The first reading today from Leviticus summarizes all God's laws: “Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy,” and “you shall love your neighbor as yourself.” We are invited to examine the kind of God our behavior proclaims. Are we like God: slow to anger and rich in compassion, or does our behavior give witness to a false God of success, beauty, or materialism?

The responsorial psalm today reminds us that God pardons our sins and heals us, he redeems us from destruction and treats us with kindness and compassion. God offers compassion and mercy to us and is the God whom we are called to imitate.

In first Corinthians we are reminded of our intimate relationship with God. We are the Temple in which the Holy Spirit dwells. As a community, we replace the Temple in the Old Testament. In this reading Paul speaks of his theme of true wisdom versus human wisdom. We all belong through Christ who belongs to God, and it brings us along with him to the Father.

The Gospel reading reminds us: “be holy as I am holy” which is another way of saying “be perfect, as your heavenly Father.” Matthew is not saying that those who suffer great injustice should just acquiesce to it, without doing anything to try to change things. In Jesus’ time, this was more a call to justice than a call to suffer in silence. The people lived in a class system. The great distinction between slaves and masters, the occupying army and the nationals, and the rich and the poor was great.

When Jesus tells the people to turn the other cheek, he says to do this “when someone strikes you on your right cheek.” By turning the other cheek, the person is essentially challenging the attacker to hit him or her squarely, like an equal. This recalls the civil rights marches commitment to avoid retaliation but remain strong and demonstrating their own humanity and attempt to challenge their oppressor’s prejudices and sense of self-righteousness. In these cases, loving the enemy comes down to asserting one’s own humanity and attempting to call forth the humanity of the other. It is creative nonviolence, the most genuine way to love one’s enemies. Let us work to end injustice.

Adapted from “2019–2020 Children’s Liturgy the Word A Weekly Resource” pages 121 and 122
## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Monday - February 24, 2020
- **6:00 pm** EFF Classes      School Building
- **6:00 pm** EFF Church Tour   Church
- **7:00 pm** Hisp. Emaus-Men Mtg. Multipurpose Room
- **7:00 pm** K of C Meeting      CC Gallery
- **7:00 pm** Legion of Mary      CC Room III
- **7:00 pm** Respect Life Mtg.   CC Room V
- **7:00 pm** Yarnworks/Birthchoice/Gabriel CC Room II
- **7:30 pm** Music- One Heart Group Church
- **8:30 am** Walking with Purpose Parish Library & Multi. Room
- **9:30 am** Our Lady’s Rosary Makers CC Room V
- **9:45 am** Centering Prayer Group CC Room I
- **10:30 am** AFF- Apologetics 4 Parish Library
- **6:30 pm** Read & Feed- Spring Blue/Gold Room
- **7:00 pm** AFF- 33 Days to Merciful Love CC Gallery
- **7:00 pm** Boy Scouts- Troop 216 Mtg. Parish Center
- **7:00 pm** Hisp. Youth Choir Rehs. CC Room V
- **7:00 pm** Walking with Purpose Program Multipurpose Room
- **8:00 pm** Music- Schola Rehs. Family Parlor
- **8:00 pm** Over 35 Basketball Group Archangel Hall Gym

### Tuesday - February 25, 2020
- **8:30 am** Walking with Purpose Parish Library & Multi. Room
- **9:30 am** Our Lady’s Rosary Makers CC Room V
- **9:45 am** Centering Prayer Group CC Room I
- **10:30 am** AFF- Apologetics 4 Parish Library
- **6:00 pm** Hisp. Children Choir Rehs. CC Room II
- **7:00 pm** Boy Scouts Troop 216 Mtg. Parish Center
- **7:00 pm** Hisp. Adult Choir Rehs. CC Room II
- **7:00 pm** Walking with Purpose Program Multipurpose Room
- **8:00 pm** Music- Schola Rehs. Family Parlor
- **8:00 pm** Over 35 Basketball Group Archangel Hall Gym

