



## Today's Gospel Reflection

1st Reading: Sir 27:30 — 28:7 \* Psalm: Ps 103:1-4, 9-12 \*  
 2nd Reading: Rom 14:7-9 \* Gospel: Mt 18:15-20

### FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.



Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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*"Forgive your neighbor's injustice;  
 then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven."  
 — Sirach 28:2*

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27  
 or Lk 2:33-35  
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50  
 Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15  
 Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;  
 Mt 20:1-16a

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
 Grandparents Day; Catechetical Sunday  
 Monday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
 Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows  
 Wednesday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian  
 Thursday: St. Robert Bellarmine  
 Friday: Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5781  
 Saturday: St. Januarius; Blessed Virgin Mary

### MERCY

Dost thou wish to receive mercy? Show mercy to thy neighbor.

—St. John Chrysostom

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You missed the point," we might be tempted to shout at the servant in today's Gospel. His master had just forgiven a huge debt when he cried for mercy, and yet, when given the opportunity to show mercy himself, he instead acted violently and with retribution toward a fellow servant. Certainly, he had missed the point of his master's merciful actions toward him, and suffered the consequences as a result. He missed the point. He is not alone, however. We all "miss the point" sometimes—we miss the point of God's enduring covenant of love, and miss the mark in our call to live as though we are the Lord's, for this is who we are.

### BECOMING MORE LIKE CHRIST

When Peter asked Jesus how many times he must forgive, he was probably stunned at Jesus' response. Peter had asked, "As many as seven times?" Seven being the perfect number, surely this is enough forgiveness, Peter likely thought. Jesus' response seems lavish beyond proportion. "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." Jesus understands the fullness of God's mercy and teaches that disciples are called to this same lavish outpouring of mercy. God showers compassion on humanity, beyond what might seem sensible or wise, yet we are called to "remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults," to give others the benefit of the doubt, knowing that God does this and more with us, each and every day. As recipients of God's compassion, we must extend forgiveness and care beyond what might seem reasonable, because God's love is beyond human reason.

### HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?

All this might seem just too much for us. It is one thing to recognize God's enduring covenant love. It is another to grasp that we are called to the same sort of lavishness in mercy and forgiveness ourselves. Saint Paul helps us put this in perspective. We no longer live for ourselves, but for the Lord. In life and death, we belong to God and are called to be witnesses to God's love, even in the most challenging circumstances. A friend turns away from us; we are called to turn toward the friend with mercy. A co-worker hurts us; we are called to approach him or her with forgiveness, seventy-seven times no less! God's love is always about what is just and right. As God's people, we live and die for the Lord, forgive even when it doesn't make sense to do so, and leave the rest in God's hands.

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### FAITH

Faith is the union of God with the soul.

—St. John of the Cross

**Dear Parishioners and friends,**

**ANNUAL CAR RAFFLE AND AUCTION 2020.** Our “10th Annual Car Raffle and Auction” will be held on October 24, 2020 (Saturday) in the Parish Hall, both virtually and in person. The auction will start at 6:30 p.m. There will be a limit of 40 to 50 persons at a time inside the hall. Temperature check at the entrance, wearing of face masks, sanitizing hands before entry, and social distancing will be enforced.

The raffle ticket is \$20 each. We sent you 12 tickets, and for every 10 tickets sold, you get 2 tickets free. You may buy all tickets or sell to relatives and friends. **The Grand Prize is a brand new 2020 HONDA HRV LX**, and five (5) Consolation Prizes of \$200 each. Please return tickets stubs with payments. You may drop them in the offertory basket/box, or in the parish office.

**HOLY LAND.** Thank you for your generosity at the second collection last weekend for the Holy Land. *The Collection for the Holy Land, in the words of Paul VI, is “not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.”*

**2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA).** There will be a second collection in all Masses next weekend (September 29, 2020) for the 2020 ACA. Your participation and contribution to the ACA, will help the Diocese in implementing its various programs:

- affordable and accessible Catholic education;
- Evangelization and Catechetical Ministries,
- Youth and Young Adult,
- Prison and the Diocesan Institute;
- Catholic Charities; and
- support for seminary formation programs, as well as pastoral care for active and retired priests and deacons.

