

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.

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
AUGUST 2, 2026**



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

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

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August 2, 2026 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THANKS!

- For the week of 07/26 to 08/01:
 - Church cleaners was: **Miguel Juan**
 - Money counter was: **Gracia**
 - Mower was: **Miguel Francisco Juan**
- For the week of 08/02 to 08/08:
 - Church cleaners are: **Felipe & Maria Jose**
 - Money counter is: **Jeanie**
 - Mower is: **Gerardo Delgado & Filemon**



Ministry of Prayer

Please pray for the sick members and friends of this parish, especially: Henry Adam, Harley Alvey, Dcn. Rene Amaya, Christal Bennett, Tyler Blanford, Tony Bess, Bobby & Susie Blanford, Kimberly Blanford, Cindy Bloodworth, Sabrina Blue, Susan Bridwell, Charles Buchanan, William Buckman, Crystal Childress, Fany Cordon, Scott Coffman, Donna Dacy, Jim Daugherty, Leo Dickens, Rosie Edwads, Russell Edwards, Jennifer Ebelhar, Marty Eisten, Ray Fambrough, David Ferriell, Anna Filbert, Peggy Gaddis, Sonny & Rose Ann Glenn, Jaime Harris, Dan Hawkins, Darrell Henderson, Katelyn Hensley, Peggy Howell, Dora Jimenez, Keith Kenney, Kevin King, Roger & Debbie Lloyd, Tom McCarty, Ray McCully, Pam McGraw, Brea Meadows, Jeff Meredith, Charlotte Moore, Zoey Nash, Darryl Periard, Cenia J. Quintanilla, Beth Raleigh, Dori Raleigh, Pam Raleigh, Cathy Robertson, Roger 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 Whitlege, 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.smseabee.org

THE WORDS OF THE POPES

Precisely when the day is ending and hunger sets in, as the Apostles themselves ask him to dismiss the crowds, Christ surprises us with his mercy. He feels compassion for those who are hungry and he invites his disciples to provide for them. Hunger is not foreign to the preaching of the Kingdom and the message of salvation. On the contrary, it speaks to us of our relationship with God. At the same time, five loaves and two fish seem completely inadequate to feed the people. The disciples' calculations, apparently so reasonable, reveal their lack of faith. For where the Lord is present, we find all that we need to give strength and meaning to our lives.

Jesus responds to the appeal of hunger with the sign of sharing: he raises his eyes, recites the blessing, breaks the bread, and feeds all present (...)

The Lord's example is a yardstick that should guide our actions and our service: we are called to share our bread, to multiply hope and to proclaim the coming of God's Kingdom.

(Pope Leo XIV, Homily, 22 June 2025)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

This weekend

Sat 08/01	<u>Sacristan</u> : Gracia
Sun 08/02	<u>Sacristan</u> : Mary Jane
EM	Mary Jane Hawkins
EM	Shawn Blanford
Lector	Cathy Robertson
Altar Server	Volunteer

Next Weekend

Sat 08/08	<u>Sacristan</u> : Connie
Sun 08/09	<u>Sacristan</u> : Gracia
EM	Janie Tanner
EM	Alyssa Magnuson
Lector	Gregg Sugg
Altar Server	Volunteer

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- **1 Sat** Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church white Memorial Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12 (406)
- **2 SUN EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**
TIME green Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21 (112) Pss II
- **3 Mon** Weekday green Jer 28:1-17 (407)/Mt 14:22-36 (408)
- **4 Tue** Saint John Vianney, Priest white Memorial Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 (408)
- **5 Wed** Weekday green/white [The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major] Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28 (409)
- **6 Thu** The Transfiguration of the Lord white Feast Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9 (614) Pss Prop
- **7 Fri** Weekday green/red/white [Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest] Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28 (411)

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 07/26/2026	\$	1991.37
Weekly Goal	\$	2,350.00
Year-to-date Total 4 of 52 Sundays	\$	8,752.16
Budget YTD	\$	9,400.00
Over/Under Collection	\$	-647.84

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).



**XVIII SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
THE HAND OF THE LORD
FEEDS US; HE ANSWERS
ALL OUR NEEDS**

The readings for this Sunday make us reflect on all the benefits the Eucharist brings us. Saint Paul has a question for us: "What will separate us from the love of Christ?" (Rom 8:35a) And he answered it too, saying: "in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us." (Rom 8:37) Hunger in the world is great but the hunger for God is greater than the hunger for food.

We can see around the whole world how many things happen: wars, violence, deaths everywhere, kidnappings, separation of families for immigration issues, lawsuits for many things, young people are trapped in vices, natural disaster, and many more. All those things are a cry out for God. The society needs the love of God. We need God.

The website www.dailyscripture.net gives us a good reflection from Don Shwager, which says: "What can truly satisfy our deepest hunger and longing? Wherever Jesus went multitudes of people gathered to meet him - people from every part of society - rich and poor, professionals and laborers, even social outcasts and pagans. What drew them to Jesus? Were they simply curious or looking for a healing? Many were drawn to Jesus because they were hungry for God. Jesus' message of God's kingdom and the signs and wonders he performed stirred fresh hope and expectation that God was acting in a new and powerful way to set people free from sin and oppression and to bring them the blessings of his kingdom".

