

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

490 ARNOLD MILL ROAD, WOODSTOCK, GA 30188

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3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF  
*LENT*



## PARISH LENTEN

### MISSION

MARCH 3-5



Dr. D'Ambrosio

He made a whip  
out of cords and  
drove them all  
out of the temple  
area. "Take these  
out of here, and  
stop making my  
Father's house  
a marketplace."

*John 2: 15,16*

March 3 , 7 pm

40 Days, 40 Ways: A New Look at Lent

March 4 , 10 am & 7 pm

Getting More Out of the Mass

March 5, 10 am & 7 pm

Adoration: Personal Prayer Pathway to Joy

Sponsored by Adult Faith Formation  
Questions: Call Kathleen  
770-516-9699 x 252  
Klindemann@saintmichaelcc.org

# MARCH 3RD - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



## CLERGY

### Pastor

Fr. Larry Niese

### Parochial Vicar

Fr. Fausto Marquez

### Priest in Residence

Fr. Vincent Sullivan

### Deacons

Rev. Mr. Victor Taylor

Rev. Mr. Joe Pupo

Rev. Mr. Jack Herndon

Rev. Mr. Wayne Topper

Rev. Mr. Kelly Stinson

### Administrative Office

770-516-0009

770-516-4664 (fax)

### Religious Education

770-516-9699

### Preschool Office

678-213-1517

### Hispanic Office

678-213-0685

## MASS

### Saturday

9:00 am • 5:00 pm (Vigil)

### Sunday

7:30 am • 9:00 am • 11:00 am • 12:45 pm

2:30 pm (Spanish) • 5:30 pm (Life Teen)

Monday-Saturday • 9:00 am

Monday, Wednesday, Friday • 6:30 am

## CONFESSIONS

Wednesday • 5:00 pm

Saturday • 9:30 am

## ADORATION

Tuesday 9:30 am-Saturday 9:00 am

To volunteer as a Guardian, please contact Carol Wolff: 678-827-5450 or [sma.adoration@gmail.com](mailto:sma.adoration@gmail.com).

## ROSARY

Monday - Saturday

following the 9:00 am Mass

Sunday 10:30 am

## MASS INTENTIONS

### MARCH 4

6:30am Mary Jane Kansky (D) *Family*

9:00 am Marge Padgett (D) *Bowles Family*

### MARCH 5

9:00 am Dierdre Wheeler (D) *Jill Alvarado*

### MARCH 6

6:30 am Joshua Arnold (L) *Anita*

9:00 am Emil Savia (D) *Family*

### MARCH 7

9:00 am Shirley Stonecipher (D) *People of the Parish*

### MARCH 8

6:30 am Mathew J. Meyer (D) *Sandy Meyer*

9:00 am Laura Hallisy (D) *Deana Newton*

### MARCH 9

9:00 am Giuseppe Prata (D) *Family*

5:00 pm People of the Parish

### MARCH 10

7:30 am Rhonda Bayrami (D) *Nick Tedesco*

9:00 am Donna Steigerwald (D) *Husband*

11:00 am Michael Ryan (D) *Cousin*

12:45 pm Gino Rossi (D) *Mustafa Family*

2:30 pm Kevin Holland (D)

5:30 pm Judy DiGiulio (D) *Jill Alvarado*

## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM

Parents must be registered and active parishioners of St. Michael's (regularly attending mass, using envelopes, and involved in ministries), for at least 3 months. Before scheduling a baptism, you must attend a baptism class at St. Michael's. **(Next class is March 9th at 10am in Room 103.)** Only one parent must attend so that the other can take care of the child(ren) at home. Godparents must also be active, practicing Catholics. Baptisms are normally the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at 11:30 am in the church. Please call the parish office to register for a baptism.

### CONFESSION

Saturday mornings 9:30 am to 10:30 am and  
Wednesdays 5 pm to 6 pm.

### MARRIAGE

Couples are required to contact one of our priests at least 6 months before they wish to marry to arrange for instruction and spiritual preparation for the sacrament of marriage. A wedding date cannot be **confirmed** until after the initial interview with the priest. Contact parish office.



## UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

### ST. MICHAEL'S LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Our Lenten Penance Service is on Monday, March 11th at 7pm in the Church. We will have 15 priests available to hear your confession.

### Breakfast with the Easter Bunny!

Saturday, March 9th, 9am-11am in the Family Center.

Come join us for Bunny Pancakes, Fun Games, Coloring, and Prizes!

