

Saint Michael's Roman Catholic Church

A Tithing Community

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday :
9:30 AM to 4:30PM

Friday

9:30AM-1:30PM

Closed Saturday-Sunday

Parish Staff

Reverend Peter Heasley, S.Th.D.,
Administrator

Reverend Benedict Paul, Ph.D.,
Parochial Vicar

Deacon Thomas Tortorella

Reverend Daniel Sabatos

Sunday Associate

Reverend Akram Javid

Sunday Associate

Reverend Ernest Frimpong

Nursing Home Associate

Brian Freeman, Parish Secretary

Sarah Glassman, Music Director

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 9:00 AM (Monday -
Friday)

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM,
(English)

11:30 AM (Spanish)

1:00 PM (English)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

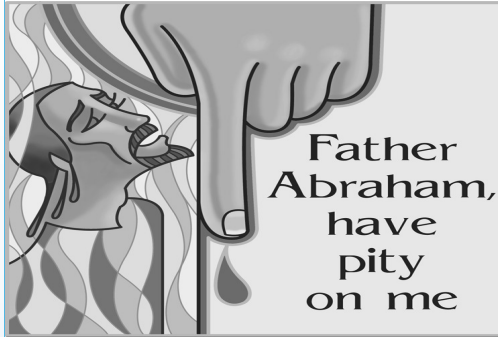
Every Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM

Baptism and Marriage

Scheduled by appointment after
meeting with one of the parish
priests. Please see the parish
website for more details.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2019



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OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE

We are changing things up a bit here in our bulletin. The information usually in this space about the sacraments here at Saint Michael's can be found on the parish website, saintmichaels-cc.org. I need this space in order to offer a more substantial catechetical section on the next page. We'll begin with a series called "**Bible Bulletin**," which I have offered at previous parish assignments. I hope you find it helpful.

Once again, I would ask all of our Lectors, Ushers, and Eucharistic Ministers to come together to meet during the month of October. These meetings, though **mandatory**, are about getting to know those who are contributing so valuably to our parish. It seems that a number of our lectors will be away the weekend of October 12, so let me propose the following **altered schedule** for our "October Saturdays".

Saturday, October 12, 9:00am: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, October 19, 9:00am: Lectors

Saturday, October 26, 9:00am: Ushers

Please confirm your attendance with Brian or Wanda in the Parish Office, and include your phone number and email address. We'll begin with Morning Prayer and have coffee and bagels. If you would like to join one of these ministries, please speak with Fr. Peter first, before the meeting. Many of you have already come forward to volunteer your services.

Please see the website for information on events here at St. Michael's and beyond, especially **Modell's Coupons**, the **Women's Day of Recollection in Spanish**, and a trip to **Foxwoods Casino on November 16**.

Please continue to spread the word about **RCIA** here at Saint Michael's. We are starting to assemble a group of students, for classes beginning in early October.

Fr. Peter

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

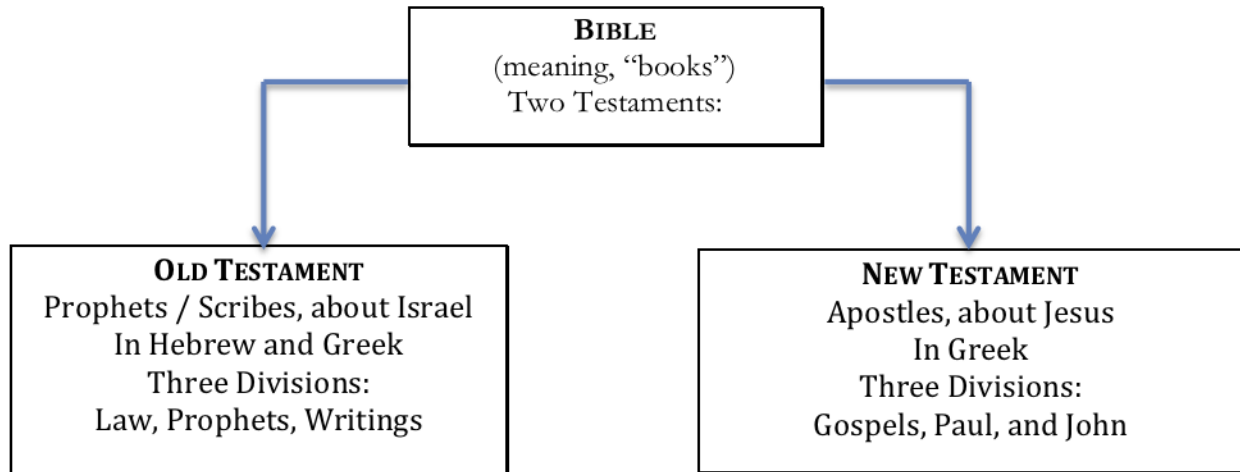
Saint Michael the Archangel Church is a multi-cultural Roman Catholic community seeking to live the faith honestly with courage, warmth, trust, love and hope. We are united together in fellowship as a family. The guiding spirit of Christ enables us to serve the needs of others, thereby leading to peace.

