

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.

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
SEPTEMBER 27, 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 09/20 to 09/26:

- Church cleaner was: **Miguel Juan**
- Money counter was: **Gracia**
- Mower was: **Miguel Francisco Juan & family**

For the week of 09/20 to 09/26:

- Church cleaners are: **Felipe & Maria Jose**
- Money counter is: **Jeanie**
- Mower is: **Gerardo Delgado y familia**

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, Teresa 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 Edwards, Russell Edwards, Jennifer Ebelhar, Marty Eisten, Ray Fambrough, David Ferriell, Anna Filbert, Peggy Gaddis, Judy George, Sonny & Rose Ann Glenn, Jaime Harris, Dan Hawkins, Kaydence Marie Helfert, Darrell Henderson, Katelyn Hensley, Peggy Howell, Dora Jimenez, Angela Kay, 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, James Watson, 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.smseabee.org

THE WORDS OF THE POPES

If your heart is not a repentant heart, if you do not listen to the Lord, if you do not accept correction and do not trust in Him, you have an unrepentant heart. But these hypocrites who take offence at what Jesus says about tax collectors and prostitutes, yet then secretly went to them, either to indulge their passions or to do business – but all in secret – they were ‘pure’! And the Lord does not want them. (...) These people cannot receive Salvation. They are closed off to Salvation. “I will leave in the midst of you a people humble and lowly; they shall seek refuge in the name of the Lord”, for their whole lives. And this remains true to this day, does it not? When we see God’s holy people who are humble, who find their riches in faith in the Lord, in trust in the Lord – the humble, lowly people who trust in the Lord: these are the saved, and this is the way of the Church, is it not? She must take this path, not the other path that does not listen to the voice, that does not accept correction and does not trust in the Lord. (...). When we are able to say to the Lord: “Lord, these are my sins – they are not his, or hers, they are

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

This weekend

Sat 09/26 Sacristan: Gracia
Sun 09/27 **11:00 Bilingual mass**
Seabee Elementary Gym

Sacristan: KC
EM KC
EM KC
Lector KC
Altar Server KC

Next Weekend

Sat 10/03 Sacristan: Connie
Sun 10/04 Sacristan: Mary Jane
EM Alyssa Magnuson
EM Shawn Blanford
Lector Cathy Robertson
Altar Server Volunteer

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- 26 Sat Weekday green/red/white [Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; BVM] Eccl 11:9—12:8/Lk 9:43b-45 (454)
- 27 SUN TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32 (136) Pss II
- 28 Mon Weekday green/red/red [Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs] Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50 (455)
- 29 Tue Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels white Feast Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Jn 1:47-51 (647) Pss Prop
- 30 Wed Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church white Memorial Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62 (457)
- 1 Thu Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church white Memorial Jb 19:21-27/Lk 10:1-12 (458)
- 2 Fri The Holy Guardian Angels white Memorial Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 (459)/Mt 18:1-5, 10 (650) Pss Prop

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 09/20/2026	\$	1,831.33
Weekly Goal	\$	2,350.00
Year-to-date Total 12 of 52 Sundays	\$	25,364.18
Budget YTD	\$	28,200.00
Over/Under Collection	\$	-2,835.82

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).

mine... They are mine. Take them upon yourself, and so I shall be saved” – when we are able to do this, we shall be the beautiful people, the “humble and poor people”, who trust in the name of the Lord. May the Lord grant us this grace.
(Pope Francis, Homily of 16 December 2014)



XXVI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME DIVINE MERCY AND CONVERSION

The readings of the Holy Mass for this Sunday are precious and they question our way of living in the word of God. How many times do we admire the word of God in the gospel, because it speaks with authority; strong and, clear. Jesus does not say those words so we can admire them, he says them so that we may do as he says, following the example of the son that said he would not go to work, then changed his mind, and went to work.

“When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life.” (Ez 18:26-27) In the history of Christian spirituality there have been written beautiful pages, coming from the bottom of the heart, that exhale confidence in the mercy of God. Speaking of Divine mercy is very easy and beautiful, because all of that comes from God, but this reading challenges us to conversion. Mercy comes from God; conversion is a response from us to God. That is why reconciliation as a sacrament invites us to reject perversity, to detest the offense to God, to hate sin, and for the soul to hurt because of offense to the Lord.

The Gospel in the same mentality of conversion, it states: “What is your opinion? A man had two sons...” (Mt 21:28a.) It wants to manifest that the Kingdom of God happens in the scope of mercy and conversion, that is why sinners can precede to those who believe they are saved. This parable of the two sons can only be found in Saint Matthew and highlight the need of the conversion. The town of Israel, the Pharisees, the scribes, are like the son that said yes to God but then didn’t believe, nor gave fruits. Instead, the sinners say no to the works of law with their behavior, but they convert before the signs and the mercy of God, and they do the will of the Father. In this way the sinners are like the son that said no, but they change and so then the converted sinners enter the Kingdom of God.

