



"Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will
be great in heaven."

MATTHEW 5:12a



The New Evangelization

MIGUEL DULICK

This season of the Church we call "Ordinary Time" is full of Jesus' teaching about how to live our Christian lives. Today's readings are especially rich. When Jesus takes his place as the New Moses to deliver his Sermon on the Mount, he begins, fittingly, with a new version of the commandments, but instead of "Thou shalt not," they are blessings! And they are paradoxical; always a sign of the divine touch. The "poor in spirit" get the kingdom of heaven; mourners are blessed, for they shall be comforted.

Now, who is supposed to do the comforting? *We* are. If the beatitudes are new commandments, we disciples are to obey them, even rejoicing in the blessing of persecution. What kind of people sign up for this? Saint Paul describes to the Christians in Corinth what kind of people God chooses: the foolish, the weak, the lowly and despised, the nothings of this world, to shame and confuse those who seem to run things. The wisdom of God seems like nonsense in a world where power reigns supreme. That sweet soul Zephaniah, author of today's first reading, saw the shift coming, from "don'ts" to "dos," from bossy to beatitude: "Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land" (Zephaniah 2:3). You will be "a people humble and lowly" who will pasture your flocks (and do the work God intends you to do) with "none to disturb" you (Zephaniah 3:12, 13). Sign me up for that! ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

Reflect

How do Jesus' teachings work in the "real world"?

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

411 N. Missouri St., West Memphis, AR 72301

Mass Times

- **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 p.m.
- **Sunday:** 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Fr. Gilbert Tairo, CSSp

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AR 72303

Email: westmemphiscatholic@gmail.com

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Website: stmichaelwm.com

Facebook: facebook.com/wmsmcs/

Principal: Michael Beauregard, Ed.D.

Grades: PreK3 & PreK4, K, 1st, 2nd, 4th

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SACRED HEART– Crawfordsville, AR

Mission Church

216 S. Main St., Crawfordsville, AR

- **Sunday Mass:** 8:30 a.m.

Parish Religious Education (PRE)

Director: Libby Burroughs

PRE Classes: **Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. (Grades K–12)**

Financial Council Members

Donna McAlister
Kevin Meyers

Shelley Pugh
Joanne Smith
Ken Thomas

Ginger Wilkinson
Phillip Wray

Parish Council Members

Patsy Fletcher (President)
Lisa Schafer (Vice President)
Margaret Henson (Secretary)
Beth Aureli

Tony Bell
Mary Jane Flowers
Claude Hunt
Ricardo Ledezma

Tim Marconi
Joanne Smith
Lauren Wray
Jo Zachary



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

ST MICHAEL

TUESDAY: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SATURDAY: 4:00 - 5:00 PM

SACRED HEART

FRIDAY: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

*"COME ADORE THE LORD TRULY PRESENT IN THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT"*



Baptism

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must be registered parishioners of St Michael or Sacred Heart for at least 2 years prior to the Baptism date.

Baptism dates will be finalized only after consultation with the Pastor.

Attendance of a Baptismal preparation class is required.

Please call the church office to schedule an appointment.



Marriage Preparation

Those considering marriage need to notify the parish priest of their intention to marry at least six months prior to their intended wedding date.

Wedding dates will be finalized only after consultation with the priest.

Attendance of an approved marriage preparation program is required.



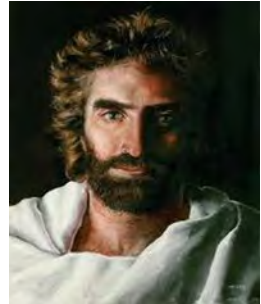
Cursillo

An Encounter with Christ

The Cursillo method offers those who have the potential to influence others a personal encounter with Christ and the tools to strengthen, support, and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ by evangelizing their daily environments.

A method to find, form, and sustain lay leadership for Christ and His Church.

Cursillo (pronounced Cur-see-yo) is a movement of the Church that promotes Catholic ideals, fellowship, and spiritual growth in daily living. It provides an opportunity to deepen your Catholic faith and to experience the love of God within a supportive and prayerful community.



