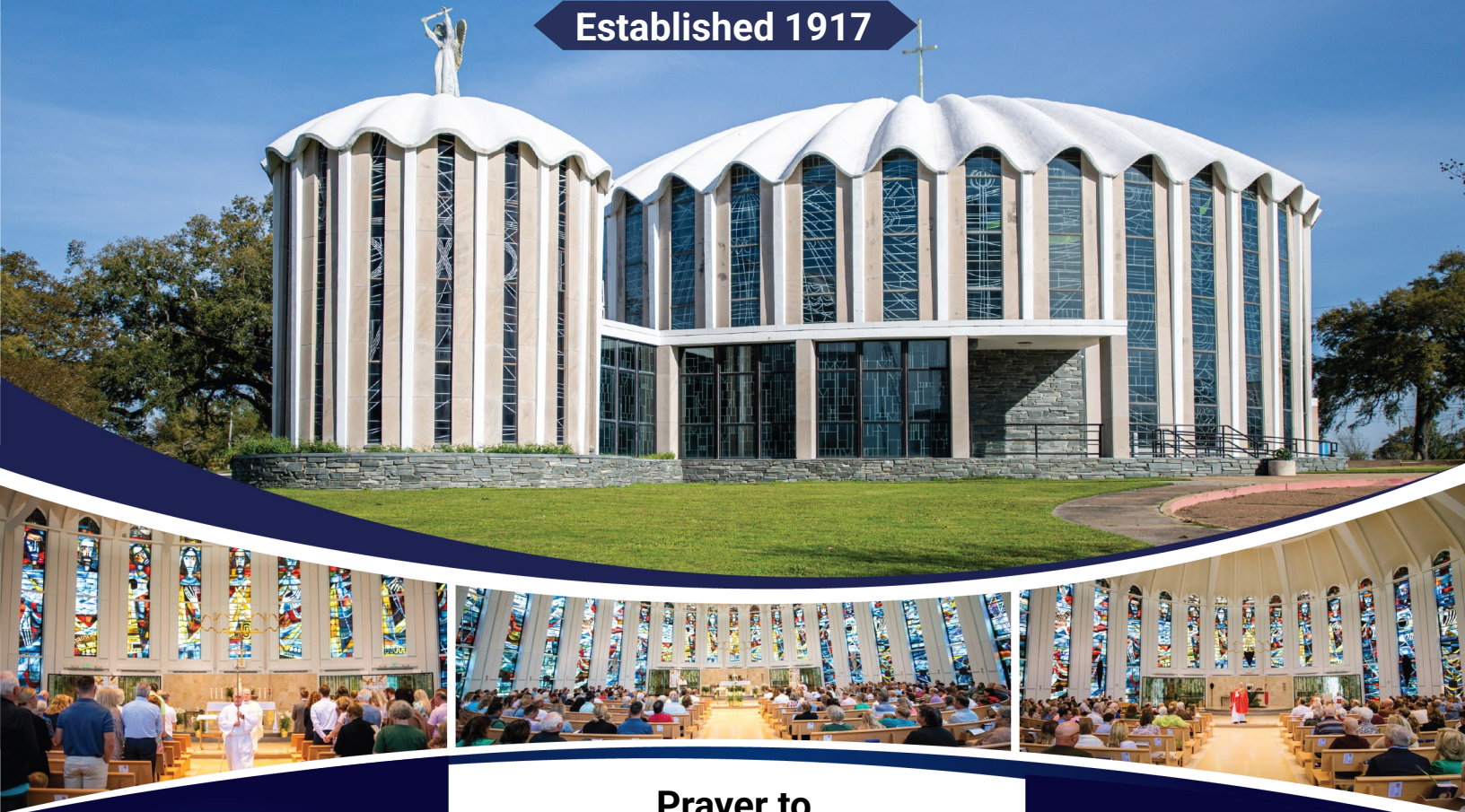


# St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of June 1st & 2nd, 2024

Established 1917



## 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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# Corpus Christi

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Jesus shares his Last Supper with his disciples.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today, the second Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate a second solemnity, which marks our return to Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called Corpus Christi, the Latin words for “the Body of Christ.” In the most recent revision of our liturgical rites, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology. In our reading for today, we read the account of the Last Supper found in the Gospel of Mark. It begins with the instructions that Jesus gave to his disciples to prepare their Passover celebration. It then goes on to give an account of the Last Supper. On this Sunday, however, our Lectionary reading omits the verses between these two passages; in those omitted verses we hear Jesus predict his betrayal by one of his disciples.

