



“Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit, comes from above”, says St. James in the second reading. But, he reminds us, true worship of God involves *using* those good

gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional; it is the hallmark of our faith! See James 1:17



**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** Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16  
**SATURDAY** 1Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5  
**SUNDAY** Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

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 session will be held at St. Michael's in the hall of the Family Life Center **6:15 – 9:30 pm.: 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.**



**Operation Catechesis (to echo or resound the Gospel of Jesus Christ):** <https://www.nccl.org/>  
**The Continuing Christian Education Office of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston** is accepting money donations for CCE Classes in dioceses that were affected by 2005 Hurricanes Katrina & Rita. The CCE office is asking all parish CCE Classes to encourage their children to earn money for children in other dioceses. Fr. Leo is asking the children of St. Michael to put their donations in the "Life Giving Well" in church. **The money collected in September** will be donated to the children in Dioceses affected by the 2005 Hurricanes.



If you would like to contact Rita Evans her new address is: Rita Evans, Parmer Woods 12429, Scofield Farm #106, Austin Texas, 78758. She would welcome hearing from her old friends.



**The 2006 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Masses** honoring Golden (50) and Silver (25) Anniversary Marriages for couples with weddings in 1956 or 1981 will be held on Saturday, October 21/22. Whether or not couples attend a ceremony, they are eligible to receive a certificate from Archbishop Daniel DiNardo. If you wish to participate call the parish office, 297-3041. **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS SEPTEMBER 18.**



There will be a Combined Rite of Welcoming and Acceptance at the 8:00 Mass on September 10, 2006. Please come and welcome Mike Marshall and Celeste Wilson into the period of the Catechumenate as they continue their journey toward becoming one with us in our Catholic Faith. Pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to help and guide them as they start their journey toward the Easter Vigil.



He who does JUSTICE will live in the presence of the LORD

**SEPTEMBER 5 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 10 MASS INTENTIONS**

**TUESDAY 8:30A.M.** †John & Edith Post  
**WEDNESDAY 8:30A.M.** †Alfred & Joe Dale Psencik  
**THURSDAY 5:30P.M.** †Marie Peluso Hunter;  
 †Lawrence Good;  
 †Sidney & Sophie Walenta  
**FRIDAY 8:30A.M.** †Minnie Husch;  
 †Isabel Earle  
**SATURDAY 5:30P.M.** †Wanda Henry;  
 †Darcy Pawelka  
**SUNDAY 8:00A.M.** †Darcy Pawelka;  
 †Mark Klockentager  
**9:30A.M.** †Alfred & Joe Dale Psencik  
 †John Duque  
**11:00A.M.** †Gerry White  
**5:30P.M.** Youth of the Parish

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Leo Heble, father of Kevin Heble.

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



**Drive Slowly! CCE Classes start on Wed. Sept 6 and Sun. Sept 10. Parents please bring your child (4 years old - 5th Grade) to their classroom on time. Your child must be picked up at the classroom at the end of class. For the safety of your child, please arrive on time and in person. Teachers are to release students ONLY TO PARENTS.**



**ALL PARISH OFFICES CLOSED MONDAY FOR LABOR DAY.**

**Volunteers needed in Youth Ministry:**

*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."* 1 Peter 4:10  
**Please consider sharing your gifts** with the youth of our parish on Sunday evenings during the school year. Teachers and aides needed in Jr. High and High School Youth Ministry (grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>). Other volunteer opportunities are available also. Big hearts and a desire to serve required. Call the Office of Youth Ministry to volunteer!  
**Also, 12<sup>th</sup> graders, we need you as Peer Leaders** to help facilitate small groups in the High School Program (T.E.A.M.). If interested, call Helen - 297-3043



Help us to kick-off **2006-2007** year in **Youth Ministry, grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**! Come join us and celebrate with us at our **YOUTH MASS on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 PM**. Families are welcome. Brief parent meeting in Church and refreshments for youth in the Family Life Center will follow. Grades 6,7,8 will be dismissed at 8pm from the Spiritual Learning Center and High School will be dismissed at 8:30 pm.



**ATTENTION ALL RCIA ALUMNS AND SUPPORTERS:**

**Bettie Carmody is retiring** after leading St. Michael's RCIA program from its inception through the first twenty years. If you have come into the Church through **RCIA**, been a sponsor or a team member or a community supporter, you know what Bettie has meant to the success of this important ministry.  
**We would like everyone to join us in a Thank You Celebration on Saturday, September 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.** There will be food and fellowship and lots of opportunities for sharing memories and letting Bettie know we appreciate her impact on our **RCIA** program and our spiritual journeys.  
 Please contact Paula Graves at 979-964-3545 or email [pgraves@allusaonline.com](mailto:pgraves@allusaonline.com) or email Wes Parsons at [wesp@allusaonline.com](mailto:wesp@allusaonline.com) with ideas, suggestions, or questions or to volunteer to participate.



