

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday:
English: 7:30am
9:00am
10:30am
Portuguese: 10:30am
Brazilian: 12:00pm



Week Day Mass Schedule

9:00am - Mon, Wed, Friday and Saturday

7:00am - Tuesday and Thursday

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Welcome New Parishioners

We welcome you to the community of St. Michael. Please introduce yourself to the priest, call or visit the Parish Center or visit us online at www.stmikes.org to fill out a registration form. As a parish committed to the vision of stewardship, we encourage your involvement by sharing with us your God given gifts of time, talent and treasure. For detailed information about our ministries, parish activities and contact persons, refer to our parish website.

Baptisms

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 2:00pm. Baptism catechesis for the parent(s) and godparent(s) is held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 2:00pm. Register online at www.stmikes.org or call the Parish Center and ask for Pat Conte ext. 306.

First Eucharist and Confirmation

A two year preparation process is **REQUIRED** for each sacrament. Please contact the Religious Education office for information.

Marriage

Arrangements **MUST** be made at least 6 months prior to the intended date of the wedding. Please call the Parish Center to schedule your date and make an appointment to speak with Pat Conte our wedding coordinator.

Ministry of the Sick

Please notify us if there is a sick or aged family member or friend who would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and/or Holy Communion at home.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:30 PM in the lower church.

RCIA

If you have not been baptized or were baptized but have not received First Eucharist, Reconciliation or Confirmation, please contact Sheila Mahoney at 978-562-3148, call or email the Parish Center.

St. Michael's Cemetery

Cemetery lots are available. For information contact Helena at the Parish Office.

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If you have requested a Mass intention and would like to have a family member present the gifts, please see a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion before the start of the Mass.



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Daniel Fernades & Deceased Relatives

Offertory Collection

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Second Collections

10/14 & 10/ 15 Clergy Benefit Trust

10/28 & 10/29 Grand Annual Collection

Saturday
4:00pm

October 7, 2017
Donald & Beverly Daigneault

Sunday
7:30am
9:00am
10:30am

October 8, 2017
John & Angelina Botelho
Bill & Ilean Buchanan
Regina Melemede, &
Antonio & Gracinda Lage
Manuel Tinta
Brazilian Mass

10:30am
12:00pm

Monday
9:00am

October 9, 2017
Glenn Fabbri

Tuesday
7:00am

October 10, 2017
Terese Filipe

Wednesday
9:00am

October 11, 2017
Lady of Fatima

Thursday
7:00am

October 12, 2017
Jose R. Sousa & Deceased
Relatives

Friday
9:00am

October 13, 2017
Maria G. Chaves

Saturday
9:00am
4:00pm

October 14, 2017
Palemon Palma
Tom Gird

Sunday
7:30am

October 15, 2017
Rita & Gus Correa and Hazel
Benway
Pierre Vanasse
Carl Kerk
Mensageiros de fatima
Brazilian Mass

9:00am
10:30am
10:30am
12:00pm

Children of God to be Remembered in
October

Catherine Gillis
Baby Michael B. Levell
Edward P. Levell
Nelson Joseph Russell
Jody Serewicz
Jacqueline Jaissle
Joao Paulo Gaipo
Paulo Janeiro
Lee Anne Laurence

From the Business Office

Offertory Amounts From July 1st to October 1st

Budget	Actual	Difference
\$90,665.60	\$84,443.80	(\$6,221.80)

FR. RON'S RAMBLINGS

Straight from the horse's mouth: Time for a little update on my health. As you know I have spent the past few weeks recovering from gallbladder surgery. Now that that seems to be complete I am now preparing for total knee replacement surgery. I saw the orthopedic surgeon a couple of weeks ago and scheduled that procedure. However his first earliest date is February 20, 2018! In the meantime I have begun physical therapy and aqua therapy to strengthen my leg muscles in preparation for the surgery.

I have been granted an extended medical leave from the diocese in order to get these issues resolved.

I am grateful to Fr. Marc and his team of priests from Immaculate Conception for stepping in and covering the bases.

I am most grateful for all your cards and well wishes as we repeat the scenario from this past January – May!!! Please keep your prayers coming!

October is Respect Life Month

Heavenly Father, the beauty and dignity of human life was the crowning of your creation. You further ennobled that life when your Son became one with us in his incarnation. Help us to realize the sacredness of human life and to respect it from the moment of conception until the last moment at death. Give us courage to speak with truth and love and with conviction in defense of life. Help us to extend the gentle hand of mercy and forgiveness to those who do not reverence your gift of life. To all, grant pardon for the times we have failed to be grateful for your precious gift of life or to respect it in others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.



