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Our Mission
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
And be Witnesses to the World.

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BE A ROCK

Peter’s history as a follower or friend of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn’t feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God’s power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter’s great profession of faith in Christ as Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But, most importantly, he also saw us at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the letter to the Romans points out to us today, we have not known the mind or the wisdom of God, but God knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation. Let us always strive to be solid ground on which the church of Jesus Christ can be founded and on which it can continue to be built.

CONFIRMATION

What is Confirmation?

Confirmation is a sacrament of Christian Initiation. Through Confirmation our baptismal grace is perfected, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, our faith is strengthened. Confirmation strengthens our bond with the Church and helps us bear witness to our faith in our words and actions.

The anointing of the forehead with chrism, a perfumed oil, “marks” the confirmed forever with the spiritual seal of the Holy Spirit, that is, the anointed is recognized as belonging to Christ and His Church. The spiritual and indelible mark, like that of Baptism, means that the sacrament can be conferred only once.

For more information, please call the parish office: 904-261-3472 or contact Lori Kennedy at: lkennedy@stmichaelscatholic.com.

Faith and Traditions

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer II is a popular choice for Mass since it is both simple in structure and short. It is written with a preface, which is the section after the dialogue “The Lord be with you . . . Lift up your hearts . . . Let us give thanks,” which introduces all the Eucharistic Prayers.

The preface states the reason for the eucharistic assembly on that occasion, and there are dozens of them covering almost every imaginable gathering for prayer, some specific to feasts, others for Masses for the dead or for other needs. The preface attached to the second Eucharistic Prayer may be dropped in favor of a more appropriate choice, especially one of the prefaces for weekdays.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal says that Eucharistic Prayer II is best suited for weekdays or “special circumstances.” In practice, however, it has become the common Sunday prayer in some churches because of its brevity and its comfortable familiarity. It also includes an optional phrase for adding the name of a deceased person remembered in the Mass, and therefore is often prayed at funerals.

Article 50 of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy specified that the rites are to be simplified and restored “to the vigor they had in the tradition of the Fathers.” The rebirth of this ancient Roman prayer is a worthy response to this call.
Liturgical Schedule (Intentions)

Saturday Aug. 26  5:00pm Gloria Goodell by the Goodell family

Sunday Aug. 27  8:00  Nick Spinks by Patrick & Suzy Sabadie

Sunday Aug. 27  10:00  Betty Ann Skura by Leo, Gary & Linda Skura

Sunday Aug. 27  12:00  Parishioners of St. Michael

Monday Aug. 28  8:30  Gladys Shripka by Harry & Donna Shripka

Tuesday Aug. 29  6:00pm Susan Williams by Richard & Katie Karr

Wednesday Aug. 30  8:30  Nancy Moody by Tom Moody

Thursday Aug. 31  8:30  Larry Dean by Jeanne Dean

Friday Sept. 1  8:30  Jayne Kayser by Paul Kayser

Saturday Sept 2  5:00  Special Intention of John & Marjorie Weaver’s 60th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday Sept. 3  8:00  Parishioners of St. Michael

Sunday Sept. 3  10:00  John Soller by Mary Soller

Sunday Sept. 3  12:00  Jim Ryan by Nancy Ryan

Please pray for the sick and all requests in our Prayer Request Book. Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner, Kathryn Nardi. May her soul and the soul of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Eliakim is destined by God to be a father to those who live in Jerusalem (Isaiah 22:19-23).

Psalm — Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — How deep are the riches and the wisdom and the knowledge of God! (Romans 11:33-36).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:  1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday:  1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday:  1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday:  1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday:  1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday:  1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday:  Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:  Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday:  St. Augustine

Tuesday:  The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Friday:  World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation;

First Friday Saturday:  Blessed Virgin Mary;
First Saturday
Coming Events

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2017

PARISH CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL

12:00PM MASS CELEBRATED BY THE MOST REVEREND BISHOP FELIPE ESTÉVEZ

PARISH MEAL IN HALL TO FOLLOW

RSVP to the office: 904-261-3472

ST. MICHAEL WOMENS GUILD and ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH

You are invited to attend a Morning of Reflection on Saturday, September 16th.

More details will follow. All women of the parish are invited.

Plan to bring a friend.

2017 WEDDING ANIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating a 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or more wedding anniversary between January 1—December 31, 2016 are invited to participate in the 2017 Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Felipe Estevez on Saturday, October 28,2017 at 1:00pm at Holy Family Catholic Church, 9800 Baymeadows Road in Jacksonville, FL.

Includes Mass and a reception—no cost to attend, but donations are appreciated.

Register at: www.dcfl.org or call: 904-551-2619 by October 20, 2017.

Ministry & Organization News and Announcements

Religious Formation

Faith: The Next Generation – Pass It On!

Boldly go where many have gone before and help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! This fall, our children and youth will sign up for Religious Formation in order to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. At this time, Catechists are needed. You can help by becoming a catechist for Faith Formation. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! As one long-time catechist put it, “I learn so much from the children!” We provide you with training, materials, and support.

