

In Loving Memory of Lusk, Baker, McCaleb, Ryan, & Aken Families

In Memory of **Kathy Theriot**
11/27/45-12/28/20
We love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck. You are forever in our hearts.
Love, Bubba and your family

In loving memory of **Nicolas & Loyce Hire**
Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021 & Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022

Always in our hearts
Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr,
Lola Broussard Derouen,
Victoria "Tori" Felsher, Rogers
"Poochie" Broussard,
Aldo & Anna Caprari,
Evorise Boudreaux Broussard,
Wayne Kopszywa,
& Cyrus A. Broussard

In Loving Memory of **Berniece Louise Garner**
Dec. 8, 1932—Dec. 22, 2022
Truly an example of "Amazing Grace"

NEW TO THE PARISH:
If you are a recently registered new parishioner or if you are interested in joining our community – we extend a very warm word of "Welcome!" to you. We would love the opportunity to speak with you! Please contact the Office at 228.435.5578 and leave your name and contact information so we can contact you. We are delighted that you are with us!

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myParish The App for Catholic Life Every Day™
Have you downloaded this app yet? It's a one stop shop for real time information about St. Michael via your cell phone. Consider downloading today and select our Parish after opening.

WE ARE ALL GIVEN TALENTS TO SHARE.
The Lord has told us that he will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Though the timing is unpredictable, this end is inevitable and inescapable. Let us be prepared to give an account of the ways in which we have used our gifts for the benefit of others.

WORD on FIRE
Word on Fire harnesses *beauty, goodness, and truth* to draw people into or back to the Catholic faith.

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GULF PINE FRIDAYS

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Remember in Prayer the **Misko & Skrmetta Families**

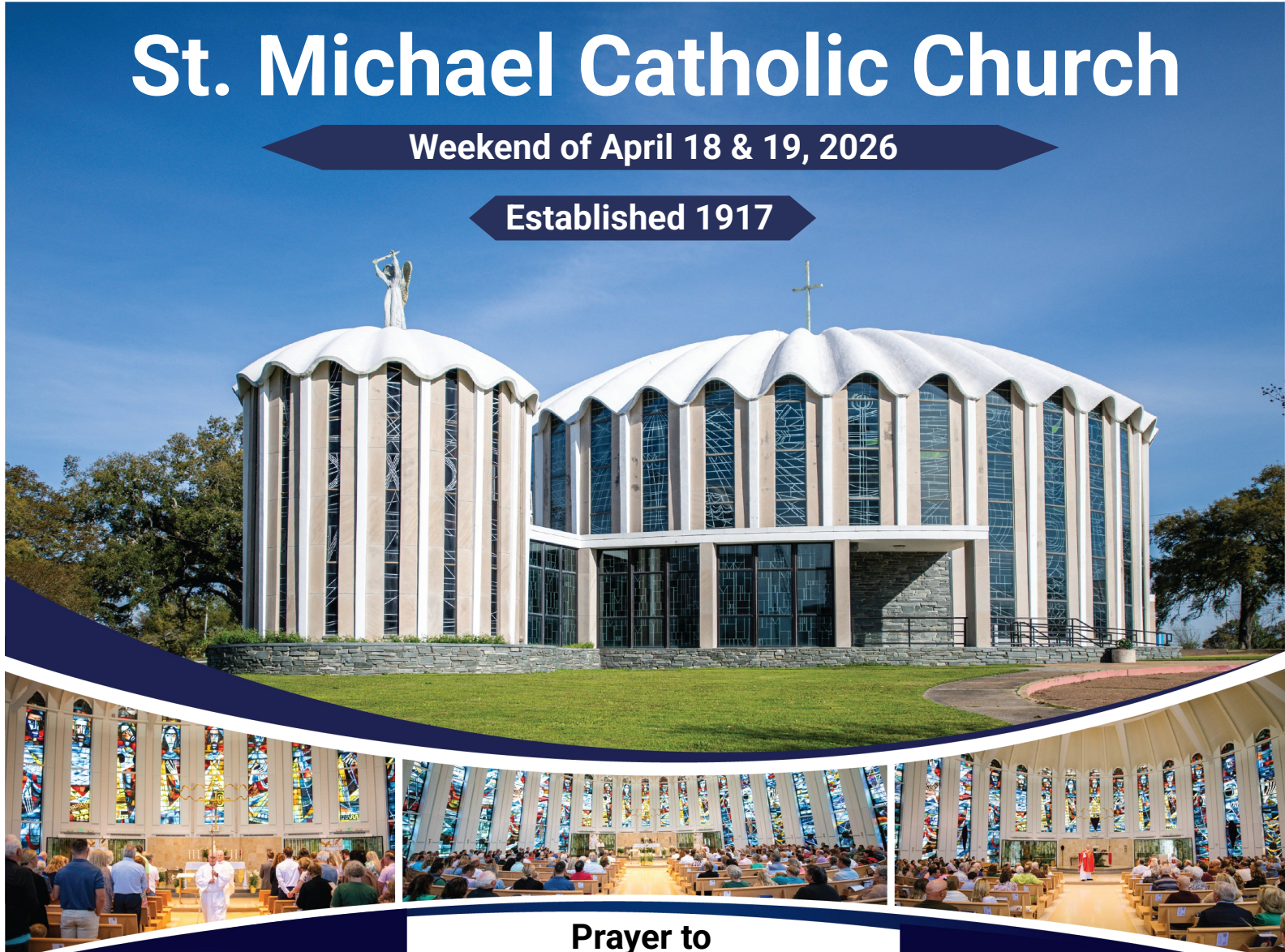
In Loving Memory of **Steve and (Mary (Zorich) Thian** and **Edwin R. and Alice (Knebel) Ott**
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Vacation Bible School 2026
Save the Date!!!
Nativity's 10th Annual "Fun in the Son"
June 22-26, 2026
9:00 a.m. - Noon
CONTACT **LAUREN ELLIS**
228-324-0447
\$30 per child
NativityYouthMinistryBiloxi@gmail.com
Volunteers are also Needed & Welcomed:
Current 6th -12th Graders get Volunteer Hours!!!
Adults welcome to join our Team!!!



