



## ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH

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#### MASS TIMES:

Sunday \* 8:30 A.M. Spanish \* 10 A.M. English

\*4:00 P.M. Creole

1st Sundays: One Multicultural Mass at 10:00 A.M.

\*1st Friday: Holy Hour at 6 P.M.

Weekdays (Tuesday-Friday): \*12 P.M. Noon English

\* 3rd Saturdays: 5 P.M. Neo Catechumenal Breaking of the Word, Via Zoom

#### Sacramentos:

Confesiones: Sabados, 4:00pm-4:30pm, En la Capilla

Bautismo: Llama a la casa parroquial para informaciones.

Matrimonio: Llama al Parroco lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio para los encuentros premaritrimoniales.

#### Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Saturdays, 4:00pm-4:30pm Parish Center Chapel.

Baptism: Pre-sacramental instructions required. Call rectory to register for class.

Marriage: Phone Pastor at least 6 months before desired date to set up schedule of marriage preparation.

# NOVEMBER 1, 2020



## ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH

{Weekday Masses are held in the Parish Center Chapel unless otherwise noted}

**Sunday, November 1, 2020: All Saints Holy Day of Obligation**

**10:00 AM** In memory of Florine and Gulio Lundy;  
For Kyle Penny on his 8th birthday on  
November 3, given by his parents Abigail and Alandy  
Penny

**Monday, November 2, 2020: All Souls Day**

**8:00 AM & 12 PM** For all the deceased members of SJSM  
by Fr. Kingsley

**Tuesday, November 3, 2020: St. Martin de Porres**

**12:00 PM** For those who find it difficult to find hope and healing  
in these challenging and uncertain times

**Wednesday, November 4, 2020: St. Charles Borromeo**

**12:00 PM** For doctors, nurses, and all health care workers

**Thursday, November 5, 2020: Weekday**

**12:00 PM** For those who are anxious and uncertain

**Friday, November 6, 2020: Weekday**

**12:00 PM** For our parishioners at St. Justin-St. Michael's

**6:00 PM** Holy Hour

**Please reserve your spot for Mass using our link for  
SignUpGenius on our website and on Facebook!**

### ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday (Office is closed on Friday)  
9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

### WHAT'S YOUR OFFERING TO GOD TODAY?

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name. Bring  
an offering and come to His courts (Psalm 96:8):

**"The greatest among you will be the one who serves the  
rest," Jesus says in today's Gospel. What wonderful  
good news for those who give of their time in service to  
others!**

### The Malta Food Pantry at St. Justin — St. Michael Parish

**OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF**  
Served **140** families this past weekend!

**October 25, 2020      October 27, 2019**

**\$5,411.00                      \$3,110.00**

**We are grateful for your contribution!**

### St. Justin-St. Michael Parish Sunday Collections



**November 1: Weekly & All Saints**

**November 2: All Souls**

**November 8: Monthly & Weekly**

**November 15: Camp. For Human Dev. &  
Weekly**

**November 22: Christmas Flowers & Weekly**

**November 29: Maintenance & Weekly**

### SANCTUARY LAMP

Is Lit for:

**The happy repose of all who have died  
from the Coronavirus in recent weeks.**



### Hearts Wide Open Zoom Sessions



The Hearts Wide Open Project will be hosting two  
more Zoom Sessions discussing topics such as  
race, faith, and culture. The 2 upcoming dates  
are: **November 4, and November 11**. The sessions are  
from **7pm—8pm**. Watch from the comfort of your home on  
your, phone, tablet, or computer. If you attend all four you  
will be entered into a raffle. Please support our community  
and SJSM Parish facilitators for donating their time. Call our  
Parish office for more information: (860)246-6897

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



Please pray for the sick of our parish, and especially  
for: Mamie Gage, Lucille Chambers, Annie Mears,  
Michael Mierez, Norman Nesbeth, Michael Tutler,  
Luz Santana, George Jackson, Beverline Goines, Rose  
Johnson, Peter Alcide, Janet Pivarsky, Aaron Greene,  
Antoinette Forbes, Ruth Adams, Muriel McDonald, LaJune  
Brown, Francisco Rivera, Dalvis Henriques, Concepcion  
Roman, Ruffin Davis, MaryAnn Carter, Ferdinand Anigbo,  
Perline Blake, Tio Blanks, Lloyd Francis, Jaya Emmanuel,  
Maria Francheshini, Tyler James, Mary-Ann George, June  
Young, Glenice Brooks, Outhone Ford, Sandy Miller, Gernett  
Goodison, Doloris Harper, Anthony Charles, Bernadette  
Pierre, Madeliene Nestor, J. Lorraine Tutler, Joey Arango,  
Verona Tai, Patricia Beckford, Hazel Smalls, Eliza Ferrier,  
Sylvia Williams, Henry McQuiller and Barbara Kelly.