Let us continue to support the Diocese Annual Catholic Appeal, and express our **“Gratitude in Action”**.

**PLEASE, READ THE BULLETIN!** There are important announcements, messages, and reflections on the scripture readings in our bulletin. Our bulletin is FREE!

Thank you for your continued and untiring support to our parish. May God reward you a hundredfold for your generosity.



Rev. Fr. Manny Ediza, Pastor

P.S. Remember to include St. Michael Catholic Church San Diego in your will. May God bless you!



Greetings!

St. Michael Academy is gearing up to reopen our school campus! Our plan is to open a few classrooms at a time to ensure a safe return and get acclimated to the policies and guidelines of being physically back at school. We expect to have a busy first couple weeks of the reopening on campus as we get adjusted to being back in the classroom. Our curriculum continues with our Catholic faith formation, Common Core Standards, and STEM learning.

Our projected dates are as follows:

- The week of September 14th: Classrooms - Kindergarten, 3/4 Shared Classroom, 5th Grade, and 7th Grade will return to campus.
- The week of September 21st: Classrooms - 1/2 Shared Classroom, 6th Grade, 8th Grade.

We are currently enrolling for the following classrooms:

- Kindergarten
- 3/4 Shared Classroom
- 5th Grade
- 7th Grade

If interested in enrollment, please contact our SMA office at 919-470-4880 or email [admissions@stmichaelsandiego.org](mailto:admissions@stmichaelsandiego.org)

St. Michael Preschool had a strong reopening on Tuesday, September 1st. We are proud that children kept their masks on all day without hesitations and understood the importance of remaining 6 feet apart. Kudos to our youngest learners! We started our curriculum with the beginning stages of faith formation and STEM learning. Children were excited to explore, investigate, discover and build on their faith.

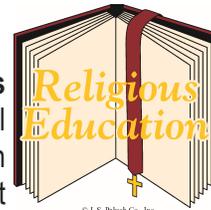
The Preschool has limited spaces available in each classroom. If interested in enrollment, please call 619.472.5437 or email [director@stmichaelsandiego.org](mailto:director@stmichaelsandiego.org)

Thank you for your continued patience, we are excited to move forward with the reopening of our schools. Many blessings to our families, staff and our St. Michael community.

In Christ and Education,

**Veronica K. Dayag**  
Principal and Director  
St. Michael Academy and Preschool

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



REGISTRATION for the Religious Education Program (CCD) School Year 2020-2021 is going on through to September 17, 2020. Enrollment hours are every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the Collier Center (located in the church courtyard). For more information, contact Ms. Mae Salamat at 619-470-1977 [msalamat@stmichaelsandiego.org](mailto:msalamat@stmichaelsandiego.org)



## CONFIRMATION CLASS—

Enrollment is now going on in the Courtyard and Collier Center through September 17th, every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call Ms. Arla Sigarlaki at 619-470-1977 for more information, or email [asigarlaki@stmichaelsandiego.org](mailto:asigarlaki@stmichaelsandiego.org).

***“Religious Education is the responsibility of the parents. Parish resources should be just one of the tools in your toolbelt of resources.”***

- Catholic Icing

## ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?



We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are encouraged to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For information please contact Lot Sigarlaki (RCIA Coordinator) [lsigarlaki@gmail.com](mailto:lsigarlaki@gmail.com); or Rudy Sigarlaki [rsigarlaki@gmail.com](mailto:rsigarlaki@gmail.com); Tony Reyes (Hispanic RCIA) [mariantonio83@gmail.com](mailto:mariantonio83@gmail.com); Miriam Andaya (RCIA for Children) [mandaya1626@gmail.com](mailto:mandaya1626@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 619-470-1977.

## Reflecciones del Evangelio

### PERDÓN

Unos diez años antes, un padre e hijo se distanciaron cuando el negocio en el que eran socios se fue a bancarrota. El hijo culpó al padre. No se hablaron más.

Entonces el padre se puso gravemente enfermo. La madre llamó al hijo y le dijo que viniera a verlo pronto. El hijo entró con vergüenza a su habitación en el hospital. El padre hizo un gesto para que se acercara y susurró: "¿Acaso pensaste que podrías hacer algo que me hiciera dejar de amarte?"

