



**FROM
THE
PASTOR**

Dear Angels,

The central theme of today's readings is a challenge to live like the Lamb of God and to die like the Lamb of God. In both the first and second readings, God calls individuals to His service. The gospel passage presents three themes: John's witness to Jesus, Jesus' epiphany and identification as the "Lamb of God," and the call to discipleship. Those who are called gradually accept the identity of the One who calls them. Like John the Baptist, we may wish to use today's Gospel as a personal and corporate call to become a witness to the Lamb of God.

Have a blessed Week!

Fr. Peter Chinnappan

Upcoming Parish events in 2008:

- Parish Lenten Mission
February 11-13
- Parish Vocation Camp
February 29 & March 1
- Guest Speaker – Tim Staples
May 3
- Parish Spiritual Retreat
September 26 & 27
- Parish Feast
September 27
- Parish Fall Festival
September/October
- Parish Pilgrimage to Holy Land
September/October

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY APPEAL (CCA)

- Ernie Valencia

We would like to thank all those who have contributed or pledged to the CCA for 2007 and 2008. We have met our goal for 2007, and we have pledged our goal amount for 2008. Thank you for your generous contributions and pledges. May God bless you.

Thank You!

GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
01/14/07	1287	\$10,993.00
01/13/08	2185	\$17,246.00
Weekly amount needed:		\$21,193.00

CCA UPDATE 01/13/08

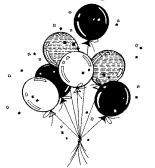
Our Goal for 2008	\$89,000
Pledged before CCA Kick Off (93)	\$23,475
Envelopes submitted (384)	\$65,694
Total Pledged (100%)	\$89,169
Needed to reach our goal for 2007	\$0

ST. MICHAEL'S MARDI GRAS FAMILY DANCE

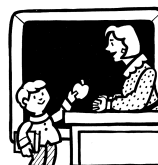
- Anna Quigley



The St. Michael's Mardi Gras Family Dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 2, from 7-10:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets are on sale in the narthex this weekend and next. Take advantage of our lower prices for pre-purchased tickets, \$3 for singles or \$10 for families. Tickets at the door will be \$5 for singles or \$12 for families. Buy your tickets early and mark your calendar to join us for an evening of fun and dance. We need help selling tickets, decorating the parish hall, and on the night of the dance. Please call Anna at (972) 279-6581, ext. 14, if you can help.



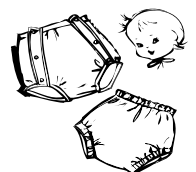
FAITH FORMATION - John Krajca



Faith Formation is in need of adult teachers, co-teachers, and office aides for pre-school, elementary, and middle school. All materials are provided. Please be willing to share one hour of your time and talent in helping children develop a love and understanding of God and the Catholic faith. If you feel called to assist with this important ministry or if you have questions, please call 972-279-6581 and speak with a member of the Faith Formation staff.

ST. MICHAEL FOOD PANTRY - Ken Smith

The St. Michael Food Pantry is in need of baby diapers (sizes 2, 3, 4, and 5). Please place donations in the baskets located in the narthex. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!!



MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday	January 20
7:30 a.m.	+Emma Smith by Jack & Marcy Smith
9:00 a.m.	+Mary, Ed, & Alvina Renze by Eddie & Kristy Gonzalez
10:30 a.m.	+Florintino Cortez by Elvie O'Campo
12:00 noon	Mass for the People
6:00 p.m.	+John Lendvay by Victoria Solomon
Monday	January 21
8:00 a.m.	S.I. of Gioakim by Nguyen Loc Lan
Tuesday	January 22
8:00 a.m.	S.I. of Phiro by Nguyen Loc Lan
Wednesday	January 23
8:00 a.m.	S.I. of Martin by Nguyen Loc Lan
Thursday	January 24
8:00 a.m.	+Julio Valles by Jose & Luz Santiago
Friday	January 25
8:00 a.m.	+John William Reese by Eleanor Goolsby
Saturday	January 26
8:00 a.m.	S.I. of Joseph by Nguyen Loc Lan
5:30 p.m.	S.I. of Phiro by Nguyen Loc Lan

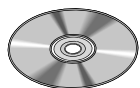
Altar flowers are provided in memory of Jim Lonidier by his family.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
January 20, 2008**



Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
Saturday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:20-21

INSPIRING CATHOLIC CDs - Lili Rivera



Want to spend a little time studying about your faith? See the display of available titles of **Inspiring Catholic CDs** in the narthex. Enjoy listening to one while you are driving in your car.

PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY:	January 20, 2008
9:00 a.m.	Boy Scouts' Donuts – Parish Hall
10:30 a.m.	RCIA – Library
MONDAY:	January 21, 2008
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul – Youth Room
7:30 p.m.	Bldg. Com. Mtg. – Rm. 110/120
TUESDAY:	January 22, 2008
10:00 a.m.	Women's Craft Group – Pit Area
3:00 p.m.	Olan Mills Photography – Parish Hall
7:00 p.m.	PAC Meeting - Library
7:00 p.m.	12:00 Noon Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	RCIA – Rm. 110/120
WEDNESDAY:	January 23, 2008
3:00 p.m.	Olan Mills Photography – Parish Hall
6:30 p.m.	Angel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Life Teen – Youth Room
7:30 p.m.	St. Gregory Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study – Rm. 110/120
THURSDAY:	January 24, 2008
3:00 p.m.	Olan Mills Photography – Parish Hall
6:00 p.m.	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Mass - Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Confessions - Chapel
7:00 p.m.	9:00 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	New Day Grief Ministry – Library
7:00 p.m.	Book Club – Youth Room
FRIDAY:	January 25, 2008
3:00 p.m.	Olan Mills Photography – Parish Hall
SATURDAY:	January 26, 2008
10:00 a.m.	Olan Mills Photography – Parish Hall
4:30 p.m.	Confessions – Chapel



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

(not a Holy Day of Obligation)

Wednesday, Feb. 6:

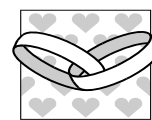
- 8:00 a.m.
- 6:00 p.m.
- 7:30 p.m.



ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

- Anna Quigley

A workshop for couples planning or discerning marriage will be held by the diocese on Jan. 26 & 27. It is designed to give couples an opportunity to dialogue honestly and intensely about their future life together. It is facilitated by a team of married couples. Please call Anna for more information at 972-279-6581, ext. 14.





Angela Wolden – Coordinator

angela@smlifeteen.com

Youth Office: 972-279-6581, ext. 17

Be sure to check out our web site for current info at www.smlifeteen.com

SUNDAY, JAN. 20, 7 PM-1 AM

Rock 'n Bowl for Life TONIGHT!!! - \$25



We're heading to Main Event for a night of bowling, laser tag, video games, and most importantly to support LIFE!! This is the same weekend as the annual Pro-Life March in Washington, D.C. We

want to do our part to support the Pro-Life Movement and those working hard to end abortion. A portion of your \$25 will go directly to the White Rose Pregnancy Center right here in Dallas to help those mothers who say "YES" to life!

SUNDAY, JAN. 27, 3-9 PM

Sex – everyone's talking about it

Jason Everett, Catholic Chastity Speaker

We are heading over to St. Ann's in Coppell to listen to a famous and entertaining chastity speaker. If you have never heard him speak, and even if you have, you don't want to miss this opportunity. We will go to Mass at St. Ann and stay for their Life Night afterward. ALL Confirmation students must attend this special night, but high school teens are also all invited. It costs nothing; just bring a signed consent form.

NO LIFE NIGHT FEB. 3rd

PLEASE NOTE: The Life Teen ski trip has been cancelled this year. All registered participants should have received their returned deposit in the mail. If you have not received it yet, contact Angela in the youth office. We are disappointed not to be able to go this year, but we hope to do it again next year.



ST. MICHAEL'S BOOK CLUB

- Anna Quigley



St. Michael's Book Club will meet on Thursday, Jan. 24, from 7-8 p.m. in the youth room. Please bring our current selection: The Life and Times of the

Thunderbolt Kid by Bill Bryson, \$14.95 new. Our selection for February is The Five People You Meet in Heaven by Mitch Albom, \$13.57 new on Amazon. Also please bring with you one or two book suggestions for future consideration. Questions? Call Anna at 972-279-6581, ext. 14.

