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# Christ Is Risen!

CHRIST  
IS RISEN  
INDEED

*Alleluia*

April 17, 2022

# Easter Sunday

*The Lord is truly risen, alleluia.*

*To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Luke 24:34; cf. Revelation 1:6*



Thank you for joining us today to share this beautiful day that the Lord has made. We rejoice as we celebrate the Risen Lord who makes all things new for us.

We, the clergy and staff of St. Michael Parish, care about you and want to do our best to welcome you and to be bearers of Christ's love to you and your loved ones. Please let us know how we may help you by contacting us at the Pastoral Center. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourselves to us.

*May the gift of New Life which is Christ's Promise to all of us, grace you and all your loved ones in the days ahead.*

## God Bless Our Christ-Seekers!

We rejoice in welcoming our new members, whom we call, "Christ-Seekers", into the Church. At the Easter Vigil, Alana Almestica, Amanda Evers, Jorge Guzman, and Utkarsh Shukla were initiated into the Body of Christ through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. More Christ-Seekers, Donovan Haynes, Rebecca Healey, Larry Wiseheart II, and Jeff Young were received into full communion in the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. On April 24, Megan Pybus will be received into the Church and on May 1 several Junior Christ-Seekers will be initiated into the Body of Christ and celebrate their First Holy Communion. The Church is strengthened by their presence! Please continue to pray for them and support them through your stories of faith.



## Come celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday**

on Sunday, April 24, at 3:00pm.  
The Prayer Service (no Mass) includes Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy, Chaplet, Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction.

Jesus said to St. Faustina, "I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You." (Diary 327)  
"The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the cross. ... Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him." (Diary 299)

The Easter collection benefits Clergy Trust which cares for the health and well-being of all our diocesan priests in good standing. In times of joy and times of sorrow, our priests are there for us. Let us be there for them. Through your donation to this collection, you can help support them as they continue their ministry and also help ensure that our senior priests continue to live in community with access to the high-quality care they need. Clergy Trust relies on your generosity to this collection, and every gift is greatly appreciated. If you would prefer to make an online donation, please scan the QR code, visit [clergytrust.org](http://clergytrust.org) or visit our parish website (see front cover of this bulletin). Thank you for helping support our priests this Easter.





## PASTORAL REFLECTION

The Empty Tomb.

Oh No, someone stole His dead body.

All three disciples had heard Jesus predicting about His Resurrection on the third day, the Sunday after the Good Friday. But what they just had gone through was so real and dark, they didn't have the luxury of thinking about those heavenly things. So, that was their conclusion.

We all have a huge empty tomb in our hearts and souls. All our life, we try to fill it with earthly things such as money, power, lust and glory as our treasures until the day we bury our dead bodies with them. God's promise of eternal life seems too far removed from our daily struggles. So, just like those three disciples, it's easy for us to make our faith into just holding on to the cultures and rituals and grieving over our less than perfect life stolen from us.

But the reality is, that the tomb is empty because Christ is Risen. He is out the door. He didn't come back to life to stay in His tomb. He came back to lead us out of our tombs. We are not here to find and weep over the dead body of Christ or over our dead faith and hopeless life. We are here to meet and eat and become the Risen and Living Body of Christ. He is as alive as you and I with His Sacred Heart beating toward Heaven and going out to the needy souls thirsting for His Presence and Love. We must fill this empty tomb with His Spirit by giving ourselves generously to God and our neighbors as He did for us.

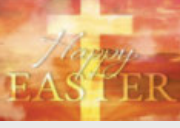
Jesus died for you and is risen for you! On this day of Easter, and every first day of the week, Jesus will open your tombs and make you rise to a new life in Him. Come to Mass in person. Come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and let Jesus roll away the stones of your tomb. Let Him come and take you by hand and lead you into His Light. Leave your old self behind. Believe that you are free at last. Because on this day, the Lord is Risen, and we rise with Him.