El rencor y la cólera son abominables, nos dice la primera lectura de Sirácide. Piensa en tu fin. Deja de odiar. Vive conforme a los mandamientos. Como escribe san Pablo en Romanos, para el Señor vivimos y para el Señor morimos.

Sin embargo, la parábola de Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy nos recuerda la compasión de Dios. El inmenso pecado de la humanidad ha sido perdonado y borrado del libro. Tenemos que perdonar a otros de igual manera.

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*Perdona la ofensa a tu prójimo, y así, cuando pidas perdón se te perdonarán tus pecados.*  
— Eclesiástico 28:2



### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — No podemos fomentar el rencor y esperar que se nos perdonen nuestros pecados (Eclesiástico 27:30 — 28:7).

**Salmo** — El Señor es bondadoso y misericordioso, lento a la ira y rico en compasión (Salmo 103(102)).

**Segunda lectura** — Ya sea que vivamos o muramos, lo hacemos en Cristo (Romanos 14:7-9).

**Evangelio** — Jesús dice que debemos perdonar no sólo siete veces sino setenta veces siete veces (Mateo 18:21-35).

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### MISERICORDIA

¿Deseas recibir misericordia? Demuestra misericordia a tu prójimo.

—San Juan Crisóstomo

### FE

La fe es la unión de Dios con el alma.

—San Juan de la Cruz

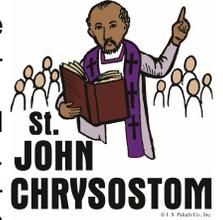


**Christians in their turn** “realize that their responsibility within creation, and their duty towards nature and the Creator, are an **essential part of their faith**”.

- Quotations from “Laudato Si” (64)

### SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (c. 344-407) September 13

“Speaking truth to power” may have become just another cliché, but doing precisely that cost John “the Golden Mouth” (Chrysostom) his diocese and, after exile and a forced march, his health and life.



“Renowned for eloquence, heroic in suffering” (*Sacramentary*), John’s scriptural insights still comfort and challenge. Mystical theologian, he bids Eastern Christians, whose principal Divine Liturgy bears his name, to lift up their hearts to “God ineffable, beyond comprehension, invisible, beyond understanding, existing forever, always the same.” Model pastor, he warns Roman Catholics in the *Liturgy of the Hours* not to neglect God-in-the-flesh: “Would you honor Christ’s body? Do not scorn his nakedness, honoring him here in church with silken robes, while neglecting him cold and naked outside. What use to burden Christ’s altar with golden chalices, while Christ himself starves to death? What use dressing the altar with gold-woven cloths, while denying the shivering Christ the clothes he needs? Do not adorn the church while ignoring your needy brother: he is the most precious temple of all!” (Saturday, Twenty-first Week in Ordinary Time).

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## REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

St. Michael Catholic Church and the Diocese of San Diego are committed to fostering a safe environment for all our children.

Any complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer should be made by contacting Lisa Petronis, (858) 490-8353 or at [www.sdcatholic.org/en-us/diocese/contactvictimassistance.aspx](http://www.sdcatholic.org/en-us/diocese/contactvictimassistance.aspx).

Para comunicarse con el Coordinador de Asistencia a Víctimas, ingrese su información a continuación, O llame a Lisa Petronis al 858-490-8353.

Information regarding the commitment of the Diocese on our efforts may be found at [www.sdcatholic.org/en-us/diocese/diocesemaincontacts/sexualabuse.aspx](http://www.sdcatholic.org/en-us/diocese/diocesemaincontacts/sexualabuse.aspx).

There is also a link on our Parish web site.



**“Be a Part of the Dream—  
Together We Build Campaign Projects”**

**“Ser Parte Del Sueño: Juntos Construmos!”**  
Gracias a quienes han participado. Usted puede encontrar tarjeta de compromiso en las bancas o en el vestibule. Por favor deje su compromiso en la canasta de ofrendas. Llame a la oficina para pregunta.

