

Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2014

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Mass Intentions

Sun. July 27th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, II Class FSSP Intentions - <i>Sica Family</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. July 28th 7:45 a.m.	SS. Nazarius & Celsus, <i>Martyrs, III Class</i> † Michael Skuba - <i>Irene and Jerry Walsh</i>
Tues. July 29th 7:45 a.m.	St. Martha, <i>Virgin, III Class</i> † Gabriel Testo - <i>Griffin Hospital Staff</i>
Wed. July 30th 7:45 p.m.	St. Abdon & Sennen, <i>Martyrs, IV Class</i> Peter Mitchell - <i>Mr./Mrs. Dennis Mitchell</i>
Thu. July 31th 7:45 a.m.	St. Ignatius Loyala, <i>Confessor, III Class</i> † Walter Heisler
Fri. Aug. 1st 6:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart of Jesus, <i>III Class</i> † Patrick F. Gerrity - <i>Robert S. McHale</i>
Sat. Aug. 2nd 9:00 a.m.	Immaculate Heart of Mary, <i>III Class</i> Christopher Emig - <i>Mike and Nancy Emig</i>
Sun. Aug. 3rd 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, II Class Salvador Zepeda <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

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INTROIT

Ps. 46, 2

O Clap your hands, all ye nations: shout unto God with the voice of joy. *Ps. 46, 3.* For the Lord is most high, He is terrible; he is a great king over all the earth. *V. Glory.* "O clap your hands..."

COLLECT

O God, Whose providence faileth not in setting things in order, we, Thy suppliants, beseech Thee, that Thou wouldst remove from us all things harmful and grant us all that makes for our welfare. Through Our Lord.

EPISTLE

Rom. 6, 19-23

Brethren, I speak a human thing, because of the infirmity of your flesh; for as you have yielded your members to serve uncleanness and iniquity unto iniquity, so now yield your members to serve justice, unto sanctification. For when you were the servants of sin, you were free from justice. What fruit therefore had you then in those things, of which you are now ashamed? For the end of them is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end life everlasting. For the wages of sin is death. But the grace of God, life everlasting; in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL

Ps. 33, 12, 6

Come, children, harken to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. *V.* Come, ye to Him and be enlightened; and your faces shall not be confounded.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Ps. 46, 2. O clap your hands, all ye nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy. *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL

Matt. 7, 15-21

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples, Beware of false prophets, who come to you in the clothing of sheep, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. By their fruits you shall know them. Do men gather

grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so, every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, and the evil tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree can not bring forth evil fruit, neither can an evil tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit shall be cut down, and shall be cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits you shall know them. Not every one that saith to Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doth the will of My Father Who is in heaven, he shall enter into the kingdom of heaven.

OFFERTORY

Dan. 3, 40

As in holocausts of rams and bullocks, and as in thousands of fat lambs; so let our sacrifice be made in Thy sight this day, that it may please Thee: For there is no confusion to them that trust in Thee, O Lord.

SECRET

O God, Who hast sanctioned the diversity of offerings by the perfection of one sacrifice, receive the sacrifice offered Thee by Thy devoted servants, and sanctify it as Thou didst sanctify the gifts of Abel, that what each one hath offered to the glory of Thy majesty may profit for the salvation of all. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION

Ps. 30, 3

Bow down Thy ear, make haste to deliver me.

POSTCOMMUNION

May Thy health-giving operation, O Lord, mercifully rid us of our evil inclinations and unto rightful ways strongly lead us. Through our Lord.



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Both the Epistle and Gospel for today speak of the true fruits of the Christian life and invite us to ask ourselves what fruit we have produced so far. “When you were the servants of sin,” says St. Paul, you brought forth the fruits of death, “but now, being made free from sin and become servants of God, you have your fruit unto sanctification.” Our sanctification should be the fruit of our Christian life, and we must examine ourselves on this point. What progress are we making in virtue? Are we faithful to our good resolutions?

Every Christian may consider himself a tree in the Lord’s vineyard; the divine gardener, Jesus Himself, has planted it in good, fertile, productive ground in the garden of the Church, where it is watered by the living water of grace. He has given it the most tender care, cut off its useless branches by means of trials, cured its diseases by His Passion and death, and watered its roots with His precious Blood. He has taken such good care of it that He can say: “What is there that I ought to do more to My vineyard, that I have not done to it?” (Is 5,4). After all this solicitude, one day Jesus comes to see what kind of fruit this tree is bearing, and by its fruit He judges it, for “a good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can an evil tree bring forth good fruit.” Before the Redemption, mankind was like a wild tree which could bring forth only fruits of death; but with the Redemption, we have been grafted into Christ, and Christ, who nourishes us with His own Blood, has every right to find in us fruits of sanctity, of eternal life. This is why words and sighs and even faith are not enough, for “faith... if it have not works, is dead in itself.” Works as well as the fulfillment of God’s will are necessary, because “not everyone that says to Me ‘Lord, Lord!’ shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doth the will of My Father who is in heaven.”

