

# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH



Weekend of November 12 & 13 , 2022

Established 1917



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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.



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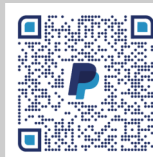
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### **Mass Schedule:**

**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-3pm**

## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Gospel Reading

#### *Luke 21:5-19*

**Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.**

#### Background on the Gospel Reading

In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians. Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for "It will lead to your giving testimony" (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

See: <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

**Collections November 5&6, 2022**  
**\$3229.00**

## Ministry News

### *St. Michael Saint Vincent de Paul*

As a part of our SVdP St. Maximillian Kolbe Conference, our thrift store volunteers donated 17,348 hours this past year. The thrift store was profitable. Doing without foundation grants this year, we received \$10,548 in donations. This included two vehicles, which were resold, and donations in support of our Parish food box program at \$2,395. We made 88 elder care visits and donated \$7,348 in in-kind goods and services to those in need. We thank you for supporting our St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Ocean Springs.

### *St. Michael Knights of Columbus*

The Knights of Columbus is asking that you bring back your baby bottle so this drive can be tallied and money given to Morning Star Pregnancy Center. Thank you everyone who participated!

### *Religious Education*

Life Teen and Edge groups, consisting of youth in grades 6-12 from Blessed Seelos, Nativity, Our Mother of Sorrows, and St. Michael parishes, meet in the Sacred Heart Center. Upcoming youth events:

November 11-13 - Life Teen Retreat for our high school youth, grades 9-12, at Palmer Creek.

November 13 - No Sunday Night Meeting due to the high school weekend retreat

November 20 - Confirmation Class begins - 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. + Life Teen & Edge meet 6:40 - 8:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Center - St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Baskets

Please keep our youth and adult CORE team in your prayers. Are you a youth that would like to join our Life Teen/Edge group? Are you an adult that would like to provide a meal, a dessert, or join our adult CORE team? Contact Kristy Arguelles: 228-324-9934, [eastbiloxiyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:eastbiloxiyouthministry@gmail.com)

**Altar Flowers  
are in Memory of  
Ethel Picard & Jeanne  
Marie Barhonovich  
Baker**

*Moral principles do not depend on a majority vote.  
Wrong is wrong, even if everybody is wrong. Right is right, even if nobody is right.*

*-Fulton J. Sheen*

#### **TAGS FOR LIFE**

The Diocese of Biloxi Pro Life Ministry is proud to announce our very own Pro Life Billboard license plate! The sale of these plates will help support the Pro Life Ministry. You may purchase the plate by downloading an application on the Diocesan website at [biloxidiocese.org](http://biloxidiocese.org) or scanning the code below.





# Mass for the Intentions Week

*Sat, Nov 12 For the People*  
*Sun, Nov 13 +Victoria "Tori" Felsher*  
*Tues, Nov 15 +Christopher Jordan Butirich*  
*Wed, Nov 16 +Agnes Sekul*  
*Thurs, Nov 17 Ron & Anne McClellan*  
*Fri, Nov 18 +Katie Lynn Pizzetta*

**UPCOMING**  
*Events*

## *In Our Parish*

**November 5-Until Gone:** Limited Edition Christmas Ornaments on sale \$20 each. (details on back)

**November 20:** Altar Society Ham & Turkey Bingo FLC, doors open 11am, door prizes, split the pot and refreshments available for purchase.

**November 29:** #igivecatholic

**Sundays:** 4pm LifeTeen

**Mondays:** 7pm Men's Prayer Group

**Tuesdays:** 7pm RCIA

**Wednesdays:** 10-11am SVDP Food Pantry

**Wednesdays:** 5:30 CCD

## *In Our Diocese*

**November 16:** ADORE Ministries at Sacred Heart D'Iberville, from 6-8:15pm. This evening of contemporary praise, worship, and adoration, all are invited! Please contact Deacon Bill Stentz with any questions at 228-229-6499.

**November 18:** Healing Mass Service 6pm Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church, 216 Saucier Ave. Pass Christian, MS. 39571

**December 8-11-Women's Cursillo** #291 at the Sacred Heart Dedeaux Retreat Center in Pass Christian. Applications are currently being accepted. Applications can be found online at [www.biloxicursillo.org](http://www.biloxicursillo.org). For questions and/or more information, contact Gay Camagong at (228)424-7722 or Marcia Hebert at (413)433-3903.

