

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

80 FARNUM PIKE, GEORGIAVILLE, RHODE ISLAND



Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM - Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM - Mon-Wed: 7:00 AM
Holy Days: As announced in bulletin

PASTOR: Rev. Richard A. Valentine

PASTORAL ASSISTANT:
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PARISH SECRETARY:
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HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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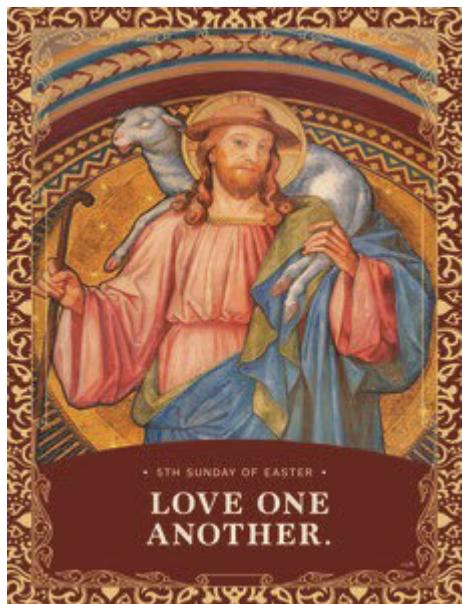
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Parents should contact the Pastoral Assistant, ext. 4, at least four months before the birth of their baby to discuss baptismal plans.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: by appointment with the priest.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Couples should contact the parish priest at least one year in advance. Be sure you have a confirmed date at the church before making any other arrangements.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring communion to the homebound. Please call the Pastoral Assistant, ext. 4.

PARISH PRAYER LINE: If anyone wishes to request a special intention, please call Avis at 233-0225
All requests will remain confidential.



I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "**As the Father loves me, so I love you**" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "**Love another as I have loved you**" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How *has* he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "**Love one another.**" So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

Thank You.

Our **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** is scheduled for May 31, 2025 at 6pm (after the 5pm Mass) in the Parish Hall. This is an adult ministries dinner. If you know someone who should have received an invitation and has not received one, please notify the Rectory.



By God's gift through water & the Holy Spirit, we are reborn to Everlasting Life. May God bless the newly baptized and her Family.

VIVIAN ROSE KERWIN

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 PM Saturday, May 17, 2025
Peter Mandeville
1st year Anniversary, by Family

8:00 AM Sunday, May 18, 2025
Anna Bucci
6th Year Anniversary, by Cheryl & Alexandra

10:30 AM Sandra McDole
2nd Year Anniversary Remembrance, by Family

7:00 AM Tuesday, May 20, 2025
Chiarina Cirotola
Birthday Remembrance, by Children

7:00 AM Wednesday, May 21, 2025
Donald Patrick Stoeckel
Remembrance, by Family

5:00 PM Saturday, May 24, 2025
We pray for all our Confirmation Candidates



READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

WEEKLY IN OUR PARISH

Weekday Mass: Monday–Wednesday 7:00 AM

Communal Recitation of the Rosary:

Mondays at 6:30 PM



Religious Formation

401-231-1340, Ext 3
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THURSDAY, MAY 22ND
CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL:
7 PM MASS

SATURDAY, MAY 24TH:
CONFIRMATION: 5:00 PM MASS

SUMMER SCHOOL

There are still openings available for children in **Grades 3 to 8** to attend our **Summer School Program**.

Session I for **Grades 3, 4 and 5** will be **June 23-27**, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 am to 12 pm.

Session II for **Grades 6, 7 and 8** will be **July 14-18**, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 am to 12 pm.

If interested, please contact Wendy for more information.

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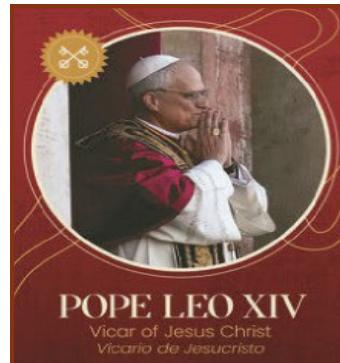


This Week on Formed

The Day The Sun Danced: The True Story of Fatima

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Pope Leo XIV

Leo XIV: First American Pope

Give thanks to God for the election of **His Holiness**. **Cardinal Robert F. Prevost** became the first Pope elected from the United States and took the name Leo XIV. He is the 267th pope.

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation II class will receive their Confirmation on **Saturday, May 24 at the 5 PM Mass**. Let us keep our young adults in our prayers during the coming week.



St. Michael's Parish
150th Anniversary
Dinner Dance
Saturday, October 25th
(More information to follow when tickets become available.)

We are asking for gift items from our Parishioners to be raffled off at the dinner dance. If anyone would like to donate an item such as jewelry, local sports teams tickets, liquor baskets, etc., kindly call the Rectory to make arrangements or you may drop off items at any time during normal business hours Monday thru Thursday 9AM to 4PM. Thank you!

AVAILABLE NOW! PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Jan Thivierge from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



Jan Thivierge
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ST. MICHAEL'S FOOD CLOSET

The Food Closet will be open
Saturday, June 14 from 10AM-12PM

Donations can be made on weekends during mass time or if you have a large amount, at the rectory Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm. To continue helping our friends and neighbors, the following items are needed: **juice, canned milk, paper towels, deodorants, napkins, Tissues, crackers, toothpaste & brushes**. Please do not donate any food or beverages that need refrigeration. Items in **'Bold print'** are most needed!

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