

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE DIOCESE

NO NOON MASS AT ST. THERESA'S CATHEDRAL. NB: that there will be NO 12:10pm Mass celebrated during July and August.

SATURDAY SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR ADORATION: Beginning with Sat., 7th July, the Saturday summer schedule of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel of St. Theresa's Cathedral is as follows: 9:00 am – Holy Mass in Portuguese, followed by recitation of the Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Portuguese and English and concluding with Benediction. This Saturday Schedule remains in place for the months of July and August 2018

Caritas House of Prayer: Quiet Wednesday, July 18th: The recitation of the Rosary will be at 10:30am followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 1 pm. Evening Prayer will take place at 5:45pm with a focus on Mary, our Mother. All are invited to join us.

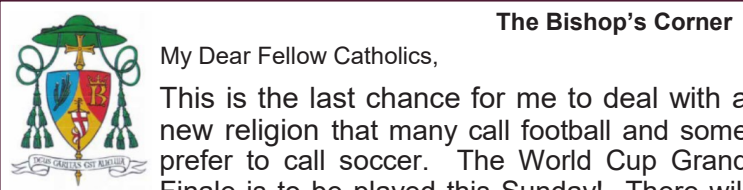
Monthly Evening Prayer: Our last monthly evening prayer until the Fall will take place on **Sunday, July 22nd**. It is the feast of St. Mary Magdalen, the Apostle to the Apostles; however, the Mass will be for the Sunday. Our prayer will focus on Mary Magdalen and the women who played a great role in the early Church. We hope many will join us so the time will be **4pm here at Caritas** (that's between brunch and dinner, we hope). **All are invited both men and women.**

Lectio Divina—Monday evening at 7pm at St. Theresa's Hall.

ST. THERESA'S GIFT SHOP: Hours **now** are Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Gift Shop will be **CLOSED: 22nd July -August, 11th reopening on Tuesday, 14th August, 2018.** Thank you for your continued patronage.

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.

~Melody Beattie~



The Bishop's Corner
My Dear Fellow Catholics,
This is the last chance for me to deal with a new religion that many call football and some prefer to call soccer. The World Cup Grand Finale is to be played this Sunday! There will be many who will exclaim, "Finally!" and there will be many as well to complain, "What a pity!". For a month a good part of our world has spent hours watching the games, betting on winners, analyzing, criticizing, discussing. The political leaders were changing their plans and so as to be able to attend the crucial matches of their teams. The TV coverage was more than amazing with unending hours of transmissions, insights, delights, highlights; having interviews with the so called protagonists, making programmes of their professional and private lives, re-living their goals and defenses, explaining mercifully their mistakes or bad reactions...It seems that the entire world was turning around a ball.

At the same time, a group of simple but amazing people were fighting to save the lives of 12 boys and their coach who became imprisoned by nature in a cave in Thailand. One of the rescuers, a former navy seal who volunteered to take part in this mission, lost his life. Some followed this story with bated breath, but the media was able to give it more space only when the World Cup games were not being played. These boys and their rescuers were not as interesting and worthy of attention as the results of the men who kick the ball.

I do not want to be preachy nor cheaply moralizing, but I have to ask a simple question: Who are the real protagonists and winners of these past few weeks? Not in the eyes of the world, but in my own eyes. The response to this question will help to build up a hierarchy of values, i.e. What really matters in life...?

Have a good and blessed week, my Good People!

Always remember...it's the hardest times in life that teaches us the most valuable lessons, and forces us to realize what's really important...

Bishop Wes - S. Walker

Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 15, 2018
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Am 7:12-15
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10
Mk 6:7-13

Pastor's Page Dear Friends,
In the Gospel of this Sunday, we see Jesus sending the disciples two by two to announce that the Kingdom of God is at hand. However what Jesus meant by this is not what people were expecting. Israelite were in fact awaiting for a political ruler who would have delivered the people of Israel from the nations who were oppressing them.

The Messiah would have ruled then on the People of God and the people of God would have ruled over the other nations; and by being the King Messiah submitted Himself to God, in this way God would have been king over the entire world.

For Jesus instead the Kingdom of God is a condition of the soul, where the soul is united to God in a communion of intentions, perceptions and will: whoever is in the Kingdom of God sees things as God sees them, desires what God desires and does the will of God. By doing this one becomes literally one with God experiencing intimacy, fulfillment and joy. This does not imply anymore the change of any external condition, neither political, nor social, nor physical nor relational. We do not need to wait that something out there changes in order to enter the Kingdom; neither there is need for more money, for instance, nor that somebody may change his way of behaving with us.

The possibility to enter the Kingdom depends only on an interior disposition. This is the reason why the Kingdom is at hand: there is nothing that can prevent us today to enter the Kingdom except ourselves. This is the reason why Jesus sends the disciples with nothing (money, second clothes or whatever) and two by two (having to do with the complexity of relationships). This is the reason of this gesture of shaking the dust from the feet: it is a way to say that they have been offered a possibility and from that moment on, if people feel that their life is miserable they have only to blame themselves.

