



“For if this endeavor or this activity is of human origin, it will destroy itself. But if it comes from God, you will not be able to destroy it; you may even find yourselves fighting against God.”

Acts 5:38b-39b

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 4pm

Sunday - 8 am & 10:30 am

Copper Basin K-8 School
28682 N. Main Street
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday & Saturday - 8:30am
at the Parish Office/Rectorry

Confessions before Mass or upon request

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Parish Office Hours

9:00 am — 4:00 pm
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
& Friday

Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

Cristus Rex

November 24, 2013

Rev. Fr. Dale A. Branson

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Jesus, Remember Me

The man who hung on the cross next to Jesus asks him to “remember me when you come into your kingdom.” Of all the people who took part in the crucifixion of Jesus, only this man sincerely acknowledges Jesus as King. Only he receives the promise of joining Jesus in paradise that very day. I wonder if he knew what Jesus’ kingdom meant?

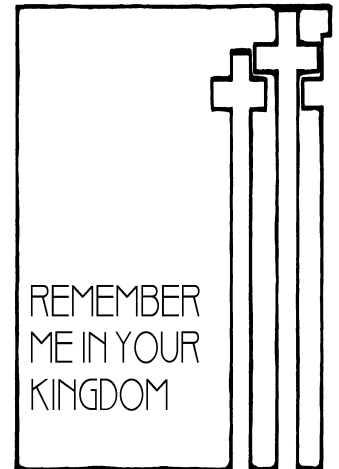
The second reading gives us a better idea of the extent of that kingdom. Paul uses images of things visible and invisible, of dominions, principalities, and powers. While the latter terms refer to types of angels, we can stretch our imagination even further. Notice one short phrase that appears six times in that reading: “all things.” So do we really believe that Jesus is King of all things?

Some astronomers say that the universe is infinite. At first I thought, “That couldn’t be right; only God is infinite.” But it occurred to me that an infinite God would want the universe to be a sign of divine glory, so why couldn’t God make an infinite universe? So Jesus is King of that universe. While that sounds impressive, it might tempt us to forget about things closer to home.

If Christ is King of all things, that includes our possessions. We might keep that in mind, not only when deciding how much we give to the poor or to the Church, but also how we use the things we own. The things we watch on TV, the foods we eat, the books we read—all are under Jesus’ kingship. Our own bodies belong not just to us, but also to Christ. I might even drive more carefully if I remember that my car belongs to the Lord.

Even our life is under his reign. That can remind us to trust Jesus more, as well as to ask for the guidance of his Spirit in our decisions. If we let the Lord guide our lives, we know that anything that happens to us is either God’s will or something that Jesus can lead us through, on our way to paradise.

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Welcome

Are you new to St. Michael the Archangel Church?

We welcome you and we ask that you please take a few moments to register. Registration forms are located at the Greeters Table or can now be found online. Visit our website and click on the link, **Parish Registration Form**, found at the bottom of the home page and follow the instructions. Do you have a new address, phone number or email? You can also update your information by using the online form.

Sacramental Policies

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

At the 8:30am Mass on the first Friday of each month.

BAPTISM

Parents will need to provide a copy of the child's birth certificate and participate in a class. Baptismal Classes are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 11 am in the Church office. Parents must call the church office to register for the class. Godparents must be practicing Catholics who are confirmed and married in the Church, if married.

CONFESSION

Confessions are offered one-half hour before all Masses, or anytime upon request.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be given students in 8th grade or above. They must have completed the 8th grade religious education class and optimally the 7th as well. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics who are already confirmed and married in the Church, if married. Parents should not be sponsors for their own children. For information on Confirmation preparation for adults please contact the pastor.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion will be offered to children in Grade 2. Children must attend CCD regularly throughout Grade 2 in order to receive the Sacrament in May of that year. Students will also be prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Grade 2.

