

# ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOSEPH PARISHES



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<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 3, 2022

## **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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### **RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

Congratulations to Dominic Joseph Baran who was 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 rectory.

### **WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

Please join me in welcoming new parishioners Aubrey Lambalot to St. Joseph's Church and Shannon Rua, Emily Janson and Sarah and David Mello and their daughters Charlotte and Adalynn to St. Michael's Church. If you would like to register at our parishes, please call the parish office.

### **PALM SUNDAY EASTER EGG HUNT**

On Sunday, April 10th, 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.

### **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. Michaels 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.

### **EASTER VIGIL**

Due to an unexpected circumstance out of my control, we do not have a priest to help me on Holy Saturday to celebrate the Vigil Mass. Unlike Holy Thursday and Good Friday where we have flexibility with the times we can offer the Masses, the Vigil on Holy Saturday can not be celebrated before 7pm. Therefore, I am forced to offer only Vigil, which I know is hard to hear. The only fair way to do this is to alternate each year between both parishes. We will begin this year with Mass at St. Michael's. Next year the Vigil will be at St. Joseph's and we will alternate each year going forward. This is an opportunity for us to prayer for vocations and encourage young men to consider the priesthood. It is becoming more and more difficult to find priests to help cover Masses and I am only 1 person and so I ask for your patience and understanding. I promise to make the Holy Week liturgies beautiful and hope to see all of you there.

### **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 4th  | - Study Group, 10AM (SJ)  |
| April 5th  | - Bible Study, 9:30AM & 7PM (SJ)<br>- NO Adoration/Confessions<br>- Deanery Mission, Confessions 6PM<br>Mass 7PM (SJ) |
| April 6th  | - NO Religious Ed, Grades 1-7<br>- Confirmation, 7PM (SJ)   |
| April 8th  | - Stations of the Cross,<br>9:30AM, 6PM<br>- Living Stations, 1:30PM (SM)   |
| April 9th  | - First Confessions,<br>9:30AM (SJ), 11AM (SM)  |
| April 10th | - Easter Egg Hunt, after 10:45AM Mass   |

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### From Fr. Jay - Getting Ready for Holy Week

Beginning with the celebration of Palm Sunday next weekend, we enter into what is called “Holy Week” which as the name indicates, is the most important time of year for us as Catholics, especially Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday. As I have said in the past, it would be a great shame if I did not see you between Palm Sunday and Easter – I want to appeal to you to make every effort to be present at the beautiful liturgies that the Church offers us to enter into the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord. These celebrations are not merely remembering historical events, but entering into the deepest mysteries of our faith.

On Palm Sunday, we recall Christ’s triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We recall how at one moment crowds are acclaiming Jesus as Lord and singing “Hosanna in the highest” while waving palms branches. The next moment, they are screaming, “Crucify Him.” The blessed palms that we receive at this Mass can serve as a reminder that while we can say that Jesus is Lord, it is our sinfulness that brought him to the cross.

On Holy Thursday, we remember the Last Supper and the great gift that Jesus gave us in the Eucharist. This Mass, and the Eucharistic Adoration afterwards, is intended to enkindle in each of us a deeper love and devotion for the True Presence of our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I believe the greatest way to do this is through sincere reverence in how we approach the altar and receive the Eucharist. We must all work together to restore a sense of the sacred.

On Good Friday, we remember that our Lord sacrificed his life for our salvation. Jesus was brutally nailed to a cross and hung upon it to suffer and be humiliated because of our sins. This day should be marked with a solemn awareness of what our Lord did for us. If we are able, we should take the day off from work and refrain from secular activities. There will be many opportunities to come to the Church that day to stay focused.

I will explain more about Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday next week, but here I want to simply encourage everyone to make effort to prepare for Holy Week by making time to attend the services, Masses and other opportunities to come together to pray as a community. This is our week as Catholics and let us embrace it and put in lots of effort, the Lord will bless us for it.

## THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

### 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’s—9:30AM (Port.), 1:30PM (with school)  
St. Joseph’s— 6:00PM.

### LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday, April 8th, the 8th grade class at St. Michael School will present Living Stations of the Cross at 1:30PM 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.



Rev. Richard Martignetti

Fall River Deanery

## Lenten Mission



*The Wounded Heart:*  
Reflecting on the 5 Wounds of Christ

Confessions from 6-6:45PM  
Mass at 7PM

April 4 - Holy Trinity Church  
April 5th - St. Joseph Church  
April 6th - Holy Name  
April 7th - St. Anthony of the Desert

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 14th

St. Joseph’s - 5PM

St. Michael’s - 7PM (bilingual)

Good Friday, April 15th

Stations of the Cross St. Joseph’s - 12PM

St. Joseph’s - 3PM

St. Michael’s - 7PM (bilingual)

Easter Vigil, April 16th

St. Michael’s - 7PM (bilingual)

Easter Sunday, April 17th

7:00AM - St. Joseph’s

9:30AM - St. Michael’s (Eng.)

