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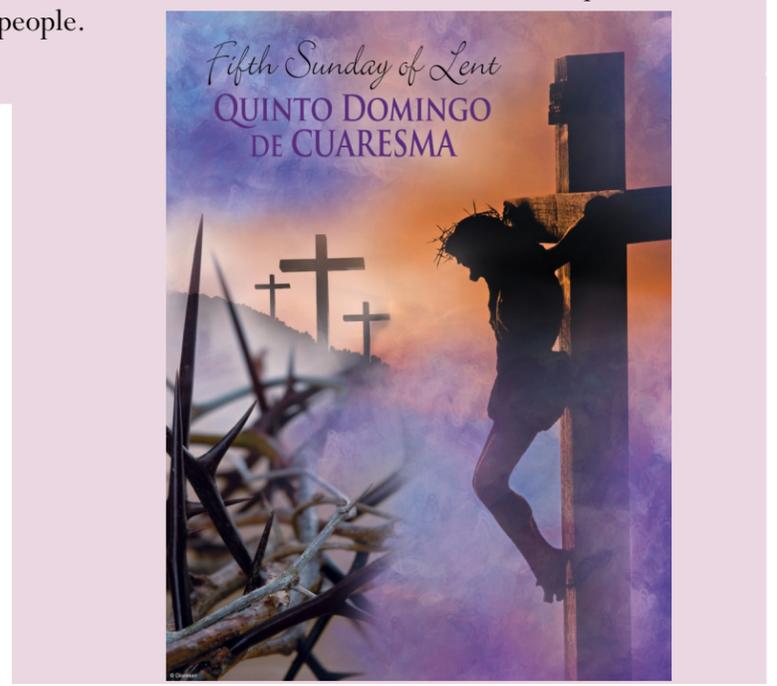
March 21st, 2021

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Saturday	8:00am 4:00pm
Sabado	6:00pm español
Sunday	10:30 am
Domingo	12:00 pm español
Weekdays	8:00 am

Holy Days

English	8:00 am
Español	6:00 pm

First Friday

Holy Hour	4:00 pm
Mass	5:00 pm

Sacraments

Confession: Sat. 3:00pm-3:30pm / Wed. 3:00-4:00pm-Spanish
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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Exposicion del Santisimo: Due to the pandemic we are no longer exposing the Blessed Sacrament till further notice. / Debido a la pandemia el Santisimo no estara expuesto hasta nuevo aviso.
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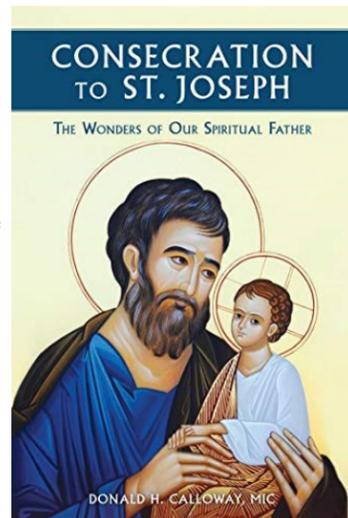
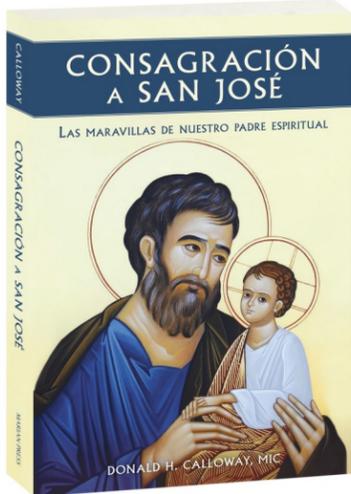
Jesus Christ has taken the lead on the way of the cross. He has suffered first. He does not drive us toward suffering but shares it with us, wanting us to have life and to have it in abundance.

Pope John Paul II

Jesucristo ha tomado la iniciativa en el camino de la cruz. Ha sufrido primero. Él no nos impulsa hacia el sufrimiento, sino que lo comparte con nosotros, queriendo que tengamos vida y que la tengamos en abundancia.

