

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH



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Pastor:

Reverend Nathaniel C. Labarda

Trustees:

Mr. Michael Fappiano

Miss Marie Therrien

Parish Secretary:

Ms. Cindy Tomkowicz

Director of Religious Education:

Miss Marie Therrien

Music Ministers:

Mr. Ralph Proulx, Director of Music & Choir

Mrs. Geraldine Reardon, Cantor

Business Manager:

Mrs. Beth Cavanaugh

Director of Buildings & Maintenance:

Mr. Michael Caruso

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:

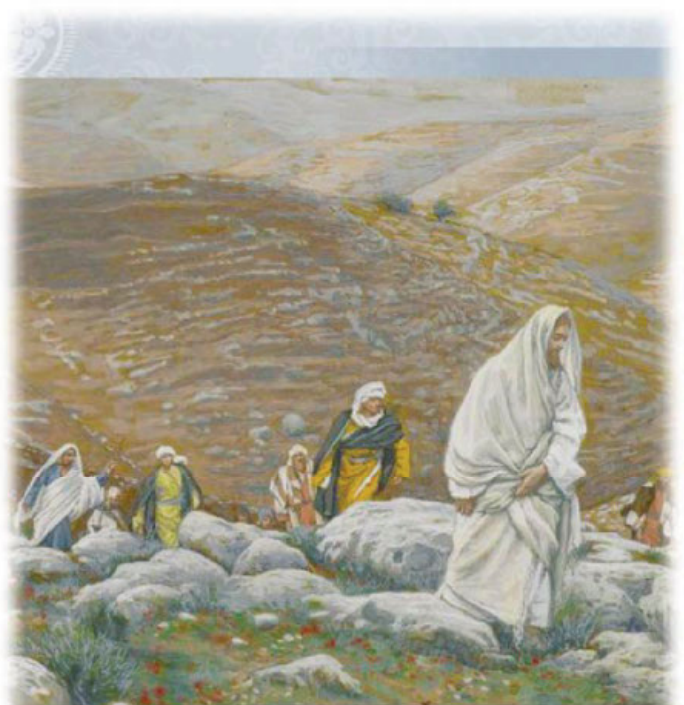
Baptisms are Sundays at 1:00 P.M.

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.



4th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30

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He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" - Lk 4:21-22

~ A Family Perspective ~

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village "all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words." But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.



Discover Catholic Schools Week highlights the wonders of Catholic school education; an education that nurtures the whole person: mind, body and soul. It's an opportunity to learn about a diverse network of schools that offer a spiritually rooted academic experience. Valerie Mara, Archdiocese of Hartford Superintendent of Catholic Schools, said many new families are turning to Catholic schools in the Archdiocese after discovering what sets them apart. "A Catholic school experience offers much more than education: there's something greater here. Our mission is to do our part in creating a world of good. Families turn to us because our students know that they are loved and they in turn love and respect each other and every human life. Our teachers and staff know our students by name—as individuals—and the welcoming, close-knit community we build around them is committed to making sure they are valued, supported and have access to all the resources and tools they need to succeed in the classroom and beyond."

Catholic Schools Week
Jan 30th - Feb 5th

~ 2nd Collection Next Week ~

There will be a 2nd collection next week for Parish Improvements.

Weekly Offertory Report

January 23, 2022.....\$2080.00
Catholic High Schools.....\$384.00

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

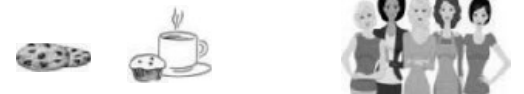
Thank you for supporting your parish!