Cursillo Weekends

Men's Weekend: January 29 – February 1, 2026

Women's Weekend: February 26 – March 1, 2026

Call the church office for more information or to register

The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottsponer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

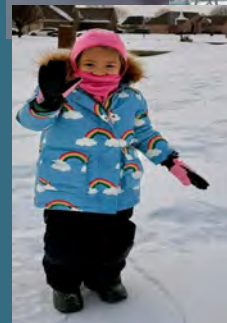
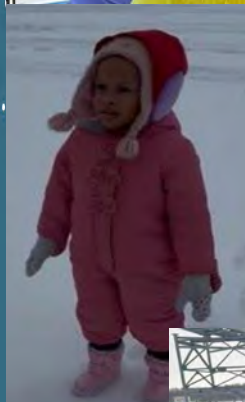


La Diócesis Católica de Little Rock está comprometida a proteger a los niños y jóvenes. Si usted está enterado de algún abuso o ha sido abusado por Clérigos, voluntarios o funcionarios de la Iglesia, por favor comuníquese a la Línea de Ayuda del Estado de Arkansas para Crímenes contra Niños al (800) 482-5964 y con el Canciller



para Asuntos Canónicos, Diác. Matthew A. Glover (501) 664-0340, ext. 361. Para asistencia pastoral, por favor comuníquese con la Coordinadora de Asistencia para Víctimas de la Diócesis de Little Rock Laura Gottsponer (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diócesis de Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

SMCS ENJOYING THEIR SNOWY DAYS





Intenciones de Misa

Las intenciones de misa pueden ofrecerse por el eterno descanso de un ser querido difunto, por sanación, en celebración de una ocasión especial o por cualquier intención especial para usted, un familiar o un amigo.

Para solicitar una intención de misa, por favor llene un sobre ubicado en el vestíbulo o contacte la oficina parroquial para fechas disponibles.

Se solicita una ofrenda habitual de \$10 por cada misa.



¿Has rezado el Rosario hoy?

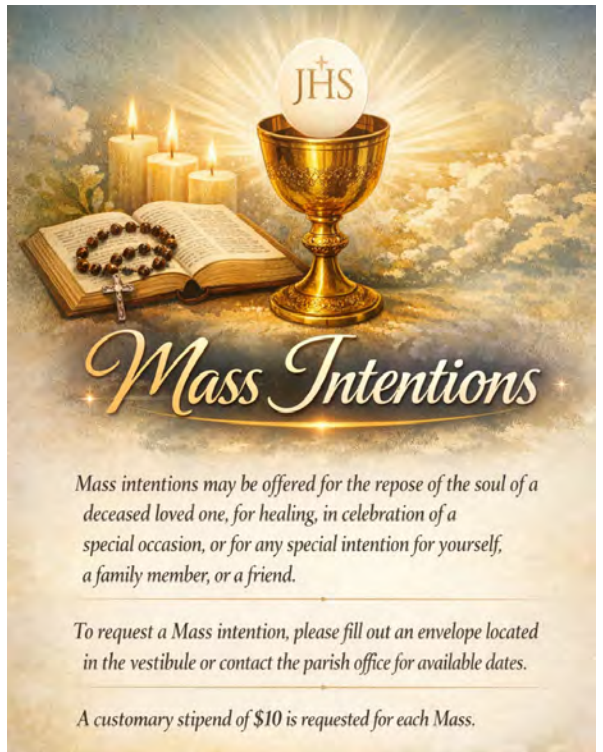
Tómate unos momentos de silencio para reflexionar, dar gracias y acercarte más a Dios a través de las oraciones de la Santísima Madre.

“Recen el Rosario todos los días para obtener la paz para el mundo”
— Nuestra Señora de Fátima



God
 Jesus
 Holy Spirit
 Heaven
 Diversity
 Respect
 Faith
 Pope
 Bishop
 Church
 Cross
 Bible

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Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA)

Serving the Church. Serving the Poor. Building the Future.

Since 1990, CASA has provided vital funding for the pastoral, educational, and social needs of the Diocese of Little Rock. Through the generosity of Catholics across Arkansas, CASA supports ministries that bring the love of Christ to life every day.

