

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)

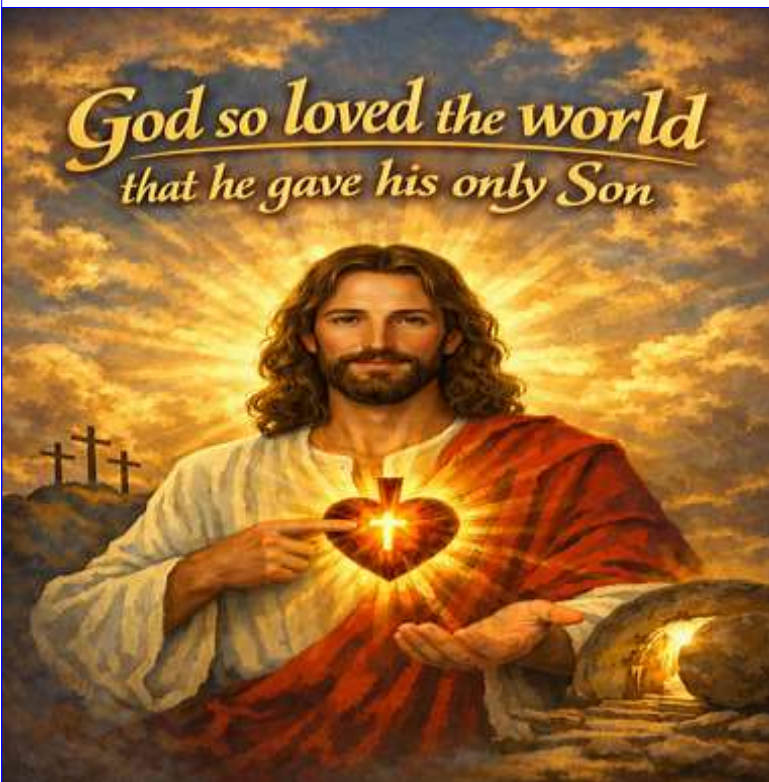
Parish Council Members

Devin Gibson (Chairperson), Kattia Angulo, Connie Caldwell, Jenny Glenn, Jim Hurtte, Mila Mendoza, Randy Thompson, Dcn. Baltazar Rafael, Juana Matias.

Financial Committee

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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY MAY 31, 2026



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THANKS!

- For the week of 05/24 to 05/30:
 - Church cleaners are: **Juan y Juana Lopez**
 - Money counter is: **Alyssa**
 - Mower is: **Gerardo Delgado & Filemon**
- For the week of 05/31 to 06/05:
 - Church cleaners are: Isidro y Aurelia
 - Money counter is: **Gracia**
 - Mower is: **Miguel F Juan**



Ministry of Prayer

Please pray for the sick members and friends of this parish, especially: Henry Adam, Dcn. Rene Amaya, Christal Bennett, Tyler Blanford, Tony Bess, Bobby & Susie Blanford, Kimberly Blanford, Cindy Bloodworth, Sabrina Blue, Charles Buchanan, William Buckman, Crystal Childress, Fany Cordon, Scott Coffman, Donna

Dacy, Jim Daugherty, Leo Dickens, Rosie Edwards, Russell Edwards, Jennifer Ebelhar, Marty Eisten, David Ferriell, Anna Filbert, Peggy Gaddis, Sonny & Rose Ann Glenn, Michael Glenn, Jaime Harris, Dan Hawkins, Darrell Henderson, Katelyn Hensley, Peggy Howell, Dora Jimenez, Donnie & Kathy Jones, Keith Kenney, Kevin King, Roger & Debbie Lloyd, Tom McCarty, Pam McGraw, Brea Meadows, Jeff Meredith, Charlotte Moore, Zoey Nash, Darryl Periard, Cenia J. Quintanilla, Beth Raleigh, Dori Raleigh, Pam Raleigh, Cathy Robertson, Mackenzie Skinner, Ruby Sparks, Jack Spillman, Veronica Spink, Burnetta Springfield, Vickie Tichenor, Gary & Nadine Trogden, Lynda Trogden, Dusty Utley, Richard Vowels, Doris Vowels, Carter Wilkerson, Buddy Wilson, Tony Whitledge, Sean Guzik

