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**9** MARCH  
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

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of  
ST. MICHAEL  
*the Archangel*  
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

MASS SCHEDULE  
Sundays 9:00 am & 11:00 am  
Mon.—Fri. 12:10 pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE  
Mon.—Fri. 11:00 am—11:45 am

ADORATION / EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION  
Mon.—Fri. 11:00 am—12:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS  
Mon.—Wed., Fri.  
9:00 am—2:00 pm

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# 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

## March 9, 2025



*FROM FR. JOE*

My dear friends, I am so glad to welcome Deacon John Canning as our Mission Preacher for the Lenten Mission! Deacon Canning was assigned to us during for the weekdays when he was ordained earlier this year. He has been faithfully serving at our Monday and Tuesday Masses and preaching on Mondays. He will have a lot to teach us about prayer.

I want to offer a word about Lenten joy. Yes, this is a time of penance and repentance, of turning back to God from our sins. However, doing so should be a source of great joy for all of us. Lent is not meant to be, nor should it be, a dreary or depressing season. It is not a season of guilt, nor of shame, but of love! In loving repentance, recognizing that we have sinned, we turn back to God who welcomes us always into His powerful and merciful embrace.

Lent is also a time of renewal when we can look to the spiritual discipline of our lives with an eye to increasing our fervor and devotion. How can I pray more authentically and sincerely? How can I pray more consistently? What habits or behaviors in my life need to go? Have I become complacent or lazy? These kinds of questions are not intended to make us feel guilty, but to help us recognize our spiritual blind spots and grow. Jesus Christ calls us to take up our crosses and follow after Him; will we trudge along behind him grumpily, or will we recognize the call to follow as a call to salvation? Let us be joyful as, together, we take up our crosses and run to follow after Jesus!

God bless you all.

Fr. Joe Fowler  
Rector & Pastor

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

3/9 : Helen Guyan,  
Jackie Sanborn,  
Kayla Brown  
3/10: Eli Simon  
3/11 : Alice Lucey  
3/13: Judy Delaney  
3/14: Phyllis Feaser,  
Michael Rehwinkel,  
Kurt Sanborn,  
Izabel Behnke  
3/15: Matthew Clark,  
Pat McBride

### IN OUR CHARITY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Kay Andrews, Alexander Buchanan, Kenneth Burke, Margaret Burke, Candace Caprara, Mike Chuites, Bob & Dennis DeVries, Greg Dziadon, Rene & Dion Edwards, Mary Jane Elliott, Scott Epley, Jane Felix, Ron Fromm, Michelle Garton, Catherine Hajcak, Diane Havard, Frank Hendrickson, Phyllis Hill, Gail and Roberto Hozman, Jessica Hutchinson, Luke Karkheck, Matthew Johnson, Tony & Brenda King, Kathy Kirk, Kim LaFlamme, Jim Lee, Ron Livorno, Karen Longhurst, Shaylee Lowery, Tom Marsh, Larry May, Christine McGowan, Dagen McVoy, Vann McVoy, Laurie Murdock, Martha Nealy, Tom & Donna Notaro, Denise Pfender, Casen Roberts, Morgan Rosser, Susan & Jay Sandlin, Mercedes See, Lori Shipman, Lurleyne Terry, Paul Ungerland, Joyce Vignolo, Pat Watkins.

Stewardship of Treasure for March 2, 2025

In-Church Offering: \$5,999.00  
Online Offering: \$3,296.22  
Total Offertory: **\$9,295.22**

Please contact Jimmy Andrews via email to add or remove someone from the prayer list: [media@stmichael.ptdiocese.org](mailto:media@stmichael.ptdiocese.org)

*"May the Lord reward your generosity with abundant blessings."*

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victims Assistance Coordinators who are experienced and trained counselors and are available to help persons who have been sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or other church personnel in Northwest Florida. The Coordinator for the program in the Pensacola/Ft. Walton Beach area is Dr. Louis Makarowski; he may be reached at 850-477-7181.





# the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel

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## LENTEN MISSION BEGINS TODAY!

### "Pilgrims of Prayer"

PRESENTED BY DEACON JOHN CANNING

**MARCH 9 - 12**

Sunday Masses 9am + 11am (Homilist)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at 6 pm (Lectore)

Liturgies & Mass Intentions for  
the **Week of March 9, 2025**

### SUNDAY

9AM

John Myrick †

11AM

For the People of the Parish

### MONDAY

Louis Robert & Mary Frances Sarosdy †

### TUESDAY

Patrick McDonald

### WEDNESDAY

Margaret Boone Baldwin †

### THURSDAY

Charles Morgan †

### FRIDAY

Joseph Peklo, Jr

This Week @ the Basilica

- 3/9 Sun: Coffee Hour 10am
- 3/10 Mon: Our Lady's Sodality Meeting 4:30pm
- 3/11 Tues: Lenten Mission 6pm
- 3/12 Wed: Women's Study Group 9am  
Lenten Mission 6pm

## "OUR LADY" OF SODALITY



Mary Stone and the women of Sodality are changing lives in the community and lead the way within the parish ministries. Watch their short film on the website!

## THE CATHOLIC AND THE METHODIST

The Story of Robert & Kayty Pappas



Watch their story on the website!

## NEW ON THE WEBSITE

- ⚙ a 360 Virtual Tour of the Basilica
- ✝ a Memoriam to Parishioners

## the Robert Pappas (Curated) Collection

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## THE BASILICA BULLETIN

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