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La Natividad del Señor

The Nativity of the Lord

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Dear Parish and School Family,

A parishioner said to me, "Father, I always ask God of what I want for Christmas but this year, I will ask Him about what He wants from me this Christmas."

I believe she is right and on point about a better way to celebrate Christmas. Often we focus so much on what we want and what gifts we want to receive. It's easy to forget the greatest gift of all: JESUS. He is the reason of the celebration of this Holy Season.

My prayer and my message for all of us is simple. Let us allow Christmas to be centered on God and on how we can open hearts widely for him, so that His Will might be fulfilled in our lives and in our mission.

As we are in the period of our capital campaign for our 150 year celebration, I would like to thank you for your generosity and your selflessness in doing your part to prepare our parish for the next 150 years. Your contribution is truly a legacy gift for the next generation of parishioners in Livermore and for the greater glory of God. Please pray for the success of our campaign.

St. Teresa of Calcutta: "My prayer for you is that when Christ comes to you in Christmas, He may find in you a warm home, warm love like that of a heartful of love, like that of a simple shepherd who was the first one chosen to see Christ."

May Peace and Joy of our Lord be with you all! A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fr. Carl Arcosa
Pastor, St. Michael Catholic Church

Estimada Familia Parroquial y Escolar,

Un feligrés me dijo: "Padre, siempre le pregunto a Dios qué quiero para Navidad, pero este año le preguntaré qué quiere de mí esta Navidad".

Creo que tiene razón y está al tanto de una mejor manera de celebrar la Navidad. A menudo nos enfocamos tanto en lo que queremos y en los regalos que queremos recibir. Es fácil olvidar el regalo más grande de todos: JESÚS. Él es el motivo de la celebración de esta Temporada Santa.

Mi oración y mi mensaje para todos nosotros es simple. Dejemos que la Navidad esté centrada en Dios y en cómo podemos abrirle ampliamente el corazón, para que Su Voluntad se cumpla en nuestra vida y en nuestra misión.

Como estamos en el período de nuestra campaña capital para nuestra celebración de 150 años, me gustaría agradecerles por su generosidad y desinterés al hacer su parte para preparar nuestra parroquia para los próximos 150 años. Su contribución es verdaderamente un regalo de legado para la próxima generación de feligreses en Livermore y para la mayor gloria de Dios. Por favor oren por el éxito de nuestra campaña.

Santa Teresa de Calcuta: "Mi oración por ti es que cuando Cristo venga a ti en Navidad, encuentre en ti un hogar cálido, un amor cálido como el de un corazón lleno de amor, como el de un pastor sencillo que fue el primero, elegido para ver a Cristo."
¡Que la Paz y la Alegría de nuestro Señor esté con todos ustedes! ¡Feliz Navidad y Próspero Año Nuevo!

Padre Carlos Arcosa
Pastor, Iglesia Católica St. Michael



UPCOMING EVENTS



Solemnity of *Mary, Mother of God*

Saturday, December 31

5:00 pm Mass in English
7:00 pm *Misa en Español*

Sunday, January 1

6:45 am in English
8:00 am Traditional Latin Mass
9:30 am in English
11:00 am in English
12:30 pm *Misa en Español*
3:30 pm in Vietnamese
5:00 pm in English

FATIMA FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Saturday, January 7, 8:20 am in the Church
Prayer, Mass, Benediction, Exposition, Rosary, Holy Hour, Confessions

BLESSED CHALK FOR EPIPHANY

Available after Mass January 7-8
For the tradition of chalking the doors of our homes for blessings throughout the new year.

THE CASE FOR JESUS

In person Bible Study
Thursdays January 12-March 9 in the Convent
When were the gospels written? Did Jesus claim to be God? Discover evidence from Christian and non-Christian sources. Register with Denise: 925-858-1342

ALTAR/SACRISTY CLEANING TRAINING

Friday, January 13, 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Contact Donna: 925-443-9708

GOLDEN FRIENDS ART CLASS

Tuesday, January 17, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Hall
\$7 fee includes supplies and light lunch.
Register: suzibg@sbcglobal.net

NO GREATER LOVE

Online Bible Study
January 18-March 15
1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion, we will walk with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to Calvary.
Register: RogerMartinelli@gmail.com

GOLDEN FRIENDS MASS & LUNCHEON

Friday, January 20, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Hall
Rosary, Mass, lunch, raffle and entertainment.
RSVP: suzibg@sbcglobal.net

ST MICHAEL CHAPLET & CONSECRATION

Saturday, January 21, 9:30 am in the Church

WEST COAST WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, January 21
8:30 am Mass at St Michael, 10:30 am travel to San Francisco

INTERNATIONAL ART EXHIBIT & AUCTION

January 24 & 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm in the Hall
Enjoy a light reception while basking in the works from artist from around the globe. Benefits St Michael Capital Campaign.

