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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.

Weekdays (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday): *12 P.M. Noon
English

*6:00 P.M. Wednesday Outdoor Mass



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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
prematrimoniales.

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.

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021



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

Sunday, September 19, 2021: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 AM** Spanish
- 10:00 AM** For Anthony Joshua, Happy Birthday from your family;
For Gregory P. McGarrah, brother of Cheryl, Gloria and Sandra McGarrah, and for his family, requested by the Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary St. Benedict Court 311
- 4:00 PM** Creole

Tuesday, September 21, 2021: St. Matthew

- 12:00 PM** In memory of Emmanuel "Dad" Plummer may his soul rest in the peace of Christ.

Wednesday, September 22, 2021: Weekday

- 6:00 PM** For our Grandson, Joshua Jones, on his 19th birthday. Requested by Kay and Rudy Brooks;
Outdoor Mass

Thursday, September 23, 2021: St. Pius

- 12:00 PM** For the eternal repose of Monsignor Ralph Madu

Friday, September 24, 2021: Weekday

- 12:00 PM** For the eternal repose of Father Mark Njoku



SANCTUARY LAMP

Is Lit for:

Those who have died from the Coronavirus this week



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, Salvius Nestor, 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, 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, Ellen Dorosh, Mathew Nestor, Pearlina Williston, Ruth Williams, Carol Lightbody, Marla Joseph, Muriel McDonald and Bertram Morgan

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

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):

Today's second reading warns that a heart consumed with avarice and envy leads to jealousy, strife, conflicts, and disputes. A giving heart, in contrast, can sing instead with the psalmist, "Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness."

The Malta Food Pantry at

St. Justin — St. Michael Parish

Served 132 families this past weekend!

OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF

September 12, 2021 September 13, 2020

\$4,054.00

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We are grateful for your contribution!

St. Justin-St. Michael Parish Sunday Collections



September 19: Weekly

September 26: Catholic Elementary Sch. and Weekly

ST. JUSTIN—ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Gospel/Jazz Fundraiser

Thank you to all for making our first Annual Gospel/Jazz Concert Fundraiser a tremendous success. We were able to raise \$4,500 for our Parish and another \$500 for Aid to Haiti. Below are the winning numbers for the Door Prizes including the prize won. **Check your tickets**

Ticket Numbers :

153-Candle Gift Basket and 3 Mass Intentions

123-Gift Certificate to Russell's Restaurant \$25

88-Starbucks Gift Basket

109-\$50 Restaurant gift card

191-\$25 Home Depot gift card

161-\$25 gift card, can be used at T.J.Maxx, Marshall's, Home Goods

153-Jam & Preserves, Wine basket from Local Farm

83-Prayers & Pamper Basket

37-Gift Cards- \$25 Stop & Shop, \$25 Home Depot, \$25 Visa Card & \$10 Dunkin Doughnuts Gift Card

