St. Michael The Archangel Catholic Church
2281 State Road 580
Clearwater, Florida 33763
Phone: (727) 797-2375        Fax: (727) 791-8287
website: www.stmichaelfl.org

Welcome to our Community
Fr. Gregg Tottle, Pastor
Fr. Theodore Costello, Associate Pastor
Fr. Joseph. Hertel, OFM, Assisting

Pastoral Assistants:
Sr. Thérèse Carolan, OSC, ext. 229
Sr. Therese Dugan, SND, ext. 224

Parish Administrator:
Eileen Woodbury  ext. 221
Director of Religious Education:
Katie White, ext. 243
Director of Music:
Elizabeth Lyons, ext. 237
Youth Director:
Cheryl de la Cruz, ext. 244
Chairman of the Parish Council:

Chairman of the Finance Committee:
Nancy Ridenour
Guardian Angels Interparochial School
Mrs. Mary Stalzer, 799-6724

ORATORY MEDITATION CHAPEL HOURS:
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri:  8:30 am to 7:00 pm
Wednesday: 8:30 am to 8:00 pm
Saturday 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesdays from 8:30 to 8:00 PM in the Oratory
Vocations Holy Hour with Benediction
from 6 until 7 PM

Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.
Friday: 9:00 am to noon.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:  Every Saturday:
3:00-4:00 pm and after the 4:00 pm Mass; also after the
8:00 am Mass on the Thursday before the first Friday of
each month.

BAPTISM: Arrangements are made six weeks in advance.
MARRIAGE: Six months formation program is required.

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil:  4:00 pm English
Sunday:  8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am
Domingo:  3:00 pm Misa En Español;
Confesión 2:00 pm
Monday to Friday:  8:00 am
Saturday:  8:00 am w/Anointing of the Sick

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
To engage our Parish Family in continuing the loving and reconciling
ministry of Jesus Christ. through Worship, Witness and Works.
PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers: Sean Hoolihan — sean.hoolihan@RaymondJames.com
Adult Spiritual Formation: Sr. Therese Dugan, SND Ext. 224
Baptism Preparation: Sr. Therese Dugan, SND Ext. 224
Chancel Choir & Junior Choir: Liz Lyons – Ext. 237
Christian Initiation of Adults: Katie White — DRE — Ext. 243
For unbaptized adults or adults interested in learning about the Catholic Faith
Contemporary Choir: Vicky O’Hara
Community Care Ministry: Temporary services for our “shut-in” parishioners.
Home and Hospital Visitation: Sr. Thérèse Carolan, OSC – Ext. 229
EM to Sick/Homebound: Betty Taylor 734-1071
Eucharistic Ministers at Mass: Sr. Thérèse Dugan, SND — Ext. 224
F.A.S.T. (Faith & Action for Strength Together) Betty Taylor 734-1071
Grief & Bereavement Support: Sr. Thérèse Carolan, OSC — Ext. 229
Hospital Visitation: All area hospitals have Catholic chaplains for the ordinary Sacramental care of Catholic patients. Parish visitation upon request.

Lectors: Ashley Andrews 669-0144
Library: Marie Bronson 542-7163
Liturgy Committee: Darren Vermost — DVermost@vermost.com
Men’s Wed. Group/Emmaus John Hoffman 784-7322 or Victor Huff 510-0229
Nursery (for ages 1-4): Available at all Masses for families with infants (located near Choir area)
Infant Chapel: Tracy Marshall 432-0128
Parish Vocation Enrichment Team: Janice Andrews 669-0144
Parish Nurse Ministry: Nance A. Karpowicz-Kelly 560-2424
Welcome Committee: Richard and Kathy Clark

ORGANIZATIONS

Alcoholics Anonymous: Weekdays at Noon and Thursday 8:00PM - #6
Arts & Crafts: Marie Bronson 789-3735
Bingo: Monday at Noon
Women’s Club: Toni Montevago 420-2070
Hispanic Association: Gladys Vargas
Knights of Columbus Council 11295: John Callaghan 612-4183
Knights of Columbus Assembly 3422: Donald Kantner 443-6734
Knights of Columbus Ladies’ Auxiliary: Pat Kantner 692-1612
Respect Life: Donna Selkey
Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Katy Marsh — Ext. 217

Where there are no telephone numbers listed, please call the Parish Office for referral (797-2375)

Guardian Angels Catholic School - 2270 Evans Road, Clearwater, Florida 33763
(727) 799-6724
Principal: Mrs. Mary Stalzer
FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

In writing to the Romans, St. Paul echoes the words of Jesus in saying, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.”

