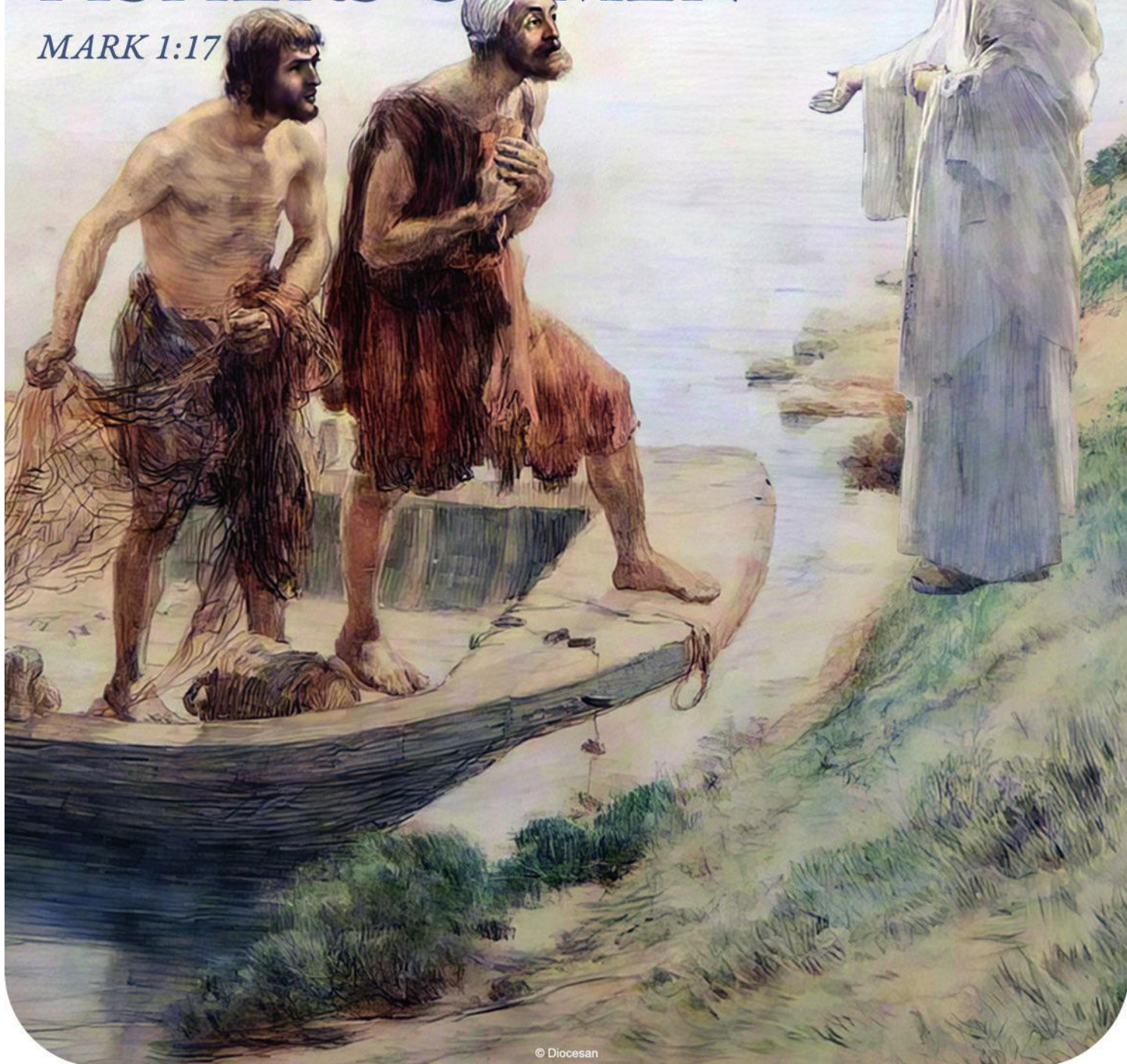
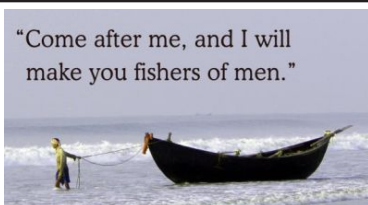


COME AFTER ME
and I will make you
FISHERS OF MEN

MARK 1:17





"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

That we may hear Jesus' personal invitation to "Follow Him" and respond by generously sharing all our gifts. "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." - Mark 1:17

Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

Scripture Readings for the Week of January 21, 2024

Sunday	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20
Monday	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr and Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday	Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday	Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Friday	Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Angela Merici, Virgin 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



Our condolences and prayers are offered to the family of:

