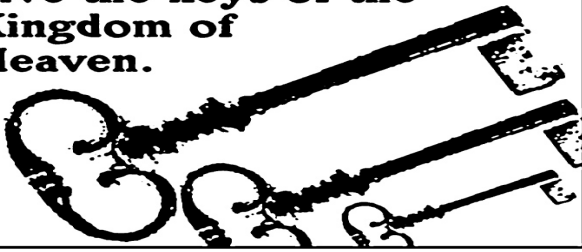


You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven.



The knowledge of the identity of Jesus as the Son of the Living God is not something which we can obtain through study or effort on our part. Rather, it is a gift from God, although we can dispose ourselves to receive it. We can wait patiently, begging our Lord to reveal Himself to us in an intimate manner, and trusting that He will do so. We can make acts of faith, trusting in the Church whom the Lord has established, sharing our faith with others. Then our knowledge will truly be that of the person of Jesus Christi and not merely in words.

Father Joseph

GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
08/19/07	2005	\$14,528.00
08/17/08	2140	\$15,033.00
Feast of the Assumption		\$2,346.00

A second collection will be taken next weekend for Saint Vincent de Paul Society.



CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Sometimes we need to be reminded how important each one of us is when it comes to fulfilling God's plan. Each of us is called to witness the risen Christ in many unique ways, and if we forget, God's plan loses some of its beauty. Your Faith witness is very important to all of our young people. Our 'EDGE' middle school youth program and Faith Formation program are only strong and successful when we have enough volunteers willing to share their time and talents. I am sure we have all heard the saying, "Volunteers are not paid...not because they are worthless, but because they are PRICELESS." Please consider helping us this year, as our enrollment continues to increase. If you can help in any way, please pick up a volunteer form located in front of the Faith Formation office or call the office at (972) 279-6581.

SAVE THE DATE!



FEAST OF SAINT MICHAEL

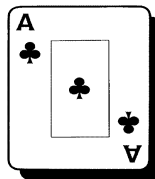
September 27, 2008

- ❖ Games * Food * Live Entertainment
- ❖ Beginning with Mass at 5:30 PM
- ❖ Fun activities for everyone after Mass
- ❖ Food by the "Holy Smokers"

Watch the bulletin for more information!!

A "Night in Las Vegas"

- Felipe Salazar



Las Vegas is coming to St. Michael on November 8, 2008, and we need sponsors for this event. We already have some nice prizes such as two nights at Sam's Town in Las Vegas, a \$650 portrait, and several restaurant gift cards. Keep 'em coming!

Sponsors will obtain recognition and help defray the cost of the event. Sponsor ranges are as follows:

- ❖ Platinum \$250.00 – Sponsor will obtain recognition and 4 entry packages
- ❖ Gold \$150.00 – Sponsor will obtain recognition and 3 entry packages
- ❖ Silver \$100.00 – Sponsor will obtain recognition and 2 entry packages
- ❖ Bronze \$50.00 – Sponsor will obtain recognition

Included with each entry package will be some startup gambling chips. The recognition will be in various forms the night of the event and in our bulletin. Contact Felipe Salazar at (214) 773-1031 if you have any questions.

Food Pantry

- Bob Mione

The Food Pantry is in need of volunteers, especially bilingual.

We are also in need of peanut butter and canned meats. Thank you and may God bless you!



MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, August 23

8:00 a.m. +Tom Buckley by Ann Buckley
 5:30 p.m. +Gertrude Saam by Trudi Claxton

Sunday, August 24

7:30 a.m. +Guillermo Ortiz by Hilda Ortiz
 9:00 a.m. +Eugene Duffey by his family
 10:30 a.m. +Ignacio Luna by Gloria Figueroa, his daughter & family
 12:00 noon Mass for the People
 6:00 p.m. S.I. Chris Dysart by Life Teen

Monday, August 25

8:00 a.m. +Joseph & Sylvia Mione by Robert & Penny Mione

Tuesday, August 26

8:00 a.m. +Mauro Landeros & Santiago Rangel by Rangel & Landeros family

Wednesday, August 27

8:00 a.m. +Ianthia Johnson by Walt & Mary Czaus

Thursday, August 28

8:00 a.m. S.I. Deacon Joe & Gloria Perez by Jack & Marcy Smith
 6:30 p.m. S.I. Christine Usrey by Life Teen

Friday, August 29

8:00 a.m. S.I. Lilianna Lee by Cresencia Pahela

Saturday, August 30

8:00 a.m. +Ianthia Johnson by Women's Craft Group
 5:30 p.m. +Antonio Lombardo by Virginia & Ray Phillips

Tabernacle candle is in memory of Ianthia Johnson by Walt & Mary Czaus and altar flowers are in memory of Anna Mikus by Bill & Marian Wangler.



