

Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2017

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Mass Intentions

Sun. Feb. 5th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Fifth Sunday after Epiphany, <i>Class II</i> Nello Scatena - <i>David & Karen Scatena</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. Feb. 6th 7:45 a.m.	St. Titus, <i>Bishop & Confessor, III Class</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory, Esp F.O.S.S.
Tues. Feb. 7th 7:45 a.m.	St. Romuald, <i>Abbot III Class</i> Alison & Perry Parker - <i>Anon.</i>
Wed. Feb. 8th 7:45 a.m.	St. John of Matha, <i>Confessor, III Class</i> † Thomas Hennigan - <i>Robert S. McHale</i>
Thu. Feb. 9th 7:45 a.m.	St. Cyril of Alexandria, <i>Bp., Conf., Doctor, III Class</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory, Esp. F.O.S.S.
Fri. Feb. 10th 6:00 p.m.	St. Scholastica, <i>Virgin, III Class</i> Marlin McFadden, Jr. Family - <i>Anon.</i>
Sat. Feb. 11th 9:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes, <i>III Class</i> Foran Family - <i>Robert & Mary Seeley</i>
Sun. Feb. 12th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Septuagesima Sunday, <i>Class II</i> Special Int. Jerome R. Lackner - <i>Jerome Lackner</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 am

& 9:15-10:05 am

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

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

INTROIT

Ps. 96: 7-8

Adore God, all you His angels: Sion heard, and was glad: and the daughters of Juda rejoiced. The Lord hath reigned, let the earth rejoice: let many islands be glad. Glory be. ...

COLLECT

In Thine infinite goodness, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to watch over Thy household, that even as it relies solely upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace, so it may ever be defended by Thy protection. Through our Lord...

EPISTLE

Colossians 3: 12-17

Brethren: Put ye on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, the bowels of mercy, benignity, humility, modesty, patience: bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if any have a complaint against another: even as the Lord hath forgiven you, so do you also. But above all these things have charity, which is the bond of perfection: and let the peace of Christ dwell in you abundantly, in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles, singing in grace in your hearts to God. All whatsoever you do in word or in work, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God and the Father by Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL

Psalm 101: 16-17

The Gentiles shall fear Thy name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. For the Lord hath built up Sion: and He shall be seen in His glory.

ALLELUIA

Psalm 96: 1

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord hath reigned, let the earth rejoice: let many islands be glad. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 13: 24-30

At that time Jesus spoke this parable to the multitudes: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a man that sowed good seed in his field. But while men were asleep, his enemy came and over sowed cockle among the wheat, and went his way. And when the blade was sprung up and had brought forth fruit, then appeared also the cockle. And the servants of the good man of the house coming, said to him: Sir, didst thou not sow good seed in thy field? Whence then hath it cockle? And he said to them: An enemy hath done this. And the servants said to him: Wilt thou that we go and gather it up? And he said: No, lest perhaps, gathering up the cockle, you root up the wheat also together with it. Suffer both to grow until the harvest, and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers: Gather up first the cockle and bind it into bundles to burn, but the wheat gather ye into my barn.

OFFERTORY

Psalm 117: 16-17

The right hand of the Lord had wrought strength: the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me: I shall not die, but live, and shall declare the works of the Lord.

SECRET

We offer unto Thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of propitiation, that Thou mayest of Thy mercy, absolve us from our sins, and Thyself direct our inconstant hearts. Through our Lord...

COMMUNION

Luke 4: 22

All wondered at these things which proceeded from the mouth of God.

POSTCOMMUNION

We beseech Thee, almighty God, that we may obtain the effect of that salvation, the pledge of which we have received in these mysteries. Through our Lord...