I must confess that most of the time I think of love in positive terms, meaning we want to be loving in our actions towards our neighbors. We want to affirm and encourage them. We want to have good will towards them and help them in their need. We want to be a good friend. Most often this extends up until when what our neighbor really needs is correction. Then we rather think of being loving as simply “live and let live.” Yet this is not always the loving thing to do.

A popular saying introduced in commercials sponsored by MADD, is “friends don’t let friends drive drunk.” This is very instructive because it is the loving thing to do, yet much harder than just enjoying someone’s company and telling them that they are loved and cared about. In fact, when we have to confront someone, the loving thing can be at once very difficult and painful.

Many parents of adult children remark that their children claim that it is enough to say they believe in God and in Jesus, but joining with others in worship is unnecessary. To keep the peace, some parents say nothing or may even agree. But that is not what the Church or the Bible teaches. The Bible says we must love God with everything in us and our neighbor as ourselves. But how can we love God or anyone else without putting that love into action? How can we show love to God if we are not committed to doing anything about it?

We are not asked to police each other, but often enough the loving thing to do towards another requires some courage and the possibility they may get temporarily angry with us. But with God’s grace, we want to try to do that which is most loving, whatever that means.

Sincerely in Christ,

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Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction
Every Wednesday, in the Oratory, parishioners have the opportunity to pray before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Exposition begins immediately after the 8 a.m. Mass and concludes with Benediction at 6:45 p.m. A Holy Hour for vocations that includes prayers, the rosary and a litany is prayed aloud in English from 6-6:45 p.m. and again in Spanish from 7-8 p.m. Volunteers who keep vigil on Wednesdays before the exposed Blessed Sacrament are asked to sign up each week on the schedule sheets available in the church narthex, assuring that the Lord is never left unattended.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!! Saint Vincent dePaul Soup Kitchen in Clearwater is in dire need of many volunteers for many positions. These positions include cooks, scanners, food prep, data input and social services. If you are an empty nester, school age parent, or retiree looking to make a difference in 200 people's lives per day, this is your calling. The job is in the morning for 2 to 3 hours once a week. If interested, please call Pete Scalia, at 510-9194 (cell) or 441-3790 (office) or email him at svdpsoup@tampabay.rr.com

A message from the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office: REMEMBER TO LOCK YOUR CAR WHILE IN CHURCH.

MILITARY PRAYER BOOK
Our Military Prayer Book is on permanent display in the Narthex. Please stop by and see who in our parish family is serving in the military and please pray for them and their families. Those who serve our country in all the military services thank you for your prayers and support!
To include a loved one in the prayer book, contact Marina Kloppel at 858-382-7499

Liturgy of the Word for Children
Every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass, with the exception of Family Masses (once a month when Father calls the children up to the altar and talks to them during the homily), we have a program called Liturgy of the Word for Children.

After the opening prayer at Mass, the children in grades 2-5 will be invited by the priest to dismiss from the Mass with Miss Diane to Room 5 to break down the readings of that Sunday, do activities, and discuss the readings’ meanings on their level. They will be brought back into the Church to join their parents as the Creed is being recited by the Congregation (right after the priest’s homily).

If you have not attended or participated in this before, please come and join us next Sunday, September 17th, as we begin our new season at the 9:30am Mass.

