

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.

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
AUGUST 9, 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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THANKS!

- For the week of 08/02 to 08/08:
 - Church cleaners was: **Felipe & Maria Jose**
 - Money counter was: **Jeannie**
 - Mower was: **Gerardo Delgado's Children**
- For the week of 08/09 to 08/15:
 - Church cleaners are: **Juan y Juana Lopez**
 - Money counter is: Mrs. **Kimberly**
 - Mower is: **Miguel Francisco Juan**



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, Daniel 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, 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 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

THE WORDS OF THE POPES

Today, Christ repeats to each of us, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear!" Take heart because I am here, because you are no longer alone on the turbulent waters of life. And so, what should we do when we find ourselves on the open sea at the mercy of headwinds? What should we do when we face the fear of the open sea, when we see only darkness and we feel we are going under? We need to do two things that the disciples do in the Gospel. What do the disciples do? They call on and welcome Jesus. At the worst moments, in the darkest of storms, call on Jesus and welcome Jesus.

The disciples call on Jesus: Peter walks a little on the waters towards Jesus, but then gets frightened. He sinks and then cries out: "Lord, save me!" (v. 30). Invoke Jesus, call on Jesus. This prayer is beautiful. It expresses the certainty that the Lord can save us, that he conquers our evil and our fears. (...)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

This 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

Next Weekend

Sat 08/15	<u>Sacristan:</u> Gracia
Sun 08/16	<u>Sacristan:</u> YG
EM	YG
EM	YG
Lector	YG
Altar Server	YG

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- **8 Sat Saint Dominic, Priest** white Memorial Hb 1:12—2:4/Mt 17:14-20 (412)
- **9 SUN NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**
TIME green 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33 (115) Pss III
- **10 Mon Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr** red
Feast 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26 (618) Pss Prop
- **11 Tue Saint Clare, Virgin** white Memorial Ez 2:8—3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 (414)
- **12 Wed Weekday** green/white [Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious] Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Mt 18:15-20 (415)
- **13 Thu Weekday** green/red [Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs] Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21—19:1 (416)
- **14 Fri Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**
red Memorial Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Mt 19:3-12 (417)

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 08/02/2026	\$	1,791.00
Weekly Goal	\$	2,350.00
Year-to-date Total 5 of 52 Sundays	\$	10,543.16
Budget YTD	\$	11,750.00
Over/Under Collection	\$	-1,206.84

And then the disciples welcome. First they call on, then they welcome Jesus into the boat. The text says that as soon as he got into the boat, "the wind ceased" (v. 32). The Lord knows that the boat of our life, as well as the boat of the Church, is threatened by headwinds, and that the sea on which we sail is often turbulent. He does not spare us the hard work of sailing; rather — the Gospel emphasizes — he pushes his disciples to depart. He invites us to face difficulties so they too might become salvific places, so Jesus can conquer them, so they become opportunities to meet him. In fact, in our moments of darkness, he comes to meet us, asking to be welcomed like that night on the lake.

(Pope Francis, Angelus, 13 August 2023)



XIX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME WHERE IS GOD?

The readings for Mass this Sunday continue having as center the height of the Mountain. Even though the first reading mentions that it was Mount Horeb, the location of that mountain is still under discussion. Jewish and Christian scholars have spoken differently about its whereabouts since biblical times. They call Mount Sinai: Mount of God (Har HaElohim), Mount Bashan (Har Bashan), the mountain as pure as goat cheese (Har Gednunim) and Mount Horeb (Har Horeb). Knowing that, I can say that Mount Horeb seems to be the same as Mount Sinai.

“At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter.” (1 Kings 19:11) The prophet Elijah goes in looking for God, he seeks it with all his heart and soul, because the people don’t want to oppose the tyranny of the queen. The prophet wants to go to the origins, to God of Sinai, to God of the Covenant, to God of the commandments. Almost without strength and full of fear he takes refuge in a cave and in there it is announced to him that Yahweh will pass by. Because God always goes through the lives of individuals and peoples, but He doesn’t do it any which way, He doesn’t do it in the way that we want him to nor in the way that we think.

“But the LORD was not in the wind... but the LORD was not in the earthquake... but the LORD was not in the fire.” (1 Kings 19: 11b, 11d, 12b) So, where is God? In the silence. The famous Hebrew expression “qol demaná daqá” (the voice of deep silence) has given reason for numerous readings and interpretations. Is there a voice (qol) in the “deep silence”? It was there that Elijah had to notice the presence and manifestation of God in the breeze of his soul and his heart. That silence of the dark night, experienced by mystics and non-mystics, is a simple, human and endearing presence of God who truly shares our existence.

“After Jesus dismissed the people, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone.” (Mt 14:23) It is very significant that Jesus, after the multiplication of the loaves, he retired alone to pray and to be in contact with God in a singular and very personal experience. That reflects from where he receives the saving power.

“Peter said, 'Lord, if it is you, let me go to you on the water.'” (Mt 14:28) St. Peter, in the Gospel of Matthew, is the first of the twelve of his group, the first of the Church, who needs to seek and find the Lord by faith. He is presented with all his weaknesses. Because the Church, even today, is not a group of perfect people, but it is place for those who constantly need faith and the salvation that comes from God.