The consequence of embracing the kingdom is peace, Shalom, fulfillment, joy, inner pleasure. So the apostles bring the peace of the union with God with them, as a good that is bestowed upon those who receive them, as a good that however they have already within them. The happiness, the joy of the apostles (and of any Christian, for what concern us) does not depend on the fact that people may or may not receive them, it does not depend on the success of the endeavor. This is what Jesus means that if a house does not receive them, Peace will return back to them. The only thing that is relevant for the Apostles is that in this mission, in total poverty and depending only on the Lord, they will experience the Lord accompanying them and being with them: this is enough. Good for the people if they receive them and their word, however they, the Apostles, already have the Good they are offering to the people, the communion with God.

Today the mission of the Church continues, exactly in the same way. The Church constantly invites people to this union and communion, offering ways to foster it, to discover it, to learn to walk by it. Through participation in the Sacraments, prayer meetings, encounters to hear the Word of God, the Church is offering each of us a way to enter into this Kingdom or to root ourselves more deeply into it.

Good for those who take advantage of it. Nobody needs to do a favor for the pastor, or the Bishop, or whoever is inviting us. Nobody needs to make a favor of God. The kingdom of God is there, at hand for those who are smart enough to grab it, and if one tomorrow will be experiencing un-fulfillment and frustration, in the end He can only blame oneself for it. However, know that the Kingdom of God is at hand!!!!

God Bless you all,
Fr. Attilio



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Weekend Masses: Saturday: 9:00am Mass in Honour of the BVM
Vigil: 5:45pm
Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00am
Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday at 7:30am and Thursday at 7:00pm
Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 7:30 — 8:30 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday at 5:00-5:30pm
Baptisms: by appointment 3 weeks in advance **Weddings:** by appointment 6 months in advance

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We welcome our parishioners and visitors who have come to St. Michael's to worship this Sunday. May you be blessed by your presence here today.

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

Fr. Attilio and Abraham will be away this week attending meetings in Newark. They leave Monday afternoon, (16th) and return Saturday afternoon, (21st). Upon the advice of Bishop Wes, as we have been unable to secure a Locum priest, **THERE WILL BE NO DAILY MASSES this week.** Masses will resume with Fr. Attilio's return starting with the Saturday, 5:45 Vigil Mass. Please keep Fr. Attilio and Abraham in your prayers and for the success of these meetings.

Come join us for The Night of the Shooting Stars on Sunday, August 12th up on the Rectory Lawn
Moonset is forecasted for shortly after 9pm, and with the New Moon so close, these will be ideal conditions to watch **Perseids shooting stars shower the sky** - predicted to see over 60 shooting stars per hour when at it's peak, if the weather allows.
You are welcome to come for some Faith and Spirituality and Family-Friendly fellowship any time from 7pm. Come up to the Rectory lawn, where there will be light refreshments available. Come anytime and please feel free to bring something to share and a low chair or blanket to lay down on the lawn to watch the sky. The church will remain open until the last person leaves the grounds. This is a free event.
For more information, contact 232-2166 or stmichaelsbermuda@gmail.com.

Coming Soon at St. Michael's: a new series of meetings on the Book of Genesis will begin in September on Tuesday evenings here at St. Michael's. It will be the first part of a series that will focus on: Creation. Later on, we will delve into the lives of the Patriarchs.
We will study together in a journey that is first and foremost a **journey of Spiritual Refreshment and renewal.** What are the stories in Book of Genesis REALLY talking about? This is the question that we will try to answer. In doing this we will discover that all these stories have to do with our life here and now and we will refresh ourselves together in a garden of delights in the presence of the Lord, as Adam and Eve were conversing with the Lord God in the Garden of Eden and in doing this, we will discover deeper dimensions of our existence and of our spiritual life.
STAY TUNED and begin to save the time on Tuesday Nights at 7:30 PM from September 18th. Be ready for an exciting new experience, a journey never experienced before in Bermuda (it will be totally different from the previous series that we did on the Book of Genesis. Promise).
Fr. Attilio
CCD Registration and Fees of \$140 for each child attending the CCD program in September 2018 are due NOW. Make payments on line, cash or check to the Parish. Direct banking instructions are in the Stewardship box in the right hand corner.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL here at St. Michael's Monday—Friday, July 23rd—27th. See Flyer on the bulletin board for more details. Contact: Mrs. LaVerne Lau, Tel: 236-7223/ 599-2888 OR email: billmar@bl.bm, lalaverne@yahoo.com. Cost: \$100 for

This Summer is a great opportunity to help develop a deeper relationship with Christ in your children, to know Him and to love Him more. Since there is no homework to get in the way, how about bringing your children to Thursday evening Adoration and introduce them to the Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration. COME JOIN US! THURSDAY EVENING MASS 7PM followed by the ROSARY and ADORATION
Come Join Us!



