

*“I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.” Rm 12:1*

Out of respect for Our Lord Jesus Christ and for the edification of our neighbor, we beg all to appear in Church decent in deportment and modest in dress.

However, no one has the right to question others, especially visitors. It belongs to the parish priest alone to instruct the laity when they repeatedly dress or deport below expectation.

**For gentlemen and lads:** Neither shorts, T-shirts nor sneakers meet the norms of modesty.

**For ladies and girls:** Neither shorts, slacks, sleeveless, short nor low-cut dresses meet the norms of modesty.

Furthermore, according to apostolic custom or Church law, gentlemen are bareheaded in church, and ladies are requested to cover their heads.

**Thank you for your charity.**

**Mass Times and Feasts From**  
**April 30<sup>th</sup> - May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Date	Time	Devotion	Feast Day
Sunday, 30 <sup>th</sup>	7:30am 10:00am 4:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	<b>III Sunday after Easter</b>
Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup>	-	-	<b>St. Joseph the Worker</b>
Tuesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	-	-	<b>St. Athanasius</b> <i>Bishop, Confessor, Doctor of the Church</i>
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6:30pm	Family Rosary in the Chapel - All Invited	<b>Feria</b> <i>Commemoration of St. Alexander I, Eventius and Theodulus, Martyrs, and of St. Juvenal, Bishop and Confessor</i>
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup>	-	-	<b>St. Monica (First Thursday)</b> <i>Widow</i>
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm 7:00pm	Low Mass Holy Hour	<b>St. Pius V (First Friday)</b> <i>Pope and Confessor</i>
Saturday, 6 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am 9:00am 10:00am	Confessions Low Mass First Saturday Devotion	<b>B.V.M. on Saturday (First Saturday)</b>
Sunday, 7 <sup>th</sup>	7:30am 10:00am 4:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	<b>IV Sunday after Easter</b>
Monday, 8 <sup>th</sup>	-	-	<b>Feria</b>

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CHURCH

## THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

April 30<sup>th</sup>, III Sunday after Easter



### Gregorian Latin liturgy

Until 1969, the various Catholic liturgies were all of apostolic origin. The Gregorian Latin liturgy, celebrated in this church, follows the tradition of Saint Peter, the first Pope, and has never undergone any essential change till the present time. Every gesture, every word has been weighed and measured with the assistance of the Holy Ghost for the greatest glory of God and the salvation of souls.

### Welcome, Visitors!

We thank you for coming. Whether you are just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a spiritual home, are returning to the practice of Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church; we are happy to have you here, as you are. Please take time to read this bulletin, to meet with the priest after Mass and to socialize.

### Hospitality

*“Let the charity of the brotherhood abide in you and hospitality do not forget; for by this some, being not aware of it, have entertained angels.” (Heb. 13, 1-2) “Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you unto the honor of God.” (Rom. 15, 7)*



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# News and Announcements

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**2023 Ignatian Retreats** at St. Thomas More Church in Sanford: Women's: **June 26-July 1.** Men's: **July 3-8.** Spaces fill up very quickly. Retreat registration forms are in the vestibule and on the website. **For more information visit [spxflorida.com](http://spxflorida.com)**

**Visiting Priest:** Please welcome Fr. Palko who will be standing in for Fr. Thomas on 4/30 and 5/7.

\*\*\*For any expectant mothers who would like a meal train created for their family, please email [rebecca@stmichaelcatholic.org](mailto:rebecca@stmichaelcatholic.org) before the baby is due so that it can be arranged prior to the birth of the baby. \*\*\*

Please email [secretary@stmichaelcatholic.org](mailto:secretary@stmichaelcatholic.org) for all birth announcements.

## Reminders

- † Altar boys and Choir members should be allowed access to the front of the confessional line. Please see Fr. Thomas if this privilege is being abused.
- † Children's Catechism is every second and fourth Sunday of the Month.
- † Every 3rd Sunday, there is a second collection for the Priory in Sanford.
- † Please place your donations for the church expansion into the building fund container. Visit [www.StMichaelCatholic.org/expansion-project](http://www.StMichaelCatholic.org/expansion-project) for updates on the status of the project.
- † If you are not already getting the important announcements that Father asks to be sent out, please email [info@stmichaelcatholic.org](mailto:info@stmichaelcatholic.org) with your name and phone number so we can add you to the list. All information is kept confidential.

