

# 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](http://www.smsebree.org), [www.facebook.com/smsebree](http://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.

October 27, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mk 10:46-52

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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 Maria Quintanilla Family for cleaning the church last week, and Thanks KoC for mowing the lawn.  
Church Cleaners week of 10/28 to 11/01.  
To Dc. Baltazar Family.

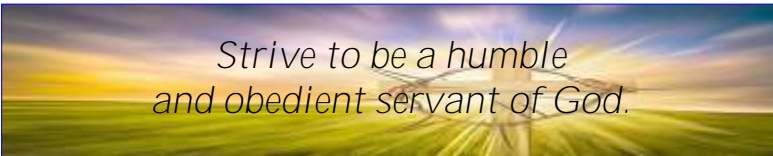


**MINISTRY OF PRAYER**

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, Leo Dickens, Shane Dickens, Rosie Edwads, 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, Zoey Nash, Carmen & Daryl Periard, Kathy Prough, Cenia J. Quintanilla, Pam Raleigh, Dave Shellabarger, Ruby Sparks, Annie Spillman, Veronica Spink, Burnetta Springfield, Lea Sugg, 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](http://www.smseebree.org)



*Strive to be a humble  
and obedient servant of God.*

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*Paul writes to the Ephesians that one's obedience to God on earth should be reflected in honoring one's parents and in how masters and slaves treat one another. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his audience to strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many ... will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.*

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**Oct 26** Sacristan: Connie Caldwell  
**Oct 27** Sacristan: KoC  
EM KoC  
Lector KoC  
Altar Server KoC

**Nov 02** Sacristan: David Glenn  
**Nov 03** Sacristan: Donna Dacy  
EM Janie Tanner  
Lector Matthew Duncan  
Altar Server Volunteer

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**Reading I:** [Jer 31:7-9](#)  
**Responsorial Psalm:** [126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6](#)  
**Reading II:** [Heb 5:1-6](#)  
**Gospel:** [Mk 10:46-52](#)

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**26 Sat Weekday** green/white [BVM] Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9 (478) 39  
**27 SUN THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** green Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52 (149) Pss II  
**28 Mon Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles** red Feast Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16 (666) Pss Prop  
**29 Tue Weekday** green Eph 5:21-33/Lk 13:18-21 (480)  
**30 Wed Weekday** green Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30 (481)  
**31 Thu Weekday** green Eph 6:10-20/Lk 13:31-35  
**1 Fri ALL SAINTS** white Solemnity [**Holyday of Obligation**]  
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a (667) Pss Prop

**WORD OF LIFE**

“The witness of our Blessed Mother [in the Gospel account of her visit to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth,] invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. ...Mary’s witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to make haste to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Called to Serve Moms in Need [respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection](http://respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection).

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 10/20/2024	\$ 1,713.65
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 2,317.23
Year-to-date Total 16 of 52 Sundays	\$ 34,302.17
Budget YTD	\$ 37,075.68
Over/Under Collection	\$ -2,773.51





## XXX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ENCOUNTERING GOD

The readings for this Sunday help us to reflect on encountering God. The three readings narrate three distinct encounters, in distinct times, but they all make us think about the relationship between us and God.

In the first reading, the prophet Jeremiah motivates the people after the captivity of Babylonia and invites them to rejoice. He encourages them by reminding them that God is their father, that he will guide them and bring them to Jerusalem on a level road so that none shall **stumble: “The LORD has delivered his people, the remnant of Israel... For I am a father to Israel, Ephraim is my first-born.” (Jer 31:7b.9b)** It is also good to remember the Responsorial Psalm from today, it is the Canticle of the pilgrims, who after being freed from so much suffering, walk joyfully toward Jerusalem filled with laughter and rejoicing: **“The LORD has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.” (Ps 126: 3)**

The second reading from the letter to the Hebrews makes us reflect on an encounter which is much more intimate and personal, and many times forgotten and sometimes feared, the encounter with the Father through the Sacrament of Penance. In the confessional we obtain the pardon of sins by the priestly ministry of men, priests who are still **human, and so are “able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness.” (Heb 5:2)**

I want to take a moment to reflect on the priesthood, which is a privilege because is a gift from God. Since its origins it is a ministry with a very specific mission and task: the reason it exists is to establish a relationship between God and men, between the invisible and the visible, between holiness and weakness, in a word to be a bridge between God and men. Today we priests need to turn our eyes to this thought from the letter to the Hebrews, to recuperate and live out faithfully our vocation: commitment, mission and service. But I ask all of you, my brothers and sisters, for your prayers for each one of us priests that we can continue in our vocation.

