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## Current Schedules

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 4:00pm  
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am,  
12noon and 5:00pm

### Weekday Masses: 8:00am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

This week Monday at 7:00pm as part of  
our Mission and Wednesday 6:00pm—  
7:00pm in the Day Chapel

### Pastoral Center Hours:

Sunday: 9:00am—3:00pm  
Monday—Thursday: 9:00am—7:00pm  
Friday—Saturday: 9:00am—5:00pm

## Parish Directory

### Parish Phone:

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### St. Michael School:

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### Pastor: Rev. Kevin Deeley

### Parochial Vicar: Rev. Jiwon Yoon

### Parochial Vicar: Rev. Joseph Hubbard

### Weekend Assistant:

Rev. Ray Dlugos, O.S.A.

### Deacon: Deacon Vincent Gatto

### Deacon: Deacon Daniel Sheridan

### Deacon: Deacon Eugene Schaeffer

### Director of Pastoral Ministries:

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### School Principal:

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### Pastoral Associate:

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### Music Director:

Jennifer Wells

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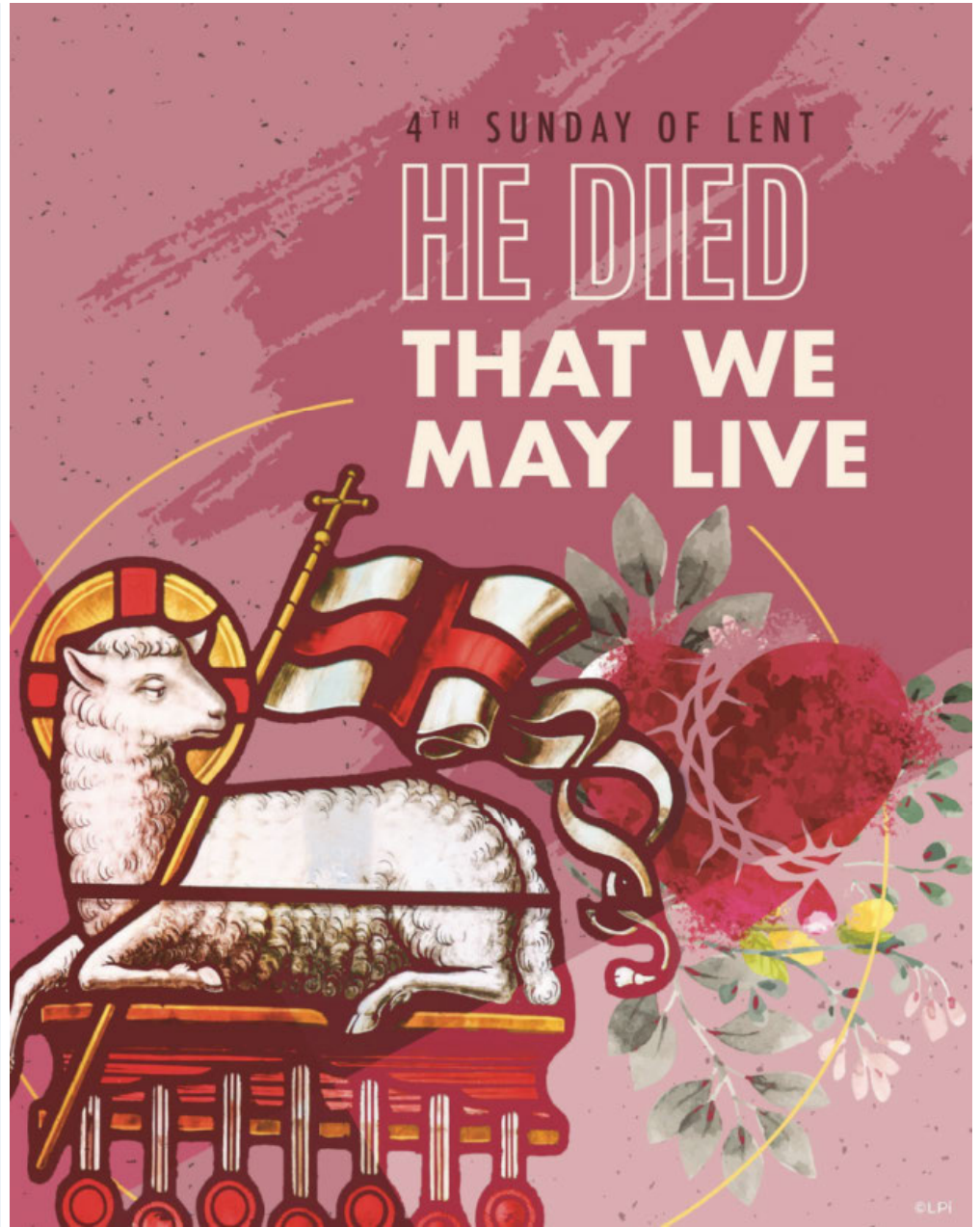
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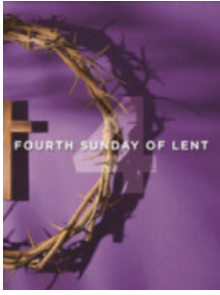
Watch Mass livestreamed at 4:00pm on Saturdays on Verizon 24, Comcast 22 or St. Michael's YouTube channel.

