

St. Michael the Archangel Parish

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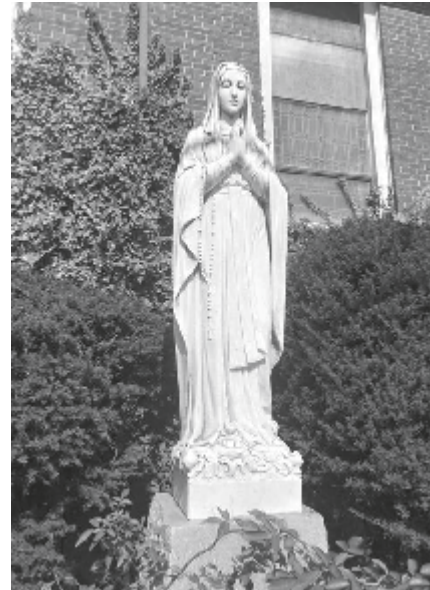
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MASS SCHEDULE

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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

When Solomon, one of Israel's greatest kings, began his reign, God invited him to pray for anything he wanted. He prayed only for wisdom, and it was granted to him. In today's passage from the book of Wisdom, the author portrays Solomon speaking of this gift.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4: 12-13

A unique feature of the Letter to the Hebrews is an extended reflection on selected Old Testament texts. This is because both Jews and Christians believe that the Scriptures are not a dead letter but are always spoken "live" to us by God. Using the image of the sword, the author describes how God's word cuts right to the heart of our daily lives.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

During this week of October 10th the Sanctuary Candles will be burning for the greater glory of God in memory of Ernest Sarro requested by his wife and 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.



During this week of October 10th flowers have been placed on our altar in memory of Ernest Sarro by his wife and family.

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

This Weekend - October 9/10, 2021

The Winthrop Food Pantry serves those in need in our community. They rely on your help and you have never failed them. Any non-perishable food or monetary donations you bring are gratefully accepted. Winthrop Food Pantry sincerely thanks all our faithful parishioners who remember the hungry of our community. God bless you for your thoughtfulness. All donations may be left on either side of the sanctuary (altar).



Congratulations to the September winners of the final Angels Wings raffle.

Josephine Travalini - \$300.

Joseph Ruggiero - \$3,000. Grand Prize



PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE
PRAY THE ROSARY

PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCE

Offertory: October 3: \$8,672.00

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



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

In Loving Memory

In your charity, please pray for the souls of Rosemarie McSweeney and John Zinna who were buried from St. Michael Parish this past week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Thank You

A special Thank You to all the players, volunteers, vendors and all who donated to St. Michael's 21st Annual Golf Tournament:

- Bianco & Sons
D'Parma's
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Antique Table
Beth Butler
H.N. Bangs & Sons
Championship Physical Therapy
Paul and Jane Chimielski
S. Howard of Cottage Hill Realty
Elliot Whittier Insurance
EZ Disposal, Inc.
Furlongs Auto Repair & Sales
Ann and Bob Kelley
Luigi's Pizza, The Pioppi Family
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City of Boston Credit Union
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Caggiano Funeral Home

Buona Domenica!

Dear Friends:

Happy Sunday! Just to keep you informed. The move of all parishes offices from the Rectory to the Parish Center (formerly the school) is complete. The parish offices are open from 9:30am - 4:00pm Monday to Friday. Feel free to drop in if you need a Mass card or something.

This move allows the entire staff, myself and Fr. Bill to all be working in the same space. There is an energy and enthusiasm for the new space.

What still needs to happen? Signage is important. We are beginning the process of developing signs for the new Parish Center and the rectory to direct people where to go.

In addition to the signage, we are preparing to install a beautiful image of the Blessed Mother carved from wood that will greet parishioners as they come into the Center. This beautiful image of the Madonna will also be present with new artwork, and some lamps and other holy images.

This new artwork will be present for all parishioners but also for our parish children in a special way. The children come into the Parish Center regularly for Faith Formation and so they should be immersed in our Catholic culture.

When we are finished restoring the Parish Center, we plan to have an Open House after the Sunday Masses for you to come and visit.

Until next week, Happy Sunday!

Fr. Chris

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**Journey Through the Sunday Gospels
A Scripture Study with Alan Giangregorio**

Because of the success of our Gospel teaching sessions, we are extending the dates for another month. Please join us in our journey through the Gospels as we come together each Tuesday from 7-8pm in the Parish Center October 12, 19, 26 and November 2.

This is a wonderful way to engage more deeply with our Lord at Mass each week and grow in our relationship with Jesus. We would love for you to join us. Please contact Graceanne Bowe at 617-846-3100 or bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org.

