

BULLETIN BITES

Luke 4:21-30

And Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place."

If we become a star athlete or acquire great wealth, our high school or home town may honor us as "Person of the Year" or dedicate a plaque to us. But if we challenge people to do great things, there may be no plaque for us. Jesus entered the synagogue in his home town of Nazareth and read a passage from Isaiah that prophesied the coming of the Messiah and then He said it had been fulfilled in their midst. The people of Nazareth knew Jesus well. He grew up and lived among them. He was one of them. He was like them. He had not yet done anything to indicate that He was the Messiah. But the people knew the Messiah would do great things. If Jesus was the Messiah, there was no reason why they, too, could not do great things. If Jesus could not prove to them that He was the Messiah, there would be no pressure on them to be better than they wanted to be. Jesus knew that familiarity breeds doubt. He challenged the people of Nazareth to accept Him despite their doubt - to have faith in Him. Do we sometimes doubt Jesus? Do we accept Him as Messiah despite our doubt? Do we have faith in Him?

**** Please take note, parking on the grass is NOT ALLOWED**
**** Parents please take note, Children are NOT ALLOWED in the hall during mass or to be in the classrooms after CCD Classes.**

There are blue boxes in the back of the church for different items we are collecting for charities in our community. Please consider donating these items:
 - Flip tops from soda cans,
 Cancelled postage stamps,
 plastic bottle tops from 16/20oz soda bottles, used Christmas cards, Old eyeglasses and cases.

If you have not picked up your 2019 envelopes please do. We are trying to determine the numbers still in use. We have many new families in the parish requesting envelopes, so with that said, if you are leaving St. Michael please let us know so we can update the records. A call or a note in the collection basket is the easiest way.

2018 Tax Statements
 Tax statements are available. If you would like a tax receipt please put your name and envelope number on the sign up sheet in the back of the church

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 Help Needed
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Emergency Preparedness,
Adult & Youth Faith Formation
 Sundays 10-11am Sep-May
R. C. I. A.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.
 Wednesdays 7pm Sep-May

Mass Schedule :
Weekend Saturday 5:00 pm
 Sunday 8:30 & 11:30 am
Weekday Mon., Thurs., Fri. 9:00 am
 Wed. 6:00 pm

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 03, 2019

St. Michael the Archangel
CATHOLIC CHURCH



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PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

*St. 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 power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
 Amen.*

Celebration of the Sacraments

Baptism- takes place every 3rd Sunday, during or outside of Mass. Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom, or Wayne to set a meeting to prepare for the Sacrament and set a date. Baptism for older youth and adults occurs at the Easter Vigil.

Confession- Saturdays, 4:30 pm, before or after any Mass or by appointment with Fr. Julian. Communal services during Advent and Lent.

First Reconciliation- is celebrated during Advent.

First Eucharist- is celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade or older.

Confirmation- for youth is conferred by the Bishop. Adults receive the Sacrament at the Easter Vigil or before Marriage by Fr. Julian.

Holy Orders- Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack or Tom if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious.

Marriage- Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack or Tom for any Marriage and Annulment need.

Anointing of the Sick- Anyone who is seriously ill or going to surgery should request anointing by contacting Fr. Julian.

Opportunities for Life Hotline
 Call (800) 822-5824 for help for those experiencing an untimely pregnancy.

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Mass Intentions \$5

Sanctuary Candle \$10

Please put your donation in an envelope and indicate († if deceased). Please give your name, phone and the date wanted in the collection basket. If the exact time and date you requested is not available, the closest available Mass time and date will be assigned.

****Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday**
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****Advertisement in Bulletin Contact Mary Johnson at (419) 215-9486**

WEBSITE

St. Michael's new WEBSITE is now available at www.stmichaeloakgrove.church
Please check it out for more information.

Blessed Mother Bookstore
Open: Sunday 9:30 - 11:30 am

Come by and check us out.

