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SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025
2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

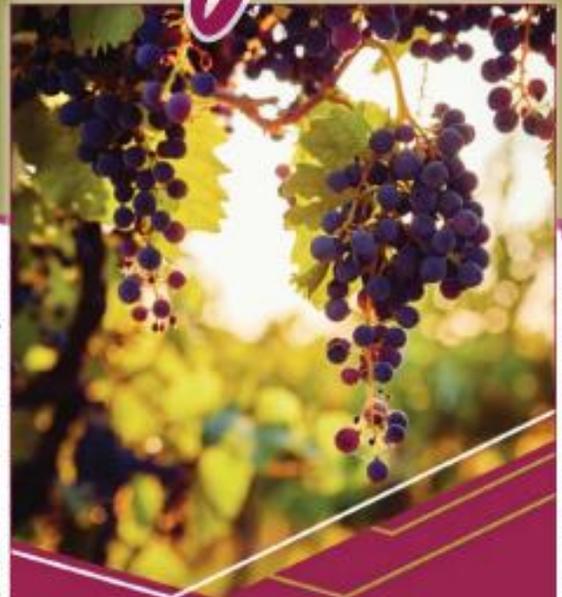
A friend invited me to an invitation-only wine-tasting event. There were over two hundred varieties of wine. Having no idea how to approach such a massive selection, I wandered aimlessly among the tables, sipping this and that. At the end of the evening my friend asked if I had tried some of the exceptionally expensive wines. I hadn't. "The really good stuff disappears first," he said. "My man, you missed out on some amazing vino." I was so disappointed. I wasted my chance for amazing once-in-a-lifetime wine. The wine I tasted was, well, *blah*.

Don't we often feel a similar disappointment in life? I missed this or that opportunity. If only I had known. Optimism sputters and fades. The glory days are gone. The chances, it seems, for the really great things in life come and go so quickly. Then they are gone forever. The good stuff goes first. Then life is just *blah*.

Not so with the Lord Jesus. In Jesus' miracle at the wedding at Cana, the steward of the feast says, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then...an inferior one" (John 2:10). That's the natural downward progression of life. The good stuff disappears quickly.

But he says of the groom (who symbolizes Jesus), "But you have kept the good wine until now." This is the ever-improving trajectory of the realm of God's grace. With Jesus, the "good wine" of divine love, hope and peace gets better as our journey of faith progresses. Where are your greatest disappointments? Don't give in to the lie that the really good stuff is gone. Tell Jesus you've run out. Then learn how to taste *that* amazingly good wine, because he saves the best until now.

~ Father John Muir @ LPI



2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

- Jn 2:1-3



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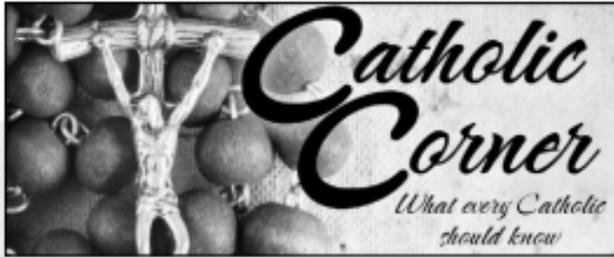
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Jesus Greet the Water

It's not that the water sanctifies Jesus at his baptism. Rather, he sanctifies the water. Part 1

A reading contained that most marvelously pithy saying of John the Baptist from John's gospel: "I must decrease. He must increase."

Today we see this play out in Luke's account of the Lord's baptism in the Jordan. This is, let's remember, pretty incredible. People *wanted* John to be the Christ. If he had said he was the Christ, they would have had no trouble believing him. And John takes that potential power and influence and casually sets it aside.



His humility paves the way for the even greater humility of the true Christ, who himself enters the waters for John to baptize. Our Gospel selection for today doesn't include some of the dialogue reported elsewhere between John and Jesus, but in a way, it's predictable. John is confused. He has been talking all this time about the one who is greater than he, whose sandals he is not worthy to untie, who will baptize the world with fire, and this great anointed one approaches him and asks to be baptized like everybody else. Really, Lord, why? I mean, shouldn't you be baptizing me?

