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Are you the That through daily prayer we gain patience and align ourselves with is to come, God and His plan for us. "You too or must must be patient. Make your hearts we wait for firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." James 5:8 Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with.

We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.





Readings for the Week of December 11, 2016

Third Sunday of Advent Sunday

Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10;

Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Monday Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr Tuesday

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23;

Mt 21:28-32

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Wednesday

Doctor of the Church

Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab and 10,

11-12, 13-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b;

Friday Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Jn 5:33-36 Saturday

Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17;

Mt 1:1-17

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent

Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Rom 1:1-7;

Mt 1:18-24

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

St. John's (Alvin) - Tuesday, December 13, 7:00 St. John's (West Columbia) - Thursday, Dec. 15th, 7:00 pm

St. Michael the Archangel - Monday, Dec. 19th, 7:00 pm

St. Mary's (Freeport) - Tuesday, December 20th, 7:00 pm

During the Advent season, there are several opportunities for prayer that are available to us:

- We will again celebrate vespers as a powerful way to begin each week. Please make plans to join us in the F-Wing at 6:00pm each Sunday evening of Advent (12/11, 12/18) and enjoy this peaceful time of prayer and song.
- For many Advent resources to help enter into the season with prayer and devotion, please visit this page of our parish website: www.smlj.org/advent



Liturgy Intentions For The Week



WEEK OF December 10, 2016 - December 18, 2016

SATURDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Mary Kubesch
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	†John Muhl †Libert Vitek Boots & Ruth Ermis-August Family of the Month
	9:30 A.M.	†Lawrence Seymour †Ed & Dorothy Jurecka
	11:00 A.M.	†Dolores Wallis †Dick Drake
MONDAY	8:30 A.M.	†M.A. Guadalupe Gutierrez †Letty Castillo
TUESDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Ralph Lewis Rosane Unite—Thanksgiving
WEDNESDAY	8:30 A.M.	†Mary Kubesch Kao Family— Thanksgiving
THURSDAY	8:30 A.M.	Joey White John Bongiovi
FRIDAY	8:30 A.M.	†Charlie & Irene Dirba St. Michael's Staff
SATURDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Drew Muhl †Pauline Trefny
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	†Gertrude Lux †Donald & Remedios Young
	9:30 A.M.	†Clarence Forse †Roland Angelle
	11:00 A.M.	†Jessica Bullock Duncan †Dick Drake



Kellie Chaney, Ruth Cleaver, Ruth Coale, Brenda Dellamea, Doris Follett, Andrew Haack, Paige Haas, Florine Heinroth, Jesse Hernandez, Dorothea Himmel, Richard Keistler, Sarah Langston, Tom Loftus, Margie McAda, Eileen McDonald, Bubba Moore, Jordon

Nachtegaele, Paul Perdue, Dinah Prochaska, Donna Schwertner, Liz Stevens, Jack & Barbara Yonge, Roger Kesseler, Bettie Carmody, James and Barbara Blanchard, Raymond Muniza, Kim Anderson, Felix & Shirley Broussard, Emma DeAtley, Robert Vinklarek, Pat Gifford, Marsha Young, Ken Felcman, Jeanne Kemeny, Andreas Kalos, Joyce Sykora, Lynette Turek, Kathy Ward, Frank Drabek, and Dorothy Vitek



If you would like to make a donation towards the Christmas flowers for the church, please contact the Parish Office 297-3041. The requested donation is \$15.00 per poinsettia and donations can be

specified "in honor" or "in memory" of a loved one.

We have open hours in our Adoration Chapel which need to be filled by one (or two) dedicated volunteers. If you are willing to spend prayer time with the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel on Wednesday, 4:00-5:00 pm, please call Diane Brawley at 297-5679, or a shared hour on Thursday, 5:00-6:00 pm, please call Cheri McBurnett at 297-8874

PARISH EVENTS

Pastoral Council Discernment Sunday, December 11.