**“No todos pueden hacer grandes cosas. Pero podemos hacer pequeñas cosas con gran amor. Se trata de cuánto damos sino Cuánto amor ponemos en el dar.”**

—Santa Madre Teresa de Calcuta

# STEWARDSHIP

## Stewardship of Our Parish: CONTINUE TO GIVE GENEROUSLY

As COVID-19 continues to change the way the world interacts, we see parishes across North America responding creatively and finding new ways to minister. As parishioners who are charged with exercising good stewardship of our parishes, how are we supporting the ministries of our parish communities? More succinctly, how are we responding to our parishes with our giving practices?



**We have a need to give, a need that is expressed through our love for Christ and his Church.** Jesus sets the standard. His life is our greatest lesson about love. He identified love as the path to salvation. Love goes beyond well-wishing to action. He laid down his life for his community of disciples. Jesus saved us through giving. He gave us himself.

**We've all experienced the joy of giving, the excitement of presenting an unsolicited gift or a particularly generous one. We enjoy witnessing the joy our gift brings.** Parents experience this when they give to young children. We all experience it when we give to a friend, a neighbor, a charity, a stranger.

However, the warm feeling that accompanies giving is the least important part of the experience. The truth is we need to give because we grow in Christ by giving. The world would have us believe that we grow by getting: the more I have, the more I am. In this view, persons are defined by things. Personal possessions count more than personal qualities, like character and virtue. But a fast car or expensive clothes are a poor means of self-expression. In order to express ourselves, we need to share our uniqueness with others, to create and to give.

Giving also affords us the opportunity to grow socially. We need relationships and relationships are enriched by giving. We sometimes hold back our giving because of fear. If I volunteer my time and give my money, will I have enough left for me? Am I willing to risk sacrifice? Giving and sacrifice strengthen relationships.

We all have a need to continue giving faithfully to our parish community. Our gift continues to enrich the people who gather around the Eucharistic table, even if virtually. Our need is rooted in our commitment to the Gospel and our love for Christ, our community and our neighbor. When we give, we obey the first commandment, we practice the greatest virtue, and we reveal ourselves as Christian stewards.

- International Catholic Stewardship Conference -Parish-EBulletin, Sept. 2020

## A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for September

*Heavenly Father, even during this time of pandemic, September is a month that offers hope for things to come: our daily life has a new rhythm, there are new beginnings and a new energy. In this month of accelerating activities, keep us mindful that we live for Christ and not for ourselves, and that to be good stewards of his Gospel should be our goal each and every day. In this month of transition help us find a deeper spiritual balance in our lives that takes time for you and listens to the promptings of your Spirit. And in a time when we are discouraged from physically embracing one another, help us find ways to manifest your loving embrace to our neighbors. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

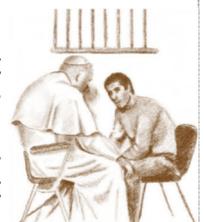
## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

### Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend of September 12/13, 2020

Today's Gospel reading continues Jesus' instructions on being good stewards of others – the direction that if we love Jesus Christ, we must forgive an individual 77 times. The reading compels us to consider one of the most difficult practices of Christian discipleship. Forgiveness is the way of Jesus, the way of the cross. Vengeance, bitterness and hatred seem so much easier and certainly more desirable. Forgiveness is a hard road to travel, but it is the only road that leads to life in Christ. Consider this week who you need to forgive.

### Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time THE CROSS OF FORGIVENESS

Why should we forgive those who hurt us? The gospel this Sunday gives three reasons: First, because Jesus commands it. Second, because forgiveness is part of loving one another. And third, because we want to be forgiven for our sins.



Here Jesus commands us to forgive unceasingly, without limit. Now that could be a challenge for even the most patient person. Does it mean we have to let someone hurt us over and over? No, it is possible to forgive someone and also prevent them from hurting us, if we do it with love (the second reason.) For instance, we might forgive an alcoholic family member, but still insist that they get help. Since forgiveness is part of love, it is also part of tough love.

That leads to the third reason: We forgive because we have been forgiven. Jesus has already died for our sins. If we truly believe that Jesus is risen and that we will rise to eternal life with him in spite of our sins, how can we refuse to forgive someone who hurts us?

