

# 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)

## **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.

*FEBRUARY 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 [fatherjaymello@gmail.com]

Deacon Paul Levesque [paul.levesque@comcast.net]

Mrs. Shanna Lubold, Director of Pastoral Services [stjosephsfallriver@gmail.com]

Mrs. Lisa Ouellette, Director of Religious Education [louellette@smsfr.dfrcs.org]

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Mr. Ryan Klein, Principal [rklein@smsfr.dfrcs.org]

Mr. Daniel Marshall, Music Director [dmarshall@musician.org]

### **PARISH FISH FRY**

Tickets are now available for our Fish and Chips takeout. The take out is Friday, March 3rd from 12PM-3PM. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the parish office.

### **PRESENTATION BY FR. ROGER LANDRY**

On Wednesday, March 15th at 6PM at St. Mary's Cathedral, Fr. Roger Landry, priest of the Diocese of Fall River and a National Eucharistic preacher, will be giving a talk on the Eucharist. There will also be Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, opportunity for veneration of the relics of Bl. Carlo Acutis and St. Manuel Garcia, as well as the Eucharistic Miracles exhibit will be available for viewing. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

### **OFFICE CLOSED PRESIDENTS DAY**

The office will be closed on Monday, February 20th.

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

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

February 21st - NO Bible Study, 9:30AM (SJ)  
- Adoration/Confessions, 6PM (SJ)

February 22nd - NO Rel. Ed, Grades 1-7,  
School Vacation week  
- Ash Wednesday, see schedule

February 24th - Stations of the Cross,  
9:30AM (SM), 6PM (SJ)

### **ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKEND CELEBRATION**

On the weekend of March 18th and 19th, St. Joseph's Parish will observe the feast of St. Joseph, our patron. (This year the actual "feast" day falls on a Monday.) This being the 150th anniversary of our parish, we will have a weekend long celebration to celebrate our saintly patron. Please mark your calendar and save the dates as we will have special celebrations in the parish hall after the 5:15PM Mass on Saturday and after the 10:45AM Mass on Sunday. We have been doing renovations and painting in the parish hall and want to invite all parishioners for a reception that weekend. More information will be following in the weeks to come.

### **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Adult Confirmation will be held on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 7PM at St. Mary's Cathedral. Any adult who is 18 years of age and would like more information about receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation should contact Deacon Paul for more information.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

The Lenten season begins with Ash Wednesday on February 22nd. Our Mass schedule is:

**St. Joseph's -** 7:00AM  
6:30PM

**St. Michael's -** 8:30AM  
12:00PM (in Portuguese)

ST. JOSEPH & ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCHES PRESENT:

## PRAYER ADORATION WORSHIP FOR THE SEASON OF LENT



WITH MUSIC BY  
JOHN FINCH



GUEST PREACHER  
MSGR. JAMES ROOT

### MONDAY

MARCH 6TH - 7PM  
ST. MICHAEL CHURCH  
FALL RIVER, MA

### TUESDAY

MARCH 7TH - 7PM  
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH  
FALL RIVER, MA  
PREACHING BY MSGR. JAMES ROOT

### WEDNESDAY

MARCH 8TH - 8:30AM  
ST. MICHAEL CHURCH  
FALL RIVER, MA  
WITH SCHOOL CHILDREN

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## THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

### SAVE THE DATE: LENTEN MISSION

This Lent, I have invited Catholic musician John Finch to visit our parishes for our Lenten Mission. The mission will take place Monday, March 6th at St. Michael's, Tuesday, March 7th at St. Joseph's (with Msgr. James Root preaching). Each night will be at 7PM and on Wednesday morning, March 8th, with our school students beginning at 8:30AM. More information will follow.

### LENTEN SERIES

During Lent, Deacon Paul will be leading a study titled No Greater Love - a biblical pilgrimage from the Garden of Gethsemane to Calvary, guided by best-selling author Edward Sri. These sessions will be held at St. Joseph's Parish hall and will be offered in the morning and repeated in the evening. Dates of the sessions are: Mondays at 10AM starting March 6th and Thursdays at 6:30PM starting on March 9th. To register please call the parish office at 508.673.1123. There is no fee for this program. Any questions please contact Deacon Paul.

