

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
FEBRUARY 11, 2018



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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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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

GIVE GOD THE GLORY

A curious feature of the first half of Mark's Gospel is the pattern of Jesus working a miracle, then telling the recipient of the miracle to keep still about it. Many theories have been offered: Mark is setting the stage for the great "secret" revealed when Peter will proclaim Jesus the Messiah at Caesarea Philippi; more skeptical commentators offer that Jesus, fully aware of human nature, knew that the way to spread the news was to tell people to keep it secret. The insight into this secret-keeping that serves us well, however, is that Jesus was initiating his public ministry according to the pattern that Paul describes. He was doing it for the glory of God—not for his own benefit, but for that of all. Paul would later write in Philippians that Jesus "humbled" himself to become like us. And we see this humility at work in today's healing of the leper. Jesus is trying to reveal the presence of God's reign among the people, not so that he himself might receive the glory, but so that God would be glorified through him. Imitating this pattern, which Paul encourages the Jewish and Greek Christian factions in Corinth to do, still serves us well today.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and good Friday are days of fasting. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are permitted one full meal and two lesser meals per day (which together should not equal one full meal), with no eating between meals.

Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. Catholics who are 14 years or older should abstain from meat entirely. Soups and gravies made from meat are permitted.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

February 14, 2018 – 8:30am, 12:00noon, 6:00pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 6:00pm beginning February 16, February 23, March 2, March 9, March 16, March 23. Fish dinners will be served in the Parish Hall following the Stations.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

The Lenten Penance Service will be Tuesday, March 13th at 7:00 pm. Several priests will be available for confessions.

SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY

March 29th - 7:00 pm Mass followed with an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

GOOD FRIDAY

March 30th - 3:00 pm - the Reading of the Passion, Adoration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

7:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY – EASTER VIGIL

March 31st – 8:00 pm Mass

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

April 1st – 8:00 am Mass, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon.

Easter Sunday Masses are outdoors – please bring a chair.

Faith and Traditions

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's Gospel centers on the plight of a leper and Jesus' response of healing. In Hawaii, the bacterium that causes leprosy probably entered from China in the mid-1800s, and the native islanders were susceptible to the dreaded disease. In 1866, the government literally dumped the sufferers on a remote and virtually inaccessible island peninsula with towering cliffs. Thrown off ships into the sea, the sick people were told to swim for the beach and head for caves, and for seven years the only supplies were similarly cast into the sea to drift ashore. It was then, 1873, that a thirty-three-year-old Belgian priest, Damien de Veuster, went voluntarily to Kalaupapa. Before long, he cajoled the government into funding his mission and its hospital, built a village with proper homes and sanitation, and recruited Mother Marianne Cope to bring sisters from Syracuse, New York, to nurse the sick. Damien, who eventually died of leprosy, has been canonized, and Mother Marianne as well.

Although leprosy has been curable since the 1940s, today a few patients remain in their lifelong home, now a national historic site. The peninsula is still utterly isolated from the outside world, and the speed limit for the few cars there is 5 mph since there's nowhere to go! The hospital is still well-staffed and equipped, but access is regulated and visitors must take an official tour, often involving a descent down the cliffs by "Molakai mule." There are few places on earth that evoke the healing power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than Damien's beloved island mission. 2

Liturgical Schedule (Intentions)

Sat.	Feb. 10 5:00	Gary Snyder by Johnelle Snyder
Sun.	Feb. 11 8:00	Parishioners of St. Michael
Sun.	Feb. 11 10:00	Col. Richard Peacock by Charlie & Terri Turner
Sun.	Feb. 11 12:00	Mike Soucy by Don & Peggy Cooper
Mon.	Feb. 12 8:30	Jill Carmody by Doris Homan
Tues.	Feb. 13 6:00	Shawn Pound by St. Michael CCW
Wed.	Feb. 14 8:30	Betty Feener Davis by Tu & Kim Thu Doan
Wed.	Feb. 14 12:00	Orlando family by Jeanne Dean
Wed.	Feb. 14 6:00	Genevieve McManemon by Kris Herndon
Thurs.	Feb. 15 8:30	Christine Peacock by Charlie & Terri Turner
Fri.	Feb. 16 8:30	Pat Pfalzer by Doris Homan
Sat.	Feb. 17 5:00	Robert E. Matthews by Jim & Regina Lee
Sun.	Feb. 18 8:00	Genevieve McManemon by St. Michael Visitation Ministry
Sun.	Feb. 18 10:00	Mandy Stoffa by Nassau Community Band
Sun.	Feb. 18 12:00	Parishioners of St. Michael

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

Congratulations to John & Theresa Megna on their 60th Wedding Anniversary February 17, 2018!

