SAINT MICHAEL & SAINT 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

Wednesdays 9:00AM-5:30PM Benediction 5:30PM

St. Joseph's

Tuesdays 6-7PM 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 (Port) 9AM Wednesday (Eng) 8:30AM Friday (Port) 9AM

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

No 7:00PM during summer.

CONFESSIONS

St. Michael's

Wednesday 5-5:30PM Saturday 3-3:45PM

St. Joseph's

Tuesday 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 you.

PARISH STAFF

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

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Ms. Jean Revil, Director of Adult Faith Formation [jrevil@comcast.net]

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Please join me in welcoming our new parishioners, Tyler and Bryanna Torres, to St. Joseph's Parish. If you would like to register for our parishes, please contact the parish office.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

In a joint effort with St. Michael's and St. Joseph's, there will be a special visitor on Sunday, December 16th at St. Michael School. Breakfast served between 8AM-1PM, with Santa visiting after 9:30AM Mass and 10:45AM Mass. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children 8 and under. For tickets, please contact the school or parish office.

GIVING TREE

Please visit the Giving Tree at the entrance of our Church this Advent and pick a tag to provide a gift for a child in need. Please return all gifts no later than December 9th.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISHES

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

November 25th — Confirmation Grade 8,

4:30-6:45PM (SM)

November 27th — Adoration, 6-7PM (SJ)

— Bible Study,

9:30AM and 7PM (SJ)

November 28th — Adoration, 9AM-5:30PM

— **NO** Rel. Ed. Grades 1-7

— Catechist Prep, 6:15PM (SJ)

November 30th — Youth Group Movie Night,

6:30PM (SJ)

December 2nd — Holy Ghost Christmas Luncheon

1PM (SM)

WELCOMING NEW PARISHIONERS

As I mentioned, with the closing of St. Anne's, Holy Rosary and Holy Cross (in addition to St. Bernadette's this Summer), I would encourage you to reach out to your friends and family who might be a member of one of those Churches that is closing and invite them to join us here at St. Michael's and St. Joseph's. Let each of us pray for those who belong to those parishes who are losing their parishes.

HOLY GHOST CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Join the Holy Ghost feast committee for a Christmas luncheon on Sunday, December 2nd at 1PM at St. Michael Hall. Tickets are \$25 for adults or \$10 for children, with a buffet menu, including dessert and coffee. There will be a live nativity play, live entertainment and more surprises. For tickets, please Venilia at 508.677.3223 or the parish office.

ANNUAL APPEAL ENDS NOVEMBER 30TH

The St. Joseph Parish Annual Appeal is nearing its completion! It will end on Monday December 4th. We are just short of reaching our goal of matching last year's total of \$13,040, with **\$10,030.00** raised so far. The annual appeal collection helps with the costs of maintaining our parish and beautiful church. If you have not already contributed to this important collection, I ask you to generously do so before December 2nd. Annual Appeal envelopes are available in the back of the Church.

RECENTLY MARRIED

Congratulations to Tyler and Bryanna Torres who recently had their marriage blessed at our parish. 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.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

This month, in both the collection envelope mailings as well as in the back of the church, you will find Christmas Memorial envelopes. With these envelopes, your donation is asked as an offering for flowers to decorate our sanctuary during the Christmas season in memory of a loved one. The list with all the names of those remembered will be published on Christmas Day. We thank you for your generosity.

TV MASS

On Saturday December 1st at 11:30am, Fr. Jay will be recording the TV Mass that is aired on Channel 6 every Sunday at 11am. The recording takes place in the chapel at Bishop Stang High School on Rt. 6 in Dartmouth. It is would great to have many parishioners present to show a strong support of our parish! Please arrive by 11:15am.

PORTUGUESE CONFESSIONS

What better way to prepare for Christmas than by examining our consciences and going to confession to receive our Lord's mercy and forgiveness. The following opportunities are available for confessions in both English and Portuguese.

