ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.” - Mt 10:31
Reopening of Public Liturgies

With the continued phased and measured opening of activities (economic and otherwise) underway, I have received several questions concerning prospective reopenings, etc. for the St. Michael’s.

The Pastoral Team and I have previously and are currently considering reopenings, etc. for the time horizon of July 1-September 30. Some activities have been “green-lighted” for the period ahead, while others have been deferred or placed on hold for further discussion.

As your pastor, I have been purposefully cautious in moving forward a reopening program. For example, we began daily Mass on June 3 for Wednesdays through June 24, which will then expand to Thursdays starting on July 2. (In between, we have two celebrations by Father Kenny on Monday, June 29 and June 30.)

On Tuesday, August 4, our daily Mass schedule expands further to include Tuesdays.

The weekend schedule of Masses, presently featuring 4, will be scaled back to 3 beginning the weekend of July 11 & 12 and continuing until further notice. To avoid confusion, we will eliminate the noon Mass. The presently scheduled rotation of a Vigil (at 4 pm) and two Masses on Sunday (at the 8 am and 10 am begin times, which started on the weekend of May 23 and 24) will continue until further notice.

If all of these dates are confusing, I have asked my colleagues to publish a user-friendly schedule of weekend and daily Masses in the bulletin; on our Web page; and to send a special notice to all. This publication will offer a more visual presentation of our Mass schedule through the end of September.

The celebration of the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Faith, has been my primary concern as the reopening process began in May. In Jefferson County, the number of new cases HAS NOT DECREASED. Indeed, the general trend since the May 11 opening of the first large batch of businesses across Kentucky is worrisome.

I am further concerned that all of us may become less diligent or less aware of our personal and practical responsibilities arising from this pandemic. There is a great temptation to avoid wearing masks. There has been an increase in interacting with others without regard to social distancing guidelines. Some seem to believe that the Big Crazy is somehow behind us.

We can dine, shop, publicly express our views or go back to work (as our previous jobs existed). But that does not mean the Big Crazy has gone away.

It is with us, perhaps for a long time. Let us be ever vigilant.

Peace,

Father Steven

Fr. Steven Henricksen has been selected by his peers to serve a second term as the representative of Peer Group V. Congratulations! And thank you for your service to the Archdiocese in addition to serving as our Pastor.
Fr. Kenny’s Retirement

As we all know, our dear Fr. Kenny will be retiring at the end of June. In celebration of his birthday and his last day at St. Michael, he will be celebrating Mass. On June 29, his birthday, he will hold a special Mass at 8:15am. Then the next day, June 30, he will celebrate his last Mass at St. Michael at 8:15am. Please plan to come and celebrate with him!

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Special thanks to Eagle Scout Chane Evans for the new garden and statue display adjacent to the 3rd floor entry to the school ministry.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

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FIRST READING
“Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, For he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!” (Jer 20:13)

PSALM
Lord, in your great love, answer me. (Ps 69)

SECOND READING
But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by that one person’s transgression the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many. (Rom 5:12-15)

GOSPEL
“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.” (Mt 10:32)

GOSPEL MEDITATION
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture
There are many things of which we can be afraid: being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. For some, identifying and overcoming their fears is a daunting task. Regardless of how much they may want to break the cycle of fear, they find that they remain close friends with old and dysfunctional behavioral habits and norms. Maybe what they really fear is change. There are many who gravitate to the familiar and comfortable, and find safety and security in doing so, even if they remain mired in mediocrity. Human beings have to learn that there is life beyond the “what has always been” and that happiness and depth are possible when old structures and systems have to be left behind.

Can you leave the near and dear, the comfortable and familiar, the safe and secure, and discover new opportunities? The sheer thought of doing so can bring on feelings of apprehension, intense anger, resentment, defensiveness, reluctance, resistance, and even apathy. If we have to be responsible for making the change, cowardice can creep in. If someone else is to blame for making the change, any number of possible negative reactions are possible. In the end, only one thing is required and that is God. If I can rely on and deepen my relationship with God, especially in the Eucharist along with a community of believers, then little else is of great concern. We have to figure out what is really important. It is not always what we think.