Papa Juan Pablo II

El Papa Francisco decretó el año 2021 "año de San José" "necesitamos defender el matrimonio y la familia elevar la moral y ganar almas para Jesucristo. Ahora es el tiempo de consagrarnos a San José, "Él es el terror de los demonios." Con su poderosa intercesión él nos ayudará a proteger, Cuidar y amar a nuestros hogares. El retiro de consagración a San José consta de 33 días, empezando marzo 30 para concluir el día 1 de mayo día de "San José obrero." Ese día, mayo primero, se celebrará una misa en honor de San José y en ella se hará la consagración para todas las personas que hayan hecho los 33 días del retiro espiritual a San José. El libro "consagración a San José" del padre Donald H. Calloway Nos guiará paso a paso. El retiro se puede hacer individualmente y en la intimidad de sus hogares y a la hora que cada uno tenga disponible. Para información llamar a José Amezcua al número 209-670-5531.



Pope Francis decreed the year 2021 "year of St. Joseph" "we need to defend marriage and the family to raise morale and gain souls for Jesus Christ. Now is the time to consecrate ourselves to St. Joseph, "He is the terror of demons." With his powerful intercession he will help us protect, care for and love our homes. The consecration retreat to San José consists of 33 days, starting March 30 to conclude on May 1st the day of "San José." That day, May first, a Mass will be held in honor of St. Joseph and it will consecrate for all those who have made the 33 days of the spiritual retreat to St. Joseph. The book "consecration to St. Joseph" by Father Donald H. Calloway will guide us step by step. This retreat can be made individually and in the privacy of your homes and at the time each one has available. For information call José Amezcua at 209-670-5531.



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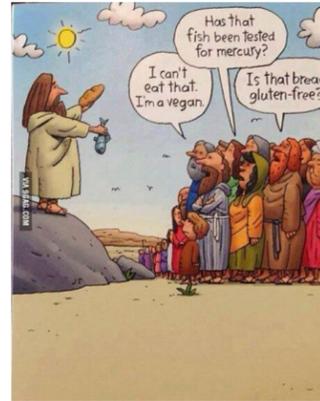
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The Ladies Guild has a request, we are selling Easter Lilies, if you would buy one to adorn the Altar on Easter, then take them home after mass. Limited Supply, so prepay today. To purchase a lily there will be a table outside front of church:

- Saturday, Mar. 20, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m.
- Sunday, Mar. 21, 10:15 to 12 noon.
- Saturday, Mar. 27, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, Mar. 28, 8:30 – 12:00 p.m.



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Msgr. Gus needs your help!:

Are you experienced in Information Technology Solutions? If you are, St Michael's could use your help with the challenges that we have in trying to update and upgrade our systems. Please contact Msgr. Gus or Deacon Ed if you are interested.

Divine Mercy, St. Faustina Quotes:

"Suffering is the greatest treasure on earth; it purifies the soul. In suffering we learn who our true friend is." (Diary 342) As the Light of Easter Glory lends joy to our Lenten labors we are called to conform ourselves to Christ in His bitter Passion. Through this union we might share also in His Easter Glory. every one of our sufferings and all redemptive graces. "I thank you, Jesus, Who first drank the cup of bitterness before You gave it to me, in a much milder form. I want to drink the cup to its last drop, and not seek to know the reason why... thank you, Jesus, for everything!" (Diary 343)

Faith Formation Corner:

Faith, Hope, Love – This is what I saw on the back of a pick-up truck on my way to Mass this morning. I had been struggling with what topic to address for this week; Faith, Hope, and Love was not on my spiritual radar. But today, the cross on the back of that truck with the words "Faith, Hope, & Love" struck a deep chord with me. It reminded me of a well known Scripture passage, "But now Faith, Hope, Love; abide these three, but the greatest of these is Love." (1 Corinthians 1:13:13)

Faith- I don't know if anyone is aware of this, except for the people who are there, but there is a small group of parishioners who attend Daily Mass. And these same parishioners come one hour before Mass to pray for the end to Covid 19. These faithful parishioners have been coming every morning at 7:00 am to pray for our faith community of St. Michael's. They begin with a prayer to our Blessed Mother, followed by the recitation of the Holy Rosary, the intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, a prayer of consecration to Mary, a prayer to end Covid 19, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the prayer to end the scourge of Abortion, a prayer of protection to St. Michael, and finally a closing from the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. I have to share that I am struck by their faithfulness and tenacity to continually call upon our God, through Jesus Christ and our Blessed Mother to put an end to the chaos and darkness that surrounds all of us.

