

St. Michael the Archangel

Welcome to St. Michael the Archangel Church! It is my pleasure to serve as Pastor of this vibrant faith community. Since 1967 St. Michael the Archangel has been a strong Catholic presence in Cary. We have a long and rich history of proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and deed. Chief among our activities as a faith community is our Sunday Celebration of the Eucharist, which, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, stands as the "source and summit of the mission and life of the Church."

St. Michael the Archangel has a strong outreach to the community and those most in need. We strive to take our faith beyond the walls of our church through worship, education, and service.

Here at St. Michael, we have a dedicated Catholic education system. From the youngest in our preschool through our eighth graders, our schools seek to reach minds, touch hearts, and shape souls. If you have children, I strongly encourage you to learn about our schools and schedule a tour.

Our Catholic education system continues beyond the school day through our Faith Formation programs. Our youngest parishioners begin their faith journey through the Children's Liturgy of the Word and continue through the sacramental years, as they receive; First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Middle schoolers go on to our Challenge and Conquest programs and then prepare for Confirmation. And their journey does not end there, our young adults remain active through our youth programming and young adult group.

I hope you find this packet of information a useful resource and a helpful introduction to parish life at St. Michael the Archangel. You can find additional information on our parish website: <https://www.stmichaelcary.org>

I am privileged to work alongside a talented staff each day. Please feel free to call upon them for anything you may need as you transition to parish life in our faith community.

I hope you decide to join us at St. Michael the Archangel in living out the gospel of Jesus Christ.

In His Love,



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Live Your Faith – Liturgy & Service

Jesus said, “The greatest commandment is this, to love God...and to love your neighbor”. It is not enough to simply have faith in Him; we must also obey His commandments and live our faith – expressing it in our everyday life – and there are many ways to do this. Our faith is not something we live just on Sunday when we come to church; it needs to go with us once we leave the parking lot too! Join with us here at St. Michael the Archangel as we work together to serve God, one another, and the greater community.

Worship

Getting involved in a liturgical ministry not only helps the parish but can enhance your experience of the Liturgy as well! Consider volunteering for a ministry that assists all of us in our worship: Baptism Coordination, Hospitality Ministers, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Wedding Ministry, Music Ministry, Environment & Art Committee, Altar Linens, or Sanctuary Cleaning.

Education

There are many opportunities to serve as catechists in our many faith formation programs. If you have a favorite age, we have a spot for you to help them grow their faith.

Service

In James’ letter (2:14), he could be speaking of parish life when he asks, “What good is it to profess faith without practicing it?” St. Michael the Archangel has a wonderful outlook when it comes to outreach and there are many ways to get involved in this regard, both within the parish and in the community. For example, Read and Feed Ministry, Environmental Stewardship, Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion to the homebound or to senior living centers, Habitat for Humanity, Easter Food Baskets, Jesse Tree, Honduras Sister Parish Mission, Meals in Need, Rosary Makers, Prayer Blanket Ministry, Prison Pen Pal Ministry, Respect Life, or Ride Share.

Support & Fellowship

These groups have as their goal to provide support and/or to enjoy fellowship among parishioners. Groups meet at different times throughout the year and include: Adoration, The Knights of Columbus, the Columbiettes, Scouting, Adult faith formation (That Man is You/ Walking with Purpose), Partners in Prayer, Career Network Ministry, Catholics in Recovery, AAMEN (African American Ministry Network), and Bereavement groups.

**Visit our website: www.stmichaelcary.org/ministries/
to explore all the opportunities to share and grow in your faith.**

Know Your Faith - Evangelization

We are encouraged to live our faith and live it to the fullest. But how do we do that? With a lot of practice! To practice our faith effectively, we must understand it and accept that this is an ongoing journey of growth. There are many resources to assist in this and here at St. Michael the Archangel we offer a variety of informative, challenging, and spiritually fulfilling ways to deepen our knowledge of God and our relationship to and with Him. We encourage you to take advantage of any and all that interest you.

Adult Education

The Adult Faith Formation at STM offers regular programs along with a number of occasional events and short courses. These address central themes of Catholic teaching (Scripture, doctrine, prayer, and social action) and catechist formation. Please contact Bill Burns at bburns@stmccary.org or 919.468.6111.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation — Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. Adults baptized in another faith and those not baptized who wish to explore the Catholic Faith, are invited to participate in this process. During their journey, should one find a desire to join the Catholic Church, they receive their sacraments of initiation. Parishioners assist in this journey both through their prayers and by acting as sponsors for those participating in OCIA. We want to welcome you to travel with us and encourage you to bring us your questions and hopes. Please contact Bill Burns at bburns@stmccary.org or 919.468.6111.

Marriage Preparation

Those seeking to be married at St. Michael are encouraged to reach out at least nine months in advance in order to secure their preferred date and time and to begin preparation for the celebration for the Sacrament of Matrimony. Our Parish uses a sponsor couple program to assist couples preparing for marriage. Please contact Mary DiSano. mdisano@stmccary.org or 919.468.6134.

Baptism Preparation

Those seeking baptism for members of their family, ages newborn through seven years, must be registered members of the parish for the three months prior to Baptism. All families must have completed a Baptism preparation class. Please contact Megan Bash at mbash@stmccary.org or 919.468.6100.

