



# THE MESSENGER

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ROBERTSON COUNTY

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## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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### MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY – 8:30 AM  
WEDNESDAY – 6:30 PM  
THURSDAY – 8:30 AM  
FRIDAY – 8:30 AM  
SATURDAY – 8:30 AM  
VIGIL – 5:00 PM  
SUNDAY – 10:30 AM  
IN SPANISH – 1:00 PM  
HOLY DAY – 7:00 PM

### CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – 9 AM - NOON  
BEFORE VIGIL MASS – 4:15 PM

### ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

### ADORATION

WEDNESDAY – None in August  
SATURDAY – 9:00 - Noon

## ST. MICHAEL

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### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM

### CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

## MUSIC OF THE MASS

**PROCESSIONAL:** "O Food of Exiles Lowly" #655

**OFFERTORY:** "O Lord, I Am Not Worthy" #672

**COMMUNION:** *Instrumental*

## Pastor's Column

To the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Michael:

"Is the enemy of Christ, and His Church, to arise out of a certain special falling away from GOD? And is there no reason to fear that some such Apostasy is gradually preparing, gathering, hastening on in this very day? For is there not at this very time a special effort made almost all over the world, that is, every here and there, more or less in sight or out of sight, in this or that place, but most visibly or formidably in its most civilized and powerful parts, an effort to do without Religion? Is there not an opinion avowed and growing, that a nation has nothing to do with Religion; that it is merely a matter for each man's own conscience?—which is all one with saying that we may let the Truth fail from the earth without

trying to continue it in and on after our time. Is there not a vigorous and united movement in all countries to cast down the Church of Christ from power and place? Is there not a feverish and ever-busy endeavor to get rid of the necessity of Religion in public transactions? For example, an attempt to get rid of oaths, under a pretense that they are too sacred for affairs of common life, instead of providing that they be taken more reverently and more suitably? an attempt to educate without Religion? —that is, by putting all forms of Religion together, which comes to the same thing;—an attempt to enforce temperance, and the virtues which flow from it, without Religion, by means of

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Societies which are built on mere principles of utility? an attempt to make expedience, and not truth, the end and the rule of measures of State and the enactments of Law? an attempt to make numbers, and not the Truth, the ground of maintaining, or not maintaining, this or that creed, as if we had any reason whatever in Scripture for thinking that the many will be in the right, and the few in the wrong? An attempt to deprive the Bible of its one meaning to the exclusion of all other, to make people think that it may have an hundred meanings all equally good, or, in other words, that it has no meaning at all, is a dead letter, and may be put aside? an attempt to supersede Religion altogether, as far as it is external or objective, as far as it is displayed in ordinances, or can be expressed by written words,—to confine it to our inward feelings, and thus, considering how variable, how evanescent our feelings are, an attempt, in fact, to destroy Religion?

“Surely, there is at this day a confederacy of evil, marshalling its hosts from all parts of the world, organizing itself, taking its measures, enclosing the Church of Christ as in a net, and preparing the way for a general Apostasy from it. Whether this very Apostasy is to give birth to Antichrist, or whether he is still to be delayed, as he has already been delayed so long, we cannot know; but at any rate this Apostasy, and all its tokens and instruments, are of the Evil One, and savior of death. Far be it from any of us to be of those simple ones who are taken in that snare which is circling around us! Far be it from us to be seduced with the fair promises in which Satan is sure to hide his poison! Do you think he is so unskillful in his craft, as to ask you openly and plainly to join him in his warfare against the Truth? No; he offers you baits to tempt you. He promises you civil liberty; he promises you equality; he promises you trade and wealth; he promises you a remission of taxes; he promises you reform. This is the way in which he conceals from you the kind of work to which he is putting you; he tempts you to rail against your rulers and superiors; he does so himself, and induces you to imitate him; or he promises you illumination, {61}—he offers you knowledge, science, philosophy, enlargement of mind. He scoffs at times gone by; he scoffs at every institution which reveres them. He prompts you what to say, and then listens to you, and praises you, and encourages you. He bids you mount aloft. He shows you how to become as gods. Then he laughs and jokes with you, and gets intimate with you; he takes your hand, and gets his fingers between yours, and grasps them, and then you are his.

