



THE MESSENGER

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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 – 8:30 AM
VIGIL – 5:00 PM
SUNDAY – 10:30 AM
IN SPANISH – 1:00 PM
HOLY DAY – 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – **None 7/4**
BEFORE VIGIL MASS – 4:15 PM

ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

ADORATION

WEDNESDAY – 10:00 AM - 6:15 PM
SATURDAY – **None 7/4**

BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAY – 6:15 PM

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

MUSIC OF THE MASS

PROCESSIONAL: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" #661

OFFERTORY: "Be Thou My Vision" #452

COMMUNION: *Instrumental*

Pastor's Column

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

"Do not be afraid, just have faith," are the words Jesus spoke to Jairus, a father pleading for the life of his young daughter who had been told she was already dead. "Do not be afraid," "just have faith" are words that we should use for each and every circumstance of our lives, especially when we get news that makes us aware of our mortality. God can grant miracles that restore us to health; walk with us in our valley of suffering or give us a time of final preparation for an eternity with him. But whatever happens to us, the message is the same, do not be afraid, have faith, and trust God. Sounds simple, but our independent,

stubborn and sometimes prideful nature constantly gets in the way and that is one of the reasons why God supernaturally breaks into our world and grants miracles. Recently, the Marian shrine in Lourdes officially declared a 69th miracle since the Holy Mother appeared to St. Bernadette Soubirous in 1858 at the grotto. More than 7,000 miracles have been proclaimed by pilgrims to Lourdes, but only 69 have successfully undergone the rigorous process required by the church before a miracle is declared.

The latest miracle occurred on May 4, 1989, but was not approved until 2013. According to the Catholic News Service, Mrs. Danila Castelli started

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suffering from dangerous spikes in her blood pressure at age 34 due to secretions from tumors. Multiple surgeries were performed without success. Castelli was about to embark on a trip to Mayo clinic with her husband, who is a doctor, when she instead decided to fulfill her longstanding desire to make a pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Castelli said she emerged from a bath at Lourdes with an extraordinary feeling of wellbeing, and her husband immediately knew she had been cured when he saw her. From that day she has never again experienced an episode of high blood pressure. Shortly after the pilgrimage, Castelli reported her cure to the Lourdes officials, which started the 23-year process of scrutiny.

Reported cures at Lourdes are examined by a Medical Bureau made up of about 40 people from around the world who come from different medical specialties and backgrounds. The Medical Bureau met five separate times between 1989 and 2010 to examine Castelli's cure, which also had to be approved by the bishop of her local diocese in Italy.

Every pilgrim to Lourdes has one thing in common, faith that God can grant miracles. If they didn't have that hope, they would never begin the journey. I hope every person who enters into the Lady of Lourdes and St. Michael parishes also has the faith that God grants miracles. Because each and every Mass is a miracle of transubstantiation and an outpouring of God's love and grace. Like Danila Castelli we should leave each Mass with an extraordinary feeling of wellbeing.

If that is not your experience of Mass, begin the pilgrimage of faith so that with God's help you will find the spiritual healing your soul needs. At every Mass, I pray that God will grant us peace, which is not based on our health or circumstance, but on God's mercy. Be not afraid, begin the pilgrimage of faith.

ad Jesum per Mariam,
Fr. Dean

A LITTLE STORY.....

This comes from a priest I know, Fr. Christopher Phillips, whom I have talked about before, from Our Lady of the Atonement, San Antonio, TX.

"A little story with a big message...

"Second grade child, worried about receiving Holy Communion: "Father, I didn't go to Mass last Sunday."

Me: "Did you miss Mass on purpose?"

Child: "My Mommy and Daddy didn't want to go."

Me: "Well, it wasn't your fault. You couldn't drive yourself to Mass."

Child (with incredulous look): "Father, I don't even have my own car!"

Moral of the story: Parents, either get yourselves and your family to Mass on Sunday, or else buy a car for your second grader."

REMINDER

There will be an 8:30 am Mass on July 4,
NO Adoration or Confessions.

