



ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH

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MASS TIMES:

Sunday * 8:30 A.M. Spanish * 10:00 A.M. English

*4:00 P.M. Creole

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

Weekdays (Tuesday - Friday): *8:00 A.M.

English (Parish Chapel)



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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 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.

OCTOBER 3, 2021



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

Sunday, October 3, 2021: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 AM Pray the Rosary

10:00 AM In memory of Florine and Gulio Lundy, requested by Flo Lundy;
For the Spiritual healing of Milla Barrie;
For the Spiritual healing of Maria Robles and Domingo Hernandez and their family;
For Verona Brown and her special intentions, on the occasion of her birthday

Tuesday, October 5, 2021: Weekday

8:00 AM No Mass, Father Kingsley is away on Convocation

Wednesday, October 6, 2021: Weekday

8:00 AM No Mass, Father Kingsley is away on Convocation

Thursday, October 7, 2021: Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 AM No Mass, Father Kingsley is away on Convocation

Friday, October 8, 2021: Weekday

8:00 AM No Mass, Father Kingsley is away on Convocation

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 phrase in today's psalm, "May you see your children's children," is really a prayer for a long life. The good steward knows that every day is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives!"

The Malta Food Pantry at

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Served **119** families this past weekend!

OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF

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\$3,120.00

\$3,761.00

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St. Justin-St. Michael Parish Sunday Collections



October 3: Monthly and Weekly
October 10: Maintenance and Weekly
October 17: Weekly
October 24: Mission Sunday and Weekly
October 31: Weekly



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, 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, Ellen Dorosh, Mathew Nestor, Pearlina Williston, Ruth Williams, Carol Lightbody, Angelica Hilaman, 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 2021 ANNUAL COLLECTION

Every parish family should have received a letter from Father Ihejirika this week asking for a contribution to our parish **Annual Collection** so we can continue with parish improvements and apply funds to balance our 2021 budget. Please complete your gift card and return it to the parish office today. Thank you!



SAINT LUKE PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS TOLTON FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST PERFORMED LIVE BY JIM COLEMAN

Sponsored by The Father Nadolny Good News Fund St. Luke Productions Presents Tolton: From Slave to Priest. It will be held here at St. Justin—St. Michael Parish on **Saturday, October 9 at 5 PM. Admission is Free-Will Offering. Masks will be required for all attendees.** Call the Parish Office for more information and visit our website at stjustinstmichael.org under our events tab for further details. *Suitable for Ages 10 and up*

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor's Weekly Reflection

The Christian religion championed many significant changes in the history of civilization. Some of these changes include, the defense of the rights of the unborn, and the defense of the right of the infant to live. It also fought against polygamy, incest, marital infidelity, etc. All these issues can be categorized as a fight for the right of persons. The issue of marriage and divorce, which Jesus addresses in today's gospel, falls under this broad category of human rights. Seen from a very narrow point of view, what seems to be most obvious is Jesus trying to restrict the freedom a couple has to liberate themselves from an unhealthy relationship. Much of the criticisms that the church has received has been based on that; on how hard the church makes it for a couple to obtain divorce. But really this law is about the protection of the rights of all, especially the most vulnerable members of society. The society in which Jesus lived and ministered was predominantly patriarchal. There was undeniable discrimination against women which often saw them living as second class citizens. Stories of Mary Magdalene and the Samaritan woman are some of those that leave no doubt about how much women were discriminated against. Jesus' teaching on marriage and divorce was indeed revolutionary. The laws that existed prior to His teaching, including the Mosaic law, gave men almost absolute right to get rid of their wives; and almost no rights to women. Women were first their fathers' property and then their husband's. Women were regarded as expendable objects with almost no legal rights. Jesus came to bring about equity, justice and fairness, and to place women on equal footing as men. Jesus' fight for the rights of women bring to mind the broad goal of His ministry to fight for the oppressed, the poor, and marginalized. His mission was to ensure that everyone was included. His disciples understood and embraced that mission as people like Paul made outreach to Gentiles the hallmark of his ministry. The church which Jesus founded must continue to espouse and advance the principles and values for which he lived and died. You and I must ensure that fighting for the rights of the oppressed and the marginalized is an important part of who we are. Without that, we as individual Christians, and the church as an institution loses its relevance. We pray for strength from on high that we may be true ambassadors of the good news of the love of God to the world. 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.**

IMPORTANT Announcements

There will be **NO Daily Mass this week from Tuesday, October 5 thru Friday, October 8.** Father Kingsley will be away on Convocation. We will begin our change back to 8 AM Daily Mass Tuesday thru Friday beginning October 12 2021.



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.



ST. JUSTIN—ST. MICHAEL PARISH BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday, November 7 – Multicultural Mass:

- Parishioners attending Mass are welcome to wear clothing that reflects their cultural heritage.
- Brief presentation on Black Catholic History after Communion and invitation to Coffee Hour after Mass.

Sunday, November 14 – Our Youth, the future of Black Catholicism:

- This week our Religious Education and Teen Ministry team will give a presentation that focuses on Black Catholic History.

Sunday, November 21 – Nourish the Spirit, Nourish the Body

- This week we will highlight the unique ways that Black Catholics worship. Also, we will explore the foods that our various communities associate with celebration.
- Invitation to sample ethnic dishes in Jubilee Hall after Mass with discussion about the forms of "Joyful Worship" experienced among Black Catholics.

Sunday, November 28 – Racism in the Catholic Church:

- This week we will host panel discussion on racism and we will provide reading materials on the topic.

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