### Wednesday - February 26, 2020
- **9:00 am** FA Meeting CC Room II
- **9:30 am** Women’s Gospel Study CC Room I
- **6:00 pm** Hisp. Children Choir Rehs. CC Room II
- **7:00 pm** Boy Scouts Troop 216 Mtg. Parish Center
- **7:00 pm** Hisp. Adult Choir Rehs. CC Room II
- **6:15 am** TMIY Meeting CC Gallery
- **9:30 am** Women’s Spirituality Dir.- Junginger CC Room II
- **9:30 am** AFF- The Book of Revelation Multipurpose Room
- **1:00 pm** AFF- Divine Mercy Class Parish Library
- **6:00 pm** Hisp. Emaus Women Mtg. Parish Center
- **6:00 pm** Social Action Ministry Multipurpose Room
- **7:00 pm** AFF-Adult Conf. Prep. Parish Library
- **7:00 pm** Music- Adult Choir Rehearsal Church
- **8:00 pm** Men’s Pick Up Basketball Archangel Hall Gym
- **7:00 pm** Hisp. Emaus Women Mtg Parish Center
- **8:00 pm** Men’s Pick-up Basketball Archangel Hall Gym

### Thursday - February 27, 2020
- **12:00pm** Altar Cleaning Ministry Church
- **12:00pm** Altar Cleaning Ministry Church
- **12:30pm** Hisp. Nativity Rosary Group CC Room V
- **12:30pm** MTCM Confirmation Day of Reflection CC Gallery
- **8:30 am** FF Challenge & Conquest Leader Mtg. Blue/Gold Room
- **10:00 am** FF Challenge & Conquest Grp. Mtg. Blue/Gold Room
- **10:00 am** Hisp. Baptisms Church
- **11:00 am** JFG Church Tour Church
- **12:30 pm** JFG Reception Parish Center
- **6:30 pm** Hispanic Rosary Chapel

### Saturday - February 29, 2020
- **8:00 am** MTM Confirmation Day of Reflection CC Gallery
- **8:30 pm** FF Challenge & Conquest Leader Mtg. Blue/Gold Room
- **10:00 am** FF Challenge & Conquest Grp. Mtg. Blue/Gold Room
- **10:00 am** Hisp. Baptisms Church
- **11:00 pm** JFG Church Tour Church
- **12:30 am** JFG Reception Parish Center
- **6:30 pm** Hispanic Rosary Chapel

### Sunday - March 1, 2020
- **9:45 am** AFF- RCIA Multi. Room
- **11:15am** FF High School Bible Study Youth Room
- **12:00pm** AFF Hispanic RCIA Teacher Lounge
- **12:00pm** Hisp. Adult Choir Rehearsal CC Room III
- **12:00pm** Hisp. FF- Elem., Middle, RCIC & Parents School Building
- **12:00pm** Hispanic Youth Choir Rehearsal CC Room II
- **12:30pm** FF- High School CLU101 Speaker Parish Center
- **2:15 pm** Young Adults Bible Study Youth Room
- **4:00 pm** Music- One Heart Group Church
- **4:15 pm** EFF- Classes School Building

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday - February 23, 2020**
- **7am** | Thomas Rossi (req. by Bajerski Family)
- **8:30am** | Carmen High (req. by Earl High)
- **10:30am** | Roberta Varnum (req. by Husband & 3 sons)
- **12:30pm** | Apolinario Rodrigues (req. by Milton Rodrigues)
- **2:15 pm** | Howard & Maria Wise (req. by Howard, Elena, Mama Juana)
- **6pm** | Mary Soleo (req. by Elaine Vollaro)

**Monday - February 24, 2020**
- **7am** | Maria Martha Thao (req. by Hoa Piper)
- **8:30am** | Glen Glass (req. by Lisa Glass)

**Tuesday - February 25, 2020**
- **7am** | Charlie Moses (req. by The Lund Family)
- **8:30am** | John Richard McCallum (req. by Julia A. McCallum)
- **7pm** | Lucia Aguilar (req. by Catalino Cruz)

**Wednesday - February 26, 2020 (Ash Wednesday)**
- **7am** | Wayne Lockling Jr. (req. by The Lund Family)
- **8:15am** | Rosa Galvez Villarreal (req. by Teresa Aldahondo)
- **12:30pm** | Jerry Allen (req. by Delores Rowe)
- **5:30pm** | Phyllis Dolan (req. by Clare McNeill)
- **7:30pm** | No intention