*Fr. Jiwon*

Fr. Jiwon Yoon



## This Week in Our Parish

Sunday April 17	Monday April 18	Tuesday April 19	Wednesday April 20	Thursday April 21	Friday April 22	Saturday April 23
  <b>Masses</b> 8:00am, 10:00am, 12noon  <i>Pastoral Center is closed today</i>	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Gospel of Luke*</b> 9:00am  <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> 6-7:00pm in the Day Chapel  <b>Adoration</b> 4:00-7:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> 6-7:00pm in the Day Chapel	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <b>Rosary Cenacle</b> 6:45pm in the Day Chapel  <b>Al-Anon*</b> 7:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> 8:00am  <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:*

- Casey Michael Coyne**  
*son of Jerald & Kathryn*
- Dominic Stanley Czubinski**  
*son of David & Maria*
- Charles Eric Darling**  
*son of Brent & Jessica*
- Declan Milton Flaherty**  
*son of Will & Jessica*
- Colin James Morrison**  
*son of Steven & Jaclin*
- Emma Lin Morrison**  
*daughter of Steven & Jaclin*
- Madelyn Marie Morrison**  
*daughter of Steven & Jaclin*
- Jacob Thomas Szablak**  
*son of Michael & Kate*

**Faith Formation Classes** held at St. Michael School/Parish have ended for this school year. Thank you to all of our students and volunteer teachers for making this a wonderful year! The 2022-2023 Faith Formation registration will be sent via email by the end of June. If your family was not part of our program this year, but you are interested in signing up your child for next year (we begin in first grade), send your email to [nancy\\_riley@saintmichael.com](mailto:nancy_riley@saintmichael.com) to be included in the registration mailing in June.

We ask our entire parish family to please keep our youth in your prayers especially as Confirmation Ceremonies and First Communions will be taking place very soon!



*April 16 through April 24*

<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	Margaret Torla
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	Charles Fox
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00am	Charles Fox
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00am	Barbara Stack
<b>Friday</b>	8:00am	Deceased members of the Kilcoyne Family
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00am	Sheri Chagnon
	4:00 pm	Raymond A. Mitchell
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am	Mary Susan Mottola and Concetta Angela Sousa
	10:00am	Stanley & Josephine Fierimonte
	12:00noon	Jessica Lyn Finney Margaret & Peter DiMauro Ugo Cardone Carolyn Romani Ruby Seville Virginia Sullivan



*Rest in Peace*

Anthony Guiffrida                      Joseph Ringland  
George Whitehead

### Pastoral Center Hours This Week

CLOSED Easter Sunday  
Monday—Thursday: 9:00am—7:00pm  
Friday-Saturday: 9:00am—5:00pm  
Saturday: CLOSED



# ST MICHAEL SCHOOL HAPPY EASTER!



Happy Easter to our Parish community.  
Let us celebrate this joyous day with  
our family and friends!

May we all experience  
The greatness of Easter, which is Hope.  
The promise of Easter, which is Peace,  
The spirit of Easter, which is Love!



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or online at [www. SaintMichael.com/Tour](http://www.SaintMichael.com/Tour)

For their Lenten Project, our Faith Formation students collected 118 boxes of saltine crackers for Bread & Roses! We recently delivered them and they were so appreciative for the donation! Thank you to everyone who contributed!



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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 St. Michael's parking lot at 3:45pm, and return at 10:30 pm. Tickets are \$35 per person and includes the event, dinner and transportation. If you are interested in attending please sign up using the QR code here.

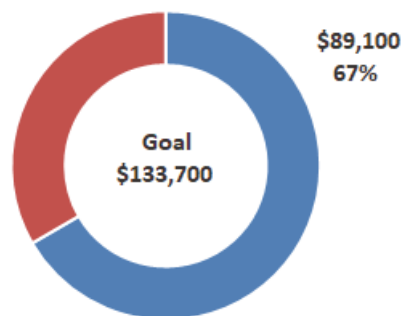


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Thank you to all who have responded to the Saint Michael Parish's 2022 Catholic Appeal campaign. We are happy to report that we are at 67% of our goal!

If you would like to learn more about the Catholic Appeal, please visit [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org).



*"Why do you seek the living one among the dead?  
He is not here, but he has been raised." - Luke 24:5-6*

Thank you to our volunteers who share themselves so generously with our parish family!

### 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)

### Prayer Line Intentions

Call Honey: 978-688-0079

We also have a virtual prayer page, *Wings of Prayer*, through our website. This is an easy way to ask for prayers and to join in prayer for one another!

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**Deacon:** Deacon Eugene Schaeffer  
**Director of Pastoral Ministries:** Mary Alice Rock  
**School Principal:** Susan Gosselin  
**Finance & Operations Manager:** Dorothy Varga  
**Pastoral Associate:** Dominic Margaglione  
**Music Director:** Jennifer Wells

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.

*Prayers for all who have been affected by this disease and prayers for a complete end of the pandemic!*



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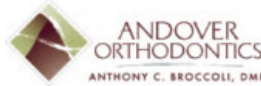
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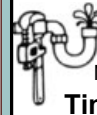
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