

They all ate



and were satisfied.

Many times, when we are trying to figure out if someone loves us, our reasoning is strange. We might look at our economic success, popularity, exercise of power, or health, and if those are not what they should be, conclude that we are not lovable. Saint Paul points out that the values of the present world are not proper for understanding God's love. God loves us. Nothing can happen that can stop God from loving. We might fail to return the love to the Lord, but nothing we can do can make Him not love us.

Father Joseph



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A "Night in Las Vegas"

- Anna Quigley

A "Night in Las Vegas" is coming to St. Michael on November 8 to raise funds for the Curran Hall Renovation Fund. If you own a business and would like some free advertising or an individual who would like to help your parish, donate a service, product or gift certificate for our Casino Night. Please contact Edwina Cernosek at (972) 278-6650 for more information.



Nursery



The nursery is available during Masses for children ages newborn to three years old.

GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
07/29/07	1949	\$13,923.00
07/27/08	1908	\$16,341.00
Second Collection: Solidarity for the Church in Africa		\$1,941.00



CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY
FAITH FORMATION

REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

Registration on August 3 and 10 will be during and after the 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12 noon Masses.

Please register on these dates to avoid any late fees. There is an additional fee for non-parishioners.



ST. MICHAEL NEEDS YOU!

Do you feel the call of the Holy Spirit but are unsure where He is calling you to evangelize? Sharing your faith with the young people of St. Michael is an exciting and challenging ministry and **we need you!** If you are 18 years of age or older and are interested in becoming a volunteer for our Faith Formation or "EDGE" programs, please call (972) 279-6581. Thank you!



Confessions *will not* be held on the third Thursday of each month. You may say an "Act of Contrition" and go to Confession at your earliest convenience, or you may contact Fr. Joseph for an appointment for a private confession by calling the parish office at (972) 279-6581, ext. 10.



Pre-baptismal Class

- Felipe & Diane Salazar



A pre-baptismal class will be held at 7 p.m. in Room 110/120 on Thursday, August 7. However, if you wish to baptize a child who is seven years of age or older, please contact the Faith Formation office.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 3

7:30 a.m. +Mrs. Busch by Deacon Joe & Gloria Perez
 9:00 a.m. +Jeronimo Rangel by Jerry & Joyce Hogan
 10:30 a.m. +Hung the Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family
 12:00 noon Mass for the People
 6:00 p.m. S.I. Stephanie Ojeda by Life Teen

Monday, August 4

8:00 a.m. +Esteban Pahela by Cresencia Pahela

Tuesday, August 5

8:00 a.m. S.I. Gus Valenzuela by Life Teen

Wednesday, August 6

8:00 a.m. S.I. Matt McGann by Life Teen

Thursday, August 7

8:00 a.m. +Eleanor Reese by Eleanor Goolsby
 6:30 p.m. +Hung the Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family

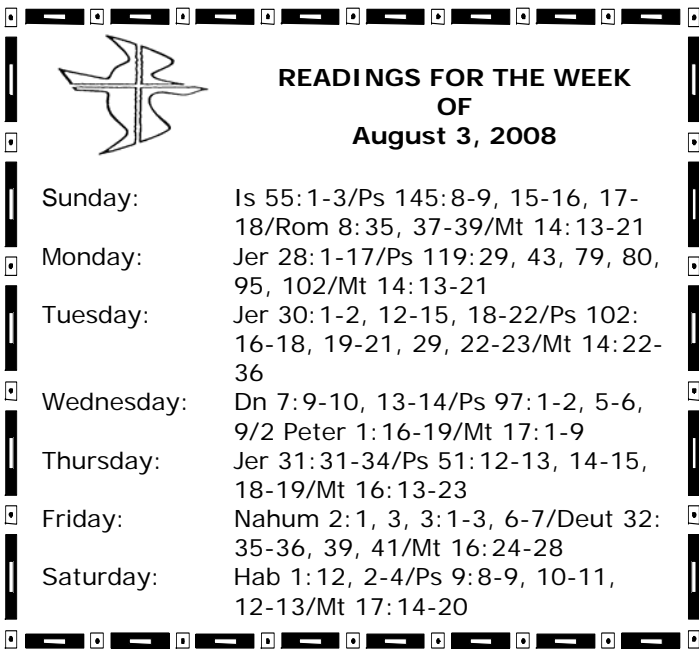
Friday, August 8

8:00 a.m. +Jake Wall by Lisa Gonzales & family

Saturday, August 9

8:00 a.m. S.I. Christina Gamboa by Life Teen
 5:30 p.m. +Hung the Nguyen by Xuan Tran & family

