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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." - Mk 1:40

6º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

En aquel tiempo, se le acercó a Jesús un leproso para suplicarle de rodillas: "Si tú quieres, puedes curarme". - Mc 1, 40

Saturday Vigil

4:00pm - English
6:30pm - Spanish

Sunday Masses

8:00am - English
9:15am - Spanish
11:00am - English
1:30pm - Spanish
7:00pm - Spanish

Daily Masses

Monday - Friday,
8:15am & 5:30pm
Saturday - 8:15am

Reconciliation

Thursdays, 6:00 - 7:30pm
Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:45pm

Adoration

Thursdays, 6:00 - 8:00pm

*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.*

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:

9:00am - 4:00pm
(closed 12:30-1:30pm)

Friday:

9:00am - 12:00pm



CHURCH STAFF

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In September 2001, HBO aired the World War II miniseries *Band of Brothers*, which told the story of E-Company from the US Army's 506th Airborne Division.

Originally parachuting into Normandy on D-Day, they experienced relentless battles, losses, and hardships over the course of 2 years, while also surviving the horrors of the Battle of the Bulge and liberating several Nazi death camps. Most of these soldiers were just kids, having never even left their small hometowns prior to serving. In the documentary *The War*, historian Ken Burns likewise tells the story of World War II from the perspective of its impact on four American towns: Luverne, MN, Mobile, AL, Sacramento, CA, and Waterbury, CT. He highlights well the sacrifices that normal families had to make during the tumultuous years of the war, and the long-term PTSD trauma that so many young men encountered in the years following the war, as they were expected to simply pick back up where they left off years before their intense

experiences. The truth is that they were very different young men at that point, and many would spend the rest of their lives living with nightmares and personal struggles, most of which would be hidden from their own families.

As we begin the Lenten season, it is good for us to take a lesson from the lives of these young soldiers who lived with death every day. Most Americans are just not comfortable discussing the topic of death openly. It is almost as taboo as human sexuality. On Ash Wednesday (February 14th) we will be reminded of this reality as the priest says, while imposing ashes on our forehead, "Remember that you are dust, and unto dust you shall return" (Gn 3:19). At St. Michael's parish, you may have noticed that we often return to this topic, given that Our Lord tells us again and again, "Be ready, you know neither the day, nor the hour" (Mt 25:13). Thus, while we love our lives and live them to the fullest, we fully understand that this life is entirely transitional as we maintain an eternal perspective on where we are ultimately meant to be: heaven.

Every year during Lent, Pope St. John Paul II would re-write his last will and testament, asking the same question: "Am I ready to meet the Lord?" Every moment is a gift. Lent is an opportune time to self-evaluate and to ask a basic question: If this were my last day, would I be ready? There is nothing depressing about this, but it is, in fact, hopeful, given that Jesus assures us of heaven for those willing to be humble and leave the world a little better than we found it.

Please know that you are loved, and the St. Michael clergy and staff prays for you this Lenten season,
~ Fr. Ben

*At times we all need healing ~
physical, emotional, spiritual, or mental.
This may include addictions, divorce, or
other areas in our life that need forgiveness.*

*Please join us for a
Healing Mass
in honor of
the Feast of
Our Lady of Lourdes*



Thursday, February 15 at 5:30pm

*Bilingual Mass,
Anointing of the Sick,
Adoration and Confession*

*"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me,
and I shall be saved, for you are my praise."
~Jeremiah 17:14*



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Feb. 16 & 23, Mar. 1 & 22!
More information under
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February 13- St. Leo Hall
5:30pm - Officer Meeting
7:00pm - Council Meeting

PMASS
INTENCIONES
INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

Saturday, February 10

4:00pm Deceased members of the
Schaeffgen-Goelz families
6:30pm +Jose Santoyo Garcia

Sunday, February 11

8:00am People of St. Michael Church
9:15am +Sergio & Cecilia Almanza
11:00am +Mickey Keep
1:30pm +Jaime Castro Carreño
7:00pm +Jose Gregorio Borjas
+Alejandra Diaz Vargas