This is part of a large pattern in the Gospels. Perhaps one reason this story appears to us in the immediate context of the Christmas season is that we are conscious of the Son of God's human vulnerability and humility. This is all headed to the cross, but before that we find Jesus washing the feet of his disciples and declaring that he calls them not slaves, but friends.

At the baptism, Jesus is publicly identified as the Son of the Father, and this identity is witnessed by the Spirit in the form of a dove. Various heretics in the early centuries, grouped together under the loose label *adoptionism*, saw this as a moment when the human person Jesus was somehow elevated to divinity. Church councils repeatedly rejected this theory in the first several centuries, even as the formal articulation of Trinitarian and Christological doctrine developed. But the problem I have with this view of the baptism is that it seems to miss the way it fits in

with the whole gospel trajectory. If the baptism necessitates some kind of progression or elevation of Christ, so does virtually every other incident of his life. If it is merely human to submit to baptism, what would it take to submit to crucifixion?

In fact, the Fathers' reading of this story show how it is precisely Christ's *divinity*, in his baptism, that makes the difference. Christ was not baptized so that he might be sanctified in the water and become somehow more divine. He was baptized so that *he might sanctify the water*.

See Part 2 in 1-26 Bulletin

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A FRIENDLY REMINDER REGARDING ONLINE GIVING

As of September 2024, the MMG online giving services were transferred onto a new platform: OSV, Our Sunday Visitor. If you haven't already, we kindly request that you re-enter your information into this new website (ABOVE LINK).

Your giving information has been suspended in the WeShare platform, since we are no longer using it. Your donation will continue to be tax deductible, and Mary Mother of God Church is always so grateful for your ongoing contributions!

THANK YOU to those parishioners who have set up new accounts!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of JANUARY 19

Jan. 19: Is 62:1-5 / Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3) / 1 Cor 12:4-11 / Jn 2:1-11

Jan. 20: Heb 5:1-10 / Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 / Mk 2:18-22

Jan. 21: Heb 6:10-20 / Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c / Mk 2:23-28

Jan. 22: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 / Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 / Mk 3:1-6

Jan. 23: Heb 7:25—8:6 / Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 / Mk 3:7-12

Jan. 24: Heb 8:6-13 / Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 / Mk 3:13-19

Jan. 25: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 / Ps 117:1bc, 2 / Mk 16:15-18

Jan. 26: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 / Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c) / 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27 / Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

2025 WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

• SATURDAY, JAN. 18

9-10 AM - Confessions

4:30 PM - Rosary & Confessions

5:00 PM - **MASS:** †Robert Scott

• SUNDAY, JAN. 19 - Second Sunday, Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Rosary & Confessions

8:30 AM - **MASS:** SI - Jimmie & Rita Wells

• MONDAY, JAN. 20 - NO MASS

• TUESDAY, JAN. 21

5:00 PM - Rosary & Confessions

5:30 PM - **MASS:** †Wilma Hensley Higgins

• WEDNESDAY, JAN. 22 - Day of Prayer for the Protection of Unborn Children

4:30 PM - Evening Prayer & Adoration

5:00 PM - Confessions & Benediction

5:30 PM - **MASS:** †Jewel Cheslick

• THURSDAY, JAN. 23

8:00 AM - Rosary & Confessions

8:30 AM - **MASS:** †Deceased Members of the Griggs Family

• FRIDAY, JAN. 24

8:00 AM - Rosary & Confessions

8:30 AM - **MASS:** †Vukasin Perovich

9:00 AM - Fatima Rosary

• SATURDAY, JAN. 25

9-10 AM - Confessions

4:30 PM - Rosary & Confessions

5:00 PM - **VIGIL MASS:** SI - Christine Perovich

• SUNDAY, JAN. 26 - Third Sunday, Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Rosary & Confessions

8:30 AM - **MASS:** †Jewel Cheslick

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Arkansas Catholic is traveling to Italy Oct. 28 - Nov. 8 for the Holy Year and we want you to join us. Father Brian Cundall, pastor of Christ the King Church in Fort Smith, will be the spiritual director for this tour. You can experience Florence and Siena on All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, plus stops in Milan, Turin, Orvieto and Montecassino. Pilgrims will have four days in Rome and walk through the Holy Doors.



