Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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> **Most Holy Pame of Jesus** January 3, 2016 Fr. José M. Zepeda, FSSP, Pastor

<u>Mass Intentions</u>

	Sun. Jan. 3rd 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Most Holy Dame of Jesus , II Class † Michael Harold Angley, Jr His Brother Pro Populo
X	Mon. Jan. 4th 7:45 a.m.	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, <i>Widow, III Class</i> † Robert Whitford - <i>Hanisch Family</i>
	Tues. Jan. 5th 7:45 a.m.	St. Telesphorus, <i>Pope & Martyr, IV Class</i> † Jacqueline Gates - <i>John Bellington</i>
	Wed. Jan. 6th 7:45 a.m.	Epiphany of Our Lord, I Class Pro Populo
X	6:30 p.m.	† Dr. Samuel Lazzaro - Mitchell Family
	Thu. Jan. 7th 7:45 a.m.	Jesus Christ High Priest <i>, III Class</i> † Mrs. Arieta Wassmer - <i>Anon</i> .
X	Fri. Jan. 8th 6:00 p.m.	Votive Mass of the Holy Cross, <i>IV Class</i> † Lucille Paris <i>- Mr</i> . & <i>Mrs. Ken Skuba</i>
X	Sat. Jan. 9th 9:00 a.m.	Saturday of Our Lady, <i>IV Class</i> Jerome R. Lackner
	Sun. Jan. 10th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	The Holy Family, II Class Albert P. Ignatovich - Jean Ignatovich Pro Populo

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

Most Holy Name of Jesus

INTROIT

Philip. 2, 10, 11

In the name of Jesus let every knee bow of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth; and let every tongue confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father. O Lord, our Lord, how wonderful is Thy name in the whole earth! *V*. Glory.

COLLECT

O God, Who didst appoint Thine only-begotten Son to be the Saviour of the human race, and didst command that He be called Jesus, mercifully grant that we may enjoy in heaven the vision of Him Whose holy name we venerate on earth. Who livest...

EPISTLE

Acts 4, 8-12

In those days, Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said, Ye princes of the people and ancients, hear: If we this day are examined concerning the good deed done to the infirm man, by what means he hath been made whole, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Whom ye crucified, Whom God hath raised from the dead, even by Him this man standeth here before you whole. This is the stone which was rejected by you the builders; which is become the head of the corner: neither is there salvation in any other. For there is no other name under heaven given to men, whereby we must be saved.

GRADUAL

Ps. 105, 4

Save us, O Lord, our God, and gather us from among the nations: that we may give thanks to Thy holy name, and may glory in Thy praise. *V*. Thou, O Lord, art our Father and Redeemer, Thy name is from eternity.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. My mouth shall speak the praise of

the Lord, and let all flesh bless His Holy name. *Alleluia*.

GOSPEL

Luke 2, 21

Ps. 85, 12, 5

At that time, after eight days were accomplished that the child should be circumcised, His name was called Jesus, which was called by the angel, before He was conceived in the womb.

OFFERTORY

I will praise Thee, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify Thy name for ever; for Thou, O Lord, art sweet and mild, and plenteous in mercy to all that call upon Thee. Alleluia.

SECRET

May Thy blessing, O most merciful God, by which the whole creation hath life, sanctify this our sacrifice, which we offer Thee to the glory of the name of Thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, that it may be pleasing to Thy majesty as an act of praise and be profitable to us for our salvation. Through our Lord...

COMMUNION

Ps. 85, 9, 10

All the nations Thou hast made shall come and adore before Thee, O Lord; and they shall glorify Thy name: for Thou art great, and dost wonderful things. Thou art God alone. *Alleluia*.

POSTCOMMUNION

Almighty, eternal God, Who hast created and redeemed us, graciously regard our desires, and deign to receive with kind and peaceful countenance the sacrifice of the saving victim, which we have offered to Thy majesty, in honor of the name of Thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, that, Thy grace being poured out upon us, we may rejoice in the glorious name of Jesus, the title of eternal predestination, because our names are written in heaven. Through our Lord...

Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen

O Jesus, make me understand the mysteries and the treasures contained in Your most sweet Name.

This Feast complements the circumcision mystery, since it was during the rite of circumcision that the name Jesus was given to the Child. On the first day, the Church directed our attention to the humility of the Son of God; today she invites us to meditate upon and celebrate the glories of His Name.

That these glories flow especially from His prodigious humiliations is clearly affirmed by St. Paul: "Brethren, Christ humbled Himself, becoming obedient unto death, even to the death of the Cross. For which cause God also hath exalted Him and hath given Him a Name which is above all names: that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow" (Phil 2, 8). The Church, by placing on our lips this theme from today's Office, invites us, her children, to render grateful, pious homage to Him who humbled Himself so profoundly for us.

