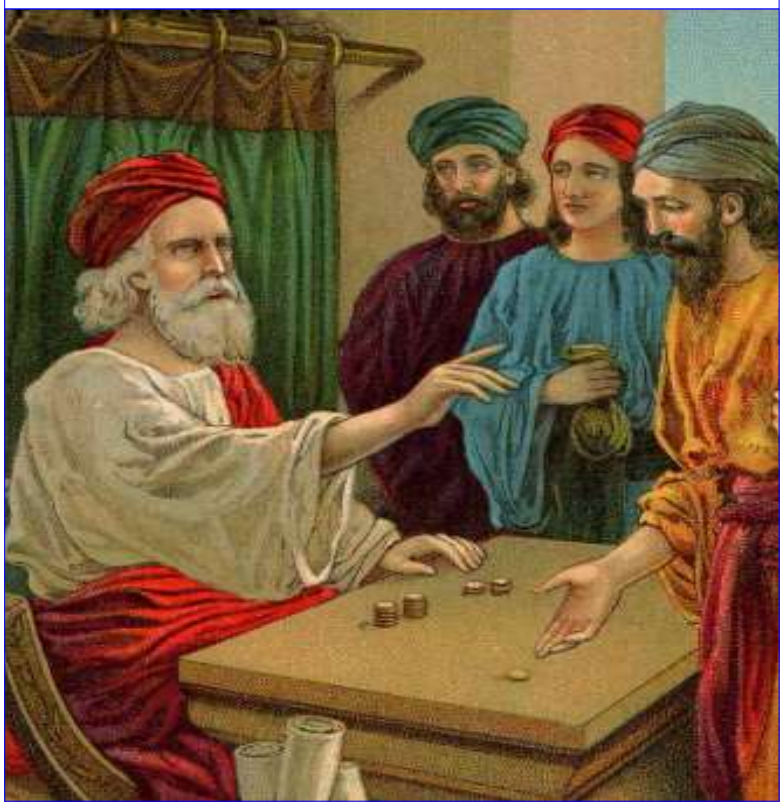
Welcome to St. Michael Catholic Church

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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 15, 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.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.

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THANKS!

For the week of 11/08 t o 11/14:

- Church cleaner was: **Felipe Domingo & Family**
- Money counter was: **Alyssa**

For the week of 11/15 to 11/21:

- Church cleaners is: **Miguel Juan & Family**
- Money counter is: **Gracia**

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, Charles Buchanan, Daniel Buchanan, William Buckman, Crystal Childress, Fany Cordon, Scott Coffman, Asher Cunningham, Donna Dacy, Jim Daugherty, Leo Dickens, Rosie Edwads, 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, 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, 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, Jose Vanegas, Richard Vowels, Doris Vowels, James Watson, Carter Wilkerson, 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.smsebree.org

THE WORDS OF THE POPES

Looking at this parable, we can learn two different ways of approaching God. The first way is that of the one who buries the talent he has received, who cannot see the riches God gave him: he trusts neither his master nor himself(…). Let us next look at the second way, with the other two protagonists, who repay their master's trust by in turn trusting in him. These two invest everything they received, even though they do not know at the outset if everything will go well: they study, they see the possibilities, and prudently seek out the best. They accept the risk of putting themselves on the line. They trust, they study and they risk. They thus have the courage to act freely, creatively, generating new wealth (cf. vv. 20-23). Brothers and sisters, this is the crossroads we face with God: fear or trust. Either you are afraid before God, or you trust in the Lord. And we, like the protagonists of the parable — all of us — have received talents — all of us — far more precious than money. But much of how we invest them depends on our trust in the Lord, which frees our hearts and makes us active and creative in goodness. Do not forget this: trust frees, always; fear paralyses. Let us remember: fear paralyses.(…) And may the Virgin Mary help us to overcome fear — never be afraid of God! Awe, yes; fear, no — and to trust the *Lord.*

(Pope Francis, Angelus 19 November 2023)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

This weekend

Sat 11/14	Sacristan: Connie
Sun 11/15	Sacristan: Gracia
EM	Janie Tanner
EM	Cathy Robertson
Lector	Matthew Duncan
Altar Server	Volunteer

Next Weekend

Sat 11/21	Sacristan: Gracia
Sun 11/22	Sacristan: KC
EM	KC
EM	KC
Lector	KC
Altar Server	KC

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- 14 Sat Weekday green/white [BVM] 3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1 -8 (496)
- 15 SUN THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/ Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21 (157) Pss I
- 16 Mon Weekday green/white/white [Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin] Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/ Lk 18:35-43 (497)
- 17 Tue Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious white Memorial Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10 (498)
- 18 Wed Weekday green/white/white [The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; USA: Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin] Rv 4:1 -11/Lk 19:11-28 (499) or, for the Optional Memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Mt 14:22-33
- 19 Thu Weekday green Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44 (500)
- 20 Fri Weekday green Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48 (501)

Thank You For Your Generosity

Sunday Offering 11/08/2026	$	
Weekly Goal	$	2,350.00
Year-to-date Total 19 of 52 Sundays	$	
Budget YTD	$	42,300.00
Over/Under Collection	$	-

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).



XXXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
THE PAROUSIA OF THE LORD

This second to last Sunday of the liturgical year puts us in the eschatological religious sphere; it instructs us and motivates us to think about the last things in life, of which we almost never dare to speak, because although we know with certainty that we are not eternal in this world, it gives us fear to think about the next life. The liturgy presents it to us as our deepest reality to which we must peer with faith and hope. United with this message, Pope Francis has named this second to last Sunday of Ordinary Time as the day of the "WORLD DAY OF THE POOR." Pope Leo XIV motivates us in his message for this day: "We wish to bear witness that it is possible, even today, to experience the same joy by putting ourselves in the shoes of the poor and listening to them rather than merely speaking about them. Those who have God as their refuge have the freedom to make prophetic choices, which testify to the fact that everything can be reimagined from the ground up, in the humility and fraternity that alone can heal a world wounded by arrogance." (*Message of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV for the Tenth World Day Of The Poor #5b*).

"When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls." (Proverbs 31: 10) The Jewish woman, was in charge of keeping the fire in the home, and turning on the lights of the Shabbat (the Lord's day). The women experienced what her call to the Kingdom of God meant. Women are more religious than men; it has always been so. That is an undeniable reality. But in this reading the woman is compared with wisdom. That biblical wisdom, which is a practical wisdom, is what is proposed here in the image of a woman. I read a thought and I liked it: "women do not be dummies in wanting to be equal to man, because that would lower your dignity, because God made you in a special way and you are superior to man". The woman is not reduced to the home, to the house, to the children. The very important point in this reading is that women have a great capacity to make decisions. I want to say to women thank you for being a strong woman, thank you for being a daughter, sister or mother that can be trusted. Thank you for being strong, delicate and wise. Thank you for your faith, women!

"A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them." (Mt 25: 14b). The men who have been entrusted the goods (talents) must be prepared for the return of their lord. Two of them have invested and received a reward, but the third one has been blinded by the reaction of his lord who is almost bloodthirsty. The last servant had received less than the others and acted out of fear, according to his own justification. It is clear that the lord of this parable does not want to be buried, not himself, nor what he has given to his servants.

"And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth." (Mt 25:30) It seems that the divine reward, as the primitive Church could understand this parable, is unfair: "For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away." (Mt 25: 29) But it will be taken away from him if he has not given what he has. In order to gain salvation, it's not about having more or less; if you are rich or poor; the important thing in this matter is the response to grace, which is something personal that does not allow excuses. The answer to grace is yes or no, and the lukewarm or the more or less are not accepted. With God or with the devil? That is strong, right? Salvation comes to us if we wait for it and if we are open to it.

May God grant us the strength and faith of women, in order to receive grace, transform our lives and follow and live according to the God's will. Then our candles of baptism (faith) continue to burn when the Lord comes. Amen.

Fr. Carmelo Jimenez

TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

THIS WEEK'S QUESTIONS/TASKS:

Based on todays readings

Questions:

I. How would I grade myself? Am I a virtuous person?
II. Am I ready for my final grade?
G. What will I have to give in return when the Lord comes?

Task: Journal a list of your talents. Consider the easy ones, but don't forget the ones you have to work at. In what way have you used your talents for the greater glory of God and His Kingdom? In what way are you using your talents to serve God's people on Earth?

NEXT WEEK'S READING:

Reading I: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

EVENTS

- **Tuesday 10am**: Bible Study group
- **Tuesday:** Youth Group meeting
- **Wednesday 5:30 to 7:00:** Religious Ed classes
- **Thursday 6:30**: Adoration
- **Thursday 6:30:** Knights assembling food boxes
- **Friday& Saturday**: ODYC Friday (20th) meet at church at 5pm, Saturday (21st) 7am

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



11/15 Donna Aguilar, Jorge Martinez Barco, Antonio Felipe Juan
11/16 Donna Hurtte, Lean Ann Sugg, Susie Blanford
11/19 Maria L. Herrera Quintanilla
11/20 Artemio Barco Perez

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



11/19 Artemio & Maria Gabriela Barco
11/19 López Andrés Gómez y Angelina Matías Martin