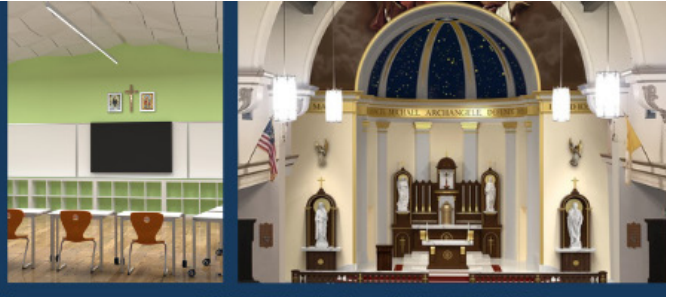
ST MICHAEL SCHOOL DINE OUT

January 24-25, 11:00 am-9:00 pm at Extreme Pizza
1608 Holmes Street. 15% go to our school!

ST MICHAEL SCHOOL MASS & OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 29, 9:30 am Mass followed by Open House

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NEXT 150 YEARS



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PLEDGE!

VIEW THE PROJECTS AND LISTEN TO AUDIO EXPLANATIONS

StMichaelLivermore.com/CapitalCampaign

Goal:	\$2,000,000.00
Pledges:	\$481,730.00
One-Time Gifts:	\$68,888.00
Percentage Reached:	27.53%



THE GIVING OF TREASURE

Question:

Why are Catholics required to give money to the Church?



Answer:

Offering money and other goods to God and the Church is, before all else, a statement of gratitude. We see this when we look at how our spiritual ancestors showed their gratitude to God for the gifts they had received (e.g. Genesis 14:18-20 and Genesis 28:16-22). One of the ways they offered thanks to God was through a practice called "tithing," in which 10 percent of a person's goods (crops, livestock, money, etc.) were given back to God.

Today, the practice of tithing — giving 10 percent — is still common in many Protestant communities, but it is not required for Catholics. Instead, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that, "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to [their] own abilities" (no. 2043). This means that, although we are not bound to practice "tithing" in the traditional sense, we do share a responsibility to share our money or other resources with our parish communities. Like our spiritual ancestors, we give as a sign of our gratitude for the many gifts that God has given to us. Beyond this, we also share our resources with other Catholic organizations to help them finance their ministries, to continue and grow their outreach to the poor and the needy, and to provide just wages for their employees.

How much we give depends on our individual circumstances, but since we share a responsibility for the programs, outreach, and health of our parish communities and Catholic organizations, this question gives us a wonderful opportunity to ask some important questions about the quality of our giving and what our priorities are. Remember, we are only stewards of our time, talents, and treasures and as the First Letter of Peter reminds us, "As each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied graces" (4:10).



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Delivered via email or text every Friday morning, you'll get the week's announcements and parish events to help you engage with your faith and become a more active member of our St Michael family.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

RECEIVE THE GIFT OF PRAYER



Perhaps you've noticed the banner or other announcements about **HALLOW** but then got busy and forgot to take advantage of downloading the app! We're excited to share that you can still pray with **HALLOW** this Christmas season.

HALLOW is a Catholic prayer and meditation app that helps people deepen their relationship with God and create a daily habit of prayer through audio-guided prayer sessions ranging from 1-to-60 minutes long - there are over 5,000 prayer sessions available on the app! The app makes it easy to continue your daily prayer goals during the Christmas season and beyond. You can even set reminders on your phone so you don't forget!

Our partnership with Hallow is FREE for all parishioners and school families through Easter! We hope you'll take advantage of this gift from the parish, if you haven't done so already. In order to have full access to **HALLOW**, including the upcoming Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz, scan the QR code above (or visit Hallow.com/HolyDay then follow the signup instructions.



