ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Weekend of August 28 & 29, 2021

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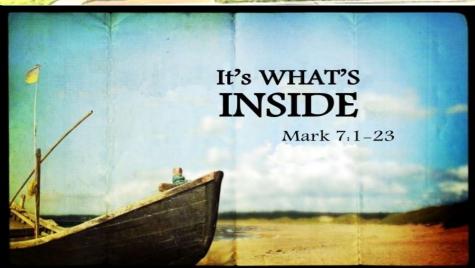
PRAYER TO SAINT **MICHAEL** THE ARCHANGEL

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:

Weekdays Tues-Fri 8am

Weekends Saturday 5pm **Sunday 10am**



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Confessions:

Saturday 4-4:30 pm or by Appointment

Office hours: Tues-Thurs 8:30am-12 & 1pm-3:30pm

Use your cell phone camera to link to the St. Michael store or make online donations.



Ministry News

<u>St Michael Card Ministry</u> This Outreach program, which runs purely on your donations, make a difference in our neighbors and friends lives. Thank you for all the help with postage and cards. To continue to give see a Outreach member or call the office.

<u>St Michael Knights of Columbus</u> Interested in joining the Knights? Please see a member, find an application form in the entry of the church or you can join online. Next Knights of Columbus Meeting is September 14th at 6pm in the Family Life Center.

~St Michael Altar Society -Altar Society is hard at work planning some special purchases, for St. Michael for use in the celebration of the Word and Eucharist, from memorial donations. A complete listing will be published soon and if you have great ideas or want to be apart of this society please see a member or call the office.

~Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store— We are looking for an artist that could decorate a couple of walls in the new St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store. We would like to have both our St. Vincent de Paul Mission Statement and the mission of our thrift store. If you know of anyone willing to volunteer their talents to express themselves, we would like to talk with them. Please call the Thrift Store at 228-334-5222 or stop by. 10-6 Mon-Fri & 10-3 on Sat.



The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a journey to God and what He intends for us. RCIA is the process by which persons who were never baptized, or were baptized in another Christian tradition, become members of the Catholic Church, a people in pilgrimage to our Heavenly Father. We are hoping to start this process in late September. Please contact Deacon Robert (228-392-2137), or the church office for details.



Astar Flowers This Week

In Memory of Amelia Barhonovich

Hurricane Season is upon us!

- **Be Prepared:** Have a full tank of gas, locate and secure valuables and any important papers.
- Have a plan:
 - ~Gather info about hazards in your area
 - ~Meet with your family to create a plan
 - ~Implement your plan when a hurricane watch is declared for your area. Plan the route you will take if you must leave.
 - ~Have an alternative route. Tune into your local radio stations for available shelter information
 - ~Practice and maintain your plan
 - ~Arrange for one family member not in your area to notify friends and family of your where about and status.
- LISTEN AND LEAVE

Collections Aug 21& 22, 2021 \$3573.00

This Weeks Gospel Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Sat Aug 28th For the People
Sun Aug 29th +Nicolas "Corky" Hire
Tues Sept 31st Kenneth & Cyndee Kozlowski
Wed Sept 1st +Elvina "Sis" Martino
Thurs Sept 2nd Anthony & Tony Kozlowski
Fri Sept 3rd Mike & Sonja Cox
Sat Sept 4th +Ralph Martino Sr

opening

In Our Parish

September 11: Alumni Mass and Social St. Patrick

<u>September 12:</u> Sister Joan's Jubilee <u>September 25:</u> Loaves and Fishes

September 25: Speak Retreat 8am Blessed Seelos

October 17: USM Concert 4pm

October 30: Lumen Christi Awards at 4pm Liturgy

Nativity of the BVM Cathedral

November 7: 2pm Annual Mass of Wedding Anniversaries at Nativity BVM Cathedral. For couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40 etc. Register by Oct 15

November 14: Ham & Turkey Bingo FLC

November 21: Gumbo Pick up Day (sales starting in September!)