Before the Blessed Sacrament we can find rest and peace, because in the silence, Jesus speaks to us and to everybody who comes to him. In the Gospel we hear today: "When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself." (Mt 14:13) He was looking for a moment to think but He loved the people and "when He saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them." (Mt 14: 14) Because God never rests from caring for our needs.

When I was in my first year of the Seminary, I couldn't pay for my tuition. The priest who was in charge of the administration asked us to pay him. I didn't have money to pay for my monthly payments and after the 3rd time that the priest told us to pay, I took my belongings and I thought about leaving the Seminary. Another priest saw me and told me:

"Carmelo, take care the things of God and God will take care of you". I returned my belongings and continued. The rest of my time in seminary, I had enough money for my payments.

God's word can satisfy us. Our body is always unsatisfied with material things. When we try to satisfy ourselves with material things we desire more and more. Jesus gave people food and that was only a prefigurement of the Eucharist. In the Eucharist, Jesus feeds us with his Holy Body and his Holy Blood.

Jesus knows all the human needs but he is waiting for each of us to go with a humble heart and ask him in our own prayer. God hears our prayer and gives us the answer to our petition.

The Eucharist is heavenly food. Praise to Jesus who is present in the Tabernacle. Ask God for your needs. Whatever you ask in your prayer, God will give to you. Let us pray together: "Fill me with gratitude for your blessings and give me a generous heart that I may freely share with others what you have given to me". Amen.

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez

TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: [Isaiah 55:1-3](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18](#)

Reading II: [Romans 8:35, 37-39](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 14:13-21](#)

THIS WEEK'S QUESTIONS/TASKS

Based on today's readings

Questions:

- I.** In what way have I helped to quench the thirst of those around me who thirst for God's tender mercy? How have I shown compassion during this last week?
- II.** Has there been a time of suffering or difficulty in my life when I've felt distant from God? How did I get back to trusting in His love?
- G.** How do I treat the people around me who are hungry for God's love? Am I a Eucharistic person who allows my faith to result in compassion for others, especially those I might be tempted to dismiss?

Task: Think about a way you can share God's love with someone who may feel forgotten or ignored this week. Take the time to call, text or write to someone who might be in need of a reminder of God's never-failing compassion.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Reading I: [1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14](#)

Reading II: [Romans 9:1-5](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 14:22-33](#)

EVENTS

- Every Thursday: Adoration at 6:30
- August 8th & 9th: Blessing of backpacks. Bring your child's backpack for school and Father will bless all of them.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/3 Jenny Glenn
 Ana Angulo, Alex Carreras Barcos
 8/4 Dilan Salinas
 8/5 Demian Juan Francisco
 Judith Myers
 8/6 Carlos Vanegas



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

8/2 Ricky & Shawn Blanford
 8/6 Bobby & Susie Blanford



HOW YOU CAN HELP

We are collecting supplies for the Sebree Elementary teachers. They are in need of:

- Paper towels
- Hand Sanitizer
- Kleenex
- Disinfectant wipes
- Dry erase markers
- Dum Dum suckers or hard candy



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights are selling 50/50 Raffle tickets for their charity work. Tickets are:

- One for \$1.00
- Six for \$5.00

The winner will be drawn on 8/23. You do not need to be present to win.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Sebree Knights of Columbus Council 7831 has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities.

THE POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST

For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Mass Intentions

Sat 08/01	English	5pm	+Chester Ervin Jr.
	Akateco	7:30pm	Parishioners
Sun. 08/02	English	10am	Nellie Daugherty
	Spanish	12pm	+Angelina Gaspar Francisco
Mon 08/03	English	9am	JR & Ann Strehl
Tues 08/04	English	9am	Mike Millay Family
Wed 08/05	Spanish	12pm	Betty Thompson
Thu 08/06	Spanish	7pm	Carlos Vanegas Angulo
Sat 08/08	English	5pm	Rita Stiff
	Akateco	7:30pm	Mary Catherine Reed
Sun. 08/09	English	10am	Parishioners
	Spanish	12pm	Jose Carmen Lopez G.

FROM THE CONCERT FOR PEACE

Pope: Like a stream leading to its source, music leads us to God. Children recited the following prayer in several languages:

"Father, we are children. We ask only to be able to play. That is why You created for us a beautiful garden where we could live happily, surrounded by Your love and in harmony with every creature whom St Francis taught us to call brother and sister. We have failed to care for the garden, and the joy of living in it has turned into fear of You, so we hid ourselves. But Your love found us, just as in a game of hide-and-seek. Through Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross, You reconciled us to Yourself, restored communion with You, with one another and with all creation. We ask You to help us care for the garden so that we may live in true happiness."

Q W L O A V E S P L T H J E B
 R Y T G B V G S B X O A H T A
 F I S H L A N D E D W U S Q S
 B X E E J T B Q A P N I A J K
 J B W I F K H O O I S A T W E
 F T L W T Z N A A Q L G I C T
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 L F E J H E A L E D S E I Z L
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 D Q G B J W E I Y M H E H P V
 D A V B U T D C C P E O P L E
 R P G S A V K S H K I F Q K U

Left	Crowds	Satisfied	Towns
Thanks	Food	Late	Loaves
Ate	People	Followed	Fish
Foot	Landed	Healed	Sick
Basketfuls	Twelve	Jesus	Boat