

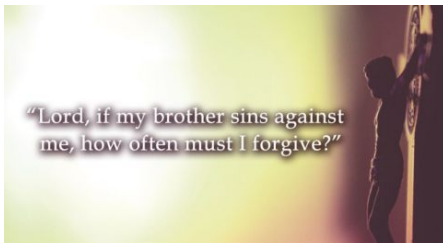


24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?”

Matthew 18:32-33

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



That we recognize everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God, including our very own lives. "For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." – Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to the life that He intended for you.

Scripture Readings for the Week of September 17, 2023

Sunday	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
Monday	1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday	Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, Companions, Martyrs 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday	Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13
Friday	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Rosary

Mondays at 7 pm in the Church

Tuesdays through Fridays at 8 am. in the Church

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions Sept 16 thru 24

SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Jessica Bullock Duncan †Bobbie Jasek
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Dcn. John & Deb Kyle †Boots Ermis
	9:30 AM	†Weldon Drapela †Johnny Merritt
	11:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	†Charlie & Irene Dirba †Phyllis Neill
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	†Lina Bautista †Barbara Lankford
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†Carol Barton †Sharon Odell
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	Scott Poitevint, Knight of the Month Steve & Nancy Brewster, Family of the Month
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Jim Solis †Elouise Boling
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
	9:30 AM	†Johnny Girouard †Bobby Jasek
	11:00 AM	†Lillian Sablatura †Rey Villarreal

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 12-6pm in Church.

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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.



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 Nachtgale, 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

Dear Parish Family,

It is with great excitement that I announce to you that we are moving forward with our plan to improve our church altar area, building a chapel, installing a baptismal font and other planned improvements. We have engaged Jackson and Ryan architects to evaluate and assess our facility needs. They have made the designs of the planned renovations which was approved by the archdiocese and our building committee. You can view the designs in the narthex of the church and in the family life center.

For you who are new to the parish, let me give you a little bit of history. More than 20 years ago, a plan was made to build a new church and a chapel for adoration. A capital campaign was started to raise the necessary funds for the planned church building. As the capital campaign was well on its way to raise the funds, it was temporarily stopped to give way to the Archdiocesan capital campaign to build a new Co-Cathedral of the Archdiocese. Our church was given a goal to achieve as well as all the other parishes. After achieving our goal to the Archdiocese, the momentum to continue our own capital campaign shifted due to the changing demographics and downturn of the economy. The need to build a new church was shelved and the funds raised were held with the Archdiocese for safe keeping.

And that brings us to the present. With the Cardinal's approval, we are going to use the funds for the much needed improvements for the church and fulfill at least its wish to build a chapel for adoration. At least a part of the plan will be accomplished.

God bless you!

Fr. Dwight

It's Official! The Disciple Maker Index Parish Survey is Open!

Please help us by completing the 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible. Go to <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/gc3x3g> or scan the QR code below to access the survey.

There are also opportunities to complete the survey in the Hall after weekend Masses and if necessary, you can obtain a paper copy in the Hallway of the Family Life Center or by contacting the parish office at (979) 297-3041

The survey will be available from September 8th until 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 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. We will receive the results this fall at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping with this important project!



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St. Michael's Presents

Monday, Sept 25, 2023

Ricardo Medina

**"The Road to Forgiveness: Where
Human Effort and Divine Grace Meet."**

Please join us as we welcome Ricardo Medina, director of the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life ministry on Monday, September 25, in Wleczyk Hall. Potluck dinner starts at 6:30 with the talk to follow at 7pm.

Sign up for the dinner in the Family Life Center Hallway or at

<https://smlj.org/st-michaels-presents>



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

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.



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 9/10/23

Collections and Mail:	\$ 10,581.00
OSV Online Giving:	6,163.50
	<u>\$ 16,744.50</u>



IGNITE UPDATE

\$1,257,187 from 256 families.

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Second Prize: RTIC 32 Qt. Ultra Light Hard Cooler donated by Just for Kids Learning Center

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Drawing to be held on Saturday November 4, 2023

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ms_nattie@hotmail.com

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.