An informational meeting will be held Sunday, February 16 at 3:00 pm at Christ the King Church Parish Hall in Fort Smith.

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/ACpilgrimage2025>.

If you have any questions, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at

kathy@suesmithvacations.com or 501-771-0987



The Diocese of Little Rock
Minister for Religious Office
is hosting a

Women's Religious Vocations Come and See Retreat

Women's religious orders with representation in the Diocese of Little Rock have been invited to participate

**Friday - Saturday, March 14 - 15, 2025
from 5:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

**St. John's Center
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This retreat is a discernment event aimed at single Catholic women ages of 17-35 who are seeking answers to questions about life as religious sisters.

It is free of charge and includes lunch. The retreat is staffed by the sisters of religious communities in the Diocese of Little Rock. No one will pressure you to commit.

The retreat includes a variety of sessions, presentations, discussions with Q&A periods, as well as personal one-on-one visits with the sisters. The meal and gatherings allow attendees to interact with the sisters and other participants.



YOUTHSPEAK

What does being Catholic mean to you personally?

Responses are from students at Mary Mother of God Church in Harrison. Holly Coffman is their director of religious education.

"To me, being Catholic is believing and praying to God and to never sin. Being Catholic is about following God's word and his commandments by helping others. It's all about giving and not getting. Being Catholic means being with family and friends, praying, reading the Bible and following the teachings of the Lord our Savior together."



**Adam Coffman,
fifth grade**



**Julia McFadden,
eighth grade**

"Being Catholic to me means that I know that I am in the one true Church after hundreds of years of my family not being Catholic. I love being Catholic because it's fun to spread my faith, even though I might be disliked sometimes because of my religion."

"Being Catholic means everything to me! The Church's teachings give me purpose and help me live my life to its fullest. Being Catholic also means loving the body, knowing I'm not just a formless soul, but a wonderful union of body and spirit."



**Nathan Arthur,
11th grade**



**Charlize Adamos,
12th grade**

"My Catholic faith centers on love, humility and purpose. The Catholic Church is special to me with its sacred traditions — like the Eucharist and Sign of the Cross — and reverence in Mass. Receiving the Eucharist every Sunday is so special to me, helping me feel God's presence in my life."



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INVITATION TO ALL PARISHIONERS



Marian Pathways meets every first Saturday. Our next meeting is **Saturday, Feb. 1**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT CARMEN AT 305-815-1795

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

Due to the weekly changes in the bulletin, as well as only one bulletin posted on the Mary Mother of God website, please save any past bulletins if there is an event you are interested in.

Gentlemen, you can register at this link www.arcatholicmen.com/register/



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FEBRUARY 8, 2025

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2024	SEPT	OCT	NOV
<i>Extraordinary Income (Gift)</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,411.92
Regular Income	\$ 35,365.18	\$ 31,864.45	\$ 30,757.33
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Regular Expenses	\$ (41,382.23)	\$ (38,355.30)	\$ (40,320.17)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (41,382.23)	\$ (44,922.15)	\$ (60,216.91)
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- Rehearsals are Wednesdays 7:30PM in the music office

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- Rehearsals are Thurs. at 5:30PM

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- Rehearsals are Mondays at 7PM

