

Welcome to St. Michael Catholic Church

Parish Mission Statement

St. Michael's Catholic Church, a people of diverse cultures and backgrounds, are brought together by God through the Gospel and the teachings of the Church. Our mission is to make disciples of Christ through:

- Prayer and frequent celebration of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist.
- Sharing our faith and educating others about the Church.
- Living a life of continual conversion.
- Providing our children a strong Catholic upbringing.
- Giving comfort to those in need.
- Stewardship of our time, talent and treasure.
- Acting as the living presence of Christ in our world, building community and welcoming all.
- Empowering one another to share the Gospel through our words and by our actions.



We're glad to have you!

If you're new, welcome to the St. Michael's Parish Family!
If you haven't been here in awhile, welcome back!

St. Michael's is a small, close-knit parish family, always open to new & returning members.

There's no formal "registration" process; once you come here we consider you part of the family!

Check us out!

Shoot us a text, email or give us a call! Or visit us online at: www.smsebree.org, www.facebook.com/smsebree

Mass Intentions Available

If you would like to have a mass said for a loved one (living or deceased) you can put an envelope with the intention and date requested. In the collection or in the mail (the *suggested* donation per mass is \$5)

Parish Council Members

Connie Caldwell, Jim Hurtte, Devin Gibson, Jenny Glenn, Randy Thompson, Mila Mendoza, Kattia Angulo.



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Thanks to Those Who Shared Their Time & Talent

Thank you to everyone who have helped us keeping our buildings clean! Thanks to Felipe Domingo **Family** for cleaning the church last week, and Tomas & Mary for cleaning the gardens. Church Cleaners week of **10/07 to 10/11** to Miguel Juan Family.



MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Please pray for the sick members and friends of this parish, especially: Henry Adam, Matt Adams, Dcn Rene Amaya, Christa Bennett, Tyler Blandford, Tony Bess, Bobby Blanford, Cindy Bloodworth, Sabrina Blue, Charles Buchanan, William Buckman, Crystal Childress, Bonny Clark, Fany Cordon, Scott Coffman, Jim & Nelly Daughterly, Erica Daughterly, Leo Dickens, Shane Dickens, Rosie Edwards, Russell Edwards, Jennifer Ebelhar, Sr., Marty Eisten, David Ferriell, Anna Filbert, Keith Harpole, Jaime Harris, Dan Hawkins, Katelyn Hensley, Peggy Howell, Dora Jimenez, Donnie & Kathy Jones, Keith Kenney, Richard Kolodey, Roger & Debbie Lloyd, Pam McGraw, Brea Meadows, Jeff Meredith, Charlotte Moore, Carmen & Daryl Periard, Kathy Prough, Cenia J. Quintanilla, Pam Raleigh, Dave Shellabarger, Ruby Sparks, Annie Spillman, Veronica Spink, Burnetta Springfield, Vickie Tichenor, Gary & Nadine Trogden, Lynda Trogden, Dusty Utley, Richard Vowels, Doris Vowels, Johnny Wahl, Carter Wilkerson, Tony Whitledge, Tom Yancy

To make a prayer request, give an update, take someone off the list or sign up to receive urgent prayer requests visit

www.smseebree.org



God desires for us to love and be loved, as he loves.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, God creates a suitable partner for man, forming woman from his rib. In the second reading, the author writes about how Christ was, *for a little while*, made *lower than the angels* and therefore is not ashamed to call us brothers. In the Gospel, Jesus answers the Pharisees' question regarding the legality of divorce and reiterates the permanence of the marriage bond.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Oct 05 Sacristan: Jenny Glenn
Oct 06 Sacristan: Charles Buchanan
EM Mary Jane Hawkins
Lector Donna Dacy
Altar Server Voluntary

Oct 12 Sacristan: Gracia Alvery
Oct 13 Sacristan: Donna Dacy
EM Bobby Blanford
Lector Shawn Blanford
Altar Server Voluntary

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: [Gn 2:18-24](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6](#)
Reading II: [Heb 2:9-11](#)
Gospel: [Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12](#)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

5 Sat Weekday green/white/white/white [Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; USA: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest; BVM] Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24 (460)
6 SUN TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12 (140) Pss III
7 Mon Our Lady of the Rosary white Memorial Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37 (461) Pss Prop
8 Tue Weekday green Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42 (462)
9 Wed Weekday green/red/white [Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest] Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4 (463)
10 Thu Weekday green Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13 (464)
11 Fri Weekday green/white [Saint John XXIII, Pope] Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26 (465)