Shall we Christians allow ourselves to have lot or part in this matter? Shall we, even with our little finger, help on the Mystery of Iniquity, which is travailing for birth, and convulsing the earth with its pangs? "O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united." "What fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? Wherefore, come out from among them, and be ye separate," ... lest you be workers together with God's enemies, and be opening the way for the Man of Sin, the son of perdition.”

Lecture 1. The Times of Antichrist  
John Henry Cardinal Newman

## IMPORTANT DATES

August 24-29

Legion of Mary pro-life booth at  
the Robertson County Fair

Friday, August 28

6:00 pm Over 50 Group

Sunday, August 30

Parent Meeting after all Masses  
(Religious Education)

Friday, September 4

9:30 - 11:30 am Mother's Group

Monday, September 7

Office Closed in observance of Labor Day

Monday, September 14

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting  
(moved from Sept. 7 due to Labor Day)

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jamas & Julie Schlessman  
Zack & Matt

Irene Everett

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for Religious Education  
will begin 9 am on Sunday,  
September 13 for grades  
K-Confirmation.

There will be a parent meeting  
after the Masses on Sunday,  
August 30 presented by  
Deacon Mike Morris

# Ten “Isms” That Are Destroying the Church

by [Fr. Dwight Longenecker](#)

(Part 3 of 3)

Fr. Longenecker portrays the “The Attack of the Isms” as an alien attack on rational earthlings... These are really ten informal heresies—most Americans are not aware of them because they are simply part of our culture. They are the air we breathe. They are the wallpaper. Remember heresies are not complete lies. *They are half-truths.* Therefore in each one of the ten heresies there is something attractive and true. It becomes a heresy when it is cut off from the other truth which would balance it, or when it exists on its own apart from the rest of a truth system.

**“8. Utilitarianism** - If it works it must be good. Utilitarianism is also an outgrowth of materialism. If there is no heaven, hell or judgment, then the way to live (says the utilitarian) is to bring about the greatest good for the greatest number. Unfortunately it is not easy to determine first of all what is truly good and then how to attain it. Invariably utilitarianism is linked with an ideology of some sort—usually economic and political and the “greatest good” is forced on people by the tyrant. “You will be happy. You will join our brave new world. You will support our utopia.”

**“9. Historicism** - This is the belief that “history is bunk”. The Christian believes in Divine Providence—history is “His Story” as my Sunday School teacher would say. Historicism draws the conclusion from relativism that if there is no truth, then there is no God and if there is no God then there can be no over arching narrative for history. What we see as a pattern or a plan is simply our attempt to impose some sort of meaning on history. History, for the historicist, is simply a random sequence of events that influence the way the human race goes. Some people get rich. Some people are poor. There are wars. One side wins. One side loses. So it goes. Furthermore, if there is no meaning to history there is also no meaning to your own life.

**“10. Progressivism** - The irony is that the modern person will believe in historicism on the one hand—in which there is no over-arching narrative of history, but he will at the same time believe in progress. Growing out of belief in evolutionism (by this I mean the ideology of evolution—not the scientific theory) the modern person assumes that because of evolution we are getting better and better every day in every way. If it is new it must be better. If it is the latest fashion, trend or idea it must be better than what has gone before. They hold to this fantasy despite the fact that the twentieth century was the most bloody, barbaric, cruel and disastrous century humanity has ever seen, and the twenty first century does not seem to be unfolding any better.

“When I say these “isms” are destroying our culture and our church I am pointing out that they have invaded the church because they are part of the culture. Most Americans—Catholics included—live their lives by these ten assumptions and are hardly aware of it. They make their choices on what to believe and how to behave according to individualism, sentimentalism, utilitarianism etc.