Hope- I cannot explain what compels a person to such commitment, for every one has a reason. But I do know that whatever drives anyone to such important quiet activity must be the grace of hope in Christ, as He is the only one who can truly help. It follows, that not only are they driven by their faith – which is the belief in that which they hope for but cannot yet see, but they are also driven by the perpetual hope that is given to them by their faith. To break it down, their level of hope is a grace given to them to increase their faith, and the increased faith then fuels more hope, which then deepens their love for Christ, which then strengthens their faith and hope. And to top it off, they become signs of hope to the world!!! Not one of these faithful have ever boasted about their morning prayer rituals, I only report what I see in them, and yet I am attracted to them. I am attracted to them because as we deepen in faith, I believe we become more fully the face of Christ to the world.

Love – finally Love. I can see how Faith increases our Hope, and Hope increases our Faith, and both of this leads us into and draws us deeper into Love. That's what I see of these parishioners. That their Love for Christ is true, amidst all of their human weakness. They may be perceived by others, or feel toward themselves that they are weak, of no matter in the big scheme of life, but truly, they are so very strong, because they are graced with the strength that only loving Christ can give. I wonder if this is what is meant that "... hope does not disappoint because the love of God has been poured out, into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." (Romans 5:5) I wonder that those who go about their daily faith journey, quietly, never to be noticed, no "drama" type of people, who wake up every morning to give presence to that beautiful, broken body on the cross of life, I wonder if it is such as these who are the grace of love to the world. I know they are to me. So, my Sisters and Brothers, where are you in this triangle of Faith, Hope, and Love? I pray for you all three of these virtues. Blessings, Roz

Fifth Sunday of Lent

"If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting me to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

"El que quiera servirme," dice Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy, "que me siga, y donde yo esté, ahí estará también mi servidor. "De qué forma me está invitando Jesús a seguirlo a Él? ¿Qué servicio me está pidiendo Él?"

Mass Intentions for the Week Year B:

Saturday March 20th

8:00AM All Souls in Purgatory

4:00PM Barbara Schembari †
Bill & Marie Dollard †
Frank & Lillian Medina †
Masako Bertoch †
James & Angelita Mamaril †

6:00PM All Children in Purgatory
Mireya Sanchez (Intention)
Maria de Rosario Sandoval †
Carmen Castro †

Sunday March 21st

10:30AM Tony & Sally Vernale †
Christie Rees †
Sharon Lemos (Intention)
Lower level in Purgatory
Jose Juarez Jimenez †
Modesta Ipanag †
Eutequia Chan †
Teodola Cero †

12:00PM Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
Unborn Babies
Michel Negrete Family (Intention)
Jose Liborio (Intention)
Ruby Liborio (Intention)
Norma Liborio (Intention)
Nelson Liborio Jr. (Intention)
Eduardo Liborio (Intention)

Monday March 22nd

7:30AM Tom Bielejeski †
All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday March 23rd

8:00AM All who are suicidal
Cecilia Rios (Birthday)

Wednesday March 24th

8:00AM Unborn Babies
Jerard Reilley

Thursday March 25th

8:00AM Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

Friday March 26th

8:00AM Greta Herman †
Odetta Bonini (Birthday)

Saturday March 27th

8:00AM John & Christine Jackson †

4:00PM Virginia Gialogo †
Steve Montion Jr. †
Joao & Maria Ferreira †
John & Margarida Cotta †

6:00PM Mireya Sanchez (Intention)
Maria de Rosario Sandoval †
Carmen Castro †

Readings for the week:

Monday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Friday Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47or 15:1-39

Parish updates:

March 11, 2021- Pete Pimentel, brother of Barney Pimentel was laid to rest this day. Please pray for Barney, Cruz, and the entire Pimentel family that the Lord bring them peace during this difficult time.

March 14, 2021- Bishop's Ministry Appeal- Sr. Angela, at both English speaking Masses spoke about the necessity of the BMA in her work as the Director of Religious Education.

March 16, 2021 - New St. Michael's Website- Be sure to take a look at our new St. Michael's Website: stmichaelsparish.net, to get more current and up to date news and information about what's going on in our faith community!!!

