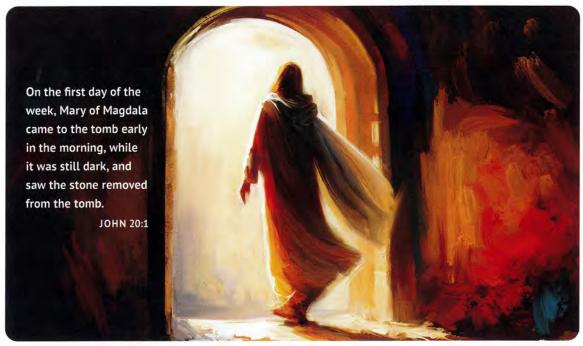
Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 / Jn 20:1-9





## Bit by Bit

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

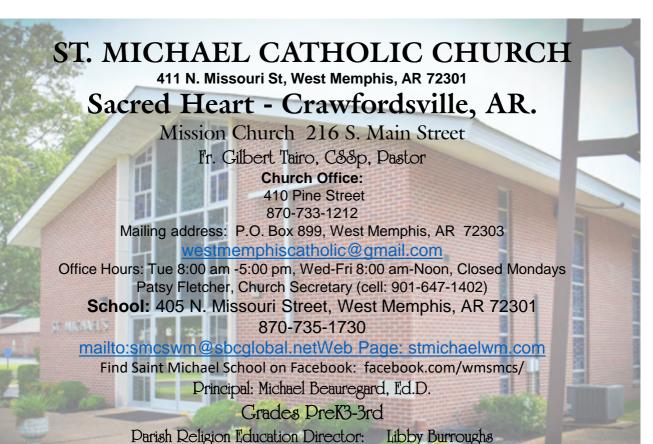
ooking for proof of the resurrection is like looking for proof of love. Sometimes, we realize only gradually-bit by bit-that we are loved. John's Gospel abounds with images of light and darkness. So when this Sunday's Easter Gospel recounts Mary of Magdala going to the tomb early in the morning while it was still dark, the gospel is not simply marking the time of day. It's noting that what was taking place was before they believed in the resurrection, when they were still in the dark. All sorts of hints about the resurrection begin to occur: Mary sees the stone rolled away, Peter and the other disciple go to the tomb and find the burial cloths. They see the cloth that had covered his head rolled up and set aside. No apparition of Jesus, no men in white garments, no angels. Only hints that with the resurrection of Jesus,

God has made all life new and destined for resurrection.

What, then, might one do who is plagued by doubts? Look for hints of resurrection, of life coming about where one expects only death (as if to symbolically enter the tomb). What types of hints? Going for counseling, as frightening as that may be, and finding peace. Talking through a problem in marriage. Finding that empty-nesting gives way to new life. Discovering retirement's gifts. Making a dreaded move to a new city or school. The resurrection of Jesus means God makes all life new. We only need to see it and discover that, bit by bit, it leads to faith.

#### Reflect-

What are the hints of resurrection surrounding me? Have I missed any?



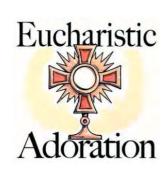
#### **Parish Council Members**

PRE Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Grades K-12

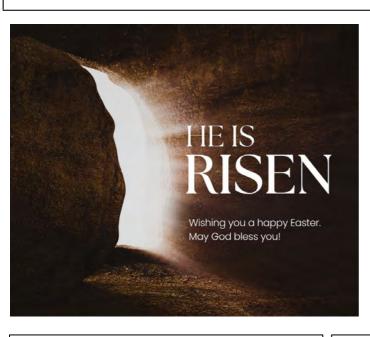
Mary Jane Flowers (President)	Andy Horton	Bill Buckley
Ross Hensley (Vice-President)	Carol Burdison	Beth Aureli
Margaret Henson (Secretary)	Jo Zachary	Lisa Schafer
Bobby Hinze	Joanne Smith	Sandy Young

#### **WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION:**

April 13, 2025 St. Michael \$5,532.25 Sacred Heart \$1,158.00



St. Michael Every Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sacred Heart, Crawfordsville, Every Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Every Saturday, before the Vigil Mass 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.



