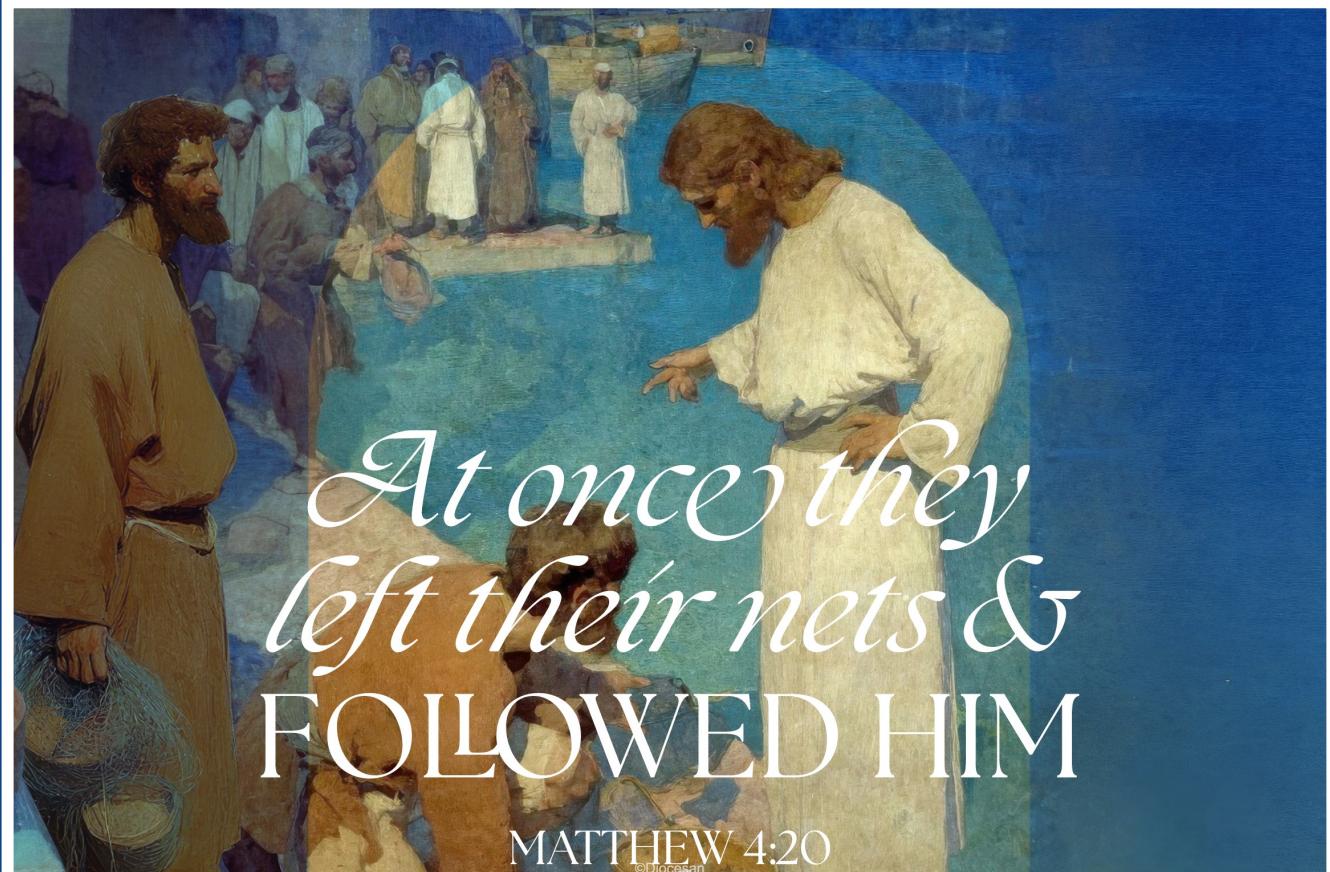


St. Michael the Archangel Roman
Catholic Church
January 25, 2026



The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Michael the Archangel Roman Catholic Church is to worship God in prayer through the celebration of the sacraments, proclaim the Gospel while teaching others to do so, and to serve those in need.



