

# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### **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

**Fr. Ben Bradshaw** - Pastor

**Fr. Francisco Franquiz** - Assoc. Pastor

**Eva Gonzalez** - Office Receptionist

**Tera Simmons** - Parish Administrator

**Alexis Zamora** - Director of Catechesis

**Tracy McClure** - Director of Logistics

**Silvia Vega** - Director of Music

**Gwen Coffey** - English Ministries

**Mimi Gibson** - Social Ministries

**Marisol Soto** - Hispanic Development

**Julia Bolado** - Bilingual Counselor

**Maria Ayala** - Addiction Support Couns.

**Khira Rotty** - Adult Faith Formation

**Maria Razura** - Religious Education

**Elvira Loya** - Religious Education Asst.

**Enrique Montiel** - Youth Director

**Luis Trejo** - Facilities Manager

**Patrick Denham** - Bookkeeper



Growth of any kind is a blessing, and here at St. Mike's, by God's grace, we are definitely growing - both in the English and Spanish speaking communities. It is exciting to see and, much like a proud father, I am overjoyed to

witness the energy and community that is forming between the native St. Michael families and the newbies. Just call me a proud Papa!

As some may know, the first weekend of each year I usually give what we call the "State of the Parish" address, wherein I try to lay out what we did in the parish the previous year (i.e. ministries, property maintenance) and what we will do the new year. On the weekend of January 7th, I mentioned that we will be initiating two major undertakings on the parish grounds: a new parking lot and drive in front of the Church and slowly raising funds for an office expansion, including much-needed meeting spaces. As this vision gradually becomes reality, let's unpack this a bit to see what these two projects will include and what they will mean for our parish.

Most likely by the end of the year we will begin building a new drive all along Summer Avenue, including additional (needed!) parking. This driveway will ease traffic flow for all and enable funeral hearses to pull up directly in front of the Church to unload and load coffins. For weddings, it will be a help for limousines for couples. While we are still working out some of the logistical details of this project, suffice to say that, by the incredible generosity of private donors, the project is paid for in full. Many, many sincere thanks to those who have helped to fund this!

The office expansion project is still in its infancy stages, but clearly must be done at some point. We have completely outgrown our Church office, to the extent that 2 and 3 employees now occupy offices originally intended for one. With our new expansion we will likely be adding at least 5 new offices and a meeting hall, which as many of you know, the parish has never had and which we desperately need... desperately. We will be able to subdivide the hall into smaller rooms enabling classes or other groups to meet, or it could also seat over one hundred people for parish events and festivities. While I don't foresee us fully initiating this project until after the parking lot/driveway is completed, for now please keep this in prayer and know that more information will be forthcoming next year. While we have been genuinely blessed with benefactors who have covered the costs of the parking lot and driveway, we will *all* need to pitch in and help with the office expansion and parish hall. I have total faith in our great parish!

Please know that the clergy and staff prays for your families this Spring season!  
~Fr. Ben

**GOT QUESTIONS ABOUT THE MASS??**

**FR. BEN ANSWERS THEM!!**

**April 8, after 5:30pm Mass  
In the Sanctuary  
All are Welcome!**

**COCKTAILS & CONVERSATION**

**The Importance of Mental Health**

GUEST SPEAKER:  
JULIA BOLADO

**MONDAY,  
APRIL 29  
6:30PM**



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**April 26 - Catholic Charities**  
7:00am - Prepare Breakfast

**April 26/27 - Nashville**  
State Convention

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**Saturday, April 6**

4:00pm +Karen Williams  
6:30pm +Carmen Mendoza Molinar

**Sunday, April 7**

8:00am People of St. Michael Church  
9:15am +Jose Gonzalez Gomez  
11:00am +Mickey Keep  
1:30pm +Jose Remedios Fernandez  
7:00pm +Jose Wis Hernandez

**Monday, April 8**

8:15am +Dot Hartweck  
5:30pm +Juanito Marcella

**Tuesday, April 9**

8:15am +Pepper Allen  
5:30pm *Communion Service*

**Wednesday, April 10**

8:15am +Ascencio Calderon  
5:30pm Int/Harry & Sara Kalkbrenner

**Thursday, April 11**

8:15am +Mark Agnew  
5:30pm +Francisco Hernandez

**Friday, April 12**

8:15am +Gene Billingsley  
5:30pm Int/Mary Parker

**Saturday, April 13**

8:15am +Eddie Adkins  
4:00pm Deceased members of the  
Schaeffgen-Goelz families  
6:30pm +Concepcion Hernandez  
+Carmen Perez

