



"At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come", says today's Gospel. Good Stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are. They strive to live in readiness for His coming.

MONDAY Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11
TUESDAY Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
WEDNESDAY Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
THURSDAY Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21,24-27
FRIDAY Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
SATURDAY Is 30:19-21,23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1,5a,6-8
SUNDAY Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

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



Men's Christ Renews His Parish Weekend
The Men's Christ Renews His Parish Weekend will be

December 4-5 in the Family Life Center. All men age 19 and over are welcome and encouraged to attend. The purpose of the retreat is to strengthen our relationship with God and the faith community. For more information or to sign up please contact Bill Behr at 297-0547, or Glenn Jackson at 388-0134.

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**The Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP)** weekend is a tremendous spiritual experience that has significantly affected my life. I was deeply moved on the weekend to expand my spiritual journey. I harbor a strong desire and need to continue my participation in CRHP and similar spiritual activities. Every Sunday at Mass, I am reminded of the effect CRHP has had on several men and women I know. They were also moved to change their lives; in some cases dramatically. The Holy Spirit has a strong influence on "ordinary" parishioners, especially through CRHP.  
 Rob Engen



**Attn: All 7<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> grade Youth: Let's help Father Leo decorate his tree!! Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, meet in the Rectory after the 5:30p.m. Mass.**

**LET US GO REJOICING TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.**

**NOVEMBER 30 THROUGH DECEMBER 5**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>5:30P.M.</b>  | ✠Vito Latkovich                 |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>8:30A.M.</b>  | ✠Anthony Godinko                |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>10:00A.M.</b> | For Vocations                   |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>8:30A.M.</b>  | ✠Mary Latino                    |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>5:30P.M.</b>  | ✠Louis Lippman                  |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>8:00A.M.</b>  | ✠Charles & John Savaso          |
|                  | <b>9:30A.M.</b>  | ✠Mary Komin                     |
|                  | <b>11:00A.M.</b> | ✠Jo Langston/Joe & Lillian Bono |

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara A. Respondek, mother of John Respondek; also for the repose of the soul of Doris Marie Hoover.**



Ed Ahlich, Brad Armintor, Charlie Arnold, Weldon Bailey, Bennie Paul Bono, John Buettner, David Butler, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, Ruth Cleaver, **Ted Cooper**, Cecil Cromeans, Lorene Cromeans, Dorothy D'Augusta, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Terry Ditges, Kolbe Donovan, Lenora Duval, Glenda Eudayle, Marcella Ezell, 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, **Blake Johnson**, 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, Karen Moran, Adrian Nye, Cheri Pate, Chuck Pate, Doris Perryman, Carolyn Peterson, Cecelia Peterson, Paula Price, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Rose Ramos, Christina Robinson, Vince Rowan, Mary Rogers, Ray Schoppe, **Earl Sherman**, **Stan Simiskey**, Billie Stricklin, **Dan Swist**, Pat Van Dragt, "Vinnie", Helen Walls, Allen Williams, Patricia Williams, Stephanie Thomas Wilson, Ed Windler, Nancy Windler..

(Bold denotes new on prayer list this week)

**Save the date – April 17, 2005** here on the grounds of St. Michael's and in the Family Life Center. Have an afternoon of fun with your individual/church family. All ministries will be involved. 10% of proceeds will benefit St. Vincent de Paul Society. Look for details to follow including a contest to name our Festival/Picnic. Contact Patti Trahan at 297-2591 or at [ptrahan1@houston.rr.com](mailto:ptrahan1@houston.rr.com) for more information.



