

November 10, 2024
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

First, please join me in welcoming Fr. David Gunter, MIC, to our parishes! He will offer our Bi-Parish Mission beginning with sermons this weekend, and continuing each evening, Monday – Thursday at the Church of St. Paul in Zumbrota. I encourage all our parishioners to attend this Mission as much as you are able. We are blessed to have Fr. Gunter with us once again!

During these last few weeks of our liturgical year, which ends with the Solemnity of Christ, the King, on November 24, our Church looks to the end of all things - the end of time on earth. This is traditionally a good time to reflect on the four last things we all must deal with: death, judgment, Heaven, and Hell. The following is a brief presentation on the first two of these topics. I encourage you to take some time for personal meditation.

Death: it is certain that each of us will experience physical death. At the time of death the soul, or the basic source of life that animates each human person, separates from the body. This separation was not intended by our Creator when He made our first parents. Rather, death is the consequence of Original Sin. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us:

“It is in regard to death that man's condition is most shrouded in doubt (Gaudium et Spes 18).’ In a sense bodily death is natural, but for Faith it is in fact ‘the wages of sin’ (Rom 6:23; Gen 2:17). For those who die in Christ's grace it is a participation in the death of the Lord, so that they can also share his Resurrection (Rom 6:3-9; Phil 3:10-11).

Death is the end of earthly life. Our lives are measured by time, in the course of which we change, grow old and, as with all living beings on earth, death seems like the normal end of life. That aspect of death lends urgency to our lives: remembering our mortality helps us realize that we have only a limited time in which to bring our lives to fulfillment:

Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, . . . before the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it. (Eccl 12:1, 7)

Death is a consequence of sin. The Church's Magisterium, as authentic interpreter of the affirmations of Scripture and Tradition, teaches that death entered the world on account of man's sin. (Gen 2:17; 3:3; 3:19; Wis 1:13; Rom 5:12; 6:23;) Even though man's nature is mortal God had destined him not to die. Death was therefore contrary to the plans of God the Creator and entered the world as a consequence of sin. (Wis 2:23-24) ‘Bodily death, from which man would have been immune had he not sinned’ is thus ‘the last enemy’ of man left to be conquered. (Gaudium et Spes 18; 1 Cor 15:26)

Death is transformed by Christ. Jesus, the Son of God, also himself suffered the death that is part of the human condition. Yet, despite his anguish as he faced death, he accepted it in an act of complete and free submission to his Father's will. (Mk 14:33-34; Heb 5:7-8) The obedience of Jesus has transformed the curse of death into a blessing. (Rom 5:19-1)

Welcome to the Churches of

St. Paul &

St. Michael

We are happy that you are here! If you are new to our parishes, please call or stop at the Parish Office. We would love to meet you and answer any questions that you might have!

SACRAMENTS

Confession - Saturday 4:00pm at St. Michael; Sunday 8:25am at St. Paul and 8:00am before daily weekend Holy Mass at both parishes.

Baptism - Please contact the parish office.

Matrimony - Please call Father Kasel at least six months prior to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick - This is for someone who is seriously ill, dealing with major surgery or infirm. Please contact Father Kasel to make arrangements.

WEEKEND HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Church of Saint Paul - Sunday Confessions at 8:25am, Rosary at 8:20am, Mass at 8:45am

Church of Saint Michael - Saturday Confessions at 4:00pm, Rosary at 4:35pm, Mass at 5:00pm

Church of Saint Michael - Sunday Mass at 7:00am, Rosary at 10:05am, Mass at 10:30am

WEEKDAY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Church of Saint Paul - Tuesday and Thursday

Confession 8am & Mass 8:30am, Rosary at 8:10am before Mass

Church of Saint Michael - Wednesday and Friday

Confession 8am and Mass 8:30am

Because of Christ, Christian death has a positive meaning: ‘For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.’ (Phil 1:21) ‘The saying is sure: if we have died with Him, we will also live with Him.’ (2 Tim 2:11) What is essentially new about Christian death is this: through Baptism, the Christian has already ‘died with Christ’ sacramentally, in order to live a new life; and if we die in Christ's Grace, physical death completes this ‘dying with Christ’ and so completes our incorporation into Him in His redeeming act:

It is better for me to die in Christ Jesus than to reign over the ends of the earth. Him it is I seek - Who died for us. Him it is I desire - Who rose for us. I am on the point of giving birth ... Let me receive pure Light; when I shall have arrived there, then shall I be a man. (St. Ignatius of Antioch, Ad Rom., 6, 1-2)

In death, God calls man to Himself. Therefore the Christian can experience a desire for death like St. Paul's: ‘My desire is to depart and be with Christ.’ (Phil 1:23) He can transform (continued on page 4)

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The St. Pio Knights of Columbus Council 16016 will host a ‘Chili Cook-off Contest’ on Sunday, November 17, after the 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Michael. (More details on page 4).



