



Saint Michael Catholic Community



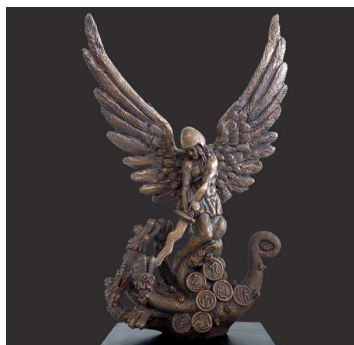
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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Michael the Archangel

*A bronze statue by Timothy Schmalz
for Saint Michael Catholic Community
To be inaugurated on September 29, 2024*

Inspired by Revelation 12:3, this work of art portrays St. Michael in triumphant battle dominating the seven-headed dragon. This masterpiece is a visual translation of the biblical reference that incorporates the seven deadly sins into the body of the demon, capturing other scriptural details. Even such details as the crowns on the heads of the beast are portrayed as biblical cities of sin such as Sodom and Gomorrah. The sculpture measures 51 inches high, 33 inches wide and 14 inches deep. Cast in bronze metal.



The statue (including shipping and tax) costs \$24,600.00. Our families are all invited to make their voluntary contributions for this monumental statue of our Patron Saint as a community effort. All donations will be covered with tax receipts. fredmund@saintmichael.ca

Healing Lines

Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the children who never returned home and Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.

The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations. On September 30, we are encouraged to wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.

As Jesus said, "There is no one who performs a mighty deed in My name who can at the same time speak ill of Me. For whoever is not against us, is for us". When we stand in truth, reconciliation, and love, we are walking in the footsteps of Jesus.

Mass Schedule for this Weekend

Saturday, September 28 at 5:00 pm: Fr. Kelvin Chukwurah
Sunday, September 29 at 8:30 am Morning Prayer: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, September 29 at 9:00 am: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, September 29 at 11:00 am: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, September 29 at 5:00 pm: Fr. Kelvin Chukwurah

Glad to have you here!

We welcome new parishioners and visitors. We'd love to see you again! Please register at the Parish Office, or online at saintmichael.ca

Connect with us

Follow us on social media at [@saintmichael.ca](https://www.instagram.com/saintmichael.ca)

Also, join Flocknote by texting **SMCYC** to **514-900-0130** or by visiting flocknote.com/smcyc



Church Schedule

Subject to change

Weekday & Weekend Masses:

Tuesday: 6:00 pm
Wednesday to Friday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am live-stream
at saintmichael.ca/Mass or on Facebook Live

Reconciliation:

Friday: 8:00 am to 8:45 am
Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday: 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday: 9:30 am to 12:00 pm noon

Home & Hospital Visits

If **you** or a **family member** is sick and cannot make it to Mass, and needs Anointing of the Sick and/or Holy Communion, we can arrange to have one of our priests visit them. Please call the Parish Office at **403-249-0423** to schedule a visit.

**Diocese of Calgary 24-Hour Emergency
Priest Paging Hotline: 403-231-9505.**

Events and Announcements

Daily Mass Cancelled | October 8 - 10, 2024

Daily Mass will be cancelled for October 8 - 10, 2024 due to Priest Study Days.

The Living Rosary (candle light, no Mass) | Tuesday, October 8 | 6:00pm

The Rosary Group and the CWL group would like to invite you to join us to pray the Living Rosary. In a Living Rosary, each person stands in place of a bead of the rosary and leads the prayer when it is their turn. Each person will be holding a torch candle and will light the candle when it is his or her turn. We will be in a circular shape like a rosary. Please feel free to pray in your own language when it is your turn. We look forward to you joining us and to pray the rosary together as a parish.

October – The Month of the Rosary

The Catholic Church dedicates October as the Month of the Rosary when Catholics honour Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our mother. We invite family and friends to pray the rosary during this special month for devotion to Blessed Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary. At St. Michael Parish, please join us to pray the rosary:

Weekdays: Before Daily Mass at 8:20am, and Tuesdays: After Evening Mass at 6:30 pm.

Missa Pro Populo (Latin for “Mass for the People”)

Our Sunday 11:00am Mass intention is usually celebrated for “the People of God at St. Michael’s”. Canon Law, no 534.1 requires the pastor to celebrate a Mass for all the people entrusted to his care on Sundays and holy days of obligation. This is partly why the pastor celebrates this particular Sunday Mass. He is also able to fulfill his obligation by applying the Mass intention on another day or delegating it to another priest.

Parish Renewal

Over the last few weeks and at the Parish Renewal Gathering, we will explore the three Pastoral Priorities (Pillars) that will support and focus our efforts on our renewal journey. These three pillars are: #1: Being missionary disciples in Christ, #2: Being a Church of encounter and witness, and #3: Strengthening family life. Members of the team will be available in the Narthex after all Masses. Please stop by, grab a postcard, and share your reflections on each of the pillars. You can drop your postcard in the box at our table or bring it to the gathering on September 29.

