

ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOSEPH PARISHES



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

NOVEMBER 15, 2020

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

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FOLLOWING GUIDELINES AT MASS

We ask that you please review our guidelines for opening our churches during the current health situation, and continued to wear your masks and observe social distancing. Please use hand sanitizer upon entrance and exit of church, as well as before and after receiving Holy Communion. Please refrain from any form of the Sign of Peace. Please use only center aisle for Communion.

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE

St. Michael Church

Tuesday, November 24th—6:30PM

St. Joseph Church

Wednesday, November 27th—6:30PM

Thursday, November 28th—9:00AM

PRAYING FOR ALL SOULS IN NOVEMBER

Traditionally, the month of November is dedicated to praying for the souls of those who have died, in particular the souls in Purgatory. As we did last year, we will once again be having an All Souls Day candle-light procession to the cemetery. These are available to write the names of your loved ones who have died. All envelopes will be placed on the altar for the month of November. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

“IGNITE YOUR PARISH” ADVENT PROGRAM

In the coming weeks, I will be introducing you to this year's Advent gift for all parishioners that you can share with your family and friends. It is an inspiring and exciting program for all. Stay tuned for more details in the near future.

PERSONAL MISSALETTES FOR SALE

Missalettes have been ordered for the new liturgical year. If you would like your own copy of the new Missalette, please contact the parish office. They are \$5 each. They will be sold in the church when available.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISHES

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

November 16th - School of Prayer, 10:00 AM (SJ)

November 17th - Bible Study, 9:30AM, 7PM (SJ)
- Adoration/Confession, 6-7PM (SJ)

November 18th - Adoration, 9:30AM-5:30PM (SM)
- Rel. Ed. Groups 1B & 2A, 6PM (SJ)

THANKSGIVING ASSISTANCE

If you or someone you know in our community is in need of a basket this Thanksgiving, please contact the parish office to request one be reserved for them. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is preparing baskets to be given out on Saturday, November 21st.

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

As we near the holidays, our parishes St. Vincent de Paul Societies is collecting non-perishable food items after all Masses until the 7PM Mass on **November 15th**. Thank you for your assistance with helping those in need.

CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

The sale of Christmas Cards will continue from now throughout Advent. The Christmas cards come in sets of 12, with 3 different photos of our church decorated at Christmas for \$10. They will be available after all Masses and at the parish office.

FR. JAY'S PASTORAL LETTER ON THE EUCHARIST

On the weekend on November 28th-29th, Father Jay's Pastoral Letter on the Eucharist will be made available to all Parishioners in print form and online. It will serve to announce some big news here in our parish.

PARISH COUNCIL AND FINANCE COUNCIL

I would like to thank each of the members of both our finance councils and parish councils at each parish for completing a 5 year term of representing the whole parish in advising me in my role as Pastor. New Councils will be established beginning in January of 2021. If you would like to be considered to serve on either council or would like to recommend someone to me, please send me an email before the end of the year. New Members will be posted in the bulletin in the beginning of the new year.

ST. JOSEPH'S ORGAN FUND

The organ at St. Joseph's Church is preparing for the third phase of repairs. We would like to thank those who generously gave to their project. To date, **\$10,976** of \$17,500.00 has been raised. If you would like to make a contribution to this effort, there are envelopes at the main entrance of the church.

ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Every year, St. Joseph's parish has had the tradition of having this Annual Appeal to help with the many expenses of our parish and special projects. Last year, through your generosity, we raised \$15,400. I am happy to announce that to date we have received **\$14,085**. The appeal will end on November 30th. I want to take this opportunity to once again humbly ask for your generous contribution to this year's appeal, as well as your generous support each week. Appeal donations can be mailed into the parish office or dropped in the collection basket at Mass.

PARISH RE-REGISTRATION

In an effort to update all parish record, we request that **ALL** parishioners from St. Michael's and St. Joseph's parishes please fill out this re-registration form. Please print neatly, complete this form and return it to the parish in the collection basket or by mail.