In the Gospel of the day, Jesus directs our attention to the “false prophets” who appear “in the clothing of sheep, but inwardly are ravening wolves.” There are many who claim to be teachers in spiritual or moral matters, but

they are false teachers because their works do not correspond to their words. It is easy, in fact, to speak well, but it is not easy to live well. Sometimes false doctrines are offered to us, even though they may not seem false at first because they have the appearance of truth. Thus any doctrine which, in the name of an evangelical principle, offends other doctrines is false: for example, that which in the name of compassion for individuals does harm to the common good, or that which in the name of charity sanctions injustice or leads to a neglect of obedience to lawful superiors. Equally false is any doctrine which tends to make us lax, disturbs peace and harmony, or under the pretext of a greater good, brings about dissension between superiors and subjects, or does not submit to the voice of authority. Jesus would like us to be as “simple as doves,” averse to criticism and severe judgments of our neighbor; but He also wants us to be as “wise as serpents”, so as not to let ourselves be deceived by false appearances of good which hide dangerous snares.

Furthermore, it is not given to all to be teachers, nor is it expected of all; but of everyone—learned and ignorant, teachers and pupils—Our Lord asks the practice of the Christian life in the concrete. What good would it do us to possess profound, lofty doctrine if, at the same time, we should not live according to this doctrine? Before we begin to instruct others, we must try to instruct ourselves, pledging ourselves to follow all the teachings of the Gospel in imitation of Jesus, “who began to do and to teach.” The genuine fruit which proves the worth of our doctrine and of our life is always that indicated by Jesus: the fulfillment of His will. This fulfillment means total adherence to the laws of God and of the Church, loyal obedience to our lawful superiors, fidelity to duty—and all these in every kind of circumstance, even at the sacrifice of our own ideas and will.

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

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

SEMINARY CAMPAIGN: Today is the last day for donations for our seminarians. We will give you a grand total next week. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. May God reward you.

FIRST FRIDAY is August 1st. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:00 p.m. and ends with Benediction at 5:40 p.m. We need adorers. Please don't leave Our Lord alone. God bless you.

FIRST SATURDAY is August 2nd. Pray the Rosary, meditate for 15 minutes on the Mysteries, make sacramental confession and Communion in reparation for sins and blasphemies against Her Immaculate Heart.

ANNUAL KNEOBEL'S DAY is Monday, August 4th! We have pavilion B. Park hours are 10:30 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. See Knoebel's website for any other information.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC: The parish picnic is **Saturday, August 16th** at LaCoe's Grove in Clarks Summit. Directions will be forthcoming in the vestibule of the church, along with sign-up sheets for each family to bring their favorite dish for 15 people. The food will be blessed at 1:00 p.m. Let's pray for NO rain!

RETREAT: Fr. Zepeda will be on retreat from Tuesday, August 4th through August Sunday 10th.

ALTAR PRACTICE: Altar Boy practice will resume in September.

REMINDER: August 15th, the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a Holy Day of obligation. Team A will serve the High Mass.
Low Mass - 8:00 a.m.
High Mass - 7: p.m.

COFFEE HOUR: Downstairs each week after the 10:15 am Mass there is a coffee hour with a breakfast menu! It's a good way to make new friends!

COLLECTION: July 20th - \$1,443.00

Altar Boy Schedule

SEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

July 27th

8:00 a.m. Mass

AC1 John Skuba
AC2 Joseph Skuba

10:15 a.m. Mass

AC1 John Gillenkirk
AC2 Matt Gillenkirk

WEEK TWO

Monday
7:45 a.m.

Tuesday Jim McWhirter
7:45 a.m. Joseph McWhirter

Wednesday John Mitchell
7:45 a.m. Anthony Mitchell

Thursday Joshua Sica
7:45 a.m. Timothy Sica

EIGHTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

August 3

8:00 a.m. Mass

AC1 Joseph Seeley
AC2 Brendan Seeley

10:15 a.m. Mass

AC1 John Pheasant
AC2 Andrew Pheasant