

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: SATURDAY 4:30 - 5:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: TO INSURE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR ADEQUATE PREPARATION, COUPLES SHOULD CONTACT THE PRIEST FOUR, PREFERABLY SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE WEDDING
IF YOU ARE CELEBRATING A SACRAMENT THIS YEAR, A RECENT COPY OF YOUR BAPTISMAL RECORD MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE PARISH.

(SATURDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 5:30 PM) (SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM)

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-

February 23, 2020

TODAY, February 23

Mass – 8:30 a.m. – People of the Parish

Mass – 11:00 a.m. – Increase in Vocations

MONDAY, February 24

Mass – 8:30 a.m. – Special Intentions

TUESDAY, February 25

Mass - 8:30 a.m. - Special Intentions (BLI)

WEDNESDAY, February 26

Mass – 5:30 p.m. – In Thanksgiving

THURSDAY – February 27

Mass – 8:30 a.m. – Special Intentions (JLL)

FRIDAY – February 28

Mass – 8:30 a.m. – Jim Farrell

SATURDAY – February 29

Mass – 5:30 p.m. – Peace in Our World

Lay Ministry

February 29 – March 1

Altar Servers

5:30 p.m. - Justin Glass – Leah Larson

8:30 a.m. – Faith Beamish – Samantha Graves

11:00 a.m. - Dalton & Grace Windham

Lector/Commentator

5:30 p.m. – Tim Welp – Amy Chaney Wood

8:30 a.m. - David McHan – Cheryl Roberts

11:00 a.m. - Fred & Kay Farrell

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:30 p.m. – Glenda Loviza, Daniel Miles, Tim Welp,
Nan Welp, David Wallace

8:30 a.m. - Burnie Ratcliff, Lisa Conley, John Piazza,
Tommy & Tracy Trichell

11:00 a.m. Susan Chiarito, Betsy & Bobby Folsom,
Allyson Windham

PSR CLASSES FOR ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL are back in session..

Pray for ... The Sick in our Community

Judy McCollum, Don Ravetta, Charles Thompson, Jamie Dishman, Jim Conway, Mia Calnan, Bobbie Anderson, Karen Zwissler, Jodie Barnes, Kathy Grant, Belinda McKinney, Pamela Bull, Melissa Barker, Jerri Mocknick, John Alford, Philip Vedros, Milton Farr, Rebecca Battalio, Glenda Daigle, Mark Reddy, Beverly Goodwin, Barb Price, Dana Faye Clausner, Jackie Rushing, Sharon Hanks, Frances Powell, Emily Jane Tucker, James Leo, Matt Holm, Gayle Parker, Lori Stevens, Dan Welp, Bill Roach, Laura Thomas, Ashley Zepponi, Donna Carpenter, Scott Hughes, David Horner, Teresa Marshall, Connie & Homer Greer, Lucia Brown, Patricia Thompkins, Wilma Boland, Lea Floyd, Larry Lucchesi, Joyce Reece, Darlene Smith, Martha Martin, Dolly Moses, Margaret Jo Rose, Virgil Carter, Nick Verzwylt, Marvin Webster, Archer Samuel Baughman, Charles Trahan, Walter McCallum, Jonathan Greer, Buddy Irby, Nancy Lucchesi, Annie Mae Mahoney, Rosemary Gordon, Alex Baylot, Phillip Peeler, Avis Phillips, Bobbie Carlisle, Jacob Ingram, Kaci McWhorter, Bradley Barnes, Michael Goff, Joe Zelasko, Otto Clifton, Kimberly Stewart, Justin Gilman, Martha Smith, Michael Joseph Dow, Victoria Mekus and Richard Smith.

Collection – 2/16/20 - Regular: \$ 9,536.00

2/23/20 - Carol Spiers, Joan Donovan, Ron Moomaw

3/01/20 – Jean Callen, Jerry Roberts, Greg Hull



We gratefully acknowledge the Altar Flowers given in loving memory of the Franco & Brabston families by Mary Margaret Brabston.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS –

2/25/2020 – 6:30 Rosary / 7 p.m. Recruitment Social. Rosary open to everyone.

2/28/2020 – 5:30 to 6:30 KC Lenten Fish Fry.

Take out or dine in. \$10 per plate.

2/29 /2020 – March for Life 11:30 a.m. St. Al parking lot. Rides available for people who can not walk long distances. We will walk to cemetery located at Sky Farm Rd and Lovers Lane. 12 p.m. Rosary at the Monument of the Unborn. St. Al will transport walkers back to St. Al.

The KC Little Black Lenten Devotional Books will be available after all Masses this weekend while supplies last. Net proceeds from donations will go to the VCS Tuition Assistance Fund.

KC Knight of the Month for January is Conrad Rabalais.

KC Family of the Month for January is Jeff Eckstein Family.

RCIA - This week the catechumens and candidates will attend Ash Wednesday Mass. There will be no RCIA session following Mass.

