

# 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>* NO 7PM Mass Memorial Day - Labor Day.*</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>

NOVEMBER 19, 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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### **HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM FR. JAY**

As families and friends all over the nation gather to celebrate our national day of thanksgiving, allow me to wish each of you a very blessed Thanksgiving. As pastor of these great communities, I offer thanks to God for each of you and pray that He continue to bless our parish and each of our families. I ask particular blessings and graces upon all of those who are sick and homebound and those who will spend this day alone. I also pray for the youth of our parish, may they know the Lord alone is the source of everything we have and He is the one that we give thanks to. Happy Thanksgiving to each of you and your families.

### **MARY WICK SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON**

On Sunday, December 3rd, the Parish and School will host a Luncheon with Nativity Play and a visit from Santa Claus, to benefit the Mary Wick Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Wick had a large part in organizing the annual Christmas Nativity that was held at this Christmas luncheon in the past. The luncheon begins at 1PM and tickets include buffet, with soup, salad, fish, chicken, potatoes, rice, coffee and dessert. After lunch, there will be a Live Nativity scene with students from our school, and a visit from Santa Claus. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. Please call the parish or school office for tickets.

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

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

November 20th- Study Group, 10AM (SJ)

November 21st- Bible Study, 9:30AM (SJ)

- NO Adoration/Confessions, (SJ)
- Thanksgiving Mass, 6:30PM (SM)

November 22nd- NO Rel. Ed. Class, (SJ)

- Thanksgiving Mass, 6:30PM (SJ)

November 23rd - Thanksgiving Mass, 9AM (SJ)

- Office Closed

November 24th - Office Closed

## **Hidden Figures** *An Advent Parish Mission* With Dcn. Christopher Paul

**6:00-7:15pm**

*Rosary at 5:30pm*

*"A Righteous Man"*

**Monday, November 27, 2023**

**St. Michael Church**  
189 Essex Street, Fall River

*"Glory to God in the Highest"*

**Tuesday, November 28, 2023**

**St. Joseph Church**  
1355 North Main Street, Fall River

*Eucharistic Adoration and Priests available for Confession*

For more information please call (508) 673-1123  
or email [stjosephsfallriver@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsfallriver@gmail.com)



## RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Congratulations to Grayson Edward Reis who was recently baptized at St. Joseph'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.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you all for your generosity and help with providing food for those less fortunate this year. It seems like we had more participation than ever, and will surely help many people in our community this Thanksgiving.

## 2024 PARISH CALENDARS

In the entrance of our churches, there are copies of our 2024 Parish Calendar. Please take a copy for yourself and your family members.

## MARIAN MEDIAL RECIPIENTS

Each year, the bishop of the Diocese of Fall River honors parishioners for their years of dedication to their parishes. I am happy to announce that this year, **Mrs. Lorena Oliveira** of St. Michael's Church and **Mr. Alan Arruda** of St. Joseph's Church will be the recipients from our parishes. They have both been involved in many parish events for many years. Please congratulate them when you see them. The Marian Medals will be conferred at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, December 3 at 3PM.

## GIVING TREE

This Advent, please visit the Giving Tree at the entrance of our Church to drop off a gift card of any denomination for Walmart, Target or Amazon to help a family in need. Please return all gift cards no later than December 17th. No toys or other gifts will be expected this year, only gift cards please. Please let us know if you are in need of assistance.

## SAVE THE DATE - WINE TASTING

Save the date of Saturday, February 3rd for the 12th Annual St. Michael School Wine Tasting fundraiser. The event features wine, beer, spirits and appetizer tasting, as well as dancing, raffles and a silent auction. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to sponsor this event.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### 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](http://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](http://www.formed.org/signup), and enter our zip and select St. Joseph, and enter your name and email address to sign up.

### SHARE OUR FAITH

The next Share Our Faith presentation is on Wednesday, January 17th at 6:30PM at St. Joseph Parish Center. Fr. Jay will present.

