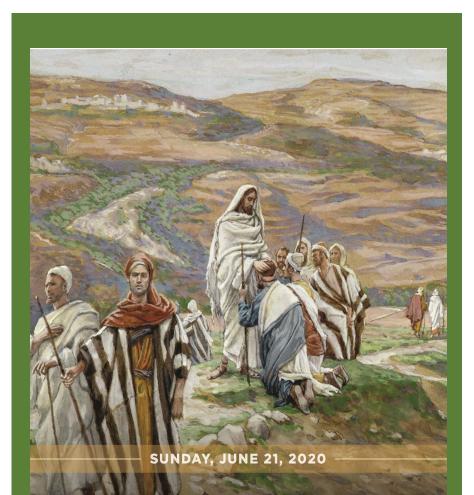
### ST MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Celebrate the Sacraments, Grow Disciples, Bring Christ to People

### **Special Shelter in Place Edition: Week 13**



### 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." - Mt 10:31

#### Monday – Saturday

6:15 am – 6:45 am: Rosary and Chaplet
6:45 am – 7:30 am: Mass in English, with Livestream
8:30 am – 9:15 am: Mass in English
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Adoration June 19-30
6:00 pm – 6:45 pm\*: Mass in English
(\*Except Fridays)
7:30 pm – 8:15 pm: Mass in Spanish, with Livestream

#### Sunday

6:45 am – 7:30 am: Mass in English 8:00 am -8:45 am: Traditional Latin Mass, with Livestream 9:30 am – 10:15 am: Mass in English, with Livestream 11:00 am – 11:45 pm: Mass in English 12:30 pm – 1:15 pm: Mass in Spanish, with Livestream 3:00 – 5:00 pm: Adoration June 19-30 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm: Mass in English

#### CONFESSION

(In the Adoration Chapel)

Monday – Friday: 7:15 am and 3:00 pm (Bilingual) Saturdays: 9:15 am and 3:00 pm (Bilingual)

# FROM FR CARL

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your prayers and patience. God is good! We are now moving to Phase 3 under the guidance of Bishop Michael Barber and Alameda County Health Department, to reopen public Mass beginning on June 19, the Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Because we are limited to 80 people in the church, we will require that everyone make a Mass reservation at least 24 hours in advance. This will ensure that people are not gathering in large crowds and will ensure our compliance with the number of people we can allow at Mass Additionally, every Mass throughout the week will include the Sunday Mass readings, to offer the largest possible access to the Sunday celebration, so it is not required that you attend Mass on a Sunday. I ask you, in your kindness, to please only reserve one Mass per week, so that as many members of our community can attend in person.

Please remember that Bishop Michael Barber has offered a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. We will also continue to livestream Mass on Facebook and YouTube. If you are sick or have been sick over the past couple of weeks or at a higher risk for COVID 19, you are encouraged to pray the Mass from the safety of your home. I ask you to please be patient, flexible and compassionate with our clergy, staff and volunteers as we all get used to these new procedures. Our aim is to offer as many people the joy of worshiping together in person, while also keeping our community safe and in compliance with the Alameda County Health Department.

Our worship schedule will be as follows:

Monday – Saturday	Sunday
6:15 am – 6:45 am: Rosary and Chaplet	6:45 am – 7:30 am: Mass in English
6:45 am – 7:30 am: Mass in English, with Livestream	8:00 am -8:45 am: Traditional Latin Mass, with Livestream
8:30 am – 9:15 am: Mass in English	9:30 am – 10:15 am: Mass in English, with Livestream
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Adoration June 19-30	11:00 am – 11:45 pm: Mass in English
6:00 pm – 6:45 pm*: Mass in English (* <mark>Except Fridays)</mark>	12:30 pm – 1:15 pm: Mass in Spanish, with Livestream
7:30 pm – 8:15 pm: Mass in Spanish, with Livestream	3:00 – 5:00 pm: Adoration June 19-30
	6:00 pm – 6:45 pm: Mass in English

Please read the Procedure for Celebrating for your safety and to avoid the spread of COVID-19 virus.

To make a Mass reservation online at StMichaelLivermore.com/MassReservations (English) StMichaelLivermore.com/Reservaciones (Spanish)

If you have friends who do not have internet access, please reach out to them! You may register for them at the above links. They can also call 925-667-4055 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm to register by phone.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you very soon!

