

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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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.

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

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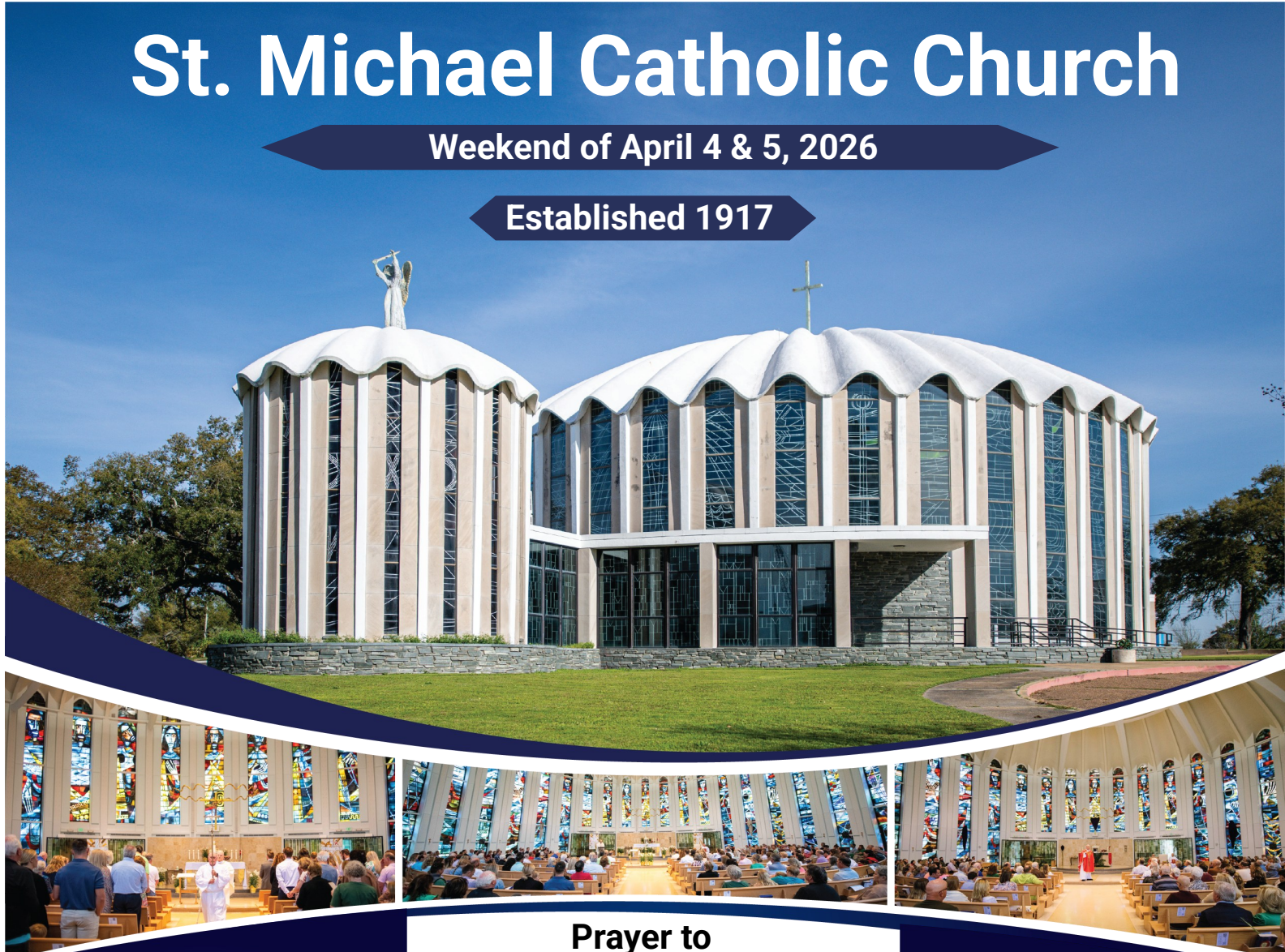
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Vacation Bible School 2026
Save the Date!!!
Nativity's 10th Annual "Fun in the Son"
June 22-26, 2026
9:00 a.m. - Noon
CONTACT LAUREN ELLIS 228-324-0447
\$30 per child
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Volunteers are also Needed & Welcomed: Current 6th -12th Graders get Volunteer Hours!!! Adults welcome to join our Team!!!