### ADULTS WHO NEED SACRAMENTS

RCIA is for any adult over 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. For more information, please contact Deacon Paul.

## THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE

Tues., Nov. 21st at 6:30PM, St. Michael's  
Weds., Nov. 22nd at 6:30PM at St. Joseph's  
Thurs., Nov. 23rd at 9AM at St. Joseph's.

## CATECHESIS ON HOLY MASS

There should be never be any bulletin reading during Holy Mass! Imagine if you invited a guest to your house and before dinner (or during) they decided to read a magazine or book instead of conversing with you, their host. That is what is happening in God's House when we read the bulletin or anything else but the missal or the day's readings during the celebration of Mass. This doesn't mean we can't come early to church, take the bulletin or the Anchor as we enter and, after we kneel and pray for a while, have a nice read. But once Mass begins, every eye and mind and heart should be with the sacred action of the liturgy. We gain so much more from the eternal truths of the Mass than could ever get from the parish bulletin or the diocesan newspaper.

## 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

## 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.

## YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

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

Junior Youth Group -  
Friday, December 15th, 7-9PM at St. Joseph's

High School Youth Group -  
Friday, December 15th, 7-9PM at St. Michael's

## 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)

## CHURCH SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL'S

November 11-12, 2023

Weekly Collection: \$3,678.00  
Military Diocesan Collection: \$ 508.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:  
Church Maintenance Collection

## CHURCH SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH'S

November 11-12, 2023

Weekly Collection: \$3,610.00  
Military Diocesan Collection: \$ 440.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:  
Church Maintenance Collection



# ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL



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## 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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mary Wick Luncheon and Nativity Play -  
December 3rd - 1PM

Choir Christmas Caroling to Catholic Memorial -  
December 11th - 1:30PM

Christmas Concert, Grades K-4 - Parish Hall  
December 21st - 1PM



# Religious Education News

## Religious Ed Grades 1-7

### Thanksgiving Mass

*Tuesday, November 21st - 6:30PM (SM)*

*Wednesday, November 22nd - 6:30PM (SJ)*

## Religious Ed Grades 1-7 Class

*Wednesday, November 29th - 6:15PM*

St. Joseph's Parish Center

## Confirmation Grade 9 Class

*Monday, December 4th - 7PM*

St. Michael's Hall

## Religious Ed Grades 1-7 Class

*Wednesday, December 6th - 6:15PM*

St. Joseph's Parish Center

## Confirmation Grade 8 Class

*Monday, December 11th - 7PM*

St. Michael's Hall

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*For questions, 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, November 21st**

9:00AM - For the People of our Parish

### **Thursday, November 23rd - St. Clement**

9:00AM - Marjorie Boreri

### **Saturday, November 25th - St. Catherine**

9:00AM - Mr. and Mrs. Leonel Costa Crancha

### **Saturday, November 25th - Vigil Mass**

5:15PM - Gilberto Vieira and family, Tiberio Santos

### **Sunday, November 26th - Christ the King**

7:00AM - John and Gertrude Lawrence, Gail Conforti, Intentions of Jim Rogers

10:45AM - Olivia Cabral

## **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.

## **SANCTUARY LAMPS**

**St. Joseph's** - João Raposa

**St. Michael's** - Antonio F. Cabral

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel** - Gail Conforti

## **Mass Intentions - St. Michael's**

### **Monday, November 20th**

9:00AM - Hermano Alves

### **Wednesday, November 22nd - St. Cecilia**

9:00AM - For our Parish and School

### **Friday, November 24th - St. Andrew Dung-Lac**

9:00AM - Gilberto Vieira, Sofia Aguiar & family

### **Saturday, November 25th - Vigil Mass**

4:00PM - Palmira Luciana and Alvaro Carvalho, Al Carvalho, Joao and Germana Medeiros

