



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF

# Saint Michael

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## Eucharistic Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Daily (Mon. - Sat.) 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days

8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Exposition & Benediction

Wed. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

First Fri. 7:30 to 8:00 a.m.

## Reconciliation

Wednesday 8:30-9:30 a.m.  
During Adoration

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

*Anytime by appointment*

## Church Office Hours

Mon.- Fri. 9:30 AM-1:30 PM

## Parish Clergy & Staff

**Rev. Joy Jacob, SDB, Pastor**

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Music & Choir Director: Gail Lane

Plant Maintenance: Paul Brennan

Parish Council Chair:

Thomas Mulinski

Finance Chair: Peter Galla

Trustees: David Langdon &

Veronica Sharnick

**January 30, 2022**



## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

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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***We, at Saint Michael Parish, are a welcoming community of faith. Called by Jesus Christ to proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the Sacraments, we give witness through joyful lives of prayer and service. Reaching out with the help of the Spirit, we strive to bring the Lord's healing and transforming message to all.***



For those interested in Online Giving, please visit our website at

saintmichaelsonline.org and click the Online Giving icon, or visit <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4865> to enroll. Our church code is 4865. Thank you for your ongoing support and to everyone that has continued to contribute to the offertory, either by Online Giving or through the use of offertory envelopes!



### MASK RECOMMENDATION

For your health & safety, it is strongly recommended that everyone wears a mask while in the church. Thank you!

### MEETINGS

The Men's Club will meet in the Lyceum on Sunday, January 30th, after the 8 AM Mass.

The Finance Council will meet in the Lyceum on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 6:30 PM.

### SHOPPING VOLUNTEER

One of our parishioners has graciously volunteered to do grocery shopping for parishioners that are homebound or are unable to shop for themselves. If you are interested in having her shop for you, please call the Church Office, at 203-729-2504, and we will have her get in touch with you.

### CONDOLENCES

We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Gustavus Mukwaya, father of Rachel Keyser.



In an effort to continue our studies & keep everyone as safe as possible, we have made the decision to continue our CCD Classes via Zoom. Please see the revised schedule below. We will continue to monitor the Covid positivity rate and will hopefully return to in-person classes soon. Teachers will send parents a Zoom invite the week of class.

#### Revised Class Schedule for Zoom Classes For Grades 1 through 7

Grades 1 & 2: Sunday, Jan. 30th, & Feb. 13th 9:00 AM—9:40 AM

Grade 3: Sunday, Feb. 6th & 20th, 10:15 AM—10:55 AM

Grades 4 & 5: Feb. 6th & 20th, 9:00 AM—9:40 AM

Grade 6: Tuesday, Feb. 1st: 6:30-7:10 pm

Grade 7: Thursday, Feb. 3rd: 6:30-7:10 pm

#### Grades 8 & 9:

Grade 8: Zoom Meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 9th

Grade 9: Zoom Meeting, Monday, Feb. 7th

Mrs. Galla will send an email to parents this week with the link.

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED TO VISITORS, AVAILABLE BY PHONE, MONDAY-FRIDAY

Please note: The Church Office is currently closed to visitors, except for emergencies. If you do need to visit the office, please wear a mask. The office will be operating during normal office hours of 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM and we will be available by phone, at 203-729-2504. If you would like to book a Mass, please call the office to do so, and we can either mail a Mass Card for you, or leave it in the Rectory mailbox for you to pick up. Thank you for your understanding.

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Wednesday, February 2, 2022

St. Michael Church will receive 20% of take-out orders placed with Antonio's in Beacon Falls on February 2nd only. Please be sure to mention St. Michael Church when you are placing your order so that we can receive credit. Please note that this applies to **take-out orders only** and orders can be placed from 11 AM until closing that day. Thank you for your support!



**Frequently Asked Questions**

**What is Forward with Faith?**

**Forward with Faith** (FWF) is a fundraising campaign to build a vibrant community of faith in the

parishes, schools, and Catholic organizations. This vision will help to fulfill the mission of our Church in Hartford: to be living signs of communion with God and to be his instruments for redemption in the world.

**What are the objectives of Forward with Faith?**

**Forward with Faith** seeks to raise a minimum of \$50 million to support:

**Vibrant Parishes:** Half of all funds raised will help the parishes meet their needs;

**Educating to Re-ignite the Faith:** by expanding and strengthening learning for students, administrators, teachers, clergy, and the faithful;

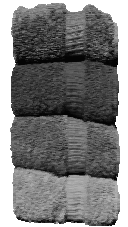
**Champions in Service:** by helping Catholic Charities with better facilities and new programs; and,

**Innovation and Emerging Opportunities** that promote long-lasting change, strengthen our schools and parishes, and meet the evolving needs of the community.

