Joyceline Nachtegaele, Joni Bergeron, Maurice Badeaux, Steven Rod,

Ron Jones, Ronnie Hock, Carolyn Erickson, Rene Damian, Janet Anderson Cook, Lance Savant, Scott Morgan, Amelia Garcia, Stacy Yates, Juan & MaryAnn Longoria, Charles Arnold

# **All Saints Holy Day**

Wednesday, November 1st is the Solemnity of All Saints. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses will be at 8:30am and 6:00pm.



### ADORATION OF THE **BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 12-6pm in the **Church**.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU** to St. Michael's. We have had Eucharistic Adoration available for 7 days a week for over 40 years for

ourselves and our community!

To volunteer or for more information contact Pat Williams at adoration@smli.org.

Dear Parish Family,

Scared? Not me....a little....somewhat....sometimes...yes... no. Circle one of the above that describes your life after watching a horror movie. The reason I ask is because when we were young, this was the week that we waited for to scare and be scared--Halloween! How many different characters did we disquise ourselves to be as children growing up? As I look back, I remember that costumes changed as time went by, and it seemed that the nicer the costume, the more was the reward (candy!). It was not lucrative to be evil, satanic, or scary.

Hopefully, you will be planning a less frightening Halloween this year. I would like to offer you a suggestion. Take some advice from our Faith Formation kids and come to church on November 1 at 6 pm and see the parade of "Saints". This will give you some great ideas for your children and their hallows' eve costume -- dress up like a saint! Give them a new role model! You are forming them for their big day--All Saints Day!! Also if you can come the next day and pray, I will be offering Masses for All Souls.

It is a good and wholesome act to pray for those who have departed this life for eternity. In an article in the Texas Catholic Herald several years ago, the author shared his reflections about people he knew and whether he wanted to spend a whole afternoon, let alone eternity with them. He thought we all (or quite a few) needed purging, purifying, and purgatory before spending eternity together. I'm sure the departed welcome our humble prayers!

Peace,

### Fr. Dwight



#### St. Michael's Vincentians

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Dear parishioners of St Michael's Catholic Church, we the St Vincent de Paul Society of St Michael's thank you for your generous contributions through financial support and Loaves and Fishes gifts. However, as is quoted from Matthew and Luke's gospels, the needs are many and we need more volunteers to help us in this ministry.

Last year, we helped several hundred families in our local community with food, rent, utilities and more. And this year is no different- except that maybe more is needed. If you are seeking a way to serve the poor and needy in our area, the St Vincent de Paul ministry is an ex-

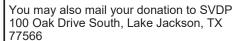


cellent choice. We have a great team with decades of experience to help get you up to speed quickly - "the yoke is easy and the burden is light". If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, email svdp@smlj.org or leave a message at 979-297-2046 and someone will contact you. May God bless you! Thank you!

### "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 28-29 and November 4 & 5. 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.





### **Prayers for Prison Ministry**

Prison Ministry Volunteers from St. Michael's are appealing for your prayers for the Kolbe Retreat November 2-4 at the Clemens Unit near Brazoria. A table will be set up in the hallway of the Family Life Center where you can sign up to pray for a 1 hour time slot, if you so desire. If you wish to help financially there also will be a donation box available.

> The Parish Offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 1st

#### <u>ADORATION MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!</u>

Immediate Need: Thursday 2-3pm

In order to maintain the current schedule, We need ador-<u>ers!</u> Please prayerfully consider spending one hour per week with Jesus.

It is much easier to have at least two individuals or families in an hour. Times are available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. For more information, contact Pat Williams at adoration@smlj.org.



# 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.



The Knights are sponsoring a

Pancake Breakfast benefiting Grandparents as Parents (GAP) after the 8 & 9:30 AM Masses on Sunday, October 29th



Come out and help us support this worthwhile effort.

# WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 10/22/23

Collections and Mail: OSV Online Giving:

\$ 9,606.00 4,390.05 \$ 13,996.05



#### **IGNITE UPDATE**

**\$1,257,712** from 256 families.



God bless each of you who have so generously responded in support of the 2023 Diocesan Services Fund. To give online, please visit www.archgh.org/dsf or scan the code below. Help us attain our goal of \$96,000.



**\$95,507** from 210 families.



**St. Michael Baptism Class** will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 11th** from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Wleczyk Hall. You must call and pre-register and get information on the required forms. Parents and godparents need to attend this class. Let us know how many will be attending. Contact Sally at 979-297-3043 to register.