Congratulations to our
First Communicants/Confirmandi
Salvador Cruz
Facundo Cubides
Tomas Cubides
Johan Cubides
Mercedes Cubides
Michael Delos Santos
Matt Fletcher

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 at 870-733-

1212 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.

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# Bingo and RAFFLE! Every Tuesday! A GREAT and FUN way to support our school!

St. Michael's School Cafeteria Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Games begin at 7:00 p.m. All proceeds given to St. Michael's School! Bingo Jackpot for \$1000 in 45 numbers.
And \$200 after 45!

We have added a Special Raffle each week!
With the purchase of at least the minimum (\$15) bingo package

you can pay \$1 more to enter the raffle for a chance at over \$2,800!



Scan for the latest Bingo Information

## PRE

- ❖ Parish Religious Education is held on Wednesday evenings beginning with Mass at 5:30 pm.
- ❖ First Communion will take place on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am.
  - We will have practice after 9:00 am Mass on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Our "2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday" Brunch will be moved to the First Sunday in May to honor our First Communicants.

# School Happenings

- ✓ On Monday, our K-3<sup>rd</sup> Students helped load all of the cake packages in the van from Hope House Ministries.
- ✓ We are having a short Easter Break from school on Friday and Monday but will be back in class on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- ✓ Our annual field day is next Friday morning. Come join us as we compete in Dr. Suess inspired games.





Above: K-3<sup>rd</sup> Students help Mrs. Libby load the birthday cake packages they put together last week.

Below: The Kindergarten students show how much Jesus loves them!



The flowers on the

Altars of

St. Michael's

and

Sacred Heart

this weekend were

donated:

In Memory of Frank & Juanita Alpe

In Memory of Frank B. Alpe

In Memory of Members of the Ashby Family

In Memory of Ercole & Marianna Baioni

In Memory of Primo & Elsie Baioni

In Memory of Harry Bell

In Memory of Herb & Jo Bell

In Memory of the Besett Family

In Memory of Pat Bond

In Memory of Shirley Britton

In Memory of Anna Mae Buchholz

In Memory of Margie Buchholz

In Memory of Margaret Cissell

In Memory of Jack & Catherine Crabtree

In Memory of Mary Elizabeth and Parker Craig

In Memory of Allen Creel

In Memory of Bob & Betty Fletcher

In Memory of Tommy & Scott Goldsby

In Honor of John & Dorothy Halling

In Memory of Louise Johnson

In Memory of Betty Kelly

In Memory of Etta Kelly

In Memory of Christy Marconi

In Memory of Jerry McAlister

In Memory of Lisa McAlister

In Memory of James & Frances McGinnis

In Memory of Robert & Martha Morrison

In Memory of Steve Nolan

In Memory of Adrian Pirani

In Memory of Keith Rushing
In Memory of Judy & Tommy Shearer
In Memory of Elizabeth Hall Shock
In Memory of James Simpson
In Memory of Cathryn Simpson
In Memory of Murphy Smith
In Memory of the Stupenti Family
In Memory of Marvin Thompson
In Honor of Allison Todd Tino
In Honor of Jed Todd

In Memory of Wayne Todd, Jr In Honor of Donterio Wheeler In Memory of Richard Williford







	April 26, 2025	April 27, 2025		
Lector	Margie McCain	Mary Lou Hall		
Linens	Mary Lou Hall			
Communion	Jo Ann Vega	Becky Rushing		
	Suzy McAuley	Sarah Horton		
	Fairley Vega	Volunteer Needed		

