

ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOSEPH PARISHES



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Parish Office at St. Joseph's Rectory, 1335 North Main St., Fall River

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00AM-3:00PM Friday 9:00AM-12:00PM

ADORATION

St. Michael's

Daily Adoration
Chapel
Open 8AM-8PM

St. Joseph's

Tuesdays
6:00-7:00PM
Benediction 6:45PM

HOLY MASS

St. Joseph's

Daily Mass (9AM)

Tuesday
Thursday
Saturday

Weekends

Saturday 5:15PM
Sunday 7:00AM
10:45AM

St. Michael's

Daily Mass

Monday (Eng) 9AM
Wednesday (Eng) 8:30AM
Friday (Port) 9AM

Weekends

Saturday 4:00PM (Eng)
Sunday 9:30AM (Eng)
12PM (Port)
7PM (Eng)

CONFESSION

St. Michael's

Wednesdays
5-5:30PM
Saturday 3-3:30PM

St. Joseph's

Tuesdays 6-6:45PM
Saturday
9:30-10:30AM

Any time by appointment.

MARCH 19, 2023

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S AND ST. JOSEPH'S

St. Michael's and St. Joseph's in the North End of the city of Fall River are two parishes that have come together to share our resources to effectively accomplish our common mission—to preach, teach and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for His glory and the salvation of souls. If you are visiting or are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to our Pastor, Fr. Jay. Please know how welcome you are here. God bless

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jay Mello, Pastor [fatherjaymello@gmail.com]

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Mr. Ryan Klein, Principal [rklein@smsfr.dfrcs.org]

Mr. Daniel Marshall, Music Director [dmarshall@musician.org]

RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Congratulations to Hudson David Luckraft who was recently baptized at St. Joseph's Parish. With great joy, we welcome them into the Catholic Church and our parish community. Anyone interested in having their child baptized, should speak with Fr. Jay or call the rectory.

RECENTLY MARRIED

Congratulations to Steven Lamb and Kayla Novacek who recently had their marriage blessed at St. Joseph's Church. May the Lord grant them a happy and holy marriage! Anyone interested in getting married, or having their civil marriages blessed by the Church, they should see Fr. Jay or call the rectory.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISHES

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events at Saint Michael's (SM) and St. Joseph's (SJ)

- March 20th - Lenten Series, 10AM (SJ)
- March 21st - Bible Study, 9:30AM (SJ)
- Adoration/Confessions, 6PM (SJ)
- March 22nd - Rel. Ed, Grades 1-7, 6:15PM
- March 24th - Stations of the Cross,
9:30AM Port. (SM),
1:30PM, with school (SM)
6PM (SJ)
- Youth Group, 7-9PM (SM)
- March 25th - First Confessions,
9:30AM (SJ), 11AM (SM)

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Please join me in welcoming our new parishioners, Nelia Dias and her children, Vanessa and Alex to St. Michael's Parish and Donna Medeiros to St. Joseph's Parish. If you would like to register for our parishes, please contact the parish office.

PALM SUNDAY EASTER EGG HUNT

Please save the date of Sunday, April 2nd, where there will be an Easter Egg Hunt at St. Joseph's Church parking lot after 10:45AM Mass, weather permitting. In the case of inclement weather, we will be decorating eggs in the parish hall.

HOLY GHOST WHITE ATTIRE PARTY

Tickets are now available for our White Attire Party, taking place on Saturday, April 1st from 6-11PM. Tickets are \$35 and include appetizers, soup, surf and turf, dessert and coffee. There will be entertainment by DJ Matt Almeida. Please contact Mordoma Ana Rego or the Parish Office for tickets.

PRESENTATION BY REV. PACHOLCZYK

Save the date of Tuesday, March 28, 2023 for a presentation by Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D. He will be presenting on the topic of transgender issues and gender dysphoria at the St. John Neumann Parish in East Freetown. The event begins at 7PM. For more information, contact St. John Neumann Parish at 508-763-2240.