† **Tomas Diaz, Jr.**
Son of Tomas and Dora Diaz

Sacrament of Reconciliation

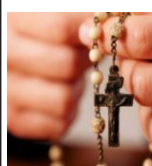


Tuesday 5—6pm
Saturday 4 to 5pm

Also offered by appointment

Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions Jan. 20 thru 28

SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Bubba Moore †Jessica Bullock Duncan
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	†Boots Ermis †Donald & Remedios Young
	9:30 AM	†Phyllis Schneider †Louanna Goudeau For the People of the Parish
	11:00 AM	
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	†Phyllis Schneider †Karen McLane
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM	†Leo Crosley †Larry, Paul & Wayne Franks
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	†Art Imperial †Shirley Gillman
FRIDAY	8:30 AM	†Joe King †Dale Carmody
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	†Francis Kiefel †Art Vandaveer
SUNDAY	8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
	9:30 AM	†Joanne Lanzi †Gladys Dusek Rigo & Amelia Trevino
	11:00 AM	†Christen & Mensik Families



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Dear Parish Family,

Last week in my bulletin letter to you, ended with the plea of respecting life in all its forms. Today's letter is a continuation of it. Have you seen those small crosses again planted in our church yard? Around this time of the year, it has been the practice of our parish family to do this. As motorists passed by Oak Drive and saw those white crosses, wondered what's going on at St Michael Church? What's with all those crosses on the ground? Are there someone or somebody buried under those crosses? Well, nobody is! But those crosses are grim reminders of the culture of death of our country. Yes it is very sad! Each of those crosses planted represents the 73 million babies aborted worldwide every year. I shudder at the thought of those innocent ones slaughtered. The crosses planted was not just our reminder of that horror but is a testament to those who see them that human life begins at the moment of conception until it's natural death and therefore must always be respected. Every life is a gift from God. There is no such thing as an unwanted child nor a child by accident. Every child is a gift from God. Those crosses are a silent cry from the unborn saying, 'we deserved to live!'

January 22, 1973 to be exact, we remember with great sadness that decision that had led to the millions of deaths of innocent babies. Certainly a very dark day of this country.

Let us not lose hope but continue to pray for an end of abortion and to respect life in all its forms!
Peace!

Fr. Dwight

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 **Wednesday, January 24**, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Angelina Room. Meetings are confidential and books are provided free of charge.

To register or for questions contact:
John White 979-236-5219 thtta.38@gmail.com or
Shirley Girouard 979-236-7449 girkre@aol.com

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**Monday,
JANUARY 22, 2024**

POTLUCK DINNER 6:30PM

TALK 7PM



**Fr. David
Michael Moses**



Please join us as we host our monthly potluck dinner and talk on **Monday, Jan 22nd**, 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>

Fr. David Michael Moses is 30 years old and grew-up in Houston, Texas. He started college when he was just 14 and graduated with his bachelor's degree at the age of 18. He was accepted into several law schools, but ultimately felt called to the priesthood and entered seminary for the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. He was ordained in 2019 at the age of 25 and is now the parochial vicar at Christ the Good Shepherd in Spring, Texas. He enjoys writing music and his "Concerts for Life" have collectively raised over \$788,000 to assist women in crisis pregnancies. Fr. David Michael is the founder of the Pilgrim Rosary project and is also active on social media, with a collective following of over 250,000, where he shares stories from priestly life.



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* The theme of this year's contest is God's love and kindness will shine upon us like the sun that rises in the sky. Luke 1:78 Or "How does my love shine for others?"

Entries can be from individuals from Grade 4 to adults. The categories are: essay, poetry, art, computer art, music and photography.

Deadline for entries is January 31, 2024. The applications will be outside the youth office.

For more details see the link or QR code:
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THANK YOU!

The annual Christmas party for the priests of our Deanery was hosted by our parish on December 14. I would like to thank all of the St Michael's parishioners that donated financially to this event and also thank those that cooked and served the delicious meal. Your kindness and generosity were greatly appreciated by all of the priests and one seminarian that attended. Everyone had a very good time.

Father Dwight



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING 01/14/24

Collections and Mail: \$ 10,987.00
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\$ 14,644.15

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St. Michael Baptism Class will be held on **Saturday, March 9th** from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Angelina Room. 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.

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.



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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Or you can lead your own discussion group, for more information please call Dorothy Babbington at: 979-285-8390

2 Weeks until our Annual Bazaar!!

Our current needs for the upcoming bazaar:

- **Sponsorships** are still being accepted. See below.
- We need your items for the **Silent and Live Auction**. Some suggestions are: Sports tickets, sports memorabilia, dinners, hunting/fishing trips, vacation home rental, grills, coolers, yard statues, and rodeo tickets.
- **Raffle tickets** are on sale after Mass.
- Your delicious baked goods are needed for the **bake sale** at the bazaar.

St. Michael's Parish Bazaar Sponsors— Sunday, February 4

To submit a sponsorship, see the following page for the Sponsorship Form or use the link below or QR code for online payment.

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