Faith Formation (First Communion, Challenge and Conquest, Confirmation)

Elementary Faith Formation, contact Joyce Blum at jblum@stmccary.org
Middle Grades - Challenge and Conquest, contact Dara Hadley at dhadley@stmccary.org
High School, contact Christina Dietzler at cdietzler@stmccary.org

Young Adult Ministry

Our young adult ministry fosters a sense of community for Catholics in their 20's and 30's. The group meets regularly for social, spiritual, and service activities. Contact the leads of this ministry at youngadult@stmccary.org.

St. Michael's Parish Schools

STM's Preschool through Grade 8 curriculum have a tradition of excellence in education and teaching of the Catholic Faith. The schools boast exceptional faculty and staff. To schedule a visit or learn more, call the Preschool at 919.468.6110 or the Grade School at 919.468.6150.

Mass Schedule

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm and 7:00pm (en Español)

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm,
2:15pm (en Español), and 5:00pm

Livestreamed: Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday

8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, 2:15pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: 7:00am and 8:30am

Tuesday: 7:00am, 8:30am and
7:00pm (en Español)

Wednesday: 7:00am and 8:30am

Thursday: 7:00am and 8:30am

Friday: 7:00am and 8:30am

Saturday: 7:00am

Mass for Civic Holidays: 9:30am (other Daily Masses are cancelled)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesdays: 5:45pm – 6:45pm

First Saturdays: 7:30am – 8:30am

All Saturdays: 2:00pm - 4:00pm (There is no Reconciliation during Holy Week)

The Reconciliation Rooms are located in the West Wing of the Gathering Space.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays: 5:45pm-6:45pm

Fridays: 9:00am – 5:00pm *

First Saturdays: 7:30am- 8:30am

*This schedule is subject to change due to funerals

Holy Days of Obligation

ALL Sundays are the primary Holy Days of Obligation. Additional Holy Days in the USA:

- January 1, Mary, Mother of God
- August 15, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- November 1, All Saints
- December 8, Immaculate Conception
- December 25, Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Whenever January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, or August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption, or November 1, the Solemnity of All Saints, fall on a Saturday or on a Monday, the obligation to attend Mass is lifted.

Please check the St. Michael website for Mass cancelations following Thanksgiving and Christmas.

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Parish and Community - Councils

The Pastor oversees consultative bodies, representing all aspects of parish life, that engage in planning, evaluation, and assessment, and assist him in the conduct of his pastoral ministry at St. Michael the Archangel. All members of the Council serve a three-year term.

Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council is the leadership organization that serves as the primary integrating force of the parish. Members consult with and advise the Pastor on matters of importance to the parish community, aiding him to fulfill the Mission of the parish through focused discussion and prayerful deliberation and discernment.

Finance Council

According to the 1983 Code of Canon Law, Canon 537 requires that each parish have a finance council. Members advise the Pastor and support parish staff on the finances of the Church and School. In doing so, members review monthly financial results and consider proposed spending and annual budgets. The Council also provides advice to support strategic planning for long-term parish needs with the Pastoral Council and the School.

Contacts for these groups

The members of both councils can be found on the St. Michael Website.

St. Michael Communication – www.stmichaelcary.org

Our weekly bulletin can be found on the website. You may also sign up to have it emailed to you each week.

We encourage you to register to receive our weekly Wednesday email. This email shares up to date information on events in the parish. You may sign up on the parish website.

A Brief History

OUR MISSION

We are a Roman Catholic community called by God to discipleship through WORSHIP, EDUCATION, and SERVICE.

OUR HISTORY

THE BEGINNINGS

St. Michael the Archangel Roman Catholic Church began as a mission church in 1963, with the first Mass being said at Cary High School by Rev. Michael Carey. Just four years later, in 1967, we were recognized as a parish and the church rapidly grew. Within the next decade, the first full-time pastor was established, a parish staff was built, the first mission statement was drafted, and the first church building was dedicated. In 1984 St. Michael opened the Early Education Center.

A NEW SITE

By the 1990s, a larger campus was needed for our quickly growing parish. In 1992, the current High House Rd. site was selected and ground was broken for the church and Trinity Center in 1995. The Trinity Center holds the Parish Staff offices as well as our Preschool Program.

Construction was completed in 1996 and the new church was dedicated. In quick succession following, the Parish Center opened (1997), the stained glass windows were installed (1998), and St. Michael School opened (1999).

TODAY

Since 2000, our campus has expanded to include the former Westwood Baptist Church and land to the west. Our St. Michael Conference Center is located in this building with meeting rooms and a Gallery for larger events. Archangel Hall and the ball fields are connected to St. Michael School, allowing our students and parishioners space for sports and community events. Our Columbarium has completed a phase two expansion to meet the needs of our parishioners wanting a place of rest here at our parish.

In celebration of the 25th anniversary of our church, we underwent several renovations and refreshes across campus, including interior maintenance in the church, a redesign of our sanctuary including the consecration of a new altar, and enlarging meeting spaces across campus.

Our large and diverse parish family boasts more than 5,300 registered families and more than 60 groups and ministries.

