



# THE MESSENGER

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 17, 2016

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

### 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

### CONFESSIONS

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

### ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

### ADORATION

WEDNESDAY - 3 - 6:15 PM  
SATURDAY – 9 AM - NOON

## ST. MICHAEL

### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8:00 AM

### CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

## MUSIC OF THE MASS

**PROCESSIONAL:** "Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" #423

**OFFERTORY:** "Now the Green Blade Riseth" #642

## Pastor's Column

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

"I've had a tough few days. How 'bout you? Conversations with friends and priests suggest that the Devil is working really hard right now to demoralize the Team." That is how priest blogger Father Zuhlsdorf started his column the other day. It is a feeling we all can identify with. Part of it is that there is more confusion and less clarity coming from some important people in Rome. So Father read a very ancient prayer from the extraordinary form of the Mass that offers us some solace when we as well have a tendency to get demoralized.

*Deus, qui Filii tui humilitate*

*fidelibus tuis sanctam  
concede laetitiam; ut, quos  
perpetuae mortis eripuisti  
casibus, gaudiis facias perfrui  
sempiternis.*

Which means:

*O God, who raised up a  
fallen world by the abasement  
of Your Son, grant holy joy to  
Your faithful; so that You may  
cause those whom You  
snatched from the misfortunes  
of perpetual death, to enjoy  
delights unending.*

His Latin dictionary says  
"erexisti, means "to raise up,  
set up, erect" and,  
analogously, "to arouse,  
excite" and "cheer up,

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encourage.” The verb...has many meanings, such as “to lie” as in “lie sick or dead, fallen” and also “to be cast down, fixed on the ground” and “to be overcome, despised, idle, neglected, unemployed.” *Humilitas* is “lowness” and also can have a “more theological meaning in the “abasement” of the God Incarnate who took the form of a “slave” (cf. Philippians 2:7).” The prayer looks at us and our material and created world as if in a sense it is a body with life, but is wounded, weakened by sin, lying near death in the dust from whence it came. As in perhaps feeling demoralized, beaten down, confused and frustrated.

“Because of the Fall [and original sin], the whole cosmos was put under the bondage of the Enemy, the “prince of this world” (cf. John 10:31 and 14:30). This is why when we bless certain things, and baptize people, there was an exorcism first, to rip the object or person from the grip of the world’s “prince” and give it to the King. God is liberator. He rouses us up from being prone upon the ground. He grasps us, pulling us upward out of sin and death. He directs us again toward the joys possible in this world, first, and then definitively in the next. We must get back to our feet: rise again.

Our Savior rose for this reason.

In many of our ancient Roman prayers we find a pattern of descent and ascent, of exit and return, exitus and redivus, proodos and epistrophe.

Before the Resurrection there is the Passion.

Before exaltation there is humiliation.

The descent, exit, Passion and humiliation bring an even more exalted joy which will embrace the entirety of man in both soul and body, the interior and the outward human person. Are you frustrated and anxious? Let us now get up off the ground.

Consider the beauty of a soul in the state of grace. The baptized Christian is a Temple of the Holy Spirit, resplendent with Gifts and Fruits. When deepened in the Sacrament of Confirmation we are made strong to stand up, first on our knees and then on our feet, though the world, the flesh and the Devil beat us down. Nourished with the Eucharist and polished with the performance of works of mercy, we are soldiers arrayed in the armor of God’s light. We can ask the Father many things in the Lord’s name and we can ask them with confidence.

“Let not your heart be troubled. ... Amen, amen, I say to you, he that believeth in me, the works that I do, he also shall do: and greater than these shall he do. Because I go to the Father: and whatsoever you shall ask the Father in my name, that will I do: that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you shall ask me anything in my name, that I will do. ... Peace I leave with you: my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, do I give unto you. Let not your heart be troubled: nor let it be afraid.”

ad Jesum per Mariam, (to Jesus through Mary)

Fr. Dean

## BABY BOTTLES

It's not too late to turn in your baby bottle for the Open Door Pregnancy Center.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be recovering the chairs in St. Luke's Hall on April 30 at 9 am. If you would like to help please see Claude Burton or John Schwarz.



## FIRST COMMUNION

For those who attend Mrs. Grace's class First Communion will be Saturday, May 7 at 10:00 am. The second class will be the older group of students and adults, this First Communion will be Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 am.



## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 pm. This will take place at the new Catholic Pastoral Center, 2800 McGavock Pike, Nashville, TN 37214.