FEAST of the HOLY INNOCENTS

Adult

Faith Enrichment

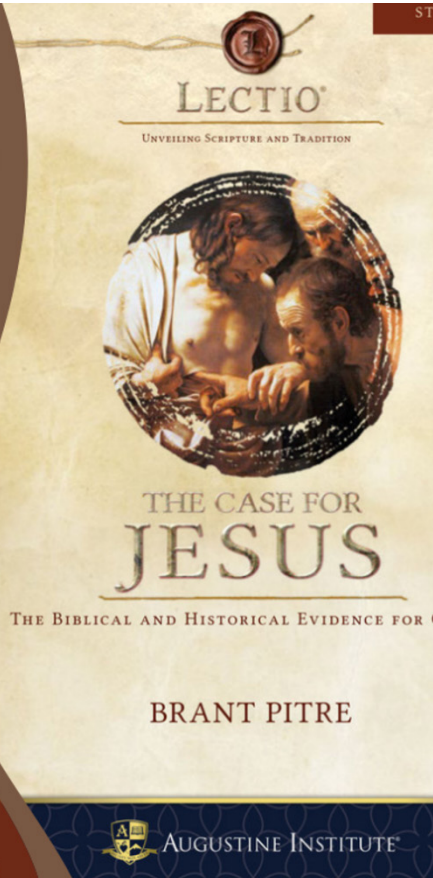
BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 6:30 pm
January 12 - March 9
St Michael Convent

When Were the Gospels Written?
Did Jesus Claim to Be God?
Discover evidence from both
early Christian and non-Christian
writings to attest to the truths of
our faith.

Materials Cost:
\$24.95 + shipping & handling

To Register:
Text or call Denise 925-858-1342



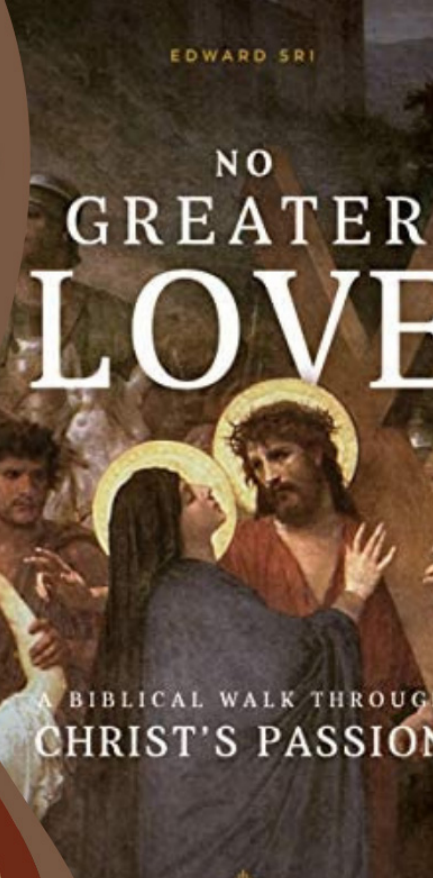
BIBLE STUDY

First & Third Wednesdays
at 7:00 pm **ONLINE**
January 18 - March 15

Walk with Jesus from the Garden
of Gethsemane to the Mount of
Calvary. Come to a deeper
understanding and appreciation
of God's immeasurable and
unconditional love - and draw
closer to Jesus than ever before.

Materials Cost:
\$26.95 + shipping & handling

To Register:
Roger: rogeremartinelli@gmail.com



Although man can
not seek him, so as
mands of man every
well as the witness of

human heart, because man is created
to draw man to himself. Only in
this way he never stops searching for:

the fact that he is called to communion
with God is addressed to man as soon
as he is because God has created him
in order to hold him in existence: the
less he freely acknowledges that love

THE CATECHISM IN A YEAR

WITH FR. MIKE SCHMITZ



In response to countless requests,
Ascension is launching The
Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike
Schmitz) on January 1, 2023!

With this podcast, Catholics will:

- Read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days
- Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- See how Church teaching is rooted in Sacred Scripture
- Absorb over 2,000 years of Sacred Tradition
- Encounter God's plan of sheer goodness
- Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded.

If you have ever wanted to understand what it means to be Catholic and allow those truths to shape your life—this podcast is for you!

Listen to Fr Mike's Catechism in a Year through your free gift Hallow app! Redeem your free subscription at Hallow.com/HolyDay and follow the prompts.

If you miss January 1, don't worry! You start and/or catch up at any time. We can't wait to start this incredible journey with you!



