

# ST. MICHAEL CHURCH



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**Maintenance:**

Mr. Kevin Kelly

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

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

Monday & Wednesday- 9:00a.m.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Please call rectory for information.

**BAPTISMS:**

Baptisms are Sundays after morning Mass.

Please call the rectory for more info 203-753-0689

**MARRIAGE:**

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



33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Well done, my good and faithful servant.” – Mt 25:21

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Dear Friends in Christ,

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you an amazing true story which just took place last week. It is a tale of hope, and heartbreak, of tragedy and sorrow, but also epiphany and redemption. It mirrors, in so many ways, the soul's journey through life.

Indi Gregory was a beautiful 7-month old baby girl living in the United Kingdom. Indi was born with a life-threatening mitochondrial disease which necessitated her being on life support. In the U.K., the government is in charge of health care, and recently they decided not to keep tiny Indi on life support any longer, despite the anguished protestations of her parents. Pope Francis got involved, publicly praying for Indi and her family and offering to place Indi in the Gesu Bambino Children's Hospital at the Vatican for free. Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni offered to grant Indi and her family Italian citizenship. Millions of people all over the earth were praying for this beautiful, unique, precious, unrepeatable child to live. But the U.K. courts ruled against Indi leaving the country, and they withdrew Indi's life support. On Monday of last week, Baby Indi died, leaving a world of grief in her wake. But also a tiny sliver of hope.

Because something truly extraordinary happened before Indi died.

Her attorneys, who were all faithful Christians working on a pro bono basis, inspired her father, who was an atheist, to have Baby Indi baptized before she died. And then something remarkable occurred. Indi's father, Dean Gregory, saw the difference between the dedicated, loving hearts of his Christian attorneys and the cold, calculating, ruthlessness of the U.K. court system, and he was inspired to make a life-changing decision.

"I have seen what hell is like and I want Indi to go to heaven," he said. "In fact, I have decided that me and my daughter should get baptized too. We want to be protected in this life and go to heaven."

Here is our faith pilgrimage lived out in all its mystery, agony, and glory. An innocent child suffers and dies. A family grieves. Yet somehow, in the midst of it all, a miracle takes place. A beautiful child goes to heaven, a father and his daughter are converted to Christ, and the world seems to briefly unite in prayer, mourning, and hope.

There are so many truths to consider here...! We are grateful for a Church which stands unapologetically on the side of life, and which daily upholds the dignity and value of every human being at every stage of life. We hope that Baby Indi will intercede for her family in heaven. We pray that the newly begun faith journey of her father and sister will yield much joyful fruit in this life, and lead to their eventual reunion with Indi before God's heavenly throne, where their tears will yield to joy and to life everlasting.

How mysterious are the ways of God...!

Yours in Christ,  
Dan Mathews



### **St. Michael Annual Christmas Bazaar**

Saturday Dec 2nd 9am - 3pm

Sunday Dec 3rd 9am - noon

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**Enjoy the Sounds of the Season**  
**Join Us for a Festive Christmas Concert** 2:00pm  
**SUN DEC 10 (No Snow Date)**  
 St Michael Church 62 St Michael Drive Waterbury



 Music performed by **Peter Ryan**

Event is FREE & Open to the Public  
 Celebrate the Season with Family, Friends &  
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Sign up Sheets located in the Church and Hall

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**Bakers Needed!**  
**Bakers needed for the Bazaar**  
 (cakes, Cookies, etc)  
**Drop Off**  
**Saturday Dec 2nd after 8:30am call**  
**Rozanne at 203-525-6432**

**Weekly Offertory Report**  
 November 5, 2023.....\$2,265.00  
*Thank you for supporting your Parish!*



**Saturday 4:00PM** **November 18 - Weekday**  
 †Gloria & †Caesar Caldarone by family

**Sunday 9:00AM** **November 19 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 †Trung Nguyen by wife & family

**Monday 9:00 AM** **November 20 - Weekday**  
 †Lucian Marchesseault by Dave & Marianne Eggleton

**Wednesday 9:00AM** **November 22 - Saint Cecilia**  
 †Paul Orsillo by his daughter

**Saturday 4:00 PM** **November 25 - Weekday**  
 †Michael Delano "25th Anniversary"  
 by wife, Rosemary

**Sunday 9:00 AM** **November 26 - Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe**  
 †Dena Klobedanz "1st Anniversary" by family

**Change In Mass Schedule**  
 Please note there will no longer be a morning mass here in the Chapel at St. Michael Church on Fridays.

*The Sanctuary Lamp*  
 burns this week for the special intentions of:  
*Tom & Nicki*

 **Mass of Remembrance**  
 November 9, 2023  
 Remembering those we lost  
 in the last  
 Year...



*Life is changed not ended  
 earthly plans trans muted  
 God will gently wipe away  
 the tears from our eyes  
 Life is changed not ended  
 broken bonds now mended  
 we know that we will rise again  
 for life is changed not ended  
 yes, life is changed but not ended*

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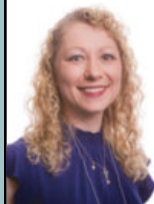
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