

# ST. MICHAEL CHURCH & SCHOOL

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**Priests**
Rev. Alexander R. Drummond, *Pastor*

Rev. William B. Schierer, *Parochial Vicar*

Rev. John F. Heisler, *Parochial Vicar*

**Mass Times**
Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.
Weekday Masses: see inside bulletin.

**Confessions**
Saturday 3:30- 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. SHARP
Daily Confessions are heard from 7:30 – 8 AM, Monday-Friday (with the exception of Federal holidays).

**St. Michael School** Pre-K3 through grade 8. Principal: Annie Fernandez, annie.fernandez@stmikes22003.org.

**Religious Education** For all children attending public school, grades 1-12.

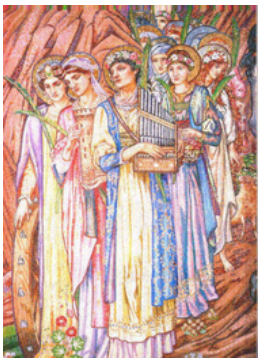
**Parish Membership** Registration forms are available from the ushers after Sunday Mass, the main vestibule of the church, or you may stop by the parish office during the week. Parish membership is required for the reception of either Baptism or Matrimony. Please notify the parish office you are moving within or outside the parish, or when your contact information changes.

**Sick Calls** Please notify the Rectory for Communion Calls to the sick and shut-in.

**Baptism** Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month, after the 12:30 p.m. Mass. All parents must attend a class prior to the baptism of their child; the class is held the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the parish office. Please call to register for the class and more information.

**Holy Matrimony** Please contact one of the priests at least six (6) months before the wedding. Cohabitation (living together before marriage) is not lawful; such couples will be asked to separate.

**Parish Office Hours** 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and until 4 p.m. on Friday.



**32nd Sunday**
**in Ordinary Time**

**November 8, 2026**

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The Priest's Mass Intentions

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| | Saturday, November 7 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass of Remembrance/All Souls Novena |
| 5 p.m. | All Souls Novena |
| | Sunday, November 8 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Pro Populo |
| 10:30 a.m. | All Souls Novena |
| 12:30 p.m. | All Souls Novena |
| | Monday, November 9 |
| 8:30 a.m. | All Souls Novena |
| 12 noon | All Souls Novena |
| | Tuesday, November 10 |
| 8:30 a.m. | All Souls Novena |
| 12 noon | All Souls Novena |
| | **Veterans Day,** |
| | **Wednesday, November 11** |
| 10 a.m. | Rocco Hung Pham + |
| | Thursday, November 12 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Rev. Mr. Roger T. Ostrom + |
| 12 noon | Harry and May Coupe + |
| | Friday, November 13 |
| 8:30 a.m. | James Vitalie + |
| 12 noon | Miaie Helena Clare Sung |
| | Saturday, November 14 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Teresa Avila Ty Nguyen + |
| 5 p.m. | John A. Balenger + |
| | Sunday, November 15 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Pro Populo |
| 10:30 a.m. | Manuelo A. Espejo |
| 12:30 p.m. | Souls of Departed Priests & Religious + |

**If there is any disturbance, or if you see a person acting erratically, do not hesitate to call 911.**

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A Word from Fr. Drummond

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It is Election Day as I write this but when you read it, you will know what, right now as I write, I do not: how was the turn out, did the evil ballot initiatives pass? And throughout our country as a whole, have millions opted for an unabashed socialism that is the antithesis of what our country has historically stood for? Regardless of the election results, we have to ask ourselves, how did we come to this point in the first place that abortion is seen as a right and socialism seen as justice. Has black become white, and day become night? Even if the ballots initiatives have been voted down and the Socialist candidates routed, they will not stop; evil never stops trying to bring us down. As a nation we need to rediscover and renew the Judeo-Christian roots on which our nation was founded. We should be unafraid to call things as they are. Abortion is evil. Period. Same sex activity is an inversion of the Natural Order. Period. Socialism is state sponsored theft. Period.

