

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.

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
AUGUST 16, 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 16, 2026 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THANKS!

- For the week of 08/09 to 08/15:
 - Church & hall cleaners was: **Juan y Juana Lopez**
 - Money counters were: **Kim and Gracia**
 - Mower was: **Miguel Francisco Juan & family**
- For the week of 08/16 to 08/22:
 - Church cleaners are: **Maria Herrera Quintanilla**
 - Money counter is: **Alyssa**
 - Mower is: **Gerardo Delgado's Children**



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

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

The apparent aloofness of Jesus who said: "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (v. 24), did not discourage the Canaanite woman who persisted: "Lord, help me" (v. 25). And she did not even desist when she received an answer that would seem to have extinguished any hope: "it is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs" (v. 26). She had no wish to take anything from anyone; in her simplicity and humility a little was enough for her, crumbs sufficed, no more than a look, a kind word from the Son of God. And Jesus was struck with admiration for an answer of such great faith and said to her: "Be it done for you as you desire" (v. 28).

Dear friends, we too are called to grow in faith, to open ourselves in order to welcome God's gift freely, to have trust and also to cry to Jesus "give us faith, help us to find the way!". This is the way that Jesus made his disciples take, as well as the Canaanite woman and men and wom-

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

This weekend

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

Next Weekend

Sat 08/22	<u>Sacristan:</u> Connie
Sun 08/23	<u>Sacristan:</u> KC
EM	KC
EM	KC
Lector	KC
Altar Server	KC

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- 15 Sat THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY white Solemnity [not a Holyday of Obligation this year] Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 (621) Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56 (622) Pss Prop
- 16 SUN TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28 (118) Pss IV
- 17 Mon Weekday green Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22
- 18 Tue Weekday green Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30 (420)
- 19 Wed Weekday green/white [Saint John Eudes, Priest] Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16 (421)
- 20 Thu Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church white Memorial Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14 (422)
- 21 Fri Saint Pius X, Pope white Memorial Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40 (423)

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 08/02/2026	\$	2,150.58
Weekly Goal	\$	2,350.00
Year-to-date Total 6 of 52 Sundays	\$	12,693.74
Budget YTD	\$	14,100.00
Over/Under Collection	\$	-1,406.26

en of every epoch and nation and each one of us. Faith opens us to knowing and welcoming the real identity of Jesus, his newness and oneness, his word, as a source of life, in order to live a personal relationship with him. Knowledge of the faith grows, it grows with the desire to find the way and in the end it is a gift of God who does not reveal himself to us as an abstract thing without a face or a name, because faith responds to a Person who wants to enter into a relationship of deep love with us and to involve our whole life.

(Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus, 14 August 2011)



XX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME THE CHRISTIAN SEEKS HUMAN RIGHTS AND JUSTICE

After reflecting on the being of God and the mission of the great prophets, this Sunday's readings act for us as a mirror that reflects our identity, beyond the false honors, categories, divisions, and disguises that we like to use as a person and sometimes as Christians.

"Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." (Is 56: 7) Today's first reading, after promoting human rights and justice, proposes that even foreigners, those who do not belong to the Jewish people, will also be welcome in the house of the Lord. It will no longer be for only sons or daughters in the sense of religious nationalism. That is the meaning of this Sunday's Bible readings. The requirement of human rights and justice is the face of a temple, and anyone who enters it, regardless of their race, regardless the language they speak, and no matter the religion they may be, is invited to feel at home and feel in their world. Anyone can despise another person for their characteristics, race, language or nationality and, much less, any church that calls itself Christian should not incite hatred and divisions. In God's house, everyone is welcome and we are brothers and sisters. Remember what Saint Paul says: "For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all." (Rom 11: 32)

"But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him." (Mt 15:23) Jesus, at first takes the attitude of an orthodox and demanding Jew. The words of Jesus were as hard as stone, but they weren't his own words, those words were of official Jewish theology. The disciples want to get rid of the inopportune woman and Jesus wants to give them an unforgettable lesson. The lesson for his disciples was: this woman behaves better than the Jews, she is more than a daughter of Israel, she could move the world and reach the heart of God, and by that be freed from evil, with her supplication that woman was able to free her daughter.

