

St. Michael the Archangel Parish

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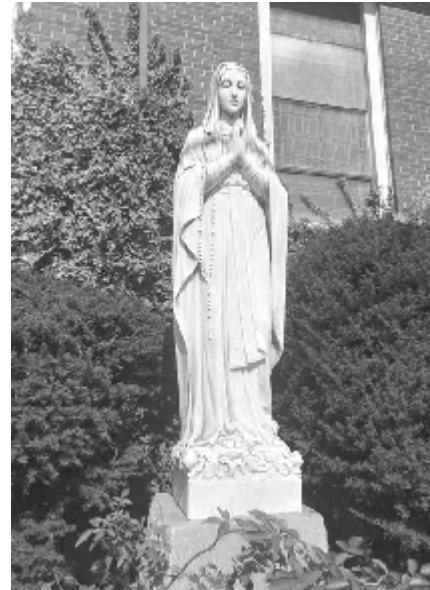
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MASS SCHEDULE

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.

Rectory • 617-846-7400

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

The book of Numbers describes the wanderings of the Jewish people in the Sinai Desert. Earlier in the book, Moses had complained to God about the difficulties of governing so many people. In response, God had directed Moses to gather 70 elders around the meeting tent to receive a share in the administrative burdens. Today's passage picks it up from there.

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

Today we conclude our series of five readings from the letter of James. A major concern in this letter is social justice. Today, the author delivers a blistering attack, reminiscent of some of the Old Testament prophets.

Our Lady of Sorrows Prayer Community

The only people who think there's a time limit for grief have never lost a piece of their heart. Every path of bereavement is unique to the person experiencing the loss. St. Michael the Archangel Parish will offer a support group this Fall for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. It is hoped that those who are sorrowful will find a supportive, prayerful community on Monday evenings beginning September 27th in the lower church hall and chapel. Fr. Bill will coordinate this bereavement ministry. Those interested may register by contacting the parish office at 617-846-7400.

 **BAPTISM**

Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome into the Catholic Faith:

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| Kelton James Fisher | Corey William Nugent |
| Vinny Joseph Raper | Giavanna Marie Galvez |
| Rose Florence Bell | Gia Christine Walsh |

Please keep these little ones, their parents and godparents in your prayers as they begin their faith journeys.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

During this week of September 26th, the Sanctuary Candles will be burning for the greater glory of God in memory of **Kathy Gill** requested by her family.



If you would like both Sanctuary Candles near the tabernacle 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.

If you would like flowers placed on our altar for a particular week, call Carol Cardinale at 617-846-8345. The cost is \$50.



**PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE
PRAY THE ROSARY**

PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCE

Offertory September 19th: \$5,644.00

Clergy Health and Retirement: \$2,464.00

Thank you for your continued generosity. When writing out checks for parish donations, please make them payable to St. Michael the Archangel.

Next week's second collection will support the Holy Father's "Peter's Pence" Collection that provides funds for emergency and disaster relief and for the Inner City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston as well as the various missionary efforts at home and abroad.

**MASKS REQUIRED FOR ST. MICHAEL'S
FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS UNTIL OCT. 1**

The Archdiocese of Boston has issued a mandate requiring that all participants at in-person faith formation classes and youth ministry gatherings wear masks, as long as they are at least 5 years old. Students of St. Michaels Faith Formation program, along with catechists, volunteers, and staff, are required to wear masks while in the Parish Center (school) building. This is in keeping with the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's issuance of a masked mandate earlier this week for all public K-12 students and staff. The policy will be re-evaluated on October 1.



HALLOWEEN FAMILY BINGO

Friday, October 8th - 6:00 to 8:00pm

\$15.00 a family or \$5.00 per person

Includes: Pizza, games, prizes, and best costume prizes. Please email youthministe@stjohnswinthrop.org with the number of family members.

Come play some great Halloween and Bingo games.

