

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 14, 2016
JESUS AND THE DEVIL**

The devil tempted Jesus by quoting scripture, as today's Gospel reminds us. Try a self-serving miracle. Try selling out. Try dazzling the audience; people are gullible, after all. Try all these easy ways. The tempter tries to urge Jesus onto the slippery slope, attempts the old soft-soap, the snake-oil solutions that are always readily at hand. The devil knows better, but is powerless to do better, much less be better. The devil is evil personified, who senses in Jesus the stronger, truly attractive presence of holiness.

Evil is exposed and engaged, we are reminded in this Sunday's Gospel. Evil knows the jig is up. The undoing of lies begins with Jesus, who takes up the work of soul-healing and world-healing. This Lent, the Church invites us to enter into this renewing, re-creative work and be made whole again.

TODAY'S READINGS

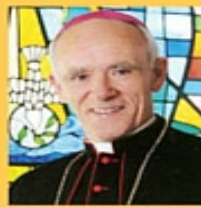
First Reading — The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (**Deuteronomy 26:4-10**).

Psalms — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (**Psalms 91**).

Second Reading — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (**Romans 10:8-13**).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (**Luke 4:1-13**).

Parish Mission 2016



Save The Date
March 14th-16th
8:30am & 6:00pm

Featuring Bishop
Edmond Carmody

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36



AN INVITATION TO THE RITE OF SENDING

This Sunday, Feb. 14th, at the 10am Mass, we will be having the Rite of Sending for our catechumens & candidates who are going through the RCIA process. During this Rite, we publicly state that these men & women are prepared to attend the Rite of Election at 3:30pm at St. Joseph's Church and be formally greeted by Bishop Estevez. Please join us for refreshments in the parish hall immediately after Mass to celebrate this important day with them.

NEED TO BE CONFIRMED?

If you are an adult Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist but have yet to be confirmed, the 6 week adult confirmation class will begin on Wednesday, Feb. 24th, at 6:30pm. in the second floor teacher's lounge at St. Michael's Academy.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** First Sunday of Lent; Valentine's Day; World Marriage Day
- Monday:** Presidents' Day
- Wednesday:** The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
- Friday:** Abstinence



THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, FEB. 22nd IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS DAY





LENTE TAIZE' SONG & PRAYER SERVICE

Taize' prayer is a quiet and easy way of prayer service designed for people of all Christian faith traditions. It is a short 35 minute service that includes simple songs/chants sung repeatedly, a short period of silence for reflection, a scripture reading and prayers of praise and intercession.

Taize' started in WWII by the monastic community from Taize', France and continues to this day. St. Michael Taize' ensemble invites you to begin Lent by resting in the Lord and feel the power of His love by attending our communal song/prayer on Monday, February 15th at 7 pm in the church. All are welcome; please come and bring a friend.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today Lent begins. Ash Wednesday initiates the forty days of the Lenten fast, but since Sundays are not tallied in the days of fasting, today is the solemn opening of the forty days of Lent. The Church has work to do today, principally the calling forward of those chosen (the proper word is elected) for the Easter sacraments. Some of those who have been catechumens may now make a transition to a new way of life as the "elect." For them, this Lent will be a time of "purification" and "enlightenment." For us who accompany them, it is a time of helping them discern God's call and prepare for new life.

This year, while the readings from the third year of the Lectionary cycle are usually read, they are set aside on certain Sundays for the benefit of the elect. We turn then to the readings from Year A, and we give those who journey to the font of baptism three extraordinary companions. In the Gospels for those days, we meet the woman of Samaria and the man born blind, and we come to the tomb of Lazarus three days after his death. Many bishops celebrate the Rite of Election on or near today, affirming God's choice for these new faithful, and also offering them the solidarity of many companions. In 2013, over 38,000 adults entered the baptismal waters in the United States, a remarkable testimony to the vigor of our tradition of receiving and nurturing adult faith.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross are on Fridays at 6:00pm.

LENTE MEAL

After Stations of the Cross, a Lenten Meal will be served at 6:45pm in the Parish Hall. Adults—\$8.00, Children under 12—\$5.00. Carry Out's will be available.

FEBRUARY BLOOD DRIVES

- Mon. Feb 8th**, 3 pm – 7 pm, Yulee Elementary school, 86083 Felmor Rd. Yulee
- Tues. Feb 9th**, 7 am – 11 am, WestRock paper mill, 600 North 8th St.
- Wed. Feb 10th**, 10 am – 2 pm, CBC National Bank, 1891 South 14th St.
- Wed. Feb 17th**, 10 am – 2 pm, Rotary Club, 31 South. 4th St. near the Florida House Inn
- Sat. Feb 20th**, 9 am – 3 pm, Fernandina Pirates Club, 869 Sadler Rd, at the Loop Pizzeria
- Tues. Feb 23rd**, 9 am – 1 pm, Nassau Sheriff, 76001 Bobby Moore Circle, Yulee
- Wed. Feb 24th**, 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm, Baptist Medical Center, 1250 South 18th St.

