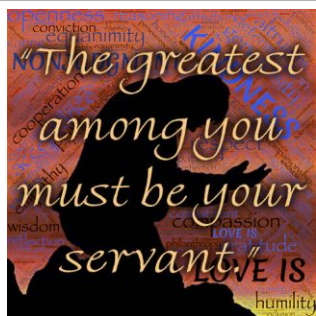


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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



That we ask God to help us grow in the virtue of humility. "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." - Matthew 23:12

The world celebrates people in the spotlight and those who have the most of everything. We think celebrity, money and possessions is the key to happiness. Yet, our world is filled with more loneliness, anxiety and depression than ever before. The key to a happy life is relationship. Relationship with God and each other. Trust is the foundation of any good relationship and humility is the seed of trust.

Scripture Readings for the Week of November 5, 2023

Sunday	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1, 2, 3; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12
Monday	Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday	Rom 12:5-16ab; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2,4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Friday	Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

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 Nachtegale, 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, Kennedy Grandjean

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions Nov. 4 thru Nov. 12

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
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	†Josefa De La Garza †Boots Ermis
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	†Weldon Drapela †Doug Lanier
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†Johnny Girouard †Jack Krejci
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	†Lillian Sablatura †Rudy & Josefa De La Garza
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Chase Epps †Jim Solis
SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	†Bill Cook †Boots Ermis For the People of the Parish †Lillian Sablatura †Paul D. Edwards

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— Pope Francis

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Adoration Holiday Schedule

There will be NO ADORATION on these days:

Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 23rd & Friday, Nov. 24th

Christmas Sunday, Dec. 24th & Monday, Dec. 25th

New Years Eve Sunday, December 31, 2023

New Years Day Monday, January 1, 2024

Dear Parish Family,

"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday- unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed, and very dear."

"When we lose someone we love, we must learn not to live without them, but to live with the love they left behind."

Do these two sayings sound familiar to you? For those of you who had been in the church lately, you must have seen these two sayings next to each other on our Altar of our Beloved Dead. They are displayed prominently together with pictures of our deceased loved ones. These two sayings give me so much comfort when I stopped by and looked at all the pictures, and when we pray for them after each mass celebration. I don't know about you, but isn't it comforting to know that even if they are no longer with us physically, they are 'beside' us. So we have not really lost them. Definitely we are still connected with them and treasure the 'love they left behind'. When my mother passed away a few years ago, I asked myself what can help me in my grief? Of course, there was always her love and care for us her children, her strength and courage in raising and educating her children all by herself after my father's death. These and other memories helped the grief, but the thought that those we love are still with us, is even more comforting and I am at peace. I hope you have that kind of comforting experience when you remember your deceased love one(s) this month of November.

Peace!

Fr. Dwight



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.

SAVE THE DATE

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

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 back to you at the end of the month of November.



CDA Fall Bunco Bash

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Date: November 9, 2023

Time: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

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\$10 per person to play

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

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

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

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

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Women's ACTS Retreat Nov. 30 - Dec. 3, 2023

If you or someone you know is interested in attending the ACTS retreat please reach out to one of our retreat leadership. We will be happy to help. It is \$225 for the weekend. There are scholarships available on case by case basis.

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IF HE COMES SUDDENLY, DO NOT LET HIM FIND YOU SLEEPING. WHAT I SAY TO YOU, I SAY TO EVERYONE, 'WATCH!'
MARK 13:36-37

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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 excellent 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!

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.

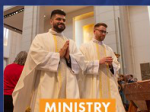
WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 10/29/23

Collections and Mail:	\$ 11,136.00
OSV Online Giving:	<u>1,516.30</u>
	\$ 12,652.30



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\$1,257,712 from 256 families.

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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 Friday, 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!



Join us for Fun and Fellowship

Senior Bingo is the 2nd 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.



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: <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.



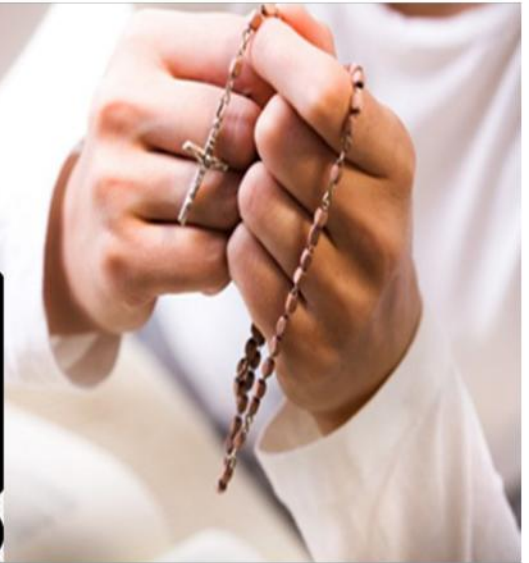
In Memoriam Gifts

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.