**STEWARDSHIP**

MARCH 24

**In Person**

\$25,618.00

**Online**

\$8,850.24

**Total**

**\$34,468.24**

**PRAYER LIST**

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Arci Galven	Juan Martin	Rita Woodward
Dory Gaston		

**EXPECTANT MOTHERS - FUTURAS MAMÁS:**

Elle Murchison, due in April  
Cydney French, due in June  
Elizabeth Barzizza Hampton, due in July  
Courtney Durham, due in August  
Chandler Sexton, due in August



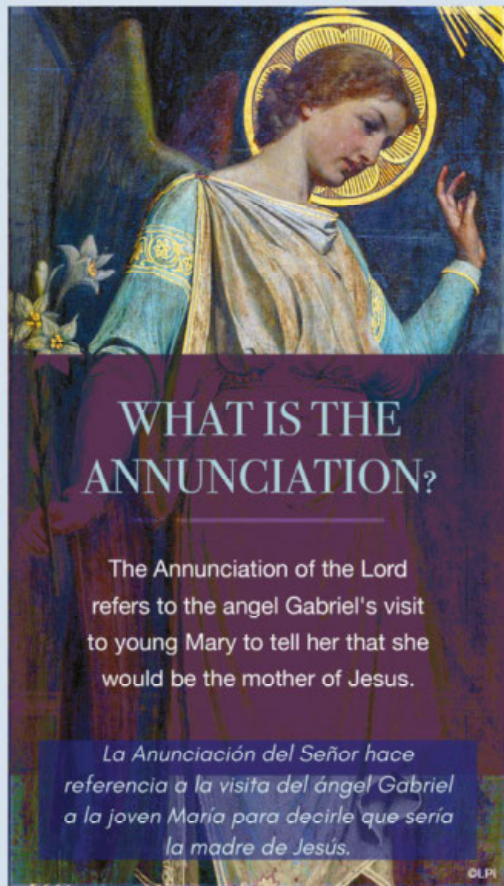
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April 16 & 23 @ 7 pm

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**WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?**

The Annunciation of the Lord refers to the angel Gabriel's visit to young Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of Jesus.

*La Anunciación del Señor hace referencia a la visita del ángel Gabriel a la joven María para decirle que sería la madre de Jesús.*

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## WRITTEN IN THE WOUNDS

For all the condemnation Thomas the Doubter has received in 2000 years of homilies, I think there's something to admire in him.

Thomas is not unique. We all waver at some point, overcome by hesitation, distracted by the clamor of the world which seeks at every turn to shout above the whisper of the divine.

Thomas knows what he saw on Good Friday: his friend nailed to a cross, a sword driven through his body. He saw the blood and the water. He saw these things with his own eyes, eyes given to him by God, eyes which have never failed him before. And God doesn't ask us to suspend reality to believe in Him. He only asks us to be discerning about how that reality is interpreted in our hearts.

Thomas knows the man before him is either a fraud, preying on the hopes and anxieties of the traumatized disciples, or he is the Christ, the Savior of the world, accomplisher of impossible things. But where to look, to tell the difference?

Satan once appeared to the great mystic saint, Teresa of Avila, disguised as Jesus. She knew instantly that he was a fraud. Enraged, he demanded to know where his deception had failed. "You have no wounds," she told him simply.

Could we have accepted a savior who did not bleed? I don't think we could, because sooner or later, we would all stand before him and say, "Here is where the world hurt me. Here, and here, and here. What about you?" Christ can point to his hands, his feet, his side. "Here, and here, and here," he can say. "And I overcame them all."

It's the wounds, you see. The truth is in the wounds.

*"Thomas answered and said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'"*

*~John 20:28*

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC  
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## ESCRITO EN LAS HERIDAS

A pesar de toda la condena que Tomás el Incrédulo ha recibido en 2000 años de homilías, creo que hay algo que admirar en él.

Tomás no es el único. Todos vacilamos en algún momento, vencidos por la indecisión, distraídos por el clamor del mundo que busca a cada paso gritar por encima del susurro de lo divino.