Tuesday, Dec. 11th 7PM—Espirito Santo Wednesday, Dec. 12th 7PM—St. Anthony Thursday, Dec. 13th 11AM & 7PM—Santo Christo

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at St. Joseph's on December 12th from 6:30-7:30PM. What better way to prepare for Christmas than by examining our consciences and going to confession to receive our Lord's mercy and forgiveness.

JR. YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Fun Night—On Saturday, December 8th, from 7-9PM all children in grades 5-7 are invited to St. Michael's Hall for a Christmas Movie Night, complete with milk, cookies and cupcakes.

YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Christmas Movie Fun Night</u>—Our parish youth group will celebrate the Christmas spirit with a movie and snacks night on Friday, November 30th at 6PM at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. All youth 13-18 are invited to attend.

LaSalette Christmas Lights trip—On Friday, December 7th, our youth group will visit LaSalette to see the Christmas lights and visit the Shrine of Our Lady of LaSalette, departing from St. Michael's Church at 6PM. All youth interested in attending must RSVP with the parish office, at 508.672.6713, to reserve transportation.

THE HOLY SEASON OF ADVENT

The Season of Advent begins next weekend of December 1st and 2nd! It is a blessed and holy time of year in which we make many preparations for the celebration of our Lord's birth! With society becoming more and more secular, we as Catholics must make a concerted effort to make Advent and Christmas a truly spiritual and faithful celebration. I invite each of you as individuals and families to think about and choose a way in which you will make this season of Advent a spiritual time of preparation, perhaps it is saying the Rosary together as a family each night, or one night a week. Maybe it is going to daily Mass if you schedule allows. Perhaps it is going to confession, if you have not been in a while. Perhaps it is going to Adoration on Tuesday nights or during the day on Wednesday. Maybe it is Bible Study or reading a good Catholic book. Choose something to do this Advent, and I guarantee, Christmas will be that much greater of a celebration!

LITURGICAL CHANGES FOR ADVENT

he Holy Season of Advent is meant to spiritually and liturgically prepare our hearts for Christmas. The liturgy is meant to grab our attention and focus us toward the Lord's coming. Here at our parishes, Mass will be celebrated "Ad Orientem" (with the priest and the congregation all facing the same direction) as we did the last two years. To offer options to all parishioners, this will only be done at the 9:30AM at St. Michael's and the 10:45AM at St. Joseph's. The music is also noticeably different during Advent. The Gloria is not said or sung at the beginning of Mass. The "Kyrie" (Lord, have mercy) will be chanted in the original Greek (Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison). The Holy Holy and the Lamb of God will be chanted in Latin. These changes will only be for the for weeks of Advent

SACRED SILENCE AND PRAYER BEFORE MASS

I am happy that many have commented on how they enjoy the Gregorian Chant before Holy Mass, helping them to prepare for Holy Mass. Arriving early and recollecting ourselves is an important way to preparation for the celebration of Holy Mass as it helps us to clear our mind, recall why we are there, and also to enter into the sacred presence of God. Because Holy Mass is a communal celebration, there is the temptation to talk with others, but I respectfully ask that we try and keep conversations until after Mass, or if they are necessary, to have them in the foyer area or outside, so as to not disturb others who have come to pray. Let us always remember that we are in a sacred space and should conduct ourselves accordingly.

"APPLYING THE 10 COMMANDMENTS"

The next topic in our Adult Faith Formation Series is "Applying the 10 Commandments to the Real Life of our Families" on Wednesday, December 5th at 6:30PM at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. Jean Revil, Director of Adult Faith Formation will be presenting on this and a number of topics to helps our parishioners grow in their knowledge of the Catholic Faith. I encourage you to attend these nights and learn more about your faith.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a beautiful devotion to the redemptive love of our Lord that is celebrated on the First Friday of each month. The Saint who is most often associated with this devotion is St. Margaret Mary Alacoque [1647-1690] who popularized the devotion after receiving a vision of the Sacred Heart. The First Friday's Men's Group of Fall River have been having their gatherings at St. Joseph's for some time, but I want to open this to all parishioners and encourage this devotion as a way of growing in our love for the Lord. On Friday, December 7th, we will have Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions from 5-6pm and then Holy Mass at 6pm. This will continue on the First Friday of each Month. Please make an effort to attend.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is a group in the parish that works together to assist those who are in need in our parish and in our community. As the holidays and winter months draw near, we find a greater need for donations to assist in our charitable giving. If you would like to make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, please place it in the collection basket in an envelope marked "St. Vincent de Paul" or see Father Jay.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The Lector workbooks for 2019 are now available. They can be found in the sacristy at St. Michael's Church and in the confessional room at St. Joseph's Church.