Reading for this week 02/04-02/10

Monday:	HEB	11:32-40
	PS	31:20-24
	MK	5:1-20
Tuesday:	HEB	12:1-4
	PS	22:26b-28,30-32
	MK	5:21-43
Wednesday:	HEB	12:4-7,11-15
	PS	103:1-2,13-14,17-18a
	MK	6:1-6
Thursday:	HEB	12:18-19,21-24
	PS	48:2-4,9-11
	MK	6:7-13
Friday:	HEB	13:1-8
	PS	27:1,3,5,8b-9c
	MK	6:14-29
Saturday:	HEB	13:15-17
	PS	23:1-6
	MK	6:30-34
Sunday:	IS	6:1-2a,3-8
	PS	138:1-5,7-8
	ICOR	15:1-11/15:3-8,11
	LK	5:1-11

4th Sunday of the Ordinary Time YRC

1st Reading (JER 1:4-5,17-19) This reading tells us of the call and commission of the Prophet Jeremiah.

2nd Reading (1COR 12:31-13:13) St. Paul stresses the primacy of love in the life of a Christian.

Gospel (LK 4:21-30) Jesus shared the fate of every true prophet: rejection by His own people.



The 1st reading tells us of the call and commissioning of the Prophet Jeremiah. Jeremiah never wanted to be a prophet and was overwhelmed by the sheer burden of it. However, he reluctantly accepted God's call. Jeremiah began his prophetic mission by confronting, telling his people with their sins. He bluntly told them that their only hope for survival was to reform their lives and to turn to God for help. This angered the people, who saw Jeremiah as passing judgement on them. The situation got so bad that on one occasion the authorities put Jeremiah in the Cistern. "So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the Cistern of Malchiah, the king's son, which was in the court of the guard; letting Jeremiah down by ropes" (JER 38:6). Another occasion they plot against Jeremiah saying, "Come, let us make plots against Jeremiah-come, let us bring charges against him, and let us not heed any of his words" (JER 18:18).

Jesus too experience the difficulty and pain of being a prophet in His own country. He too experienced the rejection of friends and neighbors. For example, Today's gospel shows us what happened when Jesus preached His very first sermon in His hometown after returning from His baptism in the Jordan river.

Reflection Theme: Reject by His own

Jesus went back to Nazareth and to the people among whom He had grown up with. He wanted to bring them too the benefit of His gifts. They were the people who knew Him best. You would have thought, then, that they would have appreciated Him most. Sadly, they had no faith in Him. Something similar happens with people. A person is never a hero to his own relations. A genius is not likely to be discovered by his friends.

Jesus was not only appreciated by His people but they also rejected Him. Why the rejection? This is because He pointed out their lack of faith and told them that the Gentiles were more open to God than they were. The benefits of the promises were meant for all.

Jesus suffered the fate of all prophets-rejection by His own people. Prophecy is not about pleasing people. It is about speaking the truth that no one wants to hear, the truth that is often covered up. But Jesus over-riding motive was compassion.

Friends in Christ, as we meditate on the rejection of Christ by His people, we suddenly remember those disturbing words of the righteous and devout Simeon uttered when Jesus was presented in the temple: "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed, so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed" (LK 2:34-35).

Those words would echo and re-echo all through the preaching ministry of Jesus. Jesus was accused of speaking falsely, almost to the point of blaspheming so the Pharisees accused Him of being an instrument of the devil Himself (MH 12:24). His town's people tried to kill Him for telling them the truth and the people of Jerusalem would shout crucify Him, crucify Him. And they really had Pilate approve His crucifixion.

As Christians, how does this apply to us? Jesus made the application Himself. He said to His disciples: "If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. Remember the word that I said to you, "Servant are not greater than their master. If they persecuted me, they will persecute you" (JN 15:18-20). Anyone who tried to lead a Christian life today knows how true this is. The scripture even attested to this when it says, "My child when you come to serve the Lord prepare yourself for testing" (ECCLESIASTICUS 2:1).