Ash Wednesday begins the Period of Purification and Enlightenment for the RCIA. This coincides with our season of Lent. Vatican II brought back the early church's focus of baptism at Easter. Lent was originally a "retreat" time for the catechumens as they prepared for the Easter Sacraments. The whole church prayed for these "elect" during this final period of preparation before Easter. On Sunday, March 1 at the 8:30 Mass we will celebrate the Rite of Sending of the Catechumens for Election and the Rite of Sending the Candidates for recognition by the Bishop and Call to Continuing Conversion at the 8:30 Mass. Then at 2pm that afternoon the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion will be held at St. Francis of Assisi in Madison. Bishop Kopacz will pr

SPECIAL MASSES – Each time Mass is offered it is offered for a special intention, i.e., in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one, or on special occasions such as marriage anniversaries, birthdays, or other important occasions. Mass may also be offered for things such as world peace, for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, in thanksgiving, or for an end to abortion. You may schedule them through the parish office. The stipend is \$10.00

CYO - The Vicksburg Youth Group will meet this Sunday, February 23rd at 6:30 in St. Paul's Farrell Hall.

ST. PAUL - will be starting their spring adult catechesis series, Forgiven: The Sacrament of Confession, on Wednesday, March 4th in Farrell Hall. Dinner is \$5 and will be served at 6:30. The class will begin after dinner and will last until 8:00 pm. Please register by calling the parish office or emailing Rebecca Weatherford at [faithformation@stpaulvicksburg.org](<mailto:faithformation@stpaulvicksburg.org>).

ADULT FAITH FORMATION - Please join us as we pray our way through the Sunday Gospel. We will be listening to what Jesus has to say to each of us personally and discuss what God reveals to us through His Holy Word. We will meet each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Education Building.

LADIES RETREAT – the Mercy Associates invite all ladies of St. Mary's, St. Paul and St. Michael to a retreat on Sunday, March 8 2020. Sister Maryann will be the speaker. The retreat will begin with Mass at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's; the morning session will be at St. Paul's Farrell Hall, followed by lunch and the afternoon session at the St. Michael Education building ending at 4:30 p.m. The cost will be \$10 which includes lunch. If you are interested in attending, please contact Kathy Pikul at 601-529-5560 by Sunday March 1, 2020.

ASH WEDNESDAY - Mass and distribution of ashes will be at 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – will begin this Friday, February 28th at 5 p.m.

BISHOP CHANCHE AWARD – Congratulations to Myrtle Curro – Alvarado and Adam Eckstein, St. Michael recipients of the Bishop Chanche Award and the Bishop Chanche Youth Award. They were recognized by Bishop Kopacz at the Cathedral of St. Peter this weekend. Congratulations to these outstanding parishioners!

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - All ladies of the parish are invited to attend the meeting of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Thursday, 27 Feb 2020 at 2:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the education building at St Michael's for a time of fellowship and Lenten reflection.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS – is to help local African Americans and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs in their communities.

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MEALS ON WHEELS – St. Michael participates on the 2nd Friday of each month beginning at 8:00 am in the Parish Hall. If you would like to help by cooking, boxing meals or delivering please contact Carrie Meyer at (601) 218-1007 or Ashton Hotard at (817) 946-0773. Thank you!!

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BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE – We are here to help you and your family while dealing with the loss of a loved one. Volunteers prepare meals for parishioners who suffer a loss in their family. If this committee can be of help to you, please contact the Parish office. *We are always happy to have new volunteers in this ministry. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Christy Middleton at 601-638-3675 or the Parish office*

BRICK GARDEN - Our parish brick garden is in NEED of some fertilizer!!! As I am sure you have noticed, there are lots of openings for new brick orders. Please consider honoring, memorializing or recognizing someone with this fundraising effort for our parish. You may download an order form from the website or pick up a form from the parish library. *A small brick is \$50 and a large brick is \$100.* Please contact Sharon Andrews at 601-636-7611 with any questions. Thank you in advance for your order!

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION – If you are new to our parish please register as a parishioner. Registration forms are on the library counter in the vestibule of the church. You may place them in the collection basket or they can be brought to the Parish office

FREE ROSARY REPAIR SERVICE - Send your broken rosaries in a padded envelope to: Betty and Dick Holden at 7930 Estero Blvd. #502, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931. They will repair and return it to you within the week of receipt. Donations of old and broken rosaries are also accepted which will be repaired and sent on to the missions. Include a note indicating repair and return to me or this is a donation. Contact info is holdenbnd@gmail.com

ANGELS OF MERCY – Provide assistance to new and expectant mothers in St. Michael Parish. If your family is expecting, please contact Lori Williams at 601-638-8448 or Evelyn Weaver at 601-415-9500 so we may keep your family in our prayers,

CALLED TO PROTECT

In accordance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People passed by the U.S. bishops in Dallas, the Diocese of Jackson wishes to encourage any victim of sexual abuse by a member of the Catholic Clergy to come forward and begin the healing process. When an allegation is found to be credible, counseling will be offered, so that the healing process can begin in accord with our present diocesan policy. We encourage any victim to contact Valerie McClellan, victims Assistance Coordinator at 601-326-3728.

<p>If you, or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or learning more about the Catholic Faith, please call Cheryl Roberts at 629-9334 or e-mail c.c.roberts07@gmail.com to inquire about the RCIA program.</p>
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