****PARISH CENTER HOURS****

Monday/Tuesday—9:00am-3:00pm
Thursday/Friday—9:00am-3:00pm

Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 11th in observance of Columbus Day.

Directamente da boca do cavalo: é tempo de vos dar notícias a respeito da minha saúde. Como sabeis tenho passado as ultimas semanas recuperando da cirurgia da vesícula. Agora que esta parte já está bem, estou-me preparando para a cirurgia no joelho. Algumas semanas atrás fui ver um cirurgião ortopédico para marcar a data da cirurgia no joelho. A cirurgia ficou marcada só para o dia 20 de Fevereiro de 2018! Por agora estou tendo terapia física e aqua terapia para dar força aos músculos da perna em preparação da cirurgia.

Fui autorizado pela diocese a ter prolongada ausência médica em ordem de ter estes problemas de saúde resolvidos.

Estou grato ao padre Marc e a todo o seu grupo de padres da paróquia da Imaculada Conceição por estarem ajudando a nossa paróquia de S. Miguel.

Também me sinto muito grato pelos vossos cartões e desejos de melhoras ao repetir o mesmo cenário de Janeiro passado. Por favor mantem as vossas orações por mim em dia!

Que Deus vos abençoe a todos!!!

Readings for the Week of October 8, 2017

Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3-5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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GRADES K – 5**

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend Grade 2 Parent's meeting in September. If you're child is receiving First Penance and First Communion in 2018 and you weren't able to attend the meeting, please make sure you drop into my office when bringing your child(ren) to Religious Education Classes. Whether your child is in Grade 2 or Grade 3 we have important information that was presented during the meeting. As always, please feel free to call or email Roz at 978-562-7662 / roz@stmikes.org.



Massachusetts Catholic Daughters of The Americas

Founded in 1903 by the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas are Catholic women from the age of 18 years and older who are called to do God's work in the vineyard.

Is this your calling? Are you interested in serving those in need?

With "Unity and Charity" as our motto and Our Blessed Lady as our Patroness, the Catholic Daughters work to serve those in the parish area and beyond. Nationally membership is over 70,000 members with new courts recently established in Kenya, Africa, and Peru. The Massachusetts State Court celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2016.

We are hoping to bring CDA to your area...Will you join us? Court St. John Eudes #987 meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at noon from September to June at the Parish Center at St. Michael Church, 20 High Street, Hudson. For information please contact Regent Catherine Russell at 857-205- or V. Grand Regent Janet Wisti at 978-562-7044 or email jwisti@msn.com.

Ministry Meetings—All are welcome

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every **Monday after the 9:00am Mass until noon time**, in the lower church.

Prayer Shawl will meet **Wednesday, October 11th at 1:30pm** in the lower church.

St Michael Parish will host Our Father's Table at New Hope Community Church in Marlboro on **Thursday, October 12th from 4:00 to 6:00 pm**.

Ladies Sodality will meet **Monday, October 16th at 12:30pm in the Parish Center**.

MASS OF ANOINTING

St. Michael will be having a Mass of Anointing on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 11:00am. The Mass of Anointing is celebrated for Catholics who are seriously ill or those whose health is impaired by chronic illness or old age. It is an opportunity for those who are sick and no longer able to come to Mass to be joined in common prayer and encounter Christ present in both the Sacrament of the Sick and the Holy Eucharist. It is our faith, that while the sacrament is not a "cure" for sickness, nonetheless "healing" takes place on many levels, even in the midst of illness. Our prayer together can open reservoirs of grace: courage, strength, resilience, perseverance, renewed faith and hope. There are essential gifts needed in the face of illness and pain. These are the gifts Jesus imparts.

The caregivers and family members of the sick are invited to join in this liturgy. Please call the Parish Center if you have any questions or concerns at 978-562-2552. Peace. Mary Ellen





People often associate vineyards and wine with vacations and wedding celebrations. In the Bible, the vineyard is a metaphor for the riches and delights that God's holy ones will enjoy in the end time (see, for example, Isaiah 25:6). But today's readings give a different take on the vineyard imagery.

In the First Reading, Isaiah uses a parable about a vineyard to deliver God's judgment on the kingdoms of Judah and Israel, at that time, (eighth century BC) being invaded by Assyria. In the story, a landowner planted a vineyard on fertile land and did everything he could to make it productive and keep it safe, but the vines refused to produce good fruit. Therefore the owner stopped caring for the vines and let the vineyard return to the wild.

In the Second Reading, Paul makes no mention of the vineyard, but this exhortation to the Philippians expresses well what the good fruit symbolizes—everything that is honorable, just, pure, and gracious.