We have only to look to Europe to see the reality of this. The unrest in Europe is a direct result of embracing these evil policies, on turning one's back to God.

Our starting point has to be the sanctity of all innocent Human Life because God made Man in His own Image. The destruction of one innocent Human Life at no matter what stage is an attack on the Image of God. Once that happens *all* the other dominoes fall and we are left in Darkness...

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In Our Parish

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**BOX OF JOY** – Just a reminder to those of you participating in the BOX OF JOY campaign: Representatives from Christian Mothers will be collecting your filled BOXES OF JOY TODAY before and after all Masses. Be sure to include your $9.00 donation per box for shipping. Thank you for bringing Christmas joy to many needy children.

**All Souls Novena** – is going on now through November 10, 2026. If you haven't turned in your envelope yet, be sure to do so ASAP! Extra envelopes can be found in the main church vestibule.



# WEEK OF SERVICE

November 9-15, 2026






**Veterans Day** – Please note that on Wednesday, November 11, 2026, there will only be one daily Mass celebrated at 10 a.m. There will be no early morning confessions, and the parish office will be closed.




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~ **Diaper and Wipes Drive** -- for the MaRiH Center will be held the weekend of November 7/8, 2026. All sizes of children's diapers are always needed. The MaRiH Center, worked 100% by volunteers, is located in Alexandria and helps women with crisis pregnancies. All operation costs and items are donated. More information on the MaRiH Center can be found at https://marih.org/.

~ **The KOFC CCDA/St. Lucy Food Drive** – will kick off at Saint Michael Church on Saturday, November 7, 2026. The Knights of Columbus and Ushers will be handing out food-drive "Blue Bags" which can be returned in two weeks. The Food Drive will conclude on Sunday, November 22, 2026 after the 12:30 pm Mass. Food needs include non-perishables such as canned fruits and vegetables, boxed or bagged cereal, rice and pasta, pasta sauce, cooking oil, bread, non-refrigerated juice, peanut butter, and canned chicken and fish/tuna. Please exclude glass items.

**The Secular Carmelites** -- Is God calling you? Secular Carmelites are those lay faithful, who by a special vocation, undertake to live an evangelical life in the world, imbued with the spirit of contemplation, in imitation of our Carmelite Saints and the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is open to all, men and women, married or single. A local Community of Secular Carmelites meet here the *second Sunday of each month*, and we invite you to reach out to us and arrange for a visit to learn more. Please contact eric.miller.ocds@proton.me for more information.

**The Second Collection** -- this weekend is for Parish Deficit Reduction.

**ParishSOFT Giving (formerly Faith Direct)** -- This upgrade happened automatically and securely! To start online giving: https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-409

· Weekly Giving: If you selected weekly giving, your gifts will now be deducted each week instead of in one monthly batch.

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**St. Michael's Men's Prayer Group** – Join fellow Catholic men to pray, learn, and follow Christ more faithfully. This group is for men who want more than a busy life — men who want peace, purpose, virtue, and the grace to begin again. Our new book is "The Spiritual Combat and a Treatise on Peace of Soul" by Dom Lorenzo Scupoli. Each meeting includes prayer, Scripture, and practical discussion. The next one will be held on **November 18** from 7-8 p.m. in the All Purpose Room.




**November Book Sale:** Advent is a time of prayerful and penitential preparation for the birth of Christ. To obtain the maximum benefit from this four-week period, Our Lady's Rosary Makers is offering a number of Advent reflection books for your consideration. These books are designed to help organize your Advent devotions by providing short readings for you to reflect upon. In addition, parishioners have asked Our Lady's Rosary Makers to make available for purchase two additional items. First are sets of replacement candles (tapers) for home Advent wreaths. Second are reasonably-priced copies of Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical letter Magnificent Humanity (Magnifica Humanitas). Although treated in the press as a letter about Artificial Intelligence (AI), the encyclical provides an easy-to-understand discussion of the Catholic Church's social teachings and how advancements in technology and automation present unique challenges to our understanding of the human person. All our items (including rosaries and medals) are found on or near the brown book rack in the Church library – on the left as you enter the main entrance to the Church.