The altar flowers next week end will be donated by John & Theresa in honor of their anniversary.

Daily Readings

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (**Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46**).

Psalm – I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (**Psalm 32**).

Second Reading – Do everything for the glory of God (**1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1**).

Gospel – The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (**Mark 1:40-45**).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76;

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19;

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;

2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2;

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6;

Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19;

Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6;

Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9;

1 Pt 3:18-22;

Mk 1:12-15

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; World Day of the Sick

Monday: Lincoln's Birthday

Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday: **Ash Wednesday**; Valentine's Day; **Fast and Abstinence**

Friday: **Abstinence**; Chinese New Year 4716

Saturday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Coming Events

RCIA – RITE OF SENDING

FEB. 18th 8:00 am MASS

Please join us as we "send" our catechumen, Jamie Valiani, and our candidates, Bonnie and Michael Gero, Andrea Londono, James Moore, and Suzanne Morse to be accepted and recognized by Bishop Estevez at the Rite of Election, at the Basilica in St. Augustine, at 2pm. During the Rite of Sending, we, and their sponsors, acknowledge that they are prepared to fully live the Catholic faith. Please continue to pray for them as they draw closer to receiving the Easter sacraments.

USHERS/GREETERS NEEDED

Would you like to help the Usher/Greeter Ministry at the Sunday Masses: **8:00, 10:00 and 12:00?** Please contact Kevin McCoy by phone if you can assist in this ministry : **904-583-2743**. Thank you.

GIFT BEARERS

If you would like to take the gifts of bread and wine at the Offertory during the weekend Masses, please let an usher know before Mass begins.

OUR LADY OF LA LECHE PILGRIMAGE

St. Michael Women's Guild is extending an invitation to all women of the parish to Our Lady of La Leche Pilgrimage in St. Augustine on Tuesday, Feb. 27th. Transportation is provided to and from St. Michael. We will tour the Shrine and grounds (where the first Mass was celebrated when arriving to Florida), attend noon Mass and end with a plated lunch. There will be time for Reconciliation and a visit to their Gift Shop before Mass. Cost is \$45.00 per person and seats are limited. Please contact the parish office or: stmichaelwomensguild@gmail.com .

Ministry & Organization News and Announcements

BISHOP'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

This week, we hope you will make a prayerful decision to pledge a gift to the 2018 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal. The theme of this year's Appeal invites us to give of our gifts, not halfheartedly, but joyfully. As good stewards of our gifts, we discover that giving and sharing of ourselves is how we express gratitude for all of our blessings.

Stewardship is an act of faith, and should be at the heart of our lives as faithful members of the Church. It means we are ready to recognize all that we are and all that we have are gifts from God. How will you respond today to all of the gifts He has given to you?

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED

A new "Living with Loss" support group is being formed to offer faith-based comfort to parishioners who are grieving the death of a loved one. This is not group therapy, but a lay-ministry support group grounded on faith and prayer. This group will meet at St. Michael's Parish Hall on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

For information and sign-up, please contact: Paula Nunimaker: 843-422-11996 or munie@gmail.com or Ann Drumm: 850-702-8163 or adrumm2@gmail.com.

ST. MICHAEL VISITATION MINISTRY

We are seeking parishioners who are willing to spend at least one hour a week visiting fellow parishioners who are homebound, in nursing homes, assisted-living homes and in the hospital. If you would like to become a part of this much needed and rewarding ministry, you will receive training that will prepare you to meet our fellow Catholics wherever they are in their life journey. Please call Marie: 904-699-6814, Peggy: 904-239-7173 or: stmichaelvisits@gmail.com.

PARKING IN FRONT OF CHURCH

As a courtesy, please leave the parking spaces in front of the church clear for handicap parishioners. Thank you.