Today's Gospel describes Jesus using a similar vineyard parable to condemn the chief priests and elders who were supposed to be taking care of God's people. The landowner's son represents Jesus, who would be put to death because of the jealousy and greed of the religious leaders. Remember that the Gospel accounts were written after the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. The quotation from Psalm 118:22, used by Mark and Luke as well as Matthew, must have helped the early Christians to make sense of the Crucifixion.

Create an allegorical interpretation of the Gospel parable by answering these questions: Whom does the absentee landlord represent? Who are the tenants? Who are the landlord's servants? What is the message of the story?

How does the Responsorial Psalm relate to the parable in today's readings?

If you imagine yourself as a vine in God's vineyard, what "good fruit" would you like to offer to God?

From At Home with the Word 2017

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

I have decided this month to speak about our Parish Nurse Ministry here at St. Michael. Emulating the teachings of Jesus to heal body and soul many Faith Communities have initiated a Parish Nurse Program. Utilizing nurses brings body, mind and soul together in the healing process. Most nurses are natural healers that know the connection between faith and healing.

My ministry here at St. Michael is a variable one given the day. I spend time visiting parishioners with health concerns, help individuals and families cope with aging and illness; support caregivers; serve as a resource to health services and agencies; work with people at Hudson Senior Center when the need arises; I provide health and wellness education through my monthly column in the bulletin as well as when asked to speak to various parish meetings and lastly I assist with the morality lectures required by the Archdiocese for the upper grade children in Religious Ed. Since a wide range of age is found within a parish, the parish nurse must be able to relate to all generations in a way that brings health care as well as spiritual care to the community.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry also falls under my auspices. This ministry provides the Baptism robes given at a child's Baptism, blessed shawls to hospitalized, sick and otherwise infirmed among us. The ladies in this ministry also make hats for all ages and these are donated to Our Father's Table during the winter months and especially at Christmas.

In conclusion if a health need in the parish arises I do my best to take action under the direction of the pastor. Health is not an end in itself. It is not the purpose of life but it helps to serve life's purpose. I welcome any and all nurses in the parish to call me if they would care to assist me in this ministry. It is a volunteer position and even if you could spare ONE hour a week you have no idea how much that would mean to a person in need. You can reach me at the [Parish Center 978-562-2552](tel:978-562-2552) or on line at mbartlett7084@charter.net Peace....Mary Ellen

Sunday Throughout The Week

Sharing the Gospel

You are God's child. He made you and he loves you. Make sure you act like God's child. He created a beautiful world for you to live in. God expects you to take care of it. God also created people to live around you. Love them. Then you will make God happy.

Prayer

Dear God, help me to take care of your world and love the people around me.

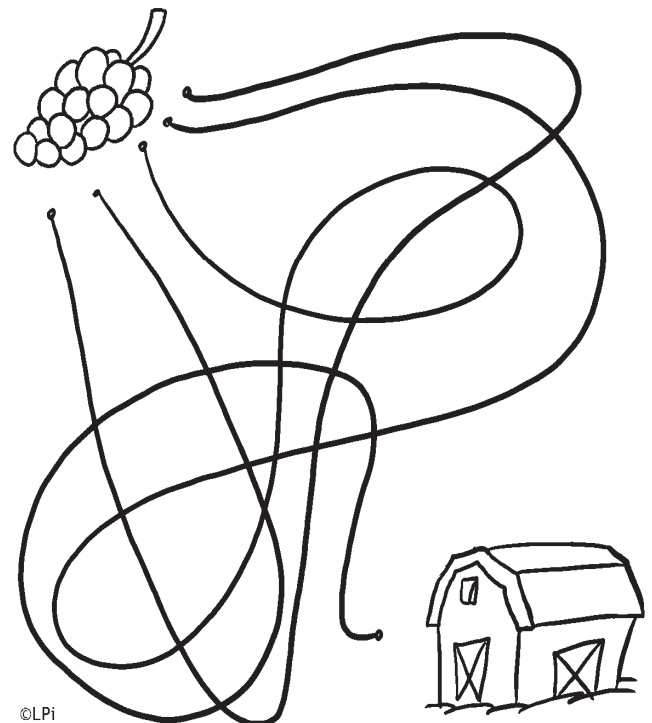
Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself picking up your room.



Puzzle

Help the grapes find their way home.



Mission for the Week

Recycle paper, plastic and glass at home, instead of throwing it away. Recycling is a great way to take care of God's world.



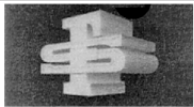
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