I am a member of:

_____ St. Michael's _____ St. Joseph's

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

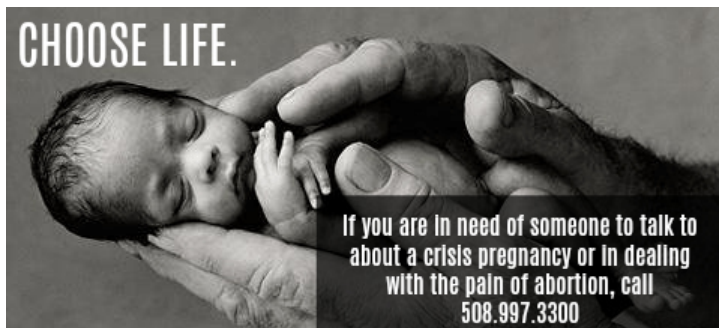
would like to receive envelopes: _____

would NOT like to receive envelopes: _____

would like to sign up for online giving: _____

THE SIX PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH

The Fifth Precept is that we contribute to the support of the Church, her pastors, schools, and other institutions. The old wording very beautifully stated, "It is a duty to contribute to the support of religion according to our means, so that God may be duly honored and worshipped, and the kingdom of His Church extended." We should contribute generously, but always "according to our means;" no one is meant by this law to be impoverished. However, as we all know, our nation has always had a separation of church and state, so that apart from our tax free status, there is no government financial support, as in most European countries, for example. Americans should keep this in mind and contribute accordingly. By the way, bishops, priests and deacons must also abide by this commandment and give generously!



LETTER OF PRIESTS TO LEGISLATORS

Dear Representative,

As Catholic Priests in the Greater Fall River area, we respectfully write to you today concerning the upcoming "ROE ACT" legislation to voice our concerns and that of the Catholic community.

Life is precious, life is sacred and human life is always to be protected, from the moment of conception until natural death. It is the first right granted to us in our Constitution, and from it follow the rights to liberty and the pursuit of happiness. As Pope Francis has reminded us, no other rights matter if the right to life is denied.

In our Commonwealth, it has long been the work of elected officials, regardless of party or political affiliation, to champion the rights of women, minorities, the less fortunate and the defenseless. While it can seem that the ROE ACT is pursuant to these ends, research and evidence shows that loosened abortion laws directly affect these marginalized groups in a devastating way and does nothing to further their freedom or human rights. We respectfully ask that you again champion the true dignity of women, the poor, the marginalized and the dignity of every human life, by voting no on the ROE ACT.

While we understand that the issue of abortion is one that continues to divide our nation and while we are aware of the sensitivity of this issue, we make this appeal to you to vote against this most egregious attack on life at its most innocent, defenseless and vulnerable state, in the womb of a mother.

It has been, and always will be the role of government to enact laws to protect citizens and not harm them, and so we appeal to you to work with us to build a culture of life and not of death.

Please know of our prayers for you in this most important vote here in our Commonwealth.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

VISIT FATHER JAY'S BLOG

Visit Fr. Jay's blog, Zeal for your House, at its new website: www.fatherjaymello.com. Please visit this blog to stay up to date with his blog articles, videos and more.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study, led by Director of Adult Faith Formation, Jean Revil, meets on Tuesdays, at 9:30AM and 7PM at St. Joseph's school, focusing on the following week's readings. Seating will be set up to maintain social distancing.

ADULTS WHO NEED SACRAMENTS

Classes for adult Confirmation have now started. Any adult over the age of 18 who has already been baptized and received First Communion and would like to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church is welcome to join us. Please contact Jean Revil at jrevil@comcast.net if you have any questions.

MY PARISH APP

Our new St. Joseph & St. Michael Parish app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Download our app today at myparishapp.com or search your phone's app store for myparish, or **by texting the word APP to 88202 from your smart phone**. Download the App, and select —St. Joseph and St. Michael Parish App from the list of available parishes.

"SCHOOL OF PRAYER"

Deacon Paul has started a new series called School of Prayer. In this series we will learn how the Church prays, the different forms and stages of prayer, the spiritual aids that help us to pray well, how to recognize and overcome common obstacles to prayer, and practical tips for developing good habits of prayer. The Monday Morning Study Group meets every Monday at 10:00 am in St. Joseph's Hall and is open to all. For more information contact Deacon Paul at paul.levesque@comcast.net

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL



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ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

St. Michael's school is continuing to take applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Our pre-school program takes students ages 3 and 4, but space is limited. Call the school office today 508.678.0266 or speak directly with Fr. Jay. Financial assistance is available.

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!

SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL VIA AMAZON

Enter the link below in a web browser and you will be brought to the — Welcome to Amazon Smile page. Be sure to put St. Michael School, Fall River, MA. Or type the link below in your browser, and they will donate a percentage for qualified purchases to be donated to St. Michael School.

Visit: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/042106670>

SCHOOL SPIRIT STORE

St. Michael School has items for sale from its School Spirit Store, including mugs, blankets, umbrellas and Christmas ornaments and more. If you would like to place an order for any items, please contact the parish or school office.

