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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:

Monday 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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Pastor: Rev. Kevin Deeley

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Parochial Vicar: Rev. Joseph Hubbard

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Deacon: Deacon Daniel Sheridan

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. - Jn 21:12

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Televised Weekend Mass

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)

Third Sunday of Easter

*Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia. (Psalm 66 (65):1-2)*

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

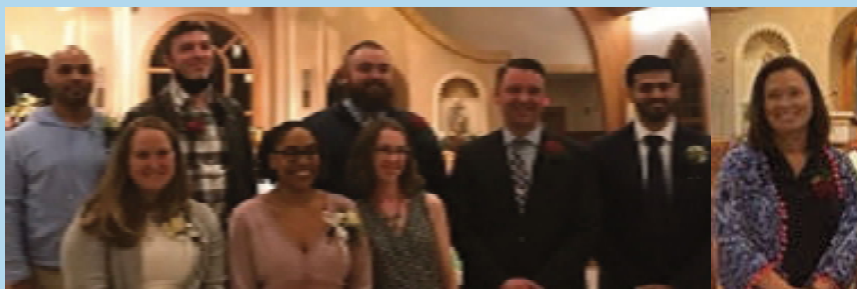


This weekend we are accepting nominations for our Parish Pastoral Council. We are looking for 4 new members to serve a 3-year term. You can nominate on-line at www-saint-michael.org, use the QR code to the right or fill out a paper form at the Main Street entrance or at the receptionist desk. **Deadline to nominate on paper is after the 5:00pm Mass. Electronic nominations will be available until 7:00pm!**



**We hope you will take some time to prayerfully consider nominating individuals (even yourself!) whom you feel would help our parish...
...Live with Purpose....Live with Christ!**

THE BODY OF CHRIST IS GROWING STRONGER—MEET OUR CHRIST-SEEKERS!



Left to right : Jorge Guzman, Amanda Evers, Larry Wiseheart II, Alana Almestica, Donovan Haynes, Rebecca Healey, Jeff Young, Utkarsh Shukla & Megan Pybus

Easter means **New Life in Christ!** None have felt it more than our Christ-Seekers who, for the past 8 months, have been studying about God and the Church, praying together and becoming more aware of Christ's Presence around them. We rejoice with them and for our Church! Those who had never been baptized, joined the Catholic Church through all the Sacraments of Initiation. Some who had been baptized in other Christian Faiths made a profession of faith and were received into the Church through Confirmation and Eucharist. Still others had been baptized in the Catholic Faith and completed their initiation through Confirmation and Eucharist. Let us continue to pray for them and encourage them. And, may all of us experience New Life in Christ this Easter Season by opening our hearts to His great love.

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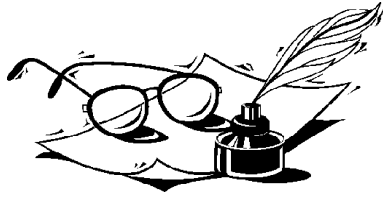
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TREASURY OF PRAYER

St. Clare's Method of Contemplation Monday, May 9, 7:15 pm (In-Person)

In May, our parish's original series on prayer continues with St. Clare of Assisi's prayer method: *Gaze, Consider, Contemplate and Imitate*. Saint Michael parishioner and Third Order Secular Franciscan, Francine Gikow, will walk us through this unique form of visual prayer that leads us to be more united to the Lord we love. Please join us!



FROM YOUR PASTOR

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! As we continue to celebrate with joy the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, we often read at Mass from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. In that Book of the Scriptures we are given a view of the early Christians who built the foundation of the Church we participate in today. We learn of their great challenges, their joys, their sorrows, their victories and their rejections. Today's First Reading at Mass is about their determination to bear witness to Jesus no matter the cost. Although in this account they experience rejection, they are happy that they are able to see the next opportunity to evangelize. They exhibit great energy!

Although the Church is over 2,000 years old and has a history filled with men and women of faith who labored to establish the Church, we are still in 'building mode'. Today we are especially mindful of this task as we see that the faith is not always naturally passed from one generation to the next. Perhaps in days gone by that was the case but today it is not always that way. I think that we can learn a lot from the first disciples about whom we read in the Acts of the Apostles.

