

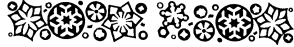
We have come from the East



to visit the King.

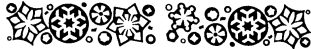
Today we remember the three wise men from the East who came to pay homage to the infant Jesus, bringing Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. The gifts we bring—our time, service, and some

share of what we earn for the work we do—are equally precious in His sight.



- MONDAY Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26
- TUESDAY Is 40:1-11; Lk 18:12-14
- WEDNESDAY Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38
- THURSDAY Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
- FRIDAY Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
- SATURDAY Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- SUNDAY Is 35: 1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

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



Save the date: Saturday, January 12, 2008 Christ Renews His Parish Gathering. Carry-in dinner. 6:30 p.m. Family Life Center. Have you experienced CRHP? If yes, please join us. If not, we hope you will attend to see why you should. Plan to come and be blessed!



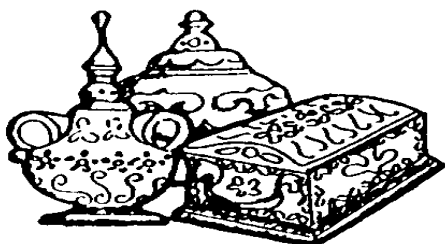
Pro-Life Crosses

This will be the 14th year that St. Michael's Church, Lake Jackson has placed over 400 white crosses around the church campus. **Please join us** during this two week period to celebrate life, to pray for an end to abortion and the universal recognition of the sanctity of life from the moment of conception until natural death.

Saturday, January 12, 10:00 AM In the Church Patriotic Rosary – Prayers for Life Placing of the crosses around the church campus

Saturday, January 26th 7:00 PM In the Church Pro-Life Rosary, Meditations and Songs Led by "Love's Gate". More information ?

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LORD,
every nation on Earth
will adore You.

JANUARY 8 THROUGH JANUARY 13
MASS INTENTIONS

- TUESDAY 5:30P.M. †Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese of Gal-Hous.
- WEDNESDAY 8:30A.M. Parishioners of St. Michael's
- THURSDAY 5:30P.M. †B.L. Schindler
- FRIDAY 8:30A.M. †Johnnie McGregor
- SATURDAY 5:30P.M. †Bessie Ermis
- SUNDAY 8:00A.M. †Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese of Gal-Hous
- 9:30.M. †Michael Cleary
- 11:00A.M. †Clifford J. Novosad
- †Fr. Bill Robertson

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Clarence Forse, husband of JoAnn Forse, father of Gary, Tim & Terry.

Carolyn Sue Allen, Brenda Bartlett, Ann Bomba, Paul Bono, John Buettner, Doris Causbie, Robert Causbie, Kellie



Chaney, John Henry Cook, Cecil Cromeans, Lorene Cromeans, Georgia Crosley, Lee Ann Day, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Lenora Duval, Tom Elder, Leada, Fecanin, **Marcia Flournoy**, Margaret Flournoy, Ann Foster, Father Leo, Betty Lou Furlong, **Ashton Garrett**, Michael Gillman, Arthur Haas, Belia Hardesty, Maury Havlik, Pat Havlik, Cathy Holt, Bobbie Jasek, Alice Jasek, **Vickie Kaatz**, Mary LaCoume, Sarah Langston, Ruth Lewis, Delia Luna, **Brock Massey**, Gene Matus, Otis Mayes, Myra Lee McFarling, Ora Meritt, Raymond Muniza, Heloise Murray, Jim Pawelek, Mary Pelliccia, Doris Perryman, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Jack Reid, **Ralph Rogers, Jr.**, John Rosser, Vince Rowan, Prudencia Sanchez, Donna Schwertner, Jim Seidler, June Stanke, Bill Stevens, **Bud Stover**, Tommy Tumlinson, Ernie Valdez, Loyd Wainscott, Jack Yonge and Joe Young.

(Bold denotes new on prayer list or in crisis.)

An Apology to Our Donors for weekends of Nov. 16/Nov. 17 and Dec. 1 and 2nd.

On both of the two weekends listed, we as money counters did the same thing. We removed all of the checks and money out of the envelopes for regular collections but one weekend, we bundled all the loose checks and put them in Bobbie's box instead of depositing them. Then on Dec. 1st and 2nd, we did the same thing with the Building Fund envelopes. Everyone got credit for the Building Fund but the "old" bookkeeper came along, took the loose checks from Nov. 16 and 17, deposited them but did not copy them. When you get a statement your donation for that weekend may not be on there if it was a loose check -- don't blame Bobbie, you can call me and yell. It must be some strange disease going around -- called 'old age'. Shhh! Shhh! Don't tell the other money counters; we'll try to get a vaccination for it. Jeanette Matzke