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SECOND COLLECTION PETER'S PENCE

A great prayer to start teaching our children and grandchildren, attributed to St. Bernard of Clairvaux (the Memorare):

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you O Virgin of virgins, my Mother! To you I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but, in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

This prayer can be found in the St. Michael Hymnal #841

THE HANDS

by Romano Guardini

Every part of the body is an expressive instrument of the soul. The soul does not inhabit the body as a man inhabits a house. It lives and works in each member, each fiber, and reveals itself in the body's every line, contour and movement. But the soul's chief instruments and clearest mirrors are the face and hands. Of the face this is obviously true. But if you will watch other people (or yourself), you will notice how instantly every slightest feeling,--pleasure, surprise, suspense,--shows in the hand. A quick lifting of the hand or a flicker of the fingers say far more than words. By comparison with a language so natural and expressive the spoken word is clumsy. Next to the face, the part of the body fullest of mind is the hand. It is a hard strong tool for work, a ready weapon of attack and defense,--but also, with its delicate structure and network of innumerable nerves, it is adaptable, flexible, and highly sensitive. It is a skilful workmanlike contrivance for the soul to make herself known by. It is also an organ of receptivity for matter from outside ourselves. For when we clasp the extended hand of a stranger are we not receiving from a foreign source the confidence, pleasure, sympathy or sorrow that his hand conveys?

So it could not but be that in prayer, where the soul has so much to say to, so much to learn from, God, where she gives herself to him and receives him to herself, the hand should take on expressive forms.

When we enter into ourselves and the soul is alone with God, our hands closely interlock, finger clasped in finger, in a gesture of compression and control. It is as if we would prevent the inner current from escaping by conducting it from hand to hand and so back again to God who is within us, holding it there. It is as if we were collecting all our forces in order to keep guard over the hidden God, so that he who is mine and I who am his should be left alone together. Our hands take the same position when some dire need or pain weighs heavily on us and threatens to break out. Hand then locks in hand and the soul struggles with itself until it gets control and grows quiet again.

But when we stand in God's presence in heartfelt reverence and humility, the open hands are laid together palm against palm in sign of steadfast subjection and obedient homage, as if to say that the words we ourselves would speak are in good order, and that we are ready and attentive to hear the words of God. Or it may be a sign of inner surrender. These hands, our weapons of defense, are laid, as it were, tied and bound together between the hands of God.

In moments of jubilant thanksgiving when the soul is entirely open to God with every reserve done away with and every passage of its instrument unstopped, and it flows at the full outwards and upwards, then the hands are uplifted and spread apart with the palms up to let the river of the spirit stream out unhindered and to receive in turn the water for which it thirsts. So too when we long for God and cry out to him.

Finally when sacrifice is called for and we gather together all we are and all we have and offer ourselves to God with full consent, then we lay our arms over our breast and make with them the sign of the cross.

There is greatness and beauty in this language of the hands. The Church tells us that God has given us our hands in order that we may "carry our souls" in them. The Church is fully in earnest in the use she makes of the language of gesture. She speaks through it her inmost mind, and God gives ear to this mode of speaking. Our hands may also indicate the goods we lack,--our unchecked impulses, our distractions, and other faults. Let us hold them as the Church directs and see to it that there is a real correspondence between the interior and exterior attitude.

In matters such as this we are on delicate ground. We would prefer not to talk about things of this order. Something within us objects. Let us then avoid all empty and unreal talk and concentrate the more carefully on the actual doing. That is a form of speech by which the plain realities of the body say to God what its soul means and intends.

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
 *Annette Thomas

PETITIONS

*For the respect and protection of human life.

DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN

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

HOMEBOUND

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

*Glen Isom
 *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 - 7/4/2015

Lector: Kay Braddock
Extraordinary Ministers:
 Carol Hostettler & Jenny Gonyea
Ushers: Claude Burton & Volunteer

Altar Server: Volunteer

SUNDAY - 7/5/2015

Lector: Gloria Snow
Extraordinary Ministers:
 Colleen Felts & Robyn Masoner
Ushers: Don Owens & Volunteer
Altar Servers: Chris Hardy & Nathan Aviles
Collection Counters: Paul Nutting & Pam Curran

ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY - 7/5/2015

Lector: Mike Ellis
Extraordinary Ministers:
 Mike Ellis & John Restey
Usher/Greeter: Mary Jackson
Collection Counters: Mary Jackson & Joe Grady

