

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)

* NO 7PM Mass Memorial Day - Labor Day.*

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.

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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ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL DINNER

St. Michael School will host its annual Fall Dinner on Saturday, September 23rd at 6PM. Dine in tickets are \$25 for Pork steak or Shrimp Mozambique, served with soup, rice, fries, dessert and coffee or chicken tenders and fries for kids for \$15. Takeout is available from 4:00-5:30PM, with tickets available for \$20 for shrimp mozambique or pork steak with fries and rice, and \$10 for chicken tenders and fries. Take out does not include soup or dessert. Tickets are available at the school or parish office.

THE RETURN OF 7PM MASS

Our 7PM Mass on Sundays has returned ton Sunday nights. The 7PM Mass is offered at St. Michael's Church from September to May.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISHES

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

September 11th - Study Group, 10AM (SJ)
- PTO Meeting, 6:30PM (SM)
- 9th Grade Confirmation
Registration, 7PM (SM)

September 12th - Bible Study, 9:30AM (SJ)
- Adoration/Confessions, 6-7PM (SJ)

September 13th - Catechist Prep, 6PM

September 16th - Soup Kitchen, 4PM (SM)

September 17th - All School Mass, 9:30AM (SM)

FAITH FORMATION BEGINS THIS MONTH

Our Faith Formation programs will begin soon. If you know of a family with young children who are in need of Catechism, please provide them with the following information. Grades 1-7 will have their registration night Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30PM at St. Joseph Church. Our Confirmation Grade 9 program will have registration night on September 11th at 6:30PM at St. Michael's Hall and 8th Grade registration will be Monday, September 18th at 6:30PM.

BLUE MASS FOR POLICE OFFICERS

This year's annual Blue Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, September 28th at 7:00PM. St. Michael the Archangel is the patron saint of those in law enforcement. Please let all police officers and firefighters, and their families, know.

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM SIGN OF PEACE

With reports of recent COVID cases once again, all are respectfully asked to refrain from any form of the Sign of Peace, and to pray/sing the "Lamb of God". Thank you for your cooperation.

ALL SCHOOL MASS NEXT WEEKEND

Students and families of St. Michael School will be at the 9:30AM Mass next weekend, September 17th so space will be limited. Parishioners may way to attend a different Mass next weekend as the church may be more full than usual.

SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL

Join us on Sunday, October 8th, after 7AM and 10:45AM Masses for our Second Sunday Social in St. Joseph's Parish Center. There will be refreshments served, as well as time for fellowship and community.

SING IN THE CHOIR - ALL ARE INVITED

"He who sings, prays twice." Consider joining our parish choir. Children's choir sings the 9:30AM Mass at St. Michael's and the Adult Choir sings the 10:45AM Mass at St. Joseph's. Rehearsals begin Thursday, September 7th at St. Joseph Church for the Adult Chour at 6:30PM in the choir loft of St. Joseph's. Children's Choir will rehearse at 3PM on Wednesdays at St. Michael's School for St. Michael School students. If children who do not attend St. Michael School would like to sing in the children's choir, they may attend the Thursday rehearsal at 6:30PM. Children attending the 6:30PM rehearsal must be accompanied by an adult. All choir members must complete a CORI check through the parish office before participating.

CATECHESIS ON HOLY MASS

At the risk of offending (and I know I might), I want to offer a short series of bulletin announcements gentle suggestions on the Mass. One might ask right off, is there a different kind of behavior required at Mass than elsewhere? Answer: Yes, because when we are at Mass, we are in the House of God. We behave differently out of respect for God Himself, not just out of respect for ourselves or for others. That being true and pretty well accepted by most, let's start with behavior that is mandated by the Church herself, and therefore the most important. I am referring to the Eucharistic Fast. It is Church law that one must fast for at least one hour before receiving Holy Communion. (Water and medicine can be consumed any time, of course, though bringing a water bottle into church is almost never necessary. When we have a cold or sore throat, lozenges and cough drops may be necessary---this is not a problem---but only when we are truly sick.) The purpose of the hour fast is to help us prepare to receive Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. In reality, it is almost no fast at all, since on a Sunday, Holy Communion is given at around the 45 minute mark. We only need to fast about 15 minutes before Mass begins! Surely this is not too much to ask, when we consider whom it is we receive in that Sacrament. Keep the Eucharistic Fast! It's so little to ask!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

ADULTS WHO NEED TO BE CONFIRMED

RCIA is for any adult over the age of 18 who desires Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation, or for an adult who may have been baptized but did not receive the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation. Adult Confirmation will be conferred on November 30th at the Cathedral of St. Mary. For more information, please contact Deacon Paul.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study, led by Deacon Paul, takes place on Tuesdays at 9:30AM at St. Joseph's School. The focus will be on the following week's readings. For more information, please see Deacon Paul.

MONDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP

Deacon Paul leads a study group for those searching to get more out of their faith. Through Scripture stories, commentary, and questions for reflection and discussion, we'll learn how to receive the freedom and the new life Jesus died to give us. These sessions take place every Monday at 10AM.

FORMED ONLINE SUBSCRIPTION

We are pleased to give you a free subscription to www.formed.org, filled with entertaining movies, enlightening programs, inspiring talks and a great selection of popular ebooks. To register, visit www.formed.org/signup, and enter our zip and select St. Joseph, and enter your name and email address to sign up.

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Websites: www.smpfr.org
www.stjosephschurchfr.com
www.smsfr.org

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

SAVE THE DATE

*Please save the date for the following events
at our parishes and school.*

School Dinner - Sat., September 23rd, 6PM

St. Joseph Dinner - Sat., October 21st, 6PM

Holy Ghost Dinner - Sat., November 11th, 6PM

YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

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

Junior Youth Group -

Friday, September 29th, 7-9PM at St. Michael's

High School Youth Group -

Friday, October 6th, 7-9PM at St. Michael's

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

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

September 2-3, 2023

Weekly Collection: \$2,747.00

Monthly School Collection: \$ 797.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:
Religious Education Collection

CHURCH SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH'S

September 2-3, 2023

Weekly Collection: \$2,695.00

Church Maintenance Collection: \$ 946.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:
Religious Education Collection

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL



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ALL SCHOOL MASS

On Sunday, September 17th, the church celebrates Catechetical Sunday. All St. Michael School parents and their families are invited to attend the 9:30AM Mass followed by a reception in our school hall. Please be mindful that there will be more people at this Mass than usual.

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

MARY WICK SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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. 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, placed in the collection basket or to Fr. Jay.



Religious Education News

Registration Grades 1-7

Wednesday, September 20th - 6:30PM

St. Joseph's Church

Confirmation Grade 9 Registration

Monday, September 11th - 7:00PM

St. Michael's Hall

Confirmation Grade 8 Registration

Monday, September 28th - 7:00PM

St. Michael's Hall

While our Faith Formation classes ended for the academic year, our students are still expected to attend Holy Mass each weekend. Our Faith Formation classes will resume in September. Please check the bulletin for registration dates and times.

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.

PROJECT RACHEL FOR EXPECTING MOTHERS

The Family and Respect Life Office of Diocese of Fall River's mission is to educate and promote a culture of life that protects and preserves all life from the moment of conception until natural death. The office offers support for expecting mothers, mothers considering adoption and mothers healing from the trauma of abortion. If you would like more information, contact their office at 508.669.7702 or visit their website at www.familyrespectlife.org

Mass Intentions - St. Joseph's

Tuesday, September 12th - Holy Name of Mary

9:00AM - For the People of our Parish

Thursday, September 14th

9:00AM - Manuel and Agnes Lawrence

Saturday, September 16th - St. Cornelius

9:00AM - David Thiboutot

Saturday, September 16th - Vigil Mass

5:15PM - Mary Jo and Manuel Fernandes,
Gilberto Vieira and family, Sofia
Aguiar and family, James W.
Murphy, Irene Moffatt, Cathleen
Curley, Steven Vickery, Evelyn
Worsley, A Special Intention

Sunday, September 17 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary

7:00AM - Ann Carey, JoAnn Jones

10:45AM - Marcelino, Maria and Daniel
Furtado, Marcelina Costa

Mass Intentions - St. Michael's

Monday, September 11th

9:00AM - For the People of our Parish

Wednesday, September 13 - St. John Chrysostom

9:00AM - For our Parish and School

Friday, September 15th - Our Lady of Sorrows

9:00AM - Pelo Povo da Paroquia

Saturday, September 16th - Vigil Mass

4:00PM - Kevin Medeiros, Manuel C. & Mary
Medeiros, Jordão & Joaquina Sousa,
Jose, Belmira, João, Jose & Antonio
Fonseca, Dulce Valentim, Richard
Powell, Maria Conceição & Antonio
Torres, João DeMedeiros, John
Medeiros, Alvaro & Palmira Luciana
Carvalho, Al Carvalho, João &
Germana Medeiros, Jeffrey Macedo,
Jose & Diamantina Amaral, Antonio
F. Cabral, Theodore Bernier, Robert
Botelho, Manuel Pereira, Silvino
Estrela, George Souza & family,
Carlos Alves, Stephen Peixoto, Delia
& Alfredo Peixoto, Jose Macedo &
Family, Maria da Conceição &
Manuel Tavares & family, Julieta
Branco, Valdimiro & Osvaldo
Rodrigues, Francisco, Mariana &
Joseph Carlos