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St. Michael Parish  
Youth Group  
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Join a group of high school students who come together to celebrate faith, fun, and friendship in a safe Christian atmosphere. A few times a month they come together to give praise, worship, learn, play, pray, and discover Christ through and with each other. How to join? No sign-up necessary. Just come on by and make a friend! All high schoolers are welcome to the Youth Group. Get to know other youth within our parish and bring a friend! For more information and to keep up-to date on our current events, find our calendar on the parish website and join our Youth Group Facebook page: St. Michael Parish Youth Group. You can also follow us on Twitter @SMPYouthGroup and Instagram @SMPYG.

During these times when we can't regularly meet in person, **Youth Group meets every other Tuesday via Zoom.** Come hang out with your YG friends, play games, and enjoy our faith together. Email Ms. Arla Sigarlaki for more information, [asigarlaki@stmichaelsandiego.org](mailto:asigarlaki@stmichaelsandiego.org).

Young Adults

*(18 years and up and out of high school)*

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**Young Adult Ministry:** (YAM) Although we may be separated physically, **YAM has been gathering virtually every week.** Join us for Faith Sharing, prayer, and our vari-

ous other online events.

For more information, email [smpyam.sd@gmail.com](mailto:smpyam.sd@gmail.com)

ALTAR SERVERS—Schedule

**SEPT. 19—25th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Danica Quini, Kim Reyes, Jenelle and Jasmyne Apilado, Jennifer Phillips

**SEPT. 20—25th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am Alarie Abaya, Ajay Demesa, Mia Gouldie  
8:30 am TO BE SCHEDULED  
10:00 am Nick Ugarte, Fernanda Ugarte, Fabiola Ugarte  
11:30 am Angelo Emnace, John Emnace, Jayen Longno, Joy Desamparo  
1:00 pm Angelo Riodique, Isaiah Gayoso, Kaylynn Housman  
4:30 pm Matthew Agonoy, Victoria Agonoy, Jay Abejo  
6:00 pm Markiel Balden, Alexis Lagos  
7:30 pm Kim Malate, Andy Naval, Wesley Retez, Zabrina Torres



*“Being altar server is a call to prayer and mission.... In the Eucharist and in the other sacraments, you experience the intimate closeness of Jesus, the sweetness and power of His presence.” - Pope Francis*

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Peter asked, “Lord, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?” Matthew 18:21*

**GOD’S MERCY.** In many of our relationships with others—friends, spouse, neighbors, or co-workers—often the most difficult times come when someone damages the relationship. There are moments when only apology and forgiveness can lead to healing. In this week’s readings, we are reminded how our connection with God is woven into our relationships with others, God is the source of all mercy and all of us stand in need of forgiveness. As we are able to accept the mercy of God deep within our hearts, we become empowered to show mercy to others. When things go badly in our relationships, we can remember that God is present at the center of these difficult moments God is offering grace to ask forgiveness, to receive apology, and to accept the forgiveness extended to us.

**FORGIVEN AND FORGIVING.** In today’s Gospel, Jesus calls His followers to forgive “seventy-seven” times In other words stop keeping track when forgiving others. But when we are hurt, this is really hard to do. In fact, to protect ourselves from further hurt, we might be inclined to do the opposite, and lash out. Jesus teaches the futility of this approach.

Jesus’ parable of the unforgiving servant reminds us that in the course of our lives we have harmed others, and so distanced ourselves from God We have also been harmed by others. Like the servant, we sometimes owe a debt, and sometimes others owe a debt to us Here we are invited to stop the cycle of pain with the grace of mercy. We are called to imitate our God, who forgives wholeheartedly.

**PROTECTING THE VULNERABLE.** It is also tempting to view this teaching on forgiveness in isolation. This would suggest that the burden is placed entirely upon the offended person to go on forgiving, without mentioning any accountability on the part of the offending person. This interpretation can often be dangerous The call to forgive should never be used as a cover for bullying or for oppressive relationships of any kind

It is helpful to consider all of Chapter 18 in Matthew’s Gospel, which teaches about forgiveness and reconciliation, and the exercise of authority in the Christian community. Last week’s Gospel (Matthew 18: 15-28) provides guidance on how Christians can call to accountability someone who has hurt others, to protect the weak, and to seek reconciliation as a community, The parable we hear today reminds us that, like the master who protected the second servant from the cruelty of the unforgiving servant, God seeks to guard the most vulnerable from harm.