Meet the Easter Bunny!

Canned donations are requested from all families attending.

Sponsored by the Columbiettes



### ST. MICHAEL'S FISH FRY FRIDAYS

St. Michael's Fish Fry Fridays are every Friday in Lent in the Family Center (5-7pm).

Fried fish and baked fish as well as a great menu selection including Clam Chowder and delicious desserts.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS - EVERY FRIDAY AT 7PM IN THE CHURCH DURING LENT.

Please join us every Friday at 7pm in the church for Stations of the Cross led by our priests and deacons.

On March 1st, Life Teen will be hosting **Living Stations of the Cross**. Don't miss this moving, faith-filled portrayal of the Passion by our teens.

### JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST

The small group series returns. The new session begins on April 11. Series is from April 11-May 30 from 6:30-9pm.

Invite a family member or friend who has fallen away from the church and journey with them.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON THE TRAIL

Trail life is hosting Stations of the Cross on the trail on Friday, March 8, at 7pm. Please meet at the Trail Head. Bring a flashlight and wear appropriate shoes for walking.



### FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will be having Family Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 10am in the church. Please bring your children to experience the Stations of the Cross.

Questions? Contact Christine Bowles (239) 250-9233

### ARCHBISHOP ANNUAL APPEAL 2024

If you have not yet made a gift to the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal there are pledge cards in the narthex or you can donate online at [donate.archatl.com](https://donate.archatl.com). Our parish goal is \$165,200. Every gift to the Annual Appeal is important to assure the continued support of many important programs that help thousands in our archdiocese each year through the education of our children and seminary students, evangelization and Christian Initiation, on-going formation for our priests and so much more!



### \$1000 College Scholarship for a female High School Graduate

(December 2023 & May 2024 Graduates)

The Fifth Annual Columbiettes' Scholarship will be awarded on Monday, May 13, 2024 before the business meeting. Applications are now available by calling Paula Pelusi at 404-375-6643 or by picking up a packet from the Welcome Table in the narthex or the bookstore following weekend Masses.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pelusi at the number listed above.

**Completed forms  
and references  
must be returned  
to Mrs. Pelusi by  
Monday,  
April 15, 2024.**



# FAITH FORMATION - CHILDREN, TEENS, & ADULTS

## FAITH FORMATION - PSR

**WE LOVE OUR CATECHISTS! ♥ ARE YOU BEING CALLED BY OUR LORD TO TEACH THE FAITH?**

Catechists (teachers) are needed: Sunday morning & afternoon, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Children's Faith Formation is not just for First Holy Communion and Confirmation!

After receiving their First Communion, it is important for your child to continue their faith formation. Our journey with God never ends and we must strive to stay close to Him always. Learning about Him and His teachings helps us understand how to live our lives according to His will. Our identity is found in Jesus Christ.

We have classes for children and teens: Kindergarten-10th grade. We hope your children and teens join us this August!

**REGISTRATION BEGAN MARCH 1st! REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!**

First Holy Communion: usually received in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Preparation is a two-year program usually beginning in 1st grade.  
Confirmation Prep-9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade: 2 years of preparation are required. Typically, the Sacrament is received in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade.

Saúl Oñate Pérez, Director of Faith Formation (770) 516-9699 x233, [sperez@saintmichaelcc.org](mailto:sperez@saintmichaelcc.org)

## IN HIS LIKENESS - A NEW STUDY COMING APRIL 10TH!

A new study is coming! "In His Likeness", by Dr. Edward Sri will be offered this Spring semester at St. Michaels.

The study will be offered on Wednesday mornings in Room 230 starting April 10 thru May 22. More details to come!

## EDGE

What is EDGE? EDGE is a fun, interactive, Christ-centered program for 6th-8th graders.

EDGE Middle School youth group meets two Sundays a month from 6:30-8:30pm in the Parish Hall.



EDGE Night Schedule: March 17; & March 24

Steven Taveras, Life Teen Assistant/EDGE Coordinator (770) 516-9699 x251, [staveras@saintmichaelcc.org](mailto:staveras@saintmichaelcc.org)

## LIFE TEEN

Sunday Life Nights are from 6:30pm-9:00pm in the Family Center.

Bible Study is every Wednesday, 5:00-7:00pm.

We meet in the Parish Hall Nursery.

**Spring Retreat**: All teens are invited to join us for our spring retreat at Covecrest Life Teen camp.

March 8-10. \$245.