**Thursday - February 27, 2019**
- **7:00am** | George Wirsch (req. by Eric & Martina Young)
- **8:30am** | Richard Pontello (req. by Pontello Family)

**Friday - February 28, 2020**
- **7:00am** | Robert Piatak (req. by B & D Cline)
- **8:30am** | James Shipman (req. by Pat Hanish)

**Saturday - February 29, 2020**
- **7am** | Robert James Sears (req. by Robert & Cindy Moncsko)
- **5pm** | Deceased Members of Delaney & Crimmens Fam. (req. by Richard Delaney)
- **7pm** | Gumecindo Martinez, Arcadio Martinez, & Julia Martinez (req. by Maria Martinez)

*If you would like to submit something for the bulletin, please email bulletin@stmcary.org by the Wednesday 11 days prior to the desired weekend publication date.*

### ALTAR FLOWERS

In loving memory of So Cao. Happy Birthday in heaven.
From your family.
2020 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

This week is our second in-pew collection for the 2020 BAA. As of Feb. 16, we have $153,852 in pledges. This is 34% of our goal of $444,162.

Below is a testimony from a longtime parishioner who is directly benefiting from the BAA.

“My name is Davis Wulff and I have been a parishioner of St. Michael Catholic Church for over 30 years. I retired as a Cary Police Officer and in my final years there, I felt the calling to pursue the Permanent Diaconate Program. I felt this calling when I saw Deacon Patrick Pelkey being blessed by Msgr. Tim O’Connor when he started the Deacon Program. I made my first contact with the Diocese of Raleigh, Office of the Permanent Diaconate in 2011 to talk about and understand what is expected. They told me what to do and how to discern a calling. The formal discernment process began on September 27, 2014 and lasted three months at which point we were permitted to apply. 2015 was filled with the application process and psychological testing and waiting to hear if we were accepted. Even our wives are interviewed and tested psychologically having to agree that we are capable and willing to serve the Church. Classes began in September of 2015 and are held monthly for five years. Classes are rigorous and written assignments are required with each of our subjects. My graduate degree was easier. The professors that are brought in for us are world class and experts in their field of study making our formation exactly what we need to meet the needs of our parish communities. God willing, I am scheduled to be ordained on June 27, 2020 at the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral in Raleigh by Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama. If you have not attended an Ordination Service, consider coming to this service and celebrating one of your fellow parishioners making the Sacrament of Holy Orders. For that I want to thank you for your past and future generosity in meeting the needs of our Diocese through the Bishop’s Annual Appeal.”

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Beginning March 2, 2020
Monday: 11am - 6pm
Tues - Thurs: 8am - 5pm | Friday: 8am - 12 noon

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY TRAINING

Your Mass needs you! Join the Hospitality Ministry and help welcome all to St. Michael. As a Hospitality Minister, your face is often the first and last that a parishioner, new member, or visitor sees. The contact they have with you can influence whether or not they come back.

This is a great ministry to get to know people, work with your family at Mass and help out your parish. All are welcome to join. Children under 13 need to work with a parent.

Join us for training on Saturday, March 21st from noon - 1pm or on Wednesday, April 1st from 7 - 8pm.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship (dwilliams@stmcary.org)

WEDDING MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Michael is in need of volunteers for our wedding ministry. Please come and give your time and talent for this fun ministry by assisting the bride and groom with their rehearsal and wedding. Please contact Regina Erwin, St. Michael wedding coordinator, at regerwin@yahoo.com

EMHC TRAINING

St. Michael is in need of new members to be Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC). If you are a confirmed Catholic and would like to join this ministry, please attend our next training session on March 4th. Classes are offered at 11:00am and 6:00pm. This training is required for those who wish to serve at either Holy Mass, with the Hospital, Nursing Home, or Homebound Ministry. Please Contact Kathy or Bill Thompson (kbt710Cay@hotmail.com) with any questions.
**Parish Announcements**

**ASH WEDNESDAY (FEB. 26, 2020)**

Masses:
7am | 8:15am | 12:30pm (StMS attending) | 5:30pm | 7:30pm (Spanish)

Prayer Service (ashes distributed): 11:00am (Preschool attending)

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**LENTEN NORMS FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE**

- Catholics in good health ages 18 - 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.
- Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.
- If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

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**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES - RICE BOWLS**

Join our faith community—and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. **Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the table in the Church Gathering Space TODAY after all Masses.** During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the challenge of global hunger and how it affects our human family.

