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CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS, GROW DISCIPLES, BRING CHRIST TO PEOPLE

NOVEMBER 1, 2020



ALL SAINTS

“Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great
in heaven.” - Mt 5:12a

FR CARL

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:38)

Dear St Michael Family,

National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 1-7, 2020, is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13 in 2013. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

While the country focuses on praying for an increase in vocations for a week, I humbly request for more. Let us as a parish pray for **the entire month of November** for the increase of vocations in our Diocese and parish. See page seven of this bulletin for ways to make a prayer pledge.

May God bless us with more priests, deacons and consecrated religious!

Fr Carl



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For resources on National Vocations Week, please scan this code

HOW TO DISCERN YOUR VOCATION



1 PRAY

Establish a routine prayer life of attending Mass regularly, praying the Rosary, meditating on Scripture, journaling, making a retreat, and spending time with the Lord in front of the Blessed Sacrament.



2 TALK

Contact your Diocesan Vocations Director and speak to them about your discernment thus far to get their advice on next steps.



3 SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Spiritual Direction, often by a priest or consecrated person, attunes the heart to the voice of the Lord and will help you identify how the Holy Spirit is moving in your life.



4 COME & SEE

Often coordinated by the diocesan vocation office, these "Come & See" events offer a glimpse into the life of a seminarian / religious sister and will help you identify if this is the life to which God is calling you.



5 GET INVOLVED

Consider volunteering in your parish or community and finding trusted friends who can provide support and accountability for your discernment journey.



6 REST

Discerning a vocation should not be considered an "accomplishment" that you check off your to do list. It's a daily walking with God that involves the whole person. A healthy life balance of eating well, exercising, and getting the proper amount of rest will positively contribute to your spiritual well-being!



We Remember...

James Pidoli	Dolores Pruner	Judy Vardanega	Jesus Lopez
Rolando Custodio	Joseph Cairel	Crisanta Gllardo	Elizabeth Patricia Carrano
Bonnie Baluyot	Mary Anna Ramos	Gene Angvick	Roberto Fernandez Arzate
Theodore Bierman	Ambrosio Valencia	Carl Italiano	Yajaira Guerrero
Annette Fackrell	Irman Marie Zimmer	Jose de Jesus Moreno	Rodrigo Morales, Jr.
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Worship Schedule

INDOOR MASS

Space is limited to 100 people.
First come first served.
Face covering required.

Daily Monday - Saturday

6:45 am in English
8:30 am in English

Wednesday

5:00 pm in Spanish

Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm in English
7:00 pm in Spanish

Sunday

6:45 am in English
8:00 am Traditional Latin
9:30 am in English
5:00 pm in English

OUTDOOR MASS

Bring your own chair.
Face covering required.
Moved inside if bad weather.

Sunday

11:00 am in English
12:30 pm in Spanish

LIVESTREAM MASS

On Facebook and YouTube

Monday - Saturday

6:45 am
In English; filmed inside

Wednesday

8:30 am School Mass
In English; filmed inside

5:00 pm

In Spanish; filmed outside

Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm
In English; filmed outside

7:00 pm

In Spanish; filmed outside

Sunday

8:00 am
Latin; filmed inside

9:30 am

English; filmed inside

PARK & LISTEN

Tune in to 87.9 FM

Park in the parking lot or side streets within a block of the church and tune in to 87.9 FM to listen to Mass.

WALK IN COMMUNION

Pray with Livestream Mass or listen from the parking lot on 87.9 FM.
Face covering required.

Arrive exactly 45 minutes after Mass begins to receive Communion.

CONFESSION & ADORATION

Inside the Church.
Face covering required.

Monday - Friday

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Saturday

9:30 am - 10:30 am

DAILY ZOOM ROSARY

12:00 pm in English
<http://bit.ly/RosaryNov>

8:00 pm in Spanish
<http://bit.ly/RosarioNov>

**SCHEDULE
SUBJECT TO
CHANGE!**

Bookmark StMichaelLivermore.com/MassTimes for the most current schedule.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

StMichaelLivermore.com/Worship
Outdoor and Livestream Mass
Walk In Communion
Confession and Adoration



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DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

Monday, November 2 at 11:00 am
St Michael Cemetery, 3885 East Ave
Bilingual Procession and Mass
Limited to 100 people



