

Saint Paul said "time is running out" because he believed that Jesus was going to return very soon to judge the world. Obviously Jesus did not return as soon as Saint Paul and the other apostles expected, but His words of warning are still valid for us. To be a disciple of Jesus Christ demands that we live in a different manner than those who do not believe. Even if it seems strange to others in the world, the will of God and the love of Christ must rule in our hearts.  
 Father Joseph

GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORK		
<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Mass Count</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
01/20/08	2060	\$13,944.00
01/18/09	2167	\$17,566.00

A second collection will be taken next weekend for the Church in Trujillo, Honduras.



**FR. MITCH PACWA, SJ**  
**is coming to St. Michael**

- Sherri Williams  
 Fr. Mitch Pacwa will be here Saturday, January 31, to speak on the "Introduction to Saint Paul: Steward of the Mysteries" at 9:00 AM and "St. Paul and the Family" at 1:00 PM in the sanctuary. He will provide valuable insights into St. Paul's background: Who was this Pharisee turned Christian, and how did his identity affect his writings and his approach to the Faith? Please make plans to join us!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS'**  
**THE HOLY SMOKERS**

- Gary Labac  
 This weekend is your last chance to place an order for Super Bowl Bar-b-Que. Don't miss out on this **mouth waterin', finger lickin', Serious Texas Bar-b-Que**. 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.

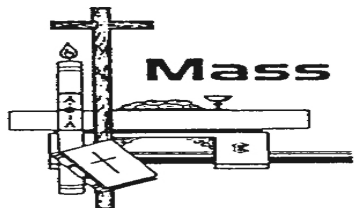
**Bishop Kevin J. Farrell**  
 Roman Catholic Diocese of Dallas

**Special Mass**  
**For**  
**Persons with Disabilities**  
**And Caregivers**

Bishop Kevin J. Farrell, Bishop of the Diocese of Dallas, will celebrate Mass for Persons with Disabilities and Caregivers on Saturday, February 7, at 5:00 PM (anticipatory and inclusive Mass) at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe, 2215 Ross Avenue, Dallas, 75201. There will be a celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick during the Mass. The Mass will be interpreted in sign language. A reception for the disabled, caregivers, family and friends will be held before the Mass at 3:45 PM in the Grand Salon across from the sanctuary. Reservations for the reception can be made by contacting the Pastoral Center at (214) 379-2866. Reservations are preferred but not required.

**Seeking Contractor Bids**

Contractor bids are now being accepted for the renovation of Curran Hall. Bids must be submitted by February 20, and contract will be awarded by March 31. Questions? Please contact Ernie Valencia, General Manager, at (972) 279-6581, ext. 22.



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 24

8:00 a.m. All Souls by Mareleine Tran  
 5:30 p.m. +Melissa Perez by Esperanza Rios

### Sunday, January 25

7:30 a.m. S.I. Peter Tran by Mareleine Tran  
 +Helen Spence by Pat Conway  
 9:00 a.m. +Carmen Martinez by her family  
 10:30 a.m. Mass for the People  
 12:00 noon Genevieve Cruz  
 6:00 p.m.

### Monday, January 26

8:00 a.m. S.I. Maria Nguyen by Mareleine Tran

### Tuesday, January 27

8:00 a.m. S.I. David P. Perez by Deacon Joe & Gloria Perez

### Wednesday, January 28

8:00 a.m. +Richard D. Brandon by William Brandon & family

### Thursday, January 29

8:00 a.m. S.I. Joseph Tran by Mareleine Tran  
 6:30 p.m. +E. W. Hendricks by Miller family

### Friday, January 30

8:00 a.m. +Wilhelmina Brandon by William Brandon & family

Tabernacle candle is provided in memory of Ianthia Johnson by Elvie Ocampo. Altar flowers are provided in memory of Fred A. Driscoll, Jr. by his loving wife and family.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF January 25, 2009



Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20  
 Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8/Ps 96:1-21, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 3:22-30  
 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/Mk 3:31-35  
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20  
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Mk 4:21-25  
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34  
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Mk 4:35-41



## This Week in our Parish

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### SUNDAY: January 25

8:30 a.m. Life Teen Fund Raiser – Narthex  
 8:30 a.m. Knights of Columbus - Narthex  
 9:00 a.m. RCIA – Library  
 1:30 p.m. Faith Formation – Curran Hall & Rm. 110/120

1:15 p.m. Nigerian Community Meeting – Rm. 110

#### MONDAY: January 26

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul – Youth Room  
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – Curran Hall

#### TUESDAY: January 27

10:00 a.m. Women's Craft Group – Pit Area  
 7:00 p.m. Parish Advisory Council – Rm. 110/120  
 7:00 p.m. St. Gregory Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary  
 7:00 p.m. 12:00 Noon Choir Rehearsal – Curran Hall

#### WEDNESDAY: January 28

6:00 p.m. Littlest Angel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary  
 7:00 p.m. The "EDGE" – Curran Hall, Rms, & SY  
 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study – Rm. 110/120

#### THURSDAY: January 29

6:00 p.m. Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help – Chapel

6:30 p.m. Mass – Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Confessions – Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Leaders Council – Rm. 150  
 7:30 p.m. 9:00 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

#### FRIDAY: January 30

5:00 p.m. Rosary Guild – Curran Hall

#### SATURDAY: January 31

6:00 a.m. Rosary Guild – Curran Hall  
 8:00 a.m. Rosary Guild – Narthex  
 9:00 a.m. Rosary Guild – Sanctuary (Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ, Speaking Event)  
 4:30 p.m. Confessions – Chapel

## FUNERAL MEALS MINISTRY

- Gloria Perez

St. Michael provides meals for bereaved families when there is a funeral here. Volunteers are needed to provide meals as well as set-up, serve and clean up of those meals. If you are interested in assisting in this very important ministry, please contact Gloria Perez or Anna Quigley at (972) 279-6581. Thank you.



## GIFT BEARERS

If your family would like to take the gifts to the altar during Mass, please let an usher know before the Mass you are attending begins.



St. Michael Garland, TX  
Rachel Kollhoff - Coordinator

[smyouth@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smyouth@sbcglobal.net) 972-279-6581, ext. 17  
Be sure to check out our website for current info:

[www.smlifeteen.com](http://www.smlifeteen.com)

(All forms can be found on the website.)

Life Teen begins with Life Teen Mass at 6 PM, followed by a Life Night that ends at 9 PM.

Upcoming Events:

- **LIFE TEEN SPRING KICKOFF** (SEMESTER TOPIC: Church & Sacraments)
- **February 1:** NO LIFE NIGHT
- **St. Michael T-shirt Pre-orders** will continue until February 1.
- **B.O.B. & W.O.W.:** Wednesdays in Youth Room from 7-9 PM. All high school teens are welcome!!
- **LIFE TEEN Retreat:** May 1-3 at Sabine Creek Ranch. Sign up today!!



CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Lisa Gonzales - Coordinator

[lisa.gonzales56@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lisa.gonzales56@sbcglobal.net) 972-279-6581, ext. 11  
January 28th - TOPIC: Prayer of St. Francis. Through the prayer of St Francis, the "EDGERS" will come to an understanding of how a strong prayer life is only truly effective if it is reflected in the way they live and the way they treat one another. Please join us as we learn about the life of St. Francis. Call Lisa with questions, concerns or comments.