The Gospel of Matthew presented an alternative to the violence-based order of his day Matthew described Jesus’ vision of community, in which power is used at the service of all and the vulnerable are protected and cherished.

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**PLANT SALE**



The Mother Butler Guild (MBG) will be selling plants after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Fridays, in the church parking lot.

Proceeds will benefit the church to help with its operating costs.

We also accept plant donations. You may drop them at the parish office or at the Collier Center.

## Mass Intentions For The Week



### SEPTEMBER 2020

12	Sat	5:00pm	Norma Cuiilson—healing
13	Sun	7:00am	† Amada Nadal
		8:30am	The Latino Community of St. Michael Parish
		10:00am	† Miguel Mirafior
		11:30am	† Diana Estrada
		1:00pm	† Lucy Grizich & † Flora Andaya
		4:30pm	† Michael Morales
		6:00pm	† Angelina Gregorio
		7:30pm	<b>PARISHIONERS OF ST. MICHAEL</b>
			<b>(Living and Deceased)</b>
14	Mon	8:00am	† Escolastica Rivera
15	Tues	8:00am	† Gloria Lejano
		7:00pm	† Juanita Gomez
16	Wed	8:00am	† Enrico Jocosong—death anniversary
17	Thurs	8:00am	Irene Branch & Menchie Valenzuela—healing
18	Fri	8:00am	† Eliseo Rodriguez
		7:00pm	† Leonardo Arguelles—2nd Year of Death
19	Sat	8:00am	† Raymudo Fumar—death anniversary

If you are unable to get Mass intentions on the day you desire, have a **CANDLE lit** at the shrines of the “**Divine Mercy**” or “**Our Lady of Guadalupe**” inside the church. You may have a candle lit for 7 days, or 42 days. **Your candle intentions, posted on the wall, will be included in the Mass.** You may also write your intentions in the “**Book of Intentions**”.



## CANDLE INTENTIONS (also offered at Mass)

(September 2nd to September 8th)

### DIVINE MERCY SHRINE:

**For Protection of:** Fr. Manny Ediza & Msgr. Jun Cinco  
**For Healing & Comfort of:** Ryan Martinez; Evelyn Kennedy  
**For Speedy Recovery of:** Jonathan Nagtalon  
**In thanksgiving of:** The Shultz Family  
**For the Souls of:** †Simeon Reyes, †Nestor Sabroso Paguio,  
 †Roberto Portacio, †Efen Marcelino, †Elmerg Bernardo

### OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SHRINE:

**For Protection of:** Fr. Manny Ediza & Msgr. Jun Cinco  
**For the intentions of:** Francis, Paul, John Torrevillas,  
 and Reshil Torrevillas-Dukes  
**For the intentions of:** Casey David and Kyle David  
**In thanksgiving of:** The Shultz Family

*To light a candle for someone indicates one's intention to say a prayer for another person, and the candle symbolizes that “prayer.”*

*“Hear me and understand well...that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection?”*

- Message of Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego on the 4th Apparition