### eBulletin Sign Up

If you would like to receive a copy of the bulletin each week in your email, sign up at

https://www.smlj.org/ebulletin-1

### Join us for Fun and Fellowship

Senior Bingo is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each 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.



**ONLINE GIVING** The process is very simple! You may go to our website, www.smlj.org and click on the <u>Online Giving icon</u>. Another option is www.osvhub.com/smlj. Thank you for continuing to support St. Michael's.

# 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.

## **Safe Haven Training**

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



### **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 <a href="www.osvhub.com/smlj/funds">www.osvhub.com/smlj/funds</a> and select Memorial Gift.

Please note this is **not intended to be used for Mass Intentions** which need to be made in the

office.

# **End of Life Planning Seminar**

on November 18<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 8:30 am – 12:00 pm in Msgr. Wleczyk Hall.

Please sign up in the hall, or scan the QR code, or call Pam Walker (979) 297-9746 or Cheri McBurnett (979) 297-8874



ADULT FAITH FORMATION: SYMBOLON PROGRAM - Nov 1st, Wed NO CLASS—All Saint's Day Nov 8th, Wed Session 6—The Paschal Mystery, 6:00-7:15 PM, Angelina Room

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### 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 in the back of the picture frame so we can return it



picture frame so we can return it back to you at the end of the month of November.



#### **CDA Fall Bunco Bash**

Fundraiser for St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Michael's

Sponsored by Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady Queen of the Lake #2364

Date: November 9, 2023
Time: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
St. Michael's Wleczyk Hall
\$10 per person to play
Winners get cash prizes \* Door Prizes

<u>Please consider bringing non-perishable food items needed for SVdP food pantry.</u> (SNACKS FOR KIDS, pop tarts, canned meat, spaghetti sauce, complete pancake mix and syrup, are especially needed!)

<u>Door prize drawings</u> - You receive tickets for food items donated or monetary donations at event (Must be present to win)

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

Questions: Betty Jo Jurries at 979-418-6739 OR Pat Williams at 979-239-8646

# YOUTH MASSES

11am Sunday Masses

Nov. 26,

Dec. 24 @ 4pm,

Jan. 21, Feb. 11, Mar. 24,

April 21, May 26

June 30, July 21, Aug. 25

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

St. Michael's Annual Bazaar will be **Sunday, February 4th, 2024** 



### **Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming**

This Sunday at the 11:00 Mass we celebrate the Combined Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming. This is the first of the "threshold rites" of the Christian Initiation process. Candidates publicly declare their desire to be baptized or to join in full communion with the Catholic Church. The Church, in turn, joyfully accepts and welcomes them.

Please continue to pray for them as they journey towards the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter: Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist: Jeanette, Mark, India, Brandon, Edward, Maddy, Alyssa, Wayne, Marc, and Yvonne.

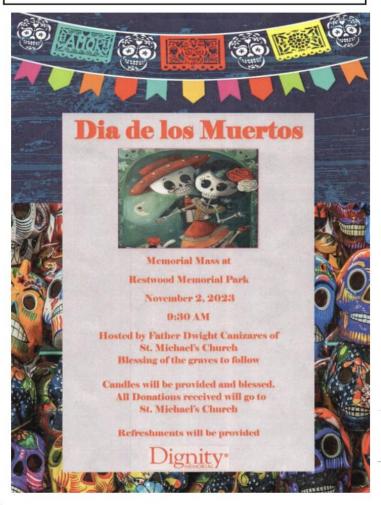
### St. Joseph on the Brazos Catholic Church,

219 County Road 762 in Brazoria, is having their annual drive-thru BBQ on **Sunday, October 29th**.

Plates have 1/2 chicken, buttered potatoes, pinto beans and dessert and are \$15.00/each. Serving 11am to 2pm.

**St. Mary Star of the Sea** Altar and Rosary Society are having their Turkey Dinner Fundraiser on **Sunday, October 29th**. The dinner will be in the Parish Hall in Freeport after the 9am and 11am masses. Turkey with cornbread dressing, green beans, sweet yams, rolls and dessert for \$12.

Thank you for your support!





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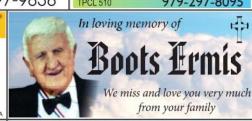


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