

St. Michael the Archangel Parish

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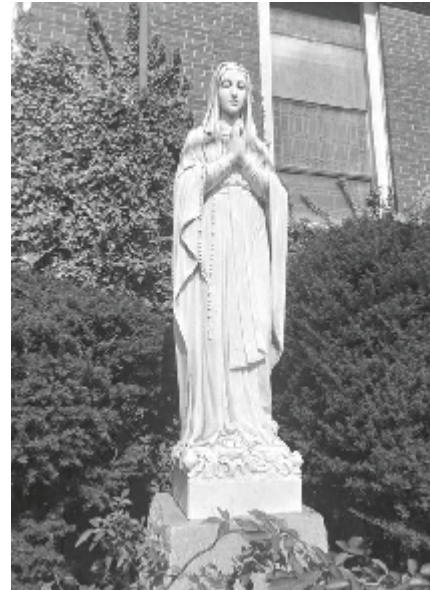
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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGY: Saturday 4:00 & 5:30
SUNDAY: 8:00, 10:00, 11:00 & 12:00 Noon
DAILY LITURGY: Mon.-Sat. 9:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesdays 5:00-7:00 PM
5:00-6:00 Confessions

Confessions
After Mass
or at the rectory by appointment.

Marriages
Please make arrangements at least six months in advance to allow adequate preparation.

Baptisms
3rd Sunday of the month at 1:15 PM.
Baptism instruction will be held before the sacrament is celebrated.

Bulletin
News for the Parish Bulletin must be at the rectory by 12:00 Noon Sunday

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Early in the Acts of the Apostles, Peter and John healed a lame man who sat begging each day at the temple gate. This miracle led to their arrest, and they were brought before the Sanhedrin. In today's passage, we hear Peter speaking boldly about Jesus to these Jewish leaders. In these few sentences, Peter presents the very heart of the Christian message.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

During this Easter Season, we are reading from the first letter of John. Today's passage reminds us about something both John and Paul emphasized: Jesus has made it possible for us to be God's sons and daughters, not just in some future life, but here and now.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

During this week of April 25th the Sanctuary Candles will be burning for the greater glory of God in memory of Richard Dimes lovingly requested by his daughter.



If you would like both Sanctuary Candles near the Tabernacles in the upper church and the chapel to burn day and night for a week in memory of a loved one, for someone serving in the military, for healing or for any special intention, please call Carol Cardinale at 617-846-8345 to make the arrangements. The cost is \$25.00.

PRAYERS

If you are in need of someone to pray with you, please call Carolanne (617-846-3227) or Margaret (617-764-6952).

"The Lord is not slow in doing what He promised, the way some people understand 'slowness'. But God is being patient with you. He does not want anyone to be lost, but He wants all people to change their hearts and lives."

2 Peter 3:9

ST. MICHAEL'S BOOK CLUB RETURNS!

How well do you know the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is God himself, yet He is often the least understood person of the Trinity. Between Easter and Pentecost, Fr. Chris and Graceanne Bowe will lead the St. Michael's Book Club in discussions of the book "Your Life In The Holy Spirit: What Every Catholic Needs to Know and Experience" by Dr. Alan Schreck. Dr. Schreck is a long-time professor of theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville, as well as a popular author and frequent guest/host of programs on EWTN. The group will meet via Zoom from 7:30-8:30pm on three Thursday evenings - April 29, May 6 and May 13. If you would like to sign up, please email bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org and include your address and telephone number.

BAPTISM

Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome into the Catholic faith Eva Frances Howington, Mila Jay Cavaliere and Roisin Mairead McAughey. Please keep these little ones, their parents and godparents in your prayers as they begin their faith journeys.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

First Holy Communion Masses are scheduled as follows:

Sat., April 24 at 4pm Sun., May 2 at 10am & 12 noon

Sun., April 25 at 10am Sat., May 8 at 4pm

*NOTE: These Masses will be live streamed.

Please pray for our second graders as they prepare to receive this important Sacrament.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be celebrated on April 30, 2021. We ask the parish to please pray for our young people as they receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit and that they continue to follow Christ in their lives.

GRADES 1-8 FAITH FORMATION ZOOM CLASSES

There is one Zoom class remaining this year for grades 1-8

Table with 3 columns: Grade, Day, Date. Rows include Grade 1 (Sunday, April 25 / Monday, April 26), Grade 2 (Sunday, April 25 / Tuesday, April 27), Grade 3 (Sunday, April 25 / Wed., April 28), Grade 4 (Sunday, April 25 / Monday, April 26), Grades 5/6 (Sunday, April 25 / Tuesday, April 27), Grades 7/8 (Sunday, April 25 / Wed., April 28).

Middle School Drop-in (Grades 6-8)

Join us on Friday, April 23rd from 6:00pm to 7:30pm for basketball, corn hole, and plenty of games. Permission slips and masks are required. Contact Rick at youthminister@stjohnswinthrop.org.

"ANGEL WINGS" RAFFLE TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE

Please join in and get your ticket for our next raffle fundraiser, the Angels Wings raffle, named in honor of our parish's patron, St. Michael the Archangel. As before, tickets cost \$250. The monthly drawings will start on April 29th, culminating with the big Grand Prize drawing on September 29th, the feast day of St. Michael. The monthly prizes are \$300 and the Grand Prize is \$3,000.



Remember, if you buy a ticket, you get a chance to win at each drawing! No more than 100 tickets will be sold. Some parishioners enjoy splitting the cost of a ticket with family or a friend, to make participating more affordable. Tickets can be purchased after Mass or by calling the rectory. Good Luck!