## Parish Organizations

- ◆ Infant of Prague Guild: the next meeting is scheduled for 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, in the school cafeteria.
- ♦ Knights of Columbus business meeting 1st Sundays at 7:00 P.M.
- ♦ Men's Bible Study on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. at Tony Bell's House. Please call Ken Thomas for more information, 901-674-1497.
- ♦ Women on Wednesday (WOW!) bible study on Wednesdays after 8:00 am Mass. Call Becky at 901-652-2390 for information.
- ♦Finance Council meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 5:30 P.M.
- ♦Parish Council meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 6:00 P.M.
- ♦1st Sunday Sacred Heart Brunch May 4th, after Mass
- **♦**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday St. Michael Brunch May 4th, after Mass Knights of Columbus



### LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday	April	19	6:30 pm	First Communicants/Confirmandi	
Sunday	April	20	8:00 am 10:00 am	Fr. Maury Smith, ofm B'day	
Monday	April	21	NO MASS		
Tuesday	April	22	6:00 pm	Betty Guiltner †	
Wednesday	April	23	8:00 am 5:30 pm	Rose Marie D'Agostino † B'day	
Thursday	April	24	8:00 am		
Friday	April	25	8:00 am		
Saturday	April	26	6:30 pm	Betty Guiltner †	
Sunday	April	27	8:00 am 10:00 am	Margaret Klug † B'day	



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER



Mary Ann Tyrone, Terry Mullins, Donald Turlich, Vickey Stanford, John Baioni, Louis Pitts, 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, Bobby Cassidy, Leroy England, Gloria Anderson, Cindy Dabbs, Juan Perez, Jr., Dorothy Barnes, Lillie Clark, Eric Densford, Joan White, Tina Imboden, David & Ann James, Sung Sam Lee, Kay Loney, Lucille Marconi, Johnny McMullin, Sandra Thorne, 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.

## Dear Padre,

I was baptized as a baby, but I never really went to church. Lately, I've been attending Mass. Are there steps I should take before I receive Communion?

The first step is to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation (confession). This is a wonderful opportunity to be officially welcomed back into full practice with the Church. After such a long absence, it is important to examine your conscience and celebrate the forgiveness of the Lord before you receive holy Communion.

I would also recommend that you "beef up" your understanding of what it means to be a practicing Catholic. You might do this by participating in your parish's process for the Christian Initiation of



A candidate and his sponsor sit for a photo after an Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) class. LOS ANGELES TIMES VIA GETTY IMAGES

Adults (called OCIA or sometimes RCIA). The Liquori Publications program, Journey of Faith, is one resource used by many parish communities. Another possibility is to use some of the resources offered online, such as Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire website, which has a fine reputation.

I am happy you have responded to the stirrings of the Holy Spirit within you and answered the call to deepen your spiritual practice and journey. The Church needs you. The people of God welcome you. You are beloved among us, and your response in faith is a powerful witness, a reminder to those who may be tempted to take for granted the gift of faith. Thank you.

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

In 20:19-31

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27	
Octave of Easter	Octave of Easter	Octave of Easter	Octave of Easter	Octave of Easter	Octave of Easter	Second Sunday	
Acts 2:14,	Acts 2:36-41	Acts 3:1-10	Acts 3:11-26	Acts 4:1-12	Acts 4:13-21	of Easter /	
22-33	Jn 20:11-18	Lk 24:13-35	Lk 24:35-48	Jn 21:1-14	Mk 16:9-15	Sunday of	
Mt 28:8-15						Divine Mercy	
						Acts 5:12-16	
						Rv 1:9-11a,	
Do you have a question for the Padre?							

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We welcome the Easter message: "Peace be with you!" Brothers and sisters, let us allow the peace of Christ to enter our lives, our homes, our countries!... Let there be a decision for peace.... Please, please, let us not get used to war!... May the leaders of nations hear people's plea for peace.

URBI ET ORBI MESSAGE, ROME, APRIL 17, 2022

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