“What is the answer? The only answer is for Catholics to stand apart, to know their faith and live it in a radical and startling way in the world. By this I do not mean simply doing good works and helping at the food pantry. All that, of course, is wonderful, but living a radical Catholic life means more than that. It means having a different mindset, a different world view, a different perspective on all things than do our non-Catholic neighbors, and the only way to achieve this is through a life dedicated to work, prayer and study.”

# PRAYER LIST

## HEALING

\*Sandra Armour  
\*Ernie Axley Sr.  
\*June Bell  
\*Shannon Bell  
\*Susie Bess  
\*Dorothy Bradley  
\*Robert Bradley  
\*Cheryl Bush  
\*Jerry Bush  
\*Don Cole  
\*Tom Cuff  
\*Eva Davanport  
\*Bea Heatherly  
\*Macky Hunter  
\*Thelma Lee  
\*Ann Marie Legate  
\*Rosa Priest  
\*Nora Rabie  
\*Mary Senecal  
\*Robert Senecal  
\*Dee Smoker  
\*Gloria Snow  
\*Mary Stout  
\*Joyce Traughber

## PETITIONS

\*For the respect and protection of human life.

## DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN

\* *Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord: and let perpetual light shine upon them*

## HOMEBOUND

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

\*Dorothy Crosslin  
\*Claudia Traughber  
\*Mary Ann Klimek  
\*R.C. Boyle  
\*Dorothy Johnson  
\*Tom Crumpler  
\*Patty Zawierucha

### ST. MICHAEL

\*John Baker  
\*Elizabeth Jenkins  
\*Robert & Regina Head

## ASSIGNMENTS

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

**SATURDAY – 8/22/2015**

*Lector:* Mike Noble  
*Extraordinary Ministers:*  
Pam Burton & Alice Cole  
*Ushers:* Harry Lee & Volunteer  
*Altar Server:* Volunteer

**SUNDAY – 8/23/2015**

*Lector:* Colleen Felts  
*Extraordinary Ministers:*  
Dick Joyce & Gloria Snow  
*Ushers:* Gene Masoner & Volunteer  
*Altar Servers:*  
Carson & Jake Rucker  
*Collection Counters:*  
Mel Warnecke & Vince Moran

### ST. MICHAEL

**SUNDAY – 8/23/2015**

*Lector:* Billy Armour  
*Extraordinary Ministers:*  
Kaye Sharp & John Restey  
*Usher/Greeter:*  
Debbie Traughber  
*Collection Counters:*  
Kaye Sharp & Denise Haley

## GOSPEL: August 17-15

**MONDAY:** *Matthew 19:16-22*

**TUESDAY:** *Matthew 19:23-30*

**WEDNESDAY:** *Matthew 20:1-16*

**THURSDAY:** *Matthew 22:1-14*  
*St. Bernard*

**FRIDAY:** *Matthew 22:34-40*  
*St. Pius X*

**SATURDAY:** *Matthew 23:1-12*  
*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

## OFFERING

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

8/9

Parish: \$3,657.97

Haiti: \$391.00

### ST. MICHAEL

8/9

Parish: \$1,540.00

Haiti: \$257.00

## MASS INTENTIONS

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| SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5:00 PM  | For the intentions of Berta Goetz by The Morris Family       |
| SUNDAY MASS         | 8:00 AM  | For the intentions of Chuck Tinkle                           |
| SUNDAY MASS         | 10:30 AM | For the intentions of Dianne Csabi by The Robinson Family    |
| TUESDAY MASS        | 8:30 AM  | For the intentions of Kaydence Kelch by her family           |
| WEDNESDAY MASS      | 6:30 PM  | For the intentions of Mike & Elizabeth Morris                |
| THURSDAY MASS       | 8:30 AM  | For the intentions of The McGhee Family by The Morris Family |
| FRIDAY MASS         | 8:30 AM  | For the intentions of Father & Mrs. Dean                     |
| SATURDAY MASS       | 8:30 AM  | For the repose of the soul of Roger Blackwood Jr.            |

The flowers on the altar at Our Lady of Lourdes are donated by Carol Kuropatwinski

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