

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 - Monday Wednesday,
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 Faith Formation 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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Saturday 4:00pm	June 16, 2018 James Sabourin
Sunday 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 10:30am 12:00pm	June 17, 2018 All Fathers Living and Deceased Brazilian Mass
Monday 9:00am	June 18, 2018 Rita, Dick, Diane Kendall
Tuesday 7:00am	June 19, 2018 Maria & Jose Figueiredo & Deceased Relatives
Wednesday 9:00am	June 20, 2018 Hugh M. Mill
Thursday 7:00am	June 21, 2018 Jose M. Anastacio
Friday 9:00am	June 22, 2018 Grace Anastas
Saturday 9:00am 4:00pm	June 23, 2018 Special Intentions Leonard Pauplis
Sunday 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 10:30am 12:00pm	June 24, 2018 Theresa Barton Fr. Gary Thompson John Mancini All deceased members of the Holy Ghost Society Brazilian Mass

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



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Hugh M. Mill

Lights and Candles in Loving Memory of

**Jose & Maria Figueiredo
& Deceased Relatives**

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\$7,067.10

Second Collection

6/16 & 6/17 - Promoting the Gospel

From the Business Office

Offertory Amounts From July 1st to June 3rd

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$322,996.00	\$326,654.00	\$3,658.00

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." — M k 14:22-24

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****PARISH CENTER HOURS****
Monday/Tuesday—9:00am-3:00pm
Thursday/Friday—9:00am-3:00pm.

Church Office Hours

I believe in God the Father . . .

A few decades ago it became fashionable to refer to the Trinity as “The Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sanctifier” instead of “Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.” Part of the objection to the traditional names was based on a misguided sort of understanding of feminism. As one religious sister from the period put it, not everyone has a positive response to the image of “Father.”

While I certainly recognize that, for many people, the father image is a broken symbol, associated with austerity or severity, domineering or oppressive, remoteness, and even absenteeism, it hardly helps matters to distance God from His identity as Father—an identity that Jesus has given us the privilege of revealing to us. “Creator,” “Redeemer,” and “Sanctifier” refer to functions that each Person of the Trinity fills for us—like “butcher, baker, candlestick-maker.” “Father,” “Son,” and “Holy Spirit,” on the other hand, speak to *relationships*; and by disclosing these relationship titles to us, Jesus invites us into those relationships.

I have noticed—much to my delight—that a good number of TV commercials these days feature dads who have a nurturing relationship with their children. It’s heartening to see positive father-figures being portrayed in popular culture. Nonetheless, given the number of single-parent families and “baby daddies” in our society today, the father image legitimately still is charged with broken trust or worse yet: no emotional associations whatsoever. But rather than try to re-fashion our image of God away from Father, perhaps we would be better served to re-fashion our image of fathers to more closely resemble the God Who is love. If we look to what we know of God—yes: creator, but also sustainer; guide; moral teacher; promise-maker and promise-keeper; steadfast faithfulness; provider; pardoner and healer—and allow these qualities to characterize what “father” means to us, then the Kingdom of God will shine forth more brightly in our families.

Happy Father’s Day to all our Dads in St. Mike’s—may you all continue to show God the Father to your wives and children, and grow closer to God all the while! God bless you all.

— Fr. Ren

For Our Homebound Parishioners

We’ve missed having you at Mass with us! If you miss worshipping with our community, too, then we have good news. St. Michael’s is now livestreaming our Masses! Livestreaming is available for our 4:00pm, 7:30am, 9:00am English Masses and 10:30am Portuguese Mass. Just go to our website at www.stmikes.org, click on the link “Live Feed,” and you can join us for Mass from home.

Eu creio em Deus Pai . . .

Em algumas décadas atrás se tornou moda referir à Santíssima Trindade como ‘ o Criador, o Redentor e o Santificador’ em vez de “Pai, Filho e Espírito Santo.” Parte da oposição dos nomes tradicionais foram baseados na confusão de como consideravam o feminismo. Uma irmã religiosa daquela época disse, nem todos têm um positivo ponto de vista da imagem do “Pai”.

