

St. Michael the Archangel Parish
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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

Confessions
Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 PM (upstairs)
Saturdays 3:00-3:45 PM (downstairs)
or at the Parish Center 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 Parish Center by 12:00 Noon Sunday

Food Pantry Donations
Collected every 2nd Sunday

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

After Moses died, God selected Joshua to lead the Israelites. In this reading, Joshua and the Israelites have just crossed the Jordan river and now at long last are in the Promised Land.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Some members of the Corinthian community found it hard to accept Paul’s teachings. They challenged his credentials and sincerity as an apostle because he was not an eye witness to the earthly life of Jesus. In this passage, Paul defends his ministry as an apostle.

LENT 2022

“It’s not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.” Mother Teresa

St. Michael’s Lenten almsgiving project this year involves supporting Mother Theresa’s Missionaries of Charity in Dorchester, who serve “the poorest of the poor”. If you would like to participate, please look for yellow envelopes around the church and make your check payable to ”St. Michael Parish”. If you choose to make your donation in a different way, please mark the envelope “Mother Theresa”. We thank you for your generosity and wish you a blessed season of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, April 1, at 7:00pm

Friday, April 8 and Palm Sunday, April 10 at 7:00pm

“Living Stations” drama presented by St. Michael’s High School Youth Ministry. All are invited to attend a very special reenactment of the Stations of the Cross. Don’t miss the opportunity to witness the most important event in our church year - brought to life by St. Michael’s youth.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

During this week of March 26/27, the Sanctuary Candles will be burning for the greater glory of God in memory of **The Cahalane 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 \$25.00.

 **Thank You** 

I want to take this opportunity to thank all those who served on the Confirmation retreat team: Jodee, Andrea, Kara, Dave, Brian, Alphonsus, Joe, Ian, Jonathan, William, Beth and Michael. Our amazing cook Rose and her team. They did an amazing job. They were the backbone of the retreat . I also want to thank the parents for all your support for the Confirmation retreat and program. Those being confirmed were amazing. They were polite, respectful, and very well behaved. It was a great day for the youth at St. Michael’s. The parish would have been very proud of them. Thank you all for your prayers.

GRADES 1-8 FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Sundays: Mar. 27, Apr.10, 24 Grades 1-5 10:45-11:45am
Grades 6-8 6:15-7:30pm
Mondays: Mar. 28, Apr.11, 25 Grades 3-5 3:00-4:00pm
Tuesdays: Mar. 29, Apr. 12, 26 Grades 1-2 2:45-3:45pm

***SPECIAL SCHEDULE FOR GRADE 2 STUDENTS PREPARING FOR 1ST HOLY COMMUNION**

Sat. Mar. 26 - 1st Eucharist Retreat - 9am - 12noon
Replaces regular Mar. 27 & 29 classes
Sun. Apr. 10 - Regular 2nd grade class - 10:45-11:45am
Tues. Apr. 12-Regular 2nd grade class - 2:45-3:45pm
Tues. Apr. 26-1st Eucharist rehearsal - 6:30-7:15pm
Replaces regular Apr. 24 & 26 classes

PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY FAMILY MASSES - Student volunteers needed!

The 10am Masses on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday will be a Family Mass. If your child would like to participate as a prayer reader, bring up the gifts, or ring the Church bells, please contact Graceanne Bowe at 617 846-3100 or bowe@stjohnswinthrop.org.

REMINDER: CONFIRMATION II CLASSES

Classes take place on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm on the following dates: March 27, April 3, and April 10. **Sunday, April 10 will begin with regular class followed by a presentation of the Living Stations of the Cross in the upper Church.**

ST. MICHAEL’S DRAMA

We are looking for children in grades 3-8 to do short readings to introduce the songs and skits in our upcoming musical revue, “To Love Thee More Dearly”.

Readers would need to attend the dress rehearsal on Friday, May 13 from 5-6pm and the performances on Saturday, May 14 at 5pm and Sunday, May 15 at 11am in St. Michaels Parish Center school gym. Please contact Kelli at KelliGaynor@gmail.com if your child would like to be a reader.

ST. MICHAEL’S DRAMA Program Ad Opportunity

Do you have a business that might benefit from advertising in our “To Love Thee More Dearly” Musical Revue Show Program? Take advantage of this opportunity to advertise your business or service for as low as \$25. while supporting parish youth. Please email Kelli at KelliGaynor@gmail.com. Ad deadline is April 30, 2022.

Performances are Saturday, May 14th at 5pm and Sunday, May 15th at 11am in the school gym. Free admission and free popcorn. “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord.”



Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome into the Catholic faith **Delaney Torra, Penelope Cross and Lennon Bea Wichland** Please keep these little ones, their parents and godparents in your prayers as they begin their faith journeys.

A Meditation on today's Gospel
From "The Word Among Us"

Doesn't Jesus' parable of the prodigal son seem a little illogical? What responsible father would sell off half his property and give the money to his youngest son? And then, having seen his boy go out and waste all that money on partying, what father would welcome his son home with open arms and throw a lavish feast in his honor? It doesn't make sense.

