

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

490 ARNOLD MILL ROAD, WOODSTOCK, GA 30188

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Joy Alegria



Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve):

4pm Children's Mass - Angel Choir

6pm Mass - Youth Choir

8pm Mass - Cantors

Midnight Mass - Adult Traditional Choir

Wednesday, December 25th (Christmas Day):

9am - English Mass

11am - Misa en español



Advent Adviento



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

No Adoration 12/24-1/4.

To volunteer as a Guardian, please contact Carol

Wolff: 678-827-5450 or sma.adoration@gmail.com.

ROSARY

Monday - Saturday

following the 9:00 am Mass

Sunday 10:30 am

MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 16

6:30 am Dolores Roy (D) *Valardi Family*

9:00 am Alexandra & Frederick Britton (L)

DECEMBER 17

9:00 am Luella F. Harris (D) *Lisa Stinziano*

DECEMBER 18

6:30 am Fr. Vincent Sullivan's Ordination Anniversary - 41 yrs!

9:00 am Gerald Honrath (L)

DECEMBER 19

9:00 am Andrew Snodgrass (D) *Linda Kuleszynski*

DECEMBER 20

6:30 am Jacob Butz (L) *Pierce Family*

9:00 am Aliya Arnold (L) *Anita*

DECEMBER 21

9:00 am SMA Sick & Homebound

5:00 pm People of the Parish

DECEMBER 22

7:30 am Donald Crawford (D) *Family*

9:00 am Roger Holland (D) *Arko Family*

11:00 am Joseph David So (D) *Elizabeth Rubin*

12:45 pm Del Armstrong (D) *Jack & Ann Irwin*

2:30 pm Clergy of SMA

5:30pm Joe Abalos (L) *People of the Parish*

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 January 11 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.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30 am

Wednesdays 5 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

ADORATION GUARDIANS NEEDED!

Adoration Guardians are needed for the following hours: Wednesday - 4:00-5:00 PM and 10:00 - 11:00 PM; Friday 9:00-10:00 PM and 11:00 PM to-Midnight; Saturday 3:00-4:00 AM and Saturday 4:00-5:00 AM.

GIVING TREE

Please remember that all wrapped gifts **with their tag** must be returned **no later than** Sunday, December 15. Thank you!

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

St. Michael's is having an Advent Penance Service on Tuesday, December 17, at 7pm in the Church. The schedule of all of the Advent Penance Services in our area is listed on our website home page. (Scroll down)

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed from December 24-26 and from December 31-January 1 for Christmas and New Year's.

SMA BOOKSTORE

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

THE VIGIL PROJECT - WAY OF THE STAR

St. Peter Chanel presents: The Vigil Project - Way of the Star. This is a one-night Advent mission experience of Scripture, music, art, and Eucharistic encounter. It is on Thursday, December 19th, at 6:30pm in the main church. All are invited to attend! St. Peter Chanel is located at 11330 Woodstock Rd, Roswell.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG RETURNS!

The Baby Bottle Boomerang returns the weekend of January 12 and will end on Sunday, January 26. This wonderful event supports the life saving work of the HOPE Center in Woodstock.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - WELCOME HOME!

This is a personal invitation for you to consider coming back home, no matter how long you have been away from the Catholic Church.

St. Michaels will be hosting a 7-week round table discussion group for those who are looking for answers as to why they left, and to deal with the reason they feel that "pull", that "tug" about their Catholic faith time and time again.

Sundays, starting January 5, 2025, at 10:15am-11:30am in Conference Room A (1st floor by the Family Center)

Contact Walter Morawa at returning catholics@saintmichaelcc.org or visit the website: www.catholicscomehome.org

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

If you still have a pledge balance to the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please complete your payments as soon as possible. For IRS purposes, gifts must be postmarked by December 31, 2024 in order to be included in your 2024 tax letter which comes from the Archdiocese. For those who make charitable contributions at the end of the year, please consider gifts to your parish and the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

On behalf of Archbishop Hartmayer, Fr. Larry, and our parish staff thank you for supporting your neighbors in north and central Georgia. Every gift is important and appreciated.

This year we have a considerable shortfall of \$36,097 which will come out of offertory if we don't reach our goal. If you wish to be part of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please visit their website at www.archatl.com/appeal or you may contact The Office of Stewardship at 404-920-7600.

