

Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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Dedication of Cathedral

September 28, 2014

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Mass Intentions

Sun. Sep. 28th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Dedication of Cathedral, <i>I Class</i> † Andrew Toth - <i>M/M Gene DeAngelis</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. Sep. 29th 7:45 a.m.	Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel, <i>I Class</i> † Gabriel Testo - <i>Griffin Hospital Staff</i>
Tues. Sep. 30th 7:45 a.m.	St. Jerome, <i>Priest, Confessor & Doctor, III Class</i> † Anne Lanctot - <i>Sica Family</i>
Wed. Oct. 1st 7:45 p.m.	St. Remigius, <i>Bishop & Confessor, IV Class</i> Mr. & Mrs. Edward Polak - <i>Jean Ignatovich</i>
Thu. Oct. 2nd 7:45 a.m.	Holy Guardian Angels, <i>III Class</i> Elizabeth Arnold - <i>Emig Family</i>
Fri. Oct. 3rd 6:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart of Jesus, <i>III Class</i> Brent/Claire Potteiger Family - <i>Mike & Nancy Emig</i>
Sat. Oct. 4th 9:00 a.m.	Immaculate Heart of Mary, <i>III Class</i> Alice Toman
Sun. Oct. 5th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Ext. Solemnity of Our Lady of the Rosary, II Class Holy Souls in Purgatory - <i>Anon.</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00 am

High Mass: 10:15 am

Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am

Friday: 6:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Saturday

One half hour before Mass

Sunday: 7:15-7:50

& 9:15-10:05

DEVOTIONS

Exposition-Benediction

Friday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Thursday — After Mass

Friday-Sunday — Before Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Friday 9 am-4 pm

THURSDAY - CLOSED

Saturday - 10 am-Noon

Dedication of Cathedral

INTROIT

Gen. 28, 17

Terrible is this place: it is the house of God, and the gate of heaven; and shall be called the court of God. *Ps. 83, 2, 3.* How lovely are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. *V.* Glory be.

COLLECT

O God, Who year by year dost renew the day of the consecration of this Thy holy temple, and dost ever bring us again in safety to the holy mysteries, hear the prayers of Thy people, and grant that whosoever entereth this temple to seek blessings may rejoice to obtain all that he seeketh. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE

John 21, 2-5

In those days, I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven, from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice from the throne, saying, Behold the tabernacle of God with men: and He will dwell with them: and they shall be His people, and God Himself with them shall be their God: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and death shall be no more, nor mourning, nor crying, nor sorrow shall be any more, for the former things are passed away. And He that sat on the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.

GRADUAL

This place was made by God a priceless mystery, it is without reproof. *V.* O God, before Whom stands the choir of angels, hear they prayers of Thy servants.

ALLELUIA

Ps. 137, 2

Alleluia, alleluia. I will worship toward Thy holy temple; and I will give glory to Thy name. *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL

Luke 19, 1-10

At that time, Jesus entering in, walked through Jericho. And behold there was a man named Zacheus, who was

the chief of the publicans, and he was rich; and he sought to see Jesus Who He was, and he could not for the crowd, because he was of low stature. And running before, he climbed up into a sycamore-tree that he might see Him, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus was come to the place, looking up, He saw him, and said to him, Zacheus, make haste and come down, for this day I must abide in thy house. And he made haste and came down, and received Him with joy. And when all saw it, they murmured, saying that He was gone to be a guest with a man that was a sinner. But Zacheus standing, said to the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor, and if I have wronged any man of anything, I restore him fourfold. Jesus said to him, This day is salvation come to this house; because he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

OFFERTORY

I Paral. 29, 17, 18

O Lord God, in the simplicity of my heart, I have joyfully offered all these things; and I have seen with great joy Thy people, which are present: O God of Israel, keep this will. *Alleluia.*

SECRET

Bow down to our prayers, O Lord, we beseech Thee that, while we pay our vows here below, we may, by Thine assistance, be worthy to attain unto everlasting rewards. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION

Matt. 21, 13

My house shall be called the house of prayer, saith the Lord: every one that asks therein, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it shall be opened.

POSTCOMMUNION

We pray Thee, O almighty God, that in this place, which we, unworthy, have dedicated to Thy name, the ears of Thy loving-kindness may be inclined unto all who make their petitions. Through our Lord.

Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, *Divine Intimacy*

The Epistle (Eph 3,13-21) [for the 16th Sunday after Pentecost] which we [would have] read in today's Mass is one of the most beautiful passages in the letters of St. Paul. In it we find the famous counsel of the Apostle addressed to the Ephesians, which summarizes in three parts, the whole of the spiritual life.

"That the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ... would grant you...to be strengthened by His Spirit with might unto the inward man." The inward man is the human spirit regenerated by grace; it is the spiritual man who has renounced all material things and the pleasures of the senses. This man is in each one of us and should be strong in order to keep up the struggle against our lower nature, which will always be a part of us while we are on earth, and is always trying to drag us down. The Apostle rightly asks this fortitude of the Holy Spirit, because the strength of our virtue is not sufficient unless it is supported by what the Holy Spirit infuses into us through His gifts.

"That Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts." Christ with the Father and the Holy Spirit already dwells in the soul in the state of grace, but His presence can always become more profound. And the more profound His presence, the more deeply will the soul be penetrated with divine charity, until it becomes truly "rooted and founded" in love. If we wish to grow in love we should keep ourselves in contact with the fount of love, with God living in our soul.