LECTORS NEEDED

Proclaiming the Word of God at Holy Mass is a great honor as well as a wonderful way to serve the parish community. If you are interested in serving our Lord in this way, please contact the parish office or speak with Fr. Jay directly.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

RCIA—RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which an adult becomes a full member of the Catholic Church. If you, or someone you know, would like to explore the possibility of joining the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, please contact the Director of Adult Faith Formation, Jean Revil at jre-vil@comcast.net to register for classes or to seek more information.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study, led by Director of Adult Faith Formation, Jean Revil, will take place on Tuesdays, at 9:30AM and 7PM at St. Joseph's school, focusing on the following week's readings. For more information, please see Jean Revil or Fr. Jay.

MY PARISH APP

Our new St. Joseph & St. Michael Parish app is now avail-able 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 Face-book or Twitter. Download our app today at myparis-happ.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 Appl from the list of available parishes.

LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA

You will notice at the main entrance of the Church a display class with CDs from Lighthouse Media. These are inspiration and education CDs from well known Catholic Speakers to help each of us learn more about and grow in our faith. Each CD is only \$3. These are great for listening in the car on the way to work, or to give as a small gift to someone who might need some encouragement in their faith.



SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL



DINING FOR DOLLARS—FALL RIVER GRILL

On Thursday, November 29th, visit Fall River Grill at 363 2nd Street, fall River from 11:30AM-9:00PM, and a portion of all proceeds will be donated to St. Michael School. Available for dine in or take out! Please be sure to mention the fundraiser to your server so that St. Michael's School can get credit.

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. https://smile.amazon.com/ch/042106670

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

You may have noticed in the back of our church, a plastic Box Top collection box. Certain grocery goods, such as cereal, butter, baking supplies and more have "Box Tops" on them. Please cut them out and return them to this box to make a donation to St. Michael's School.

SOCK DRIVE

St. Michael School is working to provide warm feet for all in our community, hosting a sock drive. By donating to the sock drive at SMS, you not only help keep our community's homeless healthy and safe, but you also help people maintain their dignity and comfort during a difficult time in their lives. Please bring new men's or women's socks to the school office.

Religious Education Program Grades 1-7

NO Religious Ed. Class Catechist Prep Wednesday, November 28th—6:15-7:35PM St. Joseph's School

Religious Ed. Class
Wednesday, December 5th—6:15-7:35PM
St. Joseph's School

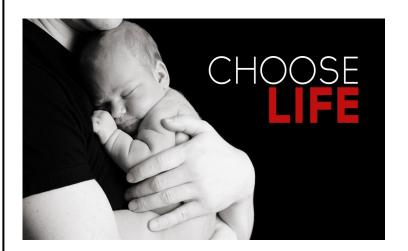
If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Lisa Ouellette at louellette@smsfr.dfrcs.org or 508.567.3638.

Confirmation Program Grades 8-9

Confirmation Class—Grade 8
Sunday, November 25th—4:30-6:45PM
St. Michael's Hall

Confirmation Class—Grade 9
Sunday, December 9th—4:30-6:45PM
St. Michael's Hall

If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Ana Mello at analuciamello@gmail.com or 508.494.3916.



