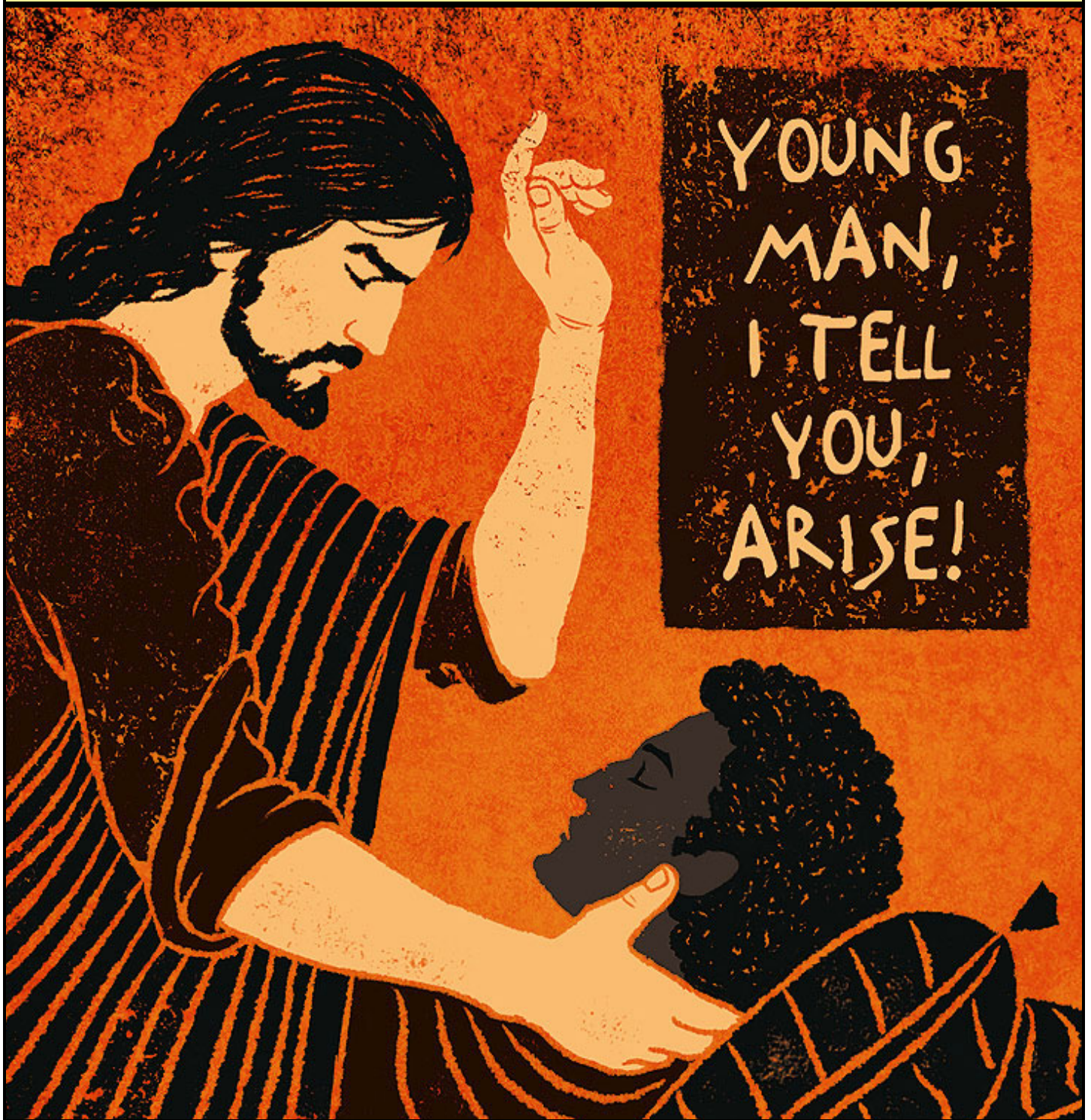


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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 5, 2016

HOPE AND LIFE

Today's readings tell the story of two widows. The first reading relates the plight of the widow with whom the prophet Elijah stayed; the Gospel tells about the widow of Nain. In each story, the widow's only son had died. For people who lived in those cultures, the son was the only support of a widow, and the carrying on of the family name by the son was equal to immortality. A widow whose only son has died could lose all hope.

