

# ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOSEPH PARISHES



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

<u><b>ADORATION</b></u>	<u><b>HOLY MASS</b></u>		<u><b>CONFESSION</b></u>
<p><u><b>St. Michael's</b></u></p> <p>Daily Adoration                      Chapel                      Open 8AM-8PM</p> <p><u><b>St. Joseph's</b></u></p> <p>Tuesdays                      6:00-7:00PM                      Benediction 6:45PM</p>	<p><u><b>St. Joseph's</b></u></p> <p><u><b>Daily Mass (9AM)</b></u>                      Tuesday                      Thursday                      Saturday</p> <p><u><b>Weekends</b></u>                      Saturday 5:15PM                      Sunday 7:00AM                      10:45AM</p>	<p><u><b>St. Michael's</b></u></p> <p><u><b>Daily Mass</b></u>                      Monday (Eng) 9AM                      Wednesday (Eng) 8:30AM                      Friday (Port) 9AM</p> <p><u><b>Weekends</b></u>                      Saturday 4:00PM (Eng)                      Sunday 9:30AM (Eng)                      12PM (Port)                      7PM (Eng)</p>	<p><u><b>St. Michael's</b></u></p> <p>Wednesdays                      5-5:30PM                      Saturday 3-3:30PM</p> <p><u><b>St. Joseph's</b></u></p> <p>Tuesdays 6-6:45PM                      Saturday                      9:30-10:30AM</p> <p>Any time by appointment.</p>

APRIL 23, 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 [frjmello@diocese-fr.org]

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

### **CONFIRMATION THIS WEEK**

On Tuesday, April 25th, 30 young men and women from our parishes will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation by Fr. David Pignato at St. Michael Church. Please pray for them on this important day and that they remain close to the Lord and His Church. Please join me in congratulating our Confirmandi.

### **RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

Congratulations to Lorenzo Manuel Cordeiro who was recently baptized at St. Michael's Parish. With great joy, we welcome him into the Catholic Church and our parish community. Anyone interested in having their child baptized, should speak with Fr. Jay or call the parish office.

### **THIS WEEK IN THE PARISHES**

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

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| April 24th | - Study Group, 10AM  |
| April 25th | - Bible Study, 9:30AM (SJ)<br>- NO Adoration/Confessions<br>- Confirmation, 7PM (SM) |
| April 26th | - Religious Ed, Grades 1-7, 6:15PM<br>- Share our Faith, 6:30PM (SJ)                 |
| April 28th | - Pensão Pick up, 5-7PM (SM)   |
| April 29th | - Pensão Pick up, 8AM-12PM (SM)  |

### **FORTY HOURS OF ADORATION**

On Palm Sunday, I mentioned in my homily that a satanic conference was being held in Boston at the end of April. A number of parishioners have asked what we could and should do in response to this act of evil. After some thought, I think the most appropriate course of action is for us to fall to our knees in prayer, and take our Lord's instruction that we heard on Good Friday, namely, "could you not stay awake with me for one hour" (Mt 26:40). I'm inviting those who are as outraged as I am to consider making a "Holy Hour" in our adoration chapel. We will have what is called "40 hours" from Friday, April 28th, in the morning at 8am until Saturday night at 12 midnight. To be able to have Eucharistic adoration throughout the night, we do need to have 2 people present at all times. I will be leaving a sign up sheet in both churches and kindly ask that especially men sign up for the overnight hours. I think spending time in Eucharistic adoration is not only the best way to fight evil in the world, but also to nourish and strengthening our own faith. I hope everyone will be willing to sign up to spend time in adoration. Let us "stay awake with our Lord for one hour."

### **RETURNING BLESSED ITEMS**

If you have any blessed religious items that you would like to dispose of properly such as rosaries, bibles, statues, palms etc, please bring them to church next weekend We will be collecting them at all Masses on April 29-30th at the entrances of the churches, and will dispose of them properly.