Let us keep in our prayers our parishioners, relatives and friends who are ill or home-bound: Fr. Julian Hernando, SJ \* Charles Moore \* Cecilia Paligutan \* Joseph Lipa \* John Avery \* Severo Santos Sr. \* Cesar Cortez \* Martha Mexia \* Josefina Camarena \* Amor Castro \* Maria Castro \* Edmundo Gobaton \* Vic Bienes, Sr. \* Bea Bienes \* David Richter \* Brandon Davis \* Linda Ramirez \* Rosemarie Corbet \* Jose Macoy \* Crystal Cervantes \* Sydney Polish \* Cel Besana \* Malaya Baniel \* Lucy Moya \* Norma Tabinga \* Harold Pasiderio \* Mila Marcial \* Melinda Grepo \* Nora Paligutan \* Danilo Silvestre \* Marcelita Doria \* Msgr. Rudy Villanueva \* Estrella Macoy \* Jane Calloway \* Modesta Bayongan \* Ryan Martinez \* Lena Alpuerto \* Julius Umali \* Fr. Nelson Vencilao \* Michelle Villarosa \* Ariana Gobaton-Caramat \* Maria Corbett \* Robert Aiken \* Avila Gachalian \* Liz Faye \* Teresita Castillo \* Frank Thompson \* Michael Thompson \* Maria Sharmaine Clare Reyes \* Richard Razo \* Josie Alaysa \* Frances Brown \* Christina Prado \* Abraham Castillo \* Deacon Jim Aquino \* Laurie Martell \* Raymundo Catalan Jr. \* Rosalinda Gaffud \* Anthony Jay Tomera \* Erlinda Sandel \* Apolinia Briz \* Rizalina Cruz \* Eufrocina Marquez \* Fr. Jim Boyd \* Kristine De Leon \* Harvey Lewis \* Jazmine Tolentino \* Zoe Sanclimenti \* Cora Tayco \* Lourdes Libed \* Marilyn Mendoza \* Mila Corpuz \* Fe Endaya \* Maverick Muñoz \* Divina Cabahug \* Annie Cabagnet \* Conrado Bautista \* \* Jennifer Pineda \* Giget Saldana \* Jesus Pacleb \* Jeng Realiza \* Addison Su \* Lita Marcelino \* Lydia Demesa \* Amy McCormick \* Gigi Abelardo \* Dave White \* Maria Mercado \* Nenita Acuario \* Mary Ann Acuario \* Arnulfo Castillo \* Reynaldo Castillo \* Teofilo Niño Sr. \* Hermelinda Morante \* Jonathan Nagtalon \* Louie Costa \* Ralph Blessing \* Edith Tuscano \* Linda Lamb \* Roann Cruz-Louie \* Sam Piha \* Anne Campbell \* Roxanne Martinez \* Abraham Kirkland \* Benjamin Gaddi, Sr. \* all who are sick of coronavirus

*This list is updated on a weekly basis. Please call the office to add a name. NAMES ON SICK LIST MAY BE DELETED AFTER 60 DAYS.*

*“Heal me, Lord, that I may be healed; save me that I may be saved, for You are my praise.” - Jeremiah 17:14*

## Funeral and Bereavement

**Resfina Torrevillas (Coordinator)**  
**Ministry Team:** Anita Almuina, Evelyn Buangan, Luis Morales, Anita OngVaño, & Erlinda Soriano Phone: 619-470-1977 or 619-261-2544 (after office hours)

Pray  
for the  
Deceased



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**We pray for and remember:**

**Those who recently died, especially:**

†Dolores Flores, †Ceferino Marcelino,  
 †Msgr. Fernando Gutierrez

**On the 40th Day of Death:**

Sept.. 16— † Renato Castro

*Requiescant In Pace!*

*May they rest in Peace!*

**“Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them.” - St. John Chrysostom**

**THE 2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)**

The theme for 2020 ACA is **“GRATITUDE IN ACTION”**. This theme is one of compassion, hope and love. As disciples we are called to trust in Jesus’ mercy, to trust in his patience, to seek refuge always in his love. Jesus invites us to recognize Him in the poor, in those who suffer, and those in need. We encounter God’s love when we express mercy and compassion through stewardship, service, and sacrifice.

**ACA Update as of 09-06-2020**

Week	\$ Pledged	Paid *	\$ Goal	# Pledges
20	\$ 29,409	\$ 24,207	\$ 70,000	171
%	42.01%	34.58 %	100 %	6.63 %

Registered (active) parishioners: **2,578**

**Pledges received on 09-06-2020:**

Anonymous (3) \* Ramon / Lydia Martinez

**THANK YOU! GRACIAS! MARAMING SALAMAT PO!**

Nenita (Neth) Timbol & Regina (Nena) Rin, ACA Co-Coordinators

*“Don’t forget that God gave you everything you have!”*  
—Deuteronomy 6:10-13

*“As soon as the word spread, the people of Israel gave in abundance the first fruits of grain, wine, oil, honey, and of all the produce of the field; and they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything.”* 2 Chronicles 31:5

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Please pray and consider being a part of the dream: a new multi-purpose parish center. We need everyone’s participation to make this dream a reality! Call the Parish Office for more information at 619-470-1977.