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†Shirley Feldman

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JANUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>December 29</i></p> <p>8AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass</p>	<p><i>December 30</i></p> <p>NO MASS ++ 3:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg</p>	<p><i>December 31</i> <i>New Year's Eve</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Rosary 5:30 PM VIGIL MASS ++ NO OCIA CLASS</p>	<p><i>January 1</i> <i>Mary Mother of God</i></p> <p>8:00 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> ++ OFFICE CLOSED ++ NO 5:30 PM Mass</p>	<p><i>January 2</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ NO Choir, NO P&W Rehearsals</p>	<p><i>January 3</i> <i>First Friday</i></p> <p>8 AM Patriotic Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary</p>	<p><i>January 4</i> <i>First Saturday</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9-10 AM Confessions & First Saturday Devotions ++ 10AM - Noon Marian Pathways ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass</p>
<p><i>January 5</i> <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i></p> <p>8AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Second Collection <i>Maintenance Fund</i></p>	<p><i>January 6</i></p> <p>NO MASS ++ 3:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg ++ NO Handbell Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>January 7</i></p> <p>5PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ Knights of Columbus 6:30 PM Fellowship Meal 7:30 PM Meeting ++ NO OCIA CLASS</p>	<p><i>January 8</i></p> <p>4:30 PM Evening Prayer & Adoration 5:00 PM Confessions & Benediction ++ 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6:00 PM PRE Dinner 6:30 PM PRE Classes</p>	<p><i>January 9</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 9:00 AM Rosary CCW Meeting Coffee & Sweets ++ 5:30 PM Council Mtgs ++ NO Choir, NO P&W Rehearsals</p>	<p><i>January 10</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary</p>	<p><i>January 11</i></p> <p>9-10 AM Confessions ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass</p>
<p><i>January 12</i> <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i></p> <p>8AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass</p>	<p><i>January 13</i></p> <p>NO MASS ++ 3:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg ++ NO Handbell Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>January 14</i></p> <p>5PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6 PM Dinner 6:30 PM OCIA Class</p>	<p><i>January 15</i></p> <p>4:30 PM Evening Prayer & Adoration 5:00 PM Confessions & Benediction ++ 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6:00 PM PRE Dinner 6:30 PM PRE Classes</p>	<p><i>January 16</i></p> <p>NO MASS ++ NO Choir, NO P&W Rehearsals</p>	<p><i>January 17</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary</p>	<p><i>January 18</i></p> <p>9-10 AM Confessions ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass</p>
<p><i>January 19</i> <i>2nd Sunday Ordinary Time</i></p> <p>8AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass</p>	<p><i>January 20</i></p> <p>NO MASS ++ 3:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg ++ NO Handbell Rehearsal ++ OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p><i>January 21</i></p> <p>5PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6 PM Dinner 6:30 PM OCIA Class ++ <i>Knights Officers Mtg</i></p>	<p><i>January 22</i></p> <p>4:30 PM Evening Prayer & Adoration 5:00 PM Confessions & Benediction ++ 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6:00 PM PRE Dinner 6:30 PM PRE Classes ++ <i>Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children</i></p>	<p><i>January 23</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 5:30 PM P&W Rehearsal ++ 6:30 PM MMG Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>January 24</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary ++ <i>Catechism in a Year Friday Group</i></p>	<p><i>January 25</i></p> <p>9-10 AM Confessions ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass</p>
<p><i>January 26</i> <i>3rd Sunday Ordinary Time</i></p> <p>8AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Second Collection <i>Black & Indian Missions</i> ++ 10 AM Scripture Study REVELATION Begins</p>	<p><i>January 27</i></p> <p>NO MASS ++ 3:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg ++ 7 PM Handbell Meeting</p>	<p><i>January 28</i></p> <p>3 PM Scripture Study REVELATION Begins ++ 5PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6 PM Dinner 6:30 PM OCIA Class</p>	<p><i>January 29</i></p> <p>4:30 PM Evening Prayer & Adoration 5:00 PM Confessions & Benediction ++ 5:30 PM Mass ++ 6:00 PM PRE Dinner 6:30 PM PRE Classes</p>	<p><i>January 30</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 5:30 PM P&W Rehearsal ++ 6:30 PM MMG Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>January 31</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary</p>	<p><i>February 1</i> <i>First Saturday</i></p> <p>8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9-10 AM Confessions & First Saturday Devotions ++ 10AM - Noon Marian Pathways ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass</p>

Please check our website for any changes to the calendar.

