

ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOSEPH PARISHES



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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.

APRIL 10, 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 Landon Jacob Quiterio 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.

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel will be closed Holy Thursday at 3PM until Easter Sunday morning at 8AM.

EASTER FLOWERS

Due to a clerical error, there was no Easter Flowers envelope in the St. Michael's Parish envelope packet. If you would like to donate in memory of a loved one, there are envelopes in the entrance of our churches. Please fill one out and place it in the collection basket.

JR. YOUTH GROUP

Our next Jr. Youth Group event is an Ice Cream Social on Friday, May 20th at St. Michael's Hall from 7-9PM. All youth in grades 5-7 are invited to attend.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISHES

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

April 10th - Easter Egg Hunt, after 10:45AM Mass

April 11th - Study Group, 10AM (SJ)

April 12th - Bible Study, 9:30AM & 7PM (SJ)
- NO Adoration/Confessions
due to Chrism Mass

April 13th - NO Religious Ed, Grades 1-7

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 14th

St. Joseph's - 5PM

Adoration until 10PM

St. Michael's - 7PM (bilingual)

Adoration until 11PM

Good Friday, April 15th

Romeiros at St. Michael's - 10AM

Romeiros at St. Joseph's - 11AM

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

PALM SUNDAY

From Fr. Jay-Preparing for our Lord's Resurrection

More than Christmas even, Easter is the most important and holiest day of the year for Christians for this is the day that we celebrate our Lord's Resurrection from the dead. It is the culmination of God's plan of salvation in which He sent Jesus into the world to suffer and die for our sins, but to conquer sin and death by rising from the dead.

Easter is a time in which we recall the overwhelming sense of joy that our Blessed Mother Mary and the Disciples experience when they saw Jesus 3 days after He was crucified and buried. We are reminded that death does not have the final word, because in Christ's rising, we have the hope of eternal life and being with the Lord forever in heaven.

Holy Saturday night is the most sacred liturgy in the Church, as we begin in darkness, holding vigil for the Lord's resurrection. We bless and light the Easter candle, which is used for baptisms and funerals, and each person holds a vigil candle as the exultet is chanted. We listen to stories from the Old Testament that highlight salvation history, from creation to the great flood, the stories of Moses, Abraham and the Prophets until the Gloria is once again sung and the church rejoices as we celebrate Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, who by his rising has dispelled the darkness caused by sin.

This is also a Mass in which we welcome adults into the Catholic Church, people who were not baptized as infants or who didn't receive their First Communion or Confirmation. It is a great reminder to us that we should always be welcoming others into our community and always provide a sense of welcome to anyone who is visiting or new to our parish.

Easter is a time in which families will gather with each other, but let us remember that we first and foremost gather with our parish family around the Altar of the Lord, from which we are truly fed, by Jesus Christ himself, who is the Paschal Lamb, who gave us His Body and Blood in the Eucharist, who shed His Blood on the Cross and whose Body was raised on Easter Sunday.

This is the Holiest Week of the year! It is filled with great traditions and beautiful liturgies. I can't encourage you more strongly to make the effort to join us for each of the Holy Week liturgies. Let us enter into Holy Week with great faith and enter into these Sacred Mysteries and be drawn closer to our Lord.

HOLY WEEK

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week, the holiest and most important time of year for us as Catholics. It is a time in which we remember the sacred events of our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection – the very heart of our Christian Faith. I want to encourage you and your family to attend all of the events of Holy Week as a way of entering into the mysteries of our faith and also of passing on the traditions of our Church onto our children. All parishioners should make it a real priority to attend each of the Holy Week Masses.

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.

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 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 \$103,210.

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 \$40. 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

April 2-3, 2022

First Collection: \$5,783.00
Monthly School Collection: \$ 914.00

Next Week's Second Collection:
Diocesan Assessment Collection

CHURCH SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH'S

April 2-3, 2022

First Collection: \$2,308.00
Easter Flowers Collection: \$1,147.00

Next Week's Second Collection:
Diocesan Assessment 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, 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

Grades 1-7, Class

Wednesday, April 27th - 6:15-7:35PM

St. Joseph's Church

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.

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

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

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

Mass Intentions - St. Joseph's

Tuesday, April 12th

9:00AM - Gilberto Vieira

Thursday, April 14th

9:00AM - NO Mass

5:00PM - For the Vocation of Priesthood

Saturday, April 16th

9:00AM - NO Mass

5:15PM - NO Mass

Sunday, April 17th - Easter Sunday

7:00AM - Tony Costa Jr., Stephanie Sousa and family

10:45AM - Hailey and Paul Allard, Courtney Buckley, Evelina Cardosa

SANCTUARY LAMPS

St. Joseph's - Liberio Barbosa

St. Michael's - Intentions of Campos family

Blessed Sacrament Chapel - Miguel & Helena Aguiar 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 remainder of the year will open on Wednesday, April 20th.