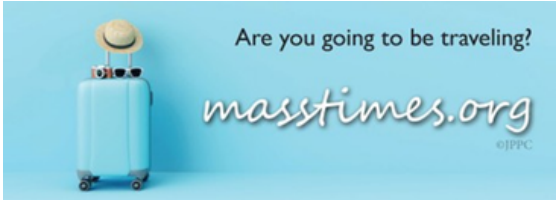
**Pine Street Gate** -- The school year has resumed: hence, the Pine Street gate will be open/closed during the day for the safety of the schoolchildren: closed at 9:30 a.m.; opened at 2:30 p.m.; closed at 4 p.m.

*"The Eucharist is the Sacrament of Love; it signifies Love, it produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life." ~ St. Thomas Aquinas*

**Perpetual Adoration** -- We are in need of adorers (and subs) at these times: Sunday 6-7 a.m.; Tuesday 2-3 a.m., and 3-4 a.m. Please consider spending an hour with the Lord! If you would like more information about perpetual adoration at St. Michael, or to sign up, contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468.

**Please Pray for**: Jim Caruso*; Olivia Jazgenske; Elsa Silva; Dolores Hallinger-Hyser*; Carolyn Nugent-Cole; Lucy Cole*; Barbara (Babby) Dashiell; Joe Armstead; Jane O'Connor; Fred Caovan*; Richard Fox*; Kathleen Foster*; Joyce Bryant; Joseph Jose; Lili Lang; Diane McGill*; Loretta A. Wack; Eileen Carroll-Doshier; Patino family*; Julia & Sophia Lattanzio; Mauricio Posada; Pat Daly*; Carlos Reguerin*; Stone Uhre; Sean and Cynthia Clark*; Hailey Steiniger; Sr. Paul Marie; Yoshimi Kadota; Stephan Nguyen*; Mr. Nhuong Le; Carmen Deshler*; Julie Molony Lee; Andrew Christian; Paul Klimavicz; Mary Fontaine*; Christopher Tran; Marco Tulio Gamba; Mary C. Doss; Norma Geiger*; Sean & Chrissy Campbell; Terry Spragens; Debi Hochgertle; Bob Cafarella; Elsa Noriega*; David Randall*; Paul McEnrue*; Julia Garcia; John and Marie Sibenik*; Kathy Sibenik; Vincent & Ethel Apostolico*; Jeanette Bullock; George Szele; Robert Candler*; Peter Pometto; John Kennelly*; Miriam Kennelly*; Priscilla Chaney*; Irma Barrera; Michael and Patricia Cole; Lucie Le*; Charlene Morison; Maria Castro; Arianne Yzabelle; Daniel Randall*; Courtney Villareal*; Tracy Wilson; Camille Benin*; Tom & Charlene Sheffler*; Mark & Jennifer McGowan; Laura & Collin McGowan; Carol Lloyd*; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Gorey*; Thomas Siemer*; Lauren Hagelin; Evelyn Lang*; Cindy Hall; Cecile McNeill*; Gloria Tansey*; Gideon Sazynski; Micah Nguyen; Simon Chen; Kevin O'Brien; Jeanette Carlson; Tom Fireben; Mohammad E. Musa; Tuy Nguyen*; Alejandro Oqueno; Zoe Green*; Paul B. Haring*; Steve Maitland*; Carroll Walker; Dan Keller; Mark Hukill*; Ruth Nicaise Smokowski; Francis E. Green; with apologies to anyone we dropped; to re-add names call the Parish Office.

**Here are the names of family members** -- of parishioners who are serving our country overseas: PFC Mark Haugh, USMC; Cdr. David Stabish, USNavy; Alex Puentes USNavy; Sgt. Ramsey Hamilton; LtJG Grace Dalton, USNavy; Lt. Col. John D. Barringer, III, USAF; John P. Hoang USMC; David Hayes, Jr. USNavy; David Blincoe, USMC; Kevin Coleman, USAF; Tommy Do, USArmy; PO3 Daniel Hash, USN; CPT Catherine Bean, USArmy; Jude Higgins, USArmy; and…. [call Mary at the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we'll keep our prayers going for our military in harms way.]