## 2023-2024 HOLY GHOST FEAST

The Mordomos will be announced at the Holy Ghost feast Mass and the Domingas for the next years Holy Ghost will be drawn on during Holy Ghost weekend on Pentecost Sunday in the Parish hall at 7PM. Domingas assist the Mordomos in a year of service to our parish through fundraising events, and ending with seven weeks of prayer and crowning the gifts of the Holy Spirit. If you are interested in being Mordomos or would like more information about having a Dominga, please contact Father Jay directly for more information.

### THE DOMINGAS OF THE HOLY GHOST

The Holy Ghost Feast is a tradition that was brought forth from the time of Queen St. Isabel in Portugal, who used the crown off her head to crown the poor praying for the gifts of the Holy Spirit upon them. Every week at the 12PM Mass, there will be a procession and crowning at Mass.

### THIRD DOMINGA- DONNA SOUSA & FAMILY

The gift of the Holy Ghost for the Third Dominga is Knowledge. Prayer will be held each night from Sunday, April 23rd until Saturday, April 29th at 7PM at the home of the Sousa Family, 43 Mandy's Place, Swansea. Fr. Jay will lead prayer on Monday, April 24th. The Third Dominga procession will take place on Sunday, April 30th with a crowning immediately following the 12PM Mass. All are invited to attend.

### PENSÕES AVAILABLE

Every year, an opportunity to support the Holy Ghost Feast is available, by providing a donation and receiving a delivery to your home of meat, sweet bread, bread and wine. A Small Pensão is \$40 and orders are due by Monday, April 24th. A larger Pensão is available, with large portions, tickets to a dinner and a gift from our Mordomos, Naythan Aguiar. The Pensão de "Criador" is \$250, and orders are due by Monday, May 1st. Please contact Ana Rego, or the parish office.

### FARM ANIMAL AUCTION

On Saturday, May 13th, our Holy Ghost Feast Committee will host its annual Animal Auction to benefit our parish. It will begin at 6PM in the school parking lot. All are invited to attend.

## BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN RESULTS

Thank you for your generous donations to the Baby Bottle Campaign for Your Options Medical, a clinic providing life saving work for mothers and babies in our community. Together, our Parishes and school raised \$3,660 for this organization.

### MESSAGE FROM DEACON PAUL

On Tuesday, May 9 at 7pm in St. Joseph's hall, there will be a meeting of our newly formed "Parish Outreach Ministry." This group was formerly known as the St. Vincent DePaul Society. This ministry has been formed of members from both parishes as one organization to assist parishioners in need. This meeting is open to all St. Joseph and St. Michael parishioners who are interested in working to provide assistance to less fortunate members of our local community. All members of the former SVDP are encouraged to attend. Please contact Deacon Paul with any questions at [paul.levesque@comcast.net](mailto:paul.levesque@comcast.net), or via cell: 508-965-7908.

### EMAILS FROM FR. JAY

Each Friday, Fr. Jay sends an email to parishioners with articles, videos and parish news. Sign up below to receive these emails. Stay connected to our parishes and sign up to receive communications via email. To join online, visit the following URL:  
[StMichaelStJosephFR.flocknote.com/everyone](http://StMichaelStJosephFR.flocknote.com/everyone)

### 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 & Junior Youth Groups -  
Friday, May 12th, 7PM  
at St. Michael's Hall for Rosary




### *Share our Faith Series*

Presented by Fr. Jay Mello at 6:30PM at  
St. Joseph's Parish Center.

April 26th - *Worthy Reception of the Eucharist*  
*\*Mandatory for all 2nd Grade Parents\**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**St. Joseph Parish**  
150th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet



Containing images and details about the beautiful stained glass windows in our church, available now!  
\$20 each

**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 \$204,075.

**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

**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](http://stjosephschurchfr.weshareonline.org)  
St. Michael's: [smpfr.weshareonline.org](http://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**

April 16-17, 2023  
First Collection: \$3,548.00  
Church Maintenance Collection: \$1,292.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:  
Diocesan Assessment Collection

**CHURCH SUPPORT  
ST. JOSEPH'S**

April 16-17, 2023  
First Collection: \$2,803.00  
Church Maintenance Collection: \$1,265.00

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

## MRS. MARY WICK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Mrs. Mary Wick was a dedicated parishioner involved in many different things at St. Michael's parish, including teaching in our parish school for many years. It was Mary's wish that a scholarship be started in her name to assist families with the cost of tuition. If you would like to remember and honor Mary in this way, please make checks payable to the "Mrs. Mary Wick Scholarship." Donations can be mailed in the parish, placed in the collection basket or given directly to Fr. Jay. Let us all remember Mary and all the good she has done!