MARRIAGE

Both parties are expected to participate in the preparation program. Parties must notify the pastor at least one year prior to their proposed marriage date. Please meet with the pastor for a fuller explanation and to make arrangements.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67, Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9;

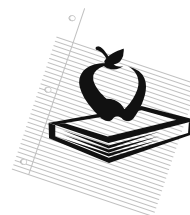
Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

CCD Schedule

November 24th

December 8th

Classes start at 9:15 am



Prayer Requests

Do you know someone who needs prayers to comfort and strengthen them? If so place them on St. Michael's Prayer List. Visit the Greeters Table or contact Virginia. All requests are private.

Virginia Bombolino

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Mass Intentions

November 24	8:00 am	Pro Populo
	10:30 am	For Priests
December 1	10:30 am	Pro Populo
December 3	8:00 am	George & Mary Davidson
		Pro Populo - Latin: "for the people" Deceased †

Contact the Parish Office to place a Mass Intention

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL MINISTRIES & COMMITTEES

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Diana Albert, Sue Baitinger,
Virginia Bombolino, Lisa Green,
Bert Pampanin, Sandra Ramirez,
Craig Rudko, Jenny Rudko,
Darrell Stonerook, Mary Teese and
Polly Von Esse

*Pastoral Council meetings are held on
the 2nd Tuesday of each month & all
are welcome to attend.*

St. Michael the Archangel Financial Report

Parish Debt Obligations

\$242,236.82	Debt on the House
\$524,087.46	Debt on the Land
\$500,000.00	Pre-Construction Loan
\$1,266,324.28	Total Current Debt

Contributions Nov. 10, 2013

Offertory	\$3,111.31
Building Fund	\$292.00
Stipend	\$10.00
PolarFest	\$65.00
Total	\$3,478.31

Church Building Fund

\$90,088.53

Contributions Nov. 17, 2013

Offertory	\$3,021.71
Building Fund	\$311.00
Kneeler	\$15.00
PolarFest	\$52.00
Total	\$3,399.71

Online Giving... If you would like to give online please visit our website, www.StMichaels77.org, and select the **Online Giving** tab.

The 2nd Annual Christmas Tree Ornament Fundraiser

These personalized Christmas ornaments sell for \$15. Money raised will go to the Building Fund. Stop by the Red Hat table to place your order.



New & Current Volunteers

The next Compliance Class will be held on December 15th at 9:15 in Copper Basin Cafeteria. Please contact your ministry leader if you plan to attend.

BAPTISMAL CLASS



The next Baptismal Class will be held at 11am on December 7th in the Church Office. Please call the church office to register for the class.

PolarFest Volunteers & Donations Needed

Visit the PolarFest table & sign up to volunteer at PolarFest on Dec. 14th. You may sign up to donate items for our PolarFest fundraiser.

Contact Corrie Johnson at (480)686-0018 if you have questions or to schedule a pick-up or drop off time for donations.



Church Office Closed

- November 28th & 29th
- December 9th, 23rd, 24th, 25th & 26th
- December 31st, January 1st & 2nd

MASS ATTENDANCE: 506 People attended Mass the weekend of November 16th & 17th

Penance Service Schedule

<i>St. James the Apostle</i>	Coolidge	Dec 4th	7pm
<i>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Florence	Dec 11th	7pm
<i>St. Helen of the Cross</i>	Eloy	Dec 13th	7pm
<i>Our Lady of Grace</i>	Maricopa	Dec 16th	7pm
<i>St. Michael the Archangel</i>	San Tan Valley	Dec 17th	7pm
<i>Saint Anthony of Padua</i>	Casa Grande	Dec 18th	7pm
<i>St. George</i>	Apache Junction	Dec 19th	7pm

Winter Visitors - please take a moment and fill out a new registration form and be counted as a registered parishioner of St. Michaels. Please know you will still be a registered parishioner at your home parish too.

New Address? New Email? - or maybe a new member has joined your family?? If so, please take a moment to fill out a Registration Form and help us keep your contact information current.

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