Weekly Offertory

January 11, 2026

Offertory Envelopes	\$7,298.00
Loose Collection.....	\$3,999.00
Online Giving.....	<u>\$3,057.00</u>
Total Offertory	\$14,354.00

This Week

Monday, January 26, 2026

Daily Mass	Chapel	7:30 – 8:00 AM
Ladies Sodality.....	PC 4.....	9:30 - 11:00 AM
Understanding the Catechism	PC 3.....	6:00 - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Daily Mass	Chapel	7:30 – 8:00 AM
Discovering Jesus	FGMC	10:00 - 11:30 AM
Grief Share Group.....	PC 3.....	1:00 - 2:00 PM
K of C Officers Meeting	PC 4.....	7:00 - 8:30 PM
OCIA	FGMC	7:00 - 8:30 PM

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

Daily Mass	Chapel	7:30 - 8:00 AM
Denise Mercado, Author	PC 4.....	10:00 - 11:30 AM

Thursday, January 29, 2026

Daily Mass	Chapel	7:30 – 8:00 AM
Bible Study Group	PC 4.....	10:00 - 11:30 AM

Friday, January 30, 2026

Daily Mass	Chapel	7:30 – 8:00 AM
Eucharistic Adoration	Chapel	8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Saturday, January 31, 2026

Daily Mass	Chapel	7:30 – 8:00 AM
Vigil Mass.....	Church	4:00 - 5:00 PM
K of C Barn Dance	PC 3.....	5:00 - 10:00 PM

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Mass	Church	7:00 – 8:00 AM
Mass	Church	9:00 – 10:00 AM
K of C Pancake Breakfast	PC 3.....	9:30 - 11:00 AM
Faith Formation	FGMC	10:15 - 11:35
Mass	Church	11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

PC: Parish Center FGMC: Father George Malin Center

Catholic Trivia

Which prophet was swallowed by a big fish?

Don't forget to join us this Wednesday, January 28 in room 3 of the parish center at 10:00^{AM} for the award winning author Denise Mercado

Mass Intentions For This Weekend 01/24 & 01/25

Saturday, January 24th

4:00^{PM} †Theresa Boccanfuso

Sunday, January 25th

7:00^{AM} ♦For All Parishioners
9:00^{AM} †Cecelia Witt
11:00^{AM} †Ryan Coll

Mass Intentions For This Week

Monday, January 26th

7:30^{AM} †Theresa Boccanfuso

Tuesday, January 27th

7:30^{AM} †Carl Bussow

Wednesday, January 28th

7:30^{AM} †Antoinette & Victor Aquilino

Thursday, January 29th

7:30^{AM} †Filimon Asuncion Jr.

Friday, January 30th

7:30^{AM} †Rocco Ambrogio

Saturday, January 31st

7:30^{AM} †Mercedes Berrios
4:00^{PM} †Deceased members of the
Swengros Family

Sunday, February 1st

7:00^{AM} †Marie & Al Pesce
9:00^{AM} ♦For All Parishioners
11:00^{AM} †Louis LaBella

Clergy

Very. Rev. James Ruhlin, V.F.....Pastor
Rev. Pius T. MathewParochial Vicar

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil.....4:00PM
Sunday.....7:00, 9:00 and 11:00AM
Daily.....7:30AM

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00AM to 3:00PM

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Reconciliation

Thursday3:00 to 4:00PM & 6:30 to 7:00PM

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A WORD FROM FATHER JIM

This Sunday (*the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time*) has been designated as “Word of God Sunday” by Pope Francis in 2019. It is the Church’s opportunity to focus on the importance of the Scriptures in the lives of the faithful. This feast encourages all to engage more with the Bible in order to deepen their relationship with God and others. The theme of this year’s Word of God Sunday is “*the word of Christ dwells among you*” (Colossians 3:16). Jesus is the Word of God made flesh. He dwells among us, especially with regards to the Sacrament of the Eucharist. God’s Word is contained in the Sacred Scriptures, so the more we know about the Bible, the deeper we can dive into the mystery of God. A priest had a great life motto concerning the Scriptures: “*No Bible, no breakfast; no Bible, no bed.*” In other words, he would not eat breakfast until he first read from the Bible, nor would he go to sleep before reading from the Bible. Imagine how your life would change for the better if you applied this mantra to your own life.