Please prayerfully consider participating in the Pastoral Council discernment process. We will meet in the Library of the Family Life Center at 2pm on Sunday, December 11. The discernment process includes prayer and sharing to determine who is called to fill a two-year term on the Pastoral Council. A council member should be at least 21 years of age, prayerful, care about the spiritual well-being of the entire community, be willing to learn about the church, have a sense of mission: to bring Christ to people and people to Christ, and be involved in the life and activities of the parish. A council member must be able to attend meetings on a regular basis.

Join us to see if God is calling you to be a part of this consultative body for our pastor, Fr. Leo. If you have questions or plan to attend, please contact Kathy Ward, 979-235-0256 or email kaproline@aol.com.

Senior Friends BINGO will be held on Tues, December 13th at 10:00 a.m. in the F-Wing. Come join us for fun &

fellowship! Bring a Covered Dish to share. There is no charge to play, and there are Prizes! Everyone that plays bingo must be a St. Michael's Parishioner.

There will be a Newcomers Reception to welcome all



NEWCOMERS to our Church Family

WELCOME parishioners who are new (or relatively new) to St. Michael's on Sunday, December 11th after ALL Sunday Masses in the Angelina Room (9:00 AM - 12:30 PM). After Mass, please come socialize with our clergy and

learn about ministry opportunities and enjoy some refreshments.

Any questions, call Sheri @ 285-7434 or 798-4982

CANCELLED

Catholic Daughters Christmas Bake Sale on Sunday, December 18th

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Learn more: Camille Forse 979-299-3145 tcforse@hotmail.com

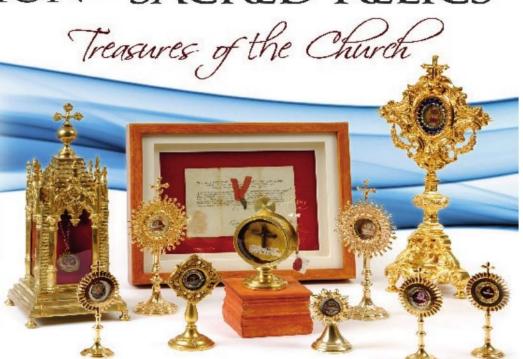
EXPOSITION OF SACRED RELICS

St. Michael the Archangel Parish welcomes you to a

teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics. Over 150 relics will be shown, some believed to be as old as 2000 years.

Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Thérèse of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"). St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aguinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska.

In addition, there will also be present a piece of a veil which is believed to have belonged to Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world.

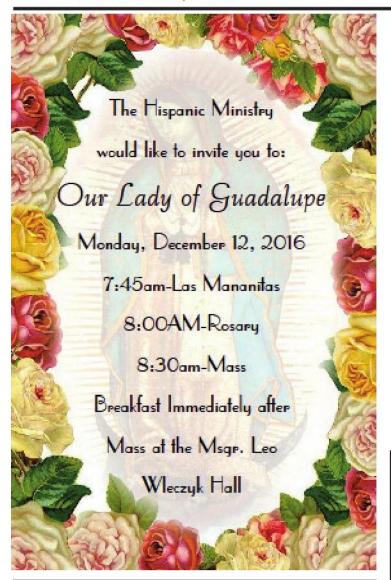


presented by Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross

HELD IN THE CHURCH ON

MONDAY DECEMBER 12 AT 7:00 PM

See www.treasuresofthechurch.com for more information





NEW pilgrimage opportunity! 13-day Camino de Santiago, Fatima & Lisbon, Portugal

May 29 to June 10, 2017

Is hiking the Camino de Santiago on your bucket list? Pilgrims have been walking the <u>Camino de Santiago</u> (Way of St. James) for centuries, following the many paths to Santiago de Compostela and the tomb of St. James. This tour begins in Sarria, the most popular Camino starting point, covering the last 100km of the Camino Francés. We are currently forming a group from our parish to walk the final segment of the French Way, from Sarria to Santiago from May 29th to June 10th, 2017. If interested in taking this spiritual journey, contact Iris Howard at 979-415-5572 or Margarita Prinz at 979-236-1948 for more information.

PLEASE HELP: FAMILY FAITH FORMATION SURVEY

We at St. Michael's want to help your family be the strongest it can be. Looking at the future, we want to know what your unique family needs are so we can adjust, or create, programs to help you have a strong, more faith-filled, and dynamic family. We would like to hear from all adults and teenagers. Please complete the online survey which can be found at www.smlj.org. Thank you for your valuable input. For more information or questions contact Dcn. Gary at deacongary@smlj.org or call the Parish Office.