Children’s Liturgy | Sundays | Beginning September 15, 2024 | Guardian Angel Room | Session A: 8:30am and Session B: 10:30am

Children’s Liturgy of the Word/Mass Preparation for young children entering Kindergarten to Grade 3 commenced on Sunday, September 15, 2024. We require all families to register at the start of each program year to ensure we have an up-to-date database of attendees. Please note that registration from last year does not carry over to this session. * Continuing with the Mass Preparation Program introduced last year (2023-2024), doors will open at 8:15am for Session “A” and at 10:15am for Session “B”. Registration and sign-in will take place at the front desk of the Guardian Angel’s Room (north entrance). Session times are as follows: Session “A” at 8:30am and Session “B” at 10:30am Sunday Mornings. * Program Registration / Waiver Forms for the 2024- 2025 goes LIVE, ONLINE on our parish website under the “Children’s Ministry” webpage on Sunday, September 7, 2024 at 5:00pm. Please email Mrs. Dixon at cdixon@saintmichael.ca if you have any questions or concerns. Forms will be due as soon as possible! Children’s Liturgy is FREE. Thank you, everyone! We look forward to another great school year!

Children’s Liturgy | Cancelled for Sunday, October 13, 2024

ATTENTION: All Current and New Kids’ Kingdom Volunteers

We are also on a quest to find some volunteer teachers! If you love children and are willing to share your time to spread God’s love to our little ones, we would love to hear from you. No experience is necessary, and there is no planning involved! With super simple lesson plans, you’ll enjoy an hour of seeing smiling faces and having a lot of fun! We need approximately 15 Adult/ Parent Volunteers for the entire year. Please consider assisting the little ones during Mass by contacting Mrs. Caroline Dixon via email at cdixon@saintmichael.ca or call 403-249-0423, ext. 105.

Architectural Poster Boards | Mezzanine | September 14/15, September 21/22, and September 28/29

Over the next few weeks, in honor of St. Michael’s Feast Day, we will display the Architectural Poster Boards of the building of St. Michael’s Church so you can see how intentional the design was from its very beginning creation, aligning to the tradition and sacrament of our Catholic faith. Please take the time to view the posters after all weekend Masses in the Mezzanine.

Moms and Tots | Thursdays | October 3, 2024 - June 26, 2025 | 9:30-11:30am

Moms and Tots will be held every Thursday morning in the St. Nicholas Room following the morning Mass from 9:30-11:30am. Please join us with your children for social and play. No registration required. Please enter through the North doors.

Auditions for Sunday 5pm Music Group

Auditions are being taken for the following positions with The Inspiration Band (“inspiration” + “in the spirit”) for the Sunday 5pm Mass: Guitar, Bass, Drums, Vocals. You must be 18 years of age or older. Experience in a band setting and music knowledge an asset. If you are interested, please contact Demetrio (band leader) at demetrio@shaw.ca or call/text 403-605-4592.

Feast of St. Michael and Parish Renewal Gathering | Sunday, September 29, 2024 | Mass 11:00am, Reception 12:00-1:00pm, Gathering 1:00-3:00pm

Please plan to attend our Parish Renewal Gathering on September 29, the Feast of St. Michael. Lunch will be served after the 11:00 am Mass, and our gathering will begin afterwards, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Plan to enjoy music, scripture, a discussion of the 3 Pastoral Priorities (Pillars) for St. Michael’s and a get a peek at the Diocesan Renewal Process for the upcoming year. Child care will be provided in the St. Nicholas Room. To register, go to <https://forms.gle/FoeiJ8rErviHvsc6>

St. Michael Statue Fundraiser

Now available....smaller replicas of the new St. Michael's statue at \$165 each are now available at the Gift Shop. All proceeds help cover the costs of the artwork by Timothy Schmalz.

Bible Study “Daring to Walk the Talk: Putting Your Faith Into Practice” | Mondays: Sept. 30 - Dec. 2, 2024 | St. Nicholas Room | 7:00 - 9:00pm

“Daring to Walk the Talk” is an inspiring study designed to help participants live their faith more fully. It introduces seven key virtues and outlines practical steps for living them out in daily life. Participants will be drawn into an intimate and life-changing encounter with Christ. It will begin on Monday, September 30 with 8 in-person sessions (no zoom) in St. Nicholas’ meeting rooms and will occur every Monday at 7:00 pm. There will be no class on Monday, October 14 and Monday, November 11, 2024. To register or to get additional information, please contact Augusto Bitter at abitter@telus.net.