<https://harrisoncatholic.org/resources/calendar/>

ITEMS IN RED ARE REVISIONS

JANUARY 2025

5 PM Saturday Mass

Rosary: Carrie Culhane
Lector: Joan Lipsmeyer
E/M: Val Stechly
Renaë Whiteside

BACKUP
E/M's

USHERS: Jerry Hogue
Everett Burr
Wes Bradford
Chad Coffman

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Rosary: Bobby Lowery
Lector: Dr. Tom Hoberock
E/M: Bobby Lowery
Mike Galligan
Mary Billups

BACKUP
E/M's

USHERS: David Krueger
James Virnig
Nick Rykert
Jason Johnson

ALTAR SERVERS: JANUARY 2025

DEC 31 Book/Cross: Landon Snyder
Tues. VIGIL Candle: Erin Culhane
530pm Candle: Kate Sidfried

JAN 1 Thurifer: Isaac Jasper
Wed. Book/Cross: Michael Adamos
830am Candle:
Candle:

JAN 4 Book/Cross: Matthew Bradford
Candle: Zeke Humphreys
Candle: Adam Coffman

JAN 5 Thurifer: Michael Adamos
Book/Cross: Sam Shoemaker
Candle: Daniel McFadden
Candle: Julia McFadden

JAN 11 Book/Cross: Logan Eddings
Candle: Kori Eddings
Candle: Laurel Eddings

JAN 12 Thurifer: Jacob Simon
Book/Cross: June Simon
Candle: Liam Lampe
Candle: Aurora Lampe

JAN 18 Book/Cross: Landon Snyder
Candle: Erin Culhane
Candle: Kate Sidfrid

JAN 19 Thurifer: Julia McFadden
Book/Cross: Michael Adamos
Candle: Daniel McFadden
Candle: Ella McFadden

JAN 25 Book/Cross: Matthew Bradford
Candle: Zeke Humphreys
Candle: Adam Coffman

JAN 26 Thurifer: Michael Adamos
Book/Cross: Sam Shoemaker
Candle: Liam Lampe
Candle: Aurora Lampe

If you are unable to serve, please contact Carrie Culhane. Thank you.

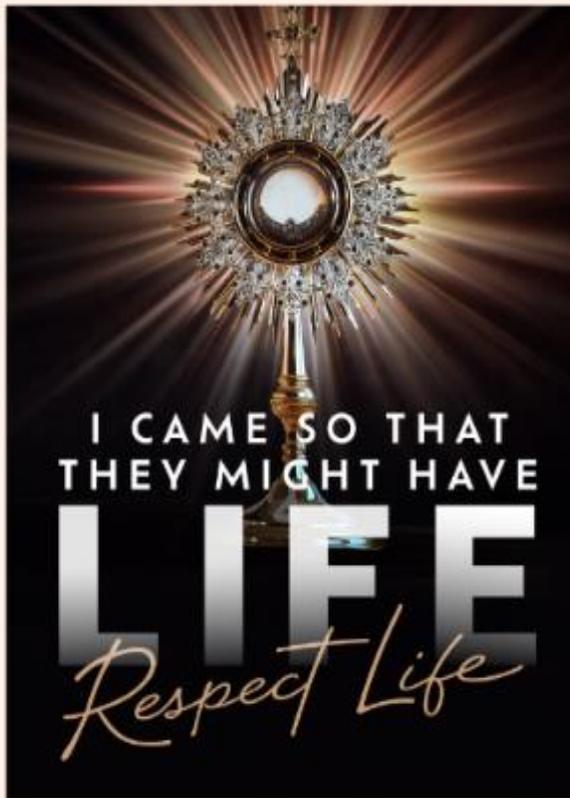
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Mass for Life

JANUARY 19, 2025 NOON
CATHEDRAL OF ST. ANDREW

617 LOUISIANA ST., LITTLE ROCK
BISHOP ANTHONY B. TAYLOR, PRESIDER

The Respect Life Office invites you
to join us as we pray
for an end to abortion
and for the legal protection of
unborn children.



ROSARY FOR LIFE WITH
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FROM 11:20 - 11:50 AM



FREE grab-n-go lunch
TACOS GODOY
Donations welcomed.