Enquanto que eu tento entender isto, para muitos, a imagem do pai se torna num símbolo quebrado, associado com austeridade e severidade, autoritário e dominador, opressivo e afastamento e até absentismo ou ociosidade. Tudo isso ajuda a distanciar a imagem de Deus na Sua identidade de Pai – uma identidade que Jesus nos deu o privilégio de nos revelar. “Criador, Redentor e Santificador” refere para nós a funções que cada Pessoa de Santíssima Trindade representa – como “ açougueiro, padeiro e fazedor de candelários.” Enquanto que “Pai, Filho e Espírito Santo” representa uma íntima relação e divulgamos os títulos desta relação; Jesus nos convida a termos estas relações.

Tenho notado – e com prazer – que uma boa quantidade de comerciais na televisão nestes dias mostram pais que mantêm uma carinhosa relação com os filhos/as. É triste ver-se positivas figuras de pais serem retratados em culturas populares, sem se falar do número de pais solteiros em famílias e pais irresponsáveis que só têm o prazer de fazer filhos, na nossa sociedade de hoje. A figura de pai legitimamente ainda é considerada por falta de confiança ou ainda pior: sem relações emocionais. Mas em vez de remodelar-mos a imagem de Deus sem figura de Pai, talvez seríamos melhor servidos em remodelar a nossa imagem de pais mais comparada com a imagem de Deus que é amor. Se olhar-mos ao que sabemos de Deus – sim: criador mas também providenciador; guia; professor de moral; que faz promessas e que as mantém; fé inalterável; que perdoa e cura – e permite que estas qualidades que caracterizam o que a palavra “pai” significa para nós, então o Reino de Deus brilhará mais claramente nas nossas famílias.

Feliz dia do pai a todos os pais na nossa paróquia de São Miguel – e que todos vós continuam a mostrar Deus o Pai às vossas esposas, filhos e filhas e que continuem a crescer mais perto de Deus! Que Deus vos abençoe a todos.

O padre Ren

******FAITH FORMATION******



Early Online registration for 2018—2019 is Friday, June 1—Sunday, July 15 Families registering early are entered into a chance to win a Movie Basket!



Ministry Meetings—All are welcome

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

Ladies Sodality will meet **Monday, June 18th at 12:00pm** in the Parish Center.

CHILDREN OF GOD TO BE REMEMBERED IN JUNE

Claude Comas, Scott Condon
Sean Doherty, Kathy Dupont Drzik
Baby Nina C. Feehan, Linda Filipe
Angelo Gentile, MacKenzie Hohl
Jason McIntyre, Kathleen Mulloney
James Mulloney

Save The Date!!!!



Annual St. Michael Parish Picnicfest!!!
This year the picnicfest is at the Portuguese Club.

Sunday August 26, 2018

Help Us Find You At The Hospital

If your are admitted to the hospital, and would like us to know, please have a family member call us at the parish center. The hospital does not inform us.

Also when you are admitted into the hospital please make sure to register at the hospital as a Catholic. When the Ministers of Holy Communion go to the hospital to distribute Holy Eucharist they are only given the names of those who are registered as a Catholic.

Worcester Catholic Women's Conference

All women are invited to this exciting conference, to be held at Assumption College on Saturday, November 10th. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: Professor Helen Alvaré, Susie Lloyd, Mother Mary Assumpta Long, O.P., Dr. Janet E. Smith, and Susan Conroy. Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. For more information or to register, visit our website at worcestercatholic-womensconference.com or call Corinn Dahm at 508-277-3969. Seating is limited, register today!

Congratulations Graduates

Congratulations to the graduates of the Class of 2018. The parish community wishes each and everyone of you our best wishes and prayers as you continue on your life's journey.



Readings for the Week of June 17, 2018

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [3a]/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18 [13]/Mt 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34 [29a]/Mt 6:24-34

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Today's Word reminds us that the Lord is at work in the world, in us, and in spreading God's Kingdom. The prophet Ezekiel addresses the people of Israel encouraging them never to lose hope. As God's people, they are assured that their fortunes will be reversed. The prophet offers a beautiful image: God takes a shoot from a cedar tree and plants it in the ground, where it grows into a majestic tree. In like manner, this loving God, whose power makes mighty trees grow, will restore the people of Israel.

