

# *St. Michael the Archangel Parish*

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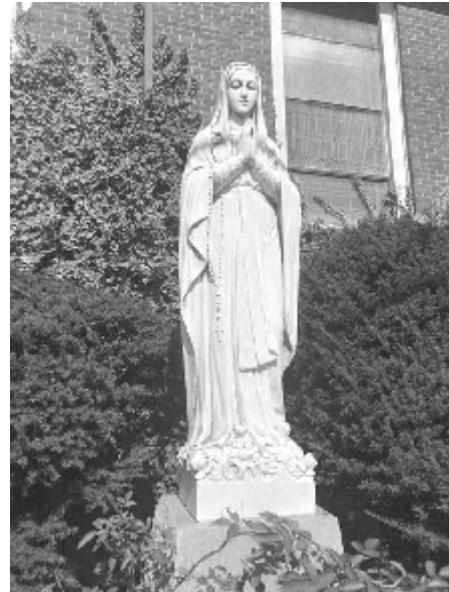
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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

**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

**Food Pantry Donations**  
Collected every 2nd Sunday

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5**

The last part of the book of Isaiah contains the words of a prophet who lived after the Jews returned from exile in Babylon six centuries before Christ. Upon their return, they found their temple destroyed and the city of Jerusalem leveled. Still, the prophet sees a wonderful future for them because God loves them so much. Note the beautiful image he uses to describe that love.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11**

Today, and for the next few weeks, our second reading will be from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Corinth was a busy cosmopolitan seaport located in the central part of modern-day Greece. Here, Paul addresses problems his converts are experiencing as they live a Christian life in this non-Christian environment.

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

During this week of January 16th, the Sanctuary Candles will be burning for the greater glory of God in memory of **Peter Fennelly** lovingly requested by Diana Nazzaro.



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.

*In Loving Memory*

In your charity please pray for the souls of **Theresa MacDonald, Kelly Lounsbury, Michelle Consolo** and **Alice Matarazzo** who were buried from St. Michael's this past week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



During this week of January 15/16, flowers have been placed on our alter in memory of **James Duffy on his birthday**, lovingly requested by his family.

You now have the opportunity to have flowers placed on our altar in memory of loved ones. The flowers will be one basket placed in front of the lectern. The parish makes arrangements for the flowers. The name of your loved one and the donor will be placed in the bulletin for that weekend. Please call Carol Cardinale at 617-846-8345. The donation is \$50.

**VIRUS PROTOCOL**

The Archdiocese of Boston has extended the mandate to wear a mask while in church until the day after Ash Wednesday, Thursday, March 3rd. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**GRADES 1-8 FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE**

Sundays Jan.23, Feb. 6, Feb. 27 Grades 1-5 10:45-11:45am  
Grades 6-9 6:15-7:30pm  
Mondays Jan.24, Feb. 7, Feb.28 Grades 3-5 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesdays Jan. 25, Feb. 8, Mar. 1 Grades 1-2 2:45-3:45pm

**Masks are required for all students, volunteers and staff.**  
If your child isn't feeling well or has had a known COVID exposure, please err on the side of caution and keep them home. Thank you for helping us to maintain a safe environment for all our students.

**MANDATORY PARENT MEETING for all students preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion this year.**

**Wed. Jan. 19 6:30-7:15pm -Parish Center Cafeteria**  
Important information about preparation, scheduling, rehearsals, retreat and logistics will be covered. If you have any questions, contact Graceanne Bowe, 617-846-3100 or [bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org](mailto:bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org).

**ST. MICHAEL'S NATIVITY PLAY** was a big hit, thanks to the hardworking students and parent volunteers who dedicated their time and talent. Special thanks to the angels, shepherds, sheep, magi, Holy Family, narrators, and stage crew for making the story of Christmas come alive for our parish.

**Special thanks to our student lectors and readers at the Advent and Christmas Family Masses**

- Nov.28: MacKenzie Evans, Lucerne Johnson, Rocco Sorrentino, Christian Streeter, Gianna Streeter, Alexandra Synnott
- Dec. 5: Hannah Castano-Muneton, Brianna Connolly, Victoria Connolly, Christian Correia, Jayden Guthro, Andrew Morano
- Dec. 12: Gabriella Aufiero, Christian Correia, Isabella Schirripa, Christian Streeter, Alexandra Synnott, Marisa Yee, Aria Zizzo, Mariella Zizzo

**\*\*Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Family Mass\*\***  
Christian Correia, Joseph Dalton, Katerina Dalton, MacKenzie Evans, Ellen Gaynor, Kaden Karge, Andrew Morano, Christian Streeter, Gianna Streeter, Alexandra Synnott

**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*

**PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE - PRAY THE ROSARY**



Buona Domenica:

Happy Sunday Everyone! Happy New Year! Let me begin this column by thanking Peter Caggiano for his donation of the wreaths that adorn the front doors of the Church and for the parish calendars.