It is repeated on Sundays at 12noon on Verizon 24 and Thursdays at 11:00am on Comcast. 22 and, of course, on-line anytime!

### St. Michael's Mission Statement

*The Spirit of the Lord has been given to us.  
For He has anointed us with His Life.  
He has sent us to: Bring Good News to the poor,  
To proclaim liberty to captives;  
And to the blind bring new sight;  
To set the downtrodden free;  
and to proclaim the Lord's favor in our lives.*  
(Luke 4:18)

March 27, 2022



## Fourth Sunday of Lent

*Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.*

— cf. Isaiah 66:10-11

### PLEASE JOIN US THIS WEEK FOR OUR PARISH MISSION



#### *Listening to Christ through prayer, people and circumstances.*

Fr. Anthony Michalik, C.S.s.R., a Redemptorist priest and the parochial vicar at the Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Boston, will lead a three-night Lenten mission aimed at opening our hearts to better hear the voice of Jesus in our prayer and our relationships with others. Fr. Anthony leads the popular weekly Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help and has appeared numerous times on the CatholicTV Network, including the show *This is the Day* with Bishop Robert Reed.

All 3 evenings will begin at 7:00pm.

**Sunday, March 27: Preaching, Music & Prayer**

**Monday, March 28: Reconciliation Service**

*(This evening will include the opportunity for individual confession, therefore confessions will not be offered at the regular scheduled time of 6:00pm – 7:00pm.)*

**Tuesday, March 29: Closing Mass & Blessing**

### **Catholic Appeal:** *Faith in Action*



We are off to a great start with the Catholic Appeal Campaign! Without even counting our pledge weekend, we are at 42% of our goal! Thank you, so much, to all of you who have kicked off the Catholic Appeal Campaign so generously at St. Michael's! To make a pledge to the Catholic Appeal, please visit [bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org) or pick up a pledge form at the main entrances of the church. You can also scan the QR code. Participation from every household in the parish is important and every gift, no matter the size, makes a *meaningful difference* in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese.

***Thank you for your goodness!***





# PASTORAL REFLECTION

(From the Prodigal Son story, Luke 15: 11-32)

Coming Home. No longer the swine food in a foreign land. But to the feast of Home where our Father is ready to run to us, bare-footed with open arms.

But unlike this man, you and I do not make the long and fearful journey alone. Because unlike the cold and mean older brother of the parable, our Older Brother came to our exile to find us. He came to embrace us with arms fixed open on the Cross. Our older brother clothes us with Himself at our baptism. Everything He shares with His Father, He now shares with us by giving his Blood as the sign of Eternal covenant like a ring on a finger. He feeds us with His Body on the journey Home.

So yes, we do not make the journey alone, but at least we must let our Older Brother find us in the confessionals and every Sunday by coming to Mass. There, we meet our Brother and our Home away from Home.