FAITH FORMATION - CHILDREN, TEENS, & ADULTS

FAITH FORMATION - PSR

Nativity Pageant-You are invited to attend a Nativity Pageant in the Family Center, featuring a sing-along telling the story of the birth of Jesus. This will take place on:

Sunday, December 15th for all Sunday classes
Wednesday, December 18th for all Wednesday classes
Thursday, December 19th for all Thursday classes

Saul Onate Perez, Director of Faith Formation,
(404)491-0807
sperez@saintmichaelcc.org

*He will baptize you with
the Holy Spirit*

MATTHEW 3:11



Third Sunday

Behold, I am sending
my messenger ahead of
you; he will prepare
your way before you.

Matthew 11:10



LIFE TEEN - HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

All High School Teens are invited to Life Teen on Sundays, 6:30pm-9:00pm in the Family Center.



Our Life Teen schedule is:

Dec 15: Christmas Party!
Dec 22-29: off for Christmas Break

May the joy of Christ's birth fill your heart and inspire you to share His love with the world.
Have a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!



Daisy Olaya, Life Teen Director, (770)516-9699 x232
dolaya@saintmichaelcc.org

EDGE - CALLING ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS!

EDGE is our middle school youth group that meets from 6:30pm to 8:30pm two Sundays a month in the Parish Hall. All 6th through 8th graders are invited!



Upcoming Events:
Dec 15: Christmas Party!
Dec 22- Jan 5: off for Christmas Break

Rejoice in the birth of Christ, the Savior who brings us hope, peace, and eternal joy!
Have a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!



*Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is
the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL MINISTRIES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

12/16 - Officer Meeting; 12/21 - Disability Drive.; 12/25 - Merry Christmas!

Check out the Knights at www.kofc11768.org. Please contact Bernie Palcisko at (470) 242-9210 or email: bernieandginny@comcast.net Use 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. **We also run St. Michael's Bookstore after Mass.** For more information, please contact: Dr. Donna Alexander (678) 794-8604 Check our website! www.smtacolumbiettes.com

Bookstore news! We have many beautiful Christmas gifts! Come shop for family & friends. Open after all weekend Masses.

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 in January is January 4th.**

Hispanic Marian Movement of Priests - Meets Mondays 9:45am-11:00am in Conference Room A. All are welcome!

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 is currently in great need of: Breakfast Cereals (hot & cold). We kindly request you focus your donations on breakfast cereals.

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.

We served 474 families in November! Thank you for your continued and generous support!

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

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.

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

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

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

Grief Counseling

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

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.*



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!

BAPTISMS AT ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Please welcome to our parish family this child who was baptized at St. Michael's:

Kiva Rose Patten

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL STEWARDSHIP

It is not too late to make a pledge to our Capital Campaign. Please pick up a pledge envelope on the Welcome Table in the Narthex, fill it out and drop it in collection basket or mail it to the office. We take up a collection for the Building Fund/Capital Campaign the first Sunday of each month. An envelope is provided in your offertory packet or available to set up in our online giving portal. To set up payments online, please go to our website: saintmichaelcc.org and go to online giving tab or use the QR code listed here:



As of 10/31/24 the updated loan balance is \$315,558.

12/1/24 Offertory: \$50,189
Building Fund: \$20,033

St. Michael the Archangel Preschool

December Events:

12/18 - Christmas parties at 12pm in the classrooms.

12/19-1/6 - No School! Christmas Break

We wish you all a blessed and joyous Christmas!



Please email Teresa Barnhill at tbarnhill@saintmichaelcc.org if you have any questions about our school, want to schedule a tour, or have questions about registration for the 2025-2026 school year.



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE...

RETRouvaille - MARRIAGE RETREAT WEEKEND

In marriage, communication is more than just talking. Did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. If you want more information about our upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program, January 10-12, 2025, contact: Mus and Rubina @ 404.234.6006 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Have you considered being a priest? Come pray and explore if this is a vocation God has prepared for you. Join us for the Men's Discernment Retreat 12/27-12/29 at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit. Register at calledbychrist.com/events/discernment-retreat. For questions, please call Fr. Rey Pineda at 404-920-7460

50TH AND 60TH MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS - SAVE THE DATE!