Your gift helps to:

- ✓ Care for the poor and vulnerable
- ✓ Strengthen developing parishes
- ✓ Support Catholic schools
- ✓ Educate seminarians, deacons, and lay ministers
- ✓ Sustain diocesan ministries throughout Arkansas

Give Today. Share Christ's Love.

Your generosity helps build a stronger Church for generations to come.

How to Give

At the beginning of the CASA campaign, parishioners are invited to return their pledge envelopes, indicating their total gift and how they will give.

Giving options include:

- ✓ One-time gift
- ✓ Monthly pledge instalments
- ✓ Check or credit card
- ✓ Online giving

→ Online Giving Available

→ Thank you for supporting CASA



Together, We Serve Christ's Love.

SPAGHETTI SAUCE



FOR SALE
\$20 A QUART
PROCEEDS GO TO
ST. MICHAEL'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



February THE HOLY FAMILY



1 ST. BRIGID

9 ST. APOLLONIA

17 ST. ALEXIS
FALCONIERI

25 ST. TARASIVS

2 CANDLEMAS

10 ST. SCHOLASTICA

18 BL. JOHN FIESOLE

26 ST. PORPHYRIUS

3 ST. BLAISE

11 OUR LADY OF
LOURDES

19 ST. CONRAD OF
PIACENZA

27 ST. GABRIEL OF OUR
LADY OF SORROWS

4 ST. JOSEPH
OF LEONISSA

12 ST. EULALIA

20 STS. FRANCISCO AND
JACINTA MARTO

28 ST. HILARY, POPE

5 ST. AGATHA

13 ST. CATHERINE
D'RICCI

21 ST. PETER DAMIAN

6 ST. PAUL MIKI AND
COMPANIONS

14 ST. VALENTINE

22 CHAIR OF
ST. PETER

7 ST. MOSES THE
HERMIT

15 ST. CLAUDE LA
COLOMBIERE

23 ST. POLYCARP

8 ST. JOSEPHINE
BAKHITA

16 ST. JULIAN OF
CAPPADOCIA

24 ST. ADELA



WE HAVE NEW GAMES!!



Bingo is played in the school cafeteria on Tuesdays at 7pm. Doors open at 6pm.

Scan for the latest Bingo Information

We now have two Jackpots for \$1,000 currently at 51 & 58 numbers called
Raffle is up to \$ 1,550

A festive banner for a Mardi Gras celebration. The background is white with colorful confetti and beaded garlands in purple, green, and gold. On the left is a purple and green Mardi Gras mask. In the center, the text "Mardi Gras" is in large, stylized green letters with a purple outline, and "Celebration!" is in yellow cursive below it. A purple banner across the middle reads "Sunday, February 15th (After Mass)". Below this, it says "Join us for a festive afternoon of" in brown, followed by "Red Beans & Rice," "Fun Games &" in green, and "King Cake!" in brown. On the bottom left is a bowl of red beans and rice topped with green onions. On the bottom right is a large, round King Cake decorated with purple, green, and yellow beads, with a small baby figurine on top. A trumpet and dice are also visible at the bottom.



	February 7, 2026	February 8, 2026
Lector	Ginger Creel	Becky Rushing
Linens	Mary Lou Hall	
Communion	Bonnie Waller	Katie Reese
	Lisa Schafer	Melissa Morphis
	James Alpuente	Jessica Galteli
Offertory	Alex Alpe	Kevin Waller
	Julio Cesar	Gabe Waller

Parish Organizations

- ❖ **Infant of Prague Guild: meetings are held quarterly in the school cafeteria. Watch here for announcements.**
- ❖ **Knights of Columbus business meeting 1st Sundays at 7:00 P.M.**
- ❖ **Finance Council meeting Thursday, Feb. 19th at 5:00 pm.**
- ❖ **Parish Council meeting Thursday, Feb. 19th at 6:15 pm.**
- ❖ **1st Sunday Sacred Heart Brunch February 1st, after Mass**
- ❖ **3rd Sunday St. Michael Brunch February 15th, after Mass - Guild**



LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday	January	31	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Adoration Bill Forman+
Sunday	February	1	8:30 am 10:30 am	Lucille Marconi+ Anita Miller+
Monday	February	2	NO MASS	
Tuesday	February	3	6:00 pm	Sandra Thorne+
Wednesday	February	4	8:00 am 5:30pm	Evelyn McLemore+ Alica Pardo+
Thursday	February	5	8:00 am	Doris Jean Forgarthy+
Friday	February	6	8:00 am	Mike & Michael Burroughs+
Saturday	February	7	9:00 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	MSGR Bernard Malone+ Adoration Virginia Forman+
Sunday	February	8	8:30 am 10:30 am	Charles D McGinnis+ Dorothy Barnes+



REMEMBER IN PRAYER



Carla Sanderson, Kathleen Alparo, Baby Arabella, Pat Hooper, Ward Roberts, Melanie Beyer, Fairley Vega, Olivia Vega, Richard Gunter, Steve Marasco, Illuminata Wilhelmi, Nancy Ellis Hays, Cathy Stockbridge, Theresa Black, Mary Ann Tyrone, Donald Turlich, Vickey Stanford, John Baioni, Carol Burdison, Mary Margaret Riley, Will Hutcherson, Mandi Tacker, Matthew Bain, Edna Alpuente, Joan McCarty, Jane Rice, Neil Sponer, Peggy Mengarelli, Tracey Tyrone Cox, Grace Pulliam, Alaina Goldsby, Nancy Jackson, Janet Long, Danny Foster, Jim Pugh, Jose Cantu, Balthasar Arellano, Joe Alvarez, Jay Guiltner, Scott Goldsmith, Ruben Saldivar, Joanna Kim, Mayson Hall, Walter Smith, Freddy Crabtree, Richard Batkey, Leroy England, Gloria Anderson, Cindy Dabbs, Juan Perez, Jr., Lillie Clark, Eric Densford, Joan White, Tina Imboden, Kay Loney, Johnny McMullin, Victims of War and Violence in our country and throughout the world, especially in the Ukraine. All persons serving in our Military, The Seminarians of the Diocese of Little Rock, and the Religious Men and Women of Arkansas.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION:

January 25, 2026 St. Michael \$.00

Sacred Heart \$.00

Dear Padre,

I am struggling with our new pastor. He has been in our parish for less than six months, and nothing seems to please him. Everything has to change, and the parishioners have no input. I thought the days of “pray, pay, and obey” were over.

The *Code of Canon Law* identifies the pastor as the shepherd of the parish. His duties require him to teach, sanctify, and govern the people entrusted to his care. However, canon law also envisions that the pastor will engage in pastoral care “with the assistance of lay members of Christ’s faithful” (CCL 519).

The intention of the law is to encourage the building up of a community using the “knowledge, prudence, and integrity” of every member (CCL 228, §2). Many issues, feelings, and even theologies make up the personalities of a parish. The one constant that needs to be present is the presumption of goodwill. (See *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2478). If that is missing, then conflict, hard feelings, and many misunderstandings will result.

Without taking sides, I suggest that everyone take a deep breath. Then each of you—the pastor included—ask yourself, “Have I attempted to interpret this person or situation favorably? Have I made any rash judgments?” If honest and prayerful reflection reveals less-than-good intentions, now is the time for an attitude change and to acknowledge that a new start is needed. ●



GENINI

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
February 2	February 3	February 4	February 5	February 6	February 7	February 8
<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr</i>	<i>St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Mal 3:1–4	2 Sm 18:9–10, 14b, 24–25a, 30–19:3	2 Sm 24:2, 9–17	1 Kgs 2:1–4, 10–12	Sir 47:2–11	1 Kgs 3:4–13	Is 58:7–10
Heb 2:14–18	Mk 5:21–43	Mk 6:1–6	Mk 6:7–13	Mk 6:14–29	Mk 6:30–34	1 Cor 2:1–5
Lk 2:22–40 or 2:22–32						Mt 5:13–16



RICCARDO DE LUCA - UPDATE / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

The desire to work together for a common purpose reflects an essential reality: no one is Christian alone! We are part of a people, a body established by the Lord.... The Christian life is not lived in isolation.... It is lived with others, in a group and in community, because the risen Christ is present wherever disciples gather in his name.

ADDRESS, ROME, JUNE 6, 2025