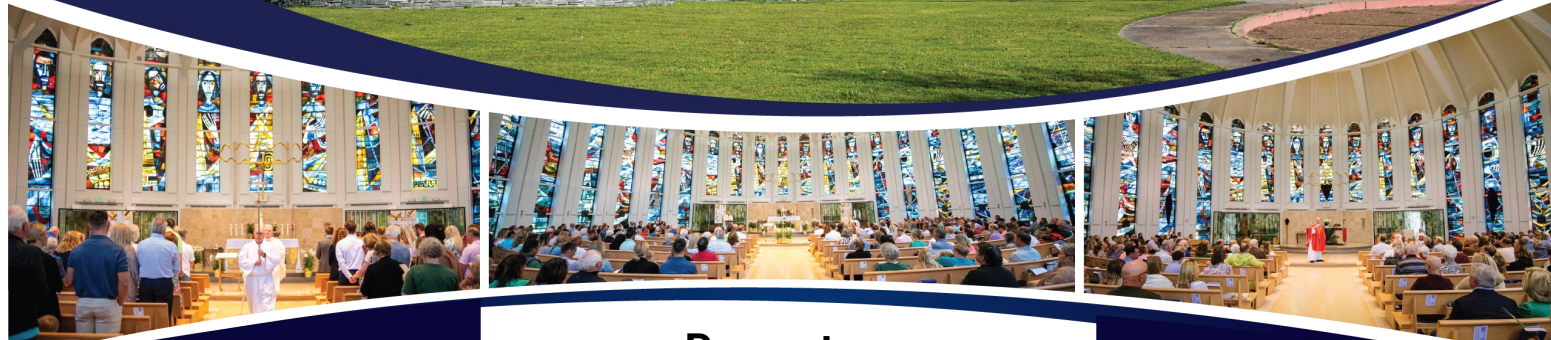


<p>In Loving Memory of Lusk, Baker, McCaleb, Ryan, & Aken Families</p>	<p>In Memory of Kathy Theriot 11/27/45-12/28/20</p> <p>We love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck. You are ever in our hearts. Love, Bubba and your family</p>	<p>In loving memory of Nicolas & Loyce Hire</p> <p>Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021 Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022</p> <p>Together in Heaven</p>	<p>Always in our hearts Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr, Lola Broussard Derouen, Victoria "Tori" Felsher, Rogers "Poochie" Broussard, Aldo & Anna Caprari, Everise Boudreaux Broussard, Wayne Kopszywa, & Cyrus A. Broussard</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of Berniece Louise Garner Dec. 8 1932— Dec. 22, 2022</p> <p>Truly an example of "Amazing"</p>	<p>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!</p>	<p>Available on the App Store ANDROID APP ON Google play</p> <p>myParish The App for Catholic Life Every Day™</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>WE ARE ALL GIVEN TALENTS TO SHARE.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>WORD on FIRE. Word on Fire harnesses <i>beauty, goodness, and truth</i> to draw people into or back to the Catholic faith.</p>	<p>Stay in the Know with the Diocese of Biloxi Friday Email Newsletter</p> <p>GULF PINE FRIDAYS</p>	<p>Your ad here</p>	<p>Your ad here</p>
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St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of January 18 & 19, 2025

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

Robert Wescovich Jr., Deacon | Jessica Gollott, Administrative Assistant



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Jan 18.....For the people
 Sun, Jan 19.....Thomas Gautreaux
 Tue, Jan 21.....+Maria Hoang
 Wed, Jan 22.....+Francis Nguyen
 Thu, Jan 23.....+Joanie Averett
 Fri, Jan 24.....The Gollott Family

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA, JAN 21, 7pm: The theme is God guides: Church History.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: If you are new to using envelopes, please grab a registration form in the vestibule to update your information. Return to the office or collection basket.

CARD MINISTRY: If you are interested in donating postage for our card ministry, please contact the church office.

BULLETIN ADS: If you would like to run a on the back of our bulletin please contact the church office for more information.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: St. Michael's will have a First Holy Communion group this year! This opportunity is open to all children associated with the parish. For more information and/or to register your child, please take a Childhood Sacrament Registration form from the table in the vestibule and return it to the parish office by March 18th. Questions may be directed to Ashley Rodriguez, 410.693.8825 or rodfamily2015@gmail.com.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Jan 11 & 12.....\$5096.00

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Jan 18 & 19.....Catholic School Subsidy
 Jan 25 & 26.....Latin America Ch./Saltillo Mission

MINISTRIES: God is calling YOU. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters, and Altar Society members. Prayerfully consider God's calling to serve your St. Michael Family. Call 228.435.5578

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVDP provides assistance 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.

