



THE MESSENGER

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ROBERTSON COUNTY

ST. MICHAEL

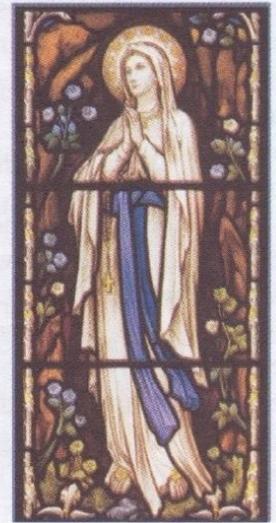
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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 20, 2014

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Website: www.ollsm.org

MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY – 8:30 AM
WEDNESDAY – 6:30 PM
THURSDAY – 8:30 AM
FRIDAY – 8:30 AM
SATURDAY – No 8:30 Mass 7/26
VIGIL – 5:00 PM
SUNDAY – 10:30 AM
IN SPANISH – 1:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – NONE 7/26
BEFORE VIGIL MASS - 4:15 PM

ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

ADORATION

WEDNESDAY – 10:00 AM - 6:15 PM
SATURDAY – NONE 7/26

BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAY – 6:15 PM

ST. MICHAEL

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9:15 AM TO 3 PM

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PRAYER LINE E-MAIL: prayerlineollsm@gmail.com

MUSIC OF THE MASS

PROCESSIONAL: "Lord of All Hopefulness" #622

OFFERTORY: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" #561

COMMUNION: Instrumental

MASS PARTS: Siena Mass Chant, St. Michael Hymnal #149

Guest column from Rick Childress, seminarian

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

It's my pleasure and honor to be with you all this summer; you're all in my prayers. Father asked me to write a column for this week's bulletin telling a bit about myself.

I've lived in Middle Tennessee for about 12 years, although I grew up in many different places in the South, Midwest, and West (my dad worked for Clorox, who owns companies all over). I was baptized and raised in the Protestant denomination The Church of the Nazarene, which is basically a different flavor of the Methodists. In high school

I thought God was calling me into pastoral ministry, so when I graduated I went to Trevecca Nazarene University in Nashville to study to be a Nazarene minister.

Through my studies in Scripture and Church History I gradually saw that the Nazarene telling of the Faith had some big theological holes in it – a lot of inconsistency and arbitrary rules being taught – and that what I would have called the "ancient Faith" (a.k.a. the Catholic Church) had much more

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solid, consistent, and compelling teachings to offer. About a year into working as a Nazarene minister I was asked to write curriculum for a “basic beliefs” class and, in starting to write it, came face to face with the fact I couldn’t do it in good faith: I’d become convinced that the Catholic Church had the fullness of the Christian Faith, that She was the true Church. So I resigned my position and turned in my ministerial credentials. The last straw of conversion was attending the Mass a few times. I entered RCIA in 2007 and was confirmed in 2008.

The last thing on my mind at that point was becoming a priest; I intended to settle into my life as a Catholic and to figure out what that looked like, started dating, and moved along. I worked for UPS for awhile loading package-trailers before becoming an HVAC (air-conditioning) technician. But after a couple of years something in me felt incomplete – in a way I couldn’t put a finger on, beyond good and bad circumstances – and eventually thought I might have a vocation to the monastic life. I visited a few monasteries, spent some time at a Benedictine monastery in Oklahoma, and (although I liked a lot of what I saw) wasn’t satisfied with that life either. Late in 2011 a long-time friend, former Nazarene, and new seminarian (Andy Forsythe) asked me if I thought I could be called to the priesthood. After talking to a few priests and looking into the vocation, it all clicked. I went to seminary in 2012 and haven’t looked back. Lord willing, I’ll be ordained a deacon in 2017 and a priest in 2018.

Basically, my vocation story isn’t an uncommon one: I fumbled around, rarely saw more than one footstep ahead (when I was looking), but have somehow ended up where I am (often in spite of myself) by the grace and mercy of God.

In Christ,
Rick

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday, July 20:
SECOND COLLECTION - CATHEDRAL
10:30 AM – Mass

Tuesday, July 22:
8:30 AM - Mass

Wednesday, July 23:
10:00 AM - 6:15 PM - Adoration
6:30 PM - Mass

Thursday, July 24:
8:30 AM - Mass

Friday, July 25:
8:30 AM - Mass
6:00 PM - Over 50 Group

Saturday, July 26:
No 8:30 Mass, Confessions or Adoration
11:00 AM – Legion of Mary meeting in the Rectory
5:00 PM – Vigil Mass

Sunday, July 27:
10:30 AM - Mass

ST. MICHAEL

Sunday, July 20:
SECOND COLLECTION - CATHEDRAL
8:00 AM – Mass

Sunday, July 27:
8:00 AM - Mass

**DUE TO THE PRIEST ORDINATION
ON SATURDAY JULY 26, THERE
WILL BE NO 8:30 MASS,
ADORATION OR CONFESSIONS**

HELP FROM HEAVEN: MIRACLOUS INTERCESSIONS

Have you ever wondered how the Catholic Church determines miracles and how they are connected to the intercession of a saint?

The Catholic Church has a rigorous system of examination of events before they are declared miraculous. Miracles are always a work of God, but sometimes for his purposes he allows people to serve as his conduit.

In the case of saints, the church through bishops and Vatican investigators, first looks for evidence of a life of heroic virtue. Those who are found worthy are given the title “Venerable.” Then the church waits for God to speak through a miraculous sign.