We will find God in the silence of prayer. God manifests himself, even in the desire for revenge; It also manifests itself in the horrible and painful situations of life. Because he is a merciful God and He will always be with those who suffer, because God blesses those who are cursed by the powerful. And Jesus himself says, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.” (Mt 14: 27b)

Just as God manifested himself to Elijah on Mount Horeb, in the face of the despair of his people, He does not come in the middle of the earthquake, but walking on the water. During the calm of the night, in the deep and imperceptible silence, God manifests Himself when is needed. May God increase our faith!.

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez

TODAY’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](#)

THIS WEEK’S QUESTIONS/TASKS

Based on today's readings

Questions:

- I.** Have you set aside time to be still and truly listen to the whisperings of the Holy Spirit? How can you tell whether the whisperings you hear are from God?
- II.** Has there been a time when worry for someone you care about has brought you closer to God? Closer to your faith family?
- G.** In the storms of life, how long do you wait to call on Jesus? Do you try to think your way out of problems or rely on rescue from others before turning to Jesus?

Task: Reflect intently at Mass as we pray: “I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.” Set aside 10 minutes each day this week to invite the Holy Spirit into your heart. Seek a way to grow in “oneness” with the Church.

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

Reading I: [Isaiah 56:1, 6-7](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8](#)

Reading II: [Romans 11:13-15, 29-32](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 15:21-28](#)

EVENTS

- **Every Thursday:** Adoration at 6:30
- **August 11:** Hispanic committee meeting
- **August 11 @ 10:30:** Lunch at Sebree Elementary. Thanks to the bible study group for furnishing lunch for the staff.
- **August 18:** Parish Council meeting
- **August 23:** Following the 10:00 mass the youth group will be hosting a brunch to raise money for the Knights of Columbus charity work.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 8/8 Jose Francisco
Jose Luis Esteban
- 8/10 Felipe Juan Francisco
- 8/11 Gerome Thomas
- 8/12 Carlos Martinez, Eddie José Pérez
Gracia Alvey, Lidia Pérez
- 8/13 Jaime (Ollie) Ceron
Theodore Duncan
- 8/14 Beatriz Apolinar, Jerry Ezell



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

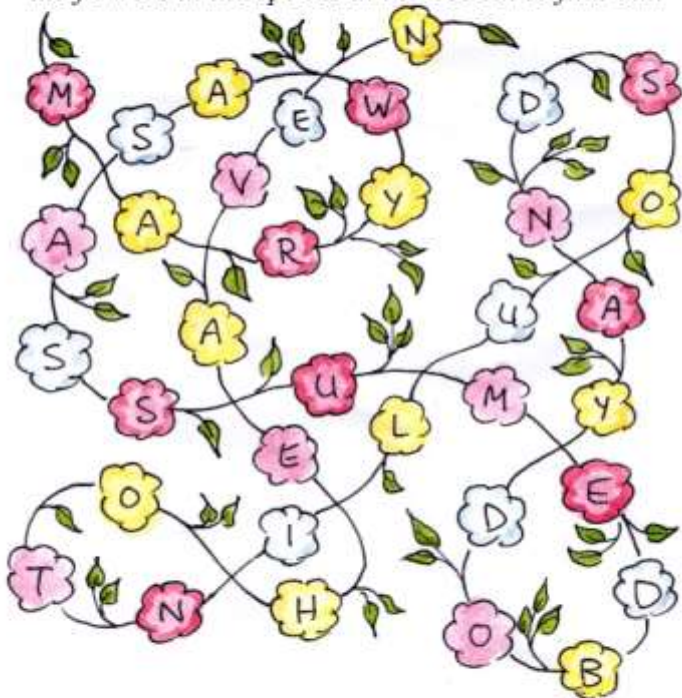
- 8/13/ Roger & Cathy Robertson



Flowers for Our Lady

*This Saturday, August 15th, is a feast day of Our Lady.
What are we celebrating?*

*Follow the line, starting at M, and put the letters from
the flowers in the spaces at the bottom to find out.*



Mass Intentions

Sat 08/08	English	5pm	Parishioners
	Akateco	7:30pm	Mary Catherine Reed
Sun. 08/09	English	10am	† Ray McCully
	Spanish	12pm	Jose Carmen Lopez G.
Mon 08/10	English	9am	† Bill Thomas
Tues 08/11	English	9am	† Guy Hardy
Wed 08/12	Spanish	12pm	† Richard Stiff
Thu 08/13	Spanish	7pm	J. Carmen Lopez Guener
Sat 08/15	English	5pm	Cecilia Gutierrez: All the souls suffering in Purgatory.
	Akateco	7:30pm	Marie Jose Pascual
Sun. 08/16	English	10am	Parishioners
	Spanish	12pm	Cecilia Gutierrez

Sophia Award

Every year, the Diocese of Owensboro hosts a special Mass honoring the recipients of the annual Sophia Awards – individuals at least 65 years old, who received the highest number of nominations in their parish for this recognition, and who embrace and lead lives of stewardship by giving of their time, talent and treasure. This year's mass is on August 16th at 2pm at St. Stephen Cathedral. Our recipient this year is Hermila (Mila) Mendoza. Thank you Mila for everything you do for our parish!

Are you someone, or do you know someone, who ...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist?
- Was baptized into another religion, but never received any formal religious education?

Do you find yourself in any of the above or know someone who does? If so, then OCIA or Confirmation is right for you and others. For more information please reach out to: Father, Juana, Jose or Jenny. Preparation has begun and classes will begin soon.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights are selling 50/50 Half pot 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.



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