The Gospel calls us to stretch ourselves and try new things, not to remain stuck and stagnant in familiar ways. We are asked to live life more deliberately, radically, and intentionally. We are asked to leave the familiar behind and learn to live with changing, and often limiting, human structures. We cannot get too caught up in the physical, ideological, or structural systems we are used to. The Holy Spirit always leads and guides us. If we trust this, we will find ourselves doing things we never thought we could do. Always seek the path to joy and love. They keep us from falling victim to our fears and from seeking the nostalgic crutches we think we need to achieve a sense of well-being and happiness.
WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of June 21, 2020

SUN 6/21: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

MON 6/22: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5

TUE 6/23: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14


THR 6/25: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29

FRI 6/26: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 8:1-4

SAT 6/27: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17

SUN 6/28: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 21, 2020

Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father’s Day
Monday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs
Wednesday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Saturday: St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY
Inspiration for the week

Jesus knows that the challenges a disciple of the Gospel will face in the world are real. He tells all of us point blank, “Do not be afraid.” There are many things we can fear as we attempt to live the Gospel: unpopularity, being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. Many folks know that their faith calls them to live life more deliberately and radically but are cowards when it comes to putting it into practice. We easily justify sticking with the “acceptable” norms with which we are accustomed. These only serve to keep us stuck and mired in mediocrity. The Gospel — given flesh by the very presence of Christ — seeks to stretch, challenge, and change us. We do not have to fear anything, even death. Sometimes, living with our fears brings us a sadly disordered sense of comfort. Maybe what we really fear above all else is change.
YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS & EVENTS

Finding the Meaning of Life

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St. Michael Parish Presents:

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Who

What

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Tuesdays at 7:00pm (starting 6/16)

College Students & Young Adults: Ages 18-35

7-part Small Group Series

THE SEARCH

St. Michael Catholic Church Youth Ministry

Girls Summer 2020 Book Club (Grades 7-12)

Monday Nights June 15-July 6, 7-8 PM

Meeting via Zoom

Link: https://bit.ly/3b82n2c

Relentless Love and Redemption

By: Katie Cross

(03/24/21)

You are welcome to purchase the book independently.
Calling all 7th-12th graders!
Join us for our next online small group series....

**WHEN:**

Five Thursdays in a row starting June 4th:
June 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and July 2nd

**WHERE:**

Join us as we gather on Zoom at:
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**Sponsored By St. Michael Youth Ministry**
A Ministry of St. Michael Parish

Witness Wednesdays: 3–4pm
We will be gathering to hear from some amazing people in our community as they share their story and call.

Wednesday Night Worship: 6–7pm
Gather via Instagram Live (@stmmlouisville) for adoration, praise, and worship live from St. Michael. Send us your prayer requests and song requests as we worship God together.

Thursday Small Group Ministry 3–4 pm
Join us on Thursdays from 3–4 pm as we dive into deep issues of our faith. From June 4–July 2nd, we will be talking about finding hope in messy situations.

Just for Fun Fridays: 3–4pm
Join us as we play a game or two of Kahoot! Winners will receive a prize from your friends at Youth Ministry!

Sunday Night Drop-ins: 6–7pm
7th-12th graders are welcome to join us for an hour of games, socializing, fun activities, and prayer.

Join us via Zoom for Witness Wednesday, Thursday Small Group, Just for Fun Friday and Sunday Night Drop-In! All events are open to 7th-12th grade students.

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For Our Children

Sharing the Gospel
You are God’s special child. He knows all about you. He knows what you like to eat. He knows your favorite color. He knows how many teeth you have. He even knows how many hairs are on your head. No one in this world loves you as much as God loves you. Be sure to tell your friends how much God loves them, too.

Prayer
God, I thank you for loving me so much.

Something to Draw
Draw a picture of yourself telling a friend about God’s love.

Puzzle
Find the right path to Jesus.
These are difficult questions to discuss in our culture. We live in a society that supports the opinion that each person should make up his or her own morality—that there is no moral truth that applies to everyone. Many of us have been affected by the relativistic outlook that pervades the modern world. Maybe some of us wonder whether there really is an absolute right and wrong for everyone. Or maybe we accept that there is a moral standard for all, but we don't know how to explain our moral convictions in a convincing way. Maybe some of us are afraid of saying something is immoral because we're afraid of offending others or of being labeled intolerant. How do we talk about morality in a relativistic world?

### Dates, Times, Location

Wednesdays beginning June 24 from 4:00 pm-5:30 pm
Virtual meetings via Zoom

### Cost/Registration

Free downloadable companion workbook on Formed

### For More Information

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This adventure consists of Fr. Dave speaking on an attribute of the Holy Spirit, a practical application on how to respond to the Holy Spirit and testimonies of people from across the country whose lives have been impacted by the Spirit of God.

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**DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION**

**Wednesday, June 24th**
7:00 pm-8:30 pm
Via Zoom

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

To register, contact Cathy Mattingly
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Study Guides & other resources are available at:
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Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this study will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary’s earthly life, taking you through her joys … and her sorrows.

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