Mass Intentions - St. Michael's

Monday, April 11th

9:00AM - Connie and January Aguiar

Wednesday, April 13th

8:30AM - For our Parish and School Community

Thursday, April 14th

7:00PM - For the Vocation of Priesthood

Saturday, April 16th - Vigil Mass

7:00PM - For the People of our Parish

Sunday, April 17th - Easter Sunday

9:30AM - Nashwa Holt, Jose S. Mendes, Genoveva and Alfredo Furtado, Isaura doRego, Jose and Diamantina DoRego, Natalia Silva, Jeffrey Martins, Taylor Patricio, Antonio & Maria Isabel Aguiar & family, Laureana & Antonio Camara, Mario & Antonio Aguiar, Maria J. Correia, Francisco Carvalho, Jacinto Creador, Peter Creador, Jose Creador, Maria Isabel Barbosa, Peter C. Rego

12:00PM - Joao Bento, Kimberly Dias, Antonio Linhares e familia, John Chaves, John D. Carvalho, Eugenia Albernaz, Abel, Marcolino e Maria do Espirito Santo Teves, Teodora M. Pereira, Ernesto Tavares, Agostinho e Lurdes Paiva e familia, Joao DaSilva, Jacinto & Angelina, Agostinho e Paixão, e Alex Silva, Angela Coimbra e familia, Carlos Goncalves, Sebastiao e Brazelina Labeta, Liberio Barbosa, Joana Madeira, Kyle Paiva, Antonio M. Arruda, Sara T. Do Rego, Guilherme R. Martins, Maria Encarnacao Leandro Silva, Manuel Aguiar, Abilio L. Aguiar, Joao Medeiros, Int. Esposa, Int. Connie e John Chaves

Preparando-se para a Ressurreição de N. Senhor

Mais do que o Natal, a Páscoa é o dia mais importante e sagrado do ano para os cristãos, pois é o dia em que celebramos a Ressurreição de nosso Senhor dentre os mortos. É a culminação do plano de salvação de Deus no qual Ele enviou Jesus para o mundo para sofrer e morrer por nossos pecados, mas para vencer o pecado e a morte ressuscitando dos mortos.

A Páscoa é um tempo em que recordamos a imensa sensação de alegria que nossa santa Mãe Maria e os Discípulos experimentaram quando viram Jesus 3 dias depois que Ele foi crucificado e sepultado. Somos lembrados de que a morte não tem a palavra final, porque na ressurreição de Cristo, temos a esperança da vida eterna e estar com o Senhor para sempre no céu.

A noite do Sábado Santo é a liturgia mais sagrada da Igreja, pois começamos nas trevas, em vigília pela ressurreição do Senhor. Abençoamos e acendemos a vela pascal, que é usada para batismos e funerais, e cada pessoa segura uma vela de vigília enquanto se canta o exultante. Ouvimos histórias do Antigo Testamento que destacam a história da salvação, desde a criação até o grande dilúvio, as histórias de Moisés, Abraão e os Profetas até que o Glória seja novamente cantada e a igreja se celebre Jesus Cristo, a Luz do Mundo, que por sua ascensão dissipou as trevas causadas pelo pecado.

Esta é também uma Missa em que acolhemos na Igreja Católica os adultos, as pessoas que não foram batizadas na infância ou que não receberam a Primeira Comunhão ou a Confirmação. É um grande lembrete para nós que devemos sempre acolher outras pessoas em nossa comunidade e sempre proporcionar uma sensação de boas-vindas a quem está visitando ou é novo nas nossas paróquias.

A Páscoa é um tempo em que as famílias se reúnem, mas lembremo-nos de que, antes de mais nada, nos reunimos com a nossa família paroquial em torno do Altar do Senhor, do qual somos verdadeiramente alimentados, pelo próprio Jesus Cristo, que é o Pascal Cordeiro, que nos deu o Seu Corpo e Sangue na Eucaristia, que derramou o Seu Sangue na Cruz e cujo Corpo ressuscitou no Domingo de Páscoa.

Esta é a Semana mais Santa do ano! Está cheio de grandes tradições e belas liturgias. Não posso encorajá-lo mais fortemente a fazer um esforço para se juntar a nós em cada uma das liturgias da Semana Santa. Entremos na Semana Santa com muita fé e entremos nestes Sagrados Mistérios e nos aproximemos de Nosso Senhor.

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.

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