Religious Education Program Grades 1-7

Groups 1B & 2C

Wednesday, November 18th - 6-7PM

St. Joseph's Parish Center

Grades 3-7

Remote Class - Lesson 6

Students must sign in at Mass each week. If the student attends Mass outside of our parishes, please collect a bulletin and have the pastor sign and date the bulletin. Please include your child's name on the bulletin when turning it in.

If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Lisa Ouellette at louellette@smsfr.dfrcs.org or 508.567.3638.

Confirmation Program Grades 8-9

Grade 8 Confirmation Class

Wednesday, December 2nd - 7:00-8:30PM

St. Michael's Hall

Grade 9 Confirmation Class

Wednesday, December 9th - 7:00-8:30PM

St. Michael's Hall

If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Ana Lucy Mello at analuciamello910@gmail.com

Students must sign in at Mass each week. If the student attends Mass outside of our parishes, please collect a bulletin and have the pastor sign and date the bulletin. Please include your child's name on the bulletin when turning it in.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 14th - Vigil Mass

5:15PM - Jeanne Boulay

Sunday, November 15th - 33rd Sunday

7:00AM - Lydia and Jose C. Oliveira, Kevin Valliere

10:45AM - Rose Farias

Tuesday, November 17th - St. Elizabeth

9:00AM - Walter Donovan

Thursday, November 19th

9:00AM - Gilberto Vieira

Saturday, November 21st - Presentation of Mary

9:00AM - Jose C. and Mary Oliveira

Saturday, November 21st - Vigil Mass

5:15PM - John, Lucie and Maureen Conboy

Sunday, November 22nd - Christ the King

7:00AM - Adele Lizak

10:45AM - Hailey Allard, Anna M. Tyrrell, Isabel Capeto

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
All Souls in Purgatory

CHURCH SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL'S

November 7-8, 2020

First Collection: \$4,379.00

Military Archdiocese Collection: \$ 595.00

This week's Second Collection:

Church Maintenance Collection
(Non-Assessable)

Next week's Second Collection:

Diocesan Assessment Collection
(Non-Assessable)

CHURCH SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH'S

November 7-8, 2020

First Collection: \$2,616.00

Military Archdiocese Collection: \$ 297.00

This week's Second Collection:

Church Maintenance Collection
(Non-Assessable)

Next week's Second Collection:

Diocesan Assessment Collection
(Non-Assessable)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 14th - Vigil Mass

4:00PM - Jose Pereira, Alda Maria Pereira and family

Sunday, November 15th - 33rd Sunday

9:30AM - Antonio Aguiar, Mario Aguiar

12:00PM - Abel Matias Aguiar

7:00PM - Intention of Joao Manuel Borges and family

Monday, November 16th - St. Gertrude

9:00AM - Abel Matias, All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 18th

8:30AM - For our Parish and School Community

Friday, November 20th

9:00AM - Abel Matias e familia

Saturday, November 21st - Vigil Mass

4:00PM - Richard Powell, Maria Conceição and Antonio Torres, Miguel and Helen Aguiar, Antonio F. Cabral, Joseph and Maria Travassos, Elvira Soares, Jose and Diamantina Amaral, Alvaro and Palmira Luciana Carvalho, Al Carvalho, Germana and Antonio Medeiros, Jose and Gilda Botelho, Kimberly Dias, Olive and Jean Mello and family, Manuel Pereira, Robert Botelho, Manuel Pereira, Evelyn Botelho, Taylor Patricio, Maria Estrela Rego, John Medeiros and family, Joseph and Delores Correira, Jose, Belmira, Antonio, Jose, Joao Fonseca, Manuel Farias, Durval Rebello

Sunday, November 22nd - Christ the King

9:30AM - Keith Ferreira

12:00PM - Joao DaSilva, Jacinto e Angelina Silva, Agostinho e Paixão Silva, Alex Silva, Angela Coimbra e familia, Moises Camara, Joao Carvalho, Jose Carvalho, Umbrazina e Hermano Teves, Maria de Jesus Aguiar, Maria do Espirito Teves, Abel Teves, Marcolino Teves, Jose Creador, Maria Freitas, Mark Reis, Antonio Pavão, João Oliveira, intenções da esposa, intenções de Delfina Borges, em Louvor de S. Luzia, Nossa Senhora do Carmo, S. Judas Tadeu e Nossa Senhora da Saude

7:00PM - For the People of our Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of
João Barbosa