The Gospel of Mark describes Jesus’ Last Supper with his disciples as a celebration of the Jewish feast of Passover. The Jewish celebration of Passover is a memorial to and a ritual participation in the defining moment of Israel’s history. It celebrates God’s deliverance of his people from slavery in Egypt. The Passover meal includes many ritually important elements, such as unleavened bread, lamb, and bitter herbs. Each food item recalls an aspect of the Exodus event. The instructions for the preparation of this meal are carefully prescribed in the Law of Moses. It is a central obligation of the Jewish faith tradition to celebrate this meal and to give thanks to God for his deliverance and protection.

In the description of the Passover meal found in today’s Gospel, however, Mark omits many elements of the Jewish Passover meal. Instead he describes only those elements he believes to be most essential to the Christian Eucharist: Jesus took bread, blessed the bread, broke the bread, and shared it with his disciples. Similar words and actions follow as Jesus shares the chalice with his disciples. This bread now shared is Jesus’ own body. Those who drink from the chalice are invited to share in a new covenant which will be sealed by Jesus’ own blood. Mark’s Eucharistic theology looks forward to the Kingdom of God that Jesus inaugurates.

The Gospel for today reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ’s sacrifice on the cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this sacrament, we prepare for the Kingdom of God. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.



**Altar Flowers are in honor of the Domestic Seafood Processors**

## Mass for the Intentions Week

*Sat, June 1: For the People*

*Sun, June 2: + Thomas Skrymetti Sr.*

*Tues, June 4: Colbi Capuano*

*Wed, June 5: +Joseph “Joey” Jurich*

*Thurs, June 6: Intention of Kozlowski Family*

*Fri, June 7: + George & Beatrice Tisdale*

### *In Our Parish*

**June 5:** 2024 Blessing of the Fleet poster unveiling 6pm at the Family Life Center—all are welcome!

**June 10-14:** Vacation Bible School

**June 15:** Children’s Boat Building Workshop

**June 20:** Ultreya, 6m at the Family Life Center

**July 3:** Mass Honoring Deceased Fisherman 6pm

**July 6:** 95th Blessing of the Fleet Mass, 4pm,

**July 6:** Crowning of the Shrimp King & Queen, 6pm

**July 7:** Blessing of the Fleet, 11am-5pm, Great Lawn

### *In Our Diocese*

**June 4th & 5th** - Jesus is coming to the big screen! The Catholic Church teaches that the Eucharist is the most profound means by which God shares Himself with humanity. In Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist takes on a global journey to re-discover and revive the transformative power of the Eucharist and makes it unmistakably



clear that the Eucharist is not merely a symbol but is indeed Jesus Christ Himself!

**June 10-14** - Process with Jesus across the Diocese of Biloxi. A few of our Parishes along the route will host events, prayer, Mass, and testimonies from the Perpetual Pilgrims that will be following Jesus along the entire St. Juan Diego Route.

**July 17-21-10th National Eucharistic Congress**

**September 15th— 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.

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

Whether or not you follow the practice of fasting or abstaining from something during Lent, I've come to appreciate the value of it all throughout the year.

A number of years ago, a friend invited me to lunch. Since we didn't regularly share non-work time, it was indeed a treat to catch up with one another on our lives and especially our families. When we arrived at the restaurant, my friend waited for me to order first before chiming in. *"I'll just have a glass of orange juice and a water,"* he announced to the waitress. *"That's it?"* The waitress stole the words from my lips. After she walked away from the table, I leaned into him, *"Hey, what's up? You okay?"* *"Sure,"* he replied nonchalantly, *"I'm actually praying about something pretty significant right now, and fasting is just how I do it. I'm fine, really ... I just really need God's help on this, so I'm creating some space."* My friend's honesty and sincerity gave fasting and abstinence a far less sinister face than the one I had grown up with ... you know, the one that insists that unless it hurts, it doesn't count. On the other hand, if it opens up a clearer path to God, then self-denial is a healthy option.

Through the inspiration of that little incident, I decided to take a little different approach to fasting, and one that can add value to my physical, emotional, and most certainly my spiritual life. For example, I'm very aware that I don't get enough rest; not just the number of hours I sleep, but the genuinely 'unplugged' time I spend each week. It brings to mind a little story I can very much relate to.