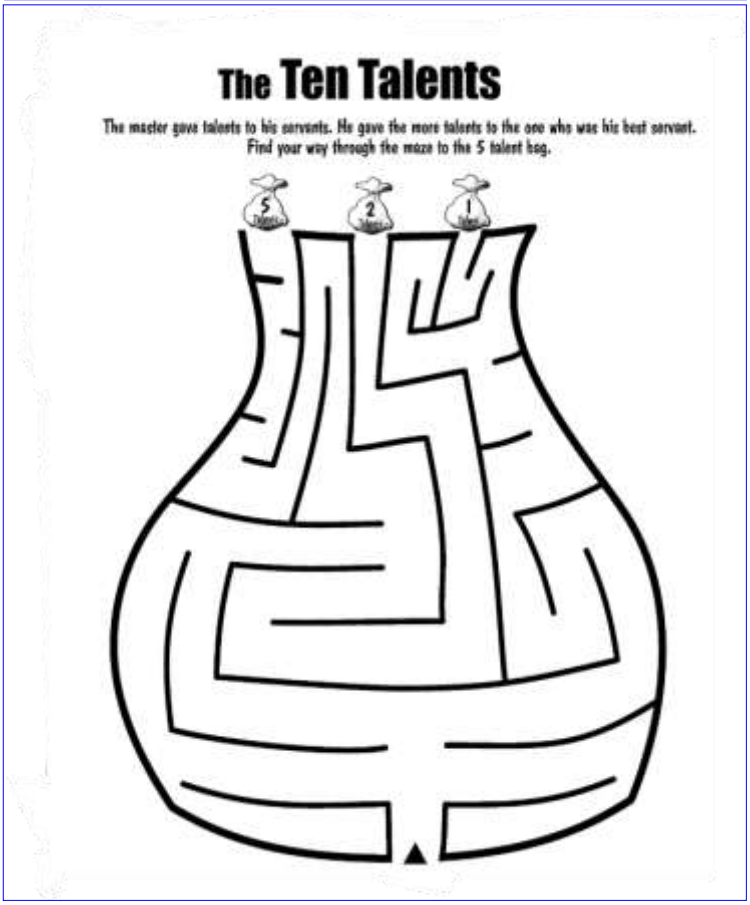
Knights of Columbus

The KC's need your help. They are collecting nonperishable food items in preparation of the food baskets they will distribute next month. Please bring your donations to the church by November 18th.

Around the diocese

- Nov 30th to Dec 3rd: Mission at St Mary Magdalen
- December 5th: Franciscan Jubilee at St Francis of Assisi
- December 6,7 &8 6:30 pm: Hope, Peace, Joy & Love

Flyer's for these events posted on the while board



Mass Intentions

Sat 11/14	English	5pm	†Bill Christian
	Akateco	7:30pm	†Cecil Payne
Sun 11/15	English	10 am	Parishioners
	Spanish	12pm	†Charles & †Shirley Edge
Mon 11/16	English	9am	†Bill & †Mary S Howard
Tues 11/17	English	9am	†Doris Payne
Wed 11/18	Spanish	12pm	†Dorothy Higdon
Thu 11/19	Spanish	7pm	† Richard Stiff
Sat 11/21	English	5pm	Parishioners
	Akateco	7:30pm	William McLean
Sun 11/22	English	10 am	†Bill Rhoades
	Spanish	12pm	† Maria Concepcion Mexicano Franco

Liturgical Feast:
PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Day: November 21

The Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Temple recalls – according to the apocryphal gospels, the day on which Mary, while still a child, was brought to the temple in Jerusalem to be offered to God. The Church wants to emphasize not so much the historical event in itself, of which there is no trace in the Gospels, but the total gift that Mary made of herself, by listening: "Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and observe it" (Lk. 11:28). This experience prepared the young girl from Nazareth to become the "temple of the Son of God".

Jerusalem. There is evidence that various monasteries in Italy celebrated the feast in the 9th century. It was not until the 15th century that it was included in the Roman Missal.

Bonds of love, not of blood

For the Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the liturgy proposes the passage from Matthew that speaks about how we are "related" to Jesus. It is a relationship not formed by blood, but by imitation: "Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother". To become a member of "His family", one must do so not by blood or belonging to a particular religion. Rather, it is a free and personal choice that translates into a commitment to do the will of the Father.

Mary, the first disciple

Confirming what has just been said, Jesus Himself said this in responding thus to a woman who was praising His Mother: " 'Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed.' He replied, 'Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.' "

Mary is the woman who knows how to listen, who knows how to contemplate, who knows how to refer everything to her Son – "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn. 2:5). Mary is the One who never abandoned her Son Jesus, not even along the way of the Cross. She "stood" under the Cross. She is a disciple who never abandons the Lord Jesus, who always "stands behind" Him.