In the Diocese

Our Women's prayer group, SPEAK (Sisters Praying Encouraging and Aspiring to Know God), faithfully invites all women to attend our upcoming retreat. Father Godfrey Andoh and members of our prayer group will be presenting... Filled with Grace Understanding and Living the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Saturday, September 25th, 2021, Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Church in Biloxi, 8am-6pm. This retreat is free to attend. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please contact Cherie Prentiss at 228-365-4017 cmprentiss@att.net or Amiee Gautreaux at (337) 296-5987 gautreaux7family@yahoo.com

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Freedom" 2 Corinthians 3:17

CURSILLO DRAWDOWN IS BACK ON!!! The DRAWDOWN and SILENT AUCTION will take place at Sacred Heart in Pascagoula at 6 pm on September 11, 2021. There will be 30 drawings of \$100 with the final draw at \$5,000. Your name never goes out of the drawing, so there are many chances to win! You don't have to be present to win. Please contact Candace Atwood at 228-990-7823 or candaceatwood@hotmail.com for tickets.

Lay Leanings

By Deacon Mike Stewart

I was walking deep in thought with my head down, so at first I never even noticed her. But then I wondered ... why would someone be knelt down in the middle of a busy road; and worse yet, just over a set of well-traveled railroad tracks where it's nearly impossible to see the road fully on the other side? I wasn't sure if she was ill or hurt in some way, so I was preparing to come to her aid. Finally, I saw her get up with something cupped in her hands, seemingly oblivious to the traffic coming in both directions. Whatever it was, she was fixated.

Out of concern, I crossed over and asked her if she was okay. "A butterfly", was all she said, looking as if she had just lost her best-friend.

"Well, thank God that you were there to save it," I said.

"I didn't save it", she replied, "and that makes me so sad."

Risking her life for a small creature that never had a chance anyway? Who would do that? Something maybe only St. Francis of Assisi would have done, I supposed. Perhaps, but it left me with an image of passion that seems so foreign to our disengaged and often unkind world.

A number of years ago, my wife and I were traveling on a remote, but heavily traveled stretch of road in the Upper Peninsula, when we came upon a very serious head-on collision. Though we didn't witness the accident, we were among the first on the scene. When I ran to the first vehicle, young children were crying inside, and a woman was pinned in the passenger seat. It was clear to me that she was the mother, and sadly, she did not survive. By then, others had stopped, and were beginning to lend a hand. But I'll never forget one car, driving by this horrific scene. The driver honked his horn, motioning that he was clearly unhappy with having been inconvenienced by being stopped for several minutes. I've never forgotten that scene, but that man's insensitivity sadly made it all the more tragic.

St. Paul wrote his Letter to the Philippians from prison in horrific conditions that would be considered inhumane by our standards today. Nevertheless, Paul wrote this, "Rejoice in the Lord always. I say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near." (Philippians 4:5)

Perhaps, in this world where kindness seems out-of-place, perhaps we can reflect in honesty ... am I only kind to others who are kind to me? Do I love the people God loves, even when they are unlovable? Would I risk it all for those more vulnerable? Let's pray about that.

And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. Ephesians 4:32

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The loss is immeasurable, but so is the love left behind.

Happy Heavenly Birthday Mom "Dot" Toche Fink. Love always, Charlie



"Gloria In Excelsis" Choral Society is a community choral program offered to the Gulf Coast Greater Community and the Greater Biloxi Diocese through the Music & Fine Arts Ministry of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral – 870 Howard Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi. Now beginning its fourth season - "Gloria In Excelsis" (GIE) offers four primary concerts per year – namely an Advent, Christmas, Lenten and Patriotic Concert. Members of "Gloria In Excelsis" have also participated with Mobile Vocal Arts Choral Society of Mobile, Alabama to share in Christmas and Spring Concerts presented in St. Joseph Chapel on the campus of Spring Hill College ~ a Jesuit College.

Membership in "Gloria In Excelsis" is open to the general public. Anyone from High School through retirement age in the Greater Gulf Coast Community and the Greater Biloxi Catholic Diocese is warmly invited to attend/join. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. in the Academy of the Sacred Heart facility immediately behind Nativity BVM Cathedral. Rehearsal/concert season runs from mid-August to late June with breaks throughout the year. Our first rehearsal will be Tuesday, August 17th. New members are welcomed at any time throughout the year. For further information, please contact Terry D. Maddox, M.M. at 251 406-1454 or at terrydalemaddox@gmail.com



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 "Corky" Hire Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021



The President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Archbishop Jose Gomez has called for a special collections this weekend, to aid the people and Church of Haiti following the recent natural disasters.

Catholic Relief Services are on the ground providing humanitarian relief. The Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund will be used to support Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities USA, as well as pastoral and reconstructions needs using emergency response protocol. You can also give online at:

Catholic Relief Services (crs.org)