

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 21, 2016
DISCIPLINE

It is no accident that the words “disciple” and “discipline” are nearly identical. Their relationship in Christian faith and life, however, has fallen somewhat out of favor in the past generation, as certain prescribed Church rules and regulations have been reduced and relaxed. These rules were often referred to as “disciplines.” We are mistaken, however, to think that it no longer takes discipline to follow Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews assures us of that today. Our discipline is more like that of an athlete pursuing a victory or a personal best, or a musician striving for a concert career or to master a new piece of music. This discipline comes from desire, not from regulations. It was the desire to do the will of God that led Jesus on the path to his cross. It is that same desire he encourages in us today: to strive to enter through the narrow gate, to find ourselves in the kingdom with a surprising assortment of people who are there not because of mere observation of rules, but out of a genuine desire to recline at the table of the heavenly banquet.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Brothers and sisters of every race and language will be brought to Jerusalem (**Isaiah 66:18-21**).

Psalms — Go out to all the world and tell the Good News (**Psalm 117**).

Second Reading — Be strong and endure your trials as the “discipline” of a loving God, for it will result in the peaceful fruit of righteousness (**Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13**).

Gospel — People from east and west, north and south, recline at table in the kingdom of God (**Luke 13:22-30**).

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent decades, attention has shifted away from headgear as a symbol of a bishop’s authority to a more substantial symbol: the chair, called the *cathedra*. The word comes from the Latin word for a chair with armrests. It is exactly the reason why dining room sets were marketed in this country a few years ago with only one chair with armrests, the captain’s chair. In many rectories of a certain vintage, you will see only one chair with arms at the dining table, a sign to the assisting priests of their proper place in the constellation. For us, as with most Anglicans and some Lutherans, the *cathedra* is a sign of the teaching authority of the bishop. We inherited the symbolism of the chair from Roman civil life in the fourth century. A church that houses a *cathedra* is called a cathedral, and the chair may be used only by the bishop of that diocese. Priests who preside at liturgy there must use a different presidential chair.

You may find the *cathedra* in its most traditional place at the head of the apse, or against a side wall as was favored in medieval times, but increasingly bishops are locating the *cathedra* in the midst of the assembly of the faithful. In the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, visitors will find no barrier to their trying out the *cathedra*, an expression of hospitality that helps the archbishop be mindful of those whom he serves.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14



YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS

There will be another altar server training offered for those wanting to become an Altar Server and for those that are **CURRENTLY** altar servers. The date is August 27th. Training will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. Please call the parish office if you have any questions.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday: St. Rose of Lima
Wednesday: St. Bartholomew
Thursday: St. Louis of France; St. Joseph Calasanz
Saturday: St. Monica

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.

AMELIA ISLAND JAZZ FESTIVAL



St. Michael will be hosting two events for this year's Amelia Island Jazz Festival. **The events will take place Friday and Saturday evening (Oct. 7 & 8) in the Parish Hall.**

If you are interested in being a volunteer for this event, please contact Karen Selkirk at: kselkirk@comcast.net or 904-432-8308. The volunteer duties are greeters/ushers and hospitality. And, once everyone is seated, you can enjoy the show for free!! Anyone over 18 can be a volunteer. Priority will be given to people who can volunteer for both nights.

“BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN, FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED”

A new **“Living with Loss”** support group is being formed to offer faith-based comfort to parishioners who are grieving the death of a loved one. This is not group therapy, but a lay-ministry support group grounded on our Catholic faith and prayer. The group will meet in the St. Michael Parish Hall and will start in the fall. **For information and sign-up, please contact Mary Berger: 904-686-4513 or email: portia2436@gmail.com.**

NEW COMMUNION FLOW

The Communion Flow will be changing for those seated in the forward balconies, the sides pews and the Angel Room. This is to ease the congestion that now happens at the front of the church. Please watch the ushers and follow their instructions to insure you are going the right directions. Also, please make room for the Eucharist ministers to walk down the center aisle to serve the back of the church. Thank you for your cooperation as we all learn the new communion flow.



