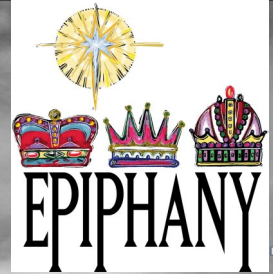


ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Weekend of January 2 & 3, 2021



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.



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Mass Schedule:

Weekdays
Tuesday-Friday
8am

Weekends
Saturday 5pm
Sunday 10am

Confessions: Saturday 4-4:30 pm or by Appointment

***Office hours: Tues-Thurs**

8:30am-12 & 1pm-3:30pm

***Office will be closed January 7th**

Ministry News

St Michael Fund Raising Team-there are still some 2020 Christmas ornaments for sale, get them while they last. Get yours, after Mass. If you can't get to the church please call the office and we can arrange an ornament purchase for you. Thank you.

~St Michael Card Ministry The card ministry is in need of postage, please consider donating postage or money to this program. This now one of the only ways some of our St Michael family is keeping in touch during COVID and it is one of our favorite Outreach programs which runs purely on your donations.

~St Michael Knights of Columbus The Knights of Columbus baby bottle drive is coming to an end. Please bring your baby bottles back and give to a KofC member after Mass or bring to the office. Proceeds this year will go to Loaves and Fishes. If you are interested in becoming a Knight applications are in the back of the church.

~St Michael Saint Vincent de Paul food pantry is s open Wednesday's from 10-11, offering food to those in our neighborhood who are in need. SVDP would like thank everyone who has donated to this volunteer organization and who continues to donate. The money and food received stays in the East Biloxi area and supports our neighbors directly. Thank you!

~St Michael Altar Society If you are interested in joining the Altar Society and missed the meeting there is opportunities to serve and help, please see a member or call the office, dues are \$10/year and you can be as active as you want. For those of you who are distanced from us due to COVID your input and ideas are also needed, please call the office if have any questions.

Altar Flowers

St Michael Altar Society is creating a new way to honor your loved ones past or present with an arrangement of fresh flowers on the altar for a week. Honoring your loved one's Birthdays, Anniversaries, Graduations or any milestone you wish to celebrate or remember. Arrangements are made by our very own Maria Vollmuth and come in 3 sizes for \$30, \$40 or \$50 dollars. Please call the office to schedule your dates.



Altar Flowers This Week

Thank you all who sent in your requests for Altar Flowers for Christmas.

Christmas Altar Flowers

Jeffery Broussard

Freeman & Simmons Families

Lusk, Baker, McCaleb, Ryan & Aken Families

Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr

Lola Broussard Derouen

Victoria "Tori" Felsher

Rogers "Poochie" Broussard

Aldo & Anna Caprari

Evorise Boudreaux Broussard

Cyrus A. Broussard

Thompson Family

Maria A Lopez

Bibiano Lopez

Kelly & Parenteau Families

Rita Radovich

Kovacevich & Williams Families

Breal & Simmons Families

Leleaux, York, Granger & Romero Families

Richard Desporte Sr.

Mass for the Intentions Week

Sun Jan 3rd + Junius & Sylvia Creel
Tues Jan 5th + Adam & Ethel Kozlowski
Wed Jan 6th + Mary Diaz
Thurs Jan 7th Paul Gaeke
Fri Jan 8th + Liam Pitalo
Sat Jan 9th + Paul & Gert Schunder
+ Charles & Agnes Roll

Mass Intentions: Tuesday-Saturdays excluding Holy Days. There are many dates available for 2020. If you would like to have Mass said in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please call the church office at 228-435-5578.

**UPCOMING
Events**

In Our Parish

January 7: Office Closed

January 26: Anniversary of the Dedication of St Michael

January 23: Loaves and Fishes

Wanted: St Michael is in need of Altar Servers, Lectors and counters. There is an orientation with Monsignor and you serve based on your schedule. Contact the office.



Epiphany Prayer

Lord Jesus,

Who came as newborn Savior
To share life with us on Earth,
In Your love, may I find favor,
Hope, joy, and blessing through
Your birth.

Like the magi who once saw
The rising of a new star,
May Your light lead me to rejoice,
Following in wonder and awe.

Continuing life's journey,
As did magi from afar,
In Your love, O Lord most holy,
May I seek You with all my heart.

Amen.

New Year's Prayer

Lord Jesus, as this new year begins, what would You have me leave behind?

Meandering tracks of my confusion, when I could have turned to You?

Yet at this crossroads, I give You thanks for detours You took to watch over me.

Lord Jesus, as this new year begins, what would You have me leave behind?

Time spent on the familiar, dog-eared page, when new chapters awaited?

In Your Word, may I discover ways to delight You with my life story.

Lord Jesus, as this new year begins, what would You have me leave behind?

The song, the thought, the fear stuck in my head, when Your blessings went unsung?

Like one note held within a symphony, please hold me to make my joy complete. Amen.

**Collections 12/24&25/2020 &
12/26&27/2020**

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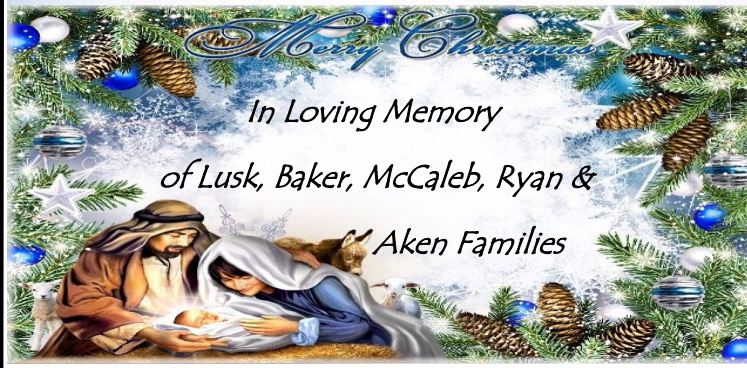
This Weeks Gospel Matthew 2:1-12



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
THE FREEMAN &
SIMMONS FAMILIES

January 2021

YOU MAY PURCHASE A FAMILY AD BY CALLING THE OFFICE BY NOON ON THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO PUBLICATION. CALL THE OFFICE FOR MORE INFO.



Our love for you lives on

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

Prayers for all those affected
by Loneliness



*Always in our hearts the
Broussard, Denning, Merten
& Taranto Families*

*Remembering
Salvadore 'Penue' Taranto
At Christmas time and
always
we love and miss you!
Your children and
Grandchildren*



Fun Facts-Who are the Magi?

The Gospel of Matthew mentions the Magi who came from the East to worship the newborn Christ child. Exactly who the magi were, though, remains somewhat of a mystery. Oftentimes, the English translations of the Bible use the word "astrologers" for "magi." In Greek, the original language of the Gospel, the word magos (magoi, plural) has four meanings: (1) a member of the priestly class of ancient Persia, where astrology and astronomy were prominent in Biblical times; (2) one who had occult knowledge and power, and was adept at dream interpretation, astrology, fortune-telling, divination, and spiritual mediation; (3) a magician; or (4) a charlatan, who preyed upon people using the before-mentioned practices. From these possible definitions and the description provided in the gospel, the Magi were probably Persian priest-astrologers who could interpret the stars, particularly the significance of the star that proclaimed the birth of the Messiah. (Even the ancient historian Herodotus (d. 5th century B.C.) would attest to the astrological prowess of the priestly class of Persia.)