

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

THE PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST. PETER  
4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



## Getting Our "Fill" of God

Dear Faithful of St. Michael,

May our Lord Jesus Christ be praised through all of our actions and may His peace dwell within our hearts!

Today's Gospel passage comes from a very important chapter in St. John's Gospel. Every Catholic should make it a point to be familiar with the sixth chapter of John. The chapter begins with the excerpt from today, the multiplication of the loaves and fish. After Christ miraculously feeds the crowd of 5000 in the desert, the people attempt to make Him their king and so He fled the crowd and went into the mountains alone. The crowds then made their way across the Sea of Galilee in boats where many saw Christ walking on the water as they traveled by night. The next morning, when they see Jesus on the other shore a crowd forms around Him. Our Lord addresses them with the words, "Amen, amen I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate

your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food which perishes but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on Him, God the Father has set His seal." (John 6:26-27)

So often we can be like the Jews in Christ's day, we follow God and we love Him when we get what we want, we pray when we are in need but when we are satisfied, when we have had our fill we often forget about Him. It can be easy to spot these faults in others but quite difficult to recognize this in our own prayer life.

When we get that feeling; that our zeal and devotion are waning, the remedy Christ gives us is Himself in the Eucharist! "Do not labor for the food which perishes but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you." Jesus here promised to give us a food that would give us eternal life. Develop a hunger for this bread, foster a taste for His presence, especially in adoration.

This dialogue with Christ in John 6 begins what is known as "the bread of life discourse." Jesus declares Himself to be the true bread from heaven and He promised to give us this bread at a future date (which would be fulfilled at the last supper when He established the Blessed Sacrament).

When Christ made this declaration, He lost the masses, many of His disciples, "drew back and walked no more with Him." This is also the first time Judas is mentioned as being a traitor. Our Lord said, "Did I not choose you, the Twelve, and one of you is a devil." (John 6: 70) John tells us that Jesus was referring to Judas. He lost his faith when Christ announced the Eucharist, and he left when Christ gave us the Eucharist. Most of the denominations that broke with the Catholic Church throughout the years, denied this teaching of Christ. The bread that He would give and then did give us in the Eucharist is truly His body, blood, soul, and divinity. This is a cornerstone of our Faith, a stumbling block to those who don't believe, and the sign of our hope and a pre-taste of heaven. Stay hungry for this Bread!

-Rev. Christopher Mahowald, FSSP

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## LITURGY SCHEDULE MARCH 27-APRIL 2

### SUNDAY: 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 AM LOW MASS  
10:15 AM HIGH MASS

### MONDAY: FERIA OF LENT/ST. JOHN CAPISTRAN

7:45 AM LOW MASS

### TUESDAY: FERIA OF LENT

7:45 AM LOW MASS

### WEDNESDAY: FERIA OF LENT

7:45 AM LOW MASS

### THURSDAY: FERIA OF LENT

7:45 AM LOW MASS

### FRIDAY: FERIA OF LENT

4:30 PM SOLEMN HOLY HOUR  
5:30 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
6:00 PM LOW MASS

### SATURDAY: FERIA OF LENT/ST. FRANCIS OF PAULA

8:00 AM SOLEMN HOLY HOUR  
9:00 AM LOW MASS

### CONFESSIONS

MONDAYS IN LENT: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
MON-THURS: 7:25AM - 7:40AM  
FRIDAY - SUNDAY:

45 MIN BEFORE MASS  
OR BY APPOINTMENT

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

- A big thank you to all who came out for Fr. Bisig's talks and for making him feel welcome. He was very impressed with our community and especially with the attentive youth that were present. He had a large part with the founding of the parish in the 90's as Superior General and was pleased to see the faith here being handed down to the next generation.