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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.

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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.

PRAYERS

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

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Psalm 90

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**LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD
Say NO to Physician Assisted Suicide**

The Massachusetts State Legislature is considering passing into law 2 deeply troubling bills this session which would legalize Physician Assisted Suicide. The bills, House 2381 and Senate 1384, are identical in text and titled "An act relative to end of life options".

Here are some facts to consider before you take action:

The bills would allow a physician to provide a deadly drug mixture to an individual diagnosed with less than 6 months to live that, when consumed, would cause death. That diagnosis could be wrong. Countless individuals have outlived that 6 months diagnosis and enjoyed many more precious months and years with family and friends.

No Real Safeguards - A vulnerable individual (who could be depressed or fears being a "burden") may be subject to undue influence by others to take the drug mixture, especially if there is a financial benefit as an incentive.

The primary focus of elected officials should be dedicated to legislation providing quality health care, mental health care and palliative care to the sick and dying—particularly in the underserved, poor and minority communities that suffer the most at the time of need.

How Can Your Voice Be Heard?

Call or email your legislators, let them know you are a Massachusetts voter, and say NO to Physician Assisted Suicide! Log on to www.macatholic.org and follow the links to find contact information for:

- *Your individual State Senator and Representative
- *Members of the legislative Joint Committee on Public Health who will be considering these bills.

For individuals without internet, please call the Massachusetts Catholic Conference at 617-746-5630 for legislative contact information.

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Victoria Griffin and Kevin Clucas

OCTOBER 10, 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?

Don't forget to place a donation to A Woman's Concern—Your Options Medical in your baby bottle! Return your full baby bottles or envelopes to the church by October 31st. **If you decide to give a donation by check, please make the check out to Your Options Medical. Thank you!!**

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RESPECT LIFE

Faced with the culture of death and attacks against human life that, unfortunately, are increasing, may we never fail to defend it at every stage, from the first moment of conception to its natural end. May humanity experience a new springtime of life, with respect and acceptance for every human being in whose face shines the image of Christ!

Pope Saint John Paul II

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COMPANIONS TO THE AGING

Are You a Good Listener and a Good Talker?

Male and female volunteers are needed to spend one hour a week with an isolated senior in his/her home to bring companionship, empathy, and advocacy, play a game, do some crafts or just enjoy a nice chat (no personal care involved). You'll also learn about community services that might be helpful to him/her. Training and ongoing guidance provided. A one year commitment to the program to help relationship-building and a reliable vehicle needed.

To volunteer, or learn more, please contact: Linda Anderson, Catholic Charities North (617-451-7916) or lindaanderson@ccab.org.

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JUST TO LET YOU KNOW

The Winthrop Catholic Woman's Club has prayer shawls and lap robes available for those who would benefit from receiving them. They are for the sick, for someone who is recuperating, someone in hospice or a nursing home or someone experiencing loneliness or loss. There are no gender, age or religious requirements.



If you know of someone who might like to receive one, please call Anita 617 846-7148 or June 617 846-8291 and we will help you choose what would best suit the recipient's needs.



They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:26-27

Readings for the week of October 10, 2021

Sun: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
Mon: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32
Tues: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41
Wed: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46
Thur: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7]/Lk 11:47-54
Fri: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7
Sat: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8]/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sun: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Mass Intentions

Week of October 9/10 to October 16/17

Sat. 4:00 Bella Bond, 6th Anniversary
5:30 Natalie Campbell
Therese Griffiths
Jack McGagh
Sue, Bob and Marie Covelle
Sun. 8:00 Peter J. Chicarello, Jr.
10:00 Jack Driscoll, 14th Anniversary
Chapel 11:00 Mary Joseph Ofoku
12:00 Ernest Sarro
Scott Sears, 2nd Anniversary
Theodore Craft
Chris Bitner
Mon. 9:00 ...
Tues. 9:00 The Benefactors of the Parish
Wed. 9:00 Sam and Florence Facella, 11th Anniversary
Thurs. 9:00 ...
Fri. 9:00 The People of the Parish
Sat. 9:00 ...
4:00 Ruth and Edward Noonan
5:30 Jennifer Pierce
Sun. 8:00 Thomas O'Brien
10:00 Joseph Barry, 15th Anniversary
Chapel 11:00 Frances and Charles Caruso
12:00 Charles R. and Mary Pace
Carl, Helen and John Hoffman
Paul and David Chandler
Mary, John and James Ryan
Alice Kelly, Rev. Stephen Brennick,
Barbara M. Collins, Virginia Leonard,
Myrtle Corinha and The Ruane Family



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