

St. Michael Catholic Church

801 Butler Avenue – Tybee Island, GA 31328

January 7, 2018 | The Epiphany of the Lord

Mission Statement: St. Michael's is a Community of believers rooted in Catholic tradition that seeks to serve others through living out the Gospel message by witnessing to the values of love, community, stewardship, and service.

Our Parish Community extends a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors. If you would like to register as a member of our parish community, please call the Parish Office or register on-line.



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jerry Ragan – Pastor hapragan@hotmail.com
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Mrs. Susan Weber – PREP/Youth Coordinator
Mrs. Ginny Murphy – Youth Coordinator
Mr. Ryan Beke – Music Director

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Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
(Closed noon until 1 p.m.)

office@saintmichaelstybee.org

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Parish Religious Formation Program

Susan Weber – PREP Program
Fr. Jerry Ragan – RCIA
Susan Weber/Ginny Murphy – Youth Program

Baptism Preparation: Call office for information –
(912) 786-4505

Website: <http://www.saintmichaelstybee.org>
<http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection>

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Council Co-Presidents – Mike Beytagh/Carolyn Williams
Parish Finance Mgr. – Mark Schroder
Women's Club President – Ann Pierce
Administration/Buildings and Grounds – Mike Beytagh/Matt Ferry
Endowment Fund – Tommy Butler

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday - Thursday - 8:00 a.m.
Friday – **No Morning Service**

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. – *consult the bulletin*
Gluten-free hosts – please check in the sacristy

CONFESSIONS: 5:00-5:45 p.m. on Saturday OR by appointment

St. Michael Thrift Store Hours

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10 a.m. – 12 noon
Corner of 8th Street and Butler Avenue

Parish Emergency Number – (912) 499-4900



SERVERS FOR MINISTRIES January 13 and 14, 2018

6:00 PM

Lectors: Donna Smith
Altar Servers: Anthony Frankosky
EMEs: Cathy Anderson/Marie McLendon/Delia Robinson
Ushers: Donnie Dixon/Bill Robinson
Cantor: Georgia Gillen

8:00 AM

Lectors: Christine Ristuccia/Melissa Watkins
Altar Servers: Gracie Watkins
EMEs: Deanna Fanning/Patricia Lowenthal/_____
Ushers: Frank Kelly/Dana Johnson
Cantor: Theresa Maene

11:00 AM

Lectors: Jane/Kevin O'Brien
Altar Servers: Mac/Charlie Williams
EMEs: Ginny Murphy/Wendy Shamroe/Mary Ann Stillings
Ushers: Joe Murphy/Larry O'Hayer
Cantor: Carol Weidner Bohman

Fr. Jerry's Corner – January 7, 2018
The Epiphany

Many Journeys, One Family

National Migration Week 2018

January 7-14, 2018

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated National Migration Week, which is an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking. The theme for National Migration Week 2017 draws attention to the fact that each of our families have a migration story, some recent and others in the distant past. Regardless of where we are and where we came from, we remain part of the human family and are called to live in solidarity with one another.

Unfortunately, in our contemporary culture we often fail to encounter migrants as persons, and instead look at them as unknown others, if we even notice them at all. We do not take the time to engage migrants in a meaningful way, as fellow children of God, but remain aloof to their presence and suspicious or fearful of them. During this National Migration Week, let us all take the opportunity to engage migrants as community members, neighbors, and friends.

I admire Bishop Hartmayer's leadership in immigration policy, especially on behalf of those young adults who came to this country as children. He has encouraged us to write, call, or e-mail our elected officials to express our support for pending legislation that will resolve the status of DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) protected young men and women.

Bishop Hartmayer said, "our Catholic Diocese of Savannah and our country need these optimistic, hardworking young men and women. They have already demonstrated honesty, hard work, civic cooperation and a willingness to be part of our American society. The Catholic Church in the United States has always welcomed the newcomer in our midst, and worked to provide immigrants with the pastoral and material support they need. Today, DACA recipients need our prayers and support. These men and women and their families worship with us at our parishes, study in our schools, and work in various vital industries of South Georgia."

The Bishop stressed that "these individuals have already been vetted by the Department of Homeland Security as men and women of good moral character, and have no criminal history. These 800,000-year young people were brought into the United States as infants or children by their parents without authorization, and the United States is the only country they know." If Congress takes no action before March 5th, 2018, these dreamers will return to the uncertainty of possible deportation to countries and cultures that are unfamiliar to them.

As I stated in last week's bulletin, I am hoping many of you will attend St. Michael's Night at the 80 east Gastropub this Wednesday, January 10th. I am hoping it will be the first of several nights out to our local restaurants during the slow winter months. It's a win for them and for us as a faith community. It is a "soft" way of reaching out to others and asking them to "come and see." "Those Catholics sure seem to know how to have fun together. Perhaps we should check out their Church on the weekend." I'm grateful to Carolyn Williams for coordinating this project for the parish. And starting at 6pm, I will be handing out a special CD, *Sweet Music*, to the first dozen folks who show up for this special night.

On the Way Home: God sent the Wise Men a message that caused them to journey half way across the known world. Would you ever put this kind of effort into something? What was worth this kind of a search for them? For you?