## SCHEDULE A TOUR TODAY!!!

Contact the school at 508.678.0266 to schedule a tour today!

## Religious Education News

### Confirmation Rehearsal

Sunday, April 23rd - 8PM

*St. Michael's Church*

### Confirmation Grade 9

Tuesday, April 25th - 7PM

*St. Michael's Church*

### Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, April 26th - 6:15-7:35PM

*St. Joseph's Hall*

### Last Class - Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, May 3rd - 6:15-7:35PM

*St. Joseph's Hall*

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### 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)

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*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.*

CHOOSE LIFE.



If you are in need of someone to talk to about a crisis pregnancy or in dealing with the pain of abortion, call 508.997.3300

## Mass Intentions - St. Joseph's

### Tuesday, April 25th - St. Mark

9:00AM - Gilberto Vieira & family

### Thursday, April 27th

9:00AM - Jose, Vincent & Brian Mello

### Saturday, April 29th - St. Catherine Siena

9:00AM - For the People of our Parish

### Saturday, April 29th - Vigil Mass

5:15PM - June Roberts

### Sunday, April 30th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:00AM - David Brady, Jose C. and Lydia Oliveira, Maddox J. Almeida, Maria O. and Armindo Correia, Luis Linhares

10:45AM - Mary St. Laurent

## MASSES 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 the remainder of the year is now open.

## SANCTUARY LAMPS

St. Joseph's - Olivia Cabral

St. Michael's - Antonio Pereira, Jose Carvalho & family

Blessed Sacrament Chapel -  
The Pedro Family

## Mass Intentions - St. Michael's

### Monday, April 24th - St. Fidelis

9:00AM - Abel Matias, Hermano Alves

### Wednesday, April 26th

8:30AM - For our Parish and School

### Friday, April 28th - St. Peter Chanel

9:00AM - Intenções de Maria Margarida Pavão

### Saturday, April 29th - Vigil Mass

4:00PM - Jose and Diamantina Amaral

### Sunday, April 30th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30AM - Jose Creador, Maria dos Anjos Creador, Maria dos Anjos Tavares, Peter, Melanie and Jacinto Creador, Genoveva and Alfredo Tome Furtado, Alfredo Furtado, Isaura Do Rego, Teodora M. Pereira, Mariano and Delta Moniz, Gina Almeida, Antonio M. Aguiar and family, Ruben Miguel Santos, Jeremias Ferreira, Maria dos Anjos & Manuel Braga, Irene Bemfeito, Ernesto Medeiros, Jorgina Vieira, Manuel H & Maria Barbosa, Irodina & João Da Silva, Christ Raposa, Suzeta Cabral, Manuel Farias, Mariano & Conceição Moniz

12:00PM - Pelas Intenções da Familia Sousa, e os seus defuntos, Agostinho Sousa

7:00PM - For the People of our Parish

## **FESTA DO ESPÍRITO SANTO 2023-2024**

Os Mordomos serão anunciados na Missa da Festa do Espírito Santo e as Domingas para o próximo ano será invocado durante o fim de semana do Espírito Santo no Domingo de Pentecostes no salão paroquial às 7 horas da noite. As Domingas auxiliam os Mordomos em um ano de serviço à nossa paróquia através de eventos de arrecadação de fundos, e terminando com sete semanas de oração e coroação dos dons do Espírito Santo. Se estiver interessado em ser Mordomos ou quiser mais informações sobre como ter uma Dominga, entre em contato diretamente com o Padre Jay para obter mais informações.