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**ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Are you a Catholic adult who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?* Preparation sessions will take place on four Thursday evenings **beginning February 27, 2020 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** at the St. Michael Trinity Center.

Preregistration is required ($25) and materials will be provided. To register online please check REALM or the parish website. For more information, contact Mary DiSano mdisano@stmccary.org

*Adults who have previously received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation and First Communion are eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation after proper preparation.

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**HABITAT UPDATE**

The countdown has officially begun! We are within striking distance of our goal of $65,000 for this All St. Michael Build. Thank you to all who have given to this noble endeavor.

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**2019 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

How to get yours!

1) Log in to Realm
2) Click on the Giving tab
3) Click on the Filter Icon and choose “Last Year” (2019)
4) Once you have chosen the dates, make sure to click on the Filter box
5) Click on the Print Icon
6) Click on the Print Box

*If you would like a paper statement, please contact Catherine Embry (cembrystmcary.org) or (919) 468 - 6149*
PRAYER & Faith In Our Lives

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
For those who are ill or in need of our prayers, we pray…


WEEK THREE: The Canlas Family, Abby Flott, Michael Fraga, James Gallagher, David Harcharic, Tony Iyoob, Oscar Romero Atkins Lima, Jim Lyons, Mary Nagle, Debbie Orkszewski, Parish Staff in Need, Dolores Rewkowski, Marilyn Roberts, Christine Scuderi, The Sliwa Family, Sandra Viera

WEEK FOUR: The Alexander Family, Tania Almeida, Claudette Anger, Binh Cao, Chuck Elms, Rodrigo Eguiguren, Ricardo Eguizabel, Jerry Franks, Sally Gilea, Dara Hadley, Rita Lohman, Rita & Frank Losito Sr., Gloria Marshall, Joe Miracula, Louise Molnar, Nancy Odell, Debra Pavlou, Marilyn Pelligrini, Irene Quistorff, Dorothy Rogers, Joel Schroeher, Ernestine Soller, Carol Tinsley, Angela Traglia, Betsy Warren, Nina J. Weiland

WEEK FIVE: Julie Miles Gernatt, Jessica Lohman, Caren Lowe, Ruby Milla, Norma Miller, Nina Miracula, Donna Lee Pennella, Joan Robinson, Mary Schroeher, Annette Stephens, Teresa Watkins, Ken Wondra

WEEK SIX: Baby Sophia Alexander, Henry & Henrietta Badjan, Barbara Biland, The Cortina Family, Angela Frasca, Richard Friedman, Patti Hashagen, Kathy Howard, Linda Janas, Rebecca Johnson, Deacon Terry Mancuso, Peggy Scollon, Annette Stevens, Ken Tanner

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Alex B. Youstic

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP
This ministry meets every Tuesday from 9:45 to 11:15am for prayer, reading, and community. Please join us in the St. Michael Conference Center Room I. All are welcome!

ADORATION / HOLY HOUR
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration (March 6)
9:15am-8:30pm
Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Praise and Worship led by One Heart Music Group at 7:30pm ending with Benediction at 8:30pm

First Saturday Mass & Holy Hour (March 7)
Mass at 7:00am followed by Eucharistic Adoration for one hour
Devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary
Led by Regnum Christi

TO FALL IN LOVE WITH GOD IS THE GREATEST ROMANCE.

ST. MICHAEL PRAYER
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST
Please note that a list of all St. Michael active military will be published the first Sunday of each month. Names need to be on file with the Pastoral Care Desk to be published. Please call the Pastoral Care Desk (919) 468-6142 with:
- The name and rank of military personnel to be published.
- Phone number of parishioner making request for contact.
- The amount of time prayers are needed.
*Limited spaces remain in the StMS full-day PreK and Kindergarten classes, as well as Grades 1 - 8. Give the gift of Catholic education!* Come tour or apply online today: www.stmcary.org. If you have any questions, please contact us at admissions@stmcary.org

StMS Science Labs
StMS Grade 6 students recently created and launched their own rockets to test kinetic and potential energy. Grade 8 students were able to see DNA by extracting DNA strands from strawberries! Ah, the wonder of science!

