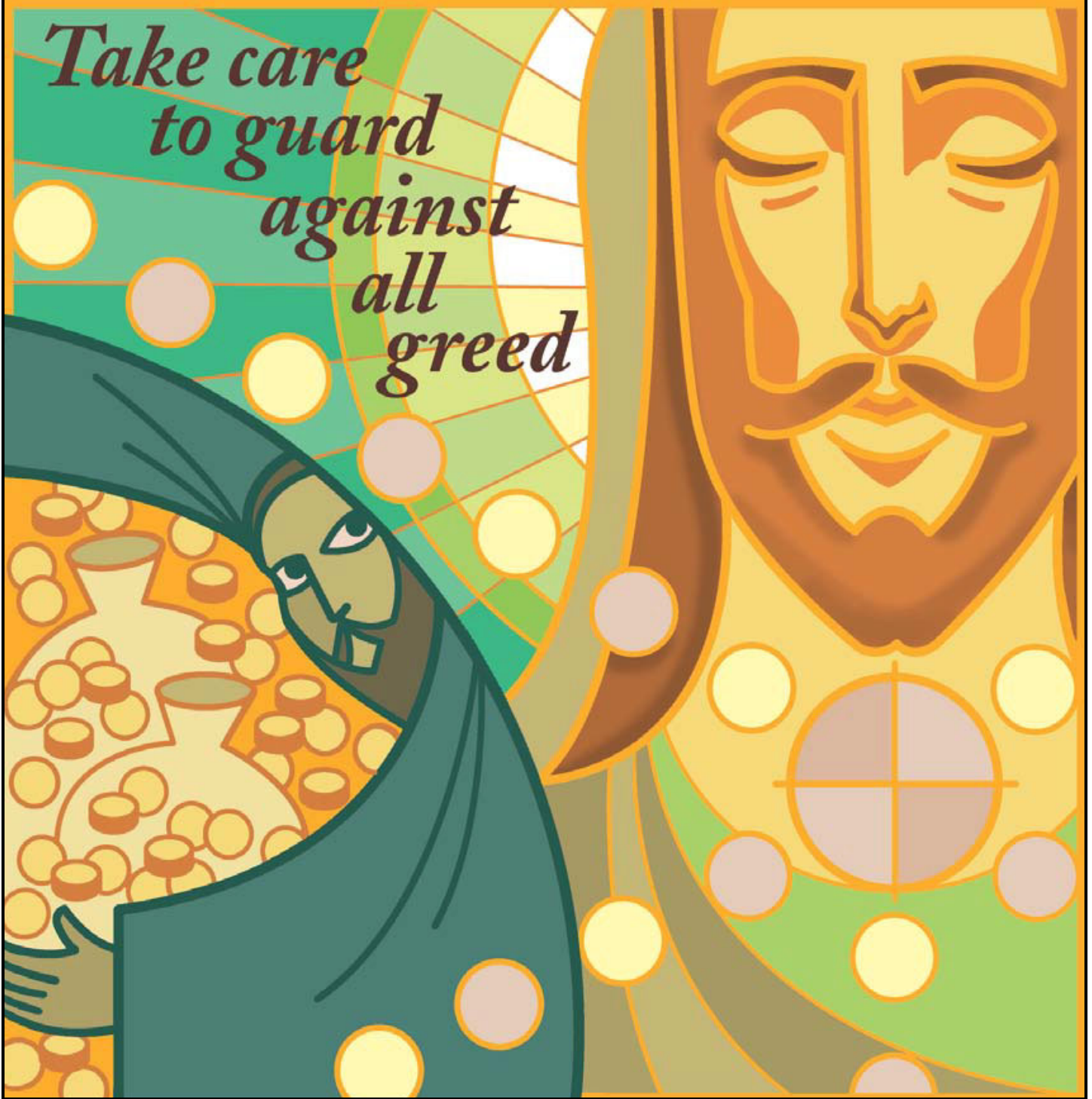


ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 31, 2016
HITTING IT BIG**

It seems to be commonly accepted nowadays that everyone wants to win the lottery, hit the slots big at the casino, or be a millionaire. This attitude is akin to what the first hearers of the parable of the successful farmer would have thought: Why, of course he'd want to find a way to preserve his good fortune for the future, to secure for himself a life of leisure, eating, drinking, and merriment. It's exactly the kind of life that the right ticket, hand of cards, or quiz show answer might bring us today. Being surrounded by this "common wisdom" makes the words of Qoheleth, the psalmist, Paul, and Jesus all that much harder to hear today. Perhaps good fortune will be ours, perhaps it will not be. But if we make that fortune or the quest for it the heart, the very center, of our lives, then we will live to regret it. We will not achieve the future security we pursue, and we will lose the present moment in the chase.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (**Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23**).