"That you may be able to comprehend...the charity of Christ, which surpasseth all knowledge." To comprehend the mystery of God's love, insofar as it is possible to our limitations, is the summit of the spiritual life. Christianity is all love: we are Christians in the measure that we live in love, in the measure that we understand God's love. Yet this mystery always leaves us a little incredulous, a little skeptical. Oh! if we could see as the blessed do, that God is love and wishes nothing but love; that the way to go to Him is the way of love; that suffering, mortification and humility are only means to reach perfect love, and to correspond with the love of the God who is Charity! Then indeed we would be "filled unto all the fullness of God."

St. Paul in the Epistle has exhorted us to be rooted in love, and in the Gospel (Lk 14:1-11) Jesus exhorts us to be rooted in love and in humility.

Despite the tacit disapproval of the Pharisees, caused by their narrowness of mind and heart, Jesus cured a man of dropsy on the Sabbath, thus teaching us again the great importance of love of neighbor. In vain would we believe that we were rooted in the love of God if we failed in our love of neighbor. How could one think that an act of fraternal charity might be in opposition to the law for sanctifying the Sabbath? Such are the aberrations of one who pretends to love God while paying attention solely to his own interests, without any thought for the needs of others. This is not Christianity, but Pharisaism and the destruction of charity.

To be rooted in love, we must also be rooted in humility, for only he who is humble is capable of really loving God and his neighbor. The Gospel continues with a practical lesson in humility, condemning those who seek the first places. We should not think that this refers only to material places; it refers also to those places which our pride seeks to occupy in the esteem and regard of others. It is really humiliating to note how our self-love always tries to make us take a higher place than that which is due us, and this to our own confusion, for "he that exalteth himself shall be humbled." "Let us always take the lowest place," says St. Bernard, "there is no harm in humbling ourselves and believing that we are less than we really are. But there is exceeding harm and great evil in wishing to elevate ourselves, even if only a finger's breadth, above what we are and in preferring ourselves to even one. There is no danger in stooping too much to pass through a low doorway, whereas there would be great danger in lifting our head even an inch above the lintel, as we would strike against it and injure our head; similarly, we should not be afraid that we shall humble ourselves too much, but should fear and abominate the slightest movement of presumption." Let us, like the saints, ask God to send us a humiliation every time our pride tries to raise us above others; this will be the surest way to become rooted in humility. At the same time, we shall be rooted in charity and shall thus possess the two fundamental characteristics of a Christian soul.

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners in the parish.

CCD REGISTRATION FORMS are now available in the vestibule of the Church. These should be completed by parents whose children are to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation next year. Classes will begin in **October**. Please submit the registration form by Monday September 29th. The age for First Communion is **seven** and for Confirmation **twelve** and up.

WE ARE NOW TAKING MASS INTENTIONS for the 2015 year. Please submit your stipend at the time of your Mass request.

FIRST FRIDAY is October 3rd. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:00 p.m. and ends with Benediction at 5:40 p.m.

FIRST SATURDAY is October 4th. Our Lady of Fatima requests that we pray the Rosary, meditate for 15 minutes on the Mysteries, and make sacramental confession and Communion in reparation for sins and blasphemies against Her Immaculate Heart.

VACATION LEAVE: Fr. Zepeda is on vacation leave until October 7th.

ST. MICHAELS VESTMENT GUILD: The Vestment Guild will on the first Saturday of October. All are welcome!

TODAY there is a pot luck in honor of our Patron, Saint Michael, after the 10:15 a.m. Mass. This year there will only be a low Mass in honor of St. Michael tomorrow, September 29th, at 7:45 a.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th we are planning to have our Annual Rosary Procession for the month of the Holy Rosary. **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26th**, we will have a procession of the Blessed Sacrament for the Feast of Christ the King. Please make a special effort to join in these processions as they are a public witness to our faith.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested that a special collection be taken up in all parishes today to support the innocent victims of the violence in the Middle East. God bless you for your continued generosity.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: Prayerfully consider your response to the Diocesan Appeal and please be generous. Make sure you mark your donation to the appeal with our parish code 060. In the words of Bishop Bambera, "The gifts that so many provide for the Annual Appeal give us a wonderful opportunity to participate in the work of the Gospel." May God reward you.

ATTENTION ALTAR BOYS: No Altar practice the first week of October.

COLLECTION: September 21 - \$2,033.50

**DEDICATION OF
CATHEDRAL**

September 28th
8:00 a.m. Mass

ACI Stephen LaFata
AC2 Francis LaFata

TEAM D

MC John Gillenkirk
TH Matthew Gillenkirk
AC1 Joseph Schneider
AC2 Patrick Schneider
C Collin Chidester
S1 John Skuba
S2 Joseph Skuba
S3 Joseph Seeley
S4 Brendan Seeley

WEEK THREE

Monday Joseph Schneider
7:45 a.m. Patrick Schneider

Tuesday
7:45 a.m.

Wednesday Dominic Gardner
7:45 a.m. Jack Gardner

Thursday
7:45 a.m.

**EXTERNAL SOLEMNITY OF
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY**

October 5th
8:00 a.m. Mass

ACI Joshua Sica
AC2 Timothy Sica

TEAM A

MC John Gillenkirk
TH Joseph McWhirter
AC1 Patrick Seeley
AC2 Robert Seeley
C Robert Seeley
S1 John Pheasant
S2 Andrew Pheasant
S3 Matthew Gillenkirk
S4 Timothy Emig