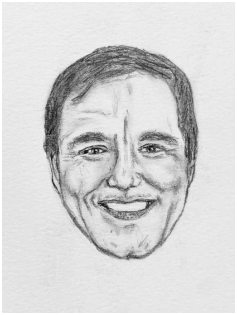



**ALTAR SOCIETY** -- is recruiting new volunteers. This group assists to make sure the altar and linens are cleaned and ironed; typical duties include refilling the holy water fonts, dusting the stations of the cross, etc. Help in making the church beautiful for Mass! If interested, or have any questions, please call Sean Clark at 571-419-4385.

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## Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr. Schierer

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**Walk Where Jesus Walked: Holy Land Pilgrimage 2027** --Are you looking to renew your spirit and deepen your relationship with God? Consider a life-changing spiritual journey to the Holy Land in July. Led by Frs. Nicholas and William Schierer, this pilgrimage will take you to the very places where Scripture unfolded—from the Jordan River to the Sea of Galilee and from Mary's house in Nazareth to the sacred streets of Jerusalem. Together, we will share in daily Mass, on-site biblical teachings, and prayerful moments that will shape your prayer life forever. To view the full itinerary and reserve your place sign up online https://terrastc.com or speak with Fr. Schierer for more details.

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**Stay up to date on Parish Announcements and receive a variety of Faith Growth/Enrichment:**

1. Text to Join: text "STMICHAEL1" to 84576. There is a return text. Supply the requested information (first and last name, email address, smart phone number), or
2. Log on to stmichael1@flocknote.com. That gets you to a place for you to supply the above information, or
3. Or send an email to church@stmikes22003.org with the above information.

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE FIRE LANE IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH.**

## Faith Formation/CCD Religious Education

~ ***Registration for Religious Education CCD*** is live on the website! Go to https://stmichaelannandale.org/registration/, then click on the large, green, "REGISTER" button and fill out the form. Religious Education classes will be held on Monday nights, 6 – 7:30PM for Grades 1 – 8. High School classes are now also weekly: on Monday nights, 6:30 – 7:30PM.

~ **Volunteers for the 2026-2027 School Year:** The St. Michael's Religious Education Program is in need of Catechists and Assistants. No previous experience is necessary. VIRTUS training required. Please reach out to Julia Higgins at: reled@stmikes22003.org.

~ ***Continue investing in your Catholic Faith!*** St. Michael's Religious Education offers many opportunities to continue learning and growing in your own faith, while also supporting your fellow parish families. Learn more about our programs by clicking the "FAITH FORMATION" tab on our website, stmichaelannandale.org/. We offer:

~ ***Adult Bible Study:*** Come and see how the Gospel of Luke shapes our faith! Adult Bible Study has resumed with *Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled* from Ascension Press. Class meets on Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 in the lower level of the school, and optional workbooks will be available for $20. Bring your Bible and join us for prayer, videos featuring Jeff Cavins, and thoughtful discussion of the beautiful Gospel of Luke.

~ ***INTERESTED IN CATHOLICISM?*** To find out more about the OCIA process, please e-mail Fr. Schierer at fr.schierer@stmikes22003.org, or call 703-256-7822.

## School News



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**School registration for Preschool through 8th Grade** -- is open! Call the school office at 703-256-1222 for more information. If you are seeking a Catholic school where Gospel values are lived out each day, St. Michael School is the place for you.

**Do you like working with children? Would you like to be a part of our team?** We are in need of substitute teachers for this school year. Please call the school office at 703-256-1222. Or email the school principal Annie Fernandez at annie.fernandez@stmikes22003.org.

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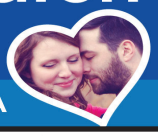
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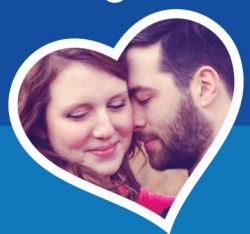
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