

# 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](http://www.smseebree.org),  
[www.facebook.com/smseebree](http://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 **Felipe & Maria Jose** for cleaning the church last week,

Church Cleaners week of **05/05 to 05/09**

**To Miguel Juan Family.**

We would like to thank Connie and Devin (our cate-chists) for all their work mowing the grass.



## 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 Blanford, Cindy Bloodworth, Sabrina Blue, Charles Buchanan, William Buckman, James Badertscher, Crystal Childress, Bonny Clark, Fany Cordon, Scott Coffman, Carolyn Dacy, 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, 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, Kathy Robertson, Doris Vowels, 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](http://www.smseebree.org)*

*We must obey God rather than men.*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Peter and the Apostles are questioned and ordered by the Sanhedrin to stop teaching in Jesus' name. In the second reading, John has a vision of countless angels, living creatures, and elders crying out in praise to the Lamb of God. In the Gospel, Jesus appears at the sea to Peter and other disciples. Jesus instructs them to cast their net over the right side and they have a great catch of fish. Then he serves them breakfast, asks Peter three times if he loves him, and instructs Peter to feed his sheep and follow him.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 03 Sacristan: Gracia Alvey  
May 04 Sacristan: Voluntary  
EM Janie Tanner  
Lector Mathew Duncan  
Altar Server Voluntary

May 10 Sacristan: Connie Caldwell  
May 11 Sacristan: Voluntary  
EM Bobby Blanford  
Lector Shawn Blanford  
Altar Server Voluntary

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**3 Sat Saints Philip and James, Apostles** red Feast 1  
Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14 (561) Pss Prop 24

**4 SUN THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER** white Acts  
5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 (48)  
Pss III

**5 Mon Easter** Weekday white Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29  
(273)

**6 Tue Easter** Weekday white Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 (274)

**7 Wed Easter** Weekday white Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40  
(275)

**8 Thu Easter** Weekday white Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51  
(276)

**9 Fri Easter** Weekday white Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59  
(277)

## WORD OF LIFE

“The Lord says to us, ‘Do not fear: I am with you’ (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.”

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Be Not Afraid” NA-BRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.*

## Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 04/27/2025	\$ 1,769.00
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 2,317.23
Year-to-date Total 43 of 52 Sundays	\$ 91,961.89
Budget YTD	\$ 99,640.89
Over/Under Collection	\$ -7,679.00



### III SUNDAY OF EASTER CALLED TO EXPERIENCE AND ANNOUNCE GOD'S LOVE

We are already in the third Sunday of Easter. And the readings make us reflect on the joy of evangelizing.

That is to say the commitment of living and transmitting the faith, not just passing on knowledge, but a faith lived out with joy.

**"But Peter and the apostles said in reply, 'We must obey God rather than men. We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'"** (Acts 5:29.32) Today, as yesterday, there are many conflicts that arise between the Gospel and what we encounter, and as disciples, evangelizers and missionaries of Jesus we are invited to take the same position as the Apostles. But the Gospel does not oppose nor destroy any project that fosters the true humanization of people; but rather the opposite, it favors it. On April 6, 2002 Fr. Marcelo Pérez was ordained as a priest in a parish where I was the pastor. It is a community that is majority indigenous and Fr. Marcelo himself is indigenous from that same culture. Most of his parishes where he served has been heavily affected by alcoholism, drugs and impunity for the local authorities. Fr. Marcelo has denounced these in many ways, looking for the good of his people. That had meant that Fr. Marcelo has received many death threats, but he knows perfectly well that his mission is to spread the kingdom of God which humanizes and those threats do not stop him. On October 20, 2024, he was killed because he denounced injustices and seeking the good for his people.

Chapter 21 of the gospel of John, which is what we hear this Sunday, narrates three scenes: 1) the apostles decide to go fishing and Jesus appears to them, and the miraculous catch follows along with their recognition of him; 2) the dialogue between Jesus and Peter to whom he entrusts his mission as pastor of the Church; and 3) the destiny of Peter and Jesus' beloved disciple.

