

*“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.

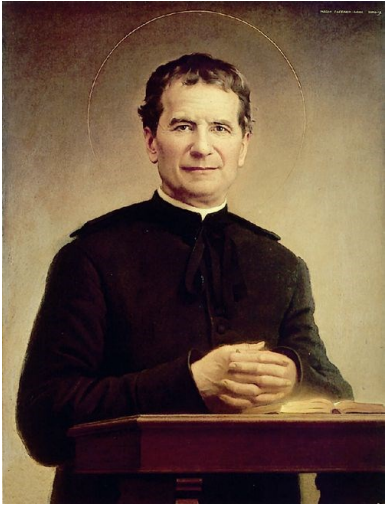
**Mass Times and Feasts From**  
**January 28<sup>th</sup> – February 5<sup>th</sup>**

| Date                        | Time                        | Devotion  | Feast Day  |
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| Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup>    | 7:30am<br>10:00am<br>4:00pm | Low Mass<br>High Mass<br>Low Mass                   | Septuagesima Sunday  |
| Monday, 29 <sup>th</sup>    | -                           | -   | <b>St. Francis de Sales</b><br><i>Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church</i> |
| Tuesday, 30 <sup>th</sup>   | -                           | -   | <b>St. Martina</b><br><i>Virgin and Martyr</i>                                   |
| Wednesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> | 6:30pm                      | Family Rosary in the Chapel - All Invited           | <b>St. John Bosco</b><br><i>Confessor</i>  |
| Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup>   | -                           | -   | <b>St. Ignatius of Antioch (First Thursday)</b><br><i>Bishop and Martyr</i>      |
| Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup>     | 5:00pm<br>6:00pm<br>7:00pm  | Confessions<br>Low Mass<br>Holy Hour                | <b>Purification of the B.V.M.</b><br><b>Candlemas</b><br><b>(First Friday)</b>   |
| Saturday, 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | 8:00am<br>9:00am<br>10:00am | Confessions<br>Low Mass<br>First Saturday Devotions | <b>B.V.M. on Saturday (First Saturday)</b>                                       |
| Sunday, 4 <sup>th</sup>     | 7:30am<br>10:00am<br>4:00pm | Low Mass<br>High Mass<br>Low Mass                   | Sexagesima Sunday  |
| Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup>     | -                           | -   | <b>St. Agatha</b><br><i>Virgin and Martyr</i>                                    |

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CHURCH

## THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

January 28<sup>th</sup>, Septuagesima Sunday



### Gregorian Latin liturgy

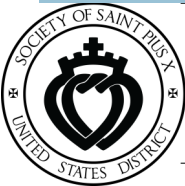
Until 1969, the various Catholic liturgies were all of apostolic origin. The Gregorian Latin liturgy, celebrated in this church, follows the tradition of Saint Peter, the first Pope, and has never undergone any essential change till the present time. Every gesture, every word has been weighed and measured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

**Prayers:** Please continue to pray for terminally ill, lifetime parishioner **Jim Nichols**.

**2024 Angelus Calendars** are still available in the portable for \$7 each.

**Thank you to those who volunteered for yesterday's workday.** The next workday will be announced in the upcoming weeks.

**Birth Announcement:** With great pleasure we announce the newest members of our chapel. Luca Gaspar Gonzalez born to Carlos and Hannah on January 12th. 7lb 13 oz. Blessed be God.

**Candlemas:** February 2nd at 6:00pm. You are welcome to bring any of your own candles to be blessed during the ceremony.

**Feast of St. Blaise:** There will be the blessing of throats on Saturday, February 3rd following the First Saturday Devotions and after Sunday, February 4th Masses.

**St. John Bosco's Schoolhouse** children are selling 100% beeswax hand-dipped candles for \$5 each. Candles are available in the portable. Get them in time for the Candlemas blessing!

**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](mailto:stma.office@gmail.com)

Please visit our new website [PompeiiRising.org](https://PompeiiRising.org) for updates on our new church renovation project as well as ways to give. QR Code for the website:



**Pascua Florida Pilgrimage:** Pascua Florida Pilgrimage™ April 2-7. Optional part time attendance. Registration due by March 2nd. See [sspxflorida.com](https://sspxflorida.com) for information. Contact [pilgrimage@stmpa.net](mailto:pilgrimage@stmpa.net) Volunteer drivers and kitchen helpers are greatly appreciated!

## **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.

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



## **On the Importance of Salvation**

"He sent them into his vineyard." MATTHEW xx. 2

SERMONS OF ST. ALPHONSUS

The vines of the Lord are our souls, which he has given us to cultivate by good works, that we may be one day admitted into eternal glory. "How," says Salvian, "does it happen that a Christian believes, and still does not fear the future?" Christians believe death, judgment, hell, and Paradise: but they live as if they believed them not as if these truths of faith were fables or the inventions of human genius. Many live as if they were never to die, or as if they had not to give God an account of their life as if there were neither hell nor a heaven. Perhaps they do not believe in them? They believe, but do not reflect on them; and thus they are lost. They take all possible care of worldly affairs, but attend not to the salvation of their souls.

### **If the soul is lost, all is lost**

"But," says St. Paul, "we entreat you .... that you do your own business." (1 Thess. iv. 10, 11.) The greater part of worldlings are most attentive to the business of this world. What diligence do they not employ to gain a law-suit or a post of emolument! How many means are adopted how many measures taken? They neither eat nor sleep. And what efforts do they make to save their souls? All blush at being told that they neglect the affairs of their families; and how few are ashamed to neglect the salvation of their souls. "Brethren," says St. Paul, I entreat you that you do your own business ;" that is, the business of your eternal salvation.

### **If the soul be once lost, it is lost for ever**

Men die but once. If a Christian died twice, he might lose his soul the first, and save it the second time. But we can die only once: if the soul be lost the first time, it is lost for ever. This truth St. Teresa frequently inculcated to her nuns: "One soul," she would say, "one eternity." As if she said: We have but one soul: if this be lost, all is lost. There is but "one eternity;" if the soul be once lost, it is lost for ever. "Periisse semel æternum est."

We must, then, from this day forward, devote all our attention to the salvation of our souls. There is no question, says St. John Chrysostom, of losing some earthly good which we must one day relinquish. But there is question of losing Paradise, and of going to suffer for ever in hell: "De immortalibus suppliciis, de cœlestis regni amissione res agitur." We must fear and tremble; it is thus we shall be able to secure eternal happiness. "With fear and trembling work out your salvation." (Phil. ii. 12.) Hence, if we wish to save our souls, we must labour strenuously to avoid dangerous occasions, to resist temptations, and to frequent the sacraments. Without labour we cannot obtain heaven. "The violent bear it away." The saints tremble at the thought of eternity. St. Andrew Avellino exclaimed with tears: Who knows whether I shall be saved or damned? St. Lewis Bertrand said with trembling: What shall be my lot in the other world? And shall we not tremble? Let us pray to Jesus Christ and his most holy mother to help us to save our souls. This is for us the most important of all affairs: if we succeed in it, we shall be eternally happy; if we fail, we must be for ever miserable.

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