Tomás sabe lo que vio el Viernes Santo: a su amigo clavado en una cruz y una espada atravesándole el cuerpo. Vio la sangre y el agua. Vio estas cosas con sus propios ojos, ojos que Dios le dio, ojos que nunca antes le habían fallado. Y Dios no nos pide que suspendamos la realidad para creer en Él. Sólo nos pide que seamos discernidores sobre cómo se interpreta esa realidad en nuestro corazón.

Tomás sabe que el hombre que tiene ante él es o un fraude, que se aprovecha de las esperanzas y ansiedades de los discípulos traumatizados, o es el Cristo, el Salvador del mundo, realizador de cosas imposibles. ¿Pero dónde mirar para notar la diferencia?

Satanás se apareció una vez a la gran mística, santa Teresa de Ávila, disfrazado de Jesús. Ella supo al instante que él era un fraude. Enfurecido, exigió saber en qué había fallado su engaño. “No tienes heridas,” le dijo simplemente.

¿Podríamos haber aceptado un salvador que no sangrara? No creo que pudiéramos, porque tarde o temprano todos nos presentaríamos ante él y diríamos: “Aquí es donde el mundo me lastimó. Aquí, aquí y aquí. ¿Y a ti?” Cristo puede señalar sus manos, sus pies, su costado. “Aquí, y aquí, y aquí,” puede decir. “Y los superaré a todos.”

Son las heridas, como puedes ver. La verdad está en las heridas.

*“Tomás respondió y le dijo: ‘¡Señor mío y Dios mío!’”*

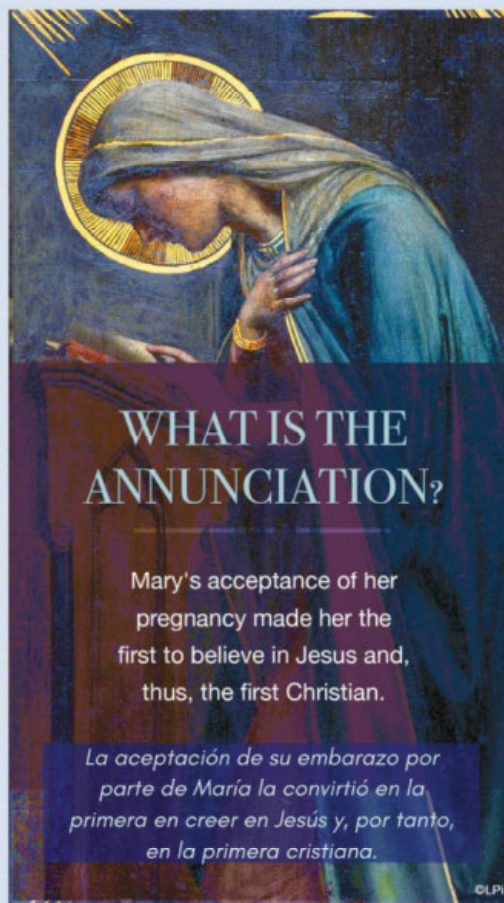
~ Juan 20:28

(PRACTICANDO) CATÓLICA  
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## ORACIÓN PARA LAS VOCACIONES

○ Dios, escucha nuestra oración  
Bendice nuestra  
parroquia de San Miguel  
con muchas vocaciones  
al sacerdocio, diaconado,  
religiosa consagrada  
y santa vida matrimonial.  
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AMEN



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**Thursday, April 11 at Windyke Country Club**

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 7, 2024

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

*in honor of the Annunciation of Our Lord*

**Monday, April 8 at 7pm**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel  
Germantown, TN

### WOMEN'S MORNING OF SPIRITUALITY

**Saturday, April 13** - Church of the Incarnation

Beginning at 7:15am

Witness Speaker - Jeni McBride;

Keynote Speaker - Mallory Smyth

Register at [womensmorning.com](http://womensmorning.com)

### RESPECT LIFE BRUNCH - LIFE MATTERS:

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**Saturday, April 20, 11am**

Holy Rosary Church, 4851 Park Ave

Speakers: David Archer & Robert Shearin, M.D.

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**Mass, Blessing  
& Naming**  
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2024  
**April 27**

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Mass 10:30 am



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"See my hands... do not be unbelieving, but believe."

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Find the hidden words from  
this week's readings:

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