



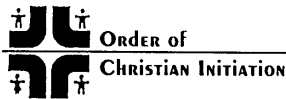
Today's second reading warns that a heart consumed with avarice and envy leads to jealousy, strife, conflicts, and disputes. A giving heart, in contrast, can sing instead with the psalmist, "Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness." *Psalm 54*



Readings for the Week of September 20, 2009

- Sunday** **Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37
- Monday** **Saint Matthew, apostle, evangelist**
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19; Mt 9:9-13
- Tuesday** **Saint Pius, pope**
Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122; Lk 8:19-21
- Wednesday** **Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, priest**
Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13: 2-4, 6-8, 6; Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday** **Saints Cosmas and Damian, martyrs**
Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149; Lk 9:7-9
- Friday** **Saints Cosmas and Damian, martyrs**
Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43; Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday** **Saints Cosmas and Damian, martyrs**
Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-13; Lk 9:43b-45
- Sunday** **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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



Please help us welcome **David Latta** into our Church and Parish. He will be baptized, receive First Eucharist and be Confirmed at the **8:00 am Mass on September 20, 2009**. There will be a reception for him in The Angelina room **immediately after 8:00 Mass**. Join us in welcoming David into our faith community.

There is an **open Adoration Chapel hour** on **Thursdays from 10 - 11 a.m.** If you would like the opportunity to have a special hour every week with Jesus, please call Cheri McBurnett, 297-8874.



A Reflection from a participant in our most recent CRHP Weekend retreat.....

What a wonderful experience! I spent last weekend with our daughter and two granddaughters at the Christ Renews His Parish Retreat. I want to thank St. Michael's Parish, the CRHP Team, the "Kitchen Angels", the Music Ministers, Msgr. Leo, Fr. Marty, and everyone involved. I will never forget it!

Yours in Christ,
Lee Terry, St. Joseph's Parish, Brazoria



SEPT 19 THROUGH SEPT 27

- SATURDAY 5:30 P.M.** Msgr. Leo Wleczyk
Sherry Aaron
†Ella Mae Rentrop
- SUNDAY 8:00 A.M.** †Albert & Rosa Romano
†Joe & Lena Mandola
- 9:30 A.M.** Sherry Aaron
†James Seidler
- 11:00 A.M.** †Cathy Zack
Kathy & Bubba Moore
- TUESDAY 5:30 P.M.** †Tony Jaris
- WEDNESDAY 8:30 A.M.** †Irene Dirba
Sherry Aaron
- THURSDAY 5:30 P.M.** Pres Obama & VP Biden
†Jean Trauba
- FRIDAY 8:30 A.M.** †Brenda Richard
†Gary Duplantis
- SATURDAY 5:30 P.M.** †James Seidler
†Helen Cranley
- SUNDAY 8:00 A.M.** †Becky Perenaud
Sherry Aaron
- 9:30 A.M.** †James Seidler
†Naomi Valdez-Hernandez
- 11:00 A.M.** Stephen Dankowsky
John & Irene Ronayne

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
†Patrocino M. (Pat) Aguilar, husband of Anita.



Sherry Aaron, Kenneth Blanchard, Estelle Bohac, Kellie Chaney, Ted DiBlasi, Tom Elder, Ann Foster, Arthur Haas, Paige Haas, Kathy Holt, Gene Kanski, Eugene Matus, Florence Olenick, Jim Pawelek, Edward Sablatura, Jr., Tiffany Lynn Sanchez, Bill Stevens, Tommy Tomlinson, and Norberto Villarreal, Sr.

25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary

Please congratulate fourteen couples from St. Michael's who celebrate their **Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary in 2009.**

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| Nick & Elena Cesarini | May 9, 1959 |
| Ralph & Carol Lewis | May 23, 1959 |
| Tom & Lois Loftus | Sept 5, 1959 |
| Juan & Mary Ann Longoria | June 13, 1959 |
| Raymond & Wilhelmina Muniza | April 26, 1959 |
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| Jesse & Carolyn Ayala | July 14, 1984 |
| Guadalupe & Gloria Barrientez | July 28, 1984 |
| James & JoAnn Brown | June 2, 1984 |
| Rick & Sheryl Castello | March 17, 1984 |
| Kevin & Sharon Land | May 26, 1984 |
| Jeff & Sandra May | Oct 20, 1984 |
| Tom & Becky Normand | Oct 20, 1984 |
| Bruce & Linda Raiff | May 19, 1984 |
| Larry & Yvonne Samson | May 26, 1984 |