Word of Life

"It is from God that men and women receive their essential dignity and their capacity to seek truth and goodness. When humanity's spiritual dimension is brought to light, individuals' hearts and minds are drawn to God and to the marvel of human life; being itself, truth, beauty, moral values and other persons."

Pope Benedict XVI,

Buona Domenica,

Dear Friends,

Happy Sunday!

From time to time parishioners send to me copies of their favorite prayers and devotions to St. Michael the Archangel. I share with you a worthy prayer from the Franciscan Mission Associates.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

*St. Michael the Archangel,
champion of God's people,
help us in our struggles against
evil in our hearts and in our
midst. Guard and guide those
whose special task is to work
for the welfare of all. Keep our
homes and families safe from
harm. Be at our side at life's
end and lead us safely to the
Lord whose great love we
cherish and whose mercy we
implore. Amen.*

This prayer is definitely a keeper. Maybe place it on the fridge. St. Michael our patron protect us from all evil. Lead us safely to the Lord.

Prayers,
Fr. Chris



You now have the opportunity to have flowers placed on our altar in memory of loved ones. The flower piece will be a basket placed in front of the lectern. The parish makes the arrangement for the flowers. The name of your loved one and the donor will be placed in the bulletin for that weekend. The donation is \$50.00. Please call Carol Cardinale at 617-846-8345 to make arrangements for a particular weekend.

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations
April 25th**

God of the invitation,
you knock upon the door of everyone's heart.
We seek the courage to open that door, for we know the
responsibility of saying yes.
We humbly ask you for your wisdom to serve your church
with compassion and acceptance.
We believe that when we say yes, you will provide the
grace for the work ahead.
Give grace to those men and women who have dedicated
their lives to constant service to your church.
Also give grace to those couples and single men and
women who work for the church in their secular lives.
We ask all this through Christ our Lord and brother, who
live and reign with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCES
April 17/18 Offertory: \$6,422.00 CPL: \$2,564.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish. Please make all donations payable to: St. Michael the Archangel Parish.

COVID 19 Guidelines

Please do your best to wear your mask covering your nose and mouth when you enter the Church for the duration of the service. While some may not be able to do this because of a medical condition, we ask everyone else to abide by this guideline.

While in the communion line please try to keep six feet apart from the person in front of you.

For the reception of Communion, please receive the Eucharistic Lord in your hand with your face mask on. Step to the side and take your face mask down and receive the Lord. If your strong preference is to receive Christ on the tongue, for the health and safety of all please see either the Deacon or one of the priests after Mass to receive on the tongue.

Please know that between every Mass the Church is thoroughly sanitized.

CATHOLIC APPEAL

Living Our Faith Together

From Catholic Education to Addiction Recovery Services to Faith Community, Nursing for the Elderly, more than 50 critical ministries enrich parish life and the lives of those who turn to the Church for assistance. Many of you received a letter from Cardinal Sean requesting your support for the 2021 Catholic Appeal, which provides nearly half of the funding for these life-changing programs. We hope that you will prayerfully consider pledging your support. Please find more information about this life-changing work at bostoncatholicappeal.org. Please make your checks payable to the Catholic Appeal.



PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

*All powerful God,
watch over all our dear ones
who serve this day in the military.
Hold them safely in the palm of Your hand.
Walk with them in Your strength.
Bring comfort when they are troubled;
hope when they are weary.
Remind them of our love.
Merciful Lord,
bring a lasting peace into our midst.
Heal our hearts and help all nations
find ways to live in harmony
so that blood is shed no more.
We ask this in the name of Christ Jesus,
Prince of Peace. Amen.*

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ST. VINCENT dePAUL

St. John's Church has had a St. Vincent dePaul Society Chapter for over 50 years. The mission of the society is to give assistance to parishioners and other Winthrop residents who find themselves in need. Your monetary donation to St. Vincent dePaul helps people in need of a hand. The Covid pandemic has meant extreme hardship for so many of our neighbors. Please help us to continue these works of mercy with your donations.



Checks may be made out to St. Vincent dePaul and left at the rectory. Please be sure to mark the envelope "St. Vincent dePaul". Donations made by check are tax deductible. Thank you so much for your thoughtful consideration.

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ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER

*Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits
who wander throughout the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.*

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Friday Evening Prayer Group

During all times and especially during these difficult days, we look to God, the Saints, the Angels and the Blessed Mother for Hope, Mercy and Healing.

Every Friday evening in the Chapel at St. John's Church a group from both Holy Rosary Church and St. John's gathers at 7:00pm-8:00pm.

Please join us as a community of believers in the power of prayer to say the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and other meditations. You are most welcome as we come together as one United Catholic Winthrop, under the protection of Saint Michael the Archangel, seeking peace and unity.

"For wherever two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." Matthew 18:20

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PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE

PRAY THE ROSARY





“I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.” - Jn 10:16-17

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Readings for the week of April 25, 2021

- Sun: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
- Mon: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10
- Tues: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30
- Wed: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50
- Thurs: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
- Fri: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6
- Sat: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14
- Next Sun: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

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Week of Monday, April 26th to Sunday, May 2nd

- Mon. 9:00 ...
- Tues. 9:00 The Benefactors of the Parish
- Wed. 9:00 ...
- Thurs. 9:00 ...
- Fri. 9:00 The People of the Parish
- Sat. 9:00 ...
- 4:00 Kay and Dan Hurley
- 5:30 Camille Fratto
- Sun. 8:00 ...
- 10:00 First Communion
John and Catherine Femino
- Chapel 11:00 Maria Rosa and Alfred Machado
- 12:00 First Communion
Margaret “Pegge” Cordes

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