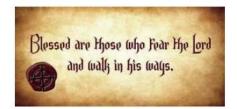




The feast of the Holy Family was introduced into the liturgical calendar in 1921, promoted as a way to honor the Christian family. So today, not only do we honor

the Holy Family, we also focus on our own families and consider how we can be like the Holy Family. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, in their devoted love and care for each other and in the way Mary and Joseph raised and cared for Jesus, can be a model for our own families.



## Mass Schedule and Liturgy Intentions for the Week of December 30—January 7, 2018

SATURDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Drew Muhl
		†Engelbert Santa Teresa
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	†Esther Gonzalez
		∱Johnnie Girouard
	9:30 A.M.	†Lawrence Seymour
		Larry & Donna Schwertner -
		50th Anniversary
	11:00 A.M.	†Melda Neely
		†Sue Arnold
MONDAY	10:00 A.M.	†Felix Broussard
		†Jesus Masangkay
TUESDAY	5:30 P.M.	Kerri Wiemer
		Jason Moore
WEDNESDAY	8:30 A.M.	†Catherine Zack
TIUIDOD 434		†Charlie & Irene Dirba
THURSDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Sue Arnold
FRIDAY	8:30 A.M.	GNO Group
FRIDAT	0:30 A.W.	†Robert Martinez
SATURDAY	5:30 P.M.	†Jessie Prinz
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SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	†Esther Gonzalez
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	9:30 A.M.	†Donald & Remedios Young
	3.30 M.IVI.	†Ed & Dorothy Jurecka †Darvin Bordelon
	11:00 A.M.	Nirm & Dr. Antony Thomas
	11.00 A.W.	†Paul Heinig
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## Readings for the Week of December 31, 2017

Sunday The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40 or, for Year B,Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 105: 1-2, 3-4,

5-6, 8-9;Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40

Monday 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

Tuesday Saint Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,

Bishops and Doctors of the Church

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

Wednesday The Most Holy Name of Jesus

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

Thursday Saint Elizabeth Anne Seton, Religious

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

Friday Saint John Neumann, Bishop

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

Saturday Saint André Bessette

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

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

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

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## DSF~2017 "Go Make Disciples"

We are nearing the END of the 2017 DSF campaign, and will begin 2018 in January. **If you have NOT paid your 2017 DSF Pledge**, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, January 1st.

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

#### PARISH EVENTS

# 2017 Christmas Season Liturgical Dates 12/31 (Sunday) 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Mass

1/1 (Monday) 10:00 a.m. Mass

#### FOOD, FRIENDS AND FAITH FORMATION

"All Are Welcome" to gather for Food, Friends and Faith Formation in Wleczyk Hall of the Family Life Center. There will be a free meal for all parishioners served from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. Adult Faith Formation opportunities will be available on Wednesday evenings following the meal. This will be a wonderful time to meet fellow parishioners and become more involved in your faith and parish life. Please plan to make Food, Friends and Faith Formation a regular weekly event.

> Family Meal Night Schedule: No Family Meal Jan. 3rd. Family Meal will resume on Wednesday January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Please put this date on your 2018 calendars: April 14, 2018

This will be a day dedicated to your Spiritual growth! You will hear God's Word, sing praises, share dinner and worship at Mass and Adoration in an uplifting way.

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# FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO OUR FIRST PLANNING MEETING OF 2018

Join us on Wednesday January 3rd Beginning at 6PM At The Fill Station in Downtown Lake Jackson Questions? Contact The Schoener's @ 9894883924



Our parish is participating in Living the Eucharist. This Lenten spiritual renewal program provides us with opportunities to grow in our faith through learning more about the Eucharist, participating more actively in Sunday Mass, and Living the Eucharist each day as disciples of Jesus. Two Sign-Up Sundays will take place, starting January 13/14. Please consider joining a small group, a teen group, or participating with your family. Try using the Lenten devotional book, From Exodus to Easter: My Daily Journey Through Lent. Also, please support this ministry by praying the Living the Eucharist prayer every day.

#### Share Your Gifts this Lent

Our Lenten Faith sharing program: Living the Eucharist is in need of facilitators.

Please join us Thursday, January 11 at 6:30pm in the Angelina Room. All are welcome to learn about how you can help others grow in their Faith this Lent. There will be refreshments. If you were part of Arise, we pray you will consider becoming a facilitator for this exciting program and encourage others to do the same. Feel free to contact Dorothy Babbington cell, 979 285-8390.