HOSPITAL VISITS

If you or a family member are in the hospital and would like a visit from Fr. Jay, please contact the parish office as the hospital does not provide us this information.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is homebound, ill or unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the parish office to schedule a home visit. Remember to keep those of our parishioners that are ill or homebound in your prayers.

EASTER VIGIL

As a reminder, due to there being limited help from priests for our Vigil Mass, our parishes began alternating for our Easter Vigil Mass last year. This year, Mass will be at 7PM at St. Joseph's Church and will be bilingual. This Mass will continue to alternate each year going forward.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Our Holy Week choir rehearsal will begin this week. The St. Joseph's choir will meet each week on Thursdays at 7PM, and the bilingual St. Michael's choir will meet March 23rd and 30th at 5PM at St. Michael's Church and April 4th at 7PM at St. Joseph's Church. All are invited to join. If you have any questions, please see Music Director Daniel Marshall.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 6th

St. Joseph's - 5PM
St. Michael's - 7PM (bilingual)

Good Friday, April 7th

Stations of the Cross St. Joseph's - 12PM
St. Joseph's - 3PM
St. Michael's - 7PM (bilingual)

Easter Vigil, April 8th

St. Joseph's - 7PM (bilingual)

Easter Sunday, April 9th

7:00AM - St. Joseph's
9:30AM - St. Michael's (Eng.)
10:45AM - St. Joseph's
12PM - St. Michael's (Port.)
NO 7PM Mass

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

LENTEN SERIES

During Lent, Deacon Paul will be leading a study titled No Greater Love - a biblical pilgrimage from the Garden of Gethsemane to Calvary, guided by bestselling author Edward Sri. These sessions are held at St. Joseph's Parish hall and is offered in the morning and repeated in the evening. Dates of the sessions are: Mondays at 10AM and Thursdays at 6:30PM. To register please call the parish office at 508.673.1123. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Paul.

CONFESSIONS

An integral part of the Lenten Season is repenting of our sinful behaviors. I strongly encourage all parishioners to go to confession during one of the regularly scheduled confession times.

Tuesday - 6-6:45PM, St. Joseph
Wednesday - 5-5:30PM, St. Michael
Saturday - 9:30-10:30AM, St. Joseph
3-3:30PM, St. Michael

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There are many opportunities to pray the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Join us each Friday of Lent.
St. Michael— 9:30AM (Port.)
St. Joseph— 6:00PM

ROMEIROS

The "Romeiros," a group of several hundred people will be walking to each church in the city, continuing the great Azorean tradition. They will be praying at St. Michael's at 10am and at St. Joseph's at 11am. I invite you to gather on the steps of each Church to welcome them and observe this very moving tradition. People who want to take part in this tradition can meet at Espirito Santo church on Good Friday at 6:30AM.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday, March 31st, the 8th grade class at St. Michael School will present Living Stations of the Cross at 10:00AM at St. Michael's Church. The children will act out each of the 14 stations—the events of Good Friday in which our Lord suffered and died for us. All are invited to join in this moving presentation. Please note that there will be no Stations of the Cross in Portuguese at 9:30AM due to this presentation.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Michael's Church
Daily Adoration Chapel -
Daily from 8AM-8PM

St. Joseph's Church
Eucharistic Holy Hour with
Confessions
Tuesday - 6-7PM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

In preparation for our 150th Anniversary at St. Joseph's, we have begun some restoration work on the exterior of both our church and our parish office building. We are now more than half way through a capital campaign to raise \$250,000. It is also a wonderful opportunity to memorialize our loved ones. A memorial plaque will be dedicated at the end of the campaign to honor all major benefactors. There is a sample of this plaque in the entrance of our church. Memorial plaques will be made for donations of: \$25,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, and \$1,000.