This Week in our Parish

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY: August 24, 2008
 10:30 a.m. RCIA – Rm. 110/120
MONDAY: August 25, 2008
 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul – Youth Room
 7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Minister Training - Sanctuary
TUESDAY: August 26, 2008
 10:00 a.m. Women's Craft Group – Pit Area
 7:00 p.m. 12:00 Noon Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. Parish Advisory Council – Rm. 110/120
WEDNESDAY: August 27, 2008
 7:30 p.m. St. Gregory Choir – Sanctuary
 7:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study – Rm. 110/120
THURSDAY: August 28, 2008
 6:00 p.m. Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help – Chapel
 6:30 p.m. Mass – Chapel
 6:30 p.m. "The Edge" – Curran Hall
 7:00 p.m. Confessions – Chapel
 7:00 p.m. Casino Night Meeting – Rm. 110/120
 7:00 p.m. 9:00 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. Natural Family Planning – Rm. 140
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Leaders Meeting – Rm. 150
FRIDAY: August 29, 2008
SATURDAY: August 30, 2008
 4:30 p.m. Confessions – Chapel

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to our Summer Parish Service Project. With your help many children in our area schools will have a great start to the school year. Thank you and may God bless you!



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.



Lord your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 24, 2008



Sunday: Is 22:15, 19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
 Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3, 14-16/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
 Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: Jer 1:17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17/Mk 6:17-29
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30



Rachel Kollhoff – Acting Coordinator
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 Make sure to check out our website for current info
www.smlifeteen.com

LIFE TEEN KICKOFF BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7, 2008

Upcoming Events:

Strike for Life: Sunday, September 21, 1-4 p.m.
 An afternoon filled with fun and bowling to help raise money for Pro-Life! We are in need of sponsors. Spaces are limited so sign up today! Open to all high school students.

Life Teen is in search of Life Support Staff!

What is Life Support?

Well, it is an integral part of the LIFE TEEN ministry! It consists of different ministries that utilize diverse gifts and time commitments of parents and other interested volunteers. These ministries are great for parents of teenagers to take an active role in their child's faith in order to help them grow in their relationship with God. Parents are the primary "religious educator" for their children. These ministries encourage parents to stay involved without infringing on the natural space that is needed between parent and child as the teen grows in independence and maneuvers through adolescents. These ministries, however, are open to anyone wanting to give their time and talent to serve God and His people. Please join us in this challenge by being a part of the LIFE Support Staff!! We need you!!

Let's play



- Rich & Judy Fuja

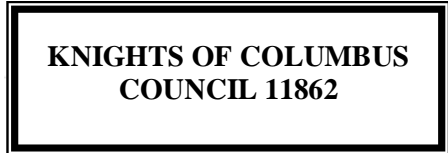
Welcome back everybody! We hope you had a great summer. It's time to play Bingo again!! Join us for a fun time in the Curran Hall on Wednesday, September 10, at 1:00 PM. Please contact Rich & Judy Fuja at (972) 686-4754 if you have any questions.

Religious Goods Volunteers



- Lili Rivera

REVISED schedules are available at the Religious Goods Counter. Religious Goods is still looking for volunteers for the Saturday 5:30 PM and 9:00, 10:30, and 12:00 Masses. Please come by the Religious Goods Counter or call the parish office to sign up to volunteer.

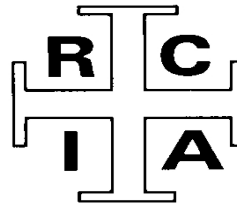


EVENTS CALENDAR

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.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

- Lynette Schnitzus

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is the process whereby adults prepare for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. During a series of sessions, adults are helped to make a decision concerning their "Faith life."

Possible candidates for this Faith journey are:

- ❖ **Unbaptized adults** who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic.
- ❖ **Baptized Christians** from other denominations who would like to learn more and possibly be received into the Catholic Church.
- ❖ **Baptized Catholics** who would like to prepare for Eucharist and/or Confirmation by renewing their understanding of their Catholic faith.

A new RCIA class will begin today at 10:30 a.m. in room 110. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, we would like to invite you to meet with the St. Michael RCIA team and ask any questions you may have.

REMEMBER
THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US.



Sing to God with Gladness

- Penny Mione

The **St. Gregory Choir** provides the music at the 10:30 a.m. liturgy each Sunday. This wonderful collection of talented singers meets for fun, fellowship and a little singing once a week; beginning September 9, rehearsals will be on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Anyone who is interested in praising God in song is invited to join; singing in a choir is a lot of fun and is about much more than just singing. Come and see what we're all about!



The **Littlest Angel Choir** will begin the 2008/2009 season with a parent meeting on Wednesday, September 3, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Membership in this choir is directed toward elementary school-aged children, grades 1-6. Parents, please talk with your children about becoming involved in ministry at this age; nothing pleases God more than the sound of a child's voice in prayer!

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