

“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
December 3rd - December 11th

Date	Time	Devotion	Feast Day
Sunday, 3 rd	7:30am 10:00am 4:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	I Sunday of Advent
Monday, 4 th	-	-	St. Peter Chrysologus <i>Bishop, Confessor, Doctor of the Church</i>
Tuesday, 5 th	-	-	Advent Feria
Wednesday, 6 th	6:30pm	Family Rosary in the Chapel - All Invited	St. Nicholas <i>Bishop and Confessor</i>
Thursday, 7 th	-	-	St. Ambrose (First Thursday) <i>Bishop, Confessor, Doctor of the Church</i>
Friday, 8 th	7:00am 9:30am 6:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	Feast of the Immaculate Conception <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>
Saturday, 9 th	7:30am	Low Mass	Advent Feria
Sunday, 10 th	7:30am 10:00am 4:00pm	Low Mass High Mass Low Mass	II Sunday of Advent
Monday, 11 th	-	-	St. Damasus <i>Pope and Confessor</i>

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CHURCH

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

December 3rd, I Sunday of Advent



Gregorian Latin liturgy

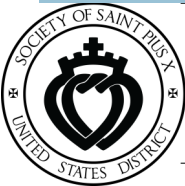
Until 1969, the various Catholic liturgies were all of apostolic origin. The Gregorian Latin liturgy, celebrated in this church, follows the tradition of Saint Peter, the first Pope, and has never undergone any essential change till the present time. Every gesture, every word has been weighed and measured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

Mass Schedule through January 2024 is available on the fsspx.today app.

Second collection: Special collection today, December 3rd for the Foreign Mission Program. These funds help all the various missions in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, South America, Mexico, and others to operate their apostolates.

Consecration to Jesus through Mary: Consecration Day, Friday, December 8, 2023 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception) after Mass.

Pompeii Rising-Restoring Old Holy Rosary Church Kickoff: Saturday, December 9. Pompeii at 2039 N. Laura Street. From 9:00–11:30am. This will also be our monthly workday. Details to follow by email.

Visiting Priests: Please welcome Fr. Gerrity back to St. Michael's as he is standing in for Fr. Thomas today. Fr. Daniel Chavarria will be standing in for Fr. Thomas Dec 17. There will be no Mass on Friday, 12/15 and Saturday, 12/16.

Christmas Novena Cards: Pascua Florida Publication™ Christmas Cards are for sale. There are two kinds of cards: *The Twelve Days of Christmas novena of Masses* cards are \$4 each, or \$37 for 10 cards. The regular/*non-novena of Masses cards* are \$1.5 each or \$12 for 10 cards.

Those who purchase the *Twelve Days of Christmas novena of Masses cards* may list the names of those for whom the Masses will be offered on the accompanying *Christmas Card Novena of Masses list* placed by the cards, no later than December 23rd.

2024 Angelus Calendars: Calendars are available in the portable for \$10 each.

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

Reminders

- † Please place your donations for the church expansion into the building fund container.
- † Parish Registration - Please 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.

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



On the General Judgment

"And they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of Heaven with much power and majesty." Matt. xxiv. 30.

SERMONS OF ST. ALPHONSUS

At present God is not known, and, therefore, he is as much despised by sinners, as if he could not avenge, whenever he pleases, the injuries offered to him. The wicked "looketh upon the Almighty as if he could do nothing" (Job xxii. 17.) But the Lord has fixed a day, called in the Scriptures "the day of the Lord," on which the Eternal Judge will make known his power and majesty. "The Lord," says the Psalmist, "shall be known when he executeth judgment." (Ps. ix. 17.)

On the different appearance of the just and of sinners in the valley of Josaphat

This day shall commence with fire from Heaven. "And the earth and the works which are in it shall be burnt up." (2 Pet. iii. 10.) All shall become one heap of ashes. After the death of all men, "the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall rise again." (1 Cor. xv. 52.) After the resurrection, they shall be summoned by the angels to appear in the valley of Josaphat. "The angels shall go out, and shall separate the wicked from the Just." (Matt. xiii 49).

The scrutiny of conscience

"The judgment sat, and the books were opened." (Dan. vii. 10.) The books of conscience are opened, and the judgment commences. The Apostle says, that the Lord "will bring to light the hidden things of darkness." (1 Cor. iv. 5.) And, by the mouth of his prophet, Jesus Christ has said: "I will search Jerusalem with lamps." (Soph. i. 12.) The light of the lamp reveals all that is hidden. The Apostle tells us that on that day the just will be raised above the clouds to be united to the angels, and to increase the number of those who pay homage to the Lord. "We shall be taken up together with them in the clouds to meet Christ, into the air." (1 Thess. iv. 16.) The reprobate, like goats destined for the slaughter, wait their last condemnation "But according to thy hardness and impenitent heart, thou treasurest up to thyself wrath against the day of wrath" (Rom ii. 5)

Sentence of the elect, and of the reprobate

St. Bernard says, that the sentence of the elect, and their destiny to eternal glory, shall be first declared, that the pains of the reprobate may be increased by the sight of what they lost. The Judge shall then turn to the reprobate, and shall pronounce the sentence of their condemnation in these words "Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting fire." (Matt. xxv. 41) They shall then be forever accursed, separated from God, and sent to burn for ever in the fire of hell. "And these shall go into everlasting punishment: but the just into life everlasting." (Matt. xxv. 46.) After this sentence, the wicked shall, according to St. Ephrem, be compelled to take leave for ever of their relatives, of Paradise, of the saints, and of Mary the divine Mother. "Farewell, ye just! Farewell, O cross I Farewell, Paradise! Farewell, fathers and brothers: we shall never see you again! Farewell, O Mary, mother of God!" (St. Eph. de variis serm. inf.) O unhappy souls! for whom is prepared such a melancholy end.

But, brethren, have confidence. Jesus Christ is now a Father, and not judge. He is ready to pardon all who repent. Let us then instantly ask pardon from him.