Fr Carl Pastor

## **NEWS**



### **PROCEDURE FOR CELEBRATING MASS**

at St Michael Catholic Church 458 Maple Street, Livermore



#### **MAKE A MASS RESERVATION 24 HOURS IN** ADVANCE

- StMichaelLivermore.com/MassReservations or
  Call 925-667-4055 on Monday or Tuesday from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
  Please limit to one Mass per week per family to allow more people the opportunity to celebrate in person



#### FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED

- For those over age 12
- Children under 2 should not wear a face covering
- Those with conditions that cause difficulty breathing are exempt



#### ARRIVE 15 MINUTES EARLY TO PARK AND CHECK IN

- Park in the church parking lot or side streets
  Enter by the main doors that face Maple Street
  Volunteers will check your reservation and escort you to your seat



#### **AVOID PHYSICAL CONTACT AND REMAIN 6-FEET APART**

- Refrain from holding hands during the Our Father
- Offer a contactless Sign of Peace • There will be no Presentation of the Gifts
- · Practice social distancing of at least 6 feet
- Collection boxes are located at the doors



#### EXIT THROUGH SIDE DOORS IMMEDIATELY AFTER MASS

- We cannot gather outside
   Do wave and offer verbal greetings as you leave!
   Comment on Facebook or Instagram



#### LIVESTREAM & WALK IN COMMUNION

- Dispensation from the obligation to celebrate Mass remains in effect. Watch Mass live or recorded at • Facebook.com/StMichaelParishLivermore or
- YouTube.com/StMichaelLivermore
- Park in the Courtyard for walk-in Communion after any in-person Mass, following attendant's



### **COLLECTION** REPORT

June Goal \$85,813.73

June 14 Collection \$12,305.22

**Percentage Reached** 70%

**Maintenance June Goal** \$9,500

**June Maintenance Collection to Date** \$5,851.00

**Percentage Reached** 62%

# VIRTUAL EVENTS

### RESTORE, REKINDLE, RENEW MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

Learn how to re-kindle the passion in your relationship and keep your love growing year after year.

Attend a Restore, Rekindle, Renew Marriage Enrichment online using video conferencing

- Designed for couples with good marriages who desire a richer, fuller life together
- Created to deepen and enrich your relation as a couple
- A multi-week experience, usually meeting one afternoon and evening a week for approximately 2 to 3 hours each session. Start date is August 1st and meet Saturday afternoon and Wednesday evenings until August 26th
- Presented by couples and priest
- Each presentation deals with different aspects of your marriage. It is important that you and your spouse be able to attend every session.

The time spent together during a Marriage Enrichment is an extraordinary time of discovery that will enhance your marriage in ways you never thought possible. To apply and reserve go to: https://oaklandwwme.org/ For more information, contact Mike and Rhoda Pereira mikerhodawwme@yahoo.com

### **BISHOP BARRON'S NEW SERIES:**

### THE SACRAMENTS

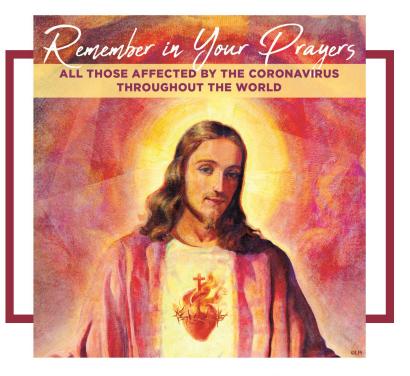
The great sacraments of the Church—Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, Matrimony, and Holy Orders—have endured for thousands of years and structured countless lives. Everything in the Church's life comes from and returns to them. But there is far more to these ancient rites than meets the eye.

In this follow-up to *The Mass*, Bishop Barron looks at the great sacraments of the Church in all their theological depth, spiritual effects, and pastoral promise. The Sacraments will help you understand these signs and channels of grace and discover the secret behind their persistence down the ages: the presence and power of the Savior himself.

Videos emailed on Mondays, July 20—August 24. Sign up by clicking the link in the Friday Flocknote or by emailing Adult@StMichaelLivermore.com



### PRAY



Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them Your spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.

> We ask this in Your Name. Amen

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020 | 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Alles

Keep your heart centered

2000



#### **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)

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)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. The English translation of Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.



# **WORSHIP & MEDITATION**



#### **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 shear 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
WED 6/24	Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/ Lk 1:5-17. Day: ls 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
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.



GIFTING URSEL 2 **ORTH** GOOD OTHERS



Hothing can seperate us from his love.

### Support Local Business.



#### SUPPORT OUR LOCAL ADVERTISERS

Our advertisers need your help during these difficult times!

Please show your support for your parish by also supporting our advertisers. We wouldn't be able to bring you our bulletin every week without them, and right now they need your help more than ever. Please encourage and remind others to show their support and shop local during these hard times!