**What is The Hartford Bishops' Foundation?** Founded in 2016, The Hartford Bishops' Foundation (HBF) is dedicated to engaging donors in helping the Archdiocese of Hartford carry out the mission of the Catholic Church. The independent Foundation is led by a volunteer Board of Directors representing the Archdiocese's constituencies: parishes, schools, and Catholic organizations. For more information, please visit [The Hartford Bishops Foundation's website](#).



During the months of January & February, **new towels and socks** will be collected for donation to **St. Vincent DePaul Mission** in Waterbury.



A collection box will be by the elevator. Thank you!

**Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, Farmington, CT**

Reservations: Call 860-677-8519 or online registration at [OurLadyofCalvary.net](http://OurLadyofCalvary.net) Email: [olcretreat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:olcretreat@sbcglobal.net)

**"Lectio Divina" on Zoom** Feb. 1st, 8th, 15th, & 22nd, 10 AM to 11 AM, Free-will Offering. An ancient practice of reading, listening, & looking with the eyes and ears of the heart. Learn one of the most widespread, simple, & accessible practices of Contemplative Prayer.

**"One Day Women's Retreat"** In-person, Feb. 5th, 9 AM to 4 PM, Offering: \$100. The one day Women's Retreat will begin with Morning Prayer. Two retreat conferences will be presented. There will be a Reconciliation Service that will include time for individual Confession. The day will conclude with Mass. Retreatants can expect to be on their way home by 4:00 pm. A hearty lunch will be served.

**"Seeking the Light Together" on Zoom** Feb. 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd, 7 PM to 8:30 PM, Offering: \$10. Listen to a brief presentation on the topic of hope & encouragement, have time for personal reflection with opportunities to listen & share together, & deepen in hope through a practical awareness meditation.

**"Women's Weekend Retreats"** Feb. 11th-13th or Feb. 25th-27th. Please see the OLC Website for info.

**"Retreat for Men"** Focusing on the Synod 2021-2023 Theme: *For a Synodal Church*, Feb. 19th, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Please see the OLC Website for info.



**THE BIBLE**  
*In A Year*

Fr. Michael Schmitz, in conjunction with Ascension Press, will have a **daily Bible Podcast**, *The Bible in a Year*, in which he will read & discuss daily bible reading with commentary, taking you through the entire 365 days of 2022 and exposing you to the Old & New Testament. Visit [ascensionpress.com](http://ascensionpress.com) to reserve your spot. Free of charge.

**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week  
For Laura Poeta Mulinski by  
Family.



**ONLINE SCHEDULE**

Sunday Mass at St. Michael Parish is live-streamed at 10:00 am on Sunday. Please visit our website, at [www.saintmichaelsonline.org](http://www.saintmichaelsonline.org) & click the link to view the Masses. You will be brought to our FaceBook Page. If you do not wish to log into or subscribe to FaceBook, you can still view the Mass by clicking "Not Now" under the green "Create New Account" rectangle. You will be able to view the Mass without logging into FaceBook. The recorded Masses & services will also be available to be viewed on our YouTube channel within a couple of hours after the live stream has ended. If you would like to view the Mass at a later time, please follow the same steps for watching on FaceBook, since a link will be posted to bring you to YouTube. Please be sure to subscribe to our page on YouTube and like the videos.

**Next Week's Second Collection is for  
The Salesians of New Delhi (Fr. Joy's  
Province).**

**Last Weekend's Collection**

Weekly Offertory	\$2,680.00
Monthly Collection	\$ 175.00
Online Giving	<b>\$1,270.00</b>
Total Offertory & Online Giving	<b>\$4,125.00</b>
Catholic High Schools Collection	\$ 544.00

**MASS BOOKING INFO.**

	Offering
Weekend Masses:	\$25
Weekday & Saturday 8AM Masses:	\$ 15
Sanctuary Lamp:	\$20

**2021 TAX STATEMENTS**

2021 Contribution Statements are now available for tax purposes. Please call the Church Office, at 203-729-2504, Monday through Friday, from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM, to request your statement.