Financial Update
Sunday, February 4, 2018

Registered Families	1651
Offertory	\$ 17,228.00
On Line Giving	\$ 1,449.40
Children's Collection	\$ 73.50
Debt Reduction	\$ 1,390.00
On Line Debt Reduction	\$ 175.00

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

Existing Debt/Notes Payable	\$1,481,712.00
4th Quarter Repayment	\$-164,057.00
(From "Debt Reduction" Donations)	
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Remaining Debt	\$1,317,655.00



ONLINE GIVING
ST. MICHAEL

<p>Benefits for You</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Check or ATM stops before church. Safe, secure and confidential Use your checking/savings account or credit/debit card Schedule recurring or one-time donations View your giving history online at anytime 	<p>Benefits for the Parish</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduces check processing times Allows staff more time to focus on ministries Provides giving history for tax statements Creates safety and security with data and financial transactions Reduces parish operating costs
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TODAY TO LEARN MORE

Contact Walt Edwards today in the Parish Office at (904)261-3472

ST. MICHAEL PARISH MISSION, 2018

St. Michael Annual Parish Mission will be Monday, March 12, Tuesday, March 13 and Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 8:30 am and at 7:00 pm. This year, Fr. Charles Coury, CSSR, a member of the Congregation of the most Holy Redeemer, will present the mission. The Lenten Penance Service will be on Tuesday evening Please plan to attend.

Ministry Schedule

Sat. Feb. 10, 2018	5:00 Mass
Lector	M. Schweitzer
Ushers	Shripka's
Extraordinary Ministers	Bass's, Socorro, Valazquez's, Walker, Walters
Altar Servers	Brady Massey, Ella Schoening, Tia Schoening
Sun. Feb. 11, 2018	8:00 Mass
Lector	Pulsinelli
Ushers	Young's
Extraordinary Ministers	Dalton's, Grubeskys, Kreger, Oden, Riegler, P. Sciarini
Altar Servers	Dalton, Oden
Lector	10:00 Mass
Ushers	J. Quinn
Extraordinary Ministers	Holmes, Martin
Altar Servers	Fuller, Gosa, Maddox, S. Schweitzer, Seabrooke, Turner, White
Lector	12:00 Mass
Ushers	Stoner
Extraordinary Ministers	Clark, Kebert
Altar Servers	Dean, Hippler, Howard, Janzen, Mason, Stoner
Sat. Feb. 17, 2018	5:00 Mass
Lector	Mackowski
Ushers	Spence family
Extraordinary Ministries	Fillion, Gosnell's, Murphy
Altar Servers	Katie Biagini, Mary Biagini, Joey Lucey
Sun. Feb. 18, 2018	8:00 Mass
Lector	Hill
Ushers	Lunt, Cardinale
Extraordinary Ministers	Balsamo's, Dean, Velazques', Walker
Altar Servers	Oden, Pulsinelli
Sun. Feb. 18, 2018	10:00 Mass
Lector	Light
Ushers	Livingston, Maddox
Extraordinary Ministers	Coleman, Izzo, Maddox, Murphy, Nordingler, Potochnik, M. Schweitzer
Altar Servers	Anthony Balsamo, Christopher Hampton, Will Robinson
Sun. Feb. 18, 2018	12:00 Mass
Lector	Bustabad
Ushers	Kebert, Oliver
Extraordinary Ministers	Bratton, Cantin, Caserta, Svela, Tasso
Altar Servers	Josie Kilburn, Elizabeth Springer, Emma Venerdi

OUR PARISH IN ACTION

YOUTH ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION DINNER—2018



Parish Directory

Pastor

Fr. Jose Kallukalam

Deacon

Deacon Art Treadwell

Weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 am

Tuesday: 6:00 pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon

Confessions:

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:45 pm or by appointment

Parish Pastoral Council

Mr. Jake Gosa, Chairman

Parish Finance Council

Mr. Jan Smith, Chairman

Parish Staff

Jeanne Dean, Secretary

Lori Kennedy, Director Religious Formation

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

Religious Formation

Adults – Sunday – 9am – 9:45am - Parish Hall

1st Grade – 7th Grade – 9:am – 9:45am

St. Michael Academy

Children's Liturgy of the Word

3 year olds – 7 year olds – during 10am Mass

St. Michael Academy

Dr. Chris Hampton, Principal

Academy Phone

(904)321-2102

Academy Website Address

www.smacad.org

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.