## Please pray for the faithful departed of St. Michael's

Louis Selthoffer, Teresa Courtney, Joe Courtney, Mary Newland, Jim O'Brien, Mac Mruz, Ruth Mruz, Elizabeth Coughlin, Bill Crowley, Harry Nevin, Angela Berger, Terry Rice, Lucille Nichols, Sally Grounds, Brady Brower, Fern Brower, Russel Bucca, Mamie Bucca, Kenneth Hollis, Ila Jo Hollis, Jeffery Smith, Coburn Walker, Lillian Walker, David Walker, June Roberts, Philip Graham, George Spositi, Roy Hatten, Eric Webber, Neil Ortagus, Stephanie Lorenzana, Asuncion Salazar Mella, Patricia Hays, Wilma Allen.

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*"The LORD is in his Holy Temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him." (Hab. 2, 20)*



## On the Value of Time

"A little while, and now you shall not see me." JOHN xvi. 16.

THERE is nothing shorter than time, but there is nothing more valuable. There is nothing shorter than time; because the past is no more, the future is uncertain, and the present is but a moment. This is what Jesus Christ meant when he said: "A little while, and now you shall not see me." We may say the same of our life, which, according to St. James is but a vapour, which is soon scattered for ever. "For what is your life? It is a vapour which appeareth for a little while." (James iv. 14.) But the time of this life is as precious as it is short; for, in every moment, if we spend it well, we can acquire treasures of merits for heaven; but, if we employ time badly, we may in each moment commit sin, and merit hell. I mean this day to show you how precious is every moment of the time which God gives us, not to lose it, and much less to commit sin, but to perform good works and to save our souls.

"Thus saith the Lord: In an acceptable time I have heard thee, and in the day of salvation I have helped thee." St. Paul explains this passage, and says, that the acceptable time is the time in which God has determined to confer his favours upon us. He then adds: "Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." (2 Cor. vi. 2.) The Apostle exhorts us not to spend unprofitably the present time, which he calls the day of salvation; because, perhaps, after this day of salvation, there shall be no salvation for us. "The time," says the same Apostle, "is short; it remaineth that they that weep be as though they wept not; that they that rejoice, as if they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not; and they that use this world, as if they used it not." (1 Cor. vii. 29, 30, 31.) Since, then, the time which we have to remain on this earth is short, the Apostle tells those who weep, that they ought not to weep, because their sorrows shall soon pass away; and those who rejoice, not to fix their affections on their enjoyments, because they shall soon have an end. Hence he concludes, that we should use this world, not to enjoy its transitory goods, but to merit eternal life.

If, then, we have hitherto employed our time in offending God, let us henceforth endeavour to bewail our misfortune for the remainder of our life, and say continually with the penitent King Ezechias: "I will recount to thee all my years in the bitterness of my soul." The Lord gives us the remaining days of life, that we may compensate the time that has been badly spent. "Whilst we have time, let us work good." Let us not provoke the Lord to punish us by an unhappy death; and if, during the years that are passed, we have been foolish, and have offended him, let us now attend to the Apostle exhorting us to be wise for the future, and to redeem the time we have lost. "See, therefore, brethren, now you walk circumspectly, not as unwise, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil, . . . understanding what is the will of God." "The days are evil." According to St. Anselm, the meaning of these words is, that the days of this life are evil, because in them we are exposed to a thousand temptations and dangers of eternal misery; and therefore, to escape perdition, all possible care is necessary. We should live only to fulfil with all diligence the divine will; and, should it be necessary, it is better to suffer in temporal things, than to neglect our eternal interests. Oh! how well did St. Paul redeem the time which he had lost! St. Jerome says, that though the last of the apostles, he was, on account of his great labours, the first in merits. You now have it in your power to acquire, in each moment, eternal treasures; and will you, notwithstanding, misspend your time? Do not say, that what you can do Today you can also do to-morrow; because this day shall be then lost to you, and shall never return. You have this day; but perhaps tomorrow will not be given you.