

The crowd in today's Gospel demanded a sign from Jesus. May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading, have laid aside

our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.



- MONDAY Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21
  - TUESDAY Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36
  - WEDNESDAY Jer 31:1-2; Mt 15:21-28
  - THURSDAY 2Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12: 24-26
  - FRIDAY Na 2:1, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
  - SATURDAY Hab 1:12—2:4; Mt 17:14-20
  - SUNDAY 1Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30; 5:2; Jn 6:41-51
- Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



**ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS:**

**Protecting God's Children Workshop for Adults**

Preventing child sexual abuse is the goal of a new program selected by the Archdiocese 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 starts promptly, so please be on time. The following sessions will be held at St. Michael's in the hall of the Family Life Center **6:15 – 9:30 pm.: Tuesday, August 22, Thursday, September 21.** Please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to register; Call Lisa Ondrey, 297-3043, for more information. **Please note:** *If you have already attended a previous workshop, you do not need to do so again. You are encouraged to visit the website [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to stay up to date with new articles and information.*

**\*No one under the age of 16 may attend this workshop; attendees under the age of 18 must have a signed parental consent form to be admitted.**



All youth are invited to join us for the 5:30p.m. Mass, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A few of the college students have volunteered to do music for these Masses for the summer. Come sing with us as we praise Him.



Men—mark your calendars for August 26-27. Men's Christ Renews His Parish weekend. Great fellowship and spiritual weekend. Don't miss it.



# The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

AUGUST 8 THROUGH AUGUST 13

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- TUESDAY 5:30P.M. †Isabel Earle
- WEDNESDAY 8:30A.M. †Sidney & Sophie Walenta; †Louise Mary Muhl
- THURSDAY 5:30P.M. †Theola Faulk
- FRIDAY 8:30A.M. †Virginia Hernandez;
- SATURDAY 5:30P.M. †Stanley Bohac; †Ed Carmody
- SUNDAY 8:00A.M. †Francis Mouton; †Elizabeth Gaffney;
- 9:30A.M. Gary & Camille Forse 30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
- 11:00A.M. †Sidley Wagner; Ella Good & Family



Ryan Barnes, Brenda Bartlett, Ann Bomba, Paul Bono, John Buettner, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Theresa Ditges, Lenora Duval, Tom Elder, Marcia Flournoy, Margaret Flournoy, Ann Foster, Michael Gillman, Arthur Haas, Belia Hardesty, Doris Harpham, Chuck Honea, Vickie Kaatz, Mary LaCoume, Patricia Lang, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Adele LeBouef, Delia Luna, John May, Karen Moran, Kerry Mulloy, Mary Pelliccia, Doris Perryman, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Kenny Rentrop, Bob Rogido, John Rosser, Vince Rowan, June Stanke, Bill Stevens, Ruth Stone, Tommy Tumlinson, Loyd Wainscott, Eileen Young.. (Bold denotes new on prayer list or in crisis.)

**The Pope on Life**

**"Consequently, everything is connected: the deepest option for the Crucified Christ with the most complete option for life, from the very first moment until the very last. To me this also seems in some way the nucleus of our pastoral care: to help people make the true choice for life, to renew their relationship with God as the relationship which gives us life and shows us the way to life. And thus, to love Christ anew, who from being the most unknown Being whom we did not reach and who remained enigmatic, became a know God, a God with a human face, a God who is love."**

(Pope Benedict XVI, March 2006 meeting with priests)



**Please help us with SVDP pantry needs,** as school is starting we have an empty pantry. Special needs Macaroni & Cheese, Rice, Can Fruit, Spaghetti & Sauce.

**Thank you for your help!!!!**



**Have you registered your child for Religious Education and/or Youth Ministry Classes? 4years old through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Register now!**

After August 1st, there is a \$10.00 late fee added to the registration fee. Forms are available in the hallway of the Family Life Center.

**Do you have a 2nd Grade Student** registered at Our Lady Queen of Peace? If you wish to prepare your 2nd Grade Student for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, you will need to register in our religious education program. Please call or stop by the office, Tuesday - Friday, 9am-3pm.

**Sacrament Preparation:** Do not forget to register your child in Religious Education Classes. The Sacrament Preparation Program is a 2 year program! If your child is entering 1st Grade this fall, that child needs to be attending 1st Grade Religious Education Classes. **Register now, classes are filling up!**

**Catechist/Teacher/Aides/Small Group Facilitators Needed:** We need catechist/teachers/facilitators for all grade levels on Wednesday night, Sunday morning, and Sunday evening. Don't forget **all volunteers** are required to take the "Protecting God's Children Workshop." Call 297-3043, the religious education office for more information.