**"Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We also will come with you.'"** (Jn 21:2-3) The fact that seven of his disciples were together and invited by Peter to return to their activities in Galilee means that the impact of Jesus' death was too much. But the

event where Jesus appears to them at the edge of the lake helps them to experience Christ, alive and present. This experience must be meditated on over and over, accepting the belief of the message as a personal and communal experience. Today is it necessary to announce a living Christ who comes out to meet mankind and offers them hope, and meaning for their lives, for our lives. Today our evangelization needs to come out from that experience, meditated upon and lived out in the Resurrected Christ.

**"Jesus said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'"** (Jn 21:17) This is the triple confession of faith of Peter in Jesus. Salvation is an act of the love of God manifested in Jesus to the extreme, even unto death on a cross. Peter is chosen to make possible and present the prolongation of this act in the world. And so, he is asked about his capacity and willingness to love Jesus and through him and in him, all mankind. Carrying out the mission that was given him is only possible through these dispositions: complete surrender. This scripture passage coincides with our time of waiting for the conclave. In an interview by newspaper a cardinal was asked if they expected the **next pope to continually of Pope Francis' mission?** He replied that they are expected to next Pope be a successor of Peter, whose successor he is, not Pope Francis.

It is only possible to carry out this kind of pastoral love if one has experienced the profound love of God revealed in the person, life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Each Christian is called to experience this love of God in order to then be converted into an apostle of love. May we draw near to this font of love: the risen Christ.

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 5/22 at 7:30pm

### YOUTH GROUP

Meeting, Tuesdays at 5:00PM

### RELIGIOUS CLASSES!

Confirmation candidates,  
classes every Wednesday at 5pm

### FF CLASSES

Next wed 5/7 will have a party to celebrate all together  
at 4:30pm



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

5/3 Maria Jose Pascual

5/4 Diego Vanegas,  
Kimberly Knight, Lenin Arciniegas

5/8 Domingo Diego

5/9 Jessica López,  
Angelina Isabela Gómez

## Cardinals ask faithful to pray for their discernment for new Pope

The Holy See released a declaration on Wednesday in which the Cardinals preparing for the upcoming conclave ask the faithful to pray for them.

“The College of Cardinals gathered in Rome, engaged in the General Congregations in preparation for the Conclave, wishes to invite the People of God to live this ecclesial moment as an event of grace and spiritual discernment, listening to the will of God,” read the statement.

The Cardinals said they feel “the need to be supported by the prayers of all the faithful,” since they are aware of their responsibility in choosing the next Successor of Peter.

Prayer, they added, “is the true force that in the Church promotes the unity of all the members of the one Body of Christ.”

“Faced with the enormity of the task ahead and the urgency of the present time,” said the Cardinals, “it is first of all necessary to make ourselves humble instruments of the infinite wisdom and providence of our Heavenly Father, in docility to the action of the Holy Spirit.”

The Cardinals noted that the Holy Spirit is “the protagonist of the life of the People of God, the One to whom we must listen, accepting what He is saying to the Church.”

“May the Blessed Virgin Mary accompany these prayers with her maternal intercession,” concluded the Cardinals’ declaration.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2025-04/cardinals-general-congregation-request-prayers-conclave.html>

## Mass Intentions May 03 to May 11

Sat	*Special	11am	For the 1st Communion Kids
	English	5pm	Amy Roberts
	Akateco	7:30pm	Bernie Mattingly
Sun	English	10am	For the Parishioners
	Spanish	12pm	Diego Vanegas
Mon	English	9am	Cathy Roberson
Tues.	English	9am	Bill Tucker
Wed	Spanish	12pm	Tom Yancy
Thue	Spanish	7pm	Carl Higdon
Sat	English	5pm	+ Carmen Periard
	Akateco	7:30pm	All Deceased Mother
Sun	English	10am	+Leonides Jimenez
	Spanish	12pm	For the Parishioners

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## WC Congratulations 2025 GRADUATE