HALLOWEEN ADULT TRIVIA

Saturday, October 30th

Doors open at 6:00pm

Games start at 7:00pm

\$15.00 per person - Teams of 6-8

Bring your favorite apps and spirits.

Bonus points for best costumes.

Benefits Youth Ministry



IMPORTANT GODSPELL JR. UPDATE

Flyers and Information Sheets were sent home with Faith Formation students (grade 3 and up) the week of September 19th.

We will have a sign-up/meet and greet session **today**, Sunday, Sept. 26th from 10:45am-12:15pm in the school hall. We will have introductions and play theater games. Those who want to audition for a role can come to a side area to sing and/or read a scene.

Please contact KelliGaynor@gmail.com with any questions.

Buona Domenica!

Happy Sunday Everyone:

In the midst of COVID, one always likes to find hopeful signs, images of normalcy. This past weekend was a great boost to my spirits. Numbers are never like the final indicator of a parish’s health and well-being, but they can certainly help to indicate future projections. Why were my spirits lifted?

First, this past Sunday I had the opportunity to baptize six beautiful babies after the 12pm Mass. It is always amazing to me that these little ones have no sense of what is happening but God is already present and active in their small lives. Beautiful! With these six new baptisms comes a new way of how baptisms will be celebrated at St. Michael. All families will begin the celebration by attending the 12pm Mass. Parents, godparents and babies will be invited up immediately after the homily to renounce satan and profess the Faith. The Mass will conclude and then the actual baptisms will occur.

Coupled with the six babies was the start of our Religious Education program. It was great to see our little ones at the 10am Mass followed by Religious Education. I was also grateful to celebrate the 5pm Confirmation Prep Mass with close to 80 teens and their parents.

Monday was just as beautiful with over 60 golfers and helpers to raise money for our Youth Ministry Program. I am grateful to Deacon Jim and his helpers who make this such an important event to fund our youth programs. Grateful to God for the beautiful day of weather He gave us.

While I say that numbers are not all important the number 10 is. Please join me in congratulating Deacon Jim for his celebration of ten years functioning as an ordained deacon. Jim celebrated this milestone September 17th.

Until next week,
Fr. Chris

Journey Through the Sunday Gospels

A 4-week Scripture Study with Alan Giangregorio

The group will meet in St. Michael’s Parish Center (St. John’s school building) from 7:00-7:45pm for four Tuesdays—September 21 and 28 and October 5 and 12. Each week, we will read and hear a lesson from Alan on the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday, followed by group discussion. There is no charge to attend. This is a wonderful way to engage more deeply with our Lord at Mass each week and grow in our own personal faith! If you would like to attend, please contact Graceanne Bowe at: bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org or at 617-846-3100.

“When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.”



Blessed Saint Teresa of Calcutta

IS THERE ANYONE SICK AMONG YOU

This question found in the New Testament letter to James, gives the response that the sick should call for the priests of the church who are to pray over and anoint the sick with oil in the name of the Lord. Never hesitate to ask for prayer and the Sacrament of the Sick prior to surgery or when diagnosed with a serious illness. The Sacrament is not looked on as “The Last Rites” but as a powerful instrument of God’s healing presence.

PRAYERS

If you are in need of someone to pray with you, please call Carolanne (617-846-3227) or Margaret (617-764-6952).
“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life.” John 3:16

LECTOR SCHEDULES

Lector schedules for the month of October are now available in the Sacristy of both St. John’s and Holy Rosary Chapel. If you are not listed on the schedule and would like to serve or have any questions or concerns, please contact Maureen at the Parish Center, 617-846-7400

Friday Evening Prayer Group

Every Friday evening in the chapel at St. John’s Church a group from both Holy Rosary and St. John’s gathers at 7:00-8:00pm to say the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and other meditations. All are welcome.