Catholic Schools Week
Catholic Schools Week was a wonderful celebration of our faith and pride in our parish preschool. Thank you Fr. Noe and Fr. Labosky for getting in on the fun!

For more information or to register visit: www.stmichaelpreschool.com

Follow us! ---> Twitter & Instagram: @stmpreschoolnc | Facebook: StMichael Cary
**MINISTERIO Hispano**

**HORARIO DE OFICINA**

| Horas de Oficina | Lunes: 12:00pm - 5:00pm  
|                  | Martes: 8:00am - 5:00pm  
|                  | Miércoles: 8:00am - 5:00pm  
|                  | Jueves: 8:00am - 5:00pm |

**HORARIO DE LAS MISAS**

|          | sábados - 7pm  
|          | domingos - 2:15pm  
|          | martes - 7pm |

**COORDINADOR DE LOS MINISTERIOS HISPANOS**

Carolina Gallo  
(919) 468-6145  
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cgallo@stmcary.org

En caso de gravedad o de muerte, por favor llame a nuestra línea de emergencia al  
(919) 368-0150

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**EVENTOS - FEBRERO Y MARZO**

**Misa Miércoles de Ceniza**  
Feb 26 | 7:00pm

**Bautizos**  
Feb 29 | 10:00am

**Clases Regulares de Catequesis**  
Marzo 01, 15, 22, 29 | 12:00 - 2:00pm

**Charla Prebautismal**  
Marzo 13 | 7:00pm

**Catequesis: Rosario IV**  
Encargados: Confirmación Segundo Año  
Marzo 15 | 12:00pm (Gimnasio)

**Bautizos**  
Marzo 28 | 10:00am

**Examen #4**  
Primer Nivel, Primera Comunión Primer Año y Continuidad en la Fe  
Marzo 29 | 12:00pm (en sus salones)

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**ADORACIÓN Y HORA SANTA**

**Viernes, 6 de marzo**  
*Primer viernes*  
Adoración de 9:15am – 8:30pm

**Sábado, 7 de marzo**  
*Primer Sábado*  
Misa: 7:00am seguido de una Hora Santa

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**INFORMACIÓN - SACRAMENTOS**

- Cartas de: Inmigración, bautizar en otra parroquia, horas de labor social, entre otras, deben estar registrados en la parroquia y asistir a Misa semanalmente
- Si desea celebrar el Sacramento del Matrimonio, necesita pedir una cita con el Sacerdote para iniciar el proceso, mínimo seis (6) meses antes de la Boda.
- Los requisitos para poder bautizar son los siguientes:
- Deben estar registrados en la Iglesia. Mínimo 6 meses.
- Si eligieron padrinos que son matrimonio, deben de estar casados por la Iglesia y deben de presentar la copia del Certificado de Matrimonio de los padrinos.
- Si los padrinos pertenecen a otra parroquia necesita carta firmada por el párroco, verificando que es miembro de la parroquia y que asiste a Misa.
- Si los padrinos son solteros, no deben estar conviviendo en unión libre y tienen que haber recibido los Sacramentos de Bautizo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación; Presentar copia del certificado de Confirmación.
- Papas y Padrinos deben de asistir a la clase pre-bautismal.
- Los niños deben ser menores de 7 años.
- Deben de registrarse en la oficina, traer todos los documentos el mismo día.
- Deben de presentar el Certificado de Nacimiento del (a) niño (a).
- Una vez elegida la fecha solo se harán cambios por motivos de fuerza mayor. Deberán hablar con el Sacerdote Hispano.
- Todos los niños que vayan a ser bautizados deben entregar los papeles cuando los registren, si para el día de la Charla Pre-Bautismal, no tienen los documentos tendrán que caminar la fecha para el siguiente mes.

