

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.smseebree.org, www.facebook.com/smseebree

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 **Miguel Juan Family** for cleaning the church last week, Church Cleaners week of **02/24 to 02/28** To **Juan & Juana Lopez Family**.

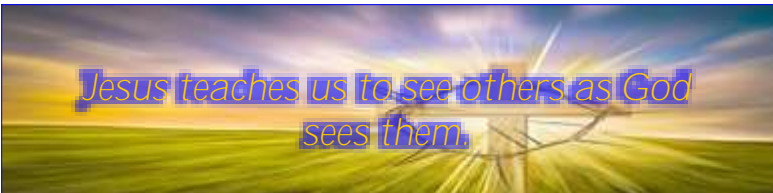


MINISTRY OF PRAYER

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 & Susie Blandford, 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 Edwards, Russell Edwards, Jennifer Ebelhar, Sr., Marty Eisten, Jesus Manuel Francisco, David Ferriell, Anna Filbert, 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, Cenia J. Quintanilla, Pam Raleigh, Ruby Sparks, Annie Spillman, Jack Spillman, Veronica Spink, Burnetta Springfield, Vickie Tichenor, Gary & Nadine Trogden, Lynda Trogden, Dusty Utley, Richard Vowels, Doris Vowels, Johnny Wahl, Carter Wilkerson, Tony Whitlege, 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



LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, David spares the life of his enemy Saul, because Saul is God's anointed. In the second reading, Paul speaks of the first man, Adam, from earth and the last Adam, from heaven. He says, *Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.* In the Gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples to love their enemies and be merciful as God is merciful, for they will be treated the same in return.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Feb 22 Sacristan: David Glenn
Feb 23 Sacristan: KoC
EM KoC
Lector KoC
Altar Server KoC

Mar 01 Sacristan: Connie Caldwell
Mar 02 Sacristan: Charles Buchanan
EM Janie Tanner
Lector Matthew Duncan
Altar Server Voluntary

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: **1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23**
Responsorial Psalm: **103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13**
Reading II: **1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20**
Gospel: **Luke 6:27-38**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

22 Sat The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle white
Feast 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19 (535) Pss Prop

23 SUN SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME green 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38 (81) Pss III

24 Mon Weekday green Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29 (341)

25 Tue Weekday green Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37 (342)

26 Wed Weekday green Sir 4:11-19/Mk 9:38-40 (343)

27 Thu Weekday green/white [Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church] Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50 (344)

28 Fri Weekday green Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12 (345)

WORD OF LIFE

"The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent
usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 02/16/2025	\$ 1,773.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 2,317.23
Year-to-date Total 33 of 52 Sundays	\$ 69,572.21
Budget YTD	\$ 76,468.59
Over/Under Collection	\$ -6,896.38



VII SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
BE MERCIFUL AS YOUR
FATHER IS MERCIFUL

The reflection for this Sunday is very clear and challenging for our life: how can we live as a Christian? The rule is the love in a way that we accept and live with humility, mercy and the compassion of God. In this way, the cleanliness of attitude will coexist within us and we will be capable of demonstrating the true forgiveness that is **born from the heart of Christ's disciples.**

"Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the LORD's anointed and remain unpunished?" (1 Sam 9) This reading relates to us, especially in the life of David, the great king of Israel and Judah, who in his journey towards the kingdom wanted to respect the anointed one of God: Saul; therefore, **David didn't want to kill him on a propitious occasion in the desert.** There was pretense in Saul's attitude towards David; they were actually more enemies. Each one had his own plot, family, tribal interests and his trusted men. However, this didn't mean that David did not respect Saul as king, until the moment reached as Saul fell into battle with the Philistines. Here is a great lesson for us, the most important thing for us to learn is that we must be magnanimous and respect the life of all men (Not only of the unborn babies, but also of every person) regardless of his or her condition.

"To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." (Lk 6: 27-28) This text reflected a lot of what Jesus asked of those who followed him. Jesus' message of the kingdom of God implied a renunciation of hatred, violence and everything that God didn't accept. Therefore, together with the Beatitudes that we heard last Sunday as the center of the Gospel's message and Christian identity, it is also one of the most radical demands. The practice of this requirement is the purest experience of Christianity.

"Do to others as you would have them do to you." (Lk 6:31) The golden rule is like the practical element that links these sayings, even if it is not the most original since it has Jewish roots: don't do to anyone what you don't want them to do to you. It is in these radical and utopian Gospel demands that the Christian knows and experiences what path he

has truly chosen. The difficulty of practice of this is not matter, but to know how to identify with Jesus' project or God's plan.

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." (Lk 6:36) There were so many reasons to hate, to seek revenge, to go against the oppressors, to arm a whole revolution, how is it possible that Jesus asks the people to love our enemies? **Respectfully, the Kingdom of God is based on love's revolution;** this is how the love of the Kingdom of God is not romanticism; this is how the Kingdom of God is radical; this is how the Gospel is not an ideology of the moment, but a message that lasts **until our days; a demand of love. Love's revolution** is what our world needs today. To be merciful is the way or seal of Christian love even for our enemies as we renounce revenge, violence and impiety.

Luke' pedagogy affirmed that to be a Christian is to become a follower of Jesus, which means being able to love even our enemies. This act requires us to practice becoming merciful, just as God is. It is not only about being perfect, but also merciful. May God give us the grace as we accept the challenge to look like Christ who is merciful. Amen

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 **02/25/25 at 7:30pm**

YOUTH GROUP

Every Tuesday at 5pm.

RELIGIOUS CLASSES!

(1st Communion, Candidates to Confirmation)

RCIA, candidates meet
every Wednesday at 5:30pm to 7:00pm

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday at 10Am

KOC MEETING

Thursday, Feb. 27 at 6:30pm



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2/22 Maria Ceron, Wally Murphy.

2/23 Jose Perez Francisco.

2/24 Noah Russell.

2/26 James Russell.

2/27 Luisa Miguel.

2/28 Daniel Ramirez,

Aristeo Hernandez Jr.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

2/28 *Jorge & Silvia Martinez*



Spending time with God is how we **GROW**. Using our gifts is how we **SERVE**. Spending time with others is how we **CARE**.

Please if you have palms (from Palm Sunday) at home, can you start bringing them in, we would appreciate it!

Mass Intentions February 22 to March 02

Sat.	English	5pm	For The Parishioners
	Akateco	7:30pm	Bill Tucker
Sun.	English	10am	Bernie Mattingly
	Spanish	12pm	Helen Byers
Mon.	English	9am	Bill Tucker
Tues.	English	9am	† Emma Lou Marrett
Nursing	Home	10am	Billy Davis
Wed.	Spanish	12pm	† Emma Lou Marrett
Thurs	Spanish	7pm	† Emma Lou Marrett
Sat.	English	5pm	George Murphy
	Akateco	7:30pm	For The Parishioners
Sun.	English	10am	Carmen y Darrell Periad
	Spanish	12pm	For the Souls in Purgatory

Jubilee Year:

2025 is a Jubilee Year and the Theme is *Pilgrims of Hope* In the Diocese of Owensboro to embrace our spirit in "Pilgrimage of Hope" for this Jubilee year we have created a list of pilgrimage sites around our Diocese where one can gain an indulgence. Materials and resources for this coming soon.

- St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro
- St. Romuald Parish, Hardinsburg
- St. Leo, Murray
- St Francis de Sales Parish, Paducah
- The Diocesan Marian Shrine at St. Joseph, Bowling Green
- Holy Redeemer Parish, Beaverdam.



Visit for more information:

<https://owensborodiocese.org/jubilee-year-pilgrims-of-hope/>



The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.