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

Saturday, November 24th—Vigil Mass

5:15PM—John, Lucie and Maureen Conboy

Sunday, November 25th—Christ the King

7:00AM—Adele Lizak, 50th Anniversary

10:45AM—Maria Amelia Lourenco

Tuesday, November 27th—St. Fergus

9:00AM—Manuel J. Souza

Thursday, November 29th—St. Illuminata

9:00AM—Antero M. Frias

Saturday, December 1st—St. Evasius

9:00AM—Jose Frias

Saturday, December 1st—Vigil Mass

5:15PM—Louis Fernandes

Sunday, December 2nd—First Sunday of Advent

7:00AM—Delores Cunha, 18th Anniversary

10:45AM—David Cordeiro Miranda

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

In Memory of Adele Lizak



CHURCH SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH'S

November 17-18, 2018

Weekly Collection: \$2,410.00 Campaign for Human Development: \$1,001.00

This week's Second Collection: Church Maintenance Fund (Non-Assessable)

Next week's Second Collection:

Retired Religious

(Transfer to Diocese)

Third Phase:

Organ Restoration Fund \$3,292.00 of \$17,500.00

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 24th—Vigil Mass

4:00PM—Antonio F. Cabral

Sunday, November 25th—Christ the King

9:30AM—Jose Sales Mendes, Palmira Luciana and Alvaro Carvalho, Al Carvalho, Emanuel Barcelos, Julio and Francelina Moniz, Taylor Patricio, Augustin Barranco, Antonio Tavares, Dilia Reis Carvalho, Jose Filipe

Carvalho, Helena Aguiar and family

12:00PM—Kimberly Dias, John Carvalho, Jose Carvalho, Umbrazina e Jose Carvalho, Steve Carvalho, Joaquim Reis, Joe Silva, Frank Cabral, Jose Domingos Cabral, Manuel Camara, Manuel e Lucinda Cabral, Antonina e Mariano Sousa, Eduardo Rodrigues, Joao Oliveira Pavao, Maria dos Anjos e Guilhermina Tavares, Familia de Dinis e Lidia Costa, Intencoes de Delfina Borges e família

7:00PM—Firmino "Phil" Raposa

Monday, November 26th—St. John Berchmans

9:00AM—Intencoes de Gilberta Reis

Wednesday, November 28th—St. Catherine Laboure

8:30AM—For the Parish and School Community

Friday, November 30th—St. Andrew

9:00AM—Joao Aguiar e família

Saturday, December 1st—Vigil Mass

4:00PM—Raul Medeiros and family

Sunday, December 2nd—Christ the King

9:30AM—Jose and Diamantina do Rego, Natalia Silva, Jeffrey Martins

12:00PM—Clementina Resendes, Antonio Joaquim Resendes

7:00PM—Manuel, Maria, Claudio, Manuel, Zelia Leite, Iberia, Gabriela, Amelia Furtado, All Souls in Purgatory and family

SANCTUARY LAMP

CHAPEL LAMP

Em Memoria de Antonio F. Cabral Em Memoria de Bento Medeiros

CHURCH SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL'S

November 17-18, 2018

Weekly Collection: \$3,778.00 Campaign for Human Development: \$1,045.00

This week's Second Collection: Church Maintenance Fund (Non-Assessable)

Next week's Second Collection: **Retired Religious**

(Transfer to Diocese)

JANTAR DE NATAL

A Commissão do Espírito Santo para um Jantar de Natal no Domingo, dia 2 de Dezembro à 1 hora da tarde no salão paroquial. Os bilhetes são \$25 para adultos e \$10 para crianças, com um buffet, incluindo sobremesa e café. Haverá um presépio de crianças, entretenimento ao vivo e mais surpresas. Para bilhetes, por favor contacte Venilia em 508.677.3223 ou no escritório da paróquia.

FLORES PARA O NATAL

Este mês, tanto nos envelopes da coleção como na parte de trás da igreja, há envelopes para as Flores do Natal. Com esses envelopes, sua oferta é solicitada para as flores do santuário durante o tempo de Natal em memória de um querido defunto. A lista com todos os nomes dos lembrados será publicada no dia de Natal. Agradecemos sua generosidade.

ARVORE DE OFERTAS

Por favor visite a Arvore de ofertas que está á entrada da Igreja e retire um talão. As ofertas são para crianças com necessidade. Por favor devolve as ofertas desembrulhadas antes de dias 9-10 de Dezembro.

