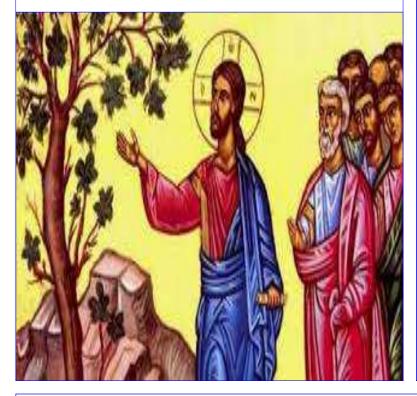
Welcome to St. Michael Catholic Church

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.

NOVEMBER 17, 2024 33_{RD} SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





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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RCIA Coordinator: José Vanegas Bookkeeper: April Dickens



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, Church Cleaners week of 11/18 to 11/22.

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, Donna Dacy, Jim & Nelly Daughterly, Leo Dickens, Shane Dickens, Rosie Edwads, Russell Edwards, Jennifer Ebelhar, Sr., Marty Eisten, Jesus Manuel Francisco, 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, Zoev Nash, Carmen & Daryl Periard, Cenia J. Quintanilla, Pam Raleigh, 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.smsebree.org

The end of the world is coming; let us prepare.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Daniel prophesies of a great prince, Michael, arising as a guardian of the people. Some of the dead will awaken and live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. In the second reading, the author writes of the one [who] offered one sacrifice for sins, and took his seat forever at the right hand of God. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks to his disciples about the days after that tribulation, when they will see "the Son of Man coming in the clouds" with great power and glory.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Nov 16Sacristan:David GlennNov 17Sacristan:Charles Buchanan

EM Mary Jane Hawkins &

Lector Volunteer Altar Server Volunteer

Nov 23 Sacristan: Connie Caldwell

Nov 24 Sacristan: KoC

EM KoC Lector KoC Altar Server KoC

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Dn 12:1-3

Responsorial Psalm: <u>16:5, 8, 9-10, 11</u> Reading II: Heb <u>10:11-14, 18</u>

Gospel: Mk 13:24-32

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

16 Sat Weekday green/white/white [Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin; BVM] 3 Jn 5 -8/Lk 18:1-8 (496)

17 SUN THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32 (158) Pss I

18 Mon Weekday green/white/white [*The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul*, Apostles; USA: *Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin*] Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43 (497) or, for the Optional Memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Mt 14:22-33 (679)

19 Tue Weekday green Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10

20 Wed Weekday green Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28 (499) 21 Thu The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary white Memorial Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44 (500)

22 Fri Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr red Memorial Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48 (501)

WORD OF LIFE

"When we meet Jesus in the Eucharist, this encounter has the power to change us. The Eucharist has the power to transform the depths of our hearts and the heart of our culture. United to the power of his Eucharistic Presence, may we work to ensure that each person has life—and has it in abundance."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: "I Came So That They Might Have Life" Download

Thank You For Your Generosity

 Sunday Offering 11/10/2024
 \$ 1,961.10

 Weekly Goal
 \$ 2,317.23

 Year-to-date Total 19 of 52 Sundays
 \$ 40,761.50

 Budget YTD
 \$ 44,027.37

 Over/Under Collection
 \$ -3,265.87



XXXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME THE PROMISE OF SAI VATION

We are almost concluding this liturgical cycle and with these

readings I don't know how to call this Sunday:
Sunday of hope, Sunday of misfortunes or Sunday of sorrows? I don't know. But above all these titles, the readings do not want to cause fear in us but want to help us to turn our eyes back to our God. The apocalyptic readings that the liturgy presents us invite us to be men and women of our time, not from yesterday or for tomorrow. For our future we have the promise of salvation, and for our past is announced the grace of forgiveness. So, with hope we can live each day in the love of God and the love of our brothers and sisters, without regret for our past or anguish about our future.

I want to clarify that the apocalyptic writing style is characterized by the contrast between the humble and often disappointing present age and the hope in a glorious and bright future. "it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book." (Daniel 12: 1b-2a) The book of Daniel, from which this reading is taken, belongs to the apocalyptic literature. The prophets interpreted history in the light of God's covenant with his people, announcing the future prepared by God. The glorious future will come after the people's sufferings during their pilgrimage on earth. This reading is also comforting because it opens a path of certain hope because God directs history. But the salvation and glory will take place after the destruction of the present world and the implementation of a severe judgment from God.