For those who have already pledged to participate, please fulfill your commitment. **Different ways of fulfilling your commitment** are as follow:

- Use the white envelopes with the logo which may be found in the pews or in the vestibule. Feel free to take envelopes you need. **Drop your contributions in the offertory basket during Mass, or mail it, or take it to the parish office.** Call the parish office if you want envelopes be mailed to you. Make check payable to **St. Michael Church Capital Campaign**.
- Set up **AUTO PAYMENT** with your **Bank** or **Credit Card**, or **ONLINE** at [www.stmichaelsandiego.org](http://www.stmichaelsandiego.org). Follow the prompt

**Please consider making a PLEDGE TODAY and help BUILD THE DREAM for the future generations! Complete the Form below and place in the Offertory Basket, or bring it to the Parish Office.**



**YOUR CHANGE MAKES A DIFFERENCE.** Bring those coins in and drop them in the coin box or jars that you may find inside the church. ***Small amounts that we put together will help build our new Parish Center!***



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Sunday at 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am; 1:00 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:00 pm, and 7:30 pm.

**CONFESSIONS RESUME ON ITS REGULAR SCHEDULE and is done in the “Memorial Garden”.**



**Culture of Life**

Jim Bundalian (619) 917-1699

The weekly prayer of the Rosary for the Culture of Life which is held every Tuesday will begin at 6:20 p.m, led by the Legion of Mary and the Mother Butler Guild (month of September). This will be followed with the Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 6:45 pm, and Mass at 7:00 p.m.



*The greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion which is war against the child.* - Mother Teresa



**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the 7:00 p.m. Mass in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, from 7:45 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

7:45 to 8:45 p.m. —Private Prayer and Adoration  
8:45 to 11:00 p.m.—Holy Hurs for the Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
11:00 p.m.—Benediction

**NOVENA TO THE SANTO NIÑO is held every Friday at 6:45 p.m., before the 7:00 p.m. Mass.**

**PARISH REGISTRATION REQUEST.**

**Welcome to St. Michael Catholic Church San Diego!**

If you enjoy worshipping at St. Michael Catholic Church, become a member of the St. Michael Parish Family. It is easy to register: complete the form below and drop it in the offertory basket, or take it to the Parish Office.. Membership is FREE and has its privileges.

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**New Registration**

**Change of Address**

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**



September 15th is the Feast of **OUR LADY OF SORROWS.**

**THE MEMORARE.**

*REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.*

**BE REMEMBERED FOREVER**

and included in our Mass intentions. Have the names of your beloved departed inscribed on a brick in our **Memorial Garden Walls.** The names on the memorial walls will forever become part of the Garden. Call the parish office at 619-470-1977.



Ask about the **PERPETUAL MEMORIAL WALLS** (for the living and deceased) inside the church in the vestibule.

**Names on the walls are included in our Mass with special intentions every First Friday of the month.**

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*“Give to the Lord the glory due His name; Adore the Lord in holy attire.”* Psalm 29:2

*“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.”*

– Philippians 4:6-7



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## **PRAYER TO VIRGIN MARY FOR PROTECTION**

(Composed by Pope Francis to Our Lady, Health of the Sick, to implore her protection during the Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic)



O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide so that as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.



*Be a Part of the Dream – Together We Build Campaign Projects*

## ***“Be a Part of the Dream — Together We Build”*** **CAMPAIGN PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, we ask for Your divine guidance as we prayerfully move toward the realization of our new parish center. Show us the way to meet the needs of our growing parish community. Lead us to committing ourselves with a spirit of true sacrifice. For it is always by sacrifice that we show our love of You and our neighbor.

Lead us to wisely use our time, talents and treasures as we move forward with Your holy vision. Inspire us all out of Your generous love, to be equally generous for strengthening Your Church and our parish.

Spirit of God, we praise You and adore You. We pray that Your Spirit will empower us to work strongly for the realization of our dream so that future generations will harvest the fruits of our commitments and sacrifice.

This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary Mother of God, pray for us.

St. Joseph the Builder, pray for us.

St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us.

*Today (September 13th, 2020) is*

*Grandparents Day*

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## **PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS**

(Pope Benedict XVI)

Lord Jesus, you were born in the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith,

guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, Help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end.

Amen!

***Saint Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle. Be our  
protection against the wickedness and  
the snares of the devil. May God  
rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do  
Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host -  
by the Divine Power of God - cast into  
hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who  
roam throughout the world  
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.***



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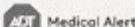


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