2023-2024

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

For Grades 6-12

**Sundays, 5:30pm -
7:00pm**

Spiritual Learning Center

September: 17, 24

October: 1, 8, 15*, 22, 29

November: 5, 12, 26**

December: 3, 10

January: 7*, 21, 28

February: 25**

March: 3, 24

April: 7, 14, 21 (Closing Night!)

*Social Nights

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Youth Ministry Calendar

SPECIAL EVENTS

Oct. 15	Disc Golf Outing	Grades 9-12, 4p-6:30p, Dunbar Park
Oct. 21	Extreme Challenge!	Grades 6-8, All-Day, Off-Campus
Nov. 1	All Saints Festival	Whole Family, 6p-7:15p @ FLC
Nov. 12	Food Drive	Grades 6-12, 3p-5:30p, SLC
Nov. 19	Mulligans Golf/Games Outing	Grades 6-12, 5p-8p, Angleton
Nov. 26	Adoration & Praise Night	Whole Family, 5:30p-7p, Church
Dec. 17	Christmas Caroling	Whole Family, 4p-7p, Nursing Homes
Dec. 20	Hot Chocolate & NativityStory Movie	Grades 6-12, 6p-8p, FLC
Jan. 7	Laser Tag & RememberTitans Movie	Grades 6-12, 5p-7p, FLC
Jan. 12-14	High School Retreat!	Grades 9-12, All Weekend, Forest Glen
Jan. 20	Service Event: Pro-Life Crosses	Whole Family, 9a-10a, Church
Feb. 4	Parish Bazaar	Whole Parish, 11a-3:30p, FLC
Feb. 11	Service Event: SouperBowlCollection	Grades 9-12, all Masses
Feb. 24	Junior High Youth Rally!	Grades 6-8, All-Day, Off-Campus
Feb. 25	Latin Mass @ Annunciation Church	Whole Family, 11a Mass
Feb. 25	Adoration & Praise Night	Whole Family, 5:30p-7p, Church
Mar. TBD	Houston Rodeo Concert	Grades 9-12, 5p-10p, Houston
Mar. 15-16	Camping Trip @ Brazos Bend	Grades 9-12, All Day Overnight
Mar. 22-23	Service Event: Faith in Action Camp	Grades 6-12, Fri.-Sat.
Mar. 27	Rehearsal for Stations of the Cross	Grades 9-12, 6p-8p, SLC
Mar. 29	Live Stations of the Cross	Whole Parish, 12 Noon, Church
April TBD	Astros Faith & Family Night	Whole Family, 4p-10p, MM Park
April TBD	Priests VS. Seminarians Basketball Game	Whole Parish, TBD
May 1	May Crowning of our Blessed Mother	Whole Family, 6p, Church
May 5	Altar Server Appreciation Party	Altar Servers, 5:30-7p, Church
May 19	Graduate Mass and Reception	Whole Parish, 11am, Church
June 9-15	Youth Mission	Grade 9 thru Adult, All Week, San Juan TX
June 18	Schlitterbahn Water Park Trip	Grades 9-12, 9a-5p, Galveston
June 21-23	Steubenville Conference	Grades 8-12, All Weekend, Irving TX
June 24	"Unplanned" Movie Night	Grades 8-12&Parent Must Attend, 7pm, AMC
July 8-13	High School Summer Camp	Grades 8-12, All Week, TBD
July 15-19	Junior High Day Camp	Grades 5-8, 9a-12p, Various
July 28-30	AYC Conference	Grades 8-12, All Weekend, Downtown Hilton
August 4	Back-to-School Beach Bash	Grades 8-12, 5p-8p, SurfsideBeach

YOUTH MASSES

11am Sunday Masses

Sept. 17, Oct. 8, Nov. 26, Dec. 24 @ 4pm,

Jan. 21, Feb. 11, Mar. 24, April 21, May 26

June 30, July 21, Aug. 25



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September 20	Kick-off	Orientation / Introduction
September 27	Session 1	The Journey of Faith
October 4	Session 2	Divine Revelation
October 11	Session 3	The Bible
October 18	Session 4	The Story of Salvation
October 25	Session 5	Who is Jesus?
November 8	Session 6	The Paschal Mystery
November 15	Session 7	The Holy Spirit
November 29	Session 8	Why Do I Need the Church
December 6	Session 9	Mary and the Saints
December 13	Session 10	The Last Things

Register at:

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