End of Life Planning Seminar
on November 18th, Saturday
8:30 am – 12:00 pm
in Msgr. Wleczyk Hall.

Please sign up in the hall, or scan
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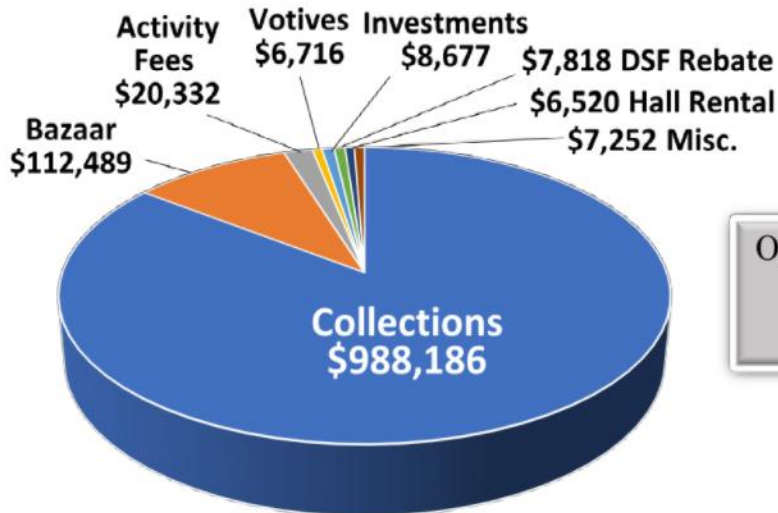
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St. Michael the Archangel Treasure Stewardship July 2022 – June 2023

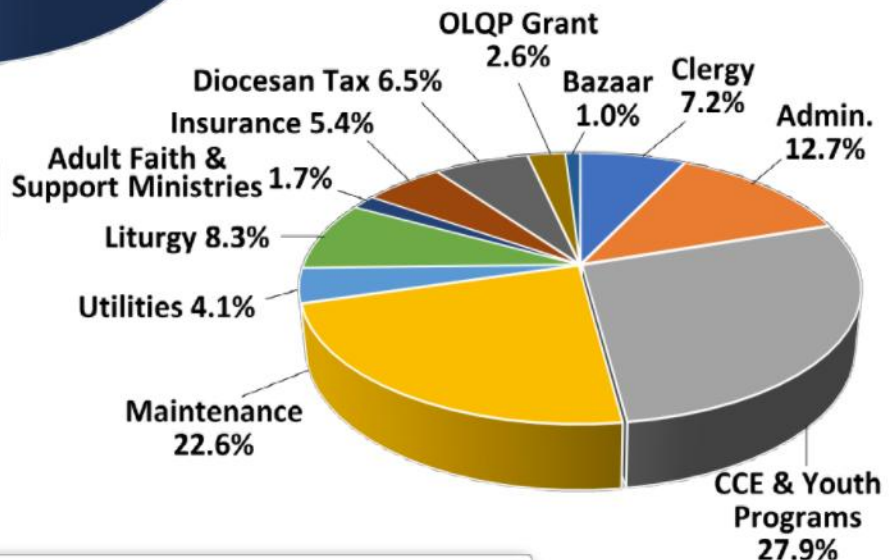
Each year as we examine the stewardship of our time, talent and treasure, a summarized report as below is presented to the parishioners of St. Michael's. Additional detail is available. These numbers exclude IGNITE related funding and expenditures.



Where our Operational Funding comes from

Operational Income was **\$1,157,990** with collections accounting for 85% of income.

What we spent on:



Operational Expenses were **\$1,169,036** with largest portions to CCE & Youth Programs (27.9%), Maintenance (22.6%) and Admin Staff & Supplies (12.7%)

Operational income increased 9% and with a very successful bazaar, the \$30,000 income generated above plan was donated to OLQP. Spending increased 20% from the previous year with replacement of the A/C units for the church, increased youth activities coming out of the pandemic and additional staffing / support costs.

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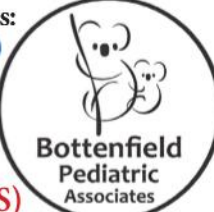
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