95-Bible Study Books

167-Candles, Cookbook & \$20 Stop and Shop Gift Card

178-Wine Basket

74-Coffee/Tea basket from Local Veteran owned business called INI Sips

87-Massage Basket

45-\$25 Visa Gift Cards

29-\$25 Visa Gift Cards

159-\$25 Visa Gift Cards

115-Wine Basket

190-\$100 Walmart Gift Card -

31-\$50 Gift Card Texas DE Brazil Restaurant

94-\$50 Gift Card Texas DE Brazil Restaurant

180-Scratch Lottery Tickets

195-\$25 Visa Gift Card

10-Tea Basket Set

4-Charcoal BBQ Grill

Contact Alandy Penny if you have a winning ticket: 860-803-2983

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor's Weekly Reflection

Vaulting ambition, greed, wanton desires, and selfishness are at the root of many of the problems we face in society today. The relentless quest to gratify selfish desires has been the cause for much of the disorder and the foul practices evident in many of society. Such desires have often led to envy, jealousy, rancor, wars, conflicts, persecution and sometimes even to murder. In today's first reading from the book of Wisdom, we read about the just man being persecuted because his good deeds stand in contrast to the ways of the wicked, the unjust. Against the just, they plan revilement and torture to get rid of him, since he stands in their way. In other words, they would stop at nothing in order to eradicate that obstacle. In the gospel we see the disciples of Jesus argue and fight over positions, about who is the greatest among them. And this took place as Jesus was speaking to them about His impending suffering for the sake of the salvation of the world. The only thing that mattered to them in that moment, sadly, was power and positions. Unfortunately, human nature has not changed much from the time of Jesus until the present time. All those vices that Jesus confronted are still very much alive. One of the places where we see the unsavory consequences of unbridled ambition is in politics. Often, we are shocked by the malicious slander, character assassination, intentional misrepresentation of facts, or even blatant lies that are told just for the sake of political gains. And these perpetrators are supposed to be men and women of honor who have sworn to serve the common good of the masses who elected them into office, but who end up serving their own selfish interests. Truth is told only when it is convenient and if it fosters their desire to remain in power forever. In all this unfortunate theatre of mischief, the poor masses watch in disgust and despair as their trust is constantly betrayed. Yet, as disappointing as all these may sound, we are encouraged by the fact that Jesus did not lose faith in His disciples, no matter their human weaknesses, and neither should we. We are all called to be vigilant to the seductive and corrupting influence of power, both in low and high places. Like the Psalmist, we pray God to protect us from its onslaught, and to help us realize that the greatest among us must be the servant of all. Amen



ST JUSTIN—ST MICHAEL GIVING TREE

The Outreach Ministry at St. Justin-St. Michael will have the Giving Tree remain a permanent fixture in the church as a reminder that we all must continue to help the homeless. **We will continue to ask for donations of: Socks, Hats & Gloves, Washcloths, Deodorant, Toothpaste and Toothbrushes, Hand Sanitizer & Rain Ponchos. Thank you so much for what you continue to do for the least of our brothers and sisters. If you have any questions, you can speak with Cheryl Lawrence.**



ADULT CONFIRMATION

All adults who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to complete their Sacraments of Initiation are invited to sign up for Adult Confirmation classes. To register please call the parish office for details. (860) 246-6897.



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

As of Sunday (May 22/23), Archbishop Blair has announced there is an obligation once again to participate at Mass. Given Governor Lamont's declaration that "remaining restrictions will be lifted, our churches can: Reopen to 100% capacity with no need for any specific social distancing. Both entrances are available to enter/exit the church. **Effective Wednesday, June 9, 2021**, for those who are vaccinated, wearing masks will now be optional while at Mass, at other liturgies, and at any indoor or outdoor events held at our churches. Those who remain unvaccinated should continue to wear masks, with particular attention being given to the safety of young, unvaccinated children. We no longer need to do temperature checks at the door. Pew barriers (ropes) that were previously used to comply with social distancing can be removed. Floor decals will remain in place for now.

Liturgical Guidelines: Congregational singing is once again allowed, but masks need to remain on during singing and throughout the liturgy. The Sign of the peace can be announced but only to be exchanged without touching. The COVID-19 procedures for distributing Holy Communion will remain in place for now: Both the Priest/ Deacon and those receiving are to wear masks. Communicants will receive the consecrated host in their hand, step to the side, lower their mask, consume the host, replace their mask, and return to their pew. Outdoor Masses continue to be an option and are allowed.

However, since the risk of infection still remains, the following individuals may decide not yet to attend church: those suffering from serious pre-existing conditions making them more susceptible to COVID-19; those who are ill or homebound or who are caregivers in close contact with someone who is; those who have tested positive for any contagious disease, including COVID-19; and those who are in quarantine due to exposure to any contagion, or who reside with someone who is quarantined.



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Family Dinner Meal

The St. Catherine of Sienna Parish is providing Families a free complete meal. To enter the raffle please place your name and telephone number in the **Green Bag** located at the entrance of either doorway today, Sunday. You'll be contacted by Myles Hubbard. The Selected names will collect their meal on **Thursday, September 23** at the Parish Center between **3:00pm – 5:00pm**. For further information please speak with **Myles Hubbard (860) 523-9883**.



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The **HOPES** Collection benefits the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese by providing our schools with individual **HOPES Grants**. These grants help fund vital advances in technology, safety and the marketing and promotion of Catholic schools. Please help us continue to provide a culture of faith and academic excellence to elementary school students by contributing to the 20201 Catholic elementary school HOPES Collection on the weekend of **September 25, - 26, 2021**. Thank you for your support.

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