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WELCOME!

Our parish community welcomes you! We are blessed by your active participation in our worship together. Thank you for helping us grow!

"Be faithful in little things."
-Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, C.Ss.R

MINISTRY OF CARE

Please contact the office if you know an elderly member of the parish that needs assistance with grocery shopping, medical appointments, etc.

2ND ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

In celebration of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Feast Day (October 5), we will have our 2nd Annual Parish Picnic on October 6th after the 10:30 am Mass. We're planning to have fun, food, and fellowship for all ages, inciting laughter and memories. Your help is needed – please sign up at the main entrance.

RESPECT LIFE RECITAL: OCT 24

McGill-Toolen graduate Matthew Madonia, Violinist, will perform a recital with Dr. Robert Holm, Pianist. Sponsored by Mobile Catholic Physicians to benefit 2B Choices of Mobile and Baldwin Counties. Flyers are at the entrance tables.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

SUNDAY MASS

8:00 am and 10:30 am

CONFESSION

before, between, and after Sunday Masses
or by appointment: call Fr. Jim

DAILY MASS

Wednesdays at 8:30 am at
Steinway Piano Gallery on Hwy 31
Thursdays at 8:30 am at
Women's Health Center off Hwy 31

Parishioners can still sign up to have a Daily Mass in their home via the church website.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office if you or anyone you know would like to receive weekly communion.

STEWARDSHIP: GIFT OF TREASURE

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Tithe Collection: \$4057.48
Building Fund: \$40.00
Catholic University of America: \$547.00
UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTION

9/22 – Victims of Hurricane Dorian
9/29 – Building Fund
10/6 – Building Fund

ST. THOMAS MORE RED MASS CELEBRATION

The St. Thomas More Society is sponsoring the Celebration of the Red Mass on October 4th, with Archbishop Rodi being Celebrant at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 12pm. This Special Mass asks for God's blessing on our Judicial System and elected officials. If you would like to join the St. Thomas More Society, please contact Brenda Hetrick at 251-341-0405.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CATECHISMAL BLESSING

SEPT 22 @ 10:30 AM MASS

TEEN MASS

SEPT 29 @ 10:30 AM MASS

Teens will be our Ushers & Lectors.

PARISH PICNIC

OCT 6TH 11:30 AM

Join us for and food celebrating our Patron's Feast Day! See announcement for opportunities to help.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Please continue to pray for our Confirmation Students as they complete their final year of preparation: Gavin Bresnahan, Lauryn Johnson, Will Larson, Ashleigh Mayeux, Dryden Mills, Lucy O'Neal, Caitlyn Restivo, Taylor Restivo, Kenzie Sherrell, Oliver Sinclair, & Patrick Stout

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Sunday School has started! It's not too late to register, see the main entrance for forms. Cost is \$25 per child/\$75 maximum per family.

Topics

September 22 God is Faithful
September 29 God's Commandments

ACYC JR

Deadline for registering is **TODAY**. Forms and checks payable to Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos must be received by this date.
Carpooling to the event will be coordinated once all the registrations have been received.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Deadline for registering is September 29th. Forms and checks payable to Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos must be received by this date.



REGISTER TODAY AT FRANCISXSEELOS.ORG! CLICK "JOIN Us"



MARCH FOR LIFE

2020 March for Life in Washington DC will be January 24th.

All teens from the parish are welcome.

Be a part of another first for our parish as we join teens from across the Archdiocese on this Pilgrimage in support of Life.

Flyers are at the main entrance.
Deadline and deposits are due September 29th

FAMILY CONNECTION FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- *First Reading: Amos 8:4-7 | Unfair business practices and injustice to the poor will be judged by God.*
- *Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 113: 1-2,4-6,7-8 | Praise be to God, who raises up the poor*
- *Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 | Paul tells Timothy that prayer for those in authority is pleasing to God because God wills the salvation of all.*
- *Gospel Reading: Luke 16:1-13 | Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.*

Talk with your children about some things that they have done to show that they can be trusted. Talk a bit about what it means to be responsible. Responsibility often means that we put aside something of passing value for something of greater value.

Read together the short form of today's Gospel, Luke 16:10-13. Talk about the importance of responsible use of money and our material possessions. As a family, commit to one action that you will take this week to show that your family serves God and not money. loyolapress.com

PRAYER OF THE MONTH: ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Celebrate the Feast of the Archangels: Michaelmas (Sept 29)

Choose one, two, or all of these ways to live out your faith in an intentional, joyful way and enjoy the fact that our Catholic faith is beautiful, true, and fun. Happy Michaelmas to you!

- A traditional Michaelmas dinner includes roasted goose and carrots, both of which are "in season" in late September in Britain. It's a bit harder to find goose nowadays so you can roast a chicken, stuffed with onions, garlic, and herbs; surrounded by potatoes and carrots; and seasoned with butter, salt, and pepper. Get really crazy and bake some St. Michael's bannock, a sweet bread.
- The legend goes that when St. Michael threw Satan out of Heaven, as described in Revelations 12, the devil landed on a blackberry bush, which he then spit on and cursed. Therefore, blackberries are to be picked and eaten by Michaelmas, or before the devil gets a chance to spit on them. Buy some fresh blackberries and put them on your oatmeal, bake them into a pie or cobbler, or top your angel food cake with them for a double nod to the feast day.
- The aster flower, also known as the Michaelmas Daisy is in season in North America at the end of September. Decorate your table (or home altar) with daisies!
- Saint Michael is the patron saint of police officers and so what's a better day to stop by your local police station with a yummy treat to thank them for their service.
- Last but not least, lean into your faith. Display a Saint Michael holy card in a prominent location in your home. Attend Mass. Say the prayer to Saint Michael.

DAILY READINGS | SEPTEMBER 23 - 29

Sept 23: Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest | Ezr 1:1-6 | Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 | Lk 8:16-18
Sept 24: Tuesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time | Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 | Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 | Lk 8:19-21
Sept 25: Wednesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time | Ezr 9:5-9 | Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 | Lk 9:1-6
Sept 26: Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time | Hg 1:1-8 | Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b | Lk 9:7-9
Sept 27: Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest | Hg 2:1-9 | Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 | Lk 9:18-22
Sept 28: Saturday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time | Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a | Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 | Lk 9:43b-45
Sept 29: Sunday of the 26th Week in Ordinary Time | Am 6:1a, 4-7 | Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 | 1 Tm 6:11-16

September 22, 2019 | Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRAISE THE LORD, OH MY SOUL!

"Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich."



Blessed
Francis Xavier Seelos

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