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**ORACIÓN A SAN MIGUEL ARCÁNGEL**

*San Miguel Arcángel, defiéndenos en la batalla, se nuestro amparo contra las perversidades y ascehanzas del demonio. Reprímale Dios, Pedimos suplicantes, y tu príncipe de la milicia celestial arroja al infierno con el divino poder a Satanás y a los otros espíritus Malignos que andan dispersos por el mundo para la perdición de las almas. Amen.*
PROGRAMAS Y EVENTOS PARROQUIALES

MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA
(26 de Febrero)

Misas
7am (inglés) | 8:15am (inglés)
12:30pm (inglés; con la escuela) | 5:30pm (inglés)
7:30pm (español)

Servicio de Oración
11:00am (inglés)

RCIA - ADOLESCENTES

Domingo Marzo 01, 2020

• Rito de Envío, misa 8:30am en la iglesia San Miguel Arcángel
• Rito de Elección, 3:30pm en Catedral Holy Name of Jesus

Deben estar presentes los Jóvenes con sus Padres y Padrinos

La Iglesia San Miguel Arcángel y el grupo de Emaús se complace en invitarlos al retiro de Mujeres.

Abril 03, 04 y 05
Costo: $120

Para más información comunicarse con:
Elizabeth Rodríguez 919-2449311
Maria Álvarez 919-4343851
Yolanda Velázquez 919-8175318

La Iglesia San Miguel Arcángel y el grupo de Emaús se complace en invitarlos al retiro de Hombres.

Mayo 08, 09 y 10
Costo: $120

Para más información comunicarse con:
Teodoro Herrera 919-5865886
Elidio Valentín 910-3889249
José Rodríguez 919-5763094

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGÉLIO – ALIENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

7o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
23 de febrero de 2020

Existe una relación profunda entre la Primera Lectura y el Evangelio de la Liturgia de hoy. Moisés, mandado por el Señor, habla a la asamblea de la siguiente manera: “Sean santos, porque yo, el Señor, soy santo.” (Levítico 19:2). Se daba la ley de la santidad donde toda la asamblea era invitada. Dios, por medio de Moisés, ordenaba al pueblo de Israel a ser santo como Él. Jesús daba a sus discípulos la misma dirección, no solo de santidad sino de perfección. ¡Santos y perfectos! Cada día es una oportunidad para ser mejor que el día anterior; es una oportunidad perfecta para escalar la santidad. Jesús, en el Evangelio, habla hasta de si alguien “te golpea la mejilla derecha, ofrécele también la otra.” (Mateo 5:39). ¿Qué significa esto? ¿Cómo vivirlo en la sociedad violenta en que vivimos?

Significa que todos debemos de poner un granito de arena yendo más allá de las necesidades de la otra persona; no se acepta el conformismo. La perfección es precisamente estar el servicio al otro hasta que duela. Es decir, haciendo actos buenos sin dramatismo. Visitar un enfermo, saludar al vecino, escuchándose en familia sin gritos ni peleas que lastiman y amargan el día. La santidad se construye con actos pequeños; los santos así se forjaron. Santa Teresa de Calcuta decía que: “Haz cosas ordinarias con un amor extraordinario. El amor comienza en casa, y no es cuánto hacemos, sino por la cantidad de amor que ponemos en la acción que hacemos.” (Sólo decir estas palabras, según un sacerdote amigo de ella).
DAILY READINGS -- WEEK OF FEB. 23
Mon: Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [9a]/Mk 9:14-29
Tues: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23 [23a]/Mk 9:30-37
Wed: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2
Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thurs: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
Fri: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
Sat: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sun: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

SHARE SUNDAY
When: The first weekend of every month
What: St. Michael Parish will be collecting food items to help feed the hungry in NC.
How: With the help of our St. Michael school children, we will collect the food each week for the Inter-Faith Food Shuttle to pick up and distribute to those most in need. For more information on the Inter-Faith Food Shuttle, go to www.foodshuttle.org

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)
Children’s Liturgy introduces children to both the liturgical structure and participation in worship so the grow in the understanding and love of God. At St. Michael, CLOW welcomes all children Pre-K (age 4) through second grade during the 8:30am Sunday Mass. CLOW is in session Sept -May.