"Woman, how great is your faith! Let what is desired be fulfilled." (Mt 15: 28) This Canaanite woman has been praised for her courage and for her maternal strength, by which she wants to cast out all her daughter's demons from her life. A Jew should not do what the Canaanite woman asks. Jesus emphasizes that to make more evident the official character of Jewish orthodoxy. By showing the evil of the officials of Jewish

orthodoxy, Jesus shows who He is and for what He has come: to call everyone, to save all, to cast out all demons, to liberate them and to liberate us.

Jesus wants to raise up the category of pagan women and their motherhood. The faith of the Canaanite woman can move mountains, and that has never happened in the religion and in the homeland of Jesus. The demon of incomprehension, uncommunication, inhumanity between peoples and religions has been removed. Divisions and hatred because of race, language or nationality should not exist among people much less among Christians. The lesson was given: the kingdom of salvation is for all. May we allow ourselves to be freed from our demons! Let us live as true children of God.

"One concrete way to express this spirituality of communion is Christian solidarity, because 'union with Christ is also union with all those to whom he gives himself' (Deus Caritas Est, 14). For this reason, I encourage you to continue offering to everyone the love that you, in turn, have received from the Lord (cf. 1 Jn 4:19) — a love that becomes nourishment through hospitality, listening, closeness and care for the most vulnerable" (Pope Leo XIV, Saint Anne's Cathedral (Las Palmas de Gran Canaria) Thursday, 11 June 2026)

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez

TODAY'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](#)

THIS WEEK'S QUESTIONS/TASKS

Based on today's readings

Questions:

- I.** Think of someone who strikes you as holy. What traits, characteristics, or actions of that person demonstrate holiness to you?
- II.** When have you had a difficult time loving something about yourself? Did you try to change yourself or change the way you felt about that characteristic?
- G.** How does your church support the suffering? How could you participate and pour yourself out by doing God's work today?

Task: Spend five minutes each day this week reading about the life or teachings of a saint. Write down one idea from each saint to help you on your journey to holiness.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Reading I: [Isaiah 22:19-23](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8](#)

Reading II: [Romans 11:33-36](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 16:13-20](#)

EVENTS

- **Every Thursday:** Adoration at 6:30
- **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.
- **August 27:** 6:30 Knights meeting

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/15 Leo Andres Gomez
8/17 Carlos Quintanilla
8/20 Brandon Noles, Thadis Willett,
Rida Budde



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

8/15 James & Whitney Russell
8/19 Stevin (Bubby) & Martha Houston



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.



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MERCY	DOGS	HELP	DEMON
GREAT	LOST	TABLE	WOMAN
CRYING	JESUS	ISRAEL	KNELT
SHEEP	DAUGHTER	HEALED	FALL
EAT	FAITH	CRUMBS	SUFFERING

Mass Intentions

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
Mon 08/17	English	9am	† Guy Hardy
Tues 08/18	English	9am	Betty Howard
Wed 08/19	Spanish	12pm	Maria Concepcion; Mexicano Franco
Thu 08/20	Spanish	7pm	Brother Conrad Fleischmann
Sat 08/22	English	5pm	† Richard Stiff
	Akateco	7:30pm	† Bill Thomas
Sun. 08/23	English	10am	William McLean
	Spanish	12pm	Parishioners

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.

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 [Common-wealth 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).

El amor invisible se hace visible con Jesús.
Retiro bilingüe sobre la Teología del Cuerpo

Retiro Diocesano de Jóvenes Adultos
18+

19-20 de Septiembre
Llegada 8:00am Sábado

Gaspar River
Centro de Retiros
2695 Jackson Bridge Rd.
Bowling Green, KY 42101
Colaboración \$ 20.00

Acompañados por el diácono Santiago Molina de la diócesis de Pensacola-Tallahassee, Florida

¿Quiénes somos y para qué fuimos creados?
Who are we and what were we created for?
Exploremos esto y más
Let's explore this and more

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inscríbete en línea o con su párroco o ministro hispano.

San Juan Pablo II
Ruega por nosotros

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