The next Holy Hour and Social for Men will be Sunday, November 10, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. After our meal, we will hear stories from some Veterans and honor all our Veterans. All men are invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF St. Michael FAITH FORMATION:

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The next **Holy Hour for Women** will be **Sunday, November 24**, at 6:00pm at the Church of St. Michael, PI. All women are invited!

Panthers Holiday Helpers Project:

Dear Parishioners, Panthers Holiday Helpers Project needs your help! This Christmas project collects gift donations for children in need from Pine Island and Oronoco. You may donate any of the following winter wears: **hats, caps, scarves, mittens, snowpants, gloves, and/or face masks.** These donations will go to both girls and boys, from birth to 18 years. Please consider making a donation to this worthy project. If you wish to make a monetary donation, someone from the Church of St. Michael will shop for you. Families will be coming to the school to choose the items for their children, so **please do NOT wrap them.** Please bring donations by **December 1** and place in the box in the entryway.

Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture Series:

Wisdom and Worship: *Philo of Alexandria*

Philo of Alexandria, a Jewish philosopher living in Egypt in the mid to late first century B.C., wrote biblical commentaries that sought to interpret the meaning of the Jewish religion when regular worship at the Temple was impossible. In so doing, he profoundly reinterpreted both the life of study and the life of worship. One of the distinctive elements of Philo's theology was his meditation on how the worship rituals and liturgical calendar of the ancient Jewish temple were imbued with cosmic and moral meaning. In studying Philo, then, we appreciate a key theological root of the Church Fathers' spiritual exegesis of the Old Testament, and are invited to see the unity of the life of study and worship.

Details: Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30 PM ET, Lecture: 8:00 PM ET
Instructor: Kyle Washut, S.T.L., S.T.M. Registration is required.
<https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/wisdom-and-worship>

WEEKLY TITHING November 2-3, 2024

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2,435.00
Plate:	\$ 950.39
EFT:	\$ 2,645.00
Total:	\$ 6,030.39

Hurricane Relief Collection: \$ 1,315.09



Church of St. Michael 51st Holiday Tea

December 7, 2024 9:00 - 11:30am

"And Heaven and Nature Sing"

Baked items, Crafts, & Raffle items are available!

Enjoy our Holiday Tea Table!

Ladies of the Parish: Please sign up to bring baked goods, and other food, and volunteer to work.

Dear Parishioners: For our Holiday Tea raffle we are looking to provide a 'made by our parishioners' basket. So - we need your help! We would like to offer a basket showing the talents of our parishioners. Please consider donating some item for this basket. It can be sewn, crocheted, knitted, drawn, painted, or crafted. It can be cloth, wooden, plastic, or metal - or some other option. If you would like to donate an item, please leave it at the office by **November 20**, so we can fit the items in a basket. If we have extra donated items, we will add whatever would fit into our craft table for the Holiday Tea. Thank you in advance for your donation! *St. Gianna Guild Holiday Tea Coordinators*

AN INVITATION FROM JESUS



Do you have no regular commitments during weekday mornings? Are you interested in growing in love with the One who loves you most - Jesus?

Consider coming to Holy Mass on weekdays!

Holy Mass, Confession and the Holy Rosary are offered Tuesday through Friday at our parishes.

Come to sanctify your weekdays with Jesus - He is waiting for you!

40 Days for Life Celebration!

If you have been involved in the Fall 40 Days for Life campaign by praying on the sidewalk or praying at home: please join us for a celebration on Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30 pm at St. James Coffee for food, door prizes and a celebration!

Pine Island Food Shelf: items requested for November: Canned Meats: chicken, tuna, Spam, salmon, etc.

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, November 15, 2024

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Saturday, November 16, 2024

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, November 17, 2024

7:00am Latin Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

November 13, 2024 †Micah Erickson (Terri Pass)

November 15, 2024 †Dorothy Walter

November 16, 2024 †La Verne Zabel (Sue Moffit & Molly Garvey)

November 17, 2024 †Fr. James Delay (Janet Shannon)

November 17, 2024 Parishioners



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Be a Saint!