The heart of every Christian should respond to this invitation and exalt the most Holy Name of Our Savior, that is, His very Person, for the Name of Jesus expresses what He is: Savior, Redeemer. This sacred Name, announced by the Angel to both Mary and Joseph, was given to Our Lord by God Himself. "Thou shalt call His Name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins" (Mt 1,21). This Name expresses and synthesizes the great mysteries of the Incarnation and the Redemption; it is at the center of the universe like a point of contact, like a bridge between God and all mankind. Man can reach God only by means of Jesus and in the Name of Jesus: "For there is no other name under heaven whereby we must be saved."

Today's Mass, continuing St. Paul's thought, offers us a majestic picture of the *glory* which is due the holy Name of Jesus: "That at the Name of Jesus, every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father" (Introit). The entire Church—triumphant, militant, and suffering—is prostrate in adoration; the whole of creation seems to be silent, having stopped in its course for a moment to hear this most holy Name which gives glory to God and salvation to mankind. Truly, "neither tongue can tell, nor pen express" the inestimable treasures contained in the Name of Jesus. "Nothing sweeter can be sung, nothing more agreeable can be heard, nothing more delightful can be imagined than Jesus, the Son of God". "Thy name is as oil poured out", says Holy Scripture, and St. Bernard comments, "Oil gives light, it nourishes, it anoints... See how well this applies to the Name of the true Bridegroom. It is light when it is preached; it is food in meditation; it is balm and healing when it is invoked for aid... All food is as dry husks to the soul unless it is steeped in this oil; insipid unless seasoned with this salt. If you write, it has no savor for me, unless I read there the Name of Jesus. If you discourse or converse, it has no taste unless the Name of Jesus shall sound. The Name of Jesus is honey to the mouth, music to the ear, gladness to the heart. It is healing." Let us lovingly bless and invoke this most sweet Name which contains all our hope and our salvation, all our life and our glory. Only he who loves can penetrate the mysterious sweetness contained in it; only he who loves can praise it suitably, not by words alone but by deeds; only he who loves can bear witness to it by his entire life. "May Thy Name, O Jesus, resound in our voices! May our actions express Thy life and our hearts love Thee now and forever!"

"O glorious Name! Gracious Name! Name full of love and virtue! Through You, sins are forgiven, enemies overcome, the sick healed, and sufferers strengthened in adversity! You are the honor of believers, the master of the preachers, the comfort of those who toil, the support of the weak. Holy desires are nourished by the ardor of Your fire; and by it, necessary suffrages are obtained, contemplative souls are inebriated, and the triumphant are glorified in heavenly glory! By Your most Holy Name, O sweet Jesus, You make us reign with the Blessed, You, their glory, You who triumph gloriously with the Father and the Holy Spirit, in perfect Unity and Trinity, forever and ever. **SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH** extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners in the parish.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Our annual Christmas Party is scheduled for today. Some children of the parish will be performing a Christmas Pageant during the party. We hope you all come and enjoy the food and festivities! Everyone is welcome!

BOYS NIGHT OUT: Friday, January 29th, following the 6:00 PM Mass, Father Zepeda invites boys of the parish and their dads to hear a talk by Fr. Harkins on his journey and vocation to the priesthood. Refreshments will be served prior to the talk, which will begin at 7:30 PM.

FR. SAGUTO will give his next class on Tuesday, January 12th, at 7:00 p.m. The topic will be "Theology of Worship and the Tridentine Mass." This topic will take us into May. Everyone is welcome!

Fr. Zepeda will be on vacation from Wednesday, January 13th, through Thursday 28th. Fr. Joseph Orlowski, FSSP, will be covering until Wednesday, January 27th. There will no mass on January 28th. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** January 6th, the Feast of the Epiphany, there will be a Solemn High Mass at 6:30 p.m. **TEAM D** will serve at the Mass.

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSINGS: Fathers are encouraged to exercise their paternal authority as head of their household and bless their homes. If you would like your house blessed, please see the sign up sheet in the vestibule of the Church. Blessed chalk and the house blessing are on the table in the vestibule.

SINCERE APPRECIATION: St Michael's wishes to extend appreciation to the choir, to those with the never ending cleaning, the altar boys, the unsung heroes in the kitchen, and your generous support and help to keep the church in good repair. May God reward you all!

COLLECTION: December 27th - \$2,057.00 **CHRISTMAS:** \$8,445.00

Altar Boy Schedule

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Jan. 3rd

WEEK THREE

8:00 a.m. Mass		Monday	Patrick Schneider	8:00 a.m. Mass	
ACI AC2	Patrick Schneider Colin Chidester	7:45 a.m. Tuesday 7:45 a.m.		ACI AC2	Joshua Sica Timothy Sica
	TEAM C				TEAM A
MC	Dominic Gardner	Wednesday	Dominic Gardner	MC	Timothy Emig
TH	Robert Seeley	7:45 a.m.	Jack Gardner	TH	John Gillenkirk
AC1	Timothy Emig			AC1	Andrew Pheasant
AC2	Patrick Seeley	Thursday	Sean Michelin	AC2	Matthew Gillenkirk
С	Jack Gardner	7:45 a.m.		С	Sean Michelin
S1	Michael Gardner			S1	Joseph Seeley
S2	Sean Michelin			S2	Brendan Seeley

THE HOLY FAMILY

Jan. 10th