Stewardship... is what I do after I say "I Believe"
Weekly Collection July 7/8th \$1,575.00
Weekly Income Needed to cover Expenses: \$2,918.00
Weekly Surplus/ (Shortfall) (\$1,343.00)
ST. MICHAEL'S uses your regular collection contributions to support parish operations and routine property maintenance. Thank you for your support!
Rolling 12 Month Surplus/ (Shortfall): (\$19,458.)
Still Not there. Thank you for your helping us get there!
Collection increase required to cover expenses 17%
For Example, if you give \$20 normally, please consider increasing that to \$23.
Votives: \$135.00 Poor Box (STVD Paul): \$227.00
Peter's Pence Collection: \$1507.00
Direct Deposit to Butterfield Bank (BNTB) to:
"The Ordinary of the Roman Catholic Church, St. Michael's" Acct # 20—006-060-081824-100

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS
When the Lord passes into our life and performs a miracle in each of us, and each of us knows what the Lord has done in our life, it does not end there: this is the invitation to go forward, to continue on the journey, 'seeking the face of God,' the Psalm says; seeking this joy.
What would Jesus think of so many Christians who stay put after they first grace they have received, who do not continue on the journey? They are like someone who would go to a restaurant and be content with an appetizer, and who would then return home, not realizing that the main course would have been even better.
Because there are so many Christians who are stopped, who don't continue on the journey; Christians who have run aground on the concerns of daily life — good things in themselves! — but they don't grow, they remain small. Parked Christians: they've parked. Caged Christians who don't know how to fly with the dream to this beautiful thing to which the Lord calls us.

We can all ask ourselves the question, "What do I really desire?" Do I really desire God, and seek to be with Him? "Or am I afraid? Am I mediocre?" What is the measure of my desire? Am I satisfied with the appetizer, or do I desire the banquet that is set before me?
There is the invitation here to keep the desire alive, not to be content with where we are. Go forward a little bit, take risks. A true Christian takes risks, he goes out of his comfort zone.

From a Homily delivered on March 12, 2018
Then there is meditation and taking time to read the newspaper on one side and think about God and about your soul and about all these things. We do not talk enough to ourselves. We must tell ourselves that we are in His presence, that we are His children, that Christ has died for us and that He has reconciled us to God. We must practice the presence of God, and realize it, we must talk to Him, and spend our days with Him. That is the method. To draw near to God means to seek Him, and never to allow ourselves any peace or rest until we know that our sins are forgiven, until we know God, until we know the love of God, until we are conscious that when we pray He is ready to listen.
The final thing, of course, is obedience, because if we

St. Michael's Community Building Committee News
We are looking for more members to join. If you can share your time, and talent we welcome your participation and support. Current Members are Chairperson Grace Lovecchio, Suzanne DeCouto, Irene Tavares, Theresa Mason, Lucy Attride-Stirling, Karen Marsh. Socials will resume in October.
Have a wonderful, relaxing and blessed Summer. Come back rejuvenated and ready to serve. We certainly welcome your stewardship and support. Come Join our Committee!

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS	
Sat. Jul 14	5:45pm Eucharistic Celebration (Neocatechumenal Way)
Sun. Jul 15	8:30am Pro Populo
	11:00am
Tues. Jul 17	7:30am NO DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK DUE TO FR. ATTILIO TRAVELLING
	MASSES RESUME ON SATURDAY EVENING
Wed. Jul 18	7:30am Liturgy of the Word (Neocatechumenal Way)
Thurs. Jul 19	7:00pm Followed by Holy Hour with the Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration
Fri. Jul 20	7:30am
Sat. Jul 21	9:00am
	5:45pm Mary & Benjamin Botelho ++
	7:30pm Eucharistic Celebration (Neocatechumenal Way)
Sun. Jul 22	8:30am Deolinda & Antonio Carvalho ++ Maria Rugeiro & Vito Lovecchio ++ Pro Populo
	11:00am
	3:00pm SPANISH MASS

July 14/15th—15th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME	
5:45PM	Lector: Karen Marsh
8:30AM	Lector: I. Brackstone
11:00AM	Lector: A. Attride-Stirling
Greeters: E. Soares, E. Curt	
Altar Guild: Pat Robinson Counters: Cidalia Chan Soares, K. Marsh	
July 21/22ND—16TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME	
5:45PM	Lector: Karen Marsh
8:30AM	Lector: Glenn Clinton
11:00AM	Lector: Jesse Almeida
Greeters: E. Soares, E. Curt	
Altar Guild: Theresa DeSilva Counters: The Tavares	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: PLEASE CHECK IN THE SACRISTY TO SEE IF YOU ARE NEEDED.	