Fr. Jerry

WITH JOY AND APPRECIATION: Many thanks from Missionhurst-CICM and Fr. Bernard Kayimbw Mbay and his order for the generous response shown from the Mission Co-Op Appeal in September 2017. We will be remembered in their prayers.

PRAYER ANGELS - The following families will be remembered in prayer the week of January 7th:

-Jane and Kevin O'Brien
-Kim and Chris Porter
-Theresa and Scott Pottratz



PRAYER LIST: Donnie Anderson, Laura Angell, Kathleen Blanco, Odilo Blanco, Sr. Michael Mary Brabner, David Clark, Colt Delverne, William Green, Nedra Hendrix, Linda Hodges, Gene Maxey, Mary Ann Miller, Pat O'Connor, Nora Oliver, Marilyn Price, Erica

Reardon, LaVerne South III, Paul Swatek, David White, Ashley Wolfe, and Blake Young.

ST. MICHAEL'S NIGHT OUT: Join your fellow parishioners for the First Monthly Night Out – Wed., Jan. 10, 2018 at 80e Gastropub, 6-8 PM. A la carte dining. Catholic trivia, games and prizes. *All are welcome!* RSVP Carolyn Williams 704-340-8167

SOCIAL APOSTOLATE COAT COLLECTION: A box is in the side entrance of the church for the month of January. Donations will be accepted of any coats, jackets, gloves, hats, and socks that you might wish to donate for the needy.



STAINED GLASS WINDOWS: Eight (8) of the parish's stained-glass windows remain unsold. Consider donating to complete this project. Contact any member of the committee or the chair, Tom Beytagh, liltybee@gmail.com.

SAVANNAH DEANERY YOUTH: *March for Life* Saint Augustine trip, Jan. 13-14. Mark your calendars!

MARCH FOR LIFE 2018: Fri., Jan. 19, bus trip to Atlanta, 7 AM, parking lot off of I-16 Dean Forest and Town Center Rd., arrive back by 6:30 PM. Trip is free but RSVP no later than Jan. 6. Forms at the church entrances.



Welcome to the following new members:
William and Dolores Cox

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS 2018: St. Michael Parish will participate in the following Special Collections this year: Bishop's Annual Appeal, Catholic Relief Services, Priests Retirement, Home Missions Appeal, Mission Co-Op, Southern Cross, and Religious Retirement. Disregard any other envelopes in your boxed sets other than offertory and holy days.

Family Promise of Greater Savannah (IHN): Mark your calendars for the week of Jan. 14-21, 2018. Volunteers are needed. Please call Lauren Jackson at 912-472-4373.

BUILDING and GROUNDS COMMITTEE – meets Mon., Jan. 15, 6 PM, in the Church Meeting Room. **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** – meets Mon., Jan. 15, 7 PM, in the church meeting room.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?

Sacrificial Giving
December 31, 2017

Yearly Offertory Budget \$324,000.00
Weekly Average Needed \$ 6,230.77

Collected Offertory \$ 5,823.00
Same Time Last Year \$ 7,153.00
Mary, Mother of God \$ 891.00

Budgeted YTD \$ 168,230.79
Collected YTD \$ 168,269.00



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sat. Jan 6 6:00 PM The Parish
 Sun. Jan 7 8:00 AM † Bryan Schaffer
 11:00 AM † Mary Noon Dyke (A)
 Mon. Jan 8 8:00 AM † Jena O'Kane (A)
 Tues. Jan 9 8:00 AM †
 Weds. Jan 10 8:00 AM † Peggy Muller
 Thurs. Jan 11 8:00 AM † Deacon Fret Crider (A)
 Fri. Jan 12 8:00 AM No Morning Service
 Sat. Jan 13 6:00 PM The Parish



Mon., Jan. 8 Finance Committee 6 PM Church meeting room
 Wed., Jan. 10 Choir practice 5:45 PM Church
 Fri./Mon., Jan. 12/15 Parish Office is closed
 Mon., Jan. 15 Buildings and Grounds Committee 6 PM Church meeting room
 Mon., Jan. 15 Parish Pastoral Council 7 PM Church meeting room

WOMEN'S CLUB

THE WOMEN'S CLUB: Meets Mon., Jan. 8, 6:30 PM at Mary Gilker's, 1303 7th Ave. All women of the parish are invited.

CATHOLIC COLLEGE STUDENTS NEEDED: *Prayer and Action* is looking for students to assist with this summer's mission program. A 4-week commitment from June 1-30, 2018. Some travel and training involved; a weekly stipend is included. **Application deadline is Feb. 28, 2018.** To find out more/apply: <https://www.savannahdeaneryyouth.com/>



THANK YOU: To everyone who shared their blessings with the parish for our Christmas outreach to our sick and shut-ins and our parishioners in the nursing homes, as well as those who donated gift cards to help with outreach during the year. We are truly blessed and grateful.

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The Intercessory Prayer Team prays for the needs of our parishioners. If you, or someone you love, has a prayer request, please email auntmitzi@bellsouth.net.

This team is always looking for additional members to fit our parishioners' needs in prayer.

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