Tabernacle candle is provided for Our Mother of Perpetual Help by Sally Copling.



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
OF
August 3, 2008**

Sunday:	Is 55: 1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/Rom 8: 35, 37-39/Mt 14: 13-21
Monday:	Jer 28: 1-17/Ps 119: 29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14: 13-21
Tuesday:	Jer 30: 1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102: 16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23/Mt 14: 22-36
Wednesday:	Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14/Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Peter 1: 16-19/Mt 17: 1-9
Thursday:	Jer 31: 31-34/Ps 51: 12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16: 13-23
Friday:	Nahum 2: 1, 3, 3: 1-3, 6-7/Deut 32: 35-36, 39, 41/Mt 16: 24-28
Saturday:	Hab 1: 12, 2-4/Ps 9: 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 17: 14-20

Natural Family Planning

- Anna Quigley

Please join us for this three-evening series which meets once a month to help interested couples develop the practical art of natural family planning. The class will take place on Thursday evenings - August 28, September 25, October 23 - from 7-9:30 p.m. in Room 110/120. Bob and Colleen Fries, a nationally certified teaching couple, will facilitate the evenings. Please call Bob and Colleen at (972) 278-9228 if you have any questions or to register. Flyers can be found in the narthex.



This Week in our Parish

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY: August 3, 2008

8:30 a.m. Boy Scouts Café – Curran Hall
 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation Registration – Curran Hall

MONDAY: August 4, 2008

6:00 p.m. Liturgy Choirs – Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul – Youth Room
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting – Curran Hall
 7:30 p.m. Compassionate Friends – Library

TUESDAY: August 5, 2008

8:00 a.m. Y-Teen – Curran Hall
 10:00 a.m. Women's Craft Group – Pit Area
 7:00 p.m. 12:00 Noon Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY: August 6, 2008

7:00 p.m. Y-Teen – Youth Room
 7:30 p.m. St. Gregory Choir - Sanctuary

THURSDAY: August 7, 2008

6:00 p.m. Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help – Chapel

6:30 p.m. Mass – Chapel

7:00 p.m. Confessions – Chapel

7:00 p.m. 9:00 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Pre-Baptismal Class – Room 110/120

FRIDAY: August 8, 2008

SATURDAY: August 9, 2008

9:00 a.m. Teacher In-Service – Curran Hall
 4:30 p.m. Confessions – Chapel

"After-Dinner" Evening of Dancing

Join us on Saturday, August 23, from 6:30-11:30 PM in Curran Hall for an "After-Dinner Evening of Dancing." Entrance fee is \$15 per person. Free dance lessons for "early birds" from 6:30-7:30!!



Featured dancing includes ballroom, line dance, disco, country, Latin, rock, and swing. Adults only. Dress is casual. Soft drinks, water, and chips will be served.

This event is a fund-raising (also "fun-raising") effort to benefit the Curran Hall Renovation Fund. Questions? Please contact Lily or Wen Grio at (972) 285-3371.



**The hand of the
Lord feeds us;
He answers all
our needs.**



Youth Office: 972-279-6581

Be sure to check out our web site for current info at
www.smlifeteen.com / smyouth@sbcglobal.com

LIFE TEEN KICKOFF BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7

We are in search of new Core members. What is a Core member? They make up a very dedicated group of people called the "Core Team." These volunteers are Catholic adults (not usually parents of teens) who give their time, talents, and energy to minister to the teens here at St. Michael. They are at the very center of the ministry and are the heart and soul of the LIFE NIGHTS, retreats, and other activities - hence the name "Core." Core members plan and execute activities and present a consistent example of love, support, and Catholic faith to our youth. If you are interested in learning more about being a Core member in the LIFE TEEN ministry, please fill out a form located at the Youth Table. The Youth table is at the top of the stairs in the pit area. Or you can find our form at our website: www.smlifeteen.com.