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FUNERAL LUNCH AND LEARN

November 5, 12 & 19 at 2:00 pm
Terra Mia Restaurant
Learn about funeral pre-planning
Reservations: Frank 925-455-9696



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COMMUNITY CARE FREE GROCERIES

Saturdays
9:00 am - 11:00 am while supplies last
St Michael School yard
Enter the gate at 4th Street and Maple



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DAILY NOVEMBER ROSARY

Meet on Zoom at 12:00 pm
Everyday in November
Rosary beginners welcome
Let's pray together



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FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Meet on Zoom
Saturday, November 7
12:00 pm



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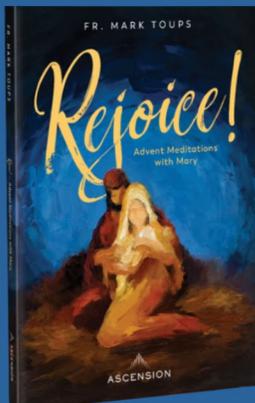


SANTA'S SECRET SERVICE 2020

No gifts to care facilities this year.
Collecting grocery store gift cards
instead to be distributed on
December 19



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ADVENT MISSION RETREAT

Mondays on Zoom
November 23 - December 21
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
StMichaelLivermore.com/Advent



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NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS MONTH

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MAKE A PRAYER PLEDGE

- I will offer a Rosary daily for vocations
- I will celebrate an extra Mass weekly for vocations
- I will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy daily for vocations
- I will pray the Vocations Prayer before dinner
- I will offer my daily trials and sufferings for vocations
- I will perform an act of charity and mercy for vocations

SUBMIT YOUR PLEDGE ONLINE

Want to make your pledge feel more "official"?

Complete the Prayer Pledge online:
[StMichaelLivermore.com/
VocationMonth](http://StMichaelLivermore.com/VocationMonth)

Or aim your phone camera at the code and tap the pop up.



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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Good and gracious God,
You call each person by name
and invite them to follow you.

During this Month of Prayer for
Vocations, may each person
hear and respond to the call
they have received.

We pray for all discerning
marriage, the chaste single life,
consecrated life, or ordained
ministries, that your Holy Spirit
would guide, inspire, and
strengthen them.

May your Church and the world
be enriched by the "yes" of your
children.

Amen.

WE ARE A VIBRANT PARISH!

St Michael Parish continues to be a vibrant parish even during this challenging time, living out its mission to Celebrate the Sacraments, Grow Disciples and Bring Christ to People.

We bring outdoor and livestream Masses, Confession and Adoration to thousands every week.

We distribute free groceries to over 700 people weekly.

We have online prayer groups and seminars and study groups.

Our children, teens and adults are growing in the faith, preparing for Sacraments.

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Thank You!

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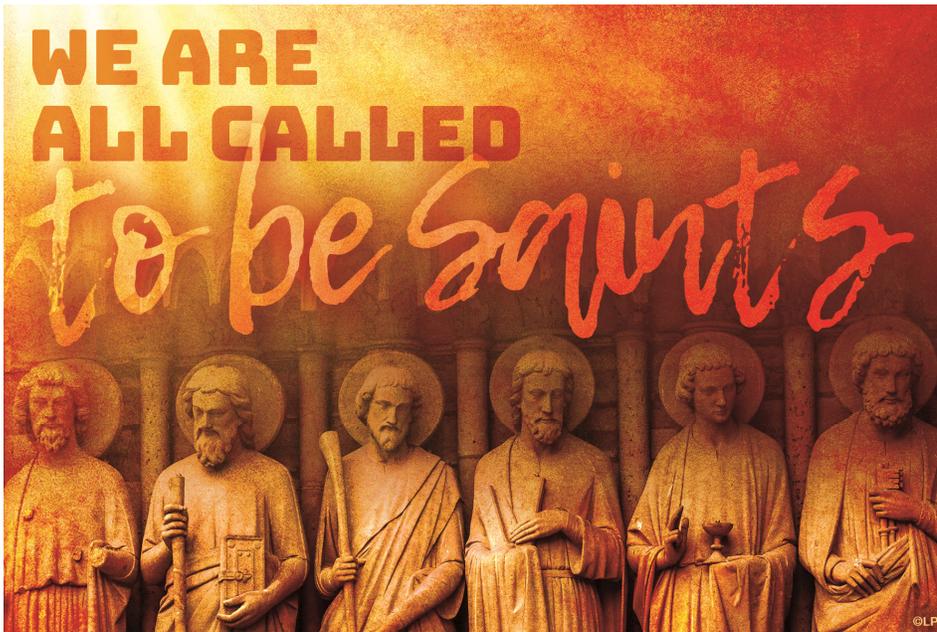


**BEHIND THE
SCENES
VOLUNTEERS**

Sanctuary Lamp

REPLACING THE CANDLE.
MUST BE ABLE TO CLIMB A LADDER.
HAVE STEADY HANDS.
AVAILABLE IN THE MORNINGS.