But that's the point of the parable. God's love and mercy toward us is so extravagant that we have a hard time wrapping our heads around it. We live in a world run by the logic of conditional love and cautious acceptance. It's the kind of logic that equates justice with vengeance and fairness with retribution. It's the same logic the older brother used when he confronted his father. Look, why are you being so generous to him and not to me? Don't I get anything for all my hard work? Where's the justice in that?

But God uses the logic of divine love, not human "justice". According to divine logic, it's better for the perfect, innocent Son of God to die than for a guilty humanity to face its just condemnation. According to the divine logic, every sin can be forgiven and forgotten. It's the kind of logic that welcomes the unrighteous prodigal and begs the self-righteous brother to soften his heart.

The logic of divine love tells you that you have a heavenly father who looks upon you with mercy, not judgment. He sees everything about you—good, bad, and indifferent—and he loves you completely and is ready to forgive you unreservedly. Even if you feel like the prodigal son in the parable, he still wants to embrace you and set a feast for you. So come to the table of his altar today with humility and gratitude. Come and celebrate with him and all your brothers and sisters in Christ. Let His love fill you.

"Father, I am in awe of your mercy!"

An adaptation from the poem "A Lenten Prayer" by William Arthur Ward (1921-1984)

Fast from judging others; feast on Christ in them.

Fast from wanting more; feast on being thankful.

Fast from anger; feast on patience.

Fast from worry; feast on trust.

Fast from complaining; feast on enjoyment

Fast from negatives; feast on positives.

Fast from stress; feast on prayer.

Fast from anger; feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.

Fast from fear; feast on truth.

Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.

Fast from gossip; feast on silence

Fast from fighting; feast on peace.

Submitted by a Parishioner

PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE
PRAY THE ROSARY



PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCE

March 20 Offertory: \$9,193.00

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

This weekend and next there will be baskets at the rear of the church for those who wish to donate for the people of Ukraine. The proceeds will go to the Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your generosity.

In Loving Memory

In your charity please pray for the souls of Edward Dwyer and Mark A. Sentner whose funerals took place this past week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Sing Praise

We are looking for a few more singers who would like to augment the ranks of the adult choir. Please speak with Stephen Lee, our Music Director, if you are interested.

St. Michael's has parishioners who need to receive Communion at home due to age or health. If you are an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and would be interested in learning more about how you could help our church meet this important need, we would like to hear from you. Please call the Parish Center office at 617-846-7400 and leave your name, phone number and email address.



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.

St. Michael's will be having a food drive during the weekend of Palm Sunday, April 9/10 for the local Food Pantry. With the rising costs of food and other household goods, we are accepting any non-perishable donation, however the pantry is in specific need of:



- Canned fruit
Cereal
Juice
Pasta sauce (no cans please)
Peanut Butter
Ketchup
Mustard
Mayonnaise
Rice
Jelly

We would appreciate any donation, small or large. Thank you so much for your support.

MARCH 27, 2022

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 parish center 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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PRAYERS

If you are in need of someone to pray with you, please call Carolanne (617-846-3227) or Margaret (617-764-6952)
Those who know the Lord trust Him, because He will not leave those who come to Him. Psalm 9:10



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Jennifer Travaligni and Robert Hamilton
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EASTER FLOWERS

We invite parishioners to contribute for the purchase of the flowers used on the altar for Easter. You might want to donate in memory of a loved one. If so, we ask you to print the name/names of your deceased loved ones in the space provided below and enclose it in an envelope with your contribution. You may bring/send this to St Michael's Parish Center. Please make sure your checks are made out to St. Michael's Parish designating on the envelope "Easter Flowers". During the Easter season names of all your loved ones will be prayed for and remembered at all our Masses.

NAMES



“His son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.’ But his father ordered his servants, ‘let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.’” - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

Readings for the week of March 27, 2022

- Sun: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Mon: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
Tues: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wed: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
Thurs: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
Fri: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sun: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11



March 26/27, 2022

- Sat. 4:00 Anne L. Donahue, Robert J. “Doug” Donahue, Thomas D. Donahue and Paul J. Donahue
5:30 ...
Sun. 8:00 Theresa, Vincent and Charles Geraci
10:00 Joseph Skoczylas, 7th Anniversary
Chapel 11:00 Louise E. Papile
12:00 Marguerite Canavan, 2nd Anniversary
Rev. Joseph P. Smith
Rita M. Finn, 33rd Anniversary

March 28 to April 3, 2022

- Mon. 9:00 ...
Tues. 9:00 The Benefactors of the Parish
Wed. 9:00 ...
Thurs. 9:00 Isabel DeLuca
Fri. 9:00 The People of the Parish
Sat. 9:00 Jay Westbrook
4:00 Joseph P. White, 1st Anniversary
5:30 Stephen Kennedy
Sun. 8:00 ...
10:00 John and Catherine Femino Anniversary Mass
Chapel 11:00 ...
12:00 Kenneth Carron, 1st Anniversary





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