

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00a.m.

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 8:00a.m.

Holy Days 10:00a.m., 5:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

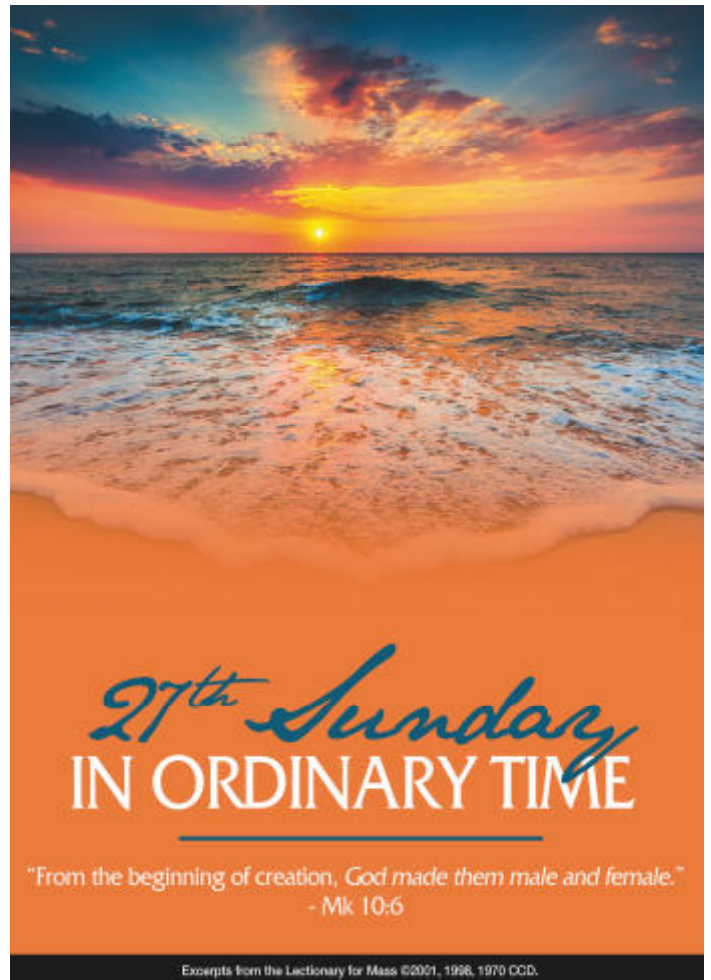
Baptisms are Sundays at 1:00 P.M.

Please contact the Parish Secretary weekday mornings.

Parents' Baptismal instructions are required before the baptism.

MARRIAGE:

Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the desired date to make the necessary arrangements.



27th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female."

- Mk 10:6

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He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

~~ Family Perspective ~~

In today's gospel Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rule book. Rules are for those with "hardened hearts." Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.

Forward With Faith

Commitment Weekend October 16th - 17th

Forward with Faith is a capital campaign to help move our Catholic community toward a future of vibrancy and renewed evangelization. Since the campaign began in 2018, more than 100 parishes, schools, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford have received financial support through grants and rebates.

We need your support to receive a grant to fix our roof here at **St. Michael Church**. Please prayerfully consider making a commitment. As always **thank you for your continuing support.**

Question of the Week?



What can I do to put the needs of those I love, of those who depend on me, above my own needs this week?



Weekly Offertory Report

September 26, 2021.....\$2743.00
Catholic Elementary Schools.....\$549.00

Please prayerfully consider giving just \$2 or \$3 more so we can bridge the gap in our budget.

Thank you for supporting your parish!

Annual Collection Announcement

We are very grateful to those who have made a pledge to our Annual Collection. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. Thank you for your care and concern for St. Michael's Parish.

HOPES Collection



On behalf of the students in the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese of Hartford, we extend our deepest gratitude to all who contributed to the 2021 HOPES Collection. Your generosity supports a culture of faith and academic excellence in Catholic Schools that benefit the entire community.