Call the Church Office at 925-447-1585 for more information and to volunteer!



I remember as a child the meticulousness my father would bring to a task. Whether it be tending to a chore in the yard, repairing something, or painting a room, the tiniest of every detail demanded his attention. He had great patience. I benefited greatly by his example and remember these lessons well. We all need examples to follow. It is important to identify folks who excel at simple things and show us how to do things well. There are those among us and those who have gone before us who serve as these models and witnesses. They are ordinary people who in their “extraordinary ordinariness” capture our attention and allow us to see things more clearly.

These are the prophets, martyrs, teachers, witnesses, heralds, and innovators who bring a single-minded devotion to God to even the simplest of tasks they perform. They have an openness to being used and become vessels of Divine justice, mercy, and presence. They call us to the “more” of life and point us to the Gospel in all of its simplicity and splendor. They remind us of the little ones of the Kingdom and the values we all need to cultivate and possess. They are the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the peace-

maker who often are rejected not only by those who have far different agendas but by those you think would welcome them.

All of the saints in heaven and on earth form this cloud of witnesses who journey with us as we make our way through life. They offer us inspiration, wisdom, intercession, and support. They direct us toward true happiness and remind us that we are all called to be saints. All it takes is desire, love, and fidelity. There is much we can learn from the official saints of the church. Their guidance is ever before us and ever with us. But there is also a lot to learn from the unofficial saints of the church. They sit beside us every Sunday, are our neighbors and ordinary people we meet every day. Because of the devotedness of their faith, they remind us to keep going, remain focused, and cultivate purpose and meaning, and give voice to those who have none. The inspiration is all around us.

Pay attention to the details. Do what you do with great love. Know that you are not alone. Believe that you can persevere. Have great faith.

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RESPONDING *Call* to the

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Everyday Saints

Growing up I thought saints were larger than life people with extraordinary stories. The thought that I could one day be revered as a saint by anyone seemed crazy. I wrote my essays on different saints every year in Catholic school right around All Saints Day. These were stories about people I had never met, and I assumed I would never meet anyone like them going forward.

Now that I am older, I realize that I was wrong back then and my immaturity of both mind and heart did not allow me to see that there are saints

among us all the time. I have met many people in my life that I would call living saints. They are holy people who give of themselves to God and others in profound ways. Their relationship with Jesus is evident and they live their lives in ways that people witness the transformative power of love.

As a child I was wrong about saints, but even more importantly, I didn't fully realize that all of us are called to be saints! Me, a saint? Holiness is not something simply studied in books. It is the way of life we are all called to

live. The call comes from Jesus Christ and each of us must respond. If we are still thinking like children, we may choose to stay silent and live accordingly. If we are more mature in our faith then we might not only respond, we might one day have a school child write a report about us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Especially with regard to living the Gospel, we are not alone. A great cloud of witnesses journey with us offering us inspiration, wisdom, intercession, and support. We look to them for the example of perseverance we desperately need in order to be faithful, and for what it means to "walk the talk!" The Beatitudes are indeed a blessed vision that people hunger to hear and embrace. But, they also clearly remind us that following Jesus is difficult. Poverty of spirit, meekness, mercy, and peace making are not virtues readily accepted by the world. Pursuing a purity of heart and acknowledging the hunger of our souls require not only

a courageous stance, but a single-minded devotion to God. And, after going against the grain of the world and meeting resistance along the way, the true disciple may find themselves persecuted and paying a high price. Look to all the saints for the secret to happiness and the example of fidelity. Their lives speak volumes of how God can use even the weakest and most humble among us in tremendous ways. Saints are not even close to being perfect. They are just ordinary folks like us trying to give honor to God with their lives.

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