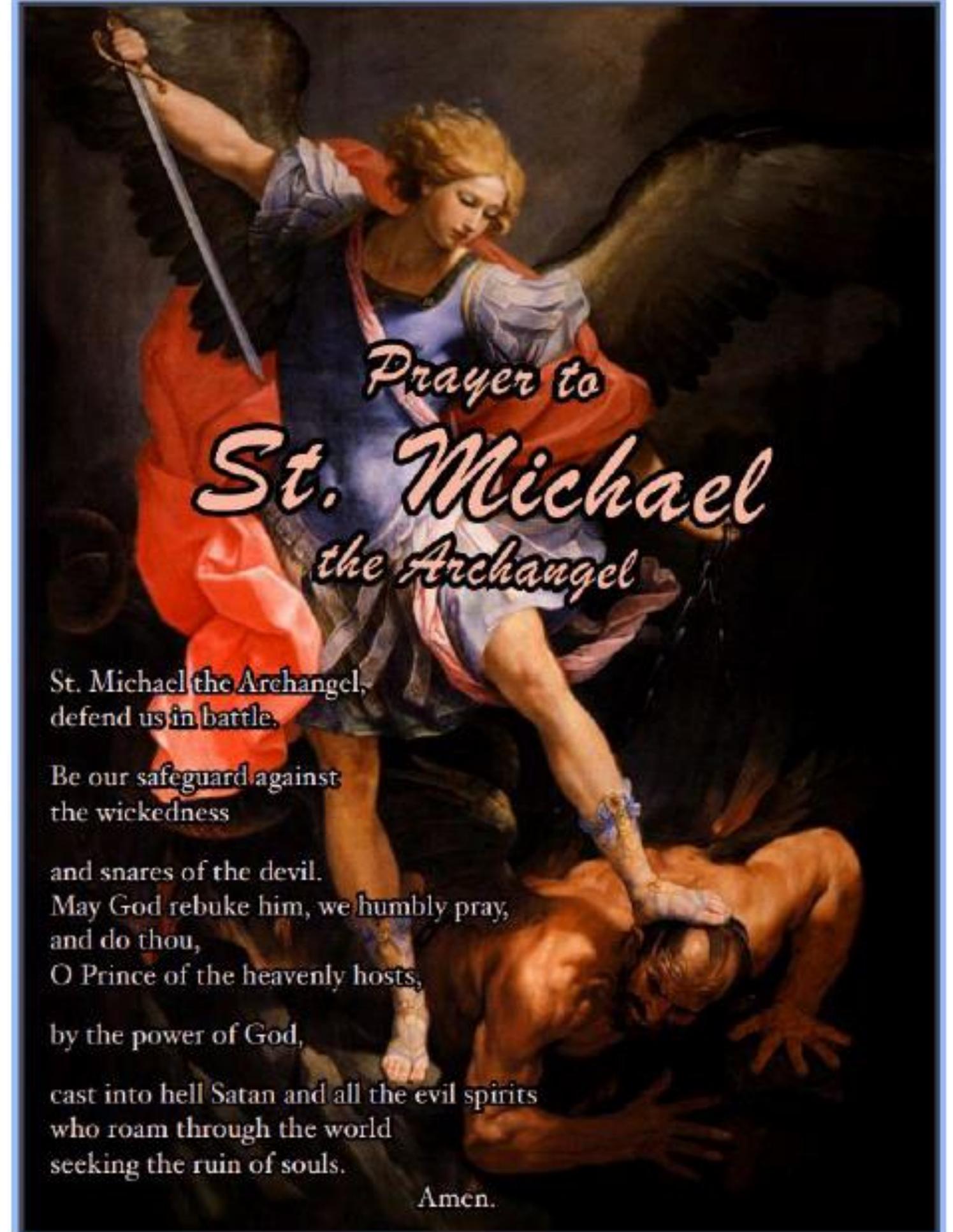
Any proceeds will benefit the Respect Life Office.