Psalms — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (**Psalms 90**).

Second Reading — Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (**Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11**).

Gospel — Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (**Luke 12:13-21**).



**ONE YEAR
ANNIVERSARY OF
CHURCH DEDICATION
AUGUST 6th & 7th,
2016
WEEKEND**

Saturday Social, Comedy Show & Dancing from 6pm—10pm in the parish hall. Complimentary heavy hors d' oeuvres, adult beverages, DJ—and a surprise guest!

Sunday Celebration Mass at 10:00am followed with a parish pot luck dinner in the church hall. Meats, drinks, dinnerware provided. You are asked to bring a dish which serves 10—12 people. If your last name is A—F appetizers and salads. G—O—side dishes. P—Z—desserts.

Curbside potluck dish drop off available at parish hall on Sunday from 9:30am—9:55am.

THERE WILL NOT BE A 12:00 MASS ON SUNDAY AUGUST 7th, ONLY 8:00AM AND 10:00AM, so all may attend the pot luck dinner.

Plan on joining our St. Michael parish family for an AMAZING weekend!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday:** Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday:** Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday:** Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23
- Friday:** Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
- Sunday:** Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

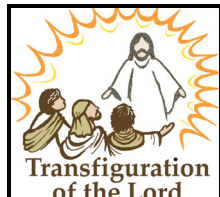
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes the treasures of art can provide us with clues about traditions. Take, for example, the miter, the conical hat with lappets, or back-flaps that fall to the shoulders. This cap is worn by bishops in the Catholic West. Eastern Catholics favor a crown, but we have this curious headpiece. In Greek, the word means "turban." Old paintings and mosaics provide clues about headgear for bishops, and there is very little artistic evidence for the miter before the year 1000. Before then, some kind of head covering might have been worn to offset the damp and chill of unheated churches. The pope, as far back as the seventh century, often wore a cap called a *camelaucum*. Around that time, artists painting St. Peter began to portray their subject wearing this hat. By the year 1000 or so, the pope began to grant similar helmet-shaped headgear as gifts to visiting abbots and bishops. They returned home with these new chapeaus, and before long everybody wanted one!

Today, miters are granted not only to bishops, but to certain favored abbots and occasionally abbesses. Pope Benedict XVI set aside the tradition of the papal tiara in favor of the miter, even on his coat of arms. Pope Paul VI was the last pope to have a coronation. As recently as the 1960s, miters were towering skyscrapers of jewels and rich silks, but now a simplicity of style is favored by bishops. Miters are here to stay, and experienced altar servers know how to await the bishop's removing of the miter, since he does not wear it when he is saying the presidential prayers or the Eucharistic Prayer.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Alphonsus Liguori
Tuesday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;
St. Peter Julian Eymard
Thursday: St. John Vianney
Friday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major;
First Friday
Saturday: The Transfiguration of the Lord;
First Saturday



WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Do you think you might be interested in becoming Catholic? Are you a baptized Catholic who has not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? **Please join us at St. Michael's Academy, corner of 4th & Calhoun Streets on Sunday, August 21st at 9:00am for an informal gathering to answer your questions.** Please contact Celeste Amos, RCIA Coordinator, (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) at: 904-261-3472, or celesteamos3@gmail.com for more information.

LIVING with LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Grieving the death of a loved one is never easy, but our faith and support from others can help. A new faith and prayer-based support group is being formed and will start meeting in the St. Michael Parish Hall in August. Another group will start in the fall. For more information, please contact: **Mary Berger: 904-686-4513.**



PARENTS RETREAT SAVE THE DATE!

There will be a retreat for all parents with children under 18 on Saturday, August 13, 2016. The retreat will be held at St. Michael's and will include a spiritual, informative, inspirational and fun day and a chance for our parents to fellowship with other parents. Lunch will be served and childcare available if needed. Our families are important to us and we would like to have each of you as part of the **"Our Family Our Future Our Future"** program. Please call the parish office for more information or email Lori at lkennedy@stmichaelscatholic.com.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE & DONUTS IN THE PARISH HALL AFTER THE 10:00 MASS

THERE IS NO COFFEE & DONUTS NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 7TH. PLEASE COME JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL FOR OUR POTLUCK DINNER AFTER THE 10:00 MASS AS WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR ST. MICHAEL CHURCH DEDICATION



**GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROUS OFFERING!**

Registered Families 1646	Offertory \$16,753.06
On Line Offertory	2,105.00
Children's Collection	68.55
Debt Reduction	491.00
On line Debt Reduction	390.00

**THE SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND,
AUGUST 6/7, WILL BE FOR CATHOLIC MISSIONS
AMONG BLACK AND NATIVE AMERICA.**

SUMMER TAIZE' PRAYER SERVICE

Periodically a Taize' service is held here at St. Michael's. The service consists of musical chants sung repeatedly, a period of silence, a scripture reading and prayer intercessions. A small ensemble of singers with musical accompaniment help the participants enter into a prayerful state as they blend their voices with the ensemble. Taize' started in France and continues to this day.