**WIDOWED, DIVORCED AND SEPARATED**

**From Grief to Growth - A Healing Journey** is a support ministry that is being held for 10 weeks beginning Wednesday evening, **September 6, 2006**, here at St. Michael's, in the "E" Wing. This program will deal specifically with the process of adjustment following the loss of a spouse through divorce, separation or death. The pain that accompanies a loss can be made bearable and the grief process worked through more effectively with the assistance of others who have had a common experience. This is a Christ-centered, non-denominational program. Everyone dealing with the loss of a spouse is invited. We will meet for 10 weeks on **Wednesday nights, 6:45p.m. to 8:30p.m.** If you or anyone you know is in need of this type of help please come or encourage them to come. If you need more information pick up one of our flyers or call 297-3041.



*SpiritualFest 2006*

We will have our annual *SpiritualFest* beginning Sunday October 1 through Wednesday October 4. The theme will be **Come Encounter Jesus**, with Father Blaise Czaja directing our mission. We will have Mass daily at 8:30a.m. and evening services from 7-8p.m. A nursery will be provided for 3 year olds and younger for the evening services. **Please mark your calendars now** for this great spiritual opportunity. Look for more information in the following weeks.



**Join us as we begin** a new Bible Study from Little Rock Scripture study. We will study "Voices in the Desert=Amos, Hosea and Micah". We meet on Friday mornings from 9:15-10:30a.m., starting on September 8, 2006. Call Pam Walker for information at 297-9746.



**The Women of Saint Michaels Day Group** will resume meeting with a **Heritage Brunch** in the **Family Life Center Tuesday September 5th**. Bring a dish to share - and a family story that goes with it. Our parish community is rich with diverse cultures - and we all have something special to bring to the table. **Day Group - Tuesday - Aug 5<sup>th</sup> will meet in the Family Life Center after 8:30 Mass. 9 a.m.- Brief Meeting ~ 9:30 a.m.- Lunch and Social. Nursery - 4 and under.**  
**Evening Group: Tuesday, September 5th 6:30p.m.**  
**Location - Wurst Haus Restaurant at 102 This Way, L.J. Guest Speaker -Parishioner Paul Cranley**  
**RSVP to Susan Lacy at 297-8568 to ensure we have enough space reserved (but don't let it stop you from coming....)**  
**Note: All women of St. Michael's are welcome and you can bring a friend anytime!**

**BIBLE STUDY**

**The Wed. morning Bible Study Group** will begin meeting again on Sept. 6 from 9:30 to 11 in Room 149-150 of the Family Life Center. We will be studying the **Book of Leviticus**. We will have Collegeville Bible Commentary material provided and New American Bibles are available for use in the room. **Everyone is invited to attend.** For more information, call Bettie Carmody at 265-6509.



**St. Michael's Ministry Awareness Weekend** will be held **September 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>** after all Masses in the Family Life Center. All Ministry chairpersons are asked to have representatives from their ministry, staff a table after every Mass that weekend. Each Ministry will have a table and **Ministry Name Sign** set up for them by the Pastoral Council. Staffing of that table, information handouts, volunteer sign-up sheets, etc. are the responsibility of the individual ministry group. Please call or e-mail Ken Prochaska or Mary Ann Haley if you have any questions or special requests concerning table set-up or location.



**CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WOMEN'S WEEKEND**

**St. Michael's upcoming Christ Renews His Parish weekend for women** will be held **September 23-24**. For information, call **Sonia Finley at 297-3910 or Becky Mitchell at 297-5733**.



**Girl Scout Spiritual Awareness Day** for girls in grades 2 through 12 will be held at the girl Scout Center, 3110 Southwest Freeway, Houston, on Saturday, October 14, 2006, from 9am till 2pm.  
**The registration deadline is September 23, 2006.** Registration is \$15.00. Girl's Books \$6.00. Contact Dolores Richards, 1-281-482-3392. Chairman: Mary Donna Maceri, 1-281-859-0320.



**"R.C.I.T. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Teens) classes will be starting in October. These classes are preparation for the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and Eucharist for youth between 6th grade and junior year of high school. Please contact the Youth Office for more information and registration forms."**



**St. Vincent de Paul is trying to fill our food pantry. We are in need of rice, dried beans, jelly and cereal. Thank you for your continued support In helping us serve the hungry of our area.**