As explained in the book on modern miracles by Patricia Treece, to be considered a miraculous cure a medical team must attest that the event met these conditions:

- * The disease must be serious and impossible or very difficult to cure.

- * The disease must not be in a stage at which it is liable to disappear shortly by itself.

- * Either no medical treatment must have been given or the treatment did not produce the cure.

- * The cure is instantaneous, complete and permanent.

- * No part of the cure could be considered natural.

Then a commission of cardinals and archbishops examines the event to determine if the person was truly God’s chosen instrument for the cure. The final step is approval of the miracle by the pope.

Our faith is based on God breaking into our world and lives

in ways we cannot explain – what we call the mystery of our faith (mysterium fidei).

As I recently mentioned, a dead baby brought back to life after an hour was recently approved by a church commission as a miracle wrought through the intercession of Archbishop Fulton Sheen.

Our modern world tries to dismiss or explain away miracles, and when all else fails some will say, there are just some things man hasn’t figured out yet. For the skeptics, I would say, yes you are right. Some men have failed to figure out that there is a God despite all the evidence!

As Catholics, we celebrate the

mystery of the transubstantiation at every Mass when the priest asks the Holy Spirit to transform the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ so that our Lord resides in us and within our tabernacles.

Why does God miraculous break into our world through prayers for the intercession of holy people?

God is giving us heroic examples to follow, letting us know we have friends in heaven, but most of all He wants to strengthen our faith, hope and love in Him. Amen!

HEALING

- *Bill Sane
- *Mike Ellis
- *Joyce & Don Traughber
- *Shannon Bell
- *Wyatt Houston
- *Don Cole
- *Eva Davanport
- *June Bell
- *Sandra Armour
- *Ann Marie Legate
- *Paul Traughber
- *JoAnn Hunter
- *Bea Heatherly
- *Susie Bess
- *Tom Cuff
- *Savina Hollman
- *Cheryl & Jerry Bush
- *Robert & Dorothy Bradley
- *Bob Klimek
- *Sam Traughber
- *Jim Weller
- *Marvin (Eddie) Traughber
- *Gloria Snow
- *Ernie Axley Sr.
- *Frank Monfette
- *Logan Stephenson

PETITIONS

- *For the safety and peace of our armed forces and their families.
- *For the respect of human life from natural conception to natural death.

DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN

- *For all family and friends who have died.

HOMEBOUND OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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

ST. MICHAEL

- *John & Cynthia Baker
- *Elizabeth Jenkins
- *Robert & Regina Head

MADE IN HIS IMAGE: MALE AND FEMALE

Scientists are beginning to document what the church has always taught, that there are differences between males and females from spatial skills to memory patterns.

The Catholic Church teaches that both men and women are made in God's image, but they are not the same. In God's beautiful design, male and female were created to complement each other.

As law professor Helen Alvaré wrote in a recent article, even businesses are beginning to understand and appreciate the need to combine the complimentary

skills of men and women in the workplace.

As Alvaré points out, children's well-being depends upon the stable, complementary contributions of both parents. For example, moms generally have superior skills to monitor their child's emotional welfare, while dads generally have better methods of playful interaction and discipline.

As our society tries to redefine marriage and families, let us not forget that it is God who made us in his perfect image and gave us the Holy Family as our model.

ASSIGNMENTS

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

SATURDAY – 7/26/2014

Lector: Belle Holmes

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jenny Gonyea & Paula Weller

Ushers: Sherry Martell & Claude Burton

Altar Server: John Schwarz

SUNDAY – 7/27/2014

Lector: Gloria Snow

Extraordinary Ministers:

Dick Joyce & Gene Masoner

Ushers: Robyn Masoner & Volunteer

Altar Servers: Cuinn Owens & Chris Hardy

Collection Counters: Jeff Hostettler & Mel Warnecke

ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY – 7/27/2014

Lector: Billy Armour

Extraordinary Ministers:

Anneca Conaghan & James Conaghan

Usher/Greeter: David Tinkle

Altar Server: Volunteer

Collection Counters: Kaye Sharp & Denise Haley

GOSPEL: 7/21-7/26

MONDAY: *Matthew 12:38-42*

TUESDAY: *John 20:1-2,11-18*

WEDNESDAY: *Matthew 13:1-9*

THURSDAY: *Matthew 13:10-17*

FRIDAY: *Matthew 20:20-28*

SATURDAY: *Matthew 13:24-30*

OFFERING

OUR LADY OF LOURDES 7/13

Parish: \$2,653.00

Children: \$ 33.00

Haiti: \$ 329.79

ST. MICHAEL 7/13

Parish: \$1,455.00

Children: \$ 1.00

Haiti: \$ 207.25

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Jonathan Knuth by Jon & Janet Knuth
SUNDAY MASS	8:00 AM	For the intentions of Mary Jackson
SUNDAY MASS	10:30 AM	For the people of God
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of Bob Van De Velde by the Knights of Columbus
WEDNESDAY	6:30 PM	For the healing of Dominique Harris by Jim & Paula Weller
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of Cody Twork by Dan & Carol Twork
FRIDAY MASS	8:30 AM	For the healing of Van Perdue by Terry & Brenda Kelch
SATURDAY MASS	NO 8:30 AM MASS	

The Altar flowers at St. Michael are in memory of Martin Tubbs by Teresa Kneisler

The Altar flowers at Our Lady of Lourdes are donated by Wayne & Ann Stout