

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.”

Matthew 16:18

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

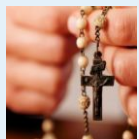


That in gratitude for our gifts, we may grow them and give back with increase. "Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?" - Romans 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give God anything - He already owns it all. God made everything, including us. Since we are made in His image, we too, are called to be generous. How we use our God-given gifts becomes our gift back to Him. Gratitude for all we have been given opens our hearts to joyful generosity! And, through our generosity, we just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

Scripture Readings for the Week of August 27, 2023

Sunday	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
Monday	Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday	Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 & 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 & 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27



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

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions August 26 thru September 3

SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Margaret Merck †Chase Epps
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	†Boots Ermis Fr. Dwight Canizares
	9:30 AM	†Johnny Merritt †Bobbie Jasek
	11:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	†Helen Fannin †Art Imperial
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	†Weldon Drapela †Edwin Canizares
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†John Rosser †Sosamma Panicker
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	†David Posadas †Donald & Remedios Young
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Chase Epps Maria Epps
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
	9:30 AM	†Jim Solis †Charlie & Irene Dirba
	11:00 AM	†Sherry Aaron †Leon & Bobbie Jasek

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

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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!

In order to maintain the current schedule, We need adorers! Please prayerfully consider spending one hour per week with Jesus - the Real Presence

and source and summit of our faith.

It is much easier to have at least two individuals or families in an hour. We are working to achieve this with our ministry. Times are available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

A BIG THANK YOU to our ministry day coordinators! They call with schedule changes, track sub requests, help find subs to ensure our ministry runs smoothly. Maria Tabotabo, Karen Koranek, Cheri McBurnett, James Carrasco, Margaret Greene, Mary Ann Longoria. Also, Thank you to Bettie Greer and Cindi Hakanson.

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

Dear Parish Family,

It's not Mother's Day today. But it might as well be, because today we remember a great mother, St. Monica-- the mother of St. Augustine. Mother and son who are both saints!!! Isn't that something? It was not like that all in the beginning. For those of you who read their life story, you know that St. Augustine was not the saint we know now. His life was far from saintly and he was a constant concern for his mother. She devoted her life in prayer for his conversion. Some legends even say that she wept every night for her son. She never gave up on her son that one day he would turn his life around and embrace God. Can you just imagine all the prayers and sacrifices she made for her son? A true mother indeed! In his book, Confessions, St. Augustine mentioned his mother many times. He most especially notes her efforts and prayers to bring about his conversion. Because of his mother, St. Augustine is a doctor of the church and considered one of the greatest minds in the Catholic Church. When she was dying, she told her son, 'I don't care where you bury me. All I'm asking is to pray for me every time you celebrate the Holy Eucharist. A saint indeed !

I know it's not Mother's Day today but we can certainly remember our own mother. We can thank her for the love, the care, the late nights she stayed up waiting, the support, the shoulder to cry on, the advices, the patience, the words of encouragement and so on! Pray for her too as she continues to pray for us. And then, thank God for giving us such a loving and caring mother!!

Sincerely,

Fr. Dwight

Saint Michael's Parish will be Conducting a Parish-Wide Survey!

Saint Michael's will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute! We need your help!

Please help us by participating in a 10–15-minute survey online. The survey will be accessible through an online link from **Friday September 8th through Monday October 9th** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We will share the link with you a bit closer to the launch of the survey.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to **Father Dwight** and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. When we receive the results, we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

For information or to volunteer to help with the survey contact **Deacon John Kyle** johnckyle1@gmail.com or 979-236-9464

The Ministry of Consolation is a Catholic support group to help you cope with your grief and pain after the death of a loved one, and to support you as you learn to go on with life. Trained facilitators will lead the group sessions for nine weeks beginning **Saturday, September 9, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.** in the Angelina Room. Meetings are confidential and books are provided free of charge.