**If you would like Fr. Kingsley to visit you, or your loved one in  
the hospital, at home, or hospice, call (860) 246-6897.**

# SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

## Pastor's Weekly Reflection

The call to sainthood is a universal one. While we live in this imperfect world, encumbered by the flesh, under imperfect circumstances, we are constantly called to perfection. "Be ye perfect as your heavenly father is perfect" Matt.5:48. The word perfection or holiness may sometimes sound lofty or even like an unattainable ideal, too intimidating to even think about. Yet, in truth, it is really not any more or any less that an invitation to be good. It is the relentless quest to model Christ in our daily conducts. Seek justice for all, forsake wickedness and embrace love. In summary, to do ordinary things with extra-ordinary love. Today, as the church celebrates All Saints, we think of the many men and women who, while having their fair share of human imperfections, were able to soldier on and to attain the crown of glory. We think of the likes of saints Peter and Paul, we think of Mary of Magdala and we think of Augustine of Hippo. While we can all agree to the victory of God's grace in their lives, aided by their personal collaboration, no one can deny their not so pristine past. In the end, what they can all teach us is that every saint has a past, every sinner has a future. They teach us of the relentless power of the grace and love of God which seeks us out even as we languish in the dungeon of sin. Nonetheless, while the grace of God may be entirely free, there should be a reciprocal openness to collaborate in a way that is worthy of such huge and inestimable gift. The first reading speaks of a people submerged in and have emerged from great distress in order to earn a place at the feast of the Lamb. They are the people washed in the blood of the lamb and dressed in white robes. They are the people who have been deemed worthy, in today's Psalm, to climb the mountain of the Lord. The gospel describes them as merciful, meek, peaceful, pure in heart, kind, and just. Those virtues are the wedding garments spoken about three Sundays ago. We too can all earn our spots at that heavenly banquet. It certainly is not an easy task, it requires lots of sacrifices, but the grace of God makes it all possible. As we think about the choices in front of us, it is important to remind ourselves of the perennial question that Jesus posed in the gospels: "What does it profit a man [or woman] to gain the whole world and to lose his soul?" Mk.8:6.

## St. Justin-St. Michael Almsgiving Tree



The call to **almsgiving** means making the needs of other people our own. One of the central lessons of the cross is compassion; the heavy burdens we carry help us to appreciate the suffering in others.

The **three** traditional **practices** to be taken up with renewed vigor are prayer (justice towards God), fasting (justice towards self), and almsgiving (justice towards neighbors). **This year we have our Almsgiving Tree set up so that we at SJSM can again help respond to the needs of our homeless men, women and children in Hartford. We are asking for donations of: Backpacks, Socks, and Rain Ponchos. The Almsgiving Tree will stay up indefinitely!**



## What's happening at St. Justin-St. Michael Parish

We are continuing to follow the required Archdiocesan procedures and respecting the current limits set by Governor Ned Lamont. Sunday Masses can take place either indoors with a maximum of 200 total persons, socially distanced, or outdoors with a maximum of 150 persons, socially distanced. While Sunday Masses have resumed, the dispensation from the Sunday obligation previously granted to all Catholics of the Archdiocese by the Archbishop will continue to extend through Saturday, November 28, 2020. The elderly, sick, and those who care for anyone who is vulnerable remain encouraged not to attend at this time. Anyone in those categories is asked to continue taking advantage of television or streaming Masses online as they stay home and stay safe. Unless exempt, those attending Mass are required to wear masks or face coverings and are asked to bring hand sanitizer for use during the liturgy. Please arrive about fifteen minutes early to Mass in order to be screened for your temperature. Also, remember to reserve your spot for Daily and Sunday Masses to allow the volunteers to prepare the church properly.



## SJSM Annual Appeal

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our Annual Collection. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. Thank you.

## St. Justin- St. Michael Parish

### 2020 Annual Collection

#### Campaign Statistics as of 10/9/2020

<b>Total # of Households:</b>	<b>381</b>
<b>Total # Pledged:</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>% of Participation</b>	<b>8.66 %</b>
<b>Total Amount Pledged:</b>	<b>\$8,215.00</b>
<b>Total Amount Paid:</b>	<b>\$5,977.50</b>
<b>Average Pledge:</b>	<b>\$248.94</b>
<b>% of Pledges Collected</b>	<b>72.76%</b>

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*St. Mary Cemetery - 1141 Stanley St. New Britain, CT*  
*All Saints Cemetery - 700 Middletown Ave. North Haven, CT*  
*Mt. Olivet Cemetery - 669 Platt Rd. Watertown, CT*

***Saturday October 31, 2020***

*Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery - 1 Cottage Grove Rd. Bloomfield, CT*  
*St. Francis Cemetery - 863 South Main St. Torrington, CT*  
*Mt. St. Peter Cemetery - 219 New Haven Ave. Derby, CT*  
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