

# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Weekend of October 22 & 23 , 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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**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**

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Gospel Reading

*Luke 18:9-14*

Jesus tells the parable of the proud Pharisee who prayed from his self-importance and the tax collector who prayed humbly.

### Background on the Gospel Reading

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us..

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



### All Souls Day November 2

St. Michael is collecting photos of all your dear departed loved ones to be displayed in the church for All Souls Day and throughout the month of November. Bring printed photographs to Masses or the St. Michael's office, clearly marked with name of loved one and your name on the back. Please try and keep sizes below 5x7.

Any questions please see Deacon Robert.

## Ministry News

### St. Michael Saint Vincent de Paul

To make a donation of food or money, bring your offering to St. Michael's office, leave in basket in entry of church (money can be placed in poor box, checks payable to SVDP) or give to Mrs. Cynthia Powell. Thank you for all your support in this worthwhile ministry that helps the people of East Biloxi.

### St. Michael Knights of Columbus

The Knights are having their annual baby bottle drive. Pick up a bottle to collect your spare change during the month of October. Proceeds benefit Morning Star Pregnancy Center. church.



**Last WEEK:** This past weekend we were visited by Msgr David Benz of Cross Catholic Outreach. Cross Catholic Outreach is doing AMAZING work around the globe to help our less fortunate Catholic brothers and sisters. To support these ministry efforts, please go to [CrossCatholic.org/outreach](http://CrossCatholic.org/outreach) or text BLESSINGS to 474747 or scan:



### 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.



**Collections October 15 & 16, 2022**  
**\$4288.00**

**Next Week's Second Collection is for**  
**St. Michael Saint Vincent de Paul**

# Mass for the Intentions Week

*Sat, Oct 22 For the People*

*Sun, Oct 23 +Velma Baker*

*Tues, Oct 25 +Tony Mattina*

*Wed, Oct 26 +Evarise Boudreaux Broussard*

*Thurs, Oct 27 +Nicolas "Corky" Hire*

*Fri, Oct 28 +Cynthia Seymour Roberts*

**Mass Intentions:** Tuesday-Saturdays excluding Holy Days. If you would like to have Mass said in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please call the office at 228-435-5578. Thank you!

**UPCOMING  
Events**

## *In Our Parish*

**November 20:** Altar Society Ham & Turkey Bingo

**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*

**October 29:** Arts & Crafts Sale 8am-1pm Santa Maria Del Mar, 1788 Medical Park Dr Biloxi

**November 4-5:** Gumbo Festival at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church. 9062 DeLisle Road, Pass Christian. Gumbo cookoff, fair rides, craft vendors, food booths, beverage booths, car and Jeep shows, music, political speeches, and games. Bring your lawn chairs and join in the fun.

**November 5: Bishop's Gala** 6pm Beau Rivage, visit catholiccharitiesofsouthms.org/bishops-gala for more information.

**November 6: Annual Mass of Wedding Anniversaries** celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 55, or 60 years of marriage, 2 pm at the Nativity BVM Cathedral. Registration required

**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 [heiditravel66@gmail.com](mailto:heiditravel66@gmail.com)

## *Lay Leanings*

By Deacon Mike Stewart

Those who have read this column through the years know that I'm a shameless eavesdropper, particularly in restaurants. I don't even deny it anymore, so be sure to talk softly if you sit near me.

This past week I overheard two women engaged in an emotional conversation. The first woman was expressing her sadness over the recent ending of what I learned to be her third marriage.

*"I just don't understand what the problem is. As I look back on my wedding day, it was pure joy. I mean, I'm totally in love with the whole idea of being married, but I'm beyond frustrated, and just not sure what's wrong."*

The poor woman seemed sincere, as her voice just dripped with frustration. But I had to wonder to myself, is she more in love with the idea of being married than with any of the three men she married? Can an idea keep you warm at night?

As I reflected on that scene later, it occurred to me that it's easy to fall into that same trap when it comes to our faith. So often I confront arguments between Christians about some teaching of the Church; one person holding vehemently to one view, and the other in total opposition. Sometimes they represent different denominations, or perhaps they are both members of the same parish or congregation. But it always leaves me wondering ... are they defending their particular church, or are they honoring the God for whom the Church exists to worship and serve in the first place? It's not always the same thing, you know. One simply requires membership; but the other demands a total surrendering of our will (including our opinions) to the Creator of all things.

God doesn't love our ideologies, our opinions, or even our adeptness in defending our rightness. No, God loves you and me for who we are, and God wants us to love him in return with pure and honest hearts.

Let's pray about that.

*I love you, LORD, my strength. Ps 18:1*

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### 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 our police and firefighters,  
their selfless dedication to  
fellow citizens keeps us  
safe and protected. May  
God watch over them and  
protect them.*



### *October 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*



*Walking with  
Moms in Need*



*Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods. Check out the website: [walking-withmoms.com](http://walking-withmoms.com) for more information. Find out what local resources are available to share with someone you love.*

*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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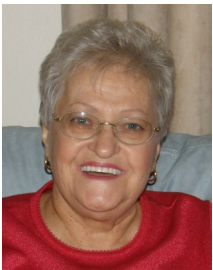
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*In memory of*

**Velma Baker**

**12/17/43 - 10/23/21**

*Loved beyond words,  
Missed beyond measure*



*In loving memory of  
Nicolas "Corky" Hire*

*Oct 2, 1921-*

*Mar 9, 2021*

### *What you might not know about angels*

Angel: The origins of the English word "angel" come from the Greek *aggelos*, which means "messenger." And if we go back to the Hebrew word for angel in the Old Testament, it means the same.

Archangel: Though the term was not used, a distinction was made. For instance, archangel Michael is called the "Great Prince" in Daniel 12:1.

Are Archangels more important? :Well, not quite. The top leagues are occupied by the seraphim, the cherubim, and the throne angels. This makes archangels place fairly low in the hierarchy. Archangels are just above guardian angels, so why are they so important?

Archangels are God's messenger par excellence. They interact directly with humans on the Lord's behalf, so they are tasked with very important missions (i.e. the annunciation).



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