Monday, February 12

8:15am +Dot Hartweck
+Andrew Vindel
5:30pm +Jose Gonzalez Gomez

Tuesday, February 13

8:15am +Doyle Baker
5:30pm *Communion Service*

Wednesday, February 14

8:15am +Carmen Mendoza Molinares
5:30pm +Bill Donogne

Thursday, February 15

8:15am +Allen Davis, Jr.
5:30pm +Bill Donogne

Friday, February 16

8:15am Int/Bray family
5:30pm Priest Intention

Saturday, February 17

8:15am Int/Cathy Freres
4:00pm +Tom McCrory
6:30pm +Severidno Reyna

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Online

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Total

\$33,451.88

**FEBRUARY 14
MASS TIMES
8:15AM & 5:30PM**



**MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA
MISA EN ESPAÑOL ~ 7:30PM**

**PRAYER LIST
ORAMOS POR**

Abigail Aguilar	Gauna Garcia	Chip Maley
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		Rita Woodward

EXPECTANT MOTHERS - FUTURAS MAMÁS:

Mary Unverferth, due in January
Elle Murchison, due in April
Cydney French, due in June
Elizabeth Barzizza Hampton, due in July

SIN AND LONELINESS

When I was in high school, we read *The Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka. It's a depressing little novella about a man who (spoiler alert!) turns into a cockroach and dies of neglect, his family gradually ceasing to recognize the creature he has become.

"Never underestimate how badly human beings need touch," our teacher told us. "Without each other, we curl up and die."

Our need for communion with each other is written into our biology - the breathing and heart rate of newborns regulates when they lie against the skin of their mothers, and we instinctively reach out to embrace someone who has been wounded. But it is also written into our souls. Consider the early days of the pandemic, and the emotional starvation we all experienced, prevented from gathering in groups to worship, to celebrate and to mourn. And when we did encounter other people, we kept a mutual distance. "I feel like a leper," we grumbled to our families when we returned home, because we finally understood it: the real tragedy of leprosy is not pain and disfigurement. The real tragedy of leprosy is loneliness.

"If you wish, you can make me clean," begged the leper as he knelt before Christ (Mark 1:40). He wasn't begging for deliverance from pain and disfigurement. He was begging for deliverance from isolation.

"If you wish, you can make me clean," we beg God in confession, not because we are physically withering and dying but because we are so desperate to once again be held in His embrace.

"Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, 'I do will it. Be made clean.'"
~ Mark 1:41

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC
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A banner for "St. Mike's MEN" with a blue background. It features a white cross icon and the text "A PLACE TO BE REAL ABOUT YOUR FAITH." Below this, it lists "UPCOMING GATHERINGS:" with three events: Feb 13: Worship Mass & Rosary Sanctuary 5:30-6:30 pm; Feb 20: Formation Faith Discussions St. Leo's 6-7 pm; Feb 27: Fellowship U of M Baseball Game 4-7 pm. There is a QR code on the right and a small image of a group of men. At the bottom right, it says "Scan the QR code to join the group" and "groupme".

A banner for "COCKTAILS & CONVERSATION" in white text on a dark background. Below the title, it says "Monday, February 12 6:30pm. Courtyard". There is a small image of several colorful cocktails. Below that, it says "Ladies, bring your favorite beverage, a snack to share, and a friend!"

*Sanación puede ser física,
emocional, espiritual y mental.
Esto puede incluir
la adicción, el divorcio o el perdón.*

*Por favor,
acompañanos para una
Misa de Sanación
en honor a la
Fiesta de Nuestra
Señora de Lourdes*



Jueves 15 de febrero, 5:30pm

*Misa bilingüe
con unción de los enfermos
Seguido de Adoración y Confesión*

*"¿Devuélveme la salud, Yavé, y quedará sano!
¡Sálvame y estaré a salvo! Pues mi esperanza eres tú."
~Jeremias 17:14*

MISIÓN CUARESMAL

De las Cenizas a la Pascua

CLAVES PARA UNA CUARESMA
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**MARTES 27 DE FEB.
6:30-8:30PM**

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EVANGELISTA
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Héctor Molina



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PECADO Y SOLEDAD

Cuando estaba en la escuela preparatoria, leímos *La Metamorfosis* de Franz Kafka. Es una pequeña novela deprimente sobre un hombre que (¡alerta de spoiler!) se convierte en una cucaracha y muere por abandono, mientras su familia deja gradualmente de reconocer la criatura en la que se ha convertido.