Classes begin September 17th. They are held from 9:00 am to 9:45 am on Sunday mornings. If interested or for more information, contact the parish office at 904-261-3472 or email: lkennedy@stmichaelscatholic.com.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Beginning Sunday
September 17, 2017
at 10:00 am Mass

Recommended for Pre-School and older.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. MICHAEL CHURCH

If you are new to the area, or moved away and returned, we welcome you. We ask you to please register with St. Michael Church by stopping in the office, 505 Broome Street or contact the church office at 904-261-3472 or you may register on-line: www.stmichaelscatholic.com. We are updating our records so they are accurate. If your phone number, email address, or any other changes have been made in your family, please notify us. Thank you.
### Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, August 26, 2017**  
5:00 pm Mass  
Lector: Fulford  
Ushers: Southwick’s  
Extraordinary Ministers: Brooke, Lucey, Shripka’s, Smith, Walker, Walters  
Altar Servers: Alexander, Lucey, Smith

**Sunday, August 27, 2017**  
8:00 am Mass  
Lector: Hill  
Ushers: Lunt, Moore  
Extraordinary Ministers: Coleman, Cooper, Dean, Eby, Grubesky, Harbin, Stoner  
Altar Servers: Ramsey, Velazquez

**10:00 am Mass**  
Lector: McGowan  
Ushers: Holmes, Livingston  
Extraordinary Ministers: Amos, Caserta, Fuller, S. Schweitzer, Sciarini, Turner, White  
Altar Servers: Bogush, Davoli, Kilburn

**12:00 Mass**  
Lector: Mason  
Ushers: Clarke, Kebert  
Extraordinary Ministers: Bratton, Hippler, Howard, Pitts, Stoner, Svela, Tasso  
Altar Servers: Evatt, Hebert, Sellers

**Saturday, September 2, 2017**  
5:00 pm Mass  
Lector: Layman  
Ushers: Lauerman, Vieser  
Extraordinary Ministers: Elwell’s, Krohn’s, Sheppard  
Altar Servers: Brooke, Donovan,

**Sunday, September 3, 2017**  
8:00 am Mass  
Lector: Sechler  
Ushers: Young’s  
Extraordinary Ministers: Deacon Art, Balsamo’s, Dalton’s, Gosnell’s  
Altar Servers: Dalton, White

**10:00 am Mass**  
Lector: Freeman  
Ushers: Maddox, Martin  
Extraordinary Ministers: Anderson, Cantin, Izzo, M. Schweitzer, Seabrooke, Stoner, Tufaro  
Altar Servers: Avakian, Janzen

**12:00 Mass**  
Lector: Fenn  
Ushers: Miller’s  
Extraordinary Ministers: Lendry’s, Maddox, Mason, Trocino  
Altar Servers:...

### Financial Update

**Sunday, August 20, 2017**

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**2017 Q4 DEBT AND REPAYMENT AMOUNT**  
*(As of June 30, 2017)*

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Contact Walt Edwards today in the Parish Office at (904)261-3472
OUR PARISH IN ACTION

THANK YOU TO OUR PARISHIONERS FOR YOUR VOTES!!

Let us remember our Parish Renewal Motto:
From Good to Great.
Parish Directory

Pastor
Fr. Jose Kallukalam

Deacon
Deacon Art Treadwell

Parish Pastoral Council
Mr. Jake Gosa, Chairman

Parish Finance Council
Mr. Jan Smith, Chairman

Parish Staff
Jeanne Dean, Secretary
Lori Kennedy, Director Religious Education
Walt Edwards, Business Manager
Patty O’Neill, Bookkeeper
Denise Ziegler, Director of Music

Parish Office Hours
Monday—12noon—4pm
Tuesday—Friday—9am—4pm

Parish Phone
(904)261-3472

Emergency Phone
(904)277-6566

Parish Fax
(904)321-1901

Parish Website Address
www.stmichaelscatholic.com

St. Michael Academy
Dr. Chris Hampton, Principal

Parish Information

Would You Like to Join St. Michael Parish?

To join St. Michael Catholic Church and to register your email address, to receive parish information and updates, please chose one of the following:

Via Email—
lkennedy@stmichaelscatholic.com

Register Online—
www.stmichaelscatholic.com

By Phone -
(904)261-3472

In Person -
505 Broome Street, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

Ministry to Sick & Homebound
Please contact the Parish Office by email or by phone to arrange a visit from a Priest or Extraordinary Minister.

Baptism
Please contact the Parish Office by phone to arrange for a Baptism and requirements.

Matrimony
Couples seeking information on marriage preparation and available date should contact the Parish Office by email or by phone to meet with a priest at least eight months prior to the wedding date.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Persons interested in learning more about the Catholic faith are encouraged to contact the Parish Office by email or by phone for more information on our RCIA process.

Religious Formation
Persons interested in Adult, Youth or Young Adult formation programs should contact the Director of Religious Formation by phone or email at lkennedy@stmichaelscatholic.com.