



That we answer God's call to nurture and develop our gifts and return them with increase. "Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." -Matthew 25:21

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you.

Scripture Readings for the Week of November 19, 2023

Sunday

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary TimePrv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or Mt 25:14-15, 19-

Monday

21 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 1; Lk 19:1-10 Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Mar

Wednesday

tyr 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15; Lk

19:11-28

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Austin Pro, Priest & Martyr

1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41

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Thanksgiving: Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk

17:11-19

Friday Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac,

Priest and Companions, Martyrs 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11d-12a, 12cd; Lk 19:45-48

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Saturday

Virgin and Martyr

1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-3, 4 & 6, 16 and 19; Lk 20:27-40

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Sunday

King of the Universe

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor

15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



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, Wilhelmina & Ray Muniza, Barbara Yonge, Carson Thelan, 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, Kennedy Grandjean, Mike Sabrsula, Kenny Cicherski, Sarah Sterzinger

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions Nov. 18 thru Nov. 26

SATURDAY 5:30 PM +Jessica Bullock Duncan **+**Kay Jones **SUNDAY** 8:00 AM **†**Boots Ermis †David Posadas 9:30 AM Dcn. Jeff & Margaret Cadenhead **†**Bobbie Jasek For the People of the Parish 11:00 AM **TUESDAY** 8:30 AM **†**John Rosser **†**Charlie & Irene Dirba WEDNESDAY 8:30 AM Dan Walsh, Knight of the Month

THURSDAY 10:00 AM †Donald & Remedios Young

†Andrew Gore

Bob & Yvonne Whitmarsh,

Family of the Month

FRIDAY NO MASS

SATURDAY 5:30 PM **†**Bettie Carmody

†Claire Cromeans

SUNDAY 8:00 AM For the People of the Parish

> 9:30 AM **†**Bubba Moore **★**Annie Luce

†Lillian Sablatura 11:00 AM

+Annette Hoss

Sacrament of Reconciliation Times



Tuesday 5 to 6pm Saturday 4 to 5pm

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@smlj.org.

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,

This coming Thursday, we celebrate one of the most important holidays of our country, Thanksgiving Day. On behalf of the staff of St Michael Catholic Community, allow me to extend our best wishes to you for a happy and peace-filled Thanksgiving Day!

There are many rich and beautiful traditions practiced as we celebrate this national holiday and weekend. We let our children take a few days off from school and most businesses do the same thing. It is a day our country sets aside to thank God for the blessings of the years gone by. We remember the Pilgrims and Native Americans sharing a meal together for a rich and wonderful harvest. They paused and broke bread together but most of all they thanked God for it.

In our day and time, parades from coast to coast with bands, floats and cartoon characters marching in our city streets are seen and watched on live TV. Turkey and dressing, together with all the good stuff associated with this feast, graces our tables and is eaten by family and relatives!!! Then football games, NBA games, Miracle on 34th Street and other movies are watched while the feast is going on.

I still think the best way to start this national holiday is with morning Mass. Whether you are home or visiting, Thanksgiving Day is always best with Mass and communion and saying, 'Thank you Lord!' Somehow the day takes on a deeper meaning when we attend Mass. Thank you Lord for loving us and please help us to be like You!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Fr. Dwight



All Women of the parish are invited to **The Women of St.**Michael's Annual Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Wleczyk Hall. The Guest speaker is George Franklin. Social begins at 5:30 PM

COST \$15 Catered Dinner by: White Apron Music by: Kairos Group and Door Prizes

RSVP Required by Nov 26th to: Margarita Prinz (979)297-0297 prinzmh@yahoo.com (Scholarships are available upon request)

St Michael's Vincentians Thanksgiving Baskets

Dear parishioners of St Michael's Catholic Church- every year our ministry distributes thanksgiving baskets and greeting cards to 50 or more families in our community. These baskets of love and food are so appreciated by our friends in need, who often have families and children that would not enjoy a banquet of food and joy otherwise. These gifts are made possible from the generosity of you who donate money, food and time.