**May 3-14, 2023- Holy Land Trip,** Fr. Joe Dilettuso is very excited to announce this tour to Israel. It will be a 12 day customized pilgrimage to the Holy Land, the cost is approximately \$5699 per person (double occupancy.) Contact Heidi Clark 228 388-4429

## ***Next Week's Second Collection is for The Campaign for Human Development***

### ***Lay Leanings***

By Deacon Mike Stewart

Okay, I have to admit, for a split second I thought my life, as I knew it, had changed forever.

I was in a group of people when I glanced down at my phone for just a split second to see an email from the Michigan Lottery. I had honestly forgotten that the *Mega Millions* jackpot was a cool \$1.9 billion, but even more so, I forgot that I had purchased a couple tickets online just a day or so earlier. Nevertheless, the 'subject' line sharpened my memory like a razor; *'Your winnings have arrived.'* For real .. this is how they notify you that you are a billionaire? Really? This is probably one of those hacker emails; click on the link and you immediately download a nasty virus. But hey, with \$1.9 billion, I'll just buy another laptop, right? Maybe I'll even buy the whole company!

I opened the email to receive the good news that my winnings amounted to ... \$12.00. Not only wasn't I a billionaire, but in that very instant, it occurred to me that I had actually lost several dollars. Try to imagine air rushing out of a balloon.

So, if suddenly your life was transformed into something that was previously beyond your imagination, what would change for you? How would you live? Would your priorities change? Would you maintain the same relationships? Would you come-and-go as you had before?

Our faith would challenge us to consider that what happens to us, even if through random fortune or misfortune, only potentially changes what we 'do,' but it doesn't change who we are. There's a tendency to equate our occupation, our income, the circumstances of life, with who we are, and yet that couldn't be further from the truth. 'Who' you are on the inside (your spirit) is how God knows you, since oftentimes we keep this aspect of ourselves carefully hidden from others. Who we are, represents the core of our being, who God made us to be. While it has the potential to keep us grounded, we are also citizens of a world swirling around us; and oftentimes we get caught up in that swirl and stray from who God made us to be. But at that core, we also know that although we can hide our hidden self from others, we can't hide it from God.

In the Letter to the Hebrews (13:8), we're assured that, although we are influenced and led by the world around us, Jesus never changes. In a world of chance and constant flux, we can be assured of one true, reliable constant. And that wouldn't change even you suddenly became a billionaire. So what about us?

Let's pray about that.

*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.* Hebrews 13:8

### 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

Prayers for all our state and federal elected officials. Provide them with wise and godly counselors who will provide honest wisdom and encouragement.



### *November 2022*

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

*In Loving Memory  
of Lusk, Baker, McCaleb,  
Ryan & Aken Families*



An everlasting love  
Happy 40th Birthday in Heaven  
Victoria "Tori" Felsher  
Nov 14, 1982–Sept 24, 2005  
Forever in our hearts!

*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.*



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*In remembrance of  
Carl Joseph Kuluz  
Jun 1, 1962–Nov 27, 2018  
Always in our hearts*



*In loving memory of  
Nicolas "Corky" Híre  
Oct 2, 1921–Mar 9, 2021  
And Loyce Híre  
Feb 10, 1933–Oct 7, 2022  
Together in Heaven*



Limited Edition St. Michael 2022  
Christmas Ornaments

On sale now!

St. Michael Fundraising Team is selling this year's limited edition Christmas ornaments, after all Masses, until they are gone. The cost is \$20.00 per ornament. There are only 55 ornaments left and they are expected to sell fast! We also have a limited supply of the 2018 Christmas ornament for \$10.00 each.



Woman's Resource Center of Gulfport, is a non-profit organization that provides ser-

vices and resources to women, men and families along the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

They provide: Pregnancy testing, peer counseling, limited ultrasound, adoption referrals for birthparents, earn while you learn program, parenting resources and post abortive healing support.

For appt call 228-897-8958 or for more information or ways to volunteer contact St. Michael parishioner Mrs. Barbara Lemon by calling the St. Michael office 228-435-5578.