WORD OF LIFE

“Over the years, the FDA has bent the law and shown disregard for women’s health when it comes to chemical abortion. In 2000, mifepristone was first approved using an ‘accelerated’ review process that is supposed to be only for new drugs that treat serious illnesses and are better than existing treatments. But pregnancy is not an illness, and abortion drugs are riskier than surgical abortion.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Abortion Pills: The Basics”

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 09/29/2024	\$ 1,833.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 2,317.23
Year-to-date Total 13 of 52 Sundays	\$ 28,554.88
Budget YTD	\$ 30,123.99
Over/Under Collection	\$ -1,569.11

XXVII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME THE FAMILY



The readings for this Sunday make us reflect on the reality of families and values; values that come from the origins time when God created the man and woman. For this reflection I will take the Pope Francisco's words.

On the prayer vigil for the festival of families, the Pope Francis said: A young person once asked me –you know how young people ask hard questions! –“Father, what did God do before he created the world?” Believe me, I had a hard time answering that one. I told him what I am going to tell you now. Before he created the world, God was in love, because God is love. The love he had within himself, the love between the Father and the Son, in the Holy Spirit, was so great, so overflowing – I'm not sure if this is theologically precise, but you will get what I am saying – that love was so great that God could not be selfish. He had to go out from himself, in order to have someone to love outside of himself. So God created the world. God made this wonderful world in which we live and which, since we are not too smart, we are now in the process of destroying. But the most beautiful thing God made – so the Bible tells us –was the family. He created man and woman. And he gave them everything. He entrusted the world to them: “Grow, multiply, cultivate the earth, make it bear fruit, let it grow”. All the love he put into that marvelous creation, he entrusted to a family”.

The Pope continued said: “But let's go back. When the man and his wife went astray and walked away from God, God did not leave them alone. Such was his love. So great was his love that he began to walk with mankind, he began to walk alongside his people, until the right time came and then he gave the greatest demonstration of love: his Son”.

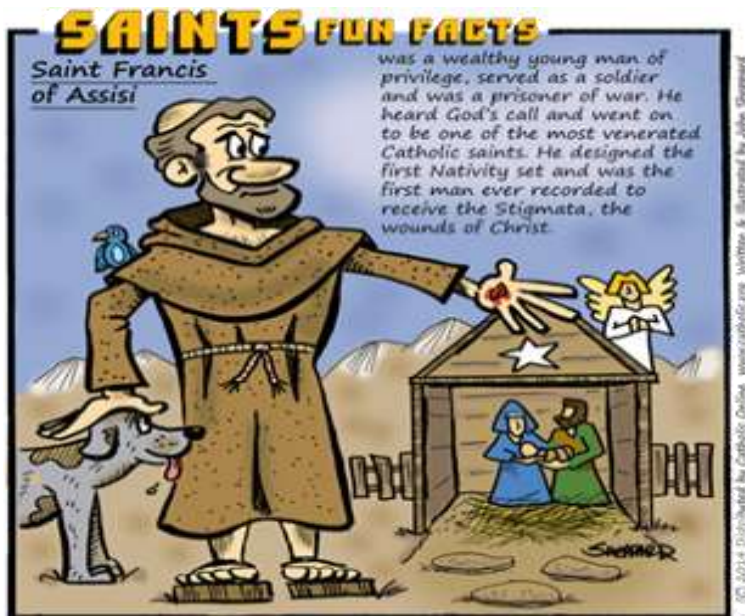
Pope makes two strong claims: “we are not too smart, we are now in the process of destroying (the world) ... When the man and his wife went astray and walked away from God”. Our world is undergoing major destruction in many ways: the nature, the families, and the values. Our families suffering divide so easily and the children are suffering the spouse's separation. The spouses are often so involved in their egos and can't see the damage they cause. Many of these ex-husbands blame many of those around them but never see that they are wrong. When God is no there, the devil leads to destruction the world and the families.

Again, the Pope Francis is who shines us with his message: “We are celebrating the festival of families. The family has a divine identity card. Do you see what I mean? God gave the family an identity card, so that families could be places in our world where his truth, love and beauty could continue to take root and grow. Some of you may say to me: “Father, you can say that because you're not married!”. Certainly, in the family there are difficulties. In families we argue. In families sometimes we throw dishes. In families children cause headaches. I'm not going to say

anything about mothers-in-law! Families always, always, have crosses. Always. Because the love of God, the Son of God, also asked us to follow him along this way. But in families also, the cross is followed by resurrection, because there too the Son of God leads us. So the family is – if you excuse the word – a workshop of hope, of the hope of life and resurrection, since God was the one who opened this path. Then too, there are children. Children are hard work. When we were children, we were hard work. Sometimes back home I see some of my staff who come to work with rings under their eyes. They have a one- or two-month-old baby. And I ask them: “Didn't you get any sleep?” And they say: “No, the baby cried all night”. In families, there are difficulties, but those difficulties are resolved by love. Hatred doesn't resolve any difficulty. Divided hearts do not resolve difficulties. Only love is capable of resolving difficulty. Love is a celebration, love is joy, love is perseverance.”