### **AS DOMINGAS DO ESPÍRITO SANTO**

A Festa do Espírito Santo é uma tradição que foi trazida desde o tempo da Rainha Santa Isabel em Portugal, que usava a coroa de sua cabeça para coroar os pobres orando pelos dons do Espírito Santo sobre eles. Todas as semanas, na Missa das 12h, haverá procissão e coroação na Missa.

### **TECEIRA DOMINGA-DONNA SOUSA E FAMILIA**

O dom da Terceira Dominga é a Sapiencia. A Familia Sousa convida todos para razar o terço com eles todas as noites, de dia 16 de Abril até dia 22, às 7 da noite, na sua casa, 190 Allardice Road, Somerset. O Padre Jay liderá a reza na Terça-Feira, dia 18 de Abril. A sua coroação será realizada no Domingo, dia 16 de Abril, após da Missa de Meio-Dia. Todos estão convidados.

### **PENSÕES**

Todos os anos, uma oportunidade de apoiar a Festa do Espírito Santo está disponível, oferecendo uma doação e recebendo em sua casa carne, massa, pão e vinho. Uma Pensão Pequena custa \$40. Está disponível uma Pensão maior, com grandes porções, bilhetes para um jantar e uma oferta dos nossos Mordomo Naythan Aguiar. A Pensão de “Criador” custa \$250. Entre em contato com Ana Rego ou o Escritório Paroquial.

### **ARREMATAÇÃO DO GADO**

No Sábado, 13 de Maio, realizemos o Gado para beneficiar nossa paróquia. A partir das 6PM, no estacionamento da escola. Todos estão convidados a comparecer.

## **QUARENTA HORAS DE ADORAÇÃO**

No Domingo de Ramos, mencionei no meu sermão que uma conferência satânica estava sendo realizada em Boston no fim de Abril. Vários paroquianos perguntaram o que poderíamos e deveríamos fazer em resposta a esse ato de maldade. Depois de pensar um pouco, acho que o curso de ação mais apropriado é cairmos de joelhos em oração e aceitarmos a instrução de nosso Senhor que ouvimos na Sexta-feira Santa, a saber: “ não poderia ficar acordado comigo por uma hora?” (Mt 26:40) Convido aqueles que estão tão indignados como eu, para pensar em fazer uma “Hora Santa” na nossa capela de adoração. Teremos o que é chamado de “40 horas” de Sexta-Feira, dia 28 de Abril, de manhã às 8h até sábado à noite às 12h. Para podermos ter adoração eucarística durante toda a noite, precisamos ter 2 pessoas presentes o tempo todo. Estarei deixando uma folha de inscrição em ambas as igrejas e peço gentilmente que os homens se inscrevam para as horas noturnas. Acho que passar um tempo em adoração eucarística não é apenas a melhor maneira de combater o mal no mundo, mas também de alimentar e fortalecer nossa própria fé. Vamos “ficar acordados com nosso Senhor por uma hora”.

### **RESULTADOS DA GARRAFA DE BEBE**

Obrigado por suas generosas doações para a campanha de garrafas de bebe for Your Options Medical, uma clínica que oferece trabalho para salvar vidas de mães e bebês em nossa comunidade. Juntas, nossas paróquias e escola arrecadaram \$3,660 para esta organização.

### **MENSAGEM DO DIÁCONO PAULO**

Na Terça-feira, 9 de Maio, às 7PM, no salão de S. José, haverá uma reunião de nosso recém-formado "Ministério Paroquial de Extensão". Esse grupo era anteriormente conhecido como St. Vincent DePaul Society. Este ministério foi formado por membros de ambas as paróquias como uma organização para ajudar os paroquianos necessitados. Esta reunião está aberta a todos os paroquianos de São José e São Miguel que estejam interessados em trabalhar para prestar assistência aos membros menos afortunados da nossa comunidade local. Todos os membros do antigo SVDP são encorajados a participar. Entre em contato com o diácono Paul com qualquer dúvida em [paul.levesque@comcast.net](mailto:paul.levesque@comcast.net) ou pelo celular: 508-965-7908.