### CONFESSIONS

An integral part of the Lenten Season is repenting of our sinful behaviors. It will an opportunity for confessions with a number of visiting priests on Wednesday night, March 15th at St. Joseph's church from 6:30-8PM. I strongly encourage all parishioner to take advantage of this opportunity, or to go to confession during one of the regularly scheduled confession times.

Tuesday - 6-6:45PM, St. Joseph  
Wednesday - 5-5:30PM, St. Michael  
Saturday - 9:30-10:30AM, St. Joseph  
3-3:30PM, St. Michael

### 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— 9:30AM (Port.)  
St. Joseph— 6:00PM

## Sharing Our Faith

Presented by Fr. Jay Mello on Wednesdays  
at 6:30PM at St. Joseph's School.

**March 1st -**  
**Reconciliation and Frequent Confession**

### JR. AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

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

Junior Youth Group -  
Friday, March 10th, 7-9PM at St. Michael's

High School Youth Group -  
Friday, March 24th, 7-9PM at St. Michael's



## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### ***St. Joseph Parish***

150th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet



Containing images and details about the beautiful stained glass windows in our church, available now!  
\$20 each

## **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

## **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**



St. Joseph's Church  
St. Michael's Church and School



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

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

## **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.

## **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 are now more than half way through a capital campaign to raise \$250,000. 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. There is a sample of this plaque in the entrance of our church. Memorial plaques will be made for donations of: \$25,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, and \$1,000.

Total raised \$181,280.

## **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**

February 11-12, 2023

First Collection: \$4,258.00

Catholic University Collection: \$ 535.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:  
Diocesan Assessment Collection

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

February 11-12, 2023

First Collection: \$3,513.00

Catholic University Collection: \$ 277.00

Next Weekend's Second Collection:  
Diocesan Assessment Collection

# ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL



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## 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration for Pre-K through 8th grade is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Please let your family and friends with young children know about our Parish School. 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.

## PLEASE 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](https://www.instagram.com/saint_michael_school)

## SCHOOL VACATION WEEK

February vacation will begin February 20th through the 24th. During school vacation week, if you are in need of assistance, please reach out to the school via email or contact the parish office.



## Religious Education News

### No Class February 22nd

*School Vacation Week*

### Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, March 1st - 6:15-7:35PM

*St. Joseph's Hall*

### Share our Faith

Wednesday, March 1st - 6:30PM

*Required for all parents of Grade 2 students in school and Religious Education program.*

### Rel. Ed. Classes, Grades 1-7

Wednesday, March 8th - 6:15-7:35PM

*St. Joseph's Hall*

### Confirmation Grade 8

Monday, March 13th - 7-9PM

*St. Michael's Hall*

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### First Communion Retreat

March 4th - 9AM-Noon

Parent meeting at 11AM

*St. Michael's Hall*

### First Confessions

Saturday, March 25th

9:30-10:30AM - St. Joseph's Church

11AM-Noon - St. Michael's Church

### First Holy Communion

St. Michael Parish - May 7th - 9:30AM

St. Michael School - May 14th - 9:30AM

St. Joseph Church - May 21st - 10:45AM

(Rehearsals for each are on the day before at 11AM)

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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.

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

### **Tuesday, February 21st - St. Peter Damian**

9:00AM - Gilberto Vieira and family

### **Thursday, February 23rd - St. Polycarp**

9:00AM - Dionisio and Maria N. Pacheco and family

### **Saturday, February 25th**

9:00AM - For the People of our Parish

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

5:15PM - Antonio Costa Jr. and family,  
Stepanie Souza

### **Sunday, February 26th - 1st Sunday of Lent**

7:00AM - Margaret Arruda, John and Gertrude  
Lawrence, Suzeta Cabral, Lucinda  
DeMelo and family

