# St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of July 6 & 7, 2024





Confessions

Saturday 4 - 4:30 pm Or by appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 - 3 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



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### **Lay Leanings** By Deacon Mike Stewart

Early this morning, I passed a man running in a park. The weather was hot and humid, and the man was clearly working very hard. He was also wearing a small backpack, presumably filled with weights in order to enhance his workout. But what most caught my eye was what he was drinking. No, there wasn't a bottle of water, but rather one of those heavily caffeinated energy drinks. I suppose he felt he needed the extra burst in the morning. He was wearing headphones, and yet the music was so loud, I could hear it clearly in the otherwise early morning quiet.

So what do your mornings look like? The nature of my ministry brings me into conversation with a great many people each day, and so I've come to believe that our mornings mirror our day; they either give life to what will be peaceful or chaotic. As the morning goes, so too goes the day very often.

I'm inspired by how Mother Teresa approached each day, grounded in prayer and solitude, but in a spirit of total surrender evident in her words, "Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin."

For many years I spent my mornings in planning and scheduling, setting my list of priorities, and then focusing only on the plan. While that may be a recipe for success, it created a space of adrenaline that left no time or room for contemplation, especially considering the truth that each day itself is pure gift, an utter miracle of our Creator God.

Altar Flowers are in honor of Anthony, Joseph Rosetti Gr., and commemorate the 50th anniversary of his death which occurred while shrimping for the Fais Do DO on May 30, 1974 Despite the fact that I live a very busy life, I've made it a priority that my mornings start early ... in the quiet, in a prayer space, followed by a long walk in solitude, schedule-permitting. The fruit of a morning ritual rooted in the presence of God helps me to understand how Mother Teresa was able to find the strength, courage, wisdom, and energy to face nearly impossible odds each day. What begins in peace, gives peace a chance to take root for the balance of the day.

Let's pray about that.

In the morning let me hear of your mercy, for in you I trust.

Show me the path I should walk, for I entrust my life to you. Psalm 143:8



Sat, July 6: For the people
Sun, July 7: For the people
There are no daily masses this week

#### In Our Parish

\*There are no daily masses July 9-12\*
In Our Diocese

<u>First Saturday Devotion</u>: *Adoration, Confession, Rosary, Mass,* St. Mary Catholic Church, 9-11am

<u>July 2024</u>: "*Pray for a Priest*" each day as well as an increase in our Diocesan vocations calendar in vestibule.

<u>July 10</u>: *Healing America Mass Service*: Holy Family Church, Pass Christian, 6:30pm

<u>July 17-21</u>: 10th National Eucharistic Congress

Indianapolis, Indiana

<u>September 15</u>: *Wedding Anniversary Mass:* The Bishop will recognize couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 years or more with a Mass and reception. Please fill out the form in the vestibule.

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 6:1-6 Jesus is rejected in his hometown.

#### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

This Gospel immediately follows upon last week's stories of the raising of Jairus's daughter and the healing of the woman with a hemorrhage. It sets the context of our Gospel readings for the next two weeks in which Jesus will extend the work of his ministry to his disciples.

Today's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his father. Family members of Jesus are also named. Mark describes Jesus as the son of Mary, which is an unusual designation. Adult males were more typically identified with the name of their fathers. It is unclear why Mark deviates from this custom.

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this. Others explain this reference by noting that the words brother and sister were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces, and nephews.

This Gospel tells us that Jesus is hampered from performing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Jesus is said to be surprised by this. He did not predict or foresee this rejection. In this detail we find a description of the very human side of Jesus.

This passage unfolds a continuing theme of Mark's Gospel: Who is Jesus? His kinfolk in Nazareth might know the carpenter, the son of Mary, but they do not know Jesus, the Son of God. Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel. He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship.

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# 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 Berniece Louise Garner Dec. 8 1932-Dec. 22, 2022 Truly an example of Amazing Grace.



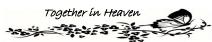
In Memory of Victoria "Tori" Felsher Daughter, Friend,

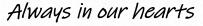
Blessing Committee Member, and Shrimp Queen.

You live forever in our hearts, never far from our thoughts and always loved.



In loving memory of

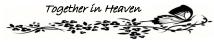




Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr, Lola Broussard Derouen, Victoria 'Tori' Felsher, Rogers "Poochie" Broussard, Aldo & Anna Caprari, Evorise Boudreaux Broussard & Cyrus A. Broussard



Nícolas & Loyce Híre Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021 Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022



IN LOVING MEMORY OF







In life, we loved you dearly, in death we love you still. In our hearts you hold a place, no one else will ever fill. Happy heavenly birthday Katie Lynn!

The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms... - Deuteronomy, 33:27

#### Show Your Love

If you would like to have Mass said in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please call the office. Or honor your loved ones past or present with an arrangement of fresh flowers on the altar for a week. Honor your loved one's birthdays, anniversaries, graduations or any milestone you wish.