“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax col-

lectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.” (Mt 18:32) We can distinguish three stages or moments in the path that carries to the faith: seeing, repenting, and believing. When man is in sin, man can no longer contemplate God. But you can heal, if you would like to. This implies that God offers forgiveness, but it is man who decides to accept or deny. If you understand all of this, you convert and live purely, holy and justly, you will see God.

To at last reach the present and future goods, flee from evil, and hold on to the mercy of God. That our conversion continues, and like the son that said no, then changed, we also should, change more and more. Never stay in sin. Walk towards God and if you fall, rise again. God’s love is immense and his forgiveness is continuous.

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez

TODAY’S READINGS:

Reading I: [Ezekiel 18:25-28](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9](#)

Reading II: [Philippians 2:1-11](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 21:28-32](#)

THIS WEEK’S QUESTIONS/TASKS

Based on today's readings

Questions:

- I.** Is there a Church teaching or doctrine regarding life that you don’t agree with or found too challenging to follow? If so, what did you decide to do?
- II.** How would you describe yourself to another person who has never met you before? How would you describe Jesus to another person who has never heard of Him before? What do you need to change in yourself to have the same attitude of Christ?
- G.** Was there a time when you failed to speak up or take action to uphold the sacredness and dignity life because you were afraid? How can we improve how we see the face of Christ in all persons, especially in the outcasts and most vulnerable of society?

Task: Think of one action that you can take this week in support of the dignity and sacredness of life and then do it for your love of God and your love for that person.

NEXT WEEK’S READING

Reading I: [Isaiah 5:1-7](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20](#)

Reading II: [Philippians 4:6-9](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 21:33-43](#)

EVENTS

- **Every Thursday:** Adoration at 6:30
- **September 29 at 5:00 to 6:00:** Youth Group meeting, grades 6th to 12th grades
- **September 30 at 5:30:** Religious Ed information meeting.
- **October 3 at 10 am:** Unity In Diversity Mass with Bishop Medley at Holy Spirit Church in Bowling Green.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/26 Emiliano Miguel Miguel,
 9/27 Maria Esteban,
 9/28 Jose Andres Alonzo,
 9/28 Rene Carreras, Jhoana Juan,
 Jose Andres Alonso
 9/29 Francisco Juan,
 9/30 Baltazar Rivera
 10/1 Leonarda Apolinar Sabino, Maximo Baez,
 Maximino Luis Rivera, Maria Salinas
 10/2 Chalino Juan Francisco



Religious Education

- **Faith Formation:** Grades: K –5th (6th grade will begin attending Youth Group).
 - **1st Communion:** 2nd grade and up
 - **Confirmation:** Grades 7th—12th
 - **OCIA:** Adults
- On Wednesday Sept 30th at 5:30 we will have an information meeting discussing the school year. There will be crafts for the children. Parents will need to attend to complete required paperwork for each child. If you need the bus to pick you up, please let us know.
 First class will be on 10/14.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel,
 defend us in battle.
 Be our protection
 against the wickedness
 and snares of the devil.
 May God rebuke him.
 We humbly pray
 and do thou
 O Prince of the
 heavenly host,
 by the divine power
 of God
 cast into hell
 Satan and all the evil spirits
 who prowl about the world
 seeking the ruin of souls.
 Amen.



Mass Intentions

Sat 09/26	English	5pm	Parishioners
	Akateco	7:30pm	Betty Howard
Sun 09/27	Bilingual	11 am	† Nellie Daugherty
Mon 09/28	English	9am	† Chester Ervin Jr.
Tues 09/29	English	9am	† Guy Hardy
Wed 09/30	Spanish	12pm	† Bill Thomas
Thu 10/01	Spanish	7pm	Brother Conrad Fleischmann
Sat 10/03	English	5pm	Parishioners
	Akateco	7:30pm	Angelina Gaspar Franciso
Sun 10/04	English	10 am	Violet Cassidy
	Spanish	12pm	Jovani G. Martinez Barco

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10/1 Jim & Judy Myers



Bible Study Group

Tuesday morning Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, October 6th at 10:00am. The program will be “Jesus The way, The truth and The life. It will be 1 1/2 to 2 hours long each Tuesday from October to May. (Breaking for Thanksgiving-Christmas) If you are interested please let Jenny or Mary Jane know so we can order the books.



All are welcome to join—interesting topic, lively discussions and occasionally good food!

Upcoming Young Adult Events

Rosary Hike

Saturday, October 17
 Meet at 2pm
 Panther Creek Park
 Hiking Trails

**YOUNG ADULT
ULTIMATE
FRISBEE**

SUNDAYS AT 3:30PM
 SEPT. 13 - OCT. 11
 YELLOW CREEK PARK
 Ages 18-39

The Journey

Young Adult Hiking Retreat
2 NIGHTS/2 DAYS/23 MILES
 Friday Evening-Sunday Afternoon
 The North Trail at Land Between the Lakes