"Nunca subestimes lo mucho que los seres humanos necesitan el tacto," nos dijo nuestra maestra. "El uno sin el otro, nos acurrucamos y morimos."

Nuestra necesidad de comunión de los unos con los otros está escrita en nuestra biología: la respiración y el ritmo cardíaco de los recién nacidos se regulan cuando se acuestan contra la piel de sus madres, e instintivamente extendemos la mano para abrazar a alguien que ha sido herido. Pero también está escrito en nuestras almas. Consideremos los primeros días de la pandemia y la hambruna emocional que todos experimentamos al no poder reunirnos en grupos para adorar, celebrar y llorar. Y cuando nos encontrábamos con otras personas, manteníamos una distancia mutua. "Me siento como un leproso," nos quejábamos con nuestras familias cuando regresábamos a casa, porque finalmente lo entendimos: la verdadera tragedia de la lepra no es el dolor y la desfiguración. La verdadera tragedia de la lepra es la soledad.

"Si quieres, puedes limpiarme," suplicó el leproso mientras se arrodillaba ante Cristo (Marcos 1:40). No estaba rogando por liberación del dolor y la desfiguración. Estaba rogando por ser liberado del aislamiento.

"Si quieres, puedes limpiarme," le rogamos a Dios en confesión, no porque nos estemos marchitando y muriendo físicamente, sino porque estamos desesperados por ser nuevamente sostenidos en Sus brazos.

*Jesús se compadeció de él, y extendiendo la mano,
lo tocó y le dijo: "¿Si quiero: Sana!"*

~ Marcos 1:41

(PRACTICANDO) CATÓLICA
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ST. MICHAEL MINISTRIES



LENTEN FISH FRY

PESCADO FRITO DE CUARESMA

**FRIDAYS:
LOS VIERNES:**
FEB 16 & 23
MAR 1 & 22
5-7 PM



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MENU: TACOS DE PESCADO, QUESADILLA DE CAMARON,
QUESADILLAS DE QUESO Y PIZZA DE QUESO PARA NIÑOS.
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BEGINNING FEBRUARY 20**

LENTEN MISSION

From Ashes to Easter
KEYS TO A
SPIRITUALLY FRUITFUL LENT

**MONDAY, FEB. 26
6:30-8:30PM**

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Join us to pack food boxes
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Space is limited,
scan to sign up now! ➡

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 11, 2024

AROUND THE DIOCESE

OLQP Retreat Center:

Ash Wednesday Mass & Retreat - Feb. 14, 9a-1p

**RETURN TO ME
RETREAT**
FEBRUARY 16-18

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+ Sat. Morning, 17th

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Retiro de Sanacion y Liberacion, 17 de Feb.,
8am-9pm. \$100 por pareja.

Para mas info: Rosa Lopez 901-628-5156,
Maribel Lopez 901-596-3753,
o Boutique Magnolia, 6850 Stage Rd

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for anyone seeking
healing from the trauma of abortion, Mar. 1 - 3.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Memphis
Contact Cathy at (901)463-3595 or
rvmphs@gmail.com. Completely confidential.

Marriage Prep Workshop - **To Be One in Flesh**
March 9, 9am to 3pm, St. Benedict, Cordova, TN
Cost is \$135 per couple - lunch will be included
Register and pay at: cdom.org.

KID'S CORNER



Be made clean

Word Jumble

Unscramble the words from
this week's readings:

PSRELYO	_ _ _ _ _
FENSCOS	_ _ _ _ _
SOMES	_ _ _ _ _
LUNANCE	_ _ _ _ _
STRIPE	_ _ _ _ _
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