Please let me thank all those who made our Christmas celebration so beautiful. May God bless all those who contributed in any way.

Last Sunday marked a special day in the life of St. Michael Parish. It began the inaugural meeting of a newly formed Parish Council. Neither St. John the Evangelist nor Holy Rosary Parish had a Parish Council when I arrived.

The work of the Parish Council is to advise the pastor on policies, procedures and mission. Mission is the most important piece. How do we bring the Good News of Christ to as many people in Winthrop as possible? The Council is consultative in that they advise the pastor. They represent you so don't hesitate to call upon them if you want an issue or idea discussed. I look forward to sharing the work of the council as we get under way.

When I first arrived I told you my three goals: 1. Outreach to the youth, 2. Care for the poor in Winthrop and beyond, and 3. Adult Religious Education. They still remain close to my heart but I look forward to implementing these ideas and perhaps new goals with the newly formed Parish Council. Please join me in thanking the following membership representatives of both former parishes Holy Rosary and St. John the Evangelist. They are:

- Susan Brace Gus Martucci
Mary-Anne Cuoco Amy Streeter
Chris Connolly Margaret Sulkowski
Stephen Gaglin Jeff Turco
Eric Gaynor Fr. Bill Schmidt
Dick Gill Deacon Jim Leo
Renee Hickey

St. Michael Pray for us!!! Happy Sunday!
Fr. Chris

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Did you, or someone you know, miss out on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation during high school? St. Michael the Archangel Parish will offer an opportunity for adults to prepare for Confirmation this spring. Classes will take place in the conference room of the Parish Center on Monday evenings from 7:30-8:30 beginning February 7th and continuing on Monday evenings through March. The course will offer a succinct consideration of the Apostles Creed, Sacraments, Morality and Prayer with plenty of time for questions and discussion. Reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation is required for those who might be invited to serve as a Godparent at Baptism or a Sponsor at Confirmation. Fr. Bill will be teaching this course of faith formation for adults. Please call the parish office at 617-846-7400 for further information and registration.

PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCE
January 2 Offertory: \$11,950.00

When writing out checks for parish donations, please make them payable to St. Michael the Archangel.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION AND SHARING
The Light of the Nations

An In-Depth Exploration of Lumen Gentium,
A Dogmatic Constitution of the 2nd Vatican Council

The mission of the Church is to be the light of Christ in and to the world. How is this lofty endeavor to be lived out in the life of the Church? And what does it mean for our own personal pursuit of holiness? Join Fr. Chris O'Connor and Graceanne Bowe for a 5-week series on "Lumen Gentium", the principal document of the Second Vatican Council. We will explore the themes of Christian unity; the role of Church hierarchy, laity, and religious; the universal call to holiness for everyone, regardless of their vocation; and our membership in the Mystical Body of Christ. The goal of the series is for participants to come away with a deeper understanding of the life of holiness as the participation in something that is greater than ourselves—Christ's Church.

The group will meet Thursday evenings from 7-8pm in the Conference Room 2 of the Parish Center (school). ADVANCE REGISTRATION is kindly requested. Please contact Graceanne Bowe, bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org, or 617-846-3100 if you would like to sign up.

There is no fee to attend the series, and the Council document, Lumen Gentium, is readily available free of charge on the Vatican website as well as popular Catholic websites such as EWTN.

GET TO KNOW JESUS MORE FULLY
THROUGH SACRED SCRIPTURE

Tuesday evenings, 7:00pm

Parish Center (school) Conference Room 2

Would you like to get to know Jesus better and deepen your relationship with Him? What better way than to immerse yourself in the Word of God! Every Tuesday evening, resident expert Alan Giangregorio leads us through the weekly Sunday Gospel, where we find the inspiration and strength to lead holier lives of intimacy with Christ. All are welcome; no registration is required. For more information, please contact Graceanne Bowe, 617-846-3100 or bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org.