**ARKANSAS
RIGHT TO LIFE**

Please join Arkansas Right to Life
at 2pm for the 47th annual
MARCH FOR LIFE
along Capitol Ave. to the steps of
the Arkansas State Capitol.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
THE RESPECT LIFE OFFICE
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Prayer to
St. Michael
the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our safeguard against
the wickedness

and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts,

by the power of God,

cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits
who roam through the world
seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Instructions to donate online through OSV (Our Sunday Visitor)

1. Visit harrisoncatholic.org and click on the GIVE tab.
2. Select which church you would like to donate to
(MMG or St. Andrew's)
3. You can choose from the following funds:
 - Offertory
 - Building / Maintenance
 - Cemetery
4. Fill in the amount, frequency, start date, and account information.

For quick access to the donation page, please **scan the QR** code with your smartphone camera.



Your contribution is tax-deductible.

The Truth About **Abortion** & **Women's Health**

Abortion does not save women's lives.

Abortion is the **direct** and **intentional** killing of a child in the womb.

Abortion is never medically necessary. It does not treat or solve any pregnancy-related complication.

Outlawing abortion will not affect treatment for miscarriage.

Treatment for miscarriage and abortion is not the same thing.

There is a complete moral and legal difference between losing a child through miscarriage and intentionally taking the life of a child.

In the tragic case of miscarriage, surgery may be necessary—and is an ethical treatment—to remove the remains of an unborn child who has already died.

While the same surgery is done to perform an abortion, abortions impose this procedure on a **living child** with the **intention** of ending his or her life.

Women can get the lifesaving treatments they need—without abortion.

In rare cases, and in the absence of better alternatives, life-threatening maternal health conditions may require interventions that **indirectly** and **unintentionally** lead to the death of an unborn child. **Abortion restrictions will not prevent women from receiving these treatments.**

When the lives of mother and child are in immediate danger, the goal is to fight to save both patients. **Effective treatments exist that seek to save the life of the mother and never to intentionally harm her unborn child.**

When a woman's life is at risk in pregnancy, preterm delivery may be used as a lifesaving medical intervention to preserve the life of both mother and child.¹

Ectopic pregnancies result when an embryo implants outside the uterus—often in the fallopian tube. Sadly, such embryos cannot survive and this condition can pose serious risks to the mother. While ectopic pregnancies sometimes resolve naturally, interventions are often necessary.

When done ethically, treatment for an ectopic pregnancy is not abortion. Ethical interventions include the removal of the damaged fallopian tube containing the embryo or, if embryo death has already occurred, medication can be used to resolve the ectopic pregnancy.

Bottom line: Abortion restrictions never prevent women from receiving life-saving treatment.²

If you or someone you know is struggling after involvement in an abortion, the Church offers confidential, compassionate help through Project Rachel Ministry. Visit www.hopeafterabortion.org for more information.

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¹DuMontier, C. 2010. "The ethics of intentional and accidental ectopic pregnancies: four case studies and a review of the literature." *The Lincoln Quarterly* 8(2): 252-269.
²For further information on these topics, reference: [1] National Catholic Bioethics Council, "Medical Interventions During Pregnancy in Light of Diabbe," <https://www.nccb.org/resources/policy-public-affairs-report-2019-02-2022-00007>. [2] American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, "Myth vs. Fact: Correcting Misinformation on Maternal Medical Care," https://aaolgo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/04PLGO-Myth-vs-Fact_v5.pdf.

MAJOR CHANGES TO SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM!

In The Diocese of Little Rock



WHO must do safe environment training and background checks:

1) Employees

2) Volunteers with Routine Contact w/Minors

- a. This includes only volunteers who have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their volunteer duties.
- b. Volunteers who do not have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their duties do not have to do safe environment training or background checks

3) Eucharistic Ministers who serve the homebound

WHAT training programs:

“CMG Connect” online training for adults
(<http://www.dolr.org/safe-environment>)
(Or directly at: <http://littlerock.CMGconnect.org>)

“Circle of Grace” in-classroom training for children/youth

We will no longer use VIRTUS's "protecting God's Children" or "Touching Safety". Instead, we will use products supported by **Catholic Mutual Group (CMG)**.

All data from VIRTUS will be moved over to CMG Connect. No one who has already done safe environment training and a background check will have to re-do anything at this time. Users who are due for a 5-year recertification will be notified how to do that by their parish/school safe environment coordinator, who will also have information on both new programs."