Thank You!

Bible Tidbits

The Letter of James is not believed to be from either one of the Apostles named James, since the author would have name himself as such. However, there are many other disciples named James found in the New Testament, and scholars think it is likely one of them. In this letter, we find an early description of the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, James 5:13-15. However, the main purpose of his letter is to offer encouragement and practical wisdom to the early Christians. James echoes Jesus' teachings about the difficulty of the rich to get into heaven. He also teaches us that faith and good works must go together; we cannot have one without the other. (Bible questions? Call or text Anita Rosa at 203-577-5888)



**2021 Marriage Anniversary Celebration
Archdiocese of Hartford**

On **Sunday, October 10, 2021, at 2:00 PM**, the annual Archdiocesan Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford for married couples who have observed or will be observing **25th, 50th, 60th**, and other special wedding anniversaries in 2020 or 2021. While typically only those celebrating special anniversaries in a given year are invited to this celebration, couples who had special anniversaries in 2020 are also invited this year in hopes of recognizing those who could not be celebrated last year when the pandemic led to cancellation of this annual Mass. Therefore all married couples from parishes in the Archdiocese of Hartford who are celebrating such anniversaries either in 2020 or 2021 are invited to participate. Registration to be done online at bit.ly/aohmarriageamass.

Holy Cross High school

It's never too early to start planning your high school experience! Meet Holy Cross event on Tuesday, **October 12, at 6:30 pm** for 7th and 8th grade as well as transfer student families. This small group event will give your family an opportunity to meet some of our teachers, administrators and students to learn about all that Holy Cross has to offer and go on a student guided campus tour. Masks will be mandatory for these events and they will be held in our Auditorium to allow us to social distance. We look forward to seeing you at our Annual Open House on Sunday, **November 7 at 2:00 pm**. Individual tours can also be scheduled.

8th Graders are required to take our Placement Test on Saturday, **October 16 or Saturday, November 20 at 8:30 am**. Cost for the Exam is \$25.00. Applications and financial aid applications are due on December 1.

For more information contact Terri Ann Parks at 203-757-9248 or tparks@holycross-ct.com.



- Saturday 4:00PM** **October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels**
Faith Emeri & Jennifer Catalani by their families
- Sunday 9:00AM** **October 3 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Joseph Sugrue by family
- Monday 8:00 AM** **October 4 - Saint Francis of Assisi**
Mass Available - call office to reserve
- Wednesday 8:00 AM** **October 6 - Weekday**
Priest Convocation - no mass
- Friday 8:00AM** **October 8 - Weekday**
John V. and Elizabeth H. Conway
- Saturday 4:00 PM** **October 9 - Weekday**
65th Wedding Anniversary for Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Jurzyk
- Sunday 9:00 AM** **October 10 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Maria Magdalena Nhu Le Vo by her family

St. Francis Of Assisi Feast Day October 4th



Francis of Assisi, patron saint of **animals and ecology**, was born in Italy around 1181-1182. In 1224, Francis became the first saint in history to receive the stigmata (the wounds of Christ crucified). ... On October 4, 1226, Francis died in the town of Assisi and was quickly canonized by Pope Gregory IX.

Blessings to all our animals...

St. Michael Church Ladies Guild Bake Sale

Our 1st **Bake Sale** will be held on **October 23rd and 24th** before and after masses. Come enjoy goodies made by our Ladies Guild. Some Halloween treats too...

Something for everyone!



Dates Available: October 3, 10, 17, 24

October - Month of the Rosary

PRAY THE ROSARY

Daily recitation of the Rosary is a powerful way to obtain peace for the world, avoid sin, and grow in holiness. It helps us meditate on the life, death, and glory of Jesus and His mother. By commemorating these events in our salvation history, we are reminded to thank and praise God for them.



Pope's Prayer Intention

October: Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Prayer Chain & Hospital Visits

If you need prayers, a hospital visit or if you would like to join our prayer chain, please call or email:

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