Elijah and Jesus are the restorers of hope; they bring the sons back to life. Saint Paul was metaphorically raised from the dead when he experienced the conversion and call from God that he describes in today's second reading.

What are Christians called to do today? We may not be able to raise the dead, but perhaps we can rekindle hope for a single parent. We may not be able to convert a persecutor like Paul, but if we speak the gospel openly and gently with our lives, we might touch a life with the Good News.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Elijah revives the son of a widow (1 Kings 17:17-24).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — Paul explains God's call to him to preach to the Gentiles (Galatians 1:11-19).

Gospel — Jesus raises from the dead the son of a widow in the city of Nain (Luke 7:11-17).

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Unless Professor Einstein's theory of relativity can be translated into any useful kind of time-travel, most of our clues about life in the early church will have to come from ancient letters and ancient prayer texts. A prayer text from a dusty library may yield, for example, an understanding of what "presbyters" actually did. We have such a prayer from the early third century from the hand of Hippolytus of Rome. While our modern prayers derive a great deal from his, some of the practices of the ancient church have fallen away. In his day, bishops were chosen by the people, and the other bishops merely consented. Presbyters, by contrast, seem to have been chosen by the bishops. This makes sense, since it allowed the bishops to hand-pick their most trusted advisers.

It seems that bishops were at first reluctant to share their presiding at the Eucharist with presbyters. In fact, by the time of the fourth-century church's growth spurt in Rome, the bishop sent deacons out with fragments of the host from his Eucharist to drop into the chalices of the presbyters at the outlying eucharistic celebrations. We still have a vestige of this *fermentum* in the Mass today, a reminder of the early bishops' desire to give a powerful sign of the unity of all celebrations of the Eucharist with their ministry, and a clue to their reluctance to delegate a sacramental ministry to the presbyters.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121:1bc-8; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65:10-13; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36 — 8:3 [7:36-50]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Norbert
Thursday: St. Ephrem; Julian Calendar Ascension
Saturday: St. Barnabas; Shavuot (Jewish observance) begins at sundown

NEW MINISTRY TO BE FORMED

We are forming a new Ministry at St. Michael's for divorced/separated parishioners. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Mary Ramsey at: ramseym61@yahoo.com. An organizational meeting will be held in the next few weeks.



MISSION CO-OP APPEAL

On the weekend of June 18/19, Fr. Michael Shanahan of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts will be speaking to us about their missions in Japan, India, Indonesia, Tonga, Fiji and the Philippines. A world-recognized member of the Congregation is St. Damien, 'The Leper Priest of Moloka'i', who was canonized in October, 2009. For more information, you may visit www.sccc.org.

INTERFAITH DINNER NETWORK (IDN)

The next Interfaith Dinner Network signup meeting for July, August and September dinners will be held Wednesday June 8th at 7:00 in the parish hall.

All are welcome. Please bring your favorite beverage and snack for a brief meeting, signup and great fellowship. A perfect time to learn more about the IDN and join a wonderful ministry. Questions? Call Steve White at 904-206-6128.

SMILE FOR THE DAY

A little boy was overheard praying:

'Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it.

I'm having a good time like I am.'



ST. MICHAEL GIFT SHOP

*This is the new home of St. Michael's Gift Shop
224 North 5th Street
We encourage you to come and see our increased Inventory.*

*We just added "Tiny Saints Charms" (the coolest saint charms ever)
Assorted 7-day Chapel (Hurricane) Candles, Rosaries, Journals, Bibles,
Assorted Bracelets and other jewelry, Wall Plaques and Statues, Medals
and much more.....*

Our hours of operations are:

Sunday: 8:30AM to 1:30PM

Wednesday: 10:00AM to 4:00PM

Friday: 12:00PM to 3:00PM

Saturday: 4:30PM to 6:00PM



LENTEN MEAL AND MORE!