GOSPEL: June 29 - July 4

MONDAY: *Matthew 16:13-19*

TUESDAY: *Matthew 8:23-27*

WEDNESDAY: *Matthew 8:28-34*

THURSDAY: *Matthew 9:1-8*

FRIDAY: *John 20:24-29*

St. Thomas

SATURDAY: *John 14:23-29*

OFFERING

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

6/21

Parish: \$4,246.91

United Ministries: \$540.93

ST. MICHAEL

6/21

Parish: \$985.00

United Ministries: \$158.00

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASS 8:00 AM

SUNDAY MASS 10:30 AM

TUESDAY MASS 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY MASS 6:15 PM

THURSDAY MASS 8:30 AM

FRIDAY MASS 8:30 AM

SATURDAY MASS 8:30 AM

In Thanksgiving of my church family by Margaret Calvin

For the repose of the souls of Andrew & Joan Catignani

by Tony & Cathy Cotter

For the repose of the soul of Staff Sgt. Marcus S. Bawol

by Mike & Cherry Ellis

For the intentions of Brenda & Terry Kelch by Jenny & Jerry Gonyea

For the intentions of the Paul Bryant Family

For the repose of the soul of Joyce Ashburn by Hugh & Kay Braddock

For the repose of the soul of Harol "Bud" Schneider by Jon & Jan Knuth

For the repose of the soul of Jonathan Christopher Knuth

by Jon & Jan Knuth

The flowers on the altar at Our Lady of Lourdes are donated by Tim & Taryon Carney

JULY 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<u>1</u> 10 am - 6 pm Adoration 6:15 pm Benediction 6:30 pm Mass 7:15-8 pm Spanish Prayer	<u>2</u> 8:30 am Mass 7-8:30 pm Spanish Bible Study	<u>3</u> 8:30 am Mass	<u>4</u> 8:30 am Mass NO Adoration & Confession 9-11 am Jr. Legion 11 am Legion of Mary 1-4 pm Spanish Choir Practice 7-9 pm Charismatic Group 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
<u>5</u> 7-8am Spanish Prayer 8 am Mass @ Saint Michael 10:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Spanish Mass 2:30 - 4 pm Spanish Choir Practice 3:00 - 5:00 pm Spanish Rosary	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u> 8:30 am Mass	<u>8</u> 10 am - 6 pm Adoration 6:15 pm Benediction 6:30 pm Mass 7:15-8 pm Spanish Prayer	<u>9</u> 8:30 am Mass 7-8:30 pm Spanish Bible Study	<u>10</u> 8:30 am Mass	<u>11</u> 8:30 am Mass 9-Noon Adoration & Confession 9-11 am Jr. Legion 11 am Legion of Mary 1-4 pm Spanish Choir Practice 7-9 pm Charismatic Group 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
<u>12</u> 7-8am Spanish Prayer 8 am Mass @ Saint Michael & Breakfast Sunday @ St. Michael 10:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Spanish Mass 2:30 - 4 pm Spanish Choir Practice	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> 8:30 am Mass	<u>15</u> 10 am - 6 pm Adoration 6:15 pm Benediction 6:30 pm Mass 7:15 pm Hispanic Ministry Meeting 7:15-8 pm Spanish Prayer	<u>16</u> 8:30 am Mass 7-8:30 pm Spanish Bible Study 7:00 pm - CCD Teachers Meeting	<u>17</u> 8:30 am Mass	<u>18</u> 8:30 am Mass 9-Noon Adoration & Confession 9-11 am Jr. Legion 11 am Legion of Mary 1-4 pm Spanish Choir Practice 7-9 pm Charismatic Group 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
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<u>26</u> 7-8am Spanish Prayer 8 am Mass @ Saint Michael 10:30 am Mass 11:30 am Women's Ministry Meeting 1:00 pm Spanish Mass 2:30 - 4 pm Spanish Choir Practice	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u> 8:30 am Mass	<u>29</u> 10 am - 6 pm Adoration 6:15 pm Benediction 6:30 pm Mass 7:15-8 pm Spanish Prayer	<u>30</u> 8:30 am Mass 7-8:30 pm Spanish Bible Study	<u>31</u> 8:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Over 50 Group	<u>August 1</u> 8:30 am Mass 9-Noon Adoration & Confession 9-11 am Jr. Legion 11 am Legion of Mary 1-4 pm Spanish Choir Practice 7-9 pm Charismatic Group 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
<u>August 2</u> 7-8am Spanish Prayer 8 am Mass @ Saint Michael 10:30 am Mass 1:00pm Spanish Mass 2:30 - 4 pm Spanish Choir	All events are at Our Lady of Lourdes unless noted @ Saint Michael					