PRE-SCHOOL BABY JESUS PROGRAM

- John Krajca



The children traveled far through the dark and chilly night bearing the gifts they had brought. They had only a very bright star to guide them on their journey. At last, they arrived at the cave and entered to the gentle sound of "Oh, Holy Night" playing in the background. What a sight to behold! The Holy Family awaited them. Many of the children dropped down on their knees to pray over the Christ Child. They all took turns and laid a gift by Jesus' manger bed.

This was the scene at our last class before the Christmas break. The children seemed to enjoy the live Nativity very much. They brought many gifts that were used to help needy families in our parish. Thanks to all of you who sent gifts with the children for this wondrous occasion. Thanks also to all of the teachers and teens who worked so hard to make this a special event for the children. We can affect many lives with your help!!



SUPER BOWL BAR-B-QUE

- Gary

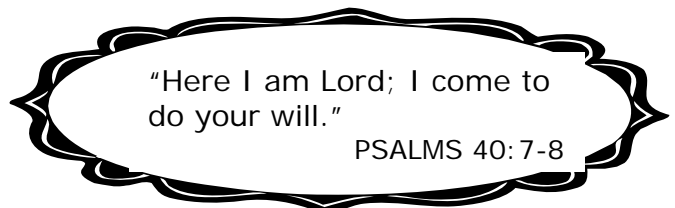
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Plan your Super Bowl menu now. The "Holy Smokers" from our Knights of Columbus will be preparing Bar-B-Que for your Super Bowl Party of four or 100. Place your order now for some **Serious Texas Bar-B-**

Que...beef brisket, chicken, and ribs...all fully cooked, sliced, and ready to serve. For more details, check with the "Holy Smokers" order table in the narthex after each Mass or call Gary Labac at 214-649-8043 or Jeff Muessig at 214-533-1046.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

A series of three classes in the sympto-thermal method of Natural Family Planning will be taught by the Couple to Couple League at St. Jude Catholic Church in Allen. NFP provides fertility awareness for either postponing or achieving pregnancy. Classes begin Feb. 10 and meet once a month on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. Childcare is available by reservation. For more information or to register for the course, please contact Peter and Stephanie Reisinger at 214-509-0828 or nfp@reisingerfamily.net.



"Here I am Lord; I come to do your will."

PSALMS 40:7-8

FREE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CLASSES - Krysten Carrera

Beginning Monday, Jan. 21, Catholic Charities and Literacy Instruction for Texas (LIFT) will offer free ESL classes in the Catholic Charities local site office at 201 S. 13th St. in Garland's Good Shepherd Parish. The classes will meet 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday evenings for twelve weeks. These classes are open to any adult who would like to learn English or so improve his or her English abilities.

Registration will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 20, in the Good Shepherd Church cafeteria at 214 S. Garland Ave. Those interested should arrive as early as possible, since there are a limited number of enrollments available.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR - Gloria Perez



We hope to have fresh flowers on the altar every Sunday. If you would like to provide flowers in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please contact the parish office by noon on Monday. Orders for flowers will be

made through the parish office. The flower donor and intention will be printed in the bulletin following the notation about Tabernacle candles.

ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - David Lopez

The St. Bernard of Clairvaux School will be holding an Open House on Sunday, Jan. 27, from 2 to 4 p.m. Teachers and Principal Leos will be available to answer questions and conduct tours. We are a small Catholic school located near White Rock Lake, and we are attempting to increase our enrollment by reaching out to the East Dallas community and nearby suburbs. The school does not require families to be registered parishioners of St. Bernard Church in order to receive discounted tuition rates. For more information, please call 214-321-2897.

SUGGESTIONS

HAVE COMMENTS? - Felipe Salazar

The Parish Advisory Council at St. Michael wants to know what you are thinking. We have a suggestion box for your ideas, comments, concerns, or suggestions. This box will only be opened by Parish Council members. Staff and clergy will not have access to comments submitted in this box. The box has a "COMMENTS" label on it and is located on a table in the narthex.