“BASIC BIBLE MINUS ZERO” is a series of four lectures being presented by Tommie Holt, Director of RCIA. Upon completion of this series you will have a basic understanding of the Holy Bible and how to navigate it. This is NOT a Bible study. It is a course in learning how to USE the Bible – not to learn Scripture. Meeting dates are **Sept. 20, 27, and Oct. 4 (all Sundays) from 2:30PM - 3:30PM in F Wing.** Please bring your Bible as none will be furnished. **Pre-registration is a MUST.**

If you plan to attend or if you have any questions concerning this course, please call Tommie at 979-265-4685 or e-mail him at tholt@f8click.com.

SENIOR ADULT PARISHIONERS:

‘Young at Heart’ Invitation

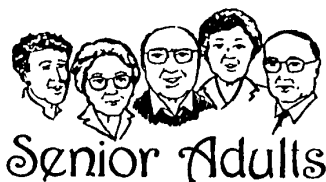
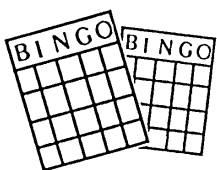
This program is intended to bring senior adult parishioners together for fellowship, fun, and learning.

Topics: **Sept 26th** - Spiritual Well Being
Oct 10th - Personal Safety Well Being
Oct 17th - Physical Well Being
Nov 7th - Let the Fun Begin

Time: **9:00 a.m. - Noon with lunch**

Where: **Wolters Room** in the Education Bldg

Questions? Joe L: 265-6221; Margarita P: 297-0297, or Lou B: 239-7769



SENIOR CITIZENS APPRECIATION DINNER

The annual St. Michael's **Senior Citizens Appreciation Dinner**, hosted by the Pastoral Council, will be held on **Saturday, Oct. 3rd after the 5:30 p.m. Mass in the Hall of the Family Life Center.** Dinner will be served, followed by Bingo for all Seniors who wish to participate. There will be sign-up sheets in the hallway after all Masses the week-ends of Sept. 19th and Sept. 26th. Please be sure to sign-up after Mass, or call the Parish Office during the week, so we know how many to plan for. **Come out for some good food, fun, fellowship, and BINGO!!!**

**THE FIRE OF THE GOSPELS
 (is it burning in your lives?)**

Adult Faith Formation ministry presents Ms. Camilla Chedester in a series of four lectures entitled **“The Fire of the Gospels—is it burning in your lives?”** Dates of the remaining lectures are **Sept. 22 and 29 at 7:00 PM** in the **Wolters’ Room.** Bring your Bible to each session and follow the life of Jesus through the words of those who knew Him best. **9/22/09 Biblical Foundations of Catholic Doctrine – Discovering our roots.** This will be an overview of basic doctrines of the Church and where they are found in the Bible. Since Tradition came before Scripture, not all doctrines are clearly defined in the Scripture. Some of the doctrines we will look at are those on Eucharist, the Communion of Saints, the Papacy, the End times (Heaven, Hell and Purgatory), Mary and the liturgical foundations of the Mass.



Come join us in the **Hall** of the Family Life Center **after the 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. Masses this Sunday, Sept 20th** for a delicious **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 6812. All donations will benefit **Our Lady Queen of Peace (OLQP) School!**




Crystal Crafters thanks St. Michael's parishioners for the many, many pairs of glasses. **WE STILL NEED MORE!** We were able to help **450 children** get ready for school this year, thanks to donations. We will be making our fall mission trip to Mexico very soon and as always need to have more glasses. **An empty box for used glasses awaits in the Hall of the Family Life Center.** THANKS AGAIN for your participation in this project!

When is the last time you devoted a full weekend TO YOURSELF, YOUR FAITH, and THE LORD? Holy Name Retreat Center invites you to join other men from your parish and community on the **week-end of October 16** for our men's weekend retreat. For more information please contact Tony Barnard - 824-5787 or call Holy Name Retreat Center at 713-464-0211 for registration information. Or, just make registration online at www.passionist.org/holyname

The **Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court 2364** will meet on **Thursday, Sept 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the F-Wing.** Join us as we honor those sisters celebrating their 80th birthdays this year! Business meeting, planning for CDA National Day, and Social. All Catholic women are invited to attend.