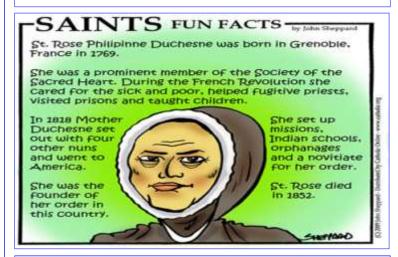
The part of the gospel that we heard is eschatological because it speaks with images of the end of creation. "In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken." (Mk 13: 24-25) We must fully understand the Gospel because otherwise we could stay with the images and signs, and not reach the significance. Here the most important part is the message, not the signs themselves. I should clarify that the creation that came out from the hands of God was all good, is

good and will be good forever. Man must correct his way of thinking about and using all creation. Because by sin man broke the relationship with God, with himself and with creation. Hope is based on the extensive restoration of man to participate in the new and definitive creation in glory.

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory." (Mk 13: 26) The Evangelist Mark uses similar language as the prophet Daniel in announcing the return of him who was afflicted, but his second coming will be in glory and power. The second coming of the Son of man will culminate history and express the glorious destiny for all humanity; and also will be the time of meeting of all believers and all men with Christ, who will appear as universal judge. Keep in mind: "but of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mk 13: 32).

So, brothers and sisters, let us prepare our lives and live in love, faith and hope. Pope Francis says: "We are called in every circumstance to be friends of the poor, following in the footsteps of Jesus who always began by showing solidarity when dealing with the least among us." (Message of his Holiness Pope Francis for the eight World Day of The Poor 2024.)

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 11/26 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.

SINGING TO GOD

Every November Sunday, from 6pm to 7:30pm we will sing and praise to God in the church. All are welcome.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY 11/16 Susie Blanford, Lea Ann Sugg, Donna Hurtte. 11/19 Artemio Barco, Susie Blandford. 11/20 Maria Quintanilla 11/21 Katie Spink 11/22 Rufina Apolinar, Cecilio De Santiago



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

11/20/81 Tom & Sandy Yancy



Mass Intentions November 16-24

Sat.	English	5pm	Parishioners
	Akateco	7:30pm	Mary Jane Blandford
Sun.	English	10am	† Bern Tooley
	Spanish	12pm	Francisco Felipe Juan
Mon.	English	9am	Tom Yancy
Tues.	English	9am	†Mike Whitfield
Wed.	Spanish	12pm	Marion Wedding
Thurs	Spanish	7pm	Owen Yancy
Sat.	English	5pm	†Amy Roberts
Christ the King	Akateco	7:30pm	Parishioners
Sun.	English	10am	Philip Palmer
	Spanish	12pm	Freddy Payne

Compelling Preaching

Fr. Carmelo will participate with Catholic extension in the program of Compelling Preaching. I will ask the next weekends bring your cellphone for do a survey about my homilies. That will help our parish (w/\$1000) and to me for scholarship.



Pope Francis at Audience: Mary takes us by the hand of Jesus.

First disciple

Mary, as the first disciple and figure of the Church, the Holy Father suggested, "is herself a 'letter' written with the Spirit of the living God." Precisely for this reason, he suggested, she can be "known and read" by everyone. "For when she said yes to God," he marveled, "it was as if Mary said to God: 'Here I am, I am a writing tablet: let the Writer write whatever He wishes, let the Lord of all do with me what He wills."

"Today," the Pope noted, "we might say that Mary offers herself to God as a blank page upon which He can write whatever He wants." Mary's "yes," Pope Francis recalled quoting a well-known exegete, "represents 'the pinnacle of every religious attitude before God, for she expresses, in the highest manner, passive availability united with active readiness, the deepest emptiness accompanied by the greatest fullness.""

'Here I am'

Therefore, this is how, he said, the Mother of God is an instrument of the Holy Spirit in His work of sanctification. "Amid the endless flood of words spoken and written about God, the Church, and holiness," the Pope reflected, the Blessed Mother suggests only two words that everyone can pronounce on any occasion: "Here I am" and "fiat." Through the Blessed Virgin's example and intercession," he continued, "she encourages us to also say our own 'yes' to Him whenever we face a call to obedience or a challenge to overcome."

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Pope Francis concluded by saying let us learn from the Blessed Mother's example of being receptive to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit.