

“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. **Thank you for your charity.**

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.

Mass Times and Feasts From February 4th – February 12th

Date	Time	Devotion	Feast Day
Sunday, 4 th	7:30am 10:00am 4:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	Sexagesima Sunday
Monday, 5 th	-	-	St. Agatha <i>Virgin and Martyr</i>
Tuesday, 6 th	-	-	St. Titus <i>Bishop and Confessor</i>
Wednesday, 7 th	6:30pm	Family Rosary in the Chapel - All Invited	St. Romuald <i>Abbot</i>
Thursday, 8 th	-	-	St. John of Matha <i>Confessor</i>
Friday, 9 th	5:00pm 6:00pm	Confessions Low Mass	St. Cyril of Alexandria <i>Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church</i>
Saturday, 10 th	8:00am 9:00am	Confessions Low Mass	St. Scholastica <i>Virgin</i>
Sunday, 11 th	7:30am 10:00am 4:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	Quinquagesima Sunday
Monday, 12 th	-	-	Seven Holy Founders <i>Confessors (Founders of the Servite Order of the BVM)</i>

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CHURCH

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

February 4th, Sexagesima Sunday



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

Second Collection: A second collection will be taken up today to help defray the cost of the funeral expenses for Jim Nichols who was laid to rest yesterday.

Adult Catechism: Meets every 2nd and 4th Sunday after the 10 AM Mass in the portable building.

Franciscan Sisters of Christ the King will host a day of activities for all girls, ages 6+, single ladies, and mothers on Saturday, February 24th, at St. Thomas More Church in Sanford. Please RSVP by February 17th with names and ages to stma.office@gmail.com

Pascua Florida Pilgrimage: Pascua Florida Pilgrimage™ April 2-7. Optional part time attendance. Registration due by March 2nd. See sspflorida.com for information.

Contact pilgrimage@stmpa.net Volunteer drivers and kitchen helpers are greatly appreciated!

Please visit our new website PompeiiRising.org for updates on our new church renovation project as well as ways to give. QR Code for the website:



Reminders

- † Children's Catechism meets every 2nd and 4th Sunday.
- † 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.
- † For any expectant mothers who would like a meal train created for their family, please email rebecca@stmichaelcatholic.org before the baby is due.
- † Please email secretary@stmichaelcatholic.org for all birth announcements.
- † 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.
- † Parish Registration - Please complete the online census that will allow us to keep our records current and convey pertinent information. See the flyer in the vestibule if you have not already registered online.

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, Jerry Nichols, Marty Kelly, Joseph O'Meara, Joan Piperno, AnnaMaria Sicuranza, Jim Nichols.

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



Delusions Of Sinners
"Lord, that I may see." LUKE xviii. 41
SERMONS OF ST. ALPHONSUS

THE Devil brings sinners to hell by closing their eyes to the dangers of perdition. He first blinds them, and then leads them with himself to eternal torments. If, then, we wish to be saved, we must continually pray to God in the words of the blind man in the gospel of this day, "Lord, that I may see." Give me light: make me see the way in which I must walk in order to save my soul, and to escape the deceits of the enemy of salvation.

To understand these delusions better, let us imagine the case of a young man who, seized by some passion, lives in sin, the slave of Satan, and never thinks of his eternal salvation. My son, I say to him, what sort of life do you lead? If you continue to live in this manner, how will you be able to save your soul? But, behold! the devil, on the other hand, says to him: Why should you be afraid of being lost? Indulge your passions for the present: you will afterwards confess your sins, and thus all shall be remedied. Behold the net by which the devil drags so many souls into hell. But, in reply, I say, that in the meantime you lose your soul. Tell me: if you had a jewel worth a thousand pounds, would you throw it into a river with the hope of afterwards finding it again? What if all your efforts to find it were fruitless? God! you hold in your hand the invaluable jewel of your soul, which Jesus Christ has purchased with his own blood, and you cast it into hell! Yes; you cast it into hell; because according to the present order of providence, for every mortal sin you commit, your name is written among the number of the damned. But you say. "I hope to recover God's grace by making a good confession." And if you should not recover it, what shall be the consequences? To make a good confession, a true sorrow for sin is necessary, and this sorrow is the gift of God: if he does not give it, will you not be lost for ever?

"But God is merciful." Behold another common delusion by which the devil encourages sinners to persevere in a life of sin! A certain author has said, that more souls have been sent to hell by the mercy of God than by his justice. This is indeed the case; for men are induced by the deceits of the devil to persevere in sin, through confidence in God's mercy; and thus they are lost. "God is merciful." Who denies it? But, great as his mercy, how many does he every day send to hell? God is merciful, but he is also just, and is, therefore, obliged to punish those who offend him. "And his mercy," says the divine mother, "to them that fear him." (Luke i. 50.) But with regard to those who abuse his mercy and despise him, he exercises justice. The Lord pardons sins, but he cannot pardon the determination to commit sin. St. Augustine says, that he who sins with the intention of repenting after his sins, is not a penitent but a scoffer. But the Apostle tells us that God will not be mocked. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked." (Gal. vi. 7.) It would be a mockery of God to insult him as often and as much as you pleased, and afterwards to expect eternal glory.

Now, brethren, what think you of these divine threats against sinners? Is it easy, or is it not very difficult, to save your souls, if, after so many divine calls, and after so many mercies, you continue to offend God? You say: "But after all, it may happen that I will save my soul." I answer: "What folly is it to trust your salvation to a perhaps? How many with this "perhaps I may be saved," are now in hell? Do you wish to be one of their unhappy companions? Dearly beloved Christians, enter into yourselves, and tremble; for this sermon may be the last of God's mercies to you.
