



Blessed are those who are what they are and do what they do for the sake of the kingdom! The Gospel today assures good stewards that their sacrifice and their service on behalf of the Kingdom will be rewarded!

MONDAY Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5: 21-43
TUESDAY Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43
WEDNESDAY Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18
THURSDAY Heb 12:18-19,21-24; Mk 6:7-13
FRIDAY Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29
SATURDAY Heb 13:15-17,20-21; Mk 6:30-34
SUNDAY Is 58:7-10; 1Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
 Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>

LAST YEAR'S PALMS NEEDED: Lent begins on ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH. The ashes you receive are made from the previous year's Palm branches. **Please bring your old palms** to the church to be burned. There will be a basket in the back of church to receive these old palms. Thank you! The Worship Commission



Ash Wednesday - February 9, 2005
Services are as scheduled:
8:30am Mass & distribution of ashes
12noon Liturgy of the Word & distribution of ashes
5:30pm Liturgy of the Word & distribution of ashes

7:00pm Mass & distribution of ashes
The Nursery will be OPEN for the 5:30pm service.

Ash Wednesday and all **Fridays of Lent** are days of Abstinence. (No meat) **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are also days of **Fast**. (Only one full meal for the day; nothing between meals.)
 Following the **Fish Fry**, in the Family Life Center at 5:30pm, we will have **Stations of the Cross** at 7pm in the church, every Friday during Lent.

What!?! Lent!?! Didn't we just put away the Christmas decorations? Ash Wednesday is February 9 this year!!! The first weekend of Lent-February 12-13, St. Michael's Library will host a Lenten Book Fair with books and items from Mary Regina Bookstore in Houston. The library will be open **SATURDAY** at 4pm and after ALL Masses that weekend. Let us help you have a meaningful Lent and Easter.



FEBRUARY 1 THROUGH FEBRUARY 6

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 8:30A.M. †Martha Tran
WEDNESDAY 8:30A.M. †J.P. Jacob
THURSDAY 5:30P.M. †Amelia Garcia
FRIDAY 8:30A.M. †John Savaso
SATURDAY 5:30P.M. †Jim Christie
SUNDAY 8:00A.M. †Lolita LaCorte
9:30A.M. Patricia Latkovich
11:00A.M. †J.P. Jacob



Ed Ahlrich, 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, **Presley**

Girouard, 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, Jack Lippman, **Helen Mangum**, Gene Matus, Mary McClintock, Eileen McDonald, Irene McGaughey, Karen Moran, **James Muhl**, Adrian Nye, Cheri Pate, Chuck Pate, Doris Perryman, Carolyn Peterson, Cecelia Peterson, Paula Price, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Rose Ramos, Christina Robinson, **John Rosser**, Vince Rowan, Mary Rogers, Ray Schoppe, 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)

Help needed ASAP: 2005 Vacation Bible School Director. The director will help choose the VBS materials, recruit and coordinate volunteers, and run the program for one week in June. We have past experienced directors/volunteers willing to help.
 If you are interested in heading up the VBS Program this year, please contact Marsha at 297-3043.

Wild Game Dinner – Faith in Action of Brazosport
 \$20 per ticket; children under 12 free; silent auction; Proceeds to benefit Faith in Action; Live Music; **NO TAKE OUTS**; black powder gun;
February 10, 2005, 6:30-9:00pm;

Youth Ministry

January Calendar

28/29 High School Retreat 6pm

Fri-10pm Sat

30 Class 6:30pm (Jr. Hi 6:30-

8:30 in FLC)

Special Guest Alex Jones



Religious Education News

The Birds & Bees & Growing Up!

Could you use some guidance when it comes to teaching your son and/or daughter about sexuality? Help is here in a comfortable atmosphere that lets sons & fathers and/or daughters & mothers share God's plan for love through His gifts of sexuality and fertility.

Registration Forms are on bulletin board in Family Life Center Hallway.

What: Growing Up Together, Father & Son (11-14 years old) Program

When: Friday, February 25, 2005, 6:30-9:30pm

Where: St. Michael Church, Lake Jackson

Cost: \$20.00, register 10 days in advance

Contact: Gary Forse, 979-299-3145 or Marsha, 297-3043.

What: Create A Memory, Mother & Daughter (10-12 years old) Program

When: Sunday, March 13, 2005, 1:30-4:30pm

Where: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Alvin

Cost: \$20.00, register 10 days in advance

Contact: Mary Claire English 281-331-4819 or Barbara, 281-824-0877.

Next Sunday, 128 million people all over the world will tune in

to the Super Bowl football game. There will be parties with abundant food, friendship and fellowship. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a warm meal. Please join young people around the U.S. as they demonstrate God's love by loving their neighbors through the **Souper Bowl of Caring**. It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. Drop \$1 in the soup pot as you leave Mass next weekend. Those who need help may not know that you cared, but God will. And our young people are developing hearts for giving that can last a lifetime. Please support their efforts. We will be giving our collection to our **St. Vincent de Paul**.



Centering Prayers Groups Mondays, 9:30a.m. in the Liturgy room. Monday January 24 we will see a video on Centering Prayer. Also, Thursdays, 4-5 p.m. in Room 149/150.

GIRL SCOUTS



Parents of Girl Scouts: Girl Scout Sunday practice will be February 18 & 25. Please volunteer to be the parent contact for your daughter's Girl Scout Troop and sign up the Scouts

for Girl Scout Sunday. Questions? Call Natalia Montanez, 2997-1011, Janice Rodrigue, 292-0501 or Coletta Stover, 297-5191.

HELP NEEDED with Baptism Classes. One evening a month – 3rd Tuesday of the month. Do not need to give talk. More behind the scene help & support with clerical and organization. Call Lynette Biediger 265-7520, for more information, or lwrightb@hotmail.com



Men's Christ Renews His Parish Weekend

The men's Christ Renews His Parish Weekend will be held February 19-20 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 our faith community. For more information or to sign up please contact Laszlo Weress, 258-3400, or Kevin Land, 480-0402.

Attention Women: Mark your calendar! Lenten Day of Reflection, Wednesday, February 23, 2005, sponsored by the Women's Club of St. Michael's. A nursery will be provided. For information, call Tricia Langner, 299-6176.

Calling all Jr. High School Students, grades 6th-8th!!! N.E.T. (National Evangelization Team) is coming to St. Michael's on **Thursday, February 3rd**. Check-in is at 5pm, Mass is at 5:30 and dismissal at 10pm. Cost is \$5 and includes dinner. Don't miss this great opportunity—lots of FUN—humorous skits, games, great talks, moving dramas, great music and uplifting prayer, AND MORE! Questions? Call Lisa Ondrey at the Youth Office.

The Women of St. Michael's invite all women of the parish to attend our next monthly meeting Tuesday, February 1st. Both daytime and evening meetings are available. **Geri Ammons**, co-owner of **Affairs to Remember**, will present food and decorating ideas to "Sweeten Up Your Valentine's Day". Come and share your own family traditions to make the day extra special. Refreshments will be served. **Day Meeting:** 9am in the Angelina Room, preceded by 8:30am Mass. Nursery provided for 4 yrs and under. **Evening Meeting:** 6:30pm in the Angelina Room.