### **Sunday, November 26th - Christ the King**

9:30AM - Jose S Mendes, Jose Creador, Manuel & Maria dos Anjos Tavares, Jacinto & Maria dos Anjos Creador, Peter, Melanie & Jacinto Creador, Maddox Almeida, Mario & Antonio Aguiar, Maria, Mario & Irene Correia, Francisco Carvalho, George Souza & family, Genoveva & Alfredo Tome Furtado, Alfredo Furtado, Isaura Rego, Maria S. Moniz, Maria Isabel Barbosa, Joao Barbosa, Liberio Barbosa, Peter Rego, Mateus Lubold

12:00PM - Senhor e Senhora Ludgero Do Monte

7:00PM - For the People of our Parish

## **ORANDO POR TODAS AS ALMAS**

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. Além disso, deve ter recebido um envelope com os envelopes da coleção regular para o Dia das Almas. 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.

## **CONFISSÕES DO ADVENTO**

Que melhor maneira de se preparar para o Natal do que examinar nossas consciências e confessar para receber a misericórdia e o perdão de nosso Senhor. Haverá confissões ouvidas 18 de Dezembro, as 6PM na Igreja de Espírito Santo e no dia 19 de Dezembro as 11 horas da manhã. Haverá padres que falam Portugues disponível para ouvir confissões.

## **FELIZ DIA DE AÇÃO DE GRAÇAS**

Enquanto famílias e amigos de todo o país se reúnem para celebrar o nosso dia de ação de graças, permitam-me desejar a cada um de vocês um santo Dia de Ação de Graças. Como pastor destas grandes comunidades, agradeço a Deus por cada um de vocês e rezo para que Ele continue abençoando nossa paróquia e cada uma de nossas famílias. Peço bênçãos e graças particulares para todos aqueles que estão doentes e confinados em casa e pelo todos que passarão este dia sozinhos. Rezo também pelos jovens da nossa paróquia, para que saibam que só o Senhor é a fonte de tudo o que temos e é a Ele que damos graças. Feliz Dia de Ação de Graças para cada um de vocês e suas famílias.

### **MISSAS DE ACÇÃO DE GRAÇAS**

Terça, Nov. 21 as 6:30PM, S. Miguel  
Quarta, Nov. 22 as 6:30PM, S. Jose  
Quinta, Nov. 23 as 9AM, S. Jose

## **CATEQUESE SOBRE SANTA MISSA**

Nunca deveria ler o boletim durante a Santa Missa! Imagine se convidasse alguém para sua casa e antes do jantar (ou durante) ele decidisse ler uma revista ou livro em vez de conversar consigo. É isso que acontece na Casa de Deus quando lemos o boletim ou qualquer outra coisa que não seja o missal ou as leituras do dia durante a celebração da Missa. Isso não significa que não possamos chegar cedo à igreja, levar o boletim ou a Âncora como entramos e, depois de nos ajoelharmos e orarmos um pouco, fazemos uma boa leitura. Mas uma vez iniciada a missa, todos os olhos, mentes e corações devem estar voltados para a ação sagrada da liturgia. Ganhamos muito mais com as verdades eternas da Missa do que jamais poderíamos obter com o boletim paroquial ou o jornal diocesano.

## **JANTAR DA BOLSA MARY WICK**

No Domingo, 3 de Dezembro, a Paróquia e a Escola realizarão um jantar em benefício do Fundo de Bolsas Mary Wick. A Sra. Wick teve um papel importante na organização da Natividade de Natal anual que foi realizada neste jantar de Natal no passado. O almoço começa à 1PM e os bilhetes incluem buffet, com sopa, salada, peixe, frango, batata, arroz, café e sobremesa. Após o almoço, haverá um Presépio ao Vivo com alunos da nossa escola, e a visita do Pai Natal. Os bilhetes são \$25 para adultos e \$15 para crianças de até 12 anos. Por favor, ligue para a secretaria da paróquia ou escola para obter os ingressos.

## **ADORAÇÃO EUCARISTICA**

### **Igreja de São Miguel**

Capela aberta de 8AM até 8PM todos os dias

### **Igreja de São José**

Hora Santa com Confissões  
Terças-feiras entre 6 e 7 da tarde