Blessing of Pets | Saturday, October 5, 2024 | Outside the Main Entrance | 12:00pm

All are invited to bring your pet(s) for a blessing on Saturday, October 5 at 12:00 pm outside the Church’s main entrance in honor of St. Francis’ Feast Day which is on October 4. To ensure their safety, please make sure your pets are leashed.

Events and Announcements

Pastoral Council Update

Greetings to all our parishioners! We hope your summer was restful and rejuvenating. Our first meeting of autumn was held on Tuesday, September 24 and we have a few highlights to share.

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A committee will be formed to explore the creation of an Adoration Ministry at SMCC.
- The Parish Renewal Team is excited to host the Parish Renewal Gathering on Sunday, September 29. This is a key step in developing a Pastoral Renewal Plan for our parish.
- Potluck Sundays are returning on November 3! Watch the bulletin for further details.

Thank you for your interest in our work. If you would like to attend one of our meetings as an observer, or if you have any questions or concerns, please reach us at 403-249-0423. To read the minutes from our meeting in May, please go to: <https://saintmichael.ca/pastoral-council-meeting-minutes-may-28-2024/>

Social Committee

Social committee is returning! The Social committee provides and fosters a sense of community through social gatherings in our parish. POTLUCK SUNDAY RETURNS on November 3, 2024. Volunteer opportunities are needed and available, for all ages and on a flexible schedule. Please contact Tammy Ringstad 403-978-9285 or email tammyringstad@gmail.com

Lectio Devina 2025 and Bake Sale | October 12 and 13, 2024 | Narthex | After All Masses

Lectio Devina 2025 books, provided by Seeds of the Word Community, will be available for sale after all Masses on the weekend of October 12 and 13, 2024, along with baked bread and cookies made by the Brothers and Sisters. The Lectio Devina is a great opportunity for a daily experience with the word of God.

SSVP Share Sunday | October 12 and 13, 2024 | Narthex | After All Weekend Masses

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will distribute food lists and donation envelopes on October 5 and 6, 2024 after Masses. Please bring food and donations to the Church on October 12 and 13, 2024. Thank you!

Christmas Hamper Delivery Day | Monday, December 16, 2024

Our 2024 Christmas Hamper Assembly Day is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2024. Please watch the website or bulletin for updates and come visit us at the SSVP booth at the upcoming ministry fair before and after all weekend Masses on the weekend of September 21 and 22, 2024.

Sacraments

Registration for all children's Sacraments are now open! If you would like more information, or would like to register your children for Baptism, First Reconciliation/ First Communion, Confirmation, or Sacraments for Teens, please visit the Sacrament section of our website.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

If you or someone you know is an adult interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Don at bryantdon40@gmail.com to learn more about RCIA.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

If you have lost your job, or you know of someone who needs assistance, please contact us by email SSVP@saintmichael.ca or phone 403-249-0423, ext. 122. DONATIONS of non-perishables and monetary can be dropped off in the SSVP Food Chest in the Church' Gathering Area or you can arrange for a pick-up by emailing us at SSVP@saintmichael.ca. MONETARY DONATIONS can also be done online through the Parish website: <https://saintmichael.ca/giving/>. Please indicate funds are for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the drop-down menu. WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS. If you are interested, contact us by email SSVP@saintmichael.ca or phone 403-249-0423, ext. 122. You may visit us at <https://www.ssvpstmichael.ca/>



Pantry Needs :
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Diocese of Calgary Beyond Bulletin (Short Version): [Current Bulletin Insert.pdf - Google Drive](#)

Diocese of Calgary Beyond Bulletin (Full Version): [Beyond Bulletin - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

Weekly Events:

Sundays **Coffee Connection:** After 9am and 11am Mass | **Children's Liturgy:** Guardian Angel Room, Session A: 8:30am and Session B: 10:30am
Mondays **Bible Study:** "Walking Toward Eternity #1", St. Nicholas Room, 7:00-9:00pm
Tuesdays **Rosary Group:** Day Chapel, 6:30pm | **Grief Share Program:** Rooms 143 and 144, 7:00-9:00pm | **RCIA:** St. Nicholas Room, 7:00-9:00pm
Wednesdays **Coffee Connection:** After Daily Mass | **Men's Ministry:** "Apostles of the New Springtime", Theatre and Narthex, 6:00-7:30am | **Women's Ministry Bible Study:** "Bread of Life", St. Nicholas Room and Theatre, 9:30am-12:00pm
Thursdays **Knitting Ministry:** Library, 10:00am-12:00pm | **Moms and Tots,** St. Nicholas Room, 9:30-11:30am

October 2024:

October 5 | Blessing of Pets | Outside of Main Entrance | 12:00pm
October 8 | CWL Monthly Meeting | St. Michael's Room | 5:30-9:00pm
October 12 & 13 | Seeds of the Word Community Fundraising | Narthex | After all Masses
October 13 | Children's Liturgy Cancelled
October 14 | Thanksgiving Day-Office Closed
October 14 | Bible Study: Cancelled
October 16 | Youth Night with Face-To-Face Ministries | Sanctuary | Early Evening (time to be Determined)
October 16 | Adult Catechesis #1 | Day Chapel | 7:00-8:30pm
October 17 | First Reconciliation Session 2 | Sanctuary and Narthex | 6:00-7:15pm
October 17 | Knights of Columbus Meeting | Theater | 7:00-9:00pm
October 21 | Sacrament for Teens Session 3 | Library | 7:00-8:30pm
October 22 | PPC Meeting | St. Michael's Room | 7:00-9:00pm
October 22 | SSVP Monthly Meeting | St. Gabriel Room 145 | 7:00-9:00pm
October 23 | Adult Catechesis #2 | Day Chapel | 7:00-8:30pm
October 25 | Steve Bell Concert | Sanctuary | 7:30-9:30pm
October 27 | Altar Server Training | Sanctuary | 12:00-2:00pm
October 30 | Adult Catechesis #3 | Day Chapel | 7:00-8:30pm

Eternal Springs Columbarium

The Columbarium at St. Michael's offers a consecrated and sacred space where the cremated remains of departed loved ones rest in perpetuity. For pricing or more information, please email columbarium@saintmichael.ca.

Pray For Our Seminarians:

Peter An, Andre Boudreau, Joshua Capicio, Bennet Chacko, Jonathan Dobek, Samuel Ejeregbe, Evin George, Solomon Ip, Jeffrell Painaga, Antonio Pasqualotto, Mikhel Sari, Benjamin Taylor, Joshua Walter

Please Pray For:

If you would like to request a prayer for a loved one, please email the office with your request, noting consent.

Helen Gal	Leo Pelletier	Maria Duri
Karen O'Brien	Bill and Darlene Taylor	Pietro Duri Jr.
Rosemary Pangilinan	Elizabeth Myers	Peitro Duri Sr.
Rina VandeGeer	Maddy Azalea	Rosa Duri
Lenore Youngberg	Allison George	Talia Duri
Susan Neri	Julian Dumanski	Alessandro Bonvicini

For the Souls of:

Funeral:

Sexual Abuse in the Church

Many suffer in silence. Perhaps you are affected by the news of sexual abuse of minors in the Church; perhaps you are a sexual abuse survivor or a relative of a friend of someone who was abused; perhaps you know about an abuse; perhaps you have sexually abused someone. Break the cycle of silence: you can choose to talk about it. Call the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary's hotline at **1 833-547-8360**.

E-Transfer:

You can now donate using e-transfer service. Sign in to your own banking institution and e-transfer the amount to: support@saintmichael.ca.

Text to Donate:

Don't carry cash? You can now use text messaging to donate any amount to St. Michael's. To set up your account, text *give* to **833-768-0514** and follow the prompt. Once you're in, text any amount to the same number - anytime.

Gifts to the Parish

	May	June	July
General Collections			
Collections	\$106,018	\$126,858	\$114,707
Other Income	\$11,765	\$9,790	\$10,715
Operating Costs	\$153,823	\$114,753	\$165,123
Surplus (shortfall) YTD Optg Costs	(\$36,040)	\$21,896	(\$39,701)
Central Fund Loan (Mortgage)			
Building Fund Collections	\$11,765	\$9,790	\$10,751
Current Loan Balance	\$3,537,676	\$3,514,192	\$3,491,012
Diocesan Annual Campaign			
Together in Action YTD	\$29,689	\$31,103	\$33,241
% TIA Goal \$121,243.00	24%	26%	27%
Society St. Vincent de Paul (monthly)	\$1,915	\$1,048	\$3,711

Mass Intentions

If you would like to book a Mass Intention, please visit the office.

Mass Intentions are not final and can be moved to accommodate urgent pastoral needs.

Saturday, September 28:

5 pm: Renato & Gemma Martini †

Sunday, September 29: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 am: Hortensia Vega Jimenez †

11 am: For the People of God at St. Michael's

5 pm: Germaine "Gerry" Rappel †

Tuesday, October 1:

6 pm: Intentions of Kelvin Holitski

Wednesday, October 2:

9 am: Intentions of Erin Bradford

Thursday, October 3:

9 am: Stella Bergen †

Friday, October 4:

9 am: Felino Gamit †

Saturday, October 5:

5 pm: Intentions of Sevilla Family

Sunday, October 6: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 am: Lilliana Parra Vega †

11 am: For the People of God at St. Michael's

5 pm: Francisco Arreaza † and Giovanni Marasco †

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