NO COFFEE AND DONUTS TODAY

YOUTH NIGHT KICK OFFS!
Middle School: Wednesday, Sept 13th
GAME NIGHT and Ice Cream Social
High School: Sunday, Sept 17th
Theme of the Year: SHINE

FAMILY NIGHT!
The Diocese of St. Petersburg Night at the Rowdies
7:30PM SAT. SEPTEMBER 30
SIDELINE UPPER RESERVE TICKETS
ADULTS: $20
STUDENTS: $12
Join us for an action packed game as we cheer on the home team, the Tampa Bay Rowdies. All families and individuals are invited!
Sunday Nursery
St. Michael’s Church Nursery is open for children ages 1 – 4 during the 9:30 AM Mass.

CHOIRS! CHOIRS! CHOIRS!
Rehearsals have begun!
The Chancel Choir, which sings at the 11AM masses, began Wed., Sept. 6th, at 7 PM in classroom 4.
The 9:30AM Contemporary Choir held their first rehearsal at 7:00PM, also on Wednesday Sept. 6th, in the Church. The Junior Choir, which welcomes singers in grades 2-8, will begin on Monday, Sept. 11th, at 6 PM in classroom 4. It’s not too late to join the song!

SPIRIT FM~ Your Diocesan Station~ 90.5 FM

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED
Our Church’s Loop System is compatible with hearing aids equipped with a tele-coil of T-coil. Simply set the T-coil to the ‘on’ position and everything from our audio system will process wirelessly through the hearing aid.

RCIA
Are you interested in becoming Catholic? The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the way to do it. Since 1984, thousands of people have journeyed through parish and diocesan RCIA programs.

Classes are held in the Parish Library (Rm.13). If you are interested in finding out more about this journey or want to sign up now, please contact Katie White, DRE, at 797-2375, x 243. The journey of the RCIA from beginning to the excitement of the celebration at the Easter Vigil is an experience of faith never to be forgotten.

Exercise your faith and your limbs, too:
Walk with fellow parishioners daily (except Sunday) after the 8 AM Mass over to the ORATORY and pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and, on Mondays and Saturdays, the Miraculous Medal Novena. It’s good for your heart and soul.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE
23399 US Highway 19 N, offers quality, low-cost merchandise for sale, and provides free furniture, clothing and household goods to needy people in our community. Donations of clothing and furniture always welcome.
OPEN 10 until 6 MONDAY THRU SATURDAY

WEEKLY EVENT SCHEDULE

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Need help with Medicare?
SHINE Program Can Help
The Florida Department of Elder Affairs offers the SHINE Program (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) at no cost to you. Trained volunteers can assist Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers with Medicare issues and questions. Services are free, unbiased and confidential. Remember that the annual coordinated election period is approaching (October 15—December 7). This is typically the only time that changes can be made to your Medicare plan that is effective 1/01/2018.

Assistance is available in the following ways:
• Volunteers offer counseling at the Dunedin Library
• Call 298-3080 x1707 to schedule a one-on-one meeting
• Medicare Seminars at the Library
• Call the Elder help-line toll free at 1-800-963-5337
• Visit www.FloridaSHINE.org
TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — Warn the wicked, trying to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).

**Gospel** — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).


**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- **Monday:** Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
- **Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
- **Wednesday:** Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
- **Thursday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- **Friday:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- **Saturday:** 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49
- **Sunday:** Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

**ONLINE GIVING**

Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. This convenient system does not require you to contact your bank to sign up or to make changes and it helps the parish streamline its cash flow. Visit our parish website for details:

[www.stmichaelfl.org](http://www.stmichaelfl.org)

The MARIAN SERVANTS of Divine Providence® invite you to a powerful UNBOUND Day Conference, a day of healing and freedom with Matt Lozano. UNBOUND prayer ministry is a sound and practical way for Christians to experience healing and a greater freedom from the influence of evil and to enjoy a greater fullness of life in Christ. Please join us at Our Lady of Divine Providence House of Prayer® on Saturday, September 16th, from 9 AM - 4:45 PM. Tickets $50; $60 at the door. The House of Prayer is located at 711 South Bayview Avenue, Clearwater, FL 33759; (727) 797-7412. For information and to register, please visit [www.divineprovidence.org/events](http://www.divineprovidence.org/events)

**New parishioners are requested to register at the Parish Office.**

A los nuevos feligreses se les agradece inscribirse en la Oficina.