10:45AM - Irene Silva

## **MASS INTENTIONS 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 January through June 2023 is now open.

## **SANCTUARY LAMPS**

**St. Joseph's** - Edward J. Pedro

**St. Michael's** - Adelino M. Brilhante

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel** -

Intentions of Albertino and  
Natividade Martins

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

### **Monday, February 20th**

9:00AM - Intentions of Maria Aguiar

### **Wednesday, February 22nd**

8:30AM - For our Parish and School

### **Friday, February 24th**

9:00AM - Gilda Benfeito, Jose and Natalia  
Medeiros, Mike Medeiros

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

4:00PM - Ernesto Tavares

### **Sunday, February 26th - 1st Sunday of Lent**

9:30AM - Jose S. Mendes, Jose Creador,  
Manuel and Maria dos Anjos  
Tavares, Maria dos Anjos,  
Peter, Melanie and Jacinto Creador,  
Francisco Carvalho, Jacinto and  
Euleteria Lima, Emilia de Jesus  
Guerra, Jose and Diamantina  
DoRego, Natalia Silva, Jeffrey  
Martins, Jose Sousa, Leonardo,  
Arthur, Jose Arruda, Susan Arruda  
Levesque, Nashwa Holt, Domingos  
Manuel and Maria do Espirito Santo  
Medeiros, Marcos Fernandez,  
Intentions of Armenia and Manuel  
Tavares

12:00PM - Jorgina Amaro and family, Teodora  
M. Pereira, Alvaro and Palmira  
Luciana Carvalho, Al Carvalho,  
Joao and Germana Medeiros, Gilda  
and Jose Botelho

7:00PM - For the People of our Parish

### **MAU TEMPO**

À medida que entramos na estação do inverno e mau tempo, informe-se sobre a Missa diária. Quando a escola é cancelada, não há Missa. Todas as intenções de Missa serão reprogramadas. As Missas de fim de semana não serão canceladas a menos que tais condições severas justifiquem uma proibição de condução. Por favor, use prudência e segurança!

### **GARRAFAS DE BEBE**

Agradecemos a todos que participaram na acolher dinheiro nas garrafas de bebe para “A Woman’s Concern.” Por favor, deixa as garrafas na entrada da igreja até o próximo fim de semana. Muito obrigado.

### **MATRICULAS PARA A ESCOLA**

As matriculas para o ano letivo de 2023-2024 para os graus de PreK-8 já começaram. O espaço para as aulas é limitado e são preenchido por ordem de chegada. Se deseja que seu filho seja registrado na Escola de São Miguel, ligue para a secretaria da escola o mais rápido possível, pois as vagas são preenchidas rapidamente.

### **ECRITORIO ENCERRADO**

O escritório Paroquial estará encerrado Segunda-Feira, dia 20 de Fevereiro, em observância do feriado “President’s Day.”

### **CERTIFICADOS PARA PADRINHOS**

É uma grande honra quando somos convidados a ser padrinhos do Batismo ou Confirmação. Para obter um certificado, contate o Padre Jay no escritório ou depois das missas. Para ser padrinho é necessário ser um paroquiano registrado e ser confirmado, assistir à missa regularmente, ter um casamento válido (pela igreja) e viver uma vida moralmente boa.

### **VENDA DE PEIXE FRITO PELA PAROQUIA**

Haverá uma venda de peixe frito “fish and chips” para levantar fora na Sexta-Feira, dia 3 de Março, da meia dia até as 3 da tarde. Bilhetes são \$20 e estão disponíveis no escritorio paroquial.

### **SAVE THE DATE: MISSÃO DA QUARESMA**

Nesta Quaresma, convidei o músico Católico John Finch para visitar nossas paróquias para nossa Missão Quaresmal. A missão acontecerá na Segunda-Feira, 6 de Março na S. Miguel às 7PM, Terça-Feira, 7 de Março em S. Jose e na Quarta-Feira as 8:30AM em S. Miguel. Mais informações seguirão.

### **QUARTA FEIRA DE CINZAS**

O inicio de Quaresma é no dia 22 de Fevereiro. O horário será o seguinte:

7AM - S. Jose

8:30AM - S. Miguel

Meio Dia - S. Miguel, em Portugues

6:30PM - S. Jose

### **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

### **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.