CONFISSÕES NO ADVENTO

O Sacramento da Reconciliação será oferecido na Igreja de São Jose na Quarta-Feira, 12 de Dezembro das 6:30 até 7:30. Que melhor maneira de se preparar para o Natal do que examinando nossas consciências e ir para a confissão para receber a misercórdia e o perdão do Nosso Senhor. Confissões em Português também estão disponíveis á noite em:

Terça-Feira, 11 de Dezembro, ás 7 - Espírito Santo Quarta-Feira, 12 de Dezembro, ás 7 - Santo Antonio Quinta-Feira, 13 de Dezembro, ás 7 - Santo Cristo

DOAÇÕES PARA A ESCOLA

Se gostaria de fazer uma pequena doação para a escola de São Miguel, estão aceitando ofertas para as aulas, especialmente suprimentos sanitárias (lenços de nariz, Clorox toalhetes, desinfetante de mão, toalhas de papel, "baby wipes") para o próximo ano. Por favor, traga a sua doação diretamente para a escola ou no átrio da igreja depois da Missa.

"BOX TOPS" PARA EDUCAÇÃO

Podem ter notado na entrada da nossa igreja, uma caixa plastica com a placa dos "Box Tops". Certos produtos de mercearia, tais como cereais, manteiga, suprimentos e muito mais têm "Box Tops" sobre eles. Por favor, corte-os para fora e devolvê-los nesta caixa para fazer uma doação para St. Michael's School.

MUDANCAS LITÚRGICAS PARA O ADVENTO

O Tempo Santo do Advento é para espiritualmente e litúrgicamente preparar nossos corações para o Natal. A liturgia destina-se a chamar nossa atenção a nos con-centrar na vinda do Senhor. Aqui em nossas paróquias, a Missa será celebrada "Ad Orientem" (com o sacerdote e a congregação todos de frente para a mesma direção) como fizemos no ano passado. Para oferecer opções a todos os paroquianos, isso só será feito às 9:30 da manhã em S. Miguel e às 10:45 em S. José. A música também é visivelmente diferente durante o Advento. O Gloria não é dito ou cantado no início da Missa. O "Kyrie" (Senhor, tenha misericórdia) será cantado no grego original (Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison). O Santo Santo e o Cordeiro de Deus serão cantados em latim. O organista irá ensaiar antes da Missa.

TEMPO SAGRADO ANTES DA MISSA

Estou feliz que muitos tenham comentado sobre os Cantos Gregoriano antes da Santa Missa, ajudando-os a se preparar para a Santa Missa. Chegando cedo e lembrando-nos é uma maneira importante de preparar a celebração da Santa Missa, pois isso nos ajuda a limpar nossa mente, lembre-se porque estamos lá, e também para entrar na presença sagrada de Deus. Porque a Santa Missa é uma celebração comunial, há a tentação de conversar com os outros, mas peço respeitosamente que tentamos manter conversas até depois da Missa, ou se for necessário, para as ter na área do vestíbulo ou fora, de modo a não perturbar outros que vieram rezar. Lembremo-nos sempre de que estamos em um espaço sagrado e devemos nos conduzir em conformidade.

REVERÊNCIA NA CASA DE DEUS

A igreja é o lugar onde nos reunimos todas as semanas para louvar o Senhor! A nossa comunidade é composta de indivíduos, mas nos reunimos como uma paróquia inteira, e por isso devemos estar atentos aos que estão à nossa volta. Como tem ouvido me dizer em várias ocasiões, devemos trabalhar "Restaurar o Sagrado" - lembrando que cada vez que entramos na Igreja, estamos entrando na Casa de Deus e todas as nossas ações devem refletir isso. Recentemente, o Papa Francisco nos lembrou que deveríamos estar "levantando nossos corações," não o nossos telefones. Eu acho que foi uma ótima oportunidade para refletir-mos sobre o nosso tempo na Igreja. Isso não é uma crítica, mas um encorajamento para que possamos trabalhar juntos para tornar a casa de Deus um lugar de reverência e oração para todos