January Youth Ministry Calendar

January 6 – No Class
January 12 – HS Adult & Peer Leader MEETING, 10 – Noon, Rm 149-150
January 13 – Class 6:30 p.m. VOCATIONS #1
January 20 – Class 6:30 p.m. VOCATIONS #2
Jan 13 – 27 – VOCATIONS Art/Poster/Essay Contest
Weds. January 30 – Confirmation Sponsor Night, 7:00 p.m. FLC

Servants of the Savior (SOS) High School Retreat – A joint retreat with the Youth of St. Mary's Parish in Freeport will be presented by Brother Joachim of the Community of St. John. Join us Friday Jan 18th – 5:00 p.m. until Saturday Jan 19th – 9:30 p.m. Pick up a flyer outside the Youth Office and **sign up TODAY!**

2008 Archdiocesan Junior High School YOUTH RALLY – Saturday February 2, 2008 from 10:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Registration deadline is January 20th.** Cost is \$45.00. Sign up now! Information packets and forms for Adult and Youth located outside the Youth Ministry office. Early Registration for \$35 ends Jan 8th.

2008 NET Host Families NEEDED! We need to house 11 NET Team members overnight the evenings of Feb 28th and Mar 13th. If you can house two or more NET members, please contact the Youth Office at 297-3043 or e-mail lynne@smlj.org.

Adult Leaders and Peer Leaders for High School Youth Ministry will meet on Saturday, Jan 12th, 10 – Noon in Room 149 – 150 to review plans for upcoming semester.

JR HS Summer Camp – Applications for **Summer Camp COUNSELORS** now available in Youth Office. Please contact Lynne lynne@smlj.org or Mike if you are interested in being a counselor this year.

2008 Youth on a Mission – We are in the process of forming our project team to plan the 2008 Summer Mission. We need input and feedback from everyone who participated in Mission 2007 and anyone who is interested in getting involved this year. We will start working in January to develop our overall project plan and we need your help. Please contact Lynne or Mike in the Youth office, or e-mail at lynne@smlj.org if you are interested in getting involved.

There is an open hour in the Adoration Chapel on Tuesday from 12:00-1:00p.m. Call Patti Matus at 297-2718

As we start the New Year, serving our clients in need of food, our pantry is low on cereal, canned fruit, spaghetti and sauce. Thank you for your continued help. The need is always great after a holiday because of other expenses, families encounter. Happy New Year 2008!!!

Young Adult Bible Study
Come join the Young Adult Ministry (YAM) on Wednesday nights at 7 pm in the E wing for Bible study. We are following the Sunday Liturgy until Jan 23rd when we will kick off a six week study on Revelations. Don't miss the kick off! We will have food, all the materials for the course, and we'll go through the introduction to the study. Call Melissa Bovee with any questions 373-6369.

If you would like to be informed of all our events, join our email list! Send an email to: stmichaelsyoungadults-subscribe@yahoo.com

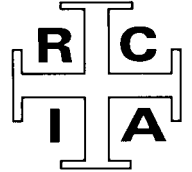
Fertilizer/Mulch Sales:

After all Masses on January 13 and 20, Troop 324 Scouts will be in the Hallway taking orders.

CHANGES IN THE PARKING LOT ARE BEGINNING TO TAKE PLACE. PLEASE PAY ATTENTION TO THE NEW FIRE LANES THAT ARE PAINTED RED AND THE NEW SIGNS FOR BOTH NO PARKING AND HANDICAPPED.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- 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.** All are welcome. For more information Call Tommie Holt at 979-265-4685.

EPHESIANS, COLOSSIANS & 2ND THESSALONIANS

**Presented by Dr. Kathleen Weber
Most Holy Trinity Church
Angleton, Texas**

**Tuesdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 & Feb. 5
7:30p.m.-9:30p.m.**

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Biblical Studies courses are offered as advanced scripture study to adults and are taught by instructors who have a specialty in Sacred Scripture. For further information call 979-849-2421, ext. 109.



IN MEMORY OF

- Ed J. Burch
- Sherry Konvicka
- Virginia Hernandez
- Ryan Bolock & Josephine Bogo
- Ed & Pat Walichowski
- Humberto & Arrelia Perez
- Dr. Gerald Perryman
- Paul & Eleanore Hutzler
- Frank & Agnes Kiefel

GIVEN BY

- Laura Burch
- Don & Diane Brawley
- Ernest Hernandez, Mark, Brandon & Brooke
- Bruce & Dolores Bolock
- Scott & Alice Sokoloski
- James & Mary Montague
- Doris Perryman
- Joan & Frank Kiefel
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K.J.T.Z. # 115 St. Mary's Star of the Sea meeting on January 15th at 10:30a.m. at 117 Miffin in Clute.