**Youth Ministry**  
**October Calendar**  
**November Calendar**  
**28 No Class**  
**December Calendar**



**4** Fr. Leo's Tree Trimming by Jr. Team after 5:30 Mass  
**5** Class 6:30pm  
**12** Class 6:30pm  
**19** NO CLASS Christmas Holidays



**Taking the Plunge—Deepening Your Faith—2005 Diocesan Junior High Rally—Saturday, February 5.** For all Youth grades 6-8. Come join the fun! Register now to reserve your spot! Registration is \$35, which includes two meals, Saturday evening excitement (dance, talent show, workshops, movie) & Rally T-shirt. Fees and forms due by December 12<sup>th</sup> to the Youth Ministry Office. Contact Lisa Ondrey at 297-3043 for information and registration packets. Forms can also be printed out from our website – [www.smlj.org](http://www.smlj.org)



**It's time for our annual Youth Ministry Toy Drive.** All are invited to participate by taking a tag with the age and gender of a child, which you will find in the back of the church. Please bring back wrapped and tagged toy by December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at all Masses. Remember to keep the toys within the \$10-\$15 price range. Our youth and Santa will be delivering these gifts to the needy children in our area. Salvation Army Day Care and Memorial Day Care on Tuesday, December 21st. Thank you, in advance for your generosity!



Curious about our **Parish Pastoral Council**? Want to find out how Council members are chosen, or perhaps want to serve on Council yourself? The St. Michael's Pastoral Council is a consultative body through which members use their God-given gifts to support Father Leo as he evangelizes and leads the family of St. Michael's to be a strong community of faith, hope, and love. Council members are chosen to serve by interested members of the Parish using a process of prayer, reflection, and discernment. We invite all caring and concerned members of St. Michael's, 18 or older and confirmed, to give prayerful consideration to serving a 2-year term on the Pastoral Council. If you are considering discerning for the Council, please contact Lynne Hanrahan, 480-0709 or Ursula Clarke, 480-0238. If you are not interested in serving on the council right now, but are interested in learning about what Council does, please come listen and take part in the discernment process. The next St. Michael's Parish Pastoral Council Discernment will be held on **Sunday, December 12, 2004.** **We will meet in the "F" Wing beginning at 1:00p.m.** **Everyone is invited to attend.**

**The combined rites of Becoming Catechumens and Welcoming Candidates for Full Communion** was celebrated on the Feast of Christ the King at the 8 a.m. Mass. Those who became Catechumens and will further prepare to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil are: Tracy Heimbach and Daniel Perez. Candidates for the Full Communion of the Catholic Church who will continue preparing for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil are: Jakera Grant, Sonia Hernandez, Cathy Hertzling, Sylvia Perez and Jana Ryder. Community Sponsors walking this faith journey with them are: Margie Kaus, Wes Parsons, Sheila Conner, Paula Graves, Dorothy Babbington, Mike Futschik and Georgia Crosley. Please offer them your prayerful support.



**Mark your calendar now—December 7, 2004**, on the eve of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Immaculate Conception, (vigil of the Holy Day of Obligation) the Galveston-Houston will honor and praise the Most Blessed Virgin Mary. Bishop Joseph A. Fiorenza will celebrate the Eucharist along with our other bishops. We invite families to join together in this great celebration of our Church. This event is sponsored by the Diocesan Marian Activities.



**We are again, offering you the opportunity to make a donation for our Christmas Poinsettias, in memory of or in honor of, a loved one. Please make your check for \$15 payable to St. Michael's. Call the office with the details.**



**Special Youth Mass—FOR and BY the Youth (grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe.** Bring your family and friends. All music during the Liturgy will be by our Praise and Worship Youth Group! Reception is to follow before Sunday evening Youth classes.



**WOMEN OF ST. MICHAEL'S:** Reminder of the Christmas Dinner Celebration on **December 2, 6:30p.m.** for those who have registered and paid. The regular December 7 day and night meetings have been cancelled.



**Would you like to study the Book of Revelation?** St. Mary: Star of the Sea Church in Freeport, will be offering Biblical Studies "Book of revelation" for 5 Wednesday nights beginning January 5. Call St. Mary's at 233-5271 for further information. Registration forms are available in the Family Life Center hallway on the bulletin board.