CHIEF OF CAROLINA

KoC ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY
The Knights of Columbus are hosting several Lenten Fish Fry Dinners beginning on Friday, Feb. 28. Dinners will be served (and available to take out) from 5:00-7:00pm. Please note the dates and locations:

- Friday, Feb. 28 - St Andrew the Apostle Fellowship Hall
- Friday, March 6 - St Michael Conference Center
- Friday, March 13 - St Andrew Fellowship Hall
- Friday, March 20 - St Andrew Fellowship Hall
- Friday, April 3 - St Andrew Fellowship Hall (Pasta, Eggplant, Shrimp and Pizza.)

Addresses:
- St. Andrew (3008 Old Raleigh Rd. Apex)
- St. Michael (830 High House Rd. Cary)

The Knights wish to thank you for your continued support!

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER
EVENING OF NEW ORLEANS JAZZ
This evening of Jazz will be featuring the band Peter Lamb and the Wolves in the Parish Center on Saturday, March 21, 2020, 6:30pm – 9:30pm. Enjoy an evening of dancing, lite appetizers and GREAT Fun! Door Prizes & 50/50 raffle. Beer & wine available for sale. Admission $25.00 per person. Tickets available online http://bit.ly/2unZWTE, or in the parish office.

Donations are appreciated. Make checks payable to St. Michael and in the Memo field: AAMEN scholarship.

TUTORS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
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- Feb. 23 | Sunday Offertory
- Feb. 26 | Ash Wednesday
- Mar 1 | Sunday Offertory; Black & Indian Missions

**SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER**
**EVENING OF NEW ORLEANS JAZZ**
This evening of Jazz will be featuring the band Peter Lamb and the Wolves in the Parish Center on Saturday, March 21, 2020, 6:30pm – 9:30pm. Enjoy an evening of dancing, lite appetizers and GREAT Fun! Door Prizes & 50/50 raffle. Beer & wine available for sale. Admission $25.00 per person. Tickets available online http://bit.ly/2unZWTE, or in the parish office.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Wake County Libraries, Town of Cary’s Page-Walker Arts & History Center and The Cary Arts Center are providing many opportunities for the whole family to enjoy FREE Black History Month activities. Search the websites for more information. Mark your calendar for the following February dates:

• (North Regional Library, February 23 @2:00pm) FREE: Enloe Black Student Union perform dance, choral, step and spoken word
• (East Regional Library, February 28 @4:00pm) FREE: Jazz/Blues vocalist Shenette Swann
• Librarians Chat throughout the month: African American history, culture, biographies & African American Women FREE

Information courtesy of St. Michael African Ancestry Ministry and Evangelization Network

THE TRIANGLE
WOMEN’S MONTHLY MORNING RETREAT
Sacred Space Invitation: Reflect, Renew, Refresh
You are cordially invited to attend: a morning dedicated to reflection, healing, and community by journeying with other women towards a closer, more intimate relationship with our Lord. Prayer, spoken and silent, scripture, journaling, and other “tools” will be utilized to create a nurturing and empowering sacred time.

Date: The 3rd Saturday of every month.
Next Meeting: March 21
Time: 9:30 - 11:30am
Location: Conference Center Gallery

This retreat is open to women of all faiths. While there is no charge to attend, please RSVP by contacting Jean Costa (jeanannecosta@gmail.com) or (919) 632 - 4951. Bring your own refreshments.

AL TAR SERVER TRAINING
An Altar Server Training Class will be held in the church on Saturday, March 14th from 9:00 – 11:00am for new participants. Volunteers who are interested in assisting with this ministry must be in third grade or older and have already received the Sacrament of First Communion to participate in this ministry. Please contact Karlin Moore (ckmoore4@gmail.com) if your child is interested in attending.

St. Michael Feed-A-Family Food Drive
Feb. 22/23: Grocery bags will be handed out after all Masses
Feb. 29/March 1: Food will be collected before and after all Masses.

No time for shopping? Make your check payable to Catholic Parish Outreach, and give it to a volunteer at the CPO truck during the food drive. Thanks to food donations & CPO’s volume buying power, a donation of $30 feeds a family for one week.