*Jesus Feeds Five Thousand*

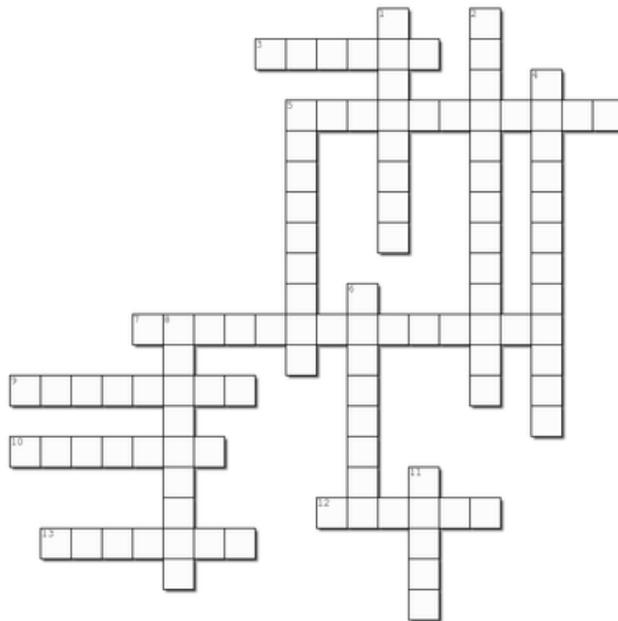
Thank you to all who participated in the Consecration on Friday, March 25th. In my opinion, this consecration seemed to fulfill the 3 requirements that Our Lady asked for in Fatima: that the Pope in union with the bishops of the world (1) consecrate (2) Russia to her Immaculate Heart. (3)

She asked that this be done by the Pope in 1960 but this was not done. The operative words were used, albeit not perfectly. Let us by this consecration strive to be more steadfast children of hers, to be evermore faithful and pure of heart; reconsecrating each day to her Immaculate Heart. Live each day in a manner befitting our Blessed Mother.

**Correction:** In a previous bulletin I erroneously said that Fr. Bisig was a former rector of the SSPX Seminary in Ecône, Switzerland. He was in fact former rector of the SSPX Seminary in Zaitzkofen, Germany. Mea Culpa.

-Fr. Mahowald

- Construction continues in the basement. The floor is 100% safe to walk on but please do not let your children touch it or play on it as it could be harmful to them with the old and possibly harmful materials that were under the floor may now temporarily be exposed. The bathrooms are available for use.
- The next project we will be tackling will be the renovating the confessionals. We will be changing them to single confessionals, with lights, full doors with more soundproofing, and a little more spacious. The kneeler will also be padded to accommodate those with bad knees.



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### Across

3. Sabbath of the New Covenant
5. Author of the Edict of Milan, legalizing Christianity in the Roman Empire.
7. Peruvian saint and patron of barbers. (3 words)
9. Capuchin monk stigmatist of the 21st century. (2 words)
10. City in France where the popes lived for a time.
12. Marian apparition in Portugal 1917.
13. Liturgies of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday

### Down

1. Jewish feast day commemorating the angel of death's visit to Egypt
2. Saint Soldier and then a Franciscan Friar, feast March 28. (2 words)
4. Estimation of how many Christ fed in today's Gospel. (2 words)
5. Saint of Siena that wrote to the pope in France to return to Rome.
6. She courageously wiped the face of Jesus.
8. Founder of the Redemptorists and Doctor of the Church.
11. The Cyrenian who helped Jesus carry the cross.

*"Praise the Lord, for He is good; sing praise to His Name, for He is sweet; all that He wills He does in heaven and on earth."*

PSALM 134:2,6

TAKEN FROM THE OFFERTORY OF THE 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM

Wayne Marone

rb Allison Marone

Pro Populo

Monday: 7:45 AM

Schlear Family

rb Sandra Noll

Tuesday: 7:45 AM

+Evelyn Tereshko

rb Vince & Jenn Cilia

Wednesday: 7:45 AM

+Ann Doggett

rb Jeff & Lisa Doggett

Thursday: 7:45 AM

+Rosie Newchurch

rb Sica Family

Friday: 6:00 PM

Justin & David La Fata

rb La Fata Family

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Mary Morris

rb Monica Morris