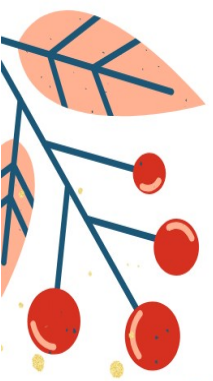
The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1975 and 1965 with an invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass. The Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 8, 2025, at noon at Saint Brigid Catholic Church in Johns Creek, Archbishop Hartmayer will be the principal celebrant of the Mass. A reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Please go to <http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass> to RSVP for this event and for additional information. Congratulations!

III DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Hermanos míos:

Alégrense siempre en el Señor; se los repito: ¡Alégrense!
Que la benevolencia de ustedes sea conocida por todos.
El Señor está cerca. No se inquieten por nada; más bien
presenten en cada ocasión sus peticiones a Dios en la
oración y en la súplica, llenos de gratitud. Y que la paz
de Dios, que sobrepasa toda inteligencia, custodie sus
corazones y sus pensamientos en Cristo Jesús.

Filipenses 4;4-7



ESTAN TODOS INVITADOS

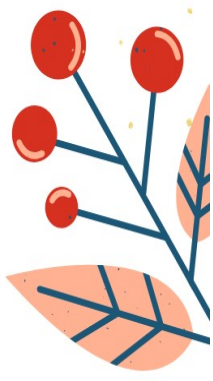
POSADA NAVIDEÑA

VIERNES | **DIC
20** | 6-10 PM

CENTRO FAMILIAR

PASTORELA REPRESENTADA POR
EL GRUPO "EN SUS MANOS"

Tendremos piñatas,
dulces, ponche y más!



Jesús y la EUCARISTÍA

UNA SERIE PARA GRUPOS PEQUEÑOS
PARA EL AVIVAMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO

7 SESIONES SEMANALES



Escanea el Código QR y regístrate!

3 DE ENERO AL 21 DE FEBRERO
LOS VIERNES DE 6:00PM A 8:00PM

Costo: \$25 (Incluye material de estudio y refrigerio en cada sesión)

Para más información: Brenda López (678) 213-0685



“El Bautismo es la puerta de la vida espiritual y la puerta de entrada a los Sacramentos.”

Santo Tomás de Aquino

SACRAMENTO DEL BAUTISMO

- 1.Registro y Membresía:** Los padres deben estar registrados como miembros activos y practicantes de la parroquia de San Miguel durante al menos tres meses antes de programar el bautizo de su hijo/a.
- 2.Clase de Bautismo:** Los padres deberán asistir a una clase de bautismo, que se realiza el segundo viernes de cada mes a las 7 p.m. en el salón 103. No es necesario registrarse para asistir, y la clase es válida por dos años.
- 3.Padrinos:** Los padrinos deben ser católicos activos y practicantes. Si no son miembros de la parroquia de San Miguel, deberán obtener un certificado de padrino o madrina de la parroquia donde están registrados. Además, si están casados, deben estarlo por la Iglesia Católica.
- 4.Fechas de Bautizo:** Los bautizos se celebran el cuarto sábado de cada mes a las 11:30 a.m. en la Iglesia. Los padres y padrinos deberán llegar a las 11:00 a.m. puntualmente por favor.

Para más información, por favor contacta a Brenda López al 678-213-0685 o por correo electrónico a blopez@saintmichaelcc.org

¡Gracias por ser parte de nuestra comunidad!



SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN

Miércoles de 5:00-6:00pm

Sábados de 9:30-10:30am



UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Para recibir los Santos Oleos o una visita al hospital llamar al teléfono de Emergencias 678-861-7977



SACRAMENTALES

Los Sacramentales son signos sagrados instituidos por la Iglesia, por medio de los cuales se reciben los efectos espirituales.

PRESENTACIONES DE 3 AÑOS:

Último domingo de cada mes, registren a los niños en la oficina del Ministerio Hispano antes de la presentación.

QUINCEAÑERAS:

La Quinceañera es una celebración tradicional de vida y gratitud a Dios. La familia debe estar registrada en la parroquia 6 meses antes de apartar la fecha.

BENDICIONES DE CASAS; NEGOCIOS:

Hacer una cita con el Padre Fausto Márquez al: 770-516-0009 X226

ANUNCIOS Y PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

ACTO PENITENCIAL DE ADVIENTO

Acto Penitencial de Adviento en la Iglesia Miguel Arcángel el martes 17 de diciembre a las 7 PM. Esta es una maravillosa oportunidad para la reflexión y la renovación durante esta temporada especial. ¡No te lo pierdas!