**Next "Protecting God's Children Workshop"** will be on Tuesday, August 22 at 6:15pm in the Hall. **The Archdiocese requires this workshop for anyone who works with youth at St. Michael's. Any interested adult may attend.**



**RCIA**

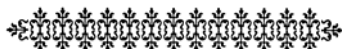
- **Are you searching** for a church to call your own?
- **Do you struggle** with questions about life – death – suffering – hope – forgiveness – love – God
- **Ever Wonder** Why Catholics worship the way they do?
- **Do you have questions** about what we really believe?

**Look no further**

**If you are not Catholic, but are curious about the Church,** or have a friend or family member who may be interested, or perhaps have some misconceptions about the church. Inquiry is the place. We are meeting on **Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the F-Wing.** All are welcome. For more information, call the parish office at 297-3041 or Tommie Holt at 265-4685.



**Young adults ages 20-35 come to Tuesday night gatherings at 6:30pm in the E-wing for bible study and fellowship. Don't miss our study of Pope John Paul II's "Theology of the Body" starting July 11<sup>th</sup>. To join our Yahoo Group so you can get on our email list and have access to view our calendar of events, send an email to [stmichaelsyoungadults-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:stmichaelsyoungadults-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) . If you have any questions about this group, call Melissa at 373-6369.**



**St. Michael's High School Youth Ski Trip 2005** sign up meeting will be held **Sunday, August 13th at 5:00 in the F-Wing.** The trip to Durango, CO will be 12/28/06 thru 1/3/07. This trip is open to all High School age youth and will cost \$515.00. For more information please contact Bruce Swope (979) 299-1236

[bswope@houston.rr.com](mailto:bswope@houston.rr.com)  
<http://home.houston.rr.com/bswope/skitrip.htm>



**ENVISION**

Those parishioners who attended **Discernment Day** had an opportunity to participate in St. Michael's planning process. They identified – both individually and communally – the areas on which we will focus our attention in the next three years. We thank you for your support and participation. The topics that were discerned are:

- Adult Ministry
- Understanding of Mass and the Eucharist
- Outreach to Non-Practicing Catholics and the Unchurched
- Welcoming of Visitors and New People
- Youth Ministry
- Young Adult Ministry
- Parish Communications
- Formation for children

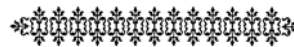
**From these eight** three to five will be the key areas of focus for St. Michael's for the next three years.

Where do we go from here? A smaller group, the **Visioning Group**, has been established. They will meet on August 12<sup>th</sup> to determine one final vision statement for the parish. Please pray for the members both before and during **Visioning Day.**

**Questions?** Contact any of your Envision Leaders: Father Leo, Betty Betczynski, Melissa Bovee, Mike Caserta, Ursula Clark, Jeff Fattig, Darlene Goodrum, Paula Graves, Charlene Jones, Peggy Robinson, Jeanne Schroll and Brian Zielke.



**F.T.C.M. (Formation Toward Christian Ministry)** is a program that offers basic theology and spiritual development to Catholics who want to deepen their commitment to Jesus and more fully answer their baptismal call to service. **Registration is underway** for classes that are offered at St. Anthony's in Danbury on Thursdays from 7:00—9:00 p.m., from **August 31<sup>st</sup> until December 14th.** This semester we will be studying Christology, Prayer and Spirituality, Church History, and Church Doctrine. These courses are all part of the diocesan ministry certification program and can also be applied for catechist certification (theology content credits). **Registration for the semester is \$25 (plus one required book which is \$13) and the deadline is August 24<sup>th</sup>.** If you do not have the pink registration forms supplied by the diocese, please call Camilla Chedester at (979) 922-1241 for more information or to register. If you miss registration, you can come on the first day of class, but after August 24<sup>th</sup> there is an additional \$10 late fee. Babysitting is also provided, if there is a need – just call and let us know how many children you will be bringing so we can be prepared. If you bring some friends with you, there can be some great theological discussions on the trip to class and back! We hope to see you there!



**LADIES! Our six week, six dollar bible study is back! Kindness: Reaching out to Others, starting Thursday, August 17th at 9:30 a.m. in the "F" Wing. Please call Jeanne Schroll, 297-5860, to reserve a book or make a reservation for the nursery (3 and under).**