Save The Date

March 3 - 5, 2017Woman to Woman

Lenten Retreat

"Faith on Fire"

at The Lodge of Danbury

By Anne Trufant

For further information contact: Gwen Williams at 979-236-4064 or Binnie Bauml 979-285-5995 or blbauml@yahoo.com

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Rectory & Parish Office: (979) 297-3041 Religious Ed. & Youth Ministry Office: (979) 297-3043

Weekend Liturgy

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Tuesday 5:00-5:30 p.m. & Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Rosarv

Every Monday at 7:00 pm in the Church

Nursery

Available in the Family Life Center during the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses

Adoration Chapel

Every day 9:00 a.m.-Midnight

Baptism Preparation

Call Melanie Viktorin @ 979-297-3041

Visitation of Sick & Homebound

Please call the Parish Office to have someone bring Holy Communion

Beloved Date Nights

Join us in making a New Year's resolution for your marriage.

Who? What? When?

All date nights begin after 5:30 mass on Saturday night in the Education Building at SMLJ.

These date nights are for couples in ALL stages of their marriage & from all denominations.

Wanna know more about Lighthouse Catholic Media's Beloved Program? https://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/beloved/parish

Wanna know more or would you like to register?

Register by email: youngfamilies@smlj.org Register by phone/text: (989)488-3924

Upcoming Date Nights

January 7- Christ @ the Center

February 11- A Deeper Unity

March 4- Conflict & Communication

April 1- Building a Thriving Marriage

May 6- Protecting the Bond

June 3- Sexuality & Authentic Love

Dinner begins at 6:45 and the evening wraps up at 9 PM.

*The sessions do not build on each other but rather each have a theme, so choose to attend one or all.





Monday, January 9, 2017 | 7:00 p.m.

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KEEP the GLASSES COMING



Please continue to donate prescription eye glasses you no longer use to the Crystal Crafters. A collection basket is located outside the youth office. Thank you for helping us to help others!

Welcome to Saint Michael's Children's Choir

Join us on Thursdays at 5:30pm in Room 102 of the Spiritual Learning Center for Saint Michael's Children's Choir. 1st through 6th graders are invited. Parents are encouraged to attend. Please email Mark Polimeno if interested in joining at m.polimeno@att.net.

The Dream center is in great need of coats and shoes to help the HOMELESS in our area. Please leave any items in the SVDP box (the wooden chest in the hall of the Family Life Center). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

DSF-2016

"His Mercy Endures Forever"

We are nearing the END of the 2016 DSF campaign, and will begin 2017 in January. If you have NOT paid your 2016 DSF Pledge, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

Youth Ministry Bake Sale after all Masses Sunday, Dec. 11th
Proceeds will be used for expenses to participate in the Texas Rally for Life in Austin on Jan. 28, 2017

Donations are appreciated!



Join us for Rosary every Monday at 7:00 pm in the Church. Everyone Welcome.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

DEC.	11	AWAKENING PROGRAM—Grades 7-12 Social 5:30, 6:00—8:00 pm
	14	DEEPER SESSION—H.S 7:00-8:30 pm
	18	NO CLASS
	21	NO DEEPER
	25	NO CLASS
	28	NO DEEPER
JAN.	1	NO CLASS
	4	NO DEEPER
	8	AWAKENING PROGRAM—Grades 7-12 Social 5:30, 6:00—8:00 pm
	10	YOUTH NIGHT—H.S.—7:00-8:30 pm

2016 Christmas Season Liturgical Dates

12/24 (Saturday Christmas Eve – 5:30 p.m. (in both church and hall)

12/24 (Saturday) Christmas Eve—9:00 p.m. (Church) Christmas caroling begins at 8:30 pm, prior to 9:00 p.m. Mass

12/25 (Sunday) Christmas – 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 am Mass in the Church only

12/31 (Saturday) 5:30 p.m. Mass

1/1 (Sunday) 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Mass









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