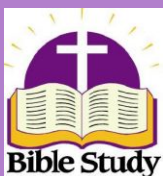
To register or for questions contact:
Hilda Martinez 979-313-9299 • hd48martinez@gmail.com or
Cheri McBurnett 979-297-8874 •
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St. Michael Baptism Class will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 9th** from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Wleczyk Hall. You must call 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6812 RECEIVES TOP AWARD

Lake Jackson Knights of Columbus Council has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in service to our mission. Join us in service to our God, St Michael's, our pastor, and our community. For information on joining the Knights of Columbus contact local Membership Director, Aaron Ware (979) 292-4841.



Gospel of John Bible Study

using Scott Hahn's Ignatius Bible Study

If the 4:30pm group was too early, a 2nd group has formed on
Mondays 5:45-7:00pm

The study will begin Sept. 11th in the F-wing.

If you are interested, please text
Iris Howard 979-415-5572.



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.

Join us for Fun and Fellowship

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.



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 8/20/23

Collections and Mail:	\$ 20,949.00
OSV Online Giving:	4,331.80
	<u>\$ 25,280.80</u>



IGNITE UPDATE

\$1,257,187 from 256 families.

GOD IS THE STRENGTH OF MY HEART



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.



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!EVANGELIZATION OPPORTUNITY!

Deacon John Kyle is seeking volunteers to participate in ministry to the youth detained in the Brazoria County Juvenile Justice Facility located in Angleton. The ministry is administered and supported by the Archdiocesan Office of Special Youth Services

Special Youth Services models the embrace of Christ through pastoral care, advocacy, and faith sharing in local juvenile justice centers, facilities, and programs including the promotion and coordination of restorative services to at-risk youth and their families. Our ministry encompasses all counties within our local Archdiocese, working with youth from ages 10-17.

In the Angleton facility we currently lead bible studies on the weekly Mass readings, provide snacks, prayer cards, praise and worship music, and lead prayer for the youth. With additional volunteers we can expand the services and activities we offer to support and educate the youth prior to their release.

Please pray about this opportunity and if you feel called contact Dcn. John Kyle for more information.

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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/>. 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.



Who

Adults who are Unbaptized, who may be interested in becoming Catholic, or Catholics who want to better understand their faith, Non-Catholics who want to know what Catholics believe, or any other inquirers!

When

Weekly sessions on Sunday mornings. We echo the teachings of the Catholic faith. For those who are ready, the sessions will lead to the Sacraments of Initiation to join the Catholic Church. Do you know anyone who may be interested? **
NOW IS A GREAT TIME TO JOIN **

Contacts

Chad Funk 979 529-6461
chadwfunk@hotmail.com

<https://smlj.org/christian-initiation-for-adults>



FAITH FORMATION

SAVE THE DATE

- September 6th Beginning of classes for PK4—5th grade
- September 17th Beginning of classes for 6th—12th grade

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Every Catholic Deserves to Know Their Story

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Week Two: Divine Revelation

If someone were to ask you if God speaks to you, how would you answer? As Catholics, our faith is not a blind response to a God we cannot know. Rather, God has gradually communicated himself through deeds and words in history culminating in the person of Jesus Christ. But how does God continue to speak to us today?

This week, go to formed.org and watch *Symbolon: Knowing the Faith*, Episode 2.



<https://watch.formed.org/videos/symbolon-trailer>

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Sept 20th, Wednesday, 6:00-7:30 PM.

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- Education Building, Second Floor, Wolters Room

Example Topic : Session 2 – Divine Revelation

- God desires that we know him, love him, and understand His plan of salvation.
- God gradually communicated himself through deeds and words in salvation history culminating in the person of Jesus Christ, the fullness of Divine Revelation.
- The revelation of Jesus Christ was passed down orally through Sacred Tradition and in writing through Sacred Scripture.
- This Deposit of Faith contained in Sacred Scripture and Tradition was entrusted by the Apostles to the teaching office of the Church, called the Magisterium, for its authentic interpretation.
- To know and understand God's revelation, a Christian needs Sacred Tradition, Sacred Scripture, and the Magisterium. Each are so connected in the transmission of Divine Revelation



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