10:45AM - St. Joseph’s

12PM - St. Michael’s (Port.)

**NO 7PM Mass**

## 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 have begun a capital campaign to raise \$250,000 over the next two years. 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. Memorial plaques will be made for donations of: \$25,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, and \$1,000.

Total raised \$100,874.

## Sharing Our Faith

### **Adult Faith Formation Series**

Presented by Jean Revil  
Director of Adult Faith Formation  
Wednesdays at 6:30PM  
St. Joseph School

April 27th - *Why A Church?*

This is the Church that Jesus Christ founded. Everything we do as "church" opens us up to the grace of God, especially in the Sacraments. This is the way Christ has chosen to remain with us and in us. This session takes a look at His plan.

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

### **St. Michael's Church**

Daily Adoration Chapel -  
Daily from 8AM-8PM

### **St. Joseph's Church**

Eucharistic Holy Hour with Confessions  
Tuesday - 6-7PM

## 2022-2023 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.

### **PENSÕES NOW 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 \$35. A larger Pensão is available, with large portions, tickets to a dinner and a gift from our Mordomos, Duarte and Venilia Camara. The Pensão de "Criador" is \$250. Please contact Venilia at 508.677.3223, or the parish office.

### **FARM ANIMAL AUCTION**

On Saturday, May 14th, 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.

### **CHURCH SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL'S**

March 26-27, 2022

First Collection: \$4,856.00  
Church Maintenance Collection: \$1,610.00

Next Week's Second Collection:  
Monthly School Collection

### **CHURCH SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH'S**

March 26-27, 2022

First Collection: \$3,231.00  
Church Maintenance Collection: \$1,068.00

Next Week's Second Collection:  
Church Maintenance Collection

# ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL



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## 2022-2023 SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for Pre-K through 8th grade is now open. Please let your family and friends with young children know. 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.

## FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE

The Foundation for Advancing Catholic Education (FACE) assists families with the cost of tuition for Catholic education. Please see Fr. Jay for more information.

## 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

### Grades 1-7, No Class

*Wednesday, April 6th*

NO Class due to Confirmation Mass

### Grades 1-7, Class

*Wednesday, April 13th - 6:15-7:35PM*

St. Joseph's Church

### Grades 1-7, No Class

*Wednesday, April 20th*

No Class due to April Vacation

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## Confirmation Retreat and Rehearsal

*Saturday, April 2nd - 9AM-7PM*

St. Joseph's School

## Confirmation

*Wednesday, April 6th - 7PM*

St. Joseph's Church

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For more information about Religious Education Grades 1-7, contact Lisa Ouellette at 508.567.3638.

For more information about our Confirmation program, please contact Ana Lucy Mello at 508.494.3916.

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[www.smsfr.org](http://www.smsfr.org)

Fr. Jay's Blog: [fatherjaymello.wordpress.com](http://fatherjaymello.wordpress.com)

## Mass Intentions - St. Joseph's

### Tuesday, April 5th - St. Vincent Ferrer

9:00AM - Patricia Borkman

### Thursday, April 7th

9:00AM - Joseph & Liliana S. Correia

### Saturday, April 9th

9:00AM - Faye Berube

### Saturday, April 9th - Vigil Mass

5:15PM - Gilberto Vieira, Antonio Medeiros,  
Jose & Sofia Aguiar, Humberto &  
Maria de Lourdes Furtado, Manuel  
& Sofia Travassos & family

### Sunday, April 10th - Palm Sunday

7:00AM - Jose C. and Mary Oliveira

10:45AM - Olive Coroa Tyrrell

## SANCTUARY LAMPS

St. Joseph's - Fr. John Perry

St. Michael's - Richard Powell

Blessed Sacrament Chapel -

Intentions of the Valentim  
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 remainder of the year will open on Wednesday, April 20th.

## Mass Intentions - St. Michael's

### Monday, April 4th - St. Isidore

9:00AM - For all Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday, April 6th

8:30AM - For our Parish and School  
Community

### Friday, April 8th

9:00AM - Gilbert Reis and family

### Saturday, April 9th - Vigil Mass

4:00PM - Antonio F. Cabral, M/M Antonio  
Pereira, Jose & Jaime Pereira and  
family, Richard Powell, Maria  
Conceicao and Antonio Torres,  
Isabel & Francisco Machado &  
family, William Cabral, Margarida &  
Albert Revoredo, Richard Senra and  
family, Jesse M. Aguiar, Jose &  
Diamantina Amaral, Silvino Estrela,  
Julio & Cristina deMedeiros,  
Everrett & Carol Ann Medeiros,  
Antonio & Constantine Medeiros,  
Manuel Farias, Raul Medeiros &  
family, Theodore Bernier, Maria  
Amelia Viveiros, Joao & John  
DeMedeiros & family, Lawrence &  
Antonio Camara, Connie & Januario  
Aguiar, Aurelio P. Mello, Intentions  
Liberio & Margarida Patricio,  
Bernadette & Herbert Viveiros