Total raised \$187,160

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA



St. Joseph's Church
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Websites: www.smpfr.org
www.stjosephschurchfr.com
www.smsfr.org

Fr. Jay's Blog: fatherjaymello.wordpress.com

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is now available for parishioners with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. If you have any questions or concerns about the program, contact the parish office. To enroll in Online Giving, please visit:

St. Joseph's: stjosephschurchfr.weshareonline.org
St. Michael's: smpfr.weshareonline.org

PRAYER OF ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the
wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

**CHURCH SUPPORT
ST. MICHAEL'S**

March 11-12, 2023

First Collection: \$4,301.00
Church Maintenance Collection: \$1,198.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:
Diocesan Assessment Collection

**CHURCH SUPPORT
ST. JOSEPH'S**

March 11-12, 2023

First Collection: \$3,123.00
Church Maintenance Collection: \$ 958.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:
Diocesan Assessment Collection

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL



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2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration for Pre-K through 8th grade is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Please let your family and friends with young children know about our Parish School. Space is limited and spots are filled in a first come, first served basis. If you would like to have your child registered at St. Michael School, please call the school office as soon as possible as spots fill quickly.

PLEASE FOLLOW SMS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow all the great things going on at St. Michael School on our social media accounts, "like" our Facebook page: St. Michael's Church and School, and our Instagram page: @saint_michael_school



JR. AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

The following dates have been scheduled for our Jr. Youth Group and High School Youth Group events.

High School Youth Group -
Friday, March 24th, 7-9PM at St. Michael's

Religious Education News

Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, March 22nd - 6:15-7:35PM

St. Joseph's Hall

Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, March 29th - 6:15-7:35PM

St. Joseph's Hall

Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, April 5th - NO CLASS

Attend Holy Week Masses

Confirmation Rehearsal

Sunday, April 23rd - 8PM

St. Michael's Church

Confirmation Grade 9

Tuesday, April 25th - 7PM

St. Michael's Church

First Confessions

Saturday, March 25th

9:30-10:30AM - St. Joseph's Church

11AM-Noon - St. Michael's Church

First Holy Communion

St. Michael Parish - May 7th - 9:30AM

St. Michael School - May 14th - 9:30AM

St. Joseph Church - May 21st - 10:45AM

(Rehearsals for each are on the
day before at 11AM)

*If you have any questions about our
Religious Education program,
please contact Lisa Ouellette
for grades 1-7 at 508.567.6358,
or Ana Lucy Mello for grades 8-9
at 508.494.3916.*

Mass Intentions - St. Joseph's

Tuesday, March 21st

9:00AM - Mariano and Delta Moniz & family

Thursday, March 23rd - St. Tiribius

9:00AM - For the People of our Parish

Saturday, March 25th - Annunciation of the Lord

9:00AM - Jose and Alexandina Melo & Family

Saturday, March 25th - Vigil Mass

5:15PM - Susan Anderson

Sunday, March 26th - 5th Sunday of Lent

7:00AM - The People of our Parish

10:45AM - The Pereira Family, Thomas M Medeiros, Lorraine Medeiros, Catherine Rutkowski, Frank Rutkowski, Andrew Rutkowski

Mass Intentions - St. Michael's

Monday, March 20th - St. Joseph

9:00AM - Manuel Jose Verissimo and family

Wednesday, March 22nd

8:30AM - For our Parish and School

Friday, March 24th

9:00AM - João Jacinto Raposo e familia

Saturday, March 25th - Vigil Mass

4:00PM - Gilberto Vieira and family

Sunday, March 26th - 5th Sunday of Lent

9:30AM - Francisco Carvalho

12:00PM - Ernesto Tavares, Adelino M. Brilhante, Agostinho e Juvina Da Costa, João Andrade, em Louvor do Divino Espirito Santo e Nossa Senhora de Fatima

7:00PM - Genoveva and Alfredo Furtado, Isaura DoRego, Alfredo Furtado

MASS INTENTIONS AND CANDLES

To book a Mass, or have the candles in our sanctuary or Blessed Sacrament Chapel lit in memory or for the intentions of a loved one, please contact the parish office. The Mass book for January through June 2023 is now open.