We have all experience rejection and persecution for our faith at some time in our lives. But we can't let this keep us from being honest of following Christ. We can't let this keep us from defending the rights of the unborn or the oppressed. For Jesus said to us, "You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world...they do not light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand...just so, your light must shine before others, they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly father" (MH 5:13-16). Our Christian vocation is to be prophets, witness of Christian and the light to the world. Jesus Himself said to His disciples, "You shall be my witness" (ACTS 1:8).

This is what our baptism and confirmation were all about. Our brother Paul enjoins us thus: "In the world of darkness we Christians are called by God to shine like stars" (PHILIPPIANS 2:15).

Lord give us your strength and courage for sometimes pressure gets heavy, and we are tempted to give in. And help us to shine like stars in the midst of darkness. Amen.

Have a Blessed Sunday!

****We will be purging our sick list at the end of January. Please let us know who needs to remain on it by placing the name in the collection basket.**



Dear Lord, please wrap your arms around those who are hurting today, and let them feel how much You love them.

Al Acuna
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Amy Bell
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Judy Brown
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Please Pray for our Sick:

Gifts for God

Regular Collection:	\$	2673.37
Mass Intentions	\$	15.00
Votive Candle	\$	21.50
Sanctuary Candle	\$	20.00
Parish Maintenance	\$	13.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	5.00
Hall Rental	\$	
Zumba	\$	
Belk	\$	
Flowers	\$	
Total	\$	2747.87

January 26-27, 2018
Total Attendance - 482

Second Offertory Collection

February 3 - Our Parish Maintenance
March 3 - Our Parish Maintenance
March 6- Diocese of Manderville, Jamaica
March 10 - Easter Flowers

Every First Friday of the Month is

Anointing of the Sick and Adoration

4th Saturday of the Month Activities

5 Cent Bingo
10:00am-Noon

Martha's Ministry (after Bingo)

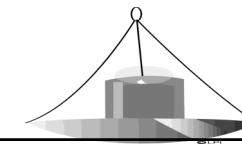
12:30PM until 2:30pm

Need a place to hold an event or a family gathering with friends, then why not rent the Parish Hall by contacting Dave Tilley at 931-237-5013

Sanctuary Candle Intention

February 03, 2019

Leonard Zintl



Activities/Meetings this Week:

Saturday, 02/02:	
Confessions	4:30pm
MASS	5:00pm
Mass Intention: Suni Robbins †	
Sunday, 02/03:	
MASS	8:30am
Mass Intention: Robyn Scheller †	
CCD Class	10:00am
MASS	11:30am
Mass Intention: Sharon Smidt	
Monday, 02/04:	
MASS	9:00am
Mass Intention: Poor Souls in Purgatory	
Tuesday, 02/05:	
NO MASS	
St. M. Prayer Group	8:30am
Wednesday, 02/06:	
MASS	9:00am
Mass Intention: Poor Souls in Purgatory	
RCIA	7:00pm
Choir Practice	7:00pm
Thursday, 02/07:	
MASS	9:00am
Mass Intention: Poor souls in Purgatory	
Friday, 02/08:	
MASS	9:00am
Mass Intention: Children of St. Michael	
St. M Prayer Group	9:00 am
(All are welcome!)	
Saturday, 02/09	
Confessions	4:30pm
MASS	5:00pm
Mass Intention: Ralph & Todd Jurisin †	
Sunday, 02/10:	
MASS	8:30am
Mass Intention: Perry Elders †	
CCD Class	10:00am
MASS	11:30am
Mass Intention: Sharon Smidt	

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March 8-10, 2019

Brescia University Campus
Registration due by Feb. 21

More information to follow

Bulletin Board

Have you stopped and checked out all that is going on here at St. Michael the Archangel! It is updated weekly by Lori Snodgrass. If you need anything added she can be reached at 931-919-2794.

****Clothing Ministry****

We are now accepting WINTER clothing. Clothing may be left in the Fellowship Hall Atrium. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. This is another program through Martha's Ministry.