\$100 deposit was due Jan 28. Register online at

<https://saintmichaelcc.org/life-teen-payments-1>

Lisa Fiamingo, Director of Youth Ministry  
(770) 516-0009 x232, [lfiamingo@saintmichaelcc.org](mailto:lfiamingo@saintmichaelcc.org)

## SPECIAL THANKS TO THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GEORGIA!

We would like to thank the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia for their grant donation of \$3,000 to help offset the costs of purchasing new HVAC units for our Family Center. THANK YOU!



ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

LIFE TEEN

**SPRING  
RETREAT  
2024**

HIGH SCHOOL

8-10 March '24  
Covecrest Camp  
\$245  
\$100 dep due Jan 28  
\$145 due Feb 18

**JOIN US**

<https://saintmichaelcc.org/life-teen-payments-1>

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL MINISTRIES

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Business Meeting 3/4; Fish Fry's – March 1, 8, 15 & 22; Disability Drive – 3/23

Check out the Knights at [www.kofc11768.org](http://www.kofc11768.org). Please contact Rich Wierman at (770) 329-9117 or email: [richwierman@comcast.net](mailto:richwierman@comcast.net). Click on the QR Code for the Knights to contact you.



## COLUMBIETTES

The Columbiettes are a Catholic women's organization that is dedicated to assisting not only our Parish and parishioners, but also supporting the Knights of Columbus. We participate in various service and charity projects that benefit the local community, the homeless and our veterans. **We also run St. Michael's Bookstore after Mass. Stop by after Mass for the perfect gift!** For more information, please contact: Dr. Donna Alexander (678) 794-8604. Check our website! [www.smtacolumbiettes.com](http://www.smtacolumbiettes.com)

## RIVERS OF AMAZING GRACE PRAYER GROUP

St. Michael's charismatic prayer group meets Tuesdays at 7:30PM in the choir practice room (second floor of the church). All are welcome! Come praise with us. You can also participate via Zoom! For information, contact David Heinrich at (770) 778-6975.

## MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS PRAYER GROUP

A Means by Which The Message of Fatima is Being Fulfilled. We meet Wednesdays, 10-11am in the Multi-Purpose Room. On the First Saturday of each month we meet in the chapel after 9am Mass for the First Saturday devotion of reparation requested by Our Lady of Fatima. The first Saturday next month is April 6th.

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## ST. MICHAEL'S FOOD PANTRY

St. Michael's Food Pantry Hours:  
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10:00am - 11:45am  
Parishioners are welcome to visit the food pantry during service hours.

Your donations of non-perishable foods may be dropped off every day at the donation box, located inside the narthex. Please do not leave perishable food and clothing items in the food pantry donation box.

The food pantry remains in need of: Breakfast Cereals (hot & cold), Canned Meats (chicken & tuna), White Rice, Canned Fruits, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Stew & Soup, Spaghetti Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce and Healthy Snacks (Granola, Protein Bars, etc.).

Because our parishioners have been so generous with donations to the Food Pantry, they are now able to help out the Hope Center with baby formula, diapers and other baby needs. These items are also available to those who come to the pantry for help with food and hygiene supplies. Thank you for your continued and generous support!

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## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

ARE YOU WANTING TO VOLUNTEER FOR A MINISTRY  
BUT DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START????

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE INVITES you to learn the many different ways it is involved in helping our brothers and sisters in our Cherokee County community.

Come & See! Second & Fourth Mondays of the month,  
Rm 206, 7:00 PM

Help Line - 770-591-4643

St. Michael's House - 770-367-0168 (Lori)

SVDP Thrift Store - 678-232-0907 (Linda)

Job Board - 404-663-4653 (Peter)- posted in narthex

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## AGAPE -

### ACCEPTING GRACE AND PRAYERFUL ENCOURAGEMENT

The AGAPE group is open to all women who have experienced the loss of a husband and are seeking fellowship.

Contacts: Selena Dowell, 404-409-5912  
Sandy Meyer, 404-271-2382

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## COUNSELORS AVAILABLE AT ST. MICHAELS

### Bill Powers, MS, MBA, NCC, LPC

Bill Powers, a Catholic therapist from Holy Family Counseling Center, will be at St. Michael's on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays to provide marriage, family and individual counseling services. For information and appointments, please call 678-993-8494 or [www.holyfamilycounselingcenter.com](http://www.holyfamilycounselingcenter.com)

### Dunia Lobo, MA, LPC, CPCS, RPT-S

Clinical Director, Bilingual English/Spanish Georgia Board Professional Licensed Registered Play Therapist-Supervisor. Provides Individual, Couple, & Family Psychotherapy. For information and appointments, please contact 770-855-4100 or email [dunia@4growthcounseling.com](mailto:dunia@4growthcounseling.com)

### Grief Counseling

Please call Charmiel Teresi, parishioner,  
to set up an appointment at 512-968-8255.