The ABCs of Annulment

Father Philip Schulze, Pastor of Saint Margaret Parish, 24 Academy Street, Madison, Connecticut, in collaboration with Father George Mukuka, the Judicial Vicar of the Metropolitan Tribunal in Bloomfield, Connecticut, will host "The ABCs of Annulment" on Saturday of January 22nd, 2022, from 10 am to 12:00 pm, in the Church Hall at the address above. Updates of the process initiated by Pope Francis as well as those made in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be presented by Br. Larry Lussier CSC, and Jim Tottenham. Follow-up Annulment Workshops to help participants write their applications will be held at the same address on Saturday January 29th, and February 12th and 19th, from 10 am to 12:00 pm. Br. Larry, Jim Tottenham, and other members of the Annulment Team, will be present for the Workshops. The "ABCs of Annulment" event is open to all at no cost. Participants will receive a folder with the required printed materials. No registration is required. For further information call Br.Larry @ 475-221-8464 or email him at brolarlus300@gmail.com.

**St. Michael Church Ladies Guild
Next Meeting March 6th**

Our Ladies Guild will be meeting on **March 6th after the 9:00 am Mass** in the Rectory Meeting Room. Come join us for refreshments. Come enjoy goodies made by our Ladies Guild. We would like to thank everyone who helped with our Christmas Bazaar, we raised over \$8000.00.



**Letters for Donation Contributions
for 2021**

St. Michael Church will be sending out letters for contributions made to the Church for 2021 upon request. You can call the rectory 203-753-0689 or use this form below by placing with the collection or you can mail it to the rectory at 62 St. Michael Drive Waterbury, CT 06704. Letters will be mailed out to you promptly. Please print your name and address along with your envelope number. Call Cindy with any questions. Thank You!

Donation Letter for 2021

Name: _____

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Envelope : _____

We will mail you a copy of your donations for 2021.

St. Blaise | February 3



You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

St. Michael Church Bingo

We are in need of volunteers to help with Bingo . Become part of the team, help with the games and the kitchen. If interested or for more information please call the Rectory during regular business hours (203-753-0689) or Charlie Laliberte (203-565-8760). Doors open at 5:00 pm on Saturdays.



Bible Tidbit

God's self-revelation in Scripture often used very simple images, many of them drawn from nature. God is a mother eagle, teaching her young to fly (Deuteronomy 32:11), or a mother bird who gathers her young under her wings to protect them (Matthew 23:37). God is the mother who loves her child with an everlasting love (Isaiah 49:15), and God is the father, who teaches us how to walk, picks us up when we fall and hugs us and presses us lovingly to his cheek (Hosea 11:1-4). But God is also the One who created the universe and everything in it Psalm 104:5-8). This included His role as the Potter, who shaped us with His own hands (Isaiah 64:7). There are so many more beautiful images of God in Scripture. Keep your eyes open. He wants us to know Him. (Bible questions? Call or text Anita Rosa at 203-577-5888)



- Saturday 4:00PM** **January 29 - Weekday**
Mark Serafine by Lori Needham
- Sunday 9:00AM** **January 30 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Maria Teresa & Domenic Rosa "Anniversary Remembrance" by their daughter and family
- Monday 8:00 AM** **January 31 - Saint John Bosco**
Jason Lavoie by family
- Wednesday 8:00 AM** **February 2 - The Presentation of the Lord**
Mass Available - call office to reserve
- Friday 8:00AM** **February 4 - Weekday**
Edwin Ibanez "Birthday Remembrance" by family
- Saturday 4:00 PM** **February 5 - Saint Agatha**
Ieronimo & Quattro Families by Frank & Marie Ieronimo
- Sunday 9:00 AM** **February 6 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Jacqueline Jannetty "1st Anniversary" by husband

The Sanctuary Lamp signals the Eucharistic presence of the Lord Jesus in the tabernacle and burns for 7 days. You may have the Sanctuary Lamp memorialized for a sick person, a deceased love one, or a special intention, for a weekly donation of \$25.00.



2022 Upcoming available Sanctuary Lamp Dates
Jan 30, Feb 6, 13



Pope's Prayer Intention

February: Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women
We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

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:

Parish Office203-753-0689
Emailstmichael062@gmail.com

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