PRAYERS

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

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.
Psalm 96

Upcoming Committee Meetings

- Finance Committee Meeting: Wed., Jan. 19th, 5:45pm
Buildings and Grounds Meeting: Wed., Jan. 19th, 6:30pm

**CALL TO ACTION**  
**St. Michael the Archangel Parish**  
**is Re-forming its Pro-Life Committee**

The pandemic of the past year and a half has been a sobering reminder that life is a precious gift from God, priceless beyond riches. As Catholics, we have a moral responsibility to defend the dignity and sanctity of human life at all its stages, from conception until natural death.

Members of the Catholic communities of Winthrop, now united as one parish under the patronage of St. Michael the Archangel, are committed to taking up the fight to protect all human life and to be a voice for those who cannot speak for themselves. As a first step, we are recruiting new committee members and organizing a chapter of Massachusetts Citizens for Life (MCFL), whose mission is to promote respect for human life and defend the right to life by influencing public policy at the local, state, and national levels.

**If you would like to get involved in the pro-life effort at St. Michael's, please contact Doreen at 617-840-4817 or Maureen at 617-846-7400. Our first meeting will be in January, date TBA.**

*“As believers, how can we fail to see that abortion, euthanasia, and assisted suicide are a terrible rejection of God’s gift of life and love? And as believers, how can we fail to feel the duty to surround the sick and those in distress with the warmth of our affection and support that will help them always to embrace life?”*

***Saint Pope John Paul II***

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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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**A PRAYER FOR LIFE**

Lord God, Father of all life, we praise and honor you.  
We thank you for the gift of life that in your great love  
you have graciously bestowed on us.

Gather our nation to yourself so that we might  
be transformed by your Light.

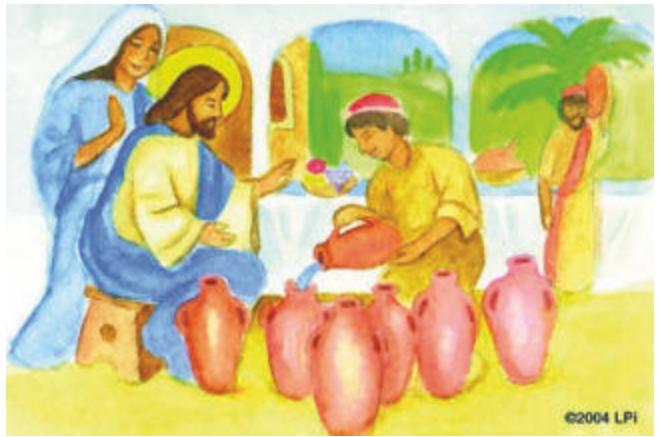
Strengthen us that we may be willing always  
to speak and to act on behalf of the sacredness of all life.

Guide and inspire us by the Holy Spirit with wisdom,  
mercy, love and patient endurance.

United with Mary our Mother, all the angels and saints,  
we ask you to bring about conversion in all whose  
acts and policies lead to the destruction of life.

We pray this in the name of your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen





When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." - Jn 2:3-5

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**Readings for the week of January 16, 2022**

Sun: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-10/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11  
Mon: 1 Sm 15-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22  
Tues: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28  
Wed: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6  
Thurs: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12  
Fri: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19  
Sat: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21  
Next Sun: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21  
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*Mass Intentions*

**Week of January 15/16, 2022 to January 22/23, 2022**

Sat. 4:00 Robert and Lucille Hanlon and Mary Russell  
5:30 ...  
Sun. 8:00 George Humphries, 10th Anniversary  
10:00 Thomas Lee, 6th Anniversary  
Chapel 11:00 Paul Wiener, 1st Anniversary  
12:00 George and Annette Valenti  
Ponzy and Martha Salza  
The Sheppard Family  
Patricia Houde  
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 Grace Tassone and Marie Tassone  
4:00 Charlotte and Stanley Oliver and Marie Hellender  
5:30 Richard Albert Young  
Sun. 8:00 Rev. Daniel Kennedy, 14th Anniversary  
10:00 Sabrina L. Feudo and Anthony J. Chiulli  
Chapel 11:00 Birthday Blessings for Fr. Norbert Atta  
12:00 Ferdinand Martino  
Matthew, Frances and John Previte  
Thomas Cash, 1st Anniversary



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