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

WORDS OF THE POPES

Today, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, the Gospel is taken from Jesus' dialogue with Nicodemus (cf. Jn 3:16-18). Nicodemus was a member of the Sanhedrin, passionate about the mystery of God: he recognizes in Jesus a divine master and goes to speak to him in secret, at night. Jesus listens to him, understands he is a man on a quest, and then first, he surprises him, answering that in order to enter the Kingdom of God, one must be reborn; then, he reveals the heart of the mystery to him, saying that God loved humanity so much that he sent his Son into the world. Jesus, therefore, the Son, speaks to us about his Father and his immense love. Father and Son. It is a familiar image which, if we think about it, disrupts our images of God. Indeed, the very word "God" suggests to us a singular, majestic and distant reality, whereas hearing about a Father and a Son brings us back home. Yes, we can think of God in this way, through the image of a family gathered around the table, where life is shared. After all, the table, which, at the same time is an altar, is a symbol with which certain icons depict the Trinity. It is an image that speaks

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

This weekend

Sat 05/30	<u>Sacristan:</u> Gracia
Sun 05/31	<u>Sacristan:</u> Mary Jane
EM	Lea Ann Sugg
EM	Cathy Robertson
Lector	Matthew Duncan
Altar Server	Volunteer

Next Weekend

Sat 06/06	<u>Sacristan:</u> Connie
Sun 06/07	<u>Sacristan:</u> Gracia
EM	Alyssa Magnuson
EM	Mary Jane Hawkins
Lector	Gregg Sugg
Altar Server	Volunteer

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

30 Sat Weekday green/white [BVM] Jude 17, 20b-25/Mk 11:27-33 (352)

31 SUN THE MOST HOLY TRINITY white Solemnity Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 (164) Pss Prop

1 Mon Saint Justin, Martyr (Ninth Week in Ordinary Time) red Memorial 2 Pt 1:2-7/Mk 12:1-12 (353) Pss I

2 Tue Weekday green/red [Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs] 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Mk 12:13-17 (354)

3 Wed Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs red Memorial 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Mk 12:18-27 (355)

4 Thu Weekday green 2 Tm 2:8-15/Mk 12:28-34 (356)

5 Fri Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr red Memorial 2 Tm 3:10-17/Mk 12:35-37 (357)

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).

to us of a God of communion. Father, Son and Holy Spirit: communion. But it is not only an image; it is reality! It is reality because the Holy Spirit, the Spirit that the Father poured into our hearts through Jesus (cf. Gal 4:6), makes us taste, makes us savour God's presence: a presence that is always close, compassionate and tender.

(Pope Francis, Angelus, 4 June 2023)

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 05/24/2026	\$	1,684.20
Weekly Goal	\$	2,350.00
Year-to-date Total 47 of 52 Sundays	\$	104,898.50
Budget YTD	\$	110,450.00
Over/Under Collection	\$	-5,551.50



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

This Sunday, following the celebration of Pentecost and the end of the Easter season, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This is the greatest mystery in Catholic theology.

I believe that most of us that have been raised Catholic start our formation backwards, because being such a great mystery we start to make the sign of the cross with the Most Holy Trinity. **“In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.”** I say backwards, because since this is a mystery, we should form ourselves and come to know what we can about this mystery at the end of our catechetical process. When people ask me, Father, where should I start **reading the Bible? I don’t send them to Genesis, and certainly not Revelations.** I always say: start with the Gospels and eventually you will get to Revelations. I think that in the same way we should come to know our faith in a process until we eventually immerse ourselves in the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. But how ironic that we always start our faith life with the Trinity.

“Having come down in a cloud, the LORD stood with Moses there.” (Ex 34:5a) I’m going to call our attention to the action of God: “stood” with Moses there. A God who “stands with”, accompanies, despite his magnificence, is a God who without a doubt loves, feels affection and interest in the person. He doesn’t simply go by, but rather comes to visit. He arrives revealing himself with an invocation: “[I am] the LORD, the LORD, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.” (Ex 34:6) A God of mercy and slow to anger, with which every believer, every human being, would like to encounter in their life and have a dialogue with.

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.” (Jn 3:16a) The incarnation of the Son is explained by the love that God has always had for the world. It is the consequence of this faithfulness through generation after generation with which God had revealed himself to Moses in Sinai. God has not sent his Son into the world to condemn it, but rather to save it. Whoever believes in him shall experience true salvation. To those who do not trust in God I would say: if God does not come close, if God does not stay by our side, if he is not compassionate and merciful, then it is not God. Because my God, because your God, the one that knows you, has left his throne, heaven, glory for love of you, because he wants to save you, because he wants you to be saved. And for that he has revealed himself.