• CPO is the largest food pantry in the Triangle
• Clients are eligible to receive a week’s worth of groceries every 30 days with a referral
• 70% of CPO’s food is donated
• CPO Distributed 2.7 million pounds of groceries in 2019
• CPO gave a week’s worth of groceries to an average of 8,200 people / month in 2019
• During Thanksgiving week 2019, CPO served over 600 families
• CPO met these needs with 3.5 staff people and 1,900 volunteers
RALEIGH DIOCESAN EVENTS

DR. SCOTT HAHN TALK
Dr. Scott Hahn, founder and President of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, is one of the world’s leading biblical scholars, Catholic apologist, and a leader of the New Evangelization called for by St. Pope John Paul II. DO NOT MISS this opportunity to hear a great motivational speaker and defender of the Catholic faith.

Friday, Feb. 28, 2020 | 7:30 - 9:00pm  
Cost: $15 / person  
Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
300 Dundee Rd. Pinehurst, NC 28374

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
It’s time to take a stand for life! Join other like-minded Americans in the 2020 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign in Chapel Hill. This campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful witness for an end to abortion, begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26, and ends on April 5 (7am-7pm daily). Location: public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood, 1765 Dobbins Drive, Chapel Hill, NC. For more information or to volunteer: 40daysforlife.com/chapel-hill or email 40dayschapelhill@gmail.com.

SILENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN
Find your peace in the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola. Join us for a silent retreat for women from Friday, May 22 - Sunday, May 24, 2020 led by Fr. Stephen Ellis, LC at the Catholic Conference Center, 1551 Trinity Lane, Hickory, NC 28602. Cost is $350 before March 1 and $395 after March 1. Learn to pray better and listen to God speak in the quiet of your heart. Please contact mbphil@bellsouth.net or 919-274-9362 for information and registration.

ITALY PILGRIMAGE W/ MSGR. WALL
You are invited to join Msgr. John A. Wall on a once-in-a-lifetime Spiritual and Cultural Journey to Italy for 10 days, Oct. 7 - 16, including Siena, Florence, Assisi, and Rome. For more info, email MJ Bettman at papalvisit2020@gmail.com or call (919) 349-1745.

STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE 2020
--BUS TRIP--
Need a recharge in your spiritual life? Wondering about the power of the Holy Spirit or God’s purpose for you? Feeling empty and needing more peace, joy, and love in your life? Reserve your spot at the Power and Purpose Conference today! Over 1500 adults come up to campus in Steubenville, Ohio each summer to experience the power of the Holy Spirit. They leave with a renewed sense of God’s love for them and a stronger desire to put Him first in their lives.

Registration 2020 Pricing
Early Bird Rate (register by February 28 2020): $146  
Standard Rate: $176  
Clergy/Religious/Young Adult (Age 18-30) Rate: $97

Save the Date:  
June 5 - 7, 2020

Questions? Contact Laura Werner (919-889-9904) or steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com for more information, travel details, and registration.

GET YOUR GREEN ON - BLARNEY BASH
Knights of Columbus Blarney Bash  
Saturday, March 21, 2020  
6:00 PM – 11:00 PM  
Our Lady of Lourdes, Raleigh, NC

Price of admission includes:
• an authentic Irish dinner and dessert catered by High Park Bar and Grill,  
• wine/beer and other beverages,  
• a performance by the Inis Cairde School of Irish Dance,  
• a 50/50 raffle, and  
• music and dancing.

Tickets:
• $20.00 per adult if purchased by March 8, then $25.00 if purchased after.  
• Reserve an 8-person table for $140.  
• Call Bob Povlock at (919) 949-9049 or Bill MacKrell at (919) 598-9816, or pick them up at the parish or school offices.

COURAGE & ENCOURAGE
COURAGE is a prayer and fellowship group that assists individuals with same-sex attractions (or SSA) to live chaste lives in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Meetings are for men and women and strict confidentiality is maintained. For more information email: courage.sacred.heart@gmail.com. Or call: (919) 289-9489

EnCourage is the affiliate support group for parents, friends and family members of loved ones with SSA. EnCourage helps members to focus on their own spiritual development and offers a supportive environment to share information and guidance for maintaining healthy relationships with our loved ones. For more information, email encourage.sacred.heart@gmail.com. Or call: (984) 221-0730. Strict confidentiality is maintained.
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