**So, come and let Christ find you and take you Home. It's time.**

Fr. Jiwon

Fr. Jiwon Yoon



## Pope Francis is inviting you into a conversation!

It's officially called, "The Synod on Synodality", which, as you have already learned, has begun!

What does that mean?! It's simply a "walking on the same road, together", as Pope Francis describes, just like Jesus did – encountering, listening and discerning with all whom one meets". This road will lead us to become a better listening Church, a Church that listens to the Holy Spirit and to one another –

laity, priests, bishops – as it discerns the will of God for the life and mission of the Church.

The process is three-fold: 1. Locally, bringing parishioners together to discuss questions on how to become a better listening Church. 2. Summaries are sent to the Archdiocese and on to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). 3. The summaries of each nation will be forwarded to the Vatican who will assemble the Synod of Bishops in October, 2023.

*Next week, we will begin the conversation, here at St. Michael, before/after Mass in the parish hall.* See the schedule below.

To prepare for the conversation, spend some time in prayer with the Holy Spirit and reflect on these questions:

1. Thinking about our parish, archdiocese and the church, who has a voice, and who should have a voice?
2. Are you able to dialogue openly and freely with anyone in the church on important matters? What has helped this process? What prevents this process?
3. Do you feel you have the opportunity and feel equipped to fulfill God's mission of making disciples for Jesus through our parish or the greater Catholic Church?
4. Do you feel the decision-making process within your local parish community could be improved? Is prayerful discernment a part of the process?

Hope to see you then!

### Listening Sessions:


Friday, April 1, 8:45am-9:30am  
Saturday, April 2, 3:00pm-3:45pm  
Sunday, April 3, 9:00am-9:45am,  
11:00am-11:45am, 1:00pm-1:45pm and  
4:00pm-4:45pm

*Join us at one of these gatherings before/after Mass to discuss how to be a better "Listening Church".*

*Find more information on the Synod on our website!*



## This Week in Our Parish

Sunday March 27	Monday March 28	Tuesday March 29	Wednesday March 30	Thursday March 31	Friday April 1	Saturday April 2
<b>Masses</b> 8:00am, 10:00am, 12noon and 5:00pm   <b>Parish Mission</b> 7:00pm: Preaching, Music & Prayer	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Gospel of Luke*</b> 9:00am  <b>Adoration</b> 4:00-7:00pm  <b>Parish Mission</b> 7:00pm: Reconciliation Service	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Children's Choir</b> 3:45pm  <b>Parish Mission</b> 7:00pm: Closing Mass & Blessing	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> 6-7:00pm in the Day Chapel  <b>Book Discussion</b> <i>Seriously, God?</i> 1:00pm in person 7:00pm (zoom)	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Rosary Cenacle</b> 6:45pm  <b>Al-Anon*</b> 7:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Stations of the Cross:</b> 7:00pm in the church	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>First Saturday Rosary Devotion</b> After the 8:00am Mass  <b>Vigil Mass:</b> 4:00pm

*Please note: \* means meeting is held in the Pastoral Center*



*Our Parish joyfully welcomes  
the following children who  
recently celebrated the  
Sacrament of Baptism:*

**Evelyn Rose Cataldo**  
*daughter of Steven & Elizabeth*

**Vivian Marie Cataldo**  
*daughter of Steven & Elizabeth*

**James Paul Yee**  
*son of Matthew & Molly*



*March 26 through April 3*

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00pm	Ana Pereira
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am	Gen & George Clark & George, Jr. Jim Clark & Elaine Warwick
	10:00am	Lynda Palladino
	12:00noon	Michael Austin, Sr. Elsa Mercedes Alvarado Mary & Harry Connor William Pike Nancy Russell Andre C. Gilbert
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00am	John Patrick Harrington
<b>Friday</b>	8:00am	William Joy, Sr.
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00am	Kee Bae Chun
	4:00pm	Lloyd Michael James
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am	Maureen Bloise
	10:00am	Xavier Brian LaCroix
	12:00noon	Kathy McElroy Harry McElroy Saundra Stewart Edward & Jessie Motyka Anthony Rizzo, Jr. Josephine Athridge Thomas Athridge Mary Bartels Florence Gosselin Rachel Kendall
	5:00pm	Sean Adam Fitzgerald



**Palm Sunday - April 10**

Liturgies are:

**Saturday:** 4:00pm  
**Sunday:** 8:00am, 10:00am, 12noon, &  
5:00pm

### First Saturday Rosary Devotion

First Saturday Rosary Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima will be held on April 2 following the 8:00am Mass in the church. Please consider joining us.