BAPTISM CLASS

Parents: if you have a child/children to be baptized, you must attend a Baptism Class, which will be on the **last Thursday of the month, August 25th at 6:30pm in the parish office**. Please contact the office: 904-261-3472 if you plan to attend.

“OUR FAITH, OUR FAMILY, OUR FUTURE”

is the theme for our parish religious formation programs this year. **We will be kicking off the upcoming year with two (2) information/registration sessions at 11:00 am and 1:00 pm on Sunday, September 11, 2016.** The kickoff will be held in the parish hall. Please take the time to come and see what we will be offering in the way of children, youth and adult formation this year.

CONGRATULATIONS ST. MICHAEL CHURCH !!

St. Michael again won the **“BEST OF THE BEST”** church this year, 2016. We thank all who participated and voted.



GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING!

Registered Families 1632	August 14, 2016
Offertory	\$16,158.18
Children's Collection	76.10
Debt Reduction	3,427.00



Visit our Gift Shop and take 15% off this *Tiny Saints* product line

The kids are heading back to school and those backpacks need a little something extra! Plus, teachers, principals and staff all love to receive tiny gifts at the beginning of the year!

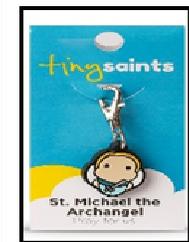
Here are a few ideas to get started!...

Patron saint of students: *St. Thomas Aquinas*

Patron saint of teachers: *St. John Baptist de La Salle*

Patron saint of principals: *St. John Baptist de La Salle*

Patron saint of coaches and athletes: *St. Sebastian*



Patron saint of school resource officer & safety patrols: *St. Michael*

Patron saint of crossing guards: *St. Christopher*

Patron saint of cafeteria staff: *St. Lawrence*

Patron saint of children: *St. Nicholas & St. Benedict*

Patron saint of parents: *Saint Louis and Saint Zelig Martin*

We are doing more than selling these Tiny Saints. We are inspiring a relationship with Jesus through the stories of the saints.

LOST & FOUND

We have a ring, variety of glasses and an earring which were left in church. If you have lost one of these items, please contact the parish office: 904-261-3472.



- Sat. Aug. 20 (5pm) Michael Raemoni by Andy & Ann Mizik
- Sun. Aug. 21 (8am) Parishioners of St. Michael
- Sun. Aug. 21 (10am) Ann Steffens by Grace Harmon
- Sun. Aug. 21 (12noon) Ben Ayers by Buster & Lori Kennedy
- Mon. Aug. 22 (8:30am) Mary Lou Vettel by Norm & Mary Ellen Ledwin
- Tues. Aug. 23 (6pm) SPECIAL INTENTION FOR Kym O'Neal Brophy & Lorre Resch Hatcher by Christen, Leann & Marjorie
- Wed. Aug. 24 (8:30am) Margaret DePaulis by Don & Peggy Cooper
- Thurs. Aug. 25 (8:30am) Jayne Kayser by Marty Ahearn
- Fri. Aug. 26 (8:30am) SPECIAL INTENTION for Kym O'Neal Brophy & Lorre Resch Hatcher by Christen, Leann & Marjorie
- Sat. Aug. 27 (5pm) Nick Spinks by Patrick & Suzy Sabadie
- Sun. Aug. 28 (8am) Parishioners of St. Michael
- Sun. Aug. 28 (10am) John Harmon by Grace Harman
- Sun. Aug. 28 (12noon) Tom O'Hagen by Don & Shirley Cantin

Please pray for the sick and all requests in our Prayer Request Book. Please pray for the repose of the son of Shawn Kubalack, son of parishioners Peter & Karen Delfox. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

WORTHY TEACHERS

“All who undertake to teach must be endowed with deep love, the greatest patience, and, most of all, profound humility. The Lord will find them worthy to become fellow workers with him in the cause of truth.”

—St. Joseph Calasanaz

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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.

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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
Call 321-2102 for information
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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.