The Pope concluded by saying: “In the family, sometimes there is fighting. The husband argues with the wife; they get upset with each other, or children get upset with their parents. May I offer a bit of advice: never end the day without making peace in the family. In the family the day cannot end in fighting. May God bless you. May God give you strength. May God inspire you to keep moving forward. Let us care for the family. Let us defend the family, because there our future is at stake. Thank you. God bless you, and please pray for me”.

https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2015/september/documents/papa-francesco_20150926_usa-festa-famiglie.html



SAFE ENVIRONMENT

To report suspected abuse, contact the Cabinet for Health and Family Services by calling their Child/Adult Abuse Hotline at their toll-free number 877-KYSAFE1 (877-597-2331) or by visiting [their website](#). You may also contact your local

Commonwealth Attorney. To

report abuse, current or past, to the diocese, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, please call our pastoral assistance coordinator, **Scott Ingram, at 270-852-8380 (English)** and **Miguel Quintanilla, 270-880-8360 (Spanish)**.

Here's What's Happening:

SPANISH MATRIMONY

Meeting Tuesday 10/29 at 7:30pm

YOUTH GROUP

No meeting next Fridays 10/11(Fall Break).

RELIGIOUS CLASSES!

This week we will not have classes due to fall break, we return on Wednesday the 16th at 5:30pm to 7pm (1st Communion, Candidates to Confirmation)

BIBLE STUDY

Meeting **Tuesdays at 10:00am** we will be studying "Matthew the King and His Kingdom." If you are interested in joining please let Mary Jane or Gracia know so they can order the study guide.

COUNCIL MEETING

We will have our next council meeting on 10/15 at 6:00pm.



HAPPY ANIVERSARY!

10/10/1987 Artemio & Maria G. Barco

Mass Intentions October 5-13

Sat.	English	5pm	+Miguel Campos
	Akateco	7:30pm	Parishioners
Sun.	English	10am	Lus de Luz
	Spanish	12pm	Odilia Eloina Campos
Mon.	English	9am	No Mass
Tues.	English	9am	No Mass
Wed.	Spanish	12pm	No Mass
Thurs	Spanish	7pm	No Mass
Sat.	English	5pm	+Amy Roberts
	Akateco	7:30pm	Parishioners
Sun.	English	10am	Rev. Bobby Joe Williams
	Spanish	12pm	Francisco Felipe Juan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

10/5 Jessica Ramirez.
10/6 Alex Aguilar,
Fernando Miguel Miguel.
10/8 María Francisco, Luz De la Luz.
10/9 Rubén Francisco Juan.
10/10 Gavin Aguilar.
10/11 Emilio José Pascual.



ST. MICHAEL FESTIVALS

Thanks Everyone for all your support, help and shares, really this will no be possible with out you. One more time we can see we are only one community.

THE COMMUNITY OF SAN
MICHAEL.



Synod Briefing: Assembly fasting and praying for peace on 7 October

Father Costa: Working Groups as "laboratories" of synodal life

Likewise, Father Costa reiterated Pope Francis' reminder that the Synod "is not a parliament," but a place for listening and communion. He stressed that this is not just a rhetorical statement but a lived experience, noting the joyful and profound atmosphere in the hall.

Fr. Costa encouraged viewing the Study Groups as "laboratories of synodal life" open to contributions from all the faithful, with input being accepted until June 2025.

These groups, he noted, are not closed committees but collaborative spaces where the Church learns to work together. Their mission is to conduct "mini" synodal processes on topics linked to, but not identical to, those in the Synod's working document.

Methodology shifts from 2023 to 2024

Father Costa explained the difference between the First and Second Synodal Sessions.

In 2023, he recalled, the goal was to listen to diverse perspectives—"stories of the Church" that needed to emerge. In 2024, however, he observed, the Assembly's role is to offer the Pope orientations as the fruit of the journey taken so far, aiming to foster harmony without creating uniformity.

"The method now," he pointed out, "helps to identify key points for deeper analysis through a 'spiritual conversation,' while leaving space open "for further exploration, avoiding any rigid conclusions."

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2024-10/first-press-conference-second-session-synod-synodality.html>