"So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father." - Mt 10:31-33

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

# LITURGICAL LIFE

#### **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### **First Reading**

We hear how the prophet Jeremiah turned to God as he struggled mentally and emotionally to remain faithful to his call. When do you find yourself turning to God in prayer?

#### Second Reading

Paul speaks of Adam and Christ to describe God's gift of salvation to all who believe. What do you find compelling in Paul's argument?

#### **Gospel Reading**

Jesus forewarns his disciples that following him will involve risks and even persecution. Where do you experience risk and/or ridicule as a person of faith?



#### 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





# LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING

#### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments Will You Say Yes?

You find yourself in the difficult situation of being accused of blasphemy and confronting possible execution. Your crime is believing in Jesus Christ. The question is then asked of you, "Are you a Christian, a follower of the one named Jesus Christ?" Your answer may very well dictate what happens to you next. What is your answer?

It is probably easier to answer this question when the scenario is make-believe. All of us want to believe that we would say yes to the question of belief in Jesus, but strange things happen when humans panic in the face of extreme stress. As we reflect on what we would say, there are those all over the world who are being asked that very same question. It is a question that was asked of many in the first centuries of the Church. Those who respond "yes" are considered martyrs and saints.

We might not usually think of all this in terms of good stewardship living. However, our faith is also a gift we have received from God to cultivate, grow, and share with others. The more interesting question than the one posed above is, "Would an accuser even think of asking you such a question?" Would you have cultivated, grown, and shared your faith enough that anyone would even consider you worthy of asking the question? They might assume you don't know Jesus Christ at all. I don't like conflict and do not seek out conflict, but I would rather someone ask the first question posed than assume there is no reason to confront me in the first place.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

#### PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!

FaithDirect.net Church Code CA602





WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained: The Sign of Peace

#### Question:

Why do Catholics give the sign of peace to one another at Mass?

#### Answer:

The sign of peace is a part of the Mass that takes place immediately after we offer the Lord's Prayer. Inspired by the Jesus' words to his first followers, we stand together in a spirit of communion to pray as Jesus taught us: "Our Father who art in heaven..." In this prayer, we call for the coming of God's kingdom in all its fullness and ask that God provides for our needs — "Give us, this day, our daily bread" — to forgive our sins and to bring us to the joy of heaven.

It is almost natural, then, that the rite of peace would follow. As the celebrant prays that Christ's peace will fill our hearts, our communities, the Church, and the whole world, we extend to those around us a sign of peace (usually a hug or a handshake) as a symbol of the communion that we experience now and will experience forever in the fullness of the reign of God.

We are also reminded of Jesus' teachings that if we are at prayer and remember that a brother or sister is holding something against us, then we are to go and seek reconciliation with them before we continue our prayer (see Matthew 5:23). And so, the sign of peace also reminds us of the need to truly be in communion — united in love and peace — with God and one another before we approach the altar to receive the Eucharist.

So, the next time you're at Mass and the time comes for the sign of peace, remember that this is a moment to celebrate the gift of Christ's peace that each of us has received from God and to pass that peace along to those around us. We need this moment to practice, because this is also the same peace of Christ that we are instructed to carry out into the world at the end of Mass when the priest or deacon says to us, "Go, in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life."

# **HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

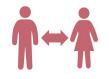
#### **3 EASY STEPS**

#### To Keeping Yourself & Others Healthy!

We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.







#### Wash Your Hands

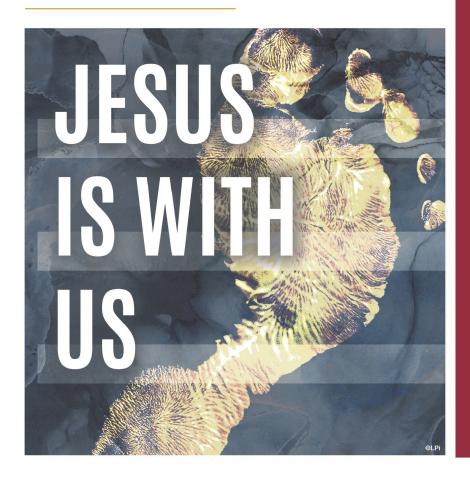
Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.

#### Don't Touch Your Face

Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.

#### **Keep Your Distance**

Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.



*"Are not two* sparrows sold for a small coin? *Yet not one of* them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth *more than many* sparrows."

- Mt 10:29-31

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



www.jspaluch.com

For Ads: J.S. Paluch Co., Inc. 1-800-675-5051



For Ads: J.S. Paluch Co., Inc. 1-800-675-5051