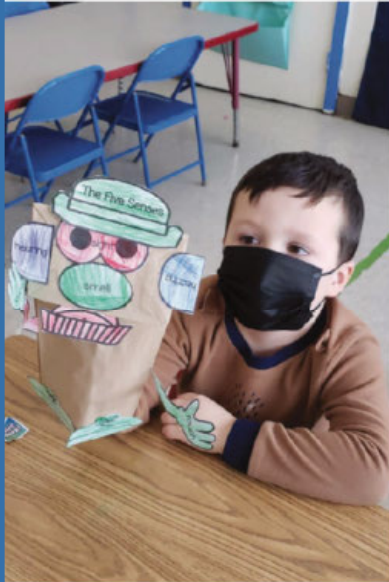


**Holy Hour**  
**Sunday, April 3, at 3:00 pm**

Join us for our monthly Holy Hour. This month we will be praying **for peace in Ukraine and in the world.**

*Please continue to pray for our Christ-Seekers!*

# SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWS



We are continuing to explore our five senses! We talked about what body part we use for each sense with a little help from Mr. Potato Head!

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Youth Minister: Katie Larson  
[Katie\\_Larson@SaintMichael.com](mailto:Katie_Larson@SaintMichael.com)

On June 17th we invite high school and college aged students to attend the "Jesus is Here" conference at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with other young Catholic adults. The evening will include a Saint Michael Youth Group dinner, followed by a night of Praise & Worship by Village Lights, a talk by Bobby and Jackie Angel, Adoration, Confession, and a visit by Cardinal Seán.

We will leave from the St. Michael Parking lot at 3:45pm, and return at 10:30 pm. Tickets are \$40 per person and includes the event, dinner and transportation. If you are interested in attending please contact [Katie\\_Larson@SaintMichael.com](mailto:Katie_Larson@SaintMichael.com).



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Our next Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held Sunday, April 3 during the 10:00AM Family Mass.

*We wish to extend a warm welcome  
to all who are attending Mass with us today!*





**Grade 1-8 Faith Formation Lenten Project:** For our Lenten Project this year, we will be collecting saltine crackers for Bread & Roses. We are asking each child in Faith Formation to bring in one box of saltine crackers.

Crackers may be brought to class or dropped off at the pastoral office. Please have all donations in by April 4. Thank you for your participation.

*“Amen, I say to you whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” **Matthew 25:40***

**Burial Flag** The American Flag which covered the casket of Staff Sergeant Phil Beninato, who served in the US Army 1951-1953, will be flown over St. Michael Parish for the month of April. If you would like to have the flag of your loved one flown here at St. Michael’s please contact Don Marinelli at 978-686-4050 for more information.



**Catholic Mom Lenten Day of Reflection**  
Saturday, April 2, 2022, 9:00am—4:00pm

Father Peyton Center, 518 Washington St., North Easton MA. Join us in person (\$25.00) or virtually (\$10.00) for inspiring talks, small group discussion, personal prayer, rosary, and Mass. To register, visit:

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**Undies Sunday**

Communities Together, Inc. will be accepting donations of diapers and small children’s underwear throughout Lent. Just one pair of underwear or one package of diapers can make a difference to a child who goes without.

Items can be dropped off in our Main Street gathering area of the church.

In the case of our discovering that someone at Mass tests positive for **COVID-19**, we will make any announcement of a positive test on the parish website & bulletin board, so please check on a regular basis.

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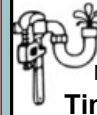
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