CHAPEL LAMP

In Memory of
João Barbosa

MISSAS DE ACÇÃO DE GRAÇAS

Igreja de S. Miguel

Terça-Feira, dia 24 de Novembro—6:30PM

Igreja de S. José

Quarta-Feira, dia 25 de Novembro—6:30PM

Quinta-Feira, dia 26 de Novembro—9AM

ORANDO POR TODAS AS ALMAS EM NOVEMBRO

Tradicionalmente, o mês de Novembro é dedicado à oração pelas almas dos falecidos, em particular pelas almas do Purgatório. Como fizemos no ano passado, teremos mais uma vez uma procissão à luz de velas do Dia de Todas Almas até o cemitério. Eles estão disponíveis para escrever os nomes de seus entes queridos que faleceram. Todos os envelopes serão colocados no altar para o mês de Novembro. Que as almas de todos os fiéis que partiram, pela misericórdia de Deus, descanse em paz.

INFORMAÇÕES DE LEGISLAÇÃO

Foi noticiado que o ROE ACT estava para ser votado, no dia 12 de Novembro, o que mudou. A legislatura de Massachusetts vai votar este projeto de lei para expandir os serviços de aborto aqui em nosso estado. Nossos legisladores precisam ouvir que NÃO apoiamos esse projeto radical. A Lei "ROE" removeria as proteções para bebês recém-nascidos vivos durante um aborto; arriscar a vida de nossas mulheres removendo os cuidados hospitalares para aquelas que se submetem a um aborto extenuante; e colocar em risco nossas meninas negando-lhes a supervisão de apoio dos pais ou de um adulto em uma clínica de aborto. Entre em contato com seu representante estadual hoje. Estou trabalhando com os padres aqui em nossa região para enviar uma carta aos nossos representantes para expressar nossa preocupação.

MISSALETES PARA O ADVENTO

Começando no primeiro Domingo do Advento, vamos ter Missalettes na igreja. Fazem favor de tirar um livro. Se levar um Missalette, leve-o para casa e traga-o a todas as Missas para evitar os riscos associados ao COVID. Esta será sua Missalette até o final da temporada de Natal.

COLETA ANUAL DE ALIMENTOS

Pedimos que traga doações até a Missa das 7 horas no dia 15 de Novembro. Se precisa ou conhece alguém que precisa de alimentos, por favor entre em contacto com o escritório.

SEGUINDO DIRETRIZES EM MASSA

Pedimos que reveja nossas diretrizes para abrir nossas igrejas durante a atual situação de saúde, e continue a usar suas máscaras e observar o distanciamento social. Use desinfetante para as mãos na entrada e saída da igreja, bem como antes e depois de receber a Sagrada Comunhão. Abstenha-se de qualquer forma do Sinal da Paz. Por favor, use somente o corredor central para a comunhão.

CONSELHO PARÓQUIAL E DE FINANÇAS

Gostaria de agradecer a cada um dos membros dos nossos conselhos financeiros e dos conselhos paroquiais de cada paróquia por completar um mandato de 5 anos representando toda a paróquia, aconselhando-me no meu papel como pastor. Novos conselhos serão estabelecidos a partir de janeiro de 2021. Se gostaria de ser considerado para servir em qualquer um dos conselhos ou se gostaria de recomendar alguém para mim, envie-me um e-mail antes do final do ano. Os novos membros serão publicados no boletim no início do novo ano.

CARTAS DE NATAL

Agora disponível no escritório paroquial são um conjunto de cartões de Natal com fotos da nossa igreja decorada no tempo de Natal. Os conjuntos são de 12 cartas, com três imagens diferentes, por \$10 por conjunto.

OS SEIS PRECEITOS

O quinto preceito é que contribuamos para o sustento da Igreja, seus pastores, escolas e outras instituições. O antigo texto dizia muito bem: "É um dever contribuir para o sustento da religião de acordo com nossos meios, para que Deus seja devidamente honrado e adorado, e o reino de Sua Igreja seja estendido. Devemos contribuir generosamente, mas sempre "de acordo com nossas possibilidades"; ninguém deve ser empobrecido por esta lei. Porém, como todos sabemos, nossa nação sempre teve uma separação entre Igreja e Estado, de forma que, além de nossa isenção de impostos, não há apoio financeiro do governo, como na maioria dos países europeus, por exemplo. Os americanos devem manter isso em mente e contribuir de acordo. A propósito, bispos, padres e diáconos também devem cumprir este mandamento e dar generosamente!