Sunday, September 17 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary

9:30AM - Jose Severiano Pacheco

12:00PM - Antonio e Maria Costa e familia

7:00PM - Maria Isabel Barbosa and family

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 first half of 2024 will open on Wednesday, October 11th.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

St. Joseph's - Leonard Grandfield

St. Michael's - Maria Conceição &
Antonio Torres

Blessed Sacrament Chapel - Gail Conforti

MISSA AOS DOMINGOS EM VERÃO

Não haverá Missa as 7 horas retornou no dia 10 de Setembro.

BOLSA DE ESTUDO EM NOME DE SRA. WICK

A Sra. Mary Wick era uma dedicada paroquiano envolvida em muitas coisas diferentes na Paróquia de S. Miguel, incluindo o ensino em nossa escola paroquial por muitos anos. Era desejo de Mary que uma bolsa de estudos fosse iniciada em seu nome para ajudar as famílias com o custo das propinas. Se gostaria de lembrar e honrar a Mary desta forma, por favor, fazer um cheque a "Mrs. Mary Wick Scholarship." Doações podem ser enviadas na paróquia, colocadas na cesta de coleta ou entregues diretamente ao Padre Jay. Vamos todos nos lembrar da Mary e de todo o bem que ela fez!

ADULTOS QUE PRECISAM DE SACRAMENTOS

O Rito de Iniciação Cristã de Adultos (RCIA) é o processo pelo qual um adulto se torna um membro pleno da Igreja Católica. Se você, ou alguém que conhece, gostaria de explorar a possibilidade de se unir à Igreja Católica através dos Sacramentos do Batismo, Primeira Comunhão e Confirmação, entre em contato com o Dianono Paul Levesque para se registrar para as aulas ou para buscar mais informações.

MISSA AZUL PARA OFICIAIS DE POLÍCIA

A Missa Azul anual deste ano será celebrada na Quinta-Feira, 28 de Setembro, às 7PM. São Miguel Arcanjo é o santo padroeiro daqueles na aplicação da lei. Por favor, informe todos os policiais e bombeiros, e suas famílias.

GUARDA A DATA - JANTAR DA ESCOLA

A nossa escola vai ter seu jantar anual de outono no Sábado, 23 de Setembro, às 6PM. Por favor, salve a data. Mais detalhes a seguir nas próximas semanas. Os ingressos estarão à venda em breve.

GUARDA A DATA

Por favor, guarda a data pelos eventos planejados pelas paróquias e a escola.

Jantar da Escola - Sab., 23 de Setembro, 6PM

Jantar de S. Jose - Sab., 21 de Outubro, 6PM

Jantar da Mordomia - Sab., 11 de Novembro, 6PM

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.

CATEQUESE SOBRE SANTA MISSA

Correndo o risco de ofender (e sei que posso), quero oferecer uma pequena série de anúncios de boletins com sugestões gentis sobre a Missa. Alguém poderia perguntar imediatamente: existe um tipo de comportamento diferente exigido na Missa e em qualquer outro lugar? Resposta: Sim, porque quando estamos na Missa estamos na Casa de Deus. Comportamo-nos de maneira diferente por respeito ao próprio Deus, e não apenas por respeito a nós mesmos ou aos outros. Sendo isto verdade e bastante bem aceite pela maioria, comecemos com o comportamento que é determinado pela própria Igreja e, portanto, o mais importante. Refiro-me ao Jejum Eucarístico. É lei da Igreja que se deve jejuar pelo menos uma hora antes de receber a Sagrada Comunhão. (Água e remédios podem ser consumidos a qualquer hora, é claro, embora quase nunca seja necessário levar uma garrafa de água para a igreja. Quando estamos resfriados ou com dor de garganta, pastilhas e pastilhas para tosse podem ser necessárias – isso não é um problema – mas apenas quando estamos realmente doentes.) O propósito da hora de jejum é ajudar-nos a preparar-nos para receber Nosso Senhor Jesus Cristo na Eucaristia. Na realidade, quase não é jejum, já que no domingo a Sagrada Comunhão é dada por volta dos 45 minutos. Só precisamos jejuar cerca de 15 minutos antes do início da Missa! Certamente não é pedir muito, quando consideramos quem recebemos naquele Sacramento. Mantenha o Jejum Eucarístico! É tão pouco pedir!

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.