### Sunday, April 10th - Palm Sunday

9:30AM - Maddox Almeida, Francisco Hilario

12:00PM - Miguel e Maria Helena Aguiar e  
familia, Gus Gonsalves

7:00PM - Abel Teves

## **Do Pe. Jay - Preparando-se para a Semana Santa**

Começando com a celebração do Domingo de Ramos no próximo fim de semana, entramos na chamada “Semana Santa” que, como o nome indica, é a época mais importante do ano para nós como católicos, especialmente a Quinta-feira Santa até o Domingo de Páscoa. Como eu disse no passado, seria uma grande pena se eu não o visse entre o Domingo de Ramos e a Páscoa – quero apelar a você para fazer todo o esforço para estar presente nas belas liturgias que a Igreja nos oferece para entrar na Paixão, Morte e Ressurreição de Nosso Senhor. Estas celebrações não são meramente recordar acontecimentos históricos, mas entrar nos mistérios mais profundos da nossa fé.

No Domingo de Ramos, recordamos a entrada triunfal de Cristo em Jerusalém. Lembramos como em um momento as multidões estão aclamando Jesus como Senhor e cantando “Hosana nas alturas” enquanto agitam ramos de palmeiras. No momento seguinte, eles estão gritando: “Crucifica-o”. As palmas abençoadas que recebemos nesta Missa podem servir como um lembrete de que, embora possamos dizer que Jesus é o Senhor, foi nossa pecaminosidade que o trouxe à cruz.

Na Quinta-feira Santa, recordamos a Última Ceia e o grande presente que Jesus nos deu na Eucaristia. Esta Missa, e depois a Adoração Eucarística, pretende acender em cada um de nós um amor e uma devoção mais profundos pela Verdadeira Presença de Nosso Senhor no Santíssimo Sacramento. Acredito que a melhor maneira de fazer isso é através da reverência sincera em como nos aproximamos do altar e recebemos a Eucaristia. Devemos todos trabalhar juntos para restaurar o sentido do sagrado.

Na Sexta-feira Santa, lembramos que nosso Senhor sacrificou sua vida por nossa salvação. Jesus foi brutalmente pregado numa cruz e pendurado nela para sofrer e ser humilhado por causa dos nossos pecados. Este dia deve ser marcado com uma consciência solene do que nosso Senhor fez por nós. Se pudermos, devemos tirar o dia de folga do trabalho e abster-nos de atividades seculares. Haverá muitas oportunidades de vir à Igreja naquele dia para manter o foco.

Vou explicar mais sobre o Sábado Santo e o Domingo de Páscoa na próxima semana, mas aqui quero simplesmente encorajar todos a se esforçarem para se preparar para a Semana Santa, reservando tempo para assistir aos cultos, missas e outras oportunidades de se reunir para rezar em comunidade. Esta é a nossa semana como católicos e vamos abraçá-la e fazer muito esforço, o Senhor nos abençoará por isso.

## **VIGILIA PASCAL**

Devido a uma circunstância inesperada fora do meu controle, não temos um padre para me ajudar no Sábado Santo a celebrar a Missa da Vigília. O Sábado Santo não pode ser celebrado antes das 7PM. Portanto, sou forçado a oferecer apenas uma Vigília, que sei que é difícil de ouvir. A única maneira justa de fazer isso é alternar a cada ano entre as duas paróquias. Começaremos este ano com a Missa em São Miguel. No próximo ano, a Vigília será em São José e alternaremos a cada ano daqui para frente. Esta é uma oportunidade para orarmos pelas vocações e encorajar os jovens a considerarem o sacerdócio. Está se tornando cada vez mais difícil encontrar padres para ajudar a cobrir as missas e eu sou apenas uma pessoa e por isso peço sua paciência e compreensão. Prometo tornar belas as liturgias da Semana Santa e espero ver todos lá.

## **FESTA DO ESPÍRITO SANTO 2022-2023**

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.

## **VIA SACRA EM VIVO**

Na Sexta-Feira, 8 de Abril, os estudantes do oitavo grau da escola apresentará as Via Sacra em Vivo às 1:30PM na Igreja de São Miguel. Todos estão convidados a participar desta emocionante apresentação.

### **SEMANA SANTA**

**Quinta-Feira Santa, 14 de Abril**

S. Jose - 5PM

S. Miguel - 7PM (bilingual)

**Sexta-Feira Santa, 15 de Abril**

Via Sacra, S. Jose - 12PM

S. Jose - 3PM

S. Miguel - 7PM (bilingual)

**Vigília Pascal, 16 de Abril**

S. Miguel - 7PM (bilingual)

**Páscoa, 17 de Abril**

7:00AM - S. Jose

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

10:45AM - S. Jose

12PM - S. Miguel (Port.)

**NÃO HAVERA Missa as 7PM**