First of all, they knew the Lord. They either personally traveled with him or learned from eye-witnesses about him. For ourselves, we can't do the former but we sure can learn from the eye-witnesses. Their witness is all over the pages of the Acts of the Apostles. You can grasp their enthusiasm, their perseverance, their desire to accompany the Lord and to invite others to do the same.

Secondly, they were part of a community of faith. Those communities were vibrant and alive. Sure, they also had their challenges but they connected people of faith and in their community they encouraged one another and worked together to build community. That's our goal at St. Michael's and at every parish.

Finally, they were a people of prayer and service. They gathered often to pray together and they sought to assist those in need among them. We are given great examples to follow by these men and women of faith.

The Easter Season is one of joy and peace. As we celebrate this time may our joy in the risen Lord be an invitation to those around us to join us in prayer, service, and reflection of Jesus our Savior and Lord.

God Bless!

Fr. Deeley

Fr. Deeley

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday May 1	Monday May 2	Tuesday May 3	Wednesday May 4	Thursday May 5	Friday May 6	Saturday May 7
<p>Masses 8:00am, 10:00am, 12noon and 5:00pm</p> <p>Parish Council Nominations. See inside of front cover.</p>	<p>Mass: 8:00am</p> <p>Gospel of Luke* 9:00am</p> <p>Adoration 4:00-7:00pm</p> <p>Sacrament of Reconciliation 6-7:00pm in the Day Chapel</p>	<p>Mass: 8:00am</p> <p>Children's Choir 3:45pm</p> <p>Adult Choir 7:00pm</p> <p>Christ-Seekers 7:00pm</p>	<p>Mass: 8:00am</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00am</p> <p>Sacrament of Reconciliation 6-7:00pm in the Day Chapel</p>	<p>Mass: 8:00am</p> <p>Caregiver Support 1:00pm</p> <p>Rosary Cenacle* 6:45pm</p> <p>Al-Anon* 7:00pm</p>	<p>Mass: 8:00am</p>	<p>Mass: 8:00am</p> <p>First Saturday Rosary Devotion After 8:00am Mass</p> <p>Vigil Mass: 4:00pm</p>

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



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

Connor Jack Bagni

son of Adam & Elizabeth

Amaya Rose Dominguez

daughter of Daniel & Allyson

Thomas Robert Ellard

son of Adam & Kendall

Addison Rose Grocki

daughter of Justin & Mary Kate

Jerzee Valentina Porter

daughter of Joseph & Amy

Ellery Cynthia Ann Silvey

daughter of Tyler & Leah

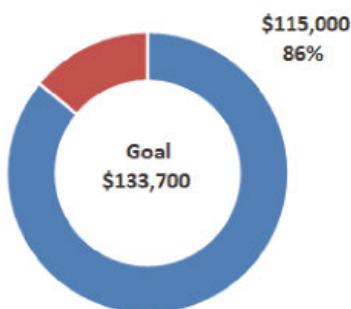
MASS INTENTIONS

April 30 through May 8

Saturday	8:00am 4:00pm	Helen Kellner Linda A. (Donohue) Dufresne
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am 12:00noon	Anthony Terranova Julie May Wha Lu Chen Mary Jee Kathy Redman Joseph Reitano James Seccareccio, Jr. Edward & Patricia Trainor Caroline Galvin Hugh D. Murphy
Monday	8:00am	Sodality Mass
Tuesday	8:00am	John & Mary Sheehan
Wednesday	8:00am	Wes & Rose Gilbert James Gilbert (living)
Thursday	8:00am	Arlene & Jack Gilmore Mark Gilmore
Friday	8:00am	Alfred L. & Dorothy Gardiner
Saturday	8:00am	Rev. George G. "Jerry" Hogan
Saturday 4pm & Sunday		All Masses for all Mothers—living & deceased

Catholic Appeal: *Faith in Action*

Thank you to all who pledged their support of the 2022 Catholic Appeal. We are at 86% of our goal! If you have yet to give, please use the QR code below or visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org.