Today’s gospel centers on the miracle that

Jesus performed on his way to Jerusalem, returning sight to a blind man. **“What do you want me to do for you?”** The blind man replied to him, **‘Master, I want to see.’** Jesus told him, **‘Go your way; your faith has saved you.’** Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.” (Mk 10:51-52) This gospel passage is not limited to only a commentary on the healing action of Jesus, rather it goes further by showing him the way to follow. Most eye diseases at that time had little hope of a cure, and so the destiny of the patients was very difficult. Generally the only thing they could do was beg which would only add to their internal anguish because of their situation. That is why in those days blind people represented misery and human desperation. In the Gospel we hear about the encounter of a poor, marginalized man (Bartimaeus) who identifies with Jesus of Nazareth, **and when he is freed he commits himself to Jesus’ liberating project.**

These readings should help us to reflect on and question our relationship with God in such a way that it drives us to draw closer and closer to God, because remember by brothers and sisters that **“God has done great things for us”** and we should rejoice.

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez



## 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

Meeting, every Fridays at 5:00pm.

### RELIGIOUS CLASSES!

*Every Wednesday from 5:30pm to 7pm*

*(1st Communion, Candidates to Confirmation)*

*RCIA, candidates meet on Sat between masses.*

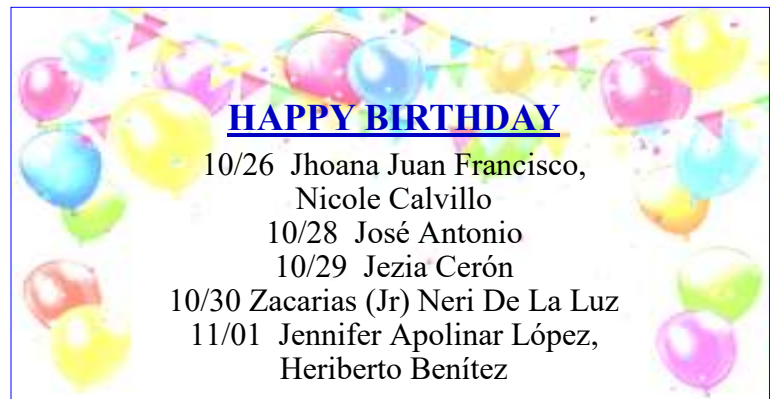
### BIBLE STUDY

Meeting **Tuesdays at 10:00am**, we started with the study of "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.



## Mass Intentions October 26 to November 03

Sat.	English	5pm	+Amy Roberts
	Akateco	7:30pm	Parishioners
Sun.	English	10am	+Rev. Bobby Joe Williamson
	Spanish	12pm	Mary Jane Blandford
Mon.	English	9am	Bob Warren
Tues.	English	9am	Kim Simmons
Wed.	Spanish	12pm	Dora Jimenez
Thurs	Spanish	7pm	Francisco Felipe Juan
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Bilingual</b>	<b>12pm</b>	Tom Yancy
	<b>English</b>	<b>6pm</b>	Mary Jane Blandford
	<b>Spanish</b>	<b>7pm</b>	Bernie Mattingly
Sat.	English	5pm	+Rev. Bobby Joe Williamson
	Akateco	7:30pm	Juan Pascal
Sun.	English	10am	Parishioners
	Spanish	12pm	Miguel Campos



### Amendment Two - putting students first

Within our Catholic Faith we are called to reflect on the teachings of the Gospel, live out the Beatitudes and embody Christ's compassion. Our Catholic Church supports numerous initiatives to protect the vulnerable and lift the marginalized, expand access to health care, and to protect and respect the dignity of every human person.

The teaching is clear that empowering families to make educational choices for their children is also a matter of justice.

The Church teaches that parents are the primary educators of their children. The state has an important role to play in supporting families in fulfilling that responsibility, as Pope St. Paul VI said, "true liberty in their choice of schools."

Kentucky already funds private and nonprofit organizations for essential services like child welfare and medical care, using proven programs to deliver results. Extending this approach to education will foster healthy competition where the ultimate winners are the students themselves—because a child's education can shape their entire future. This election you will see a constitutional amendment on the ballot, giving Kentuckians the opportunity to weigh-in on much-needed changes. By striking language from the state's constitution that dates to the 1800s, it would allow legislators to explore more options for funding education initiatives in addition to and outside of our traditional public schools. Nationally, this will help Kentucky compete with neighboring states that have already embraced educational choice in various forms. It will ensure that, regardless of economic status, every student has the opportunity to attend a school that best fits their needs. Any specific policies resulting from this amendment would still need to pass through the legislative process with careful research, debate, and voting. We firmly believe that voting 'yes' means putting students first.

