



Today is the Church's oldest celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is also designated as the World Day of Prayer for Peace. There can be no better way to start the New Year than to honor our Blessed Mother and pray with her for peace in our world. As we pray together today at God's invitation,

let us be mindful of how the Holy Mother of God cares for the Church and the world that her Son died to save.





# Readings for the Week of January 1, 2017

Sunday Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;

Lk 2:16-21

Monday Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazian-

zen,

Bishops and Doctors of the Church

1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday The Most Holy Name of Jesus

1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday Saint John Neumann, Bishop

1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

Friday Saint André Bessette, Religious

1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20;

Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday Saint Raymond of Penyafort

1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b;

Jn 2:1-11

Sunday The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

The Parish Offices will be closed Monday, January 2nd.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year from your St. Michael's Family.

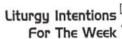
The Adoration Chapel will be closed the following days:

December 30th—January 1st



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







# WEEK OF December 31, 2016 – January 8, 2017

SATURDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Ralph Lewis
		†Pauline Trefny
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	†Marilyn Bartolomeo
		Lisa Caskey
	9:30 A.M.	†Matthew Haluska
		†Lawrence Seymour
	11:00 A.M.	†Gilbert Zaiontz
TUESDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Catherine Zack
		Fr. Giovanni Nguyen
WEDNESDAY	8:30 A.M.	†Agnes Kieler
		†Gertrude Lux
THURSDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Tom Henderson
FRIDAY	8:30 A.M.	†Armand Morton
		†Joe & Matthew Filip
SATURDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Jack Lippman
		*Lester Shivers
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	†Donald & Remedios Young
		†Margaret Flournoy
	9:30 A.M.	†Ed & Dorothy Jurecka
		*Leon Jasek
	11:00 A.M.	†Dick Drake
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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



A special THANK YOU to all those who helped to make our church look so **BEAUTIFUL** during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Our **Environment & Art** 

Ministry works very hard all year, but

especially during the **special liturgical seasons**. Please take a moment to thank them and acknowledge their dedicated efforts to make our worship space look so amazing!

We have an **open hour in our Adoration Chapel**which needs 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.

# PARISH EVENTS

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study invites you to join us as we journey through <u>Praying the Gospel – Jesus' Miracles in Galilee</u> by Father Mitch Pacwa, SJ. This is a 13 week study beginning Thursday, January 12, 2017 and ending Thursday, April 6, 2016. We will meet in the "F" Wing. Social starts at 9:15 AM with study following from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. The book can be purchased from Amazon. If you have questions or need the nursery, contact Betty Jo Jurries at 979-297-2962 or <u>jiurries@comcast.net</u>. We look forward to welcoming you to this sisterhood.

#### SAINT LUKE PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS



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

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Info: St. Michael the Archangel Parish Office, 979-297-3041 www.smlj.org



K of C Council 6812 will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast to benefit Our Lady Queen of Peace on Sunday, January 8th after the 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Masses in the Hall of the Family Life Center. Please bring your

family to enjoy some pancakes and support the Knights in this ministry.

Children's Liturgy Of the Word will be at 9:30 AM mass every weekend except Easter Sunday. CLOW will also be offered at 11 AM mass beginning in 2017 on the following dates: January 8, February 19, March 26, April 2, and May 7th. Currently we have enough volunteers to offer CLOW once a month at 11 AM mass. If you would like to help with CLOW please email <a href="mailto:schoenerclan@gmail.com">schoenerclan@gmail.com</a> to find out more information.





Sign up to receive our weekly parish email with information on upcoming events, news, opportunities, and resources. Each email contains an unsubscribe link at the bottom so it's risk-free to sign up. To sign up, visit smlj.org or https://groups.google.com/d/forum/smlj

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.



# St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

100 Oak Drive South Lake Jackson, Texas 77566

Website: www.smlj.org

Office Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm Monday—Friday

Pastor - Rev. Msgr. Leo Wieczyk, E. V. Parochial Vicar—Rev. Giovanni Nguyen Deacon—Gary Forse

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.

#### Rosary

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?

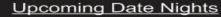
All date nights begin after 5:30 mass on Saturday night in the Education Building at SMLJ.

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



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.

ALL St. Michael's organizations, ministries, bible studies, and other groups: It is time to make sure your recurring meetings are on the 2017 - 2018 Facility Calendar. We want to be sure the correct rooms are reserved for the correct dates & times for the next year plus. As you know, we use an electronic calendar which is updated daily. It can be found on the smlj.org website, or in hard copy on the wall outside the main office and outside the Angelina Room. Please contact Melanie at 297-3041 or melanie@smlj.org with your meeting plans for the next 12 months. Please DO NOT assume the room reservations will continue forward if you do not UPDATE your information. Thanks in advance.

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. An information meeting will be held in the Angelina Room on Thursday, January 12th at 7:00 pm for anyone interested in hearing about this wonderful trip. Contact Iris Howard at 979-415-5572 or Margarita Prinz at 979-236-1948 for more information.



Watch for Season IV of ARISE Together in Christ which will take place during Lent 2017.

Together in Christ The message of Season IV is reconciliation and forgiveness -- "New Heart, New Spirit." Just as Lent takes its meaning from Easter, so too, Season IV takes its meaning from the title of the process, ARISE Together in Christ. We cry out for God's help to change our hearts precisely because we long to arise together in Christ. For information: Cheri McBurnett 979-297-8874.

# Save The Date

**March 3 - 5, 2017**Woman 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

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS

**JANURAY 1, 2017** 

# 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.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:m.polimeno@att.net">m.polimeno@att.net</a>.

## 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 faithfilled, 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.

# **YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR**

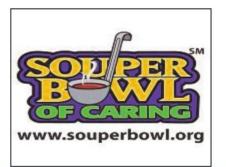
JAN.	1	NO CLASS
	4	NO DEEPER
	8	AWAKENING PROGRAM—Grades 7-12 Social 5:30, 6:00—8:00 pm
	10	YOUTH NIGHT—H.S.—7:00-8:30 pm
	11	DEEPER SESSION—H.S 7:00-8:30 pm
	15	AWAKENING PROGRAM—Grades 7-12 Social 5:30, 6:00—8:00 pm

# Catholic but not Confirmed?

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

# Save the Date!

# Weekend of February 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 2017



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# Welcome to St. Michael the Archangel

We welcome all visitors to our faith community and hope that your experience here was blessed with the spirit of Christ. If you are a new resident of the area and would like to know more about our parish opportunities, please read this bulletin for more information or check out our website at www.smlj.org If you are interested in joining our parish as a registered member and receive parish communications, please stop by or call our Parish Office, Monday - Friday; 9:00am-5:00pm for more information.



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#### The Women of St. Michael's invite YOU to our monthly meetings held on 1st Tuesday from Sept. - May.

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