If you were unable to attend any of those delicious Lenten Meals--now is your chance! The St. Michael's CCW, Men's Club & Knights of Columbus are hosting an Italian dinner, including a "meatball challenge". Who has the best tasting meatballs at St. Michaels! We encourage your participation- please email if you'd like to join the fun!

Date: Saturday, June 25th

Time: 6:00 PM, immediately following Mass
Cost: \$8.00, including pasta, sausage, bread sticks, salad, dessert & soft drinks. Alcohol will be available for purchase.

Please RSVP for this dinner & the meatball challenge to: ramseym61@yahoo.com

'You changed my mourning into dancing;

O Lord, my God,

Forever will I give you thanks.

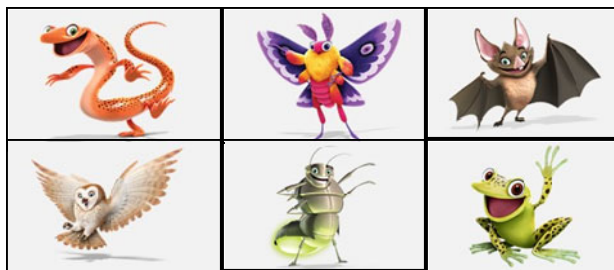
___ Psalm 30: 12,13



GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING!

Registered Families 1629	May 29, 2016
Offertory	\$16,029.99
On Line Offertory	1,285.00
Children's Collection	54.10
Debt Reduction	506.00
On Line Debt Reduction	275.00

THE SPECIAL COLLECTION ON JUNE 26, 2016 IS FOR PETER'S PENCE.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School: Only two more weeks before Sal, Mawtha, Radar, Olivia, Ray and Tadpole will be joining us for our **"Cave Quest Following Jesus "VBS"**.

We are excited to offer a Pre School program for 3,4 and 5 year olds that have not attended Kindergarten and regular VBS for grades 1-6. Registration has been made simple, just go to our parish website: www.stmichaelscatholic.com and click on the moving VBS picture. Click on the link for registration. **The dates are Monday, June 13th through Friday, June 17th.**

VBS starts at 5:30 and ends at 8:00 for Preschool and 8:15 for grades 1-6th. It will be held in the parish hall. Registration forms are also located in the parish office. This is a totally Catholic VBS and each day will be filled with Bible stories, Imagination Station, Sports and Games, **and a visit by our very own Spelunker!**



- Sat. June 4 (5pm) Ron Bannen by Peter & Annamae LePorin**
- Sun. June 5 (8am) Harvey Sibley by Mary Berger**
- Sun. June 5 (10am) Anne Hammer by Dan Hammer & family**
- Sun. June 5 (12noon) Parishioners of St. Michael**
- Mon. June 6(8:30am) Audrey Volpe by Pete & Gertie Malloy**
- Tues. June 7 (6pm) Frank & Anna Bonaddio by Mark & Marie Fenn**
- Wed. June 8(8:30am) Irma Burnett by Mary Mahoney**
- Thurs. June 9(8:30am) Special Intention for the Tim Dean family by Jeanne Dean**
- Fri. June 10(8:30am) Arthur Alvero by the Bayacal family**
- Sat. June 11 (5pm) Dick Keffer by John & Mary Elwell**
- Sun. June 12 (8am) Parishioners of St. Michael**
- Sun. June 12 (10am) Dick Keffer by St. Michael's K of C**
- Sun. June 12(12noon) Family of Mary Agnes Roberts by the family**

Please pray for the sick and all requests in our Prayer Request Book. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Jane Comey, sister-in-law of parishioner, Marge Comey, parishioner, Kathleen Klee, Patricia McAleavy, sister of former parishioner, Grace Joan Herbst, and Jim McDonald, brother of Sara Quinn. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm
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
Call 321-2102 for information
Email: smacad@smacad.org
Website: www.stmichaels-academy.org



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.