**Masses from Sat. Jan. 29, 2022, to Sun., Feb. 6, 2022**

<b>Sat., 1/29</b>	8:00 AM <b>32nd Anniversary:</b> <b>John Gadacy</b> <i>(by Family)</i>
	5:00 PM <b>Mark Polseno</b> <i>(by Steve &amp; Jackie Mariano &amp; Family)</i>
<b>Sun., 1/30</b>	8:00 AM <b>Mildred Jurzynski</b> <i>(by Family)</i>
	10:00 AM <b>Maria Zaldumbide &amp; Luz Garcia</b> <i>(by Family)</i>
<b>Mon., 1/31</b>	8:00 AM <b>Maureen Scott</b> <i>(by Nancy &amp; Marty Smith)</i>
<b>Tues., 2/1</b>	8:00 AM <b>Daily Mass</b>
<b>Wed., 2/2</b>	8:00 AM <b>Walter Oliveira &amp; Josef Faria Raposo</b> <i>(by Maria &amp; Carlos Oliveira)</i>
	8:30 AM-9:30 AM <b>Exposition &amp; Adoration</b>
<b>Thurs., 2/3</b>	8:00 AM <b>Daily Mass</b>
<b>Fri., 2/4</b>	7:30 AM-8:00 AM <b>Exposition &amp; Adoration</b>
<i>First Friday</i>	8:00 AM <b>Gabe Fuoco</b> <i>(by The Lioness Club of Beacon Falls)</i>
<b>Sat., 2/5</b>	8:00 AM <b>Laurie (Oldakowski) Hennessey</b> <i>by Nancy &amp; Marty Smith</i>
	5:00 PM <b>Alice &amp; Fred Chasse &amp; Clementina &amp; John Grella</b> <i>(by The Chasse &amp; Mulinski Families)</i>
<b>Sun. 2/6</b>	8:00 AM <b>Mark Polseno</b> <i>(by Maureen &amp; Pete Galla)</i>
	10:00 AM <b>Jeremy Dominko</b> <i>(by Family)</i>

*The Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy are recited Monday-Saturday at 7:20 AM.*

Readings for the week of January 30, 2022  
 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30  
 Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20  
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43  
 Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32  
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13  
 Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29  
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34  
 Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11



## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The first reading of this Sunday speaks of the call of the prophet Jeremiah! The Lord speaks to Jeremiah these life-altering words: "Before I *formed* you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I dedicated you..." God knew very well what he wanted Jeremiah to be, even before He ever started shaping him in His mother's womb. He had wanted him to be His spokesperson before the people of Israel.

Each of us, like Jeremiah is uniquely molded and shaped by the Lord. He is the potter, molding, shaping, and engineering the purpose and destiny of our life. We are all formed by His hand. As St. Paul says in the letter to the Ephesians, "he chose us in him (Christ), before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him." For St. Paul, for Jeremiah, for Isaiah and for many other prophets and saints, the realization of their call was a gradual process in which they dialogued with the Lord and some even argued with the Lord! But at the end they all said: "Here I am Lord!"

The Church celebrates the Feast of St. John Bosco on January 31<sup>st</sup>. The Lord had chosen him for a very specific mission – to care for the poor and abandoned young people! The Church has bestowed upon him the title of "Father and Teacher of Youth." As you know, he is also the Founder of the Salesian Society (Salesians of Don Bosco) to which I and the other 2 priests in Naugatuck belong. The Archdiocese has entrusted the 3 parishes of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Vincent Ferrer in Naugatuck and St. Michael's, Beacon Falls, to the Salesians for pastoral ministry.

On the weekend of 5/6 February, the second collection is for the New Delhi province of the Salesians to which I belong. We have 15 major seminarians who will be ordained in the next 4 years. There are also 50 minor seminarians who are in different stages of formation for priesthood. The Archdiocese has graciously allowed our 3 parishes to have a second collection once a year for the Salesian province of New Delhi. Your contribution next weekend will be a big support for the formation of our seminarians and our works for the needy young people in our region. May God bless you for your generosity!

United with you in prayer,  
*Fr. Joy Jacob, SDB*



Due to the generosity of the residents of Chatfield Farms and the parishioners of our parish in providing items for the homeless bags, the Small Christian Community is currently only in need of **new men's long-sleeve size medium** t-shirts, masks, small bottles of water and small juice boxes. Donations can be placed in the box by the elevator. Thank you very much for your generosity!



New Parish Council members are needed to replace outgoing members that have completed their term. If you are interested in serving on the Parish Council, please complete the form, which can be found in the pews and in the vestibule. Please place the form in the wooden collection box or hand it to an Usher. Thank you!



*In addition to the list that was printed in the bulletin earlier in January, donations were also made for Christmas flowers in the memory of the following loved ones:*

- Olive & George Howarth & Marie Olive*
- George & Judy E. Howarth*
- Susan Howarth*
- William & Fidelity Howarth*
- Mary Schiller*
- Vernie Lent, Della Lent Travis & Ken Travis*
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