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS Homeschool group meets most Thursday mornings in the Family Life Center. The Explorers Club is an art, faith, and science enrichment program primarily for PK3-5th graders. Call Ashley Rodriguez at 410.693.8825 for more information.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
ALTAR SERVERS
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
GREETERS
LECTORS

Sat, Jan 18
5 pm
 Ira Elijah Jones
 Rose Sliman & Vicky Wescovich
 Don & Susan Pizzetta
 Darnell Schreck

Sun, Jan 19
10 am
 Doug Roll
 Cynthia Powell & Jessica Gollott
 Jacklyn Cummins & Larry Girouard
 Kathy Doyle

Sat, Jan 25
5 pm
 Jimmy Smith
 George and Rose Sliman
 Don & Susan Pizzetta
 LaWanda Jones

Sun, Jan 26
10 am
 Doug Roll
 Noel Aucoin & Mary Rodrigue
 Pete Broussard & Bridgette Whiting
 Amiee Gautreaux


THE FLOWER INTENTIONS
ARE FOR OUR BELOVED PARISHIONERS OF
ST. MICHAEL.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Background on Gospel Reading

John 2:1-11
Jesus performs his first sign at a wedding feast in Cana.

This Sunday we begin the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. For many Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle C), our readings will be taken from the Gospel of Luke. Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle.

To situate today's reading within the context of John's Gospel, we note that John's report of this event follows Jesus' call of his first disciples. John tells us that Jesus and his disciples were invited to this wedding at Cana, as was Jesus' mother, Mary. There is no parallel report of this miracle at Cana in the Synoptic Gospels.

In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity.

Yet awareness of Jesus' impending passion and death is ever present in John's Gospel. Even in this report of Jesus' first sign, the language used anticipates Jesus' passion. When Jesus says to his mother that his hour has not yet come, he protests against her wishes in language that John will use again when reporting Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples. When introducing the story of Jesus washing his disciples' feet, John writes that Jesus knew that his hour had come. In John's Gospel, Jesus is very much in command and aware of all that is to happen to him.

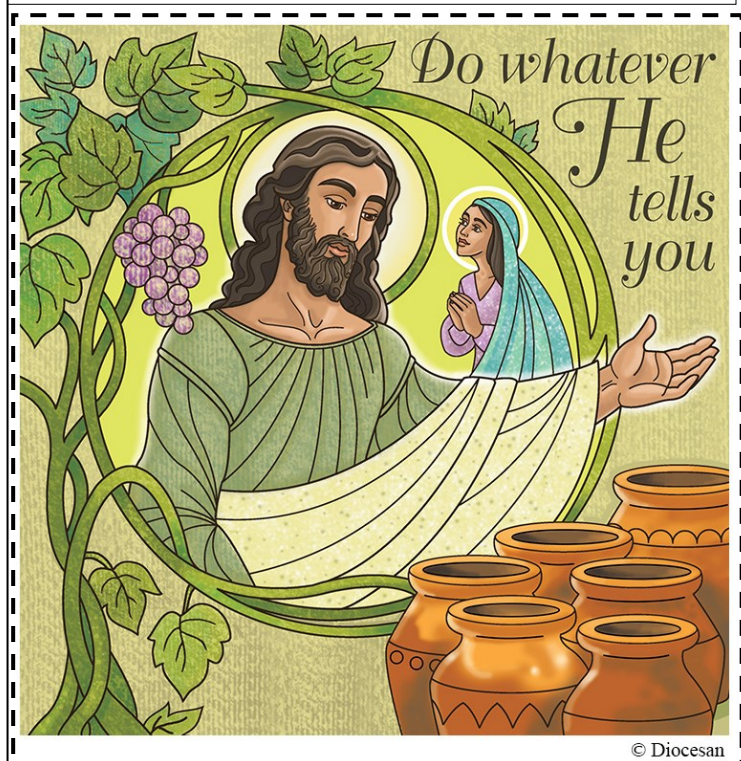
Here, as elsewhere in John's Gospel, Mary is not mentioned by name, but is referred to instead as the mother of Jesus. Mary is influential in Jesus' first sign. She will also be present at his Crucifixion, a witness to the final manifestation of his divinity.

John's Gospel describes seven signs that indicate Jesus' identity to his disciples. John never speaks of these signs as miracles because their importance is not in the deed that Jesus performs but in what these deeds indicate about Jesus' identity. Here, as when John describes the other signs, the disciples are said to begin to believe, but no mention is made as to whether the other wedding guests are even aware of what has happened.

Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God.

Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to re-interpret and fulfill Yahweh's promise to Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine. This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, Cycle C | Loyola Press



IN OUR DIOCESE

DIOCESE OF BILOXI WALK FOR LIFE & ROSARY RALLY, JAN 19: Nativity BVM is hosting the Rosary Rally & Mass for Life beginning at 2pm, then we will take part in a Eucharistic Procession to Lighthouse Park and have Eucharistic Adoration. Please make plans to attend.