This Sunday, at both the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses, we are blessed to have Fr. Xavy Castro, the Director of Vocations for the Diocese of St. Petersburg, to address the issue of vocations with our parish. He will also be visiting the children in our Religious Education Program. Vocations to the priesthood and religious life are essential to the growth of the Church. We are blessed here at St. Michael Parish because we have a seminarian, Vincent Washburn, and another young man in the application process to become a seminarian. Since our parish has men who are on the journey to priesthood, we are direct recipients of the Catholic Ministry Appeal. Our parish goal for this year’s appeal is \$114,570; this helps to support Vincent’s education and formation. Please prayerfully consider supporting the Catholic Ministry Appeal, which includes the Vocations Office. It is important to pray for priests and religious. It is the Church’s desire that families promote and support vocations in their homes.

This Sunday also begins National Catholic Schools Week. This year’s theme is: “Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community.” The hope is to emphasize the central role that Catholic schools play in building faith communities and forming family members. Each day of the week focuses on an important aspect of the faith journey.

Sunday:	Celebrating Your Parish
Monday:	Celebrating Your Community
Tuesday:	Celebrating Your Students
Wednesday:	Celebrating the Nation (“Day of Giving”)
Thursday:	Celebrating Vocations
Friday:	Celebrating School Staff & Volunteers
Saturday:	Celebrating Family

Remember that Catholic Schools and Education are also supported by the Catholic Ministry Appeal. Here is another good reason to support the appeal. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Vocations and Catholic Schools are extensions of the Word of God since they are both ways in which the Scriptures are lived and proclaimed. May the Holy Spirit inspire all of us to spread the Word of God in both word and deed.

God bless,
Fr. Jim Ruhlin

2025 TAX STATEMENTS

If you would like to request a tax statement for your 2025 contributions, please complete this form and put it in the offertory basket. You may also call the office at 868-5276.

(Please Print Very Clearly)

Name: _____

Envelope Number: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Mail to me.

BARN DANCE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31ST

6:00 to 10:00^{PM}
(doors open at 5:00^{PM})
Parish Center, Room 3

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased in the parish office during normal business hours or call Thom Pfister at 253-459-5039. Dinner will be pulled pork with sides and desserts.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus #10377



ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY PFISTER-PITTS

Taking Care of God's House



In times past, God's people have been called to build and provide for the House of God.

Ezra 1:2, 3:7 "Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has changed me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah." "So they gave money to the masons and the carpenters, and food, drink, and oil to the Sidonians and the Tyrians to bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea, to Joppa, according to the grant which they had from Cyrus king of Persia."

As in days past, today, as God's people, we are called to build and provide for the care of God's House. Please consider what God may be calling you to give to St. Michael's **BUILDING FUND** to help support the ongoing repair and maintenance needs to be worked on in 2026.

St. Michael the Archangel church is thankful for the generous donations received to support our many building repair and maintenance needs. Through the generous support of our past and present parishioners, our aging buildings and equipment list of repairs is slowly being completed. Please continue with a New Year gift marked **BUILDING FUND** to help support the ongoing repair and maintenance needs to be worked on in 2026.

You may use the special envelopes located at the exits of the church or go online to make your year-end donation! Online Log in at <https://www.saintmichaelchurch.org/giving>. Click on "Building Fund."

Written Personal Intentions

You are warmly encouraged to bring your personal intentions with you to every Mass and to offer them **spiritually** to the Lord. A beautiful moment to do this is during the Offertory, after the Creed and the Universal Prayer, as the gifts are prepared on the altar. In a special way, when the priest invites us, "*Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father,*" we are invited to place our personal prayers, hopes, and concerns into God's loving hands. Please know that you may also offer your intentions silently at any moment throughout the Mass.