Please remember to make your donation using the St Michael's parish donor number 1674.



FLORIDA EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS Sponsored by the Diocese of St. Augustine

March 11 @ 5:00 PM - March 12 @ 4:00 PM
Prime F. Osborn III Convention Center
Jacksonville, FL

FEATURED SPEAKERS

- Oscar Cardinal Rodriguez Maradiaga
- Wilton D. Gregory, Archbishop of Atlanta
- Leah Darrow—Catholic author & speaker
- Chris Stefanick—RealLifeCatholic.com

Grounds and Building Maintenance

Seeking Full Time Grounds and Buildings Maintenance Personnel

Diocesan Background Check Required

Submit Resume and References To:

wedwards@stmichaelscatholic.com



**GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROUS OFFERING!**

Registered Families	1612	February 7 2016
Offertory		\$20,038.57
Children's Collection		44.00
On Line Giving 1/24, 1/31, 2/7		\$10,119.40
Catholic Relief Collection		2,914.00
Additional Collections for month of January:		
Retired Religious		10.00
Immaculate Conception		10.00
Diocesan Education		10.00
Archdiocese Military		10.00
All Saints		10.00
World Missions		10.00
Catholic Communications		10.00
Assumption		10.00
Home Missions		10.00
Peter's Pence		10.00
Special Missions		10.00

The **SECOND COLLECTION** this weekend is for the Eastern European Churches.



**ENJOY THE
CONVENIENCE OF
ELECTRONIC GIVING**

St. Michael Catholic Church
wants to remind you that we

offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

Direct Debit Giving is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account.

Credit & Debit Card Giving lets you make offerings automatically on a pre-determined schedule using a credit or debit card.

Online Giving lets you go to www.stmichaelscatholic.com at any time to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history.

As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.



- Sat. Feb. 13 (5pm) Anne Mailey by the Flynn Family
- Sat. Feb. 13 (7pm) Spanish Mass
- Sun. Feb. 14 (8am) Edith Cooney by J. Michael & Carole Minogue
- Sun. Feb. 14 (10am) Parishioners of St. Michael
- Sun Feb.14 (12noon) Carol Schmelzer by John & Diane Svela
- Mon.Feb.15(8:30am)David & Louise Vacarezzo by Carolyn Miles
- Tues. Feb. 16 (6pm) Rocco Volpoe by Donna Walters
- Wed.Feb. 17(8:30am)Rita Luce by the Hanner family
- Thurs.Feb.18(8:30am)Robert Bernard by Nancy Ryan
- Fri.Feb.19(8:30am) Sally Byrnes Houser by Jan & Jan Smith
- Sat.Feb. 20 (5:00pm)SPECIAL INTENTION for Bob & Diane Monti by Jerry & Marcia Simmons
- Sun. Feb. 21 (8am) Parishioners of St. Michael
- Sun. Feb. 21 (10am) Gayle Gower by Mark & Holly Pollack
- Sun. Feb. 21(12noon)Erin Ryan by the Ryan family

Please pray for the sick and all requests in our Prayer Request Book. Please pray for the repose of the souls of Fred Fedorko, Joseph Reamer, Elizabeth Barry, John Karsko and Frank James Bader, brother of Linda Bader. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

TRUE LOVE

For God so lo **V**ed the world.
That He g **A**ve
His on **L**y
Begott **E**n
So **N**
That whosever
Believeth **I**n Him
Should **N**ot perish,
But have **E**verlasting life."
John 3:16

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Rev. Jose Kallukalam, Pastor
Visiting Priest: Rev. Gerard O'Shea
Deacon Art Treadwell

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Masses: 5:00 pm
7:00 pm (Spanish Mass)

Sunday Masses- 8:00 am—10:00 am—12:00 noon

Confessions:
Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm or by appointment

Daily Masses: 8:30 am Mon., Wed., Thurs., & Fri.
6:00 pm Tues.

Holy Days Vigil: 6:00 pm
Holy Day 8:30 am & 6:00 pm

MINISTRY TO SICK & HOMEBOUND

Weekly visits and monthly Communion Services are held at Savannah Grand, Quality Health Care and Jane Adams House. Visits by Priest or Extraordinary Minister can be arranged by calling 261-3472.

MATRIMONY

Marriage preparation for couples who wish to be married in a Catholic ceremony must meet with their parish priest at least eight months prior to the wedding date.

R.C.I.A.

For those seeking to learn more about the Catholic faith, call 261-3472.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Classes are available for grades 1—8. Sacrament preparation is available for Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Call the parish office, 261-3472.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Walt Edwards: 491-0180

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Denise Ziegler: 654-3855

ST. MICHAEL ACADEMY

Pre-K—Grade 8 Principal—Jackie Stewart
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St. Michael Catholic Church Mission Statement
We are the body of Christ at St. Michael's Parish, called to: Gather for Worship, Celebrate the Paschal Mysteries, Preach the Gospel, Minister to Others, Be Witnesses to the World.