

10.24.2021

# WELCOME!

Our parish community welcomes you! We are blessed by your active participation in our worship together. Thank you for helping us grow!

“Be faithful in little things.”  
-Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, C.Ss.R

## 40 Days for Life

Thru October 31<sup>st</sup> - signup to pray for 1 hour at Planned Parenthood, 717 Downtowner Loop W, Mobile. At 40DaysforLife/Mobile

## Fall Festival at St. Robert Bellarmine, Atmore

November 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> - BBQ Sandwiches, Bulk Sandwich meat, Home-Baked goods. Whole Smoked Boston Butts \$40 - order ahead at 850-327-4060 or 251-583-8105. More information at [strobertatmore.com](http://strobertatmore.com)

## WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

### SUNDAY MASS

8:00 am and 10:30am

### CONFESSION

before, between, and after Sunday Masses or by appointment

### WEEKDAY MASS

Wednesday, Steinway Music Gallery 8:30am

### MINISTRY OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office if you or anyone you know would like to receive weekly communion.

## STEWARDSHIP: GIFT OF TREASURE

Payments to the Capital Campaign can now be made by texting 41444  
*Please make your checks payable to: In the Seelos Tradition*

### OFFERINGS

Tithe \$2745.00  
Building Fund \$231.00

## UPCOMING 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTIONS

Oct 24<sup>th</sup> - World Missions  
Oct 31<sup>st</sup> - Building Fund

## St. Michaels Catholic High School

Possibly interested in enrolling your student for the 2022-2023 year? Signup for a Cardinals Connection, a lunch and learn being held November 2, 9 & 16 at 12:15pm. To register - [stmichaelchs.org/cardinalconnections](http://stmichaelchs.org/cardinalconnections).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 29<sup>th</sup>** - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass 8:30am at the rectory; 31387 Buckingham Blvd

**October 30<sup>th</sup>** - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday - Confessions 8:30am, Mass 9am followed by the Rosary. Also at the rectory

## Mass Intentions

Sunday,

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Contact: Theresa West at (228) 209 4935 or [theresabertagnolliwest@yahoo.com](mailto:theresabertagnolliwest@yahoo.com).

**Sunday School and Children's Liturgy of the Word** - Has begun for the 2021-2022 year. Sunday School is 9:15 to 10:15; between the Masses.

**9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade Students** - Search Retreat Registration is now open <https://www.mobarch.org/search-25>  
Search is a Retreat for teens, by teens. Nov 12-14 at Holy Spirit Hall, Battles Wharf (Point Clear) fee is \$100 - including 9<sup>th</sup> graders!

## What is 1<sup>st</sup> Friday and 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday?

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month is marked as a special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus since he died for us on a Friday. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) reported visions of Jesus Christ directing her to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on nine consecutive First Fridays in reparation for sins and in order to show love to Jesus.

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month is marked as a special devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. On the 13th May 1917, Our Lady first mentioned the devotion to the children of Fatima. On the 10th December 1925, Our Lady appeared to Lucia detailing how devotion to her Immaculate Heart was to be practiced; go to Confession, attend Mass while receiving Holy Communion, pray the Rosary, and mediate on our Blessed Mother for 15 minutes.

## LITURGY AND LIFE

Sometimes in life, we feel stuck, incapable of making a decision, confused. Generally it's because we feel as though we don't see ourselves clearly; we don't see the situation clearly or which way to go to get out of it. Perhaps that's because things just aren't clear, to begin with but many times it is we who pull the wool over our own eyes: *we prefer not to see*. It is no accident that when one is depressed, he closes the shades and seek refuge in sleep, in the illusion that we can distance ourselves from reality. We refuse to look at the consequences of our own choices. Bartimaeus is a little like this. And maybe it's not by chance that the encounter described in this Gospel passage happens in Jericho – the city built below sea level. Bartimaeus doesn't live within Jesus' paths. He is the last-minute-man; the man that holds on when everything is slipping out of his hands. He is the last possible cry for help.

### St. Marcellus the Centurion – Saturday, October 30th

St. Marcellus was a Christian centurion in one of the legions stationed in Spain. In the year 298 the birthday of the Emperor Maximian was to be celebrated with extraordinary flare. St. Marcellus refused to take part in the sacrifices declaring himself a Christian. He threw down his arms and the vine-branch, the mark of his dignity. He was sent to Tangier in Africa where he was condemned to death for desertion and impiety. The sentence of beheading was so unjust the notary of the court, Cassian, refused to write it. St. Marcellus was beheaded on October 30<sup>th</sup>, and St. Cassian suffered death shortly after on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.



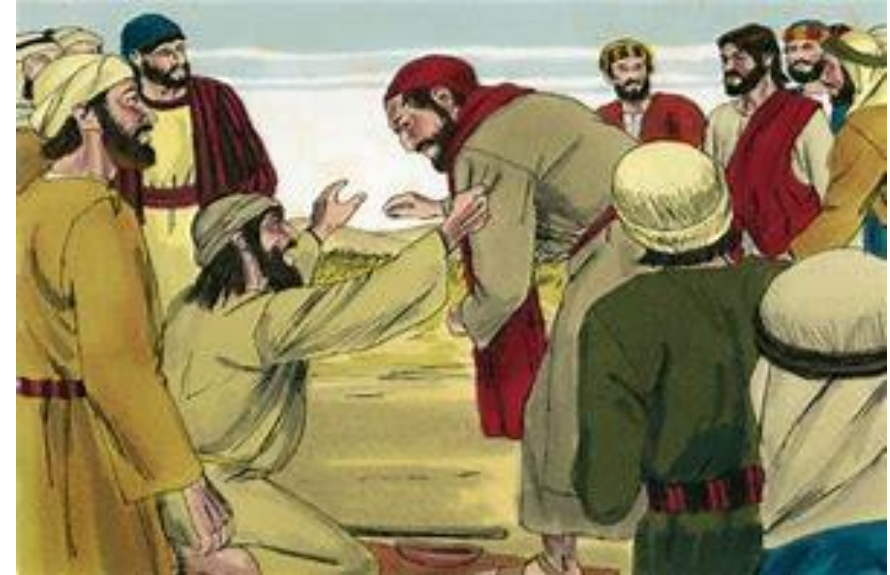
### Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes and Natural Disasters The Divine Praises

Blessed be God. Blessed be His Holy Name. Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man. Blessed be the name of Jesus. Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart. Blessed be His Most Precious Blood. Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete. Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy. Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception. Blessed be her glorious Assumption. Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother. Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse. Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.



**REGISTER TODAY AT FRANCISXSEELOS.ORG! CLICK "JOIN US"**

October 24<sup>th</sup> 2021/ Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time



**“Our Savior Jesus Christ,,brought life to light  
through the Gospel”** **2Tm 1:10**

### BL. FRANCIS XAVIER SEELOS CATHOLIC PARISH



Blessed  
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#### PARISH CONTACTS

**Faith Formation / Altar Servers:** Theresa West at (228) 209-4935

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**Men of St. Joseph:** Todd Roof at (205) 908-9884

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615-587-2683



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