ALL St. Michael's organizations, ministries, bible studies, and other groups: It is time to make sure your recurring meetings are on the 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.

Planning to be Married in the Church?



Please contact Fr. Leo or Dcn. Gary at least 6 months in advance. It is important to meet with the clergy before setting a wedding date or reserving a reception venue. Call the office for an appointment.

## Contribution information:

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St. Michael Catholic Church is looking for a few dedicated prayer warriors to join our CHURCH / 1 DAY prayer initiative. The 1 CHURCH / 1 DAY model of strategic, sustain-

able 24/7 prayer unites churches without having to physically come together. Each church takes one day every month to pray for 24 hours. This creates a church-led, year-round prayer covering for the community. St. Michael Catholic Community has committed to the last Thursday of each month to pray for the needs of our parish and the community. The committed prayers can pray from home or wherever it is convenient. Please contact Dan and Bunny Swist to volunteer for one hour on the last Thursday of each month to join this effort. Email danann@sbcglobal.net Phone# 979 297-0736

Attention current college students. The Women of St. Michael's would like to offer one \$500 scholarship to a current college student seeking either an undergraduate or graduate degree. It is our hope that the foundation in your Catholic faith at St. Michael's has continued to grow. The qualifications for the scholarship are currently maintaining a 3.0 GPA and actively involved in your church at the University or a Catholic ministry. If interested please contact Patti Trahan plt1978@comcast.net for an application and needed supporting documentation. Deadline is March 31, 2018. No late application will be considered.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph B (Opt.)

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Family Sacrifice

Holy Family Sunday reminds us of the loving home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. But it also recalls the challenges that families face.

In the Letter to the Hebrews, for example, the story of Abraham's family is retold. He had already established a home in one country when God asked him to move to another. In that new land, God promised Abraham his own property and a long line of descendants. "Abraham went out, not knowing where he was to go."

However, for many more years he and his wife remained childless. When they were both well beyond the years of having children, Abraham and Sarah had their first child, "for Abraham thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy."

God then asked Abraham to sacrifice his only child, Isaac, before Isaac had any children of his own. Abraham was ready to do this because he trusted God's promise. "He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead." God spared Isaac, and Abraham, our father in faith, had descendants "as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore."

Every family faces challenges. "How many hours should I work?" "Should I put my child through this stressful situation?" "Can we afford to be generous?" "Can we afford not to be?" Jesus is anxious to share his wisdom. A holy family is any family where Christ is born.

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#### ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration Chapel Holiday Schedule

The Adoration Chapel will be closed on the following days:

New Years – Sunday, December 31 and New Years Day Monday, January 1, 2018

We still have 17 places to fill on our schedule. Please prayerfully consider adding the Adoration Chapel to your weekly prayer life.

For information call Jody Epps 979-297-8804 or email jaepps@mac.com



## Texas Rally for Life 2018 Please Join Us



Date: January 27, 2018

Join the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston at the Texas Rally for Life in Austin. Meet at St. Michael's at 6:00 am for carpooling to St. Dominic's Chancery. Buses depart from St. Dominic's Chancery at 7:30 am. for Mass at 8:15 (St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church). Cardinal DiNardo presiding. After Mass, buses depart for Austin.

Cost: \$25 (includes transportation, snacks, and lunch). RSVP to Juan Serros by Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.

979-299-3508 or email: juan@smlj.org

#### **Bayou Awakening Retreat**

Weekend retreat for young adults ages 18-25 will be held March 9-11, 2018 at Camp Kappe. The mission of Awakening is to bring young adults to a personal encounter with Christ, provide an opportunity for spiritual renewal and to connect young adults to the Catholic Church and a safe community. Sponsored by the Office of Young Adult & Campus Ministry. \$65 per person. Registration: <a href="https://www.bayouawakening.org">www.bayouawakening.org</a> or by mail. For more information, call 713-741-8778.

## Catholic but not Confirmed?

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JAN.	7	FAITH FORMATION GRADES 7-12th 6:00—7:30 PM
	12- 14	CONFIRMATION RETREAT
	14	NO CLASS
	16	DEEPER 7—8:30 PM YOUTH OFFICE

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## 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

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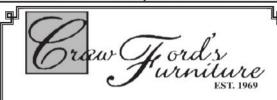
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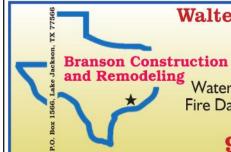
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