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St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of April 4 & 5, 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 4Fullam Family
Sun, Apr 5For the people
Tue, Apr 7.....No Mass
Wed, Apr 8No Mass
Thu, Apr 9No Mass
Fri, Apr 10No Mass

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA : Congratulations and Welcome Home!
Kimberly Dawn Brooks, Jessica Gile, Katherine Rae Kuluz, Jack Pettit, Tyler Northcutt, Glenn Reed, Megan Toche, and Colby Waller!

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.

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.

“New wine must be poured into fresh wineskins.”
—Mark 2:22

PREVIOUS WEEK’S COLLECTION BASKETS

Mar 28 & 29.....\$4981.00

UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

Apr 3, Good FridayHoly Land
Apr 4 & 5Easter Offering
SVDP
Apr 11 & 12Catholic School Subsidy

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Apr 6 Acts 2:14, 22-33, Mt 28:8-15
Tue Apr 7 Acts 2:36-41, Jn 20:11-18
Wed Apr 8 Acts 3:1-10, Lk 24:13-35
Thu Apr 9 Acts 3:11-26, Lk 24:35-48
Fri Apr 10 Acts 4:1-12, Jn 21:1-14

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.

2026 Lent/Easter Season

-Stations of the Cross— Friday’s at 6 pm:
Feb 20, 27, Mar 6, 13, 20, 27
-Mar 24, Lenten Penance/Adoration— at 6 pm
-Apr 2, Holy Thu— Mass at 6 pm
-Apr 3, Good Fri—Stations at 12 noon and Liturgy at 3 pm
-Apr 4, Holy Sat—Begin at the fire pit at 7:30 pm followed by Easter Vigil Mass in the church
-Apr 5, Easter Sunday—Easter Sunday Mass at 10 am followed by Children’s Egg Hunt.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a,37-43
Peter preaches about Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23
Rejoice in this day of the Lord.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
Colossians: Having been raised by Christ, be concerned with what is above.
1 Corinthians: Let us celebrate this feast with new yeast.

Gospel Reading

John 20:1-9

Mary of Magdala finds that the stone has been removed from Jesus' tomb.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.

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THE HOPE AND JOY OF EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Sunday is the most important celebration in the Christian calendar. It marks Jesus’ victory over sin and death through His Resurrection. This event is the cornerstone of the faith, offering believers hope for eternal life. The Easter readings reflect God’s goodness and saving work throughout history, showing His power to bring freedom and new life to His people.

Key themes of Easter include renewal and redemption. Jesus’ sacrifice and Resurrection bring forgiveness of sins and invite us to live in a renewed relationship with God. St. Paul emphasizes dying to sin and being raised to new life through baptism. This reminds us to focus on heavenly things and trust in God’s promises.

Easter is also a time of joy and unity. The Resurrection calls Christians to come together in celebration, sharing the Good News with others. It invites us to reflect on how faith in Jesus transforms our lives and strengthens our connection with God and one another.

As we rejoice in the Resurrection, Easter Sunday encourages us to embrace new beginnings. It reminds us to turn away from sin and live with hope, joy, and trust in God’s saving grace.

Loving Father, we thank You for the gift of Your Son, Jesus, whose resurrection from the empty tomb brings us hope, joy, and the promise of new life. Help us to carry the message of His love and light into the world, especially to those who have not yet come to know Him. Grant us the courage to share our faith, the wisdom to speak with kindness and respect, and the humility to listen and learn from those around us. May our hearts always reflect Your love, and may our lives be a testament to the power of Your grace. Guide us as we go forth, to be bearers of Your Good News in our world. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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