We are seeking volunteers to help us assemble the baskets and distribute them to our friends in need. We will assemble the baskets in the east parking lot (weather permitting), near the food pantry **on Sunday Nov 19, 2-4 PM**. After baskets are assembled, our volunteers (in pairs of two or more), deliver the baskets to

our friends in need (local drive). With enough volunteers, the entire process usually is complete within $\underline{2-3}$ hours. Please join us in sharing our blessings with our friends in need.





Christmas Masses for 2023 will be:

Christmas Eve, Sun, Dec. 24th at 5:30pm & 9pm.
Christmas Day, Mon, Dec 25th at 11am.



Keep Christ in Christmas

Advent Supplies, Christmas Cards, Yard Signs, Car Magnets, Decals, Ornaments, Lapel Pins

In the hall after Mass from Now thru Mid December. There are many to choose from, Reasonably Priced and are available to take home today.

Other languages available include: Spanish, French, Polish, Italian, & others Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council.

Get yours NOW!

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



ADULT FAITH FORMATION: SYMBOLON PROGRAM -

Nov 22nd, Wed NO CLASS—Happy Thanksgiving! Nov 29th, Wed Session 8— Why do I Need the Church?





Walking in Confidence is a candid sharing of trusting in God's promises of protection, provision and healing as Jenny Hubbard discovered facing the unfathomable: losing her 6-year old daughter Catherine Violet during the 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting. Jenny will share how her faith has been transformed and strengthened by focusing on His very real presence in her life.

Sign up for the dinner in the Family Life Center Hallway or at http://smlj.org/st-michaels-presents



Parish Bazaar

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Plans are underway for our Annual Parish Bazaar. The date of the bazaar will be

Sunday, February 4, 2024.

Sponsorships for the Bazaar are now being accepted. See the following page for the Sponsorship form.

Donations for the auction are now being accepted.

There will be more details to follow as we get closer to the event. Make plans to attend the bazaar!!



Annual Bazaar Sponsorship Form

Yes, we will help sponsor the St. Michael Catholic Church Annual Bazaar on Sunday, February 4, 2024.

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Please return this form and payment before February 1st to the Parish Office or mail to:

St. Michael Catholic Church

Attn: Melanie

100 Oak Drive South Lake Jackson, TX 77566

Please make your checks payable to: **St. Michael**Questions? Contact Melanie at 979 297-3041 or melanie@smlj.org

information, contact Pat **G A P Christmas Project**

Words cannot express my gratitude for all you have done over the past 7 years! The time and dedication it takes to put together the ALS Golf Tournament is immeasurable. Thank you for your friendship and all the wonderful memories of Bubba and his time serving with the Knights. One of his favorite things was being with you during all the fish fries! May God continue to bless each of you!

Thank you again, God Bless! Kathy Moore



THANK YOU TO ALL who helped make our CDA FALL BUNCO FUNDRAISER for SVdP a success on November 9, 2023. Your generosity is appreciated by CDA, SVdP and our community that we serve.

We had 62 attendees and we were able to donate \$1,660.00 and 950 food items to assist SVdP activi-

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 2024 **BUNCO** FUNDRAISERS: JULY 25 and NOVEMBER 14, 2024



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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 11/12/23

Collections and Mail: \$ 11,887.00 <u>5,4</u>87.15 OSV Online Givina: \$ 17,374.15



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\$1,257,712 from 256 families.



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



\$95,732 from 210 families.

ADORATION MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

We Have a Need for a 2nd adorer on Monday 1-2pm, Tuesday, 2-3pm and Fri/Sat/Sun afternoons

adoration@smlj.org.



Our Parish Family is supporting G A P (Grandparents as Parents) for Christmas! Please return the unwrapped gift with the tag to the Youth Office NO later than Friday, Dec. 1st.

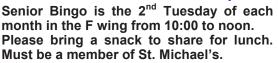
If you take a tag and see that you are unable to purchase the gift, please return the tag to the tree in a timely man-

It is in the giving that we truly receive!

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All Proceeds from Bake Sale go to Scholarship fund for Graduating Seniors who attend St. Joseph on the Brazos, St. John the Apostle or Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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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/ 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.

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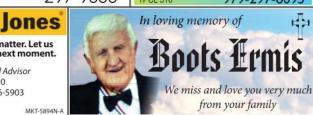
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