Introduction to the Devout Life (Cont'd)

Invocation, the Second Point of Preparation

Part II, Chapter 3

Invocation is made as follows: your soul, having realized God's Presence, will prostrate itself with the utmost reverence, acknowledging its unworthiness to abide before His Sovereign Majesty; and yet knowing that He of His Goodness would have you come to Him, you must ask of Him grace to serve and worship Him in this your meditation. You may use some such brief and earnest words as those of David: "Cast me not away from Thy Presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me." "Shew me Thy Ways, O Lord, and teach me Thy paths." "Give me understanding, and I shall keep Thy Law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart." "I am Thy servant, O grant me understanding. "Dwell too upon the thought of your guardian Angel, and of the Saints connected with the special mystery you are considering, as the Blessed Virgin, Saint John, the Magdalene, the good thief, etc., if you are meditating in the Passion, so that you may share in their devout feelings and intention,--and in the same way with other subjects.

The Third Point of Preparation, Representing the Mystery to be meditated to Your Imagination

Part II, Chapter 4

Following upon these two ordinary points, there are is

a third, which is not necessary to all meditation, called by some the local representation, and by others the interior picture. It is simply kindling a vivid picture of the mystery to be meditated within your imagination, even as though you were actually beholding it. For instance, if you wish to meditate upon our Lord on His Cross, you will place yourself in imagination on Mount Calvary, as though you saw and heard all that occurred there during the Passion; or you can imagine to yourself all that the Evangelists describe as taking place where you are. In the same way, when you meditate upon death, bring the circumstances that will attend your own vividly to mind, and so of hell, or any subjects which involve visible, tangible circumstances. When it is a question of such mysteries as God's Greatness, His Attributes, the end of our creation, or other invisible things, you cannot make this use of your imagination. At most you may employ certain comparisons and similitudes, but these are not always opportune, and I would have you follow a very simple method, and not weary your mind with striving after new inventions. Still, often this use of the imagination tends to concentrate the mind on the mystery we wish to meditate, and to prevent our thoughts from wandering hither and thither, just as when you shut a bird within a cage, or fasten a hawk by its lures. Some people will tell you that it is better to confine yourself to mere abstract thought, and a simple mental and spiritual consideration of these mysteries, but this is too difficult for beginners; and until God calls you up higher, I would advise you, my child, to abide contentedly in the lowly valley I have pointed out.

St. Francis de Sales

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

FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER: February 22, Feast of the First Class in the FSSP, by concession of the Holy See on July 7, 2010. A Plenary indulgence is granted for all members of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.

CONFRATERNITY INDULGENCES: By decree of the Sacred Apostolic Penitentiary, dated June 7, 2008, a plenary indulgence is also granted at the usual conditions to the members of the Confraternity of St. Peter a) the day of their admission; b) the day of the feast of the Chair of St. Peter and c) the day of the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul.

PARISH GAME NIGHT AND POT LUCK: Friday, February 17th following the 6:00pm Mass. Bring a dish to pass and a game to play. This event is sponsored by Juventutem and age is 16 and up. Sign up sheet in the vestibule.

ROSARY ANNOUNCEMENT: Please note that the rosary will be recited before the High Mass beginning at 9:50 am. Everyone is invited! Please remain in church after the rosary as Mass will begin momentarily afterwards.

DEVOTIONAL AND LITURGICAL PRACTICES: The 17-day period beginning on **Septuagesima** Sunday was intended to be observed as a preparation for **the season** of Lent, which is itself a period of spiritual preparation (for Easter).

Mark Your Calendar

Ash Wednesday is March 1st
Easter Sunday April 16th

Altar Boy Schedule

**FIFTH SUNDAY
AFTER EPIPHANY**

**February 5th
8:00 a.m. Mass**

ACI Dominic Gardner
AC2 Jack Gardner

TEAM B

MC Francis LaFata
TH Stephen LaFata
AC1 Joseph Skuba
AC2 Sean Michelin
C Brian LaFata
S1 John Skuba
S2 Patrick Schneider

WEEK TWO

Monday Mathias Morris
7:45 a.m.

Tuesday
7:45 a.m.

Wednesday Timothy Sica
7:45 a.m. Peter Sica

Thursday
7:45 a.m.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

**February 12th
8:00 a.m. Mass**

ACI Patrick Schneider
AC2 Mathias Morris

TEAM C

MC Dominic Gardner
TH Patrick Seeley
AC1 Joseph Seeley
AC2 Brendan Seeley
C Jack Gardner
S1 Michael Gardner
S2 Sean Michelin