March 18, 2021 – Msgr. Gus' mother, Virginia Gialogo was laid to rest. May her soul rest in peace and may the Lord continue his mercy and comfort for Msgr. Gus and his family.

March 18, 2021 – Bishop's Ministry Appeal Financial Update- GREAT NEWS!!! Thank-you to all of our parishioners!!!! We have come together, and increased our participation from **33 families on 03-04-2021 to 55 families currently reported as participating!!!!** Yay!!! We are definitely moving toward FULL Parish Participation!!!! In addition, due to the increased participation, we have increased our **One-Time Gifts and Pledge Payments from \$6,575.00 to \$15,025.00.** It cannot be emphasized enough how our individual participation and financial support returns to us in many other types of blessings for we cannot outgive our Lord. We continue to urge you to pray seriously about what the Lord is asking you to give, and how He is calling you to participate. We Thank-God ahead of time for your time and love.

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Thank you to all our parishioners who join us in person or live in Facebook in our Sunday Mass. Your presence is a true blessing. A special thank you to all who continue to give your weekly offertory during this hard time.



Palm Sunday Mass Schedule
 March 27th, Saturday
 4:00 pm -English
 6:00 pm -Spanish
 March 28th, Sunday
 7:30 am- English
 10:30 am- English
 12:00pm- Spanish

Actualizaciones Parroquiales:

11 de marzo de 2021- Pete Pimentel, hermano de Barney Pimentel, fue puesto a descansar este día. Por favor, oren por Barney, Cruz y toda la familia Pimentel para que el Señor les traiga paz durante este difícil momento.

14 de marzo de 2021- El Ministerio del Obispo Sr. Ángela, en ambas misas de habla inglés habló sobre la necesidad de la BMA en su trabajo como Directora de Educación Religiosa.

16 de marzo de 2021 - New St. Michael's Website- Asegúrese de echar un vistazo a nuestro nuevo sitio web de St. Michael: stmichaelsparish.net, para obtener noticias e información más actualizadas y actualizaciones sobre lo que está pasando en nuestra comunidad de fe!!!

18 de marzo de 2021 – La madre de monseñor Gus, Virginia Gialogo, fue puesta a descansar. Que su alma descanse en paz y que el Señor continúe su misericordia y consuelo para monseñor Gus y su familia.

18 de marzo de 2021 – Actualización financiera del Ministerio del Obispo BUENAS NOTICIAS!!! Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses!!!! Nos hemos reunido y aumentado nuestra participación de **33 familias en el 03-04-2021 a 55 familias que actualmente se reportan como participantes!!!!** ¡¡¡Yay!!! Definitivamente estamos avanzando hacia la participación parroquial completa!!!! Además, debido al aumento de la participación, hemos aumentado nuestros pagos **únicos de regalos y promesas de \$6,575.00 a \$15,025.00.** No se puede enfatizar lo suficiente cómo nuestra participación individual y apoyo financiero nos regresa en muchos otros tipos de bendiciones porque no podemos superar a nuestro Señor. Seguimos insistiéndoles a orar en serio acerca de lo que el Señor les está pidiendo que den, y cómo Él los está llamando a participar. Damos gracias a Dios con anticipación por su tiempo y amor.

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Gracias a todas las personas que nos acompañan en persona o virtualmente en Facebook a nuestras Misas del domingo. Su presencia es una verdadera bendición. Un agradecimiento especial a todos los que continúan dando su ofrenda semanal durante estos difíciles momentos.

Gospel Reflection:

John 12:20-33

Jesus teaches his disciples about the way in which he will be glorified by God, and a voice from heaven is heard to affirm this teaching. Today's Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of John. We are reading much further into John's Gospel than we have for the past two weeks. Chapter 12 of John's Gospel is a preparation for the beginning of the passion narrative to follow. Jesus has just raised Lazarus from the dead—an important sign in John's Gospel, which inspired many people to believe in Jesus. This event also marks the turning point in Jesus' conflict with the Jewish authorities. John's Gospel tells us that the Sanhedrin met after this event and made plans to kill Jesus. In the 12th chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus is anointed at Bethany and enters Jerusalem in triumph. We again see evidence of the significance of the raising of Lazarus to this event; John reports that the crowds also gathered to see Lazarus.