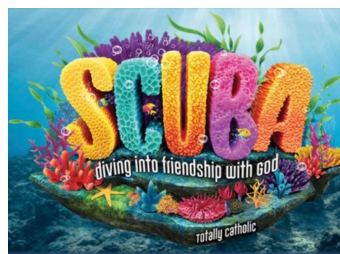
A preacher was sharing with a friend how, during a recent sermon, someone nodded off into a sound sleep. *"Well, that happens, I suppose,"* lamented the friend. The preacher looked sheepishly and replied, *"Well, not when it's ME and I'm preaching!"*

Not long ago, I found myself in a doctor's office waiting for an appointment. I realized I had left my phone in the car which was parked a good deal away. The waiting room magazines were old and uninteresting, so I found myself sitting for 15 minutes in a space of nothingness. It was in that space that I recognized just how little of it I have in my life.

I don't know how much sleep Jesus got, but the Gospels make it clear that he took the time regularly to rest. *Take rest ... a field that has rested gives a bountiful harvest.* How's your field?

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**Vacation Bible School or VBS** Will be held in the FLC June 10th—14th from 9am to 12pm each day. Children Kindergarten through completed 5th grade are welcome to register. Registration forms are in the back of the church.



Teen and adult volunteers are needed to help set up and decorate the FLC beforehand and to assist the groups during the VBS program. Please speak with Cherie Prentiss

### *Shrimp Boat Building Workshop*

will take place on June 15th at 10am in the FLC. For more information, to register your child, or to help sponsor this event please scan the QR code.

**Collections May 25 & 26, 2024**  
**\$4051.50**

**Next Week's Second Collection is for**  
**Loaves & Fishes**



**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 loving memory of*

*Nicolas & Loyce Hire*

*Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021*

*Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022*

*Together in Heaven*



**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, anniver-  
saries, graduations or any milestone you wish.

**Always in our hearts**

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



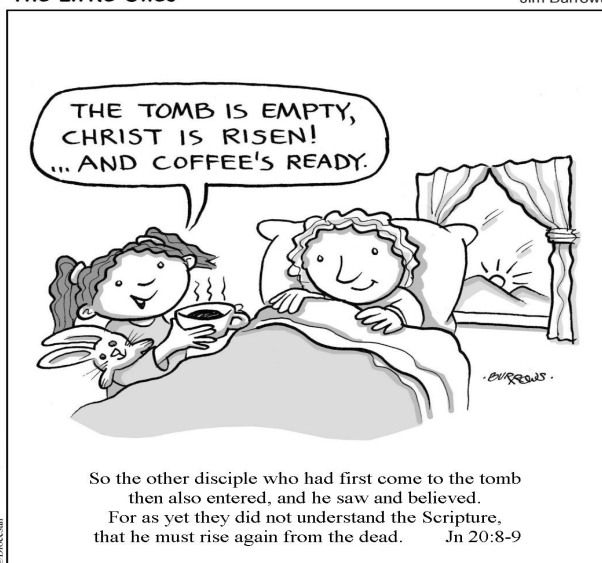
**Religious Education**

**Stella Maris Explorers** Homeschool  
Ministry is currently registering for  
next academic year. Please scan QR  
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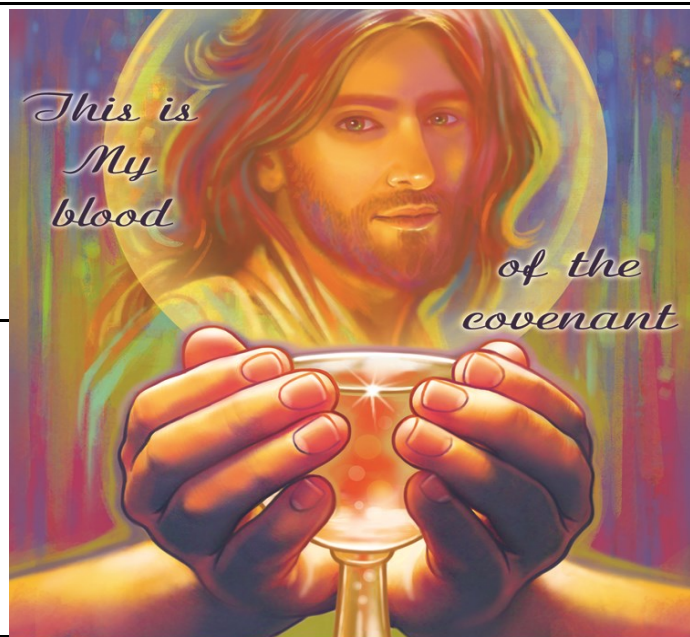


**The Little Ones**

Jim Burrows



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blood  
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