

*The persons who exalt themselves  
shall be humbled,*



*and they who humble themselves  
shall be exalted.*

In the Gospel today, Jesus warns us not to give in hopes of repayment, but to give open-handedly to the poor and needy. That sort of giving mirrors the bountiful giving of God, and Jesus assures us it is blessed indeed!



MONDAY	1Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
TUESDAY	1Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
WEDNESDAY	1Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
THURSDAY	1Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
FRIDAY	1Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
SATURDAY	1Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
SUNDAY	Wis 9:13-18b; Phil 9:10,12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



**Give Blood.  
Give Life.**

The Knights of Columbus will once again be sponsoring Blood Drives, here at St. Michael's, beginning Sunday, September 12, from 8:30am to 1:00pm. Please mark your calendars. Plan NOW to GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!



The K.C.'s will be selling BBQ chickens September 12<sup>th</sup> instead of the first Sunday, due to the holiday. Thank you for your support.



**ALL PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> FOR LABOR DAY.**



*God in your Goodness,  
you have made  
a home for the poor.*

**AUGUST 31 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 5  
MASS INTENTIONS**

TUESDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Agatha Karstedt
WEDNESDAY	8:30A.M.	✠Pete D'Augusta
THURSDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Ed Sablatura
FRIDAY	8:30A.M.	✠Charles John Savaso
SATURDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Rob Mitchell
SUNDAY	8:00A.M.	✠Felix Centeno
	9:30A.M.	✠Jewel Lamb
	11:00A.M.	✠Vito Latkovich

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Casella; also for the soul of Bonnie Kebodeaux, sister of Leo Crosley.



Ed Ahlrich, Nick Alfano, Brad Armintor, Charlie Arnold, Weldon Bailey, Bennie Paul Bono, Don Brawley, John Buettner, David Butler, Jennifer Cary, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, James Christie, Ruth Cleaver, **James Conalty**, Dorothy D'Augusta, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, **Irene Dirba**,

Terry Ditges, Lenora Duval, Maria E. Martinez Espinoza, Marcella Ezell, Linda Felsing, Clark Flournoy, Marcia Flournoy, Emil Galetka, Emily Garcia, Craig Garrison, Kathy Goolsby, Barbara Grant, Henry Gretschel, Arthur Haas, Brandon Habis, Belia Hardesty, Dorothy Harnden, Lorraine Hayes, Wanda Henry, Bobbie Jasek, Vickie Kaatz, Angeline Klekar, David Kubala, Jerry LaCoume, Mary LaCoume, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Tristan Cade Lawson, Gene Matus, Mary McClintock, Eileen McDonald, Irene McGaughey, Michael Merritt, Karen Moran, Jean Newport, Adrian Nye, Doris Perryman, Carolyn Peterson, Cecelia Peterson, Pat Prebys, Paula Price, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Vince Rowan, Mary Rogers, Marilyn Sayes, Ray Schoppe, Billie Stricklin, Pat Van Dragt, "Vinnie", Amelia Volz, Helen Walls, Allen Williams, Patricia Williams, Stephanie Thomas Wilson, Ed Windler, Nancy Windler..

(Bold denotes new on prayer list this week)

**Protecting God's Children Workshop for Adults**  
**Preventing child sexual abuse is the goal of a new program** selected by the Diocese of Galveston-Houston.

"Protecting God's Children for Adults" educates clergy, staff and volunteers who work with children. The 3-hour session includes videos and facilitated discussions. All Clergy, staff and volunteers who have regular contact with children and youth are **required** to attend training. The session does start promptly so please be on time. The session will be held on the following date:

**Tuesday, September 14, in the hall of the Family Life Center 6:15-9:30p.m.**

Please go to [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) to register; the password is "trust". Call Lisa Ondrey, 297-3043, for more information.



**Youth Ministry  
September Calendar**

- 12 Teacher Training 1-3pm Social to follow
- 14 Virtus Workshop 6:15-9:30pm FLC
- 26 Youth Ministry "Kick Off" w/TX A&M **The Rock**  
6:30-8:30pm. Praise and Worship!



**IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR YOUTH MINISTRY CLASSES (GRADES 6<sup>TH</sup> – 12<sup>TH</sup>)!** Parents, to ensure class placement and to make sure your youth does not miss out on anything, please register your youth for religious education for the 2004-2005 year, if you have not already done so. We have a full and exciting year planned, so please come be a part of us! Youth ministry Kick-off is September 26<sup>th</sup> – Praise & Worship with "The Rock". Forms can be found in the hallway outside of both offices and can be left in the mail slot or box on table. Question? Please call the Youth Office.

Please consider sharing your gifts with the youth of our parish on Sunday evenings. Teachers and aides needed in Jr. High and High School Youth Ministry (**grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**). Big hearts and a desire to serve required. **Call the Office of Youth Ministry to volunteer.**



**THE 2004 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE MASSES**

**Honoring Golden (50<sup>th</sup>) and Silver (25<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary** marriages for couples with weddings in 1954 or 1979 will be held on Saturday, October 16 at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Houston and on Sunday, October 17 at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica in Galveston. Whether or not couples attend a ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special certificate from Bishop Joseph Fiorenza.

**Couples wishing to participate** are asked to please call the parish office at 297-3041 and register their name, address, home telephone number and wedding date with the secretary. **Deadline for registration is September 15.** Soon after receiving the couples' names, the diocesan Office of Family Life Ministry will send registered couples a letter with detailed information about the Masses. They will then have the opportunity to RSVP.



**Attention Senior Citizens** – Make plans to attend our Senior citizen appreciation dinner, **Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:30 Mass**, in the Family Life Center. This dinner in your honor is sponsored by the Pastoral Council. Your guests are welcome, but will be asked for a small donation. Please make reservations by calling **Sharon Land at 480-0402** by September 13<sup>th</sup>.



**C.C.E. Registration for Fall 2004:**

Please register your student **NOW**. We are taking registration for **Beginners** (age 4 as of September 1, 2004) **through 12<sup>th</sup> grade**. We cannot guarantee placement in classes. Come by the office Tuesday-Friday 9am -3pm or mail the registration form and fee to the office. **NO STUDENTS (Beginners through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) WILL BE PLACED IN CLASSES BETWEEN FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, AND TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT UNREGISTERED STUDENTS ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES.** After September 14, students will be placed in class if space is available.



**SEPTEMBER 25, 2004**

**Mark this date on your calendar. Family Life is planning a Mystery Dinner theater. Details later.**



**The Wednesday morning Bible Study** group will begin meeting again on **September 8<sup>th</sup>** in Room 149 or the Family Life Center from 9:30 to 11. We will be studying Deuteronomy and everyone is invited to attend.



**HOW DO YOU BECOME A CATHOLIC?**

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)** is the process by which people become members of the Catholic Church. Our faith community reaches out to and welcomes those who are experiencing a deepening conversion in their lives and guides them through a period of formation. This formation involves growing in the life of the community through prayer, study and service and culminates in full communion with the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. **The inquiry sessions began Wednesday, August 18**, in the "F" wing for all who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith.

**Community sponsors are needed** to act as companions and guides, to share their faith experiences, helping and encouraging the candidates and growing in their own faith lives. If you would like to take part in this process or wish more information, please call the church office, 297-3041 or Bettie Carmody, 265-6509.



**St. Michael's High School Youth Ski Trip 2005** meeting will be held **Sunday, September 12 at 5:00 in the F-Wing**. The trip to Durango, CO will be over Spring Break 3/06/05 thru 3/12/05. This trip is open to all High School age youth and will cost \$415.00. This will cover all costs except for 9 meals. We need Adult chaperones to sign also. For more information please contact Bruce Swope @ 299-1236; [bkswoe@swbell.net](mailto:bkswoe@swbell.net) or <http://home.swbell.net/swopefam/skitrip.htm>