To honor the sacredness of the altar and to encourage this spiritual offering, **we will no longer accept written personal intentions** to be placed under the altar. We thank you for your understanding and for continuing to unite your prayers with the Eucharistic sacrifice.

May the Lord, who knows the desires of every heart, receive all our intentions with love and mercy.

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Our 2026 Parish Goal:

\$114,570.00

Amount Paid:

\$0.00



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CATHOLIC DAYS AT THE CAPITOL

★ February 10-12, 2026 - Tallahassee, Florida ★

The Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops invites you to join Catholics from across the state to advocate for the protection of human life & dignity as lawmakers continue the important work of shaping Florida's laws for the common good.

Events include a legislative briefing, awards breakfast & annual Red Mass of the Holy Spirit.



LEARN MORE AND REGISTER: WWW.FLACCB.ORG/CDAC



St. Michael's Knights of Columbus are hosting a pancake breakfast on **Sunday, February 1st** from **9:30 to 11:00^{AM}** in the parish center. The breakfast includes pancakes, sausage, eggs, fruit, juice and coffee. Adults are \$8.00 and children under 12 are \$4.00.



Parish Rosary Program Update

Total Rosaries Prayed this week:

443

Total Rosaries Prayed Year to Date: 4,386

Total Weeks Reporting

10

Bible Trivia Answer: Jonah

The food pantry of St. Vincent de Paul needs your continued support. The number of neighbors we serve is increasing significantly. Food donations are especially appreciated. The more food donated, the more monetary funds can be used for other purposes in serving the poor and needy in our community. We are in most need of the following food items:

Pasta, spaghetti sauce, pork and beans, peanut butter, canned soup, tuna, canned vegetables, jelly, canned fruit, applesauce cups, canned chicken, pancake mix and cereal.

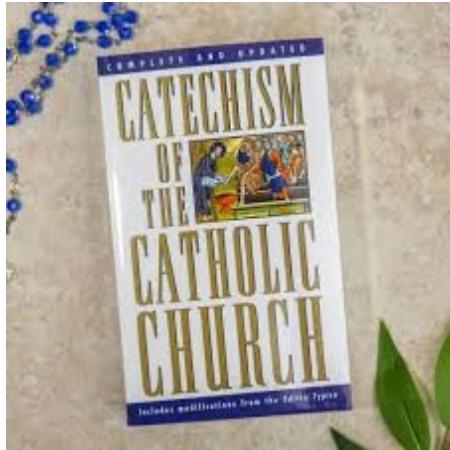
Items can be dropped in the barrels at the church entrances. Thank you for your generosity.

Understanding the Catechism

Monday Evenings

6:00 to 7:00 PM

Parish Center Room 3



Join Father Jim for classes that will help the faithful better understand the Church's teachings. There are a limited number of Catechisms available for class use. If you have your own Catechism book, then you might want to bring it with you to class.

Come and join us to hear Paul Zucarelli's testimony. He will be speaking on Sunday, February 15, 2026 at 4:00^{PM} at St. Theresa Catholic Church. Paul visits churches to share his testimony about having 9 cardiac arrests and being dead for 2 hours. This is a **FREE EVENT**. For more information please contact St. Theresa Catholic Church at 352-683-2849.



We are still open between Christmas and Easter! We would love to have you join us each Sunday. You are always welcome!



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Parish Rosary Program

[Total Rosaries for Sunday.....](#)

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[Total Rosaries for the Week: _____](#)



**Every Tuesday afternoons in room 3 of
the parish center from 1:00 to 3:00^{PM}.**

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you will discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you will learn helpful ways of coping with grief. Each weekly group begins with a 30 minute video featuring respected experts on grief-related topics and helpful stories from people who have experienced loss.

For more information please contact Barbara at 379-1544 or balvarez@saintmichaelchurch.org