“So that everyone who believes in him might not

perish but might have eternal life.” (Jn 3:16b) To have eternal life means, according to Saint John, to have spiritual life in the deepest part of our being. It truly is not referring to biological life, nor to remain in this world at all costs even if we are dragging along. It is about living for eternity with Him, rejoicing in his presence. Many years ago my cousins were asking me: **Carmelo, what if our grandmother doesn’t make it to the day of her celebration? What should we do? I answered: either way we will celebrate her life until the last moment that God grants her to stay with us, and afterwards may she rejoice in God, where one day we will join her and God himself.**

The Most Holy Trinity, more than a conglomeration of substance and metaphysical essence, or persons and natures, is a bottomless MYSTERY of giving life, of loving without measure, of freeing from suffering. The God of the Bible, the trinitarian God – who is Father, Son and Spirit – has given us life, to live with him eternal life, which has been revealed in Jesus and is offered to us by the Spirit. More than a doctrine and explanation of what cannot be explained, may we love, adore and follow the one who loved us first and has revealed himself as God, Three in One. As we draw closer to Him, He reveals himself to us.

Saint Paul reminds us: **“and the God of love and peace will be with you.” (2 Co 13:11b) Whatever one person does, it is done by the three Divine Persons, and so, peace comes from the One Trinitarian God. May God grant us the grace to reach Peace, knowing how much he has loved us and loves us.**

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez

TODAY’S READINGS

Reading I: [Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56](#)

Reading II: [2 Corinthians 13:11-13](#)

Gospel: [John 3:16-18](#)

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

Reading I: [Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20](#)

Reading II: [1 Corinthians 10:16-17](#)

Gospel: [John 6:51-58](#)

THIS WEEK’S QUESTIONS

Questions: How do you best deal with your impatience with others who continually repeat the same mistakes? Can you put into words how God must feel with our own continual stiff-necked behavior? Are you a Moses or a “people” in your life?

Jesus died for you, knowing you might never love him back. When do you die to self for others, knowing they may not even appreciate your selflessness?

EVENTS

- **Every Thursday:** Adoration at 6:30
- **Sunday 5/31 at 1:15 :** VBS planning with volunteers
- **June 16th at 5pm:** Parish/finance councils meeting
- **June 29th to July 1st.:** VBS - Preregistration has started

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR JUNE

For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 5/30 Karla Naxhelly Paniagua Bustamante
- 6/1 James Myers,
- 6/2 Sonia Arroyo, Andres Lopez, Victor Lopez, Milagros Estudillo, José Vanegas
- 6/3 Marcela Torres, Gaspar Matia, James Wedding
- 6/4/ Maite Fuentes, Miguel Alonzo



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 06/01/1979 Linda and Charles Shelton
- 06/02/1972 Randy and Judy Thompson



CONGRATULATIONS!

Maria Herrera Quintanilla and Eduardo Vasquez Celis
Marriage on 05/30



Mass Intentions

Sat 05/30	English	5pm	+Chester Ervin Jr.
	Akateco	7:30pm	Parishioners
Sun. 05/31	English	10am	+Dan Halbig
	Spanish	12pm	+Miguel Barco
Mon 06/01	English	9am	Sean Guzik
Tues 06/02	English	9am	+Chester Ervin Jr.
Wed 06/03	Spanish	12pm	+Sarah Edge
Thu 06/04	Spanish	7pm	+Dan Halbig
Sat 06/06	English	5pm	+Lucy Neal
	Akateco	7:30pm	+Dan Halbig
Sun. 06/07	English	10am	Parishioners
	Spanish	12pm	+Lucy Neal



Liturgical Feast: THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast Day: May 31, the end of the month dedicated to Mary.

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of

Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." (Lk. 1:39-42)

The Journey: Because of a type of interior impulse, the Virgin Mary went hastily to her cousin Elizabeth. There are many possible reasons that drove the Virgin Mary to undertake that journey. It could have been the desire to be of service to her cousin, Elizabeth, knowing that she was expecting a baby at an advanced age. She may have wanted to communicate what had happened to herself, knowing that she would be more easily understood by another woman who had been "visited" by an angel.

Two mothers meet: This Gospel scene connects the two "annunciations" of Elizabeth and Mary – two women and two promises. As soon as Elizabeth hears Mary's greeting, the baby in Elizabeth's womb begins to "dance". Jesus, the Messiah, who is not yet born, but is present in his mother's womb, meets his precursor, the prophet, who is also present in the womb of his mother, Elizabeth. He recognizes the cause of joy, of exultation, of dancing, as did David before the ark of the Lord's presence.

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