Rest in Peace

Jennie Fazio

Bernard B. Kavanagh

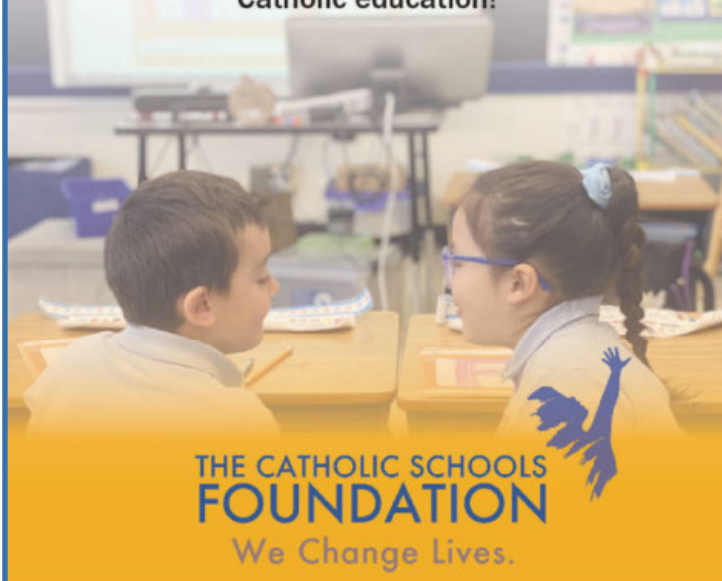
Heather Sullivan

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St. Michael School has been awarded a grant over \$55,000 as part of a \$7.4 million effort by the Catholic School Foundation (CSF) to support Catholic elementary school students in the Archdiocese of Boston for the 2022-2023 school year. This grant allows us to support our existing students, as well as recruit new students.

Also, this grant supports our Peter Lynch Scholars, who have excellent academic achievements and work ethic, care for others in the school community, and are significantly impacted by a Catholic education!



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Youth Minister: Katie Larson
Katie_Larson@SaintMichael.com

Our next 7@7 will take place on **Saturday, May 7th** for movie and game night! 7-9:30 pm. Bring a friend and bring your appetite for ice cream sundaes!

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 \$35 per person and includes the event, dinner and transportation. If you are interested in attending please sign up using the QR code here.



First Saturday Rosary Devotion



First Saturday Rosary Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima will be held on May 7 following the 8:00am Mass in the church. Please consider joining us.



Stop by on Monday evenings for Adoration, a visit with Jesus, in the church from 4:00pm-7:00pm.

Welcome, L'Arche Boston North!



We are very excited to welcome our friends from L'Arche Boston North to our weekend Masses. LBN is a community where people with developmental disabilities and those who assist them live together as family and a sign of hope to the greater community. They have four Residential Homes and two Shared Living Homes (families welcoming people with disabilities) in our Merrimack region.

We invite you to give our L'Arche friends a warm "Saint Michael welcome" if you see them at Mass!

To learn more about L'Arche, please visit their website:

larchebostonnorth.org

Caregiver Support Group—THIS WEEK!

The Caregiver Support Group is for those who are caring for an elderly parent, spouse, relative, friend or someone who is going through an illness. Our next meeting is THIS Thursday, May 5, at 1:00pm in the Pastoral Center. Please contact Trisha at 978-686-4050 if you need more information.

Burial Flag The American Flag which covered the casket of Joseph A. Baldini, who served in the US Air Force from 1960 – 1964 and was stationed in Korea 1962 – 1964 as a Peace Keeper, will be flown over St. Michael Parish for the month of May. 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.



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.



**St. Michael Parish
Bread & Roses Ministry**

Bread & Roses is a soup kitchen in Lawrence. Since 1995 (except during the pandemic) the St. Michael Bread & Roses Ministry has been providing a meal there on the second Saturday of the month. Our dedicated volunteers receive a monthly reminder listing items to be dropped off at the church kitchen by noon on Saturday. Volunteer drivers pick up the food and deliver it to Bread & Roses. The Bread & Roses staff then prepares and serves the meal for that evening.

Please become a part of this wonderful community outreach ministry and help Bread & Roses "ease the hunger of people in our community".

For more information, please contact Diane Lafond at 978-687-7098/diane.lafond@verizon.net.

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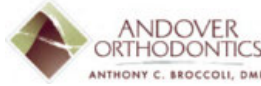
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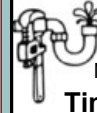
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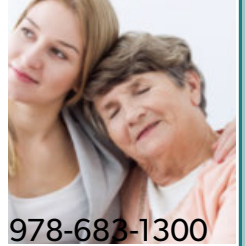
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