SAN FRANCISCO

JANUARY 21, 2023

- 8:30 am Mass for the Unborn at St Michael Church
- 9:30 am Donuts & coffee in the Courtyard
- 10:30 am Travel to San Francisco on BART or own car
- 12:30 pm Walk for Life Rally at SF Civic Center Plaza
- 1:00 pm Meet at Grove St between Larkin and Polk
- 1:30 pm Walk for Life down Market Street begins



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OCTOBER 3-13, 2023

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January 29, 2023


Family Mass (9:30 am) at St. Michael Church
Tours of St. Michael School (10:45 am & 11:30 am)

- Check-in at the welcome booth (corner of 4th & Maple)
- Take a tour of the school
- Meet the Principal and Current School Parents

Find out more about St. Michael School and
RSVP to the event at www.smsliv.org


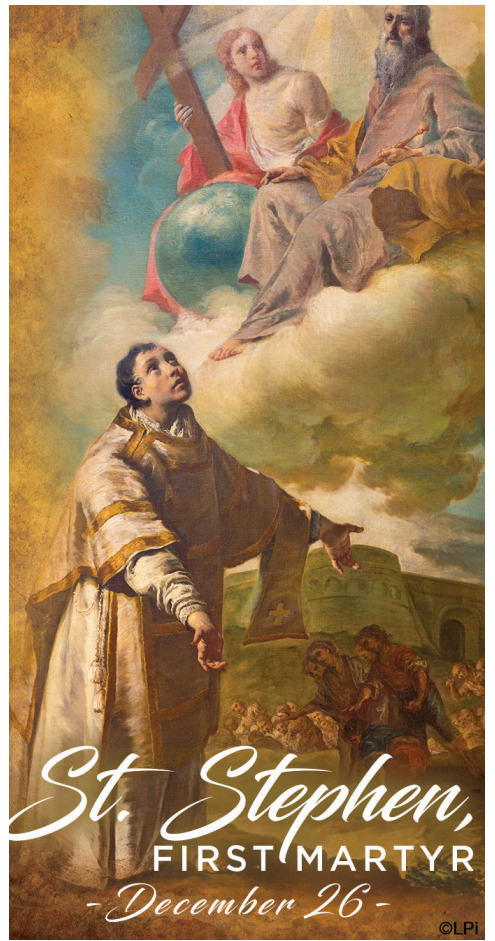
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Chalking our Doors



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

PICK UP YOUR BLESSED CHALK
JANUARY 7 AND 8

St. Stephen,
FIRST MARTYR
- December 26 -

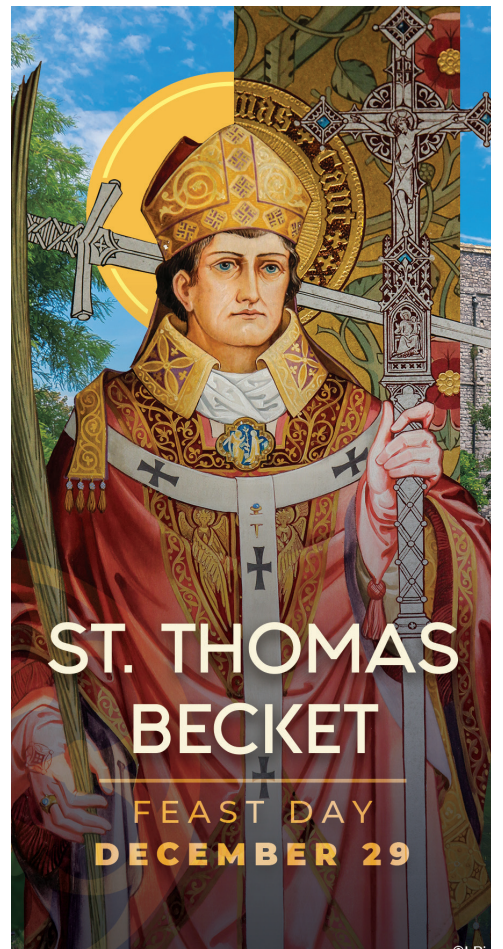
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St Michael Golden Friends

Art Class

Tuesday, January 17
11:00 am - 1:00 pm

St Michael Hall, 326 Maple Street
\$7 fee includes supplies and a light lunch
Register: suzibg@sbcglobal.net

**ST. THOMAS
BECKET**

FEAST DAY
DECEMBER 29

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FOOD PANTRY

DESPENSA DE COMIDA

St Michael Community Care

Saturdays | Sábados
9:00 am - 11:00 am
St Michael School Yard

St Vincent de Paul

Mondays - Thursdays |
Lunes - Jueves
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Behind the Church |
detrás de la iglesia

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Saturday, December 24

Domingo, 24 de Diciembre
6:45 am Rolando Custodio+
8:30 am Adelina Soiva+
3:00 pm Ron Hauck+
Isabel Shinkarik
5:00 pm Sil DeFazio+
7:00 pm Alex Fregoso+
9:00 pm Quintana Family

Sunday, December 25

Sábado, 25 de Diciembre
Prayers for Our Parishioners

Monday, December 26

Lunes, 26 de Diciembre
6:45 am KofC Gabriel Projects
8:30 am Delfin Gatchalain, Jr and Sr+

Tuesday, December 27

Martes, 27 de Diciembre
6:45 am Antonio & Irene Ragasa+
8:30 am Cathy Flores Barraza+

Wednesday, December 28

Miércoles, 28 de Diciembre
6:45 am Mung Tran Matha+
8:30 am Josefa & Faustina Tabaco+
7:00 pm Rosemary Castro

Thursday, December 29

Jueves, 29 de Diciembre
6:45 am Souls in Purgatory
8:30 am Garth Stocking+

Friday, December 30

Viernes, 30 de Diciembre
6:45 am Candido Echon+
8:30 am Jerel Joseph Beduya

Mass Intentions for 2023 are Now Available

ROSARY | ROSARIO

Every Day

6:00 am in the Church (English)
7:15 am online meeting (English)
8:00 pm reunión en línea (Español)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri

6:15 pm in the Chapel (English)
Miércoles
6:15 pm en la Iglesia (Español)

Wednesdays

6:30 pm Our Lady of Perpetual
Help Novena and Rosary on Zoom
(English)

Saturdays

7:45 am in the Church (English)

For online meeting links, visit:
StMichaelLivermore.com/Rosary

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

INTENCIONES DE LA MISA Y PETICIONES DE ORACIÓN

Mass Intentions: email Office@StMichaelLivermore.com or visit the church office to request the next available Mass. To submit prayer requests to our prayer team, email Pray@StMichaelLivermore.com

Intención de misa: a visite la oficina de la iglesia o envíe un correo electrónico Office@StMichaelLivermore.com para solicitar la próxima misa disponible. Para enviar solicitudes de oración a nuestro equipo de oración, envíe un correo electrónico a Pray@StMichaelLivermore.com



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or 925-667-4096

Adult Sacrament Prep

Preparación sacramental para adultos

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Quinceañera

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925-447-1585

Weddings

Bodas

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or 925-315-9960

Anointing of the Sick

Unción de los enfermos

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Vocations

Vocaciones

OakDiocese.org/Vocations

Funerals

Funerales

StMichaelLivermore.com/Funerals

or 925-455-9696

DAILY MASS | MISA DIARIA

6:45 am

Mass in English

8:30 am

Mass in English

7:00 pm

Misa en español los miércoles

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | MISA DE VIGILIA DEL SÁBADO

5:00 pm

Saturday Mass in English

7:00 pm

Sábado Misa en español

SUNDAY MASS | MISA DOMINICAL

6:45 am

Mass in English

8:00 am*

Traditional Latin Mass | Misa tradicional en latín

9:30 am*

Mass in English

11:00 am

Mass in English

12:30 pm*

Misa en español

5:00 pm

Mass in English

*Livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube

MONTHLY CELEBRATIONS | CELEBRACIONES MENSUALES

1st Friday

Mass in the Chapel at 11:00 am

Misa en español en la Iglesia a las 7:30 pm (Rosario: 7:00 pm)

3rd Friday

Mass with Golden Friends Seniors at 10:30 am (Sep-May)

1st Saturday

8:20 am, then Mass, then continuing after

3rd Sunday

Mass in Tagalog at 3:30 pm

4th Sunday

Mass in Vietnamese at 3:30 pm

SILENT PRAYER & ADORATION |

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M-Th | L-J

7:15 am-7:00 pm

Fr-Sat | V-S

7:15 am Friday | Viernes to 9:00 am Saturday | Sábado

CONFESSION | CONFESIONES

M-F | L-V

7:15 am in the Church | en la iglesia

Wed | X

6:00 pm in the Church | en la iglesia

Sat | Sábado

9:15 am in the Church | en la iglesia

Sun | Dom

7:00 am in the Chapel | en la capilla

OFFICE HOURS | HORAS DE OFICINA

Monday | Lunes:

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Tuesday - Thursday | Martes -Jueves:

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Friday | Viernes:

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