### Personal and Group Coaching

Ruth O'Neil, Certified Life and Strengths Strategies Master Coach and People Acuity Specialist is at St. Michael's.  
[Ruth@RuthONeil.com](mailto:Ruth@RuthONeil.com) or 770-883-3916



# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL MEMBERSHIP, STEWARDSHIP, & PRESCHOOL

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Active members of our parish are identified by their generosity of Time, Talent and Treasure.

Stewardship is determined by:

- Being registered and active for at least 6 months
- Faithful participation at Sunday liturgies
- Regular and identifiable support of the parish, use of parish envelopes. **Even if you can't make a donation, or give electronically, please drop your empty envelope into the basket.**

These criteria are used to verify parishioner status for: sponsorship, participation in sacraments, education, pastoral and social ministries, activities, programs and Catholic School verification\*. *\*Please contact Dana Wood at [dwood@saintmichaelcc.org](mailto:dwood@saintmichaelcc.org).*



Registration QR Code

Have you moved? Please help us save money by submitting a change of address with the post office as well as letting us know. Envelopes and the Georgia Bulletins that get returned to us are charged a return to sender fee. Thank you!

## SMA BOOKSTORE

The SMA Bookstore is open after all Sunday Masses. Stop by to pick up the perfect gift for your family and friends. It is run by the Columbiettes.

## ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL STEWARDSHIP

St. Michael's takes up a collection for Debt Relief the first Sunday of each month. (An envelope is provided in your offertory packet or available to set up online.)

This collection is applied to the building debt.

To set up payments online, please go to our website: [saintmichaelcc.org](http://saintmichaelcc.org) and go to online giving tab or use QR Code listed to the right.

As of 12/31/23 the updated balance is \$560,848

02/18/24 Offertory will be posted in The 3/10/24 bulletin.



## St. Michael the Archangel Preschool

### March 2024 Events



- 3/4-8 - Dr. Seuss Birthday Week Celebration
- 3/11 - School Pictures - Bears/Bunnies/Butterflies - wear white
- 3/12 - School Pictures - Turtles/Owls/Monkeys/Frogs/Class pics
- 3/13 - School Pictures - Make-ups
- 3/16-17 - Bake Sale Weekend!
- 3/19 - Dad Celebration, 9am, Family Center (Feast of St. Joseph)

We do have a few spots left in our Pre-K program. Please call the Preschool office at 678-213-1517 or email [tbarnhill@saintmichaelcc.org](mailto:tbarnhill@saintmichaelcc.org) for more information or to schedule a tour.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE...

### 2024 SYNOD REGIONAL LISTENING SESSIONS

The dates of the 2024 Synod Regional Listening Sessions with an Atlanta bishop are:  
Wednesday, March 6, at 7 p.m. at the Chancery

Thursday, March 7, at 7 p.m.  
(Focus on college students & young adults) At Saint Thomas More

Monday, March 18, at 7 p.m. - Virtual  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfD5HROCEbtyF1C9sEWDFkTzBaleu8ikoJmFeBc4BZhOOkhFA/viewform>

We ask participants to spend 20 minutes in prayer preparing for their session, preferably in front of the Blessed Sacrament. During that private prayer, read Romans 12: 1-8 and answer the two main discussion questions on the registration form.

### MARCH MAGNIFICAT MEAL

All women are invited to the MARCH MAGNIFICAT MEAL to enjoy prayer, breakfast, and fellowship, and to hear the speaker's testimony of the love of Christ in his life. Sat., March 16, from 9:30am-12:30pm at Holy Cross Church, 3773 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta. Guest speaker will be Father Robbie Cotta, Parochial Vicar at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and Chaplain at St. Pius X High School. Reservations are \$25 and are required in advance. Register by March 6 at <https://tinyurl.com/Magnificat0424> or send check by March 2 payable to Magnificat Joyful Visitation, Attn: Debbie DuPont, 315 Rose Court, SW, Lilburn, GA 30047. Questions? Email [joyfulvisitation@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulvisitation@gmail.com) or contact Debbie at 770-696-6216.