Lighthouse Catholic Media

Inspiring Catholic CDs
 Featured CD

"Understanding the Eucharist"

by Dr. Scott Hahn

A former Protestant minister, Dr. Scott Hahn was a militant opponent of the Catholic Church. Now one of the foremost Catholic theologians in the world, he highlights the key misunderstandings people have about the Eucharist. In this powerful presentation, he explains the Church's teaching from a scriptural and historical perspective in an entertaining and thorough fashion.



Life in the Spirit Seminar

- Joy Cambel

Learn how to live a life empowered by the Holy Spirit. This free seminar is open to all. It will be held for three consecutive Saturdays, August 9, 16, and 23 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 3905 Hickox Rd., in Rowlett. This is sponsored by the Families for Christ. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. To sign up, call Joy at (469) 682-7149 or email joycambel@msn.com before August 4.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 COUNCIL 11862**

EVENTS CALENDAR

August 9-10	Passbook Sales – After all Masses
14	Officers Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
16-17	Passbook Sales – After all Masses
21	Business Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
23-24	Passbook Sales – After all Masses

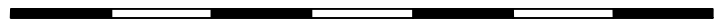
Sign up now for the 34th annual K of C State Golf Tournament being held September 12-14 in Bastrop, TX. For information call Richard Fuja at (972) 686-4754 or Leo Whalen at (972) 686-7266.

If you are interested in obtaining information about the Knights of Columbus, contact Gary Labac at 214-649-8043.

Flowers for the Altar

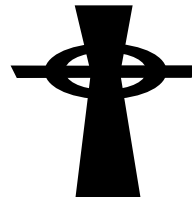
- Gloria Perez

We hope to have fresh flowers on the altar every Sunday. If you would like to provide flowers in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please contact the parish office by noon on Monday. Orders for flowers will be made through the parish office. The flower donor and intention will be printed in the bulletin following the notation about the Tabernacle candle. The cost for the flowers is \$50.



Mass Intentions

- Ernie Valencia



At every Mass the priest celebrating remembers the special intentions of parishioners and their loved ones. These remembrances can be an anniversary or birthday, the repose of the soul of a loved one or friend, an illness or impending surgery, or any special intention. Mass cards can be sent to the person or family being remembered. Contact Gloria Perez in the parish office for more information.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT MONITOR

- Adela Miller

A parish staff member is monitoring the restrooms and hallways during weekend Masses. For safety purposes, the monitor will not allow minor children to go into the restrooms alone. Parents or an adult **MUST** escort children to the restroom.



MDO NEWS

- Hilda Rodriguez

Yea! Another school year is just around the corner!! Moms and dads, some of you may like the idea of having two days to shop, pay bills or just relax. With your support we will be able to continue this program.

Mother's Day Out will begin on August 22 at 9:30 a.m. Applications for MDO enrollment can be found by the pre-school office. We'll begin to accept them on August 5.



Sign Up
TODAY!

- Lili Rivera

Religious Goods is looking for volunteers to work 15 minutes before and after your Mass. Volunteers are needed for the

9:00, 10:30, and 12:00 Masses. Please call the parish office to sign up to volunteer.

St. Michael

Summer Parish Service Project

The St. Michael summer parish service project benefits children in our area schools who are in need of school supplies. As you pick up supplies for your children, please purchase one or two additional items for those less fortunate. If you do not have children, you may:

- Donate money. Please put it in an envelope marked "SCHOOL SUPPLIES" and drop it in the collection basket.
- Use Garland ISD or Mesquite ISD school supply lists posted in the stores and drop the supplies in the basket outside the parish office marked "**School Supplies.**"

With everyone's help the children of our community will get off to a great start this school year!