Following his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and Resurrection and prepared his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death would accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the

idea that his dying would be beneficial. He also taught that those who would be his disciples must follow his example of sacrifice. This theme will be repeated in John's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as an example of how they must serve one another.

The final section of today's Gospel might be read as John's parallel to the agony in the garden. Unlike the Synoptic Gospels, the Gospel of John does not record Jesus' anguished prayer in the garden of Gethsemane before his arrest. Although comparable words are found in today's reading, Jesus gives a confident response to the question he raises when asking God to save him from his impending death. After announcing his conviction that it is for this purpose that he came, a voice from heaven speaks, as if in answer to Jesus' prayer. This voice, like the one heard at Jesus' baptism and at Jesus' Transfiguration—events reported in the Synoptic Gospels but not in John's Gospel—affirms that God welcomes the sacrifice that Jesus will make on behalf of others. In John's Gospel, Jesus teaches that this voice was sent for the sake of those who would believe in him.

In today's Gospel, we also hear Jesus speak about the cosmic framework against which we are to understand his passion, death, and Resurrection.

Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus conquered Satan, the ruler of this world. In this way the world is judged, but the judgment is not condemnation. Instead, through Jesus' dying and rising, salvation is brought to the world.

Family Connection:

Family life is often a balancing act in which we prioritize and attend to a variety of competing needs. We learn the value of putting others' needs ahead of our own. In family life we also learn that when we make personal sacrifices to serve others, we gain so much more than we may have lost.

As you gather as a family, talk about how important it is to your family life to gladly serve one another. Ask each person to consider the last time that another family member asked for help. What was your response? Did you cheerfully try to honor the request, or did you ask "Why me?" Read today's Gospel, John 12:20-33. How do you think Jesus would want us to respond when someone in our family asks for help? Invite each family member to make a commitment for the next week to try to respond cheerfully to requests for help.

Pray together, asking God's help with this commitment. Pray the Prayer of Saint Ignatius of Loyola.

Dear Lord, we lift to You our concern for people who are more likely than others to become severely ill from COVID-19 — the elderly and people with chronic health conditions. Protect them from harm and be their comfort in this time of uncertainty and, for many, preventive isolation from loved ones.

Querido Señor, te elevamos nuestra preocupación por las personas que tienen más probabilidades que otras de enfermarse gravemente por el COVID-19 de los ancianos y las personas con enfermedades crónicas. Protéjalos del daño y sea su consuelo en este tiempo de incertidumbre y, para muchos, aislamiento preventivo de sus seres queridos.

Prayers for the Sick Crystal Garcia, Christopher Luis Salcedo, Jaime Kerr, Teresa Brown, Valerie, Angela McCrady, Ramon Ochoa, Izzy Lowndes, Martha Gelsomini, Efrain Gonzalez Perez, Agustin Fua, Ma Lourdes Q. Fua, Ian Brodie, Juan Silva, Cynthia Diaz, Jim Ptack, Ruth Huber, Sharon Lemos, Robert Ortega, Fakava Liuaki, Rosa Denoso, Maria Fuentes de Ponce, Juanita Bague, Cody Bruner, Valdo Lopez, Sr., Kristi Martin, Bob Foppiano, Skip Bowe, Dieter Grabis, Anthony Gonzalez, Lillian Bava, Helen Leismer, Jim Perkins, Duke T., Pedro Galagn, Ruth Hawley, Martin Olivas, Avery Piacentini, Lolo Murry, Rosa Maria Santos, Merle Bowmen, Marie Parra, Cali Vanni, Harold "Gi" Raggio, Mark Fernandez, Corey Bowerman, Estela Flores, Vanessa Sanchez, Cathy Westphal, Pedro Alvarez, Valeti Fakava, Linda Bosche, Lourdes Parada, Matt Lemos, Jose Fuentes, Raymond Fuentes, Kasandra Nicole Valenzuela, Stella Mia Baez, Kelly Roddy, Pat Harris, Tom Seesing, Lynda Ripley, Shawn Arnell, Louis Rivera & Sal Castellon, Angela Montion, Yolanda Salazar Gomez, George Midwin, Julianna Mandalotti-Midwin, Tina Mandalotti-Rouse, Harold Rouse, Tony Infantino, Lil Bova-Ayrton, David Ayrton, Bob Hermann, Susie Tunkle **Please call the office to add or remove your loved ones name .**