Join us for the **Women of St. Michael's** monthly meeting **Tuesday Oct. 6th** (both day or evening meetings available).

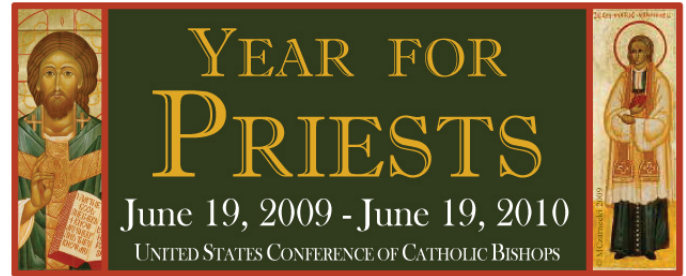
- The **Day Group** will meet in the Angelina Room after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. **Larry Heckathorn** of the Texas Dept. of Transportation will speak about the **3-year construction project on Hwy. 332.** This project will impact the entire community, and it is of interest to everyone. Men are welcome to attend. Nursery is provided for children 4 yrs. old and under.
- The **Evening Group** will meet in the Angelina Room at 6:30 p.m. Program: Annual fundraising **Bunco Party.** \$10 Donations requested. Proceeds will be given to BISS "Backpack" program which provides assistance to area students in need. Please bring an appetizer to share. Guests are welcome!



40 DAYS FOR LIFE
SEPTEMBER 23 - NOVEMBER 1

This Fall, from September 23 to November 1, join the hundreds of thousands of people participating in 40 Days for Life in 200+ cities across America. 40 Days for Life saves lives through: Prayer and Fasting for an end to abortion, Peaceful Prayer Vigil for all our children outside Lake Jackson Intermediate School, and Community Outreach to spread the message that life is sacred.

Learn how to help save lives here in Lake Jackson :
www.40daysforlife.com/lakejackson



Beginning with the weekend of **September 19th & 20th**, we will pray **"The Prayer for Our Priests"** after the announcements at all Masses. This prayer will be said on the **THIRD weekend of the month** throughout this **Year for Priests**, until June 2010. Prayer Cards can be found in the back cover of the missalettes. **Additional prayer cards are available in the Church vestibule for you to take home for personal prayer.**

This is the text of the prayer:

A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will.

O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your Son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the Sacrifice of your Son, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. John Vianney, universal patron of priests, pray for us and our priests.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

In Solidarity With Our Priests

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FAMILY MINISTRY



Spot light on... St. Michael's is excited to announce the **"Family Ministry Group"** to the parish. Family Ministries will provide a time for fellowship in a Christian based atmosphere, where all families are invited to gather, socialize, pray, share, and learn from each other. Family Ministries will focus on promoting community and Catholic family development within the Parish. **It will be an excellent opportunity for those who wish to build bonds with families that share strong Catholic values and to be amongst peers that can help with individual faith development.** The Family Ministry Group will host activities throughout the school year with an open invitation to all families within the parish. Please join us for our first gathering and planning meeting (Kolaches and coffee) on Sunday **October 4th** in the **Hall of the Family Life Center** after the **9:30 a.m. Mass**. Please contact Tim & Sonia Finley, 297-3910 for more information.



The FIRST Annual Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge (Penalty Kick Competition) will take place on **Saturday, September 26th** at the **MacLean Soccer Field 2** from **9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**. (Field #2 is the second field on the left on Oak Drive South after crossing Lake Road). This District Level Competition is open to all boys and girls from 10 to 14 years old who reside in Lake Jackson, Clute, or Richwood. Look forward to seeing you at this fun and exciting event! For more information, please contact Mark Jasek, 265-3052 (Cell: 236-6555).

TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

100 Oak Drive South Lake Jackson, Texas 77566 Website: www.smlj.org

Pastor — Rev. Msgr. Leo Wleczyk, E. V.

Rectory & Parish Office: (979) 297-3041

Religious Education & Youth Ministry: (979) 297-3043

Sunday Liturgy

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Tuesday 5:00—5:30 p.m. and Saturday 4:00—5:00 p.m.

Adoration Chapel

Every day 9:00 a.m.—Midnight

Nursery

Available in the Family Life Center during the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses

Baptism Preparation

Call Cindy Hakanson at 299-0690 for information

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.