BIBLE BULLETIN 1: TWO TESTAMENTS

Rev. Peter A. Heasley, S.Th.D.

The Christian Bible is divided into two testaments, the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old Testament refers to the Scriptures of the Jewish people at the time of Christ. In the Catholic canon, the Old Testament contains 46 books grouped into three sections: Law, Prophets, and Writings. The New Testament refers to the writings of the apostles and their associates soon after the time of Christ, and contains 27 books. The books of the New Testament are less traditionally grouped into three: the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke), the Pauline Corpus, and the Johannine Corpus.

Most of the Old Testament is written originally in Hebrew, with some books written originally in Greek and parts of Daniel written in Aramaic. By the time of the apostles, all of the Hebrew Scriptures had been translated into Greek and put together into a book called the Septuagint. All of the New Testament comes to us in Greek, although some books (like Matthew's gospel) may originally have been written in Aramaic, the spoken language of Jesus' day.



The word “testament” comes from the Latin translation of the Greek word *diatheke*, which is the translation for the Hebrew word *berith*. These all mean “covenant.” Technically, this word refers to a legal will, and in the case of the relationship between God and man, it refers to our binding agreement with him.

While there are several covenants made in the Old Testament, the most important seems to be the covenant made on Mount Sinai with Moses, in the giving of the Law. The stone tablets of the Ten Commandments are the physical form of this covenant. This covenant, like all covenants, comes with stipulations and promises. The tablets of the law are kept in the Ark of the Covenant, around which the temple is built. The covenant with Abraham is also extremely important, and its physical sign is circumcision.

Christ forms with us a new covenant, one whose physical element is his Blood. This new covenant comes with its own law and promises. The Holy Mass, celebrated on the altar, is where we renew and remember this covenant with the Lord.

As seen in the boxes above, each testament is divided generally into three parts for ease of study. Next week, we will look at how these parts are distinguished and how they relate to each other.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, September 29th Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5780 begins at sundown

Monday, September 30th St. Jerome

Tuesday, October 1st St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Wednesday, October 2nd The Holy Guardian Angels (Christian Meditation Group 1:30pm)

Thursday, October 3rd

Friday, October 4th St Francis of Assisi; First Friday

Saturday, October 5th Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos; Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



October 5th-October 6th

Saturday

(5:00 pm) Stephen Perry
8:30 am Michael Kaplan
10:00 am Cedric Hyde
11:30 am Lourdes Suarez
1:00 pm Maria Lorenzana

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Newcomers are always welcome to join the Christian meditation group which meets every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. This ancient form of prayer seeks God in silence and stillness without words or thoughts. The meeting includes quiet music, an instructional reading and tape, followed by 25 minutes of silent meditation. Discussion is encouraged. Come and find the teacher within. In the silence of the heart HE speaks to us.

Foxwoods Casino

A trip to Foxwoods Casino in Ct. Has been confirmed for:

Saturday, November 16, 2019

Departure 8am - return between 8 & 9pm

\$40.00 per person

Outlet shopping is available also.

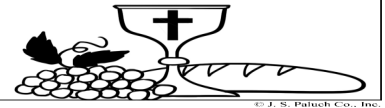
Includes:

- Round trip bus transportation
- \$10 in casino play
- \$10 meal credit for any eatery or the complete buffet

Payable in two installments - \$20 upon sign up and \$20 balance no later than Sunday, October 27, 2019
 SPACE IS LIMITED - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!
 ABSOLUTELY NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A DEPOSIT.

No refunds. If you're unable to go simply re-sell your seat.

Masses for the Week



Sunday, September 29th

8:30am Monseratte Ocasio & Antonio Barbosa

10:00am Anibal Garcia Rose

11:30am Rafael C Abreu

1:00pm Miriam Argueta

Monday, September 30th

9:00am Rossanna Cruz- Special Intention

Tuesday, October 1st

9:00am Ramon Rosa & Colon Family

Wednesday, October 2nd

9:00am Rudolph Rosa & Ramos Family

Thursday, October 3rd

9:00am Sanchez & Montes Family

Friday, October 4th

9:00am Gentles & Burgees Family

Saturday, October 5th

5:00pm Teckla Hall

Sunday, October 6th

8:30am Walter Falcon

10:00am Religious Sisters of the Shilbroski Family

11:30am Gabriel Perez & Florencio Suarez

11:30am Rosa Roldan

1:00pm Melbourne M Tapper

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
- Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
- Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
- Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
- Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
- Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Weekly Collection: \$6,025
 Monthly Mortgage: \$233

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