POSADA NAVIDEÑA

San Miguel Arcángel les invita a nuestra posada navideña el 20 de Diciembre de 6-10PM. Tendremos Pastorela representada por el grupo de adolescentes “En Sus Manos”. Nos gustaría invitar a aquellos voluntarios que puedan apoyar con la donación de tamales para compartir durante la celebración. Si tienen la posibilidad de colaborar, por favor avísenos para organizar mejor la logística y asegurarnos de tener suficiente para todos. Agradecemos de antemano su generosidad y apoyo para hacer de este evento una ocasión especial para nuestra comunidad. Más información puede llamar a Nancy Beltrán 770-653-9583.

GRUPO DE ESTUDIO - JESÚS Y LA EUCARISTÍA

Nos gustaría invitarlos a acercarse más a Jesús junto a otros feligreses a través del estudio “Jesús y la Eucaristía”. Este grupo de estudio dura 7 semanas. Iniciamos el 3 de Enero y concluye el 21 de Febrero del 2025. Se llevará a cabo los días Viernes de 6:00pm a 8:00pm. Para mayor información comunicarse con Brenda López (678) 213-0685. El costo es de \$25 (incluye material de estudio y refrigerio en cada sesión).

RETIRO DEL PERDÓN

¡La Gracia de Dios hace que nuestros resentimientos se conviertan en perdón, nuestra venganza en compasión y nuestras acciones en amor! Sábado 15 de Marzo de 7:45 AM - 3:00 PM Costo: \$ 50 Persona, \$100 Pareja, \$150 Familia.

CLASES DE PLANIFICACIÓN FAMILIAR NATURAL

Los métodos de planificación familiar natural pueden ayudar a las parejas a lograr sus metas reproductivas para prevenir o lograr un embarazo mediante la observación de los signos y síntomas para identificar los días fértiles del ciclo menstrual. Dos métodos naturales simples, modernos y efectivos son el Método de Días Fijos® y el Método de Dos Días®. Para obtener información sobre clases en español o para cualquier otra pregunta, póngase en contacto con Katia León al 404-556-8953 ó por email stmichael.pfn@gmail.com

ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

Siguiéndote a Ti, camino, verdad y vida, queremos penetrar en el aparente “silencio” y “ausencia” de Dios, rasgando la nube del Tabor para escuchar la voz del Padre que nos dice: “Este es mi hijo amado, en quien tengo mi complacencia: Escuchadle” Mt 17:5

Martes – Sábado 9:30 AM – 8:30 AM

Necesitamos personas que cubran los turnos de Adoración:

Martes-11PM-Medianoche; Miércoles 12:00AM-1:00AM; Jueves 2-3PM; Jueves 4-5PM; y Viernes 9:45AM-11:00AM



El hombre no puede vivir sin la Eucaristía

- San Pedro Julián Eymard

"No hay jóvenes malos, hay jóvenes que no saben que pueden ser buenos y alguien tiene que decírselos."

- San Juan Bosco



Los Pescadores

Grupo juvenil
(18-26 años)

Viernes
8-10 de la noche
@ Parish Hall

Nuestra Misión es:
Evangelizar a los jóvenes y ayudarles a tener
una fe ardiente, que tengan una
participación más activa, consciente y
responsable en lo eclesial y social.

Para más información:
☎ 678-213-0685

✉ blopez@saintmichaelcc.org

SAN MIGUEL ARCANGEL

EN SUS MANOS

GRUPO DE JÓVENES
DE 13 A 17 AÑOS

EN EL SALON
PARROQUIAL
SABADOS
4:30PM -
6:30PM

MÁS INFORMACIÓN
SAMANTHA FIGUEROA
404-906-9016

DONACIONES
REGISTRO - \$30
T-SHIRT - \$20

PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS:

21/28 de Diciembre - No grupo (vacaciones de invierno)

Membresía Parroquial

Los miembros activos de nuestra parroquia se identifican por su generosidad de Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro. La corresponsabilidad se determina por:

- **Estar registrado y activo durante al menos 3 meses**
- **Participación fiel en las liturgias dominicales**
- **Apoyo regular e identificable de la parroquia, uso de sobres parroquiales. Incluso si no puede hacer una donación, use sus sobres.**

Estos criterios se utilizan para verificar el estatus de feligreses para: patrocinio, participación en sacramentos, educación, ministerios pastorales y sociales, actividades, programas de enriquecimiento y verificación de escuela católica.



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Roman Catholic Church