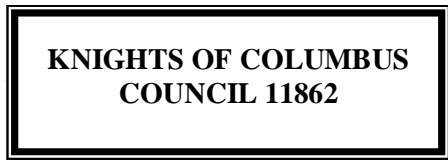
**REMINDER TO ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES/ PARENTS/SPONSORS:** The Confirmation Retreat will be held Saturday, January 24, here at St. Michael. **Parents, please bring your student in to sign up. We must be sure all paperwork has been completed and turned in. If there is missing paperwork, your student will NOT be allowed to attend the retreat.** The Confirmation Retreat fee is \$75.00. This fee includes all supplies, food, t-shirt, and the Confirmation robe which will be worn by all Confirmation candidates. We will begin in Curran Hall at 9:45 am. and conclude after the 5:30 pm Mass. Parents/sponsors, please join us for this Mass. Our third SUPER SUNDAY will follow on January 25 from 1:30-3:30 pm.



**LITTLEST ANGEL CHOIR**

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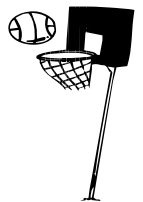
All St. Michael children are invited to join the Littlest Angels. We practice on Wednesday nights from 6-7 PM in the sanctuary. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to experience how it feels to be ministers during Mass. Pentecost will be our final liturgy of the year, but it isn't too late to join us. We have lots of fun singing and praising God. Come see for yourself!!



**EVENTS CALENDAR**

**January 24-25** Super Bowl BBQ Pre-Sales – Holy Smokers  
**25** Free Throw Contest, 1 p.m.

If you are interested in obtaining information about the Knights, please contact Gary Labac at (214) 649-8043.



**Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw**

- What:** Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw
- Who:** Boys and girls (need not be Catholic) who are ages 10-14 as of January 1
- Where:** Audubon Rec Center, 342 W. Oates Rd. (next to Wave Pool)
- When:** Sunday, January 25- practice 1:30-2:00 - competition begins at 2:00 PM.
- What to bring:** Basketball, parent or legal guardian (to sign permission form), and copy of birth certificate.

**MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

**Nigerian Community Group**  
The St. Michael Nigerian Community Group will hold its bi-monthly meeting today, January 25, at 1:15 PM in room 110. New members are invited to attend!

**Parish Advisory Council**  
The Parish Advisory Council will meet Tuesday, January 27, at 7 PM in room 110/120.

**St. Michael Organizational Committee**  
The St. Michael Organization Committee meeting will be held Thursday, January 29, at 7 PM in room 110/120.



## *PLEASE BE ADVISED that...*

Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church located at 2601 S. MacArthur Blvd. in Irving is not a Roman Catholic Church. Therefore it is not part of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Dallas and Reverend Pedro Portillo is not a priest of the Roman Catholic faith.

Please note the following:

- A baptized Roman Catholic cannot validly be confirmed as a Catholic in Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church.
- A baptized Roman Catholic cannot validly be married, without dispensation from Canonical Form, in Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church.

If you have questions concerning the relationship of Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church, please contact Margaret Gillett at (214) 379-2840.

### **English as a Second Language**

Eastfield College is offering credit classes in English as a Second Language for students who attended ESOL classes in high school and would like to attend college or for those students who have finished ESL classes at St. Bernard's Parish. For more information, please call (972) 860-7026.

## **BLACK CATHOLIC NETWORK Diocese of Dallas 2009 Scholarship Application**

Applications are now being accepted for the Black Catholic Network of the Diocese of Dallas for 2009. The educational scholarship application and other required items must be postmarked **no later than March 31, 2009**. A copy of the scholarship form may be obtained through the website of the Diocese of Dallas.

### **Notre Dame School**

Notre Dame School invites you to join them for an open house for prospective parents and professionals on Wednesday, January 28, from 9:30-11:00 AM and 1:00-2:30 PM at 2018 Allen St., Dallas 75204. The school is located on Allen Street between McKinney Ave. and Woodall Rodgers access road, behind St. Peter the Apostle Church. For more information, please call (214) 720-3911. Notre Dame School has been serving students with mental disabilities ages 6-21 for over 40 years.

### **Catholic Charities "World of Goods" Resale Store**

Want to help those less fortunate? Shop for or donate furniture at the store, online at [www.catholiccharitiesdallas.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdallas.org), or call (214) 342-8321 to schedule a furniture pickup. We are open 7 days a week.