WHAT ARE MASS INTENTIONS?

At each Mass, during the Prayer of the Faithful, we hear that prayers are requested at this Mass for... This is referred to as a "Mass Intention." This means that this Mass is being offered for the repose of the soul of someone who has died, or for the special intentions of someone who is still living but requesting prayers for a particular intention. If you would like a Mass offered for someone that you have lost, please call the parish office to schedule that Mass. Remember, the greatest thing that we can do for someone who has died is to pray for them.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

St. Joseph's - Orlando Fernandes

St. Michael's - Adelino M. Brilhante

Blessed Sacrament Chapel -

Intentions of Carmen Duarte and family

SEMANA SANTA

Quinta-Feira Santa, 6 de Abril

S. Jose - 5PM

S. Miguel - 7PM (bilingual)

Sexta-Feira Santa, 7 de Abril

Via Sacra, S. Jose - 12PM

S. Jose - 3PM

S. Miguel - 7PM (bilingual)

Vigilia Pascal, 8 de Abril

S. José - 7PM (bilingual)

Páscoa, 9 de Abril

7:00AM - S. Jose

9:30AM - S. Miguel(Eng.)

10:45AM - S. Jose

12PM - S. Miguel (Port.)

NÃO HAVERA Missa as 7PM

Oração de São Miguel Arcanjo

São Miguel Arcanjo, defendei-nos neste combate, sede nossa guarda contra a maldade e as ciladas do demônio. Humildamente pedimos que Deus, sobre ele impere, e vós, príncipe da milícia celeste, Com o poder divino, precipitai no inferno a satanás e aos outros espíritos malignos, que vagueiam pelo mundo para perdição das almas. Amen.

ADORAÇÃO EUCARISTICA

Igreja de São Miguel

Capela aberta de 8AM até 8PM

todos os dias

Igreja de São José

Hora Santa com Confissões

Terças-feiras entre 6 e 7 da tarde

ENSAIOS DO CORO

O coro bilíngue de São Miguel se reunirá às 5PM no dia 23 de 30 de Março na igreja de São Miguel e as 7 da noite no dia 4 de Abril na Igreja de São Jose. Todos estão convidados. Por favor, falam com o diretor do coral Daniel Marshall para mais informações.

FESTA BRANCA

Os bilhetes estão disponíveis para a nossa Festa Branca, que acontecerá no Sábado, 1º de Abril, das 6 até 11 da noite. Os bilhetes são \$35 e incluem aperitivos, sopa, mar e terra, sobremesa e café. Haverá musica do DJ Matt Almeida. Contacte a Mordoma Ana Rego ou o escritorio para bilhetes.

DOENTE OU NO HOSPITAL

Se está doente, vá ter uma cirurgia ou no hospital e gostaria de receber a Santa Unção, ou ser visitado pelo Pe. Jay, por favor, ligue para o escritório da paróquia. A única maneira de sabermos é se você ou sua família nos contar.

VIA SACRA EM VIVO

Na Sexta-Feira, 31 de Março, os alunos do oitavo grau da escola apresentará as Via Sacra em Vivo às 10AM na Igreja de São Miguel. Todos estão convidados a participar desta emocionante apresentação. Não haverá a Via Sacra as 9:30AM neste dia.

APRESENTAÇÃO DO REV. PACHOLCZYK

Reserva a data de 28 de Março para uma apresentação do Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D. Ele fará uma apresentação sobre questões transgênero e disforia de gênero na Paróquia S. João Neumann em East Freetown. O evento começa às 7 horas.

COMUNHÃO AOS ENFERMOS

Se você ou alguém que conhece está enfermo, doente ou impedido de atender Missa, e gostaria de receber a Comunhão, por favor ligue para o escritório paroquial para marcar uma visita ao seu lar.