Continue the Summer season by coming to a quiet place for reflection. The St. Michael Taize' ensemble invites all to attend a 35 minute program of subdued musical chants and prayers on Monday, August 15th (the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother) at 7 pm in the church. Feel free to break from the distractions of the world and meet our Lord and feel the power of His Love in communal song and prayer. Please join us and bring a friend on August 15th. All are welcome!

**ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC
WOMEN CCW**

Our traditional CCW **Morning of Reflection** will take place on **Sept 10, 2016 at 8:30 AM.** This is a wonderful opportunity to come together with women in prayer and fellowship. Our Morning of Reflection will focus on **'Be still and know I Am God'. Psalm 46.** We look forward to seeing you there.

Additionally, we are forming a committee to help with preparations. If you would like to be a part of this committee, we will meet Thursday August 4th at 1PM in the Gift Shop. Please join us as we come together to love, serve and listen to Our Lord.



- Sat. July 30 (5pm)** Michela "Mickey" Bertolami by St. Michael's choir
- Sun. July 31 (8am)** Parishioners of St. Michael
- Sun. July 31 (10am)** Michela "Mickey" Bertolami by St. Michael's choir
- Sun. July 31 (12noon)** Claire Dyring by Bill & Sallyann Morris
- Mon. Aug. 1 (8:30am)** Bob Reid by Gregory C. Nikssen
- Tues. Aug. 2 (6pm)** Herbert Del Rosario by the Barber family
- Wed. Aug. 3 (8:30am)** Rita Novello by J.P. & Maria Quinn
- Thurs. Aug. 4(8:30am)** John Keyser by Medra Keyser
- Fri. Aug. 5 (8:30am)** Mary Lou Vettel by Peggy Trocino
- Sat. Aug. 6 (5pm)** Deacon John Cavallaro by Laural Cavallaro
- Sun. Aug. 8 (8am)** Parishioners of St. Michael
- Sun. Aug. 8 (10am)** Maureen Brands by Al Brands

THERE IS NO 12:00 NOON MASS TODAY
Please pray for the sick and all requests in our Prayer Request Book.



Formation
Methodology
Presentation

Pope Francis, recently said to a group of Catechists "Dear Catechists, let us go out, open the doors and be bold enough to trace new paths for the proclamation of the Gospel."

All who are currently Catechists (Religious Formation, RCIA, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Adult Formation) and those who are interested in becoming a Catechist or working with our Sunday morning program "Our Family, Our Faith, Our Future" are asked to attend a special presentation given by Fr. Jose. The presentation begins at 9:30 in the parish hall on Saturday, August 6, 2016. The presentation will end with lunch being served at 11:45. Please call the parish office at 261-3472 to RSVP.



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Rev. Jose Kallukalam, Pastor
Visiting Priest: Rev. Gerard O'Shea
Deacon Art Treadwell

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass:	5:00 pm
Sunday Masses:	8:00 am—10:00 am—12:00 noon
Confessions:	
Saturday:	4:00-4:45 pm or by appointment
Daily Masses:	8:30 am Mon., Wed., Thurs., & Fri. 6:00 pm Tues.
Holy Days Vigil:	6:00 pm
Holy Day	8:30 am & 6:00 pm

MINISTRY TO SICK & HOMEBOUND

Weekly visits and monthly Communion Services are held at Savannah Grand, Quality Health Care and Jane Adams House. Visits by Priest or Extraordinary Minister can be arranged by calling 261-3472.

MATRIMONY

Marriage preparation for couples who wish to be married in a Catholic ceremony must meet with their parish priest at least eight months prior to the wedding date.

R.C.I.A.

For those seeking to learn more about the Catholic faith, call 261-3472.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Classes are available for grades 1—8. Sacrament preparation is available for Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Call the parish office, 261-3472.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Walt Edwards: 491-0180

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Denise Ziegler: 654-3855

ST. MICHAEL ACADEMY

Pre-K—Grade 8 Principal—Dr. Christopher Hampton
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St. Michael Catholic Church Mission Statement

We are the body of Christ at St. Michael's Parish, called to: Gather for Worship, Celebrate the Paschal Mysteries, Preach the Gospel, Minister to Others, Be Witnesses to the World.