## GRADUATES

If you are graduating this year please let the office know. Thank you!



Nashville DCCW  
LINE DANCE  
FUN RAISING PARTY

Friday, April 22  
7 - 10 pm  
St. Pius X  
Marc Car Auditorium  
2750 Tucker Avenue  
Nashville, TN 37218

Tickets  
\$20.00 In Advance  
\$25.00 At the door (Limited)

Ticket Contact - tcopeland66@outlook.com  
615-438-4437 or may be purchased at St.  
Mary's Bookstore

Refreshments  
Door Prizes  
Food Vendors

(Our Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring  
a booth)

Come have fun with your favorite line dances!

**BREAKFAST SUNDAY  
AT ST. MICHAEL**

Breakfast Sunday at St. Michael will be  
May 15 instead of May 8

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Thank you to everyone who took time out  
of their busy schedules to assist with the  
clean up day at St. Michael.



**St. Vincent de Paul Society,**  
**OLL-SM Conference**

We are still in search of fellow parishioners interested in serving those in need in our parish and community. Our goal is to expand our services and supplement others' efforts in assisting the elderly, homebound, and sick in our parish through the provision of meals and/or transportation to medical appointments. Our next meeting will be May 5<sup>th</sup> at a local restaurant (location and time to follow). Please join us for dinner and fellowship! We need YOU!!

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

As of April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, we have received \$7,138.00 in donations/offerings. Monetary assistance in the amount of \$3,076.00 has been provided to 11 individuals/ families in the form of utility payments, rent and rent deposits, groceries, and beds. Thank you to all donors for making this possible! Please call us if you need assistance or have a family member or friend who needs assistance due to a temporary crisis. We



**JUNE 18-24**  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**



## PRAYER LIST

### HEALING

\*Sandra Armour  
\*June Bell  
\*Dorothy Bradley  
\*Robert Bradley  
\*Richard Bogart  
\*Cheryl Bush  
\*Jerry Bush  
\*Helen Byrne  
\*Don Cole  
\*Eva Davanport  
\*Bea Heatherly  
\*Thelma Lee  
\*Ann Marie Legate  
\*Rosa Priest  
\*Nora Rabie  
\*Mary Senecal  
\*Robert Senecal  
\*Gloria Snow  
\*Mary Stout

### PETITIONS

\*For the respect and protection of human life.

### DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN

\* Please pray for the repose of the soul of Luz Maria Garcia

### HOMEBOUND

#### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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

#### ST. MICHAEL

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

## ASSIGNMENTS

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Vigil -4/23/2016

Lector: Colleen Felts

Extraordinary Ministers:

Connie Mitchell & Carol Hostettler

Ushers: John Schwarz & Volunteer

SUNDAY - 4/24/2016

Lector: Jill Rucker

Extraordinary Ministers:

Dick Joyce & Nathan Smith

Ushers: Gene Masoner & Volunteer

Altar Servers:

Holly & Brianna Wiemelt

Collection Counters: Paula Moran & Buddy Curran

### ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY - 4/24/2016

Lector: Linda Harbert

Extraordinary Ministers:

Anna & Jim Conaghan

Usher/Greeter:

Kaye Sharp

Collection Counters:

Kaye Sharp & Denise Haley

**GOSPEL:** April 18 - 23

**MONDAY:** John 10:1-10

**TUESDAY:** John 10:22-30

**WEDNESDAY:** John 12:44-50

**THURSDAY:** John 13:16-20

**FRIDAY:** John 14:1-6

**SATURDAY:** John 14:7-14

## OFFERING

April 10

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Parish: \$3,790.86

**ST. MICHAEL**

Parish: \$2,102.00

## 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 6:30 PM

THURSDAY MASS 8:30 AM

FRIDAY MASS 8:30 AM

SATURDAY MASS 8:30 AM

For the repose of the soul of John (Jack) Sullivan by Lisa Sullivan

For the repose of the souls of Andrew & Joan Catignani by Tony & Cathy Cotter

For the intentions of Matthew Guinn by his family

For the repose of the soul of Peter Andreas by Joan Byrne

For the intentions of Raquel Van De Velde by Margaret Calvin

For the repose of the soul of Michael Weston

For the repose of the soul of Hawkins Traugher

For the intentions of Loretta Thompson

The Altar flowers at Our Lady of Lourdes are in memory of Armand and Lorraine St. Pierre by their family