"Some of you might think I am referring only to a select few. Don't let the promptings of cowardice or easygoing ways deceive you so easily. Feel, instead, God urging each one of you on, to become another Christ, *ipse Christus*, Christ Himself. To put it simply, God is urging us to make our actions consistent with the demands of our Faith. For our sanctity, the holiness we should be striving for, is not a second-class sanctity. There is no such thing. The main thing we are asked to do, which is so much in keeping with our nature, is to love: 'charity is the bond of perfection'; a charity that is to be practiced exactly as Our Lord Himself commands: 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with thy whole heart, and with thy whole soul, and with thy whole mind,' holding back nothing for ourselves. This is what sanctity is all about." (St. Jose Maria Escriva: *Friends of God*, no. 6)

PRO-LIFE QUOTES:

"Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person – among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life." *Catechism of the Catholic Church 2270*

"Abortion kills twice. It kills the body of the baby and it kills the conscience of the mother. Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers." *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

"Given the breakdown in family life, the wholesale attack on innocent and defenseless human lives, and the violation of the integrity of the union of marriage in our society, the call to the martyrdom of witness is ever more urgent." *Cardinal Burke*

WEEKLY TITHING November 3, 2024

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 1,428.00
Plate:	\$ 303.00
EFT:	\$ 1,515.00
Total:	\$ 3,246.00

Hurricane Relief Collection: \$ 701.00

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St. Gertrude's Prayer

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Holy Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"One should not wish to become a Saint in four days but step by step." *St. Philip Neri*

"A Saint was once asked, while playing happily with his companions, what he would do if any Angel told him that in a quarter of an hour he would die and have to appear before the judgment seat of God. The Saint properly replied that he would continue playing because I am certain these games are pleasing to God." *St. John Bosco*

"Though you have recourse to many Saints as your intercessors, go especially to St. Joseph, for he has great power with God." *St. Teresa of Avila*

"All the science of the Saints is included in these two things: to do, and to suffer. And whoever had done these two things best, has made himself most Saintly." *St. Francis de Sales*

"The Saints are like the stars. In his providence Christ conceals them in a hidden place that they may not shine before others when they might wish to do so. Yet they are always ready to exchange the quiet of contemplation for the works of mercy as soon as they perceive in their heart the invitation of Christ." *St. Anthony of Padua*

Give the gift of an Hour of Adoration for someone. Cards are in the vestibule to send to the recipient.

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, November 14, 2024

8:00am Confession/8:30am Holy Mass

Sunday, November 17, 2024

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS



November 12, 2024 †Holy Souls in Purgatory (Karen Hodgman)

November 14, 2024 Joel & Charlotte Patros (Louise Gerken)

November 17, 2024 Parishioners

NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from page 1) his own death into an act of obedience and love towards the Father, after the example of Christ... (Lk 23:46)" (CCC 1006-1011)

Judgment: after death each of us will undergo what is called the particular judgment. Our Catechism teaches us:

“Death puts an end to human life as the time open to either accepting or rejecting the Divine Grace manifested in Christ” (2 Tim 1:9-10). The New Testament speaks of judgment primarily in its aspect of the final encounter with Christ in His second coming, but also repeatedly affirms that each will be rewarded immediately after death in accordance with his works and Faith. The parable of the poor man Lazarus and the words of Christ on the Cross to the good thief, as well as other New Testament texts speak of a final destiny of the soul - a destiny which can be different for some and for others (Lk 16:22; 23:43; Mt 16:26; 2 Cor 5:8; Phil 1:23; Heb 9:27; 12:23).

Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of Heaven - through a purification (Council of Lyons II - 1274; Council of Florence - 1439; Council of Trent - 1563) or immediately (Benedict XII, *Benedictus Deus* - 1336; John XXII, *Ne super his* - 1334) - or immediate and everlasting damnation (Benedict XII, *Benedictus Deus* - 1336).

“At the evening of life, we shall be judged on our love” (St. John of the Cross).” (CCC 1021-1022)

Let us take time to pray with our Lord Jesus on these realities and make every effort through the Sacraments to befriend Him, especially through Confession and the Holy Eucharist.

Through the intercession of the Mary, Queen of Heaven, St. Joseph, St. Paul, and St. Michael, may the Holy Spirit prepare us for Eternal Life! In Christ through Mary,
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6:00pm –Confessions

6:35pm –Rosary

7:00pm –Presentation

Father Gunter will also speak at all the Holy Masses on Nov. 9 & 10.



St. Pio KOC Council 16016 Chili Cook-off Contest, Nov. 17!

The Knights of Columbus are looking for pots of chili for the Chili Cook-Off. Please consider making a pot of chili! There is a sign-up sheet at the back of each church.



Please give your name, phone number, and description of your chili. We will have a People's Choice Award and a panel of Judges with multiple prizes. See you all after the 10:30am Holy Mass on November 17, at the Church of St. Michael.

-Chili must be in an electric Crock Pot

-Include a description of the Chili

-Class of chili: Regular, Spicy, or Non-traditional

The St. Padre Pio Knights of Columbus Council 16016

membership meeting will be held at 6:00pm on November 13 at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota. Please note the earlier time change in order to attend Fr. Gunter's Parish Mission.



†ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT†

Can you spend an hour with Jesus? Adoration is held at St. Paul, Zumbrota on Tuesdays from 9am-5pm and St. Michael, Pine Island on Wednesdays from 9am-5pm.

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