St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of April 18 & 19, 2026

Established 1917

Confessions
Saturday 4 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment
Office Hours
Tuesday—Thursday
8:30 - 2:30 pm
or as posted

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Mass Schedule
Weekends
Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 10 am
Weekdays
Tuesday - Friday 8 am

Monsignor Dominick Fullam, Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Apr 18For the people
Sun, Apr 19+Sharon Girouard
Tue, Apr 21Special Intention
Wed, Apr 22+Adam & +Ethel Kozlowski
Thu, Apr 23Special Intention
Fri, Apr 24Special Intention

IN OUR PARISH

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Please keep our children preparing for their First Reconciliation (3/24) and First Holy Communion (4/18) in your prayers. If your child is making their First Holy Communion with their school or CCD class and you would like them to be recognized with the St. Michael First Communion group, please submit the child's name to the parish office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, JUN 15 - 19. More information to come.

2026 BLESSING OF THE FLEET/SHRIMP QUEEN FESTIVAL, MAY 31: Information and applications are online and in the vestibule.

\$10K GIVEAWAY TICKETS HAVE BEEN MAILED. WE ASK ALL PARISHIONERS TO BUY OR SELL AT LEAST 1 BOOK. EXTRA BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER MASS IN THE VESTIBULE. DRAWING WILL BE SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026.

IN OUR DIOCESE

NEW WINE STILL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The New Wine Program is now accepting applications for the August 2026 Cohort, offering a formation experience designed for those serving in ministry across our parishes and schools. This program equips participants with practical ministry leadership skills rooted in the mission of the Diocese of Biloxi. Through prayer, study, and real-world application, participants are formed as confident leaders who know the faith, live it authentically, and can accompany others with clarity and purpose. If you—or someone you serve with—feel called to deepen your formation and grow in leadership, we encourage you to apply. Applications for the August 2026 Cohort are due Friday, May 29, 2026. Additional information and application materials can be found at biloxidiocese.org/new-wine.

UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

Apr 11 & 12\$7915
Apr 18 & 19St. Michael Parish

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Apr 20 Acts 6-8, Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, Jn 6: 22-29
Tue Apr 21 Acts 7:51-8:1a, Ps 31:3cd-4, Jn 6:30-35
Wed Apr 22 Acts 8:1b-8, Ps 66:1-3a, Jn 6:35-40
Thu Apr 23 Acts 8:26-40, Ps 66:8-9, Ln 6:44-51
Fri Apr 24 Acts 9:1-20, Ps 117:1bc, 2, Jn 6:52-59

MINISTRIES: God is calling YOU. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters! Prayerfully consider God’s calling to serve your St. Michael Family. Call 228.435.5578 or email stmichaelccbiloxi@gmail.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVDP provides a food pantry each Wednesday from 10—11 am. We value your time and your donations! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need. There is a basket in the vestibule for non perishable donations.

CARD MINISTRY Sends out inspirational cards monthly to homebound parishioners and friends. Stamps are always needed. Drop off in the church office or contact Cynthia Powell.

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS homeschool ministry serving catholic children grades PK3-12th with a Thursday morning program in the FLC. If you're interested in dropping in for a club meeting or to get more information, please visit our website (StellaMarisExplorers.com).

OCIA The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge in the Roman Catholic Church. The O.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. Please remember to keep our Inquirers, Sponsors, and Team in your prayers as they continue their faith journey of spiritual growth and integration into our Parish community. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The O.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. For more information, contact Deacon Wescovich at 228-860-1575.

**Third Sunday of Easter, Cycle A
April 19, 2026**

First Reading

Acts 2:14,22-33
Peter and the apostles announce that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11
God will show us the path of life.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-21
You were saved by Christ’s sacrifice.

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:13-35

Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus.

Background on the Gospel Reading

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week’s Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week’s Gospel, today’s Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today’s Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today’s reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples’ eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

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Recognizing Jesus in our Lives

3rd Sunday of Easter Year A invites us to reflect on recognizing Jesus in our daily lives. In the Gospel, the disciples on the road to Emmaus do not recognize Jesus until He breaks bread with them. Their hearts were burning as He explained the Scriptures, but they only saw Him clearly when He shared a meal with them. This reminds us that Jesus is present in the Eucharist and in our everyday encounters.

The first reading shows Peter boldly proclaiming Jesus’ Resurrection. He connects the events to prophecy and testifies that God raised Jesus from the dead. Peter’s words encourage us to trust in God’s plan and to share our faith with others.

The second reading calls us to live in reverence, knowing we are redeemed by Christ’s sacrifice. We are reminded to place our hope in God, who raised Jesus and gave us new life. This hope gives us strength to live our faith with courage and love.

3rd Sunday of Easter Year A encourages us to recognize Jesus’ presence in Scripture, the Eucharist, and our daily lives. We are called to share this faith with others and to live with hope and trust in God.

Lord Jesus, help us to recognize You in our daily lives. Open our hearts to Your presence and teach us to share Your Good News with others. Fill us with the courage and joy that come from knowing You are with us always. Amen.