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 through the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen*

Corporal Works of Mercy

- To feed the hungry
- To give drink to the thirsty
- To clothe the naked
- To visit the imprisoned
- To shelter the homeless
- To visit the sick
- To bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- To admonish the sinner
- To instruct the ignorant
- To counsel the doubtful
- To comfort the sorrowful
- To bear wrongs patiently
- To forgive all injuries
- To pray for the living and the dead

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

Thanks to the kind generosity of so many, the **St. Vincent dePaul Society** of St. Michael the Archangel Parish has been able to offer support to those in need, even during the difficult days of the Covid pandemic. Going forward, we offer three ways for you to continue supporting the work of the Society. First, if you are able physically to attend Mass, there are tubes at the doors of the Church where you can deposit your donations. In addition to this option, you may leave your offering at the rectory or in the collection basket in an envelope clearly marked “St. Vincent dePaul”. Please know that your generosity is appreciated and that, through you, we are able to attend to the needs of our neighbors.



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**OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH
DO YOU HAVE A HEART FOR THE UNBORN?**

How should Christians respond to women and couples facing unplanned pregnancies? For 30 years A Woman’s Concern—Your Options Medical has answered that question by providing **no cost life-affirming pregnancy confirmation services** to women and couples facing an unplanned pregnancy, especially those considering abortion due to a lack of information and support. Our confidential and non-judgmental services include pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, options counseling, parenting classes, post abortion counseling and ongoing emotional and material support **all at no cost**. We strive to provide our clients with truthful information concerning their preborn child and hope by so doing that they will recognize the child in their womb as a beautiful gift from the Lord. With our continuing support through their pregnancy and beyond, we strive to provide the emotional and material support they need. We believe every child has a special purpose in this life. For more information visit us at www.partnersofyom.org.

Our church will be participating in a Baby Bottle Campaign to support A Woman’s Concern—Your Options Medical.

Next week individuals and families will have the opportunity to respond to the issue of LIFE. We will be handing out Baby Bottles or a donation envelope for you to take home, fill with cash, checks and change and bring them back to the church. **Our financial support will help to make these services available free of cost to those who are in need of support and guidance in the fight for life! If you decide to give a donation by check, please make the check out to Your Options Medical.**

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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**St. Michael Celebrates the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
Saturday, October 2nd, 11am—Weather Permitting
Ocean View St. Parking Lot**

Bring your pets to receive a blessing! Whether your best friend is furry, feathered or even slithery, all pets are invited to receive God’s blessing at this very special event. All ages and types of pets are welcome!



Jesus replied, “Do not prevent him. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.” - Mk 9:39a, 40-41

Readings for the week of September 26, 2021

Sun: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Mon: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50
Tues: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56
Wed: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51
Thur: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Lk 10:1-12
Fri: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16
Sat: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Next Sun: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Heb 2:9-11/
Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Mass Intentions

Week of September 25/26 to October 2/3

Sat. 4:00 Joseph J. Burke, 3rd Anniversary
5:30 ...
Sun. 8:00 Leo Sullivan and Doris Tape
10:00 Philip W. Marks, 4th Anniversary
Chapel 11:00 Judy Clauss and Cynthia Lipman
12:00 David and Helen Kneeland
David Kneeland, Jr.
David Kneeland III
Charles Clifford Yarrow
The Iantosca Family
Philip Dawson, Sr. and
Danny Dawson, 1st Anniversary
Mon. 9:00 The Cahalane Family
Tues. 9:00 The Benefactors of the Parish
Wed. 9:00 Maureen Albano
Thurs. 9:00 Mary Merlino
Fri. 9:00 The People of the Parish
Sat. 9:00 Joan M. Bangs, 3rd Anniversary
4:00 Serviano Family
5:30 ...
Sun. 8:00 Ashley Helleberg
10:00 Kathy Gill
Chapel 11:00 Natale Salvatore Papile
12:00 Petrillo Family
Louise, Joseph, Vincent, Anthony, Irene Morana
Hazel Lorusso
Chicky Fink
Jason Michael DeSanctis, 1st Anniversary



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