"We walk by faith, and not by sight" is a call Paul addresses to his friends in Corinth: Remember that life is a journey to the Lord. No matter what happens Christ journeys with us. Our faith in Christ offers the confidence that we can face every challenge. Consequently, we are called to act in a way that pleases the Lord.

The Gospel presents two parables that focus on God's work within us and in the spread of God's Kingdom. In the first parable, Jesus compares the growth of God's Kingdom on earth to God's creative power working mysteriously in the world of nature. In the second parable, Jesus compares the growth of the Kingdom to a small mustard seed planted on the ground that becomes the largest of plants.

All these readings challenge us to remember that the work we do is ultimately not ours, but the Lord's. God works in mysterious ways within our lives and within the world in the growth of God's Kingdom. The future that lies ahead is mysterious, but it is rooted in God's love for his people. Beginning with the people of Israel and culminating with Jesus and the growth of the Christian Church.

- ◆ Reread the first sentence of the Second Reading carefully. What do you think Paul means by "We walk by faith and not by sight"?
- ◆ In your own life where have you seen God's mysterious power at work lately?
- ◆ How do the images of God's working in nature help you understand God's working in our lives?

From At Home with the Word 2018

PREVENTING SUBSTANCE ABUSE STARTS AT HOME

INHALANTS: Over 1000 common household products can be used as inhalants by children. They are often the first substance children try. In Massachusetts the average age of children first trying inhalants is just under 11 years of age.

This abuse can cause death, weight loss, organ and brain damage, addiction and problems with judgment and long-term memory. Learn more by taking a 20 minute online training www.inhalantabusetraining.org.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS: The most common abused prescription drugs include pain medications prescribed for people with serious pain issues; stimulants used to treat ADHD and sleep disorders and sedatives and tranquilizers prescribed to treat stress, anxiety, panic attacks insomnia and seizures. As parents we need to provide a safe environment for our children. We need to store medications where children can't reach them, take advantage of community prescription take-back programs, talk with our children about dangers of prescription drug abuse and remember we are their role models.

ALCOHOL: Alcohol is the most commonly abused substance used by teens 2 out of 3 teens say it's easy to get alcohol from their homes without their parents knowing. 1 in 3 eighth graders has tried alcohol. Once again we need to monitor the alcohol in our homes. Don't store extra alcohol in places like the basement or garage. As a parent it is up to us to model healthy alcohol use. Don't support teen drinking by hosting parties or allowing our children to go to parties where alcohol is served to those under 21. It is up to us to make our rules and expectations clear to our children and to enforce those rules.

Take steps to safeguard your children. Talk with your children about drugs and alcohol, monitor their activities and set rules and consequences. Children who hear anti-drug messages at home are less likely to use drugs. **WHEN YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING WELL. TELL THEM!!!!**

GUIDES AND SERVICES

MA Substance Abuse Information and Education Helpline: Confidential information, prevention and treatment referrals 1-800-327-5050 www.helpline-online.com

MA Health Promotion Clearinghouse: Free publications on how to talk with your children about substance abuse and other health topics. 1-800-952-6637 or www.maclclearinghouse.com

Adolescent Substance Abuse Program, Children's Hospital, Boston 1-617-355-2727 or www.ceasar-boston.org

Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, MA Department of Public Health Information, downloadable parent and youth publications and statistics. www.mass.gov/dph/bsas

Selected information from the Commonwealth of MA Department of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services

Sunday Throughout The Week

Sharing the Gospel

Think of how much you have grown since you were born. To see you now, it is hard to imagine you ever wore baby clothes. God's kingdom started out small, and it keeps growing, too. God's kingdom needs people like you to love Jesus and to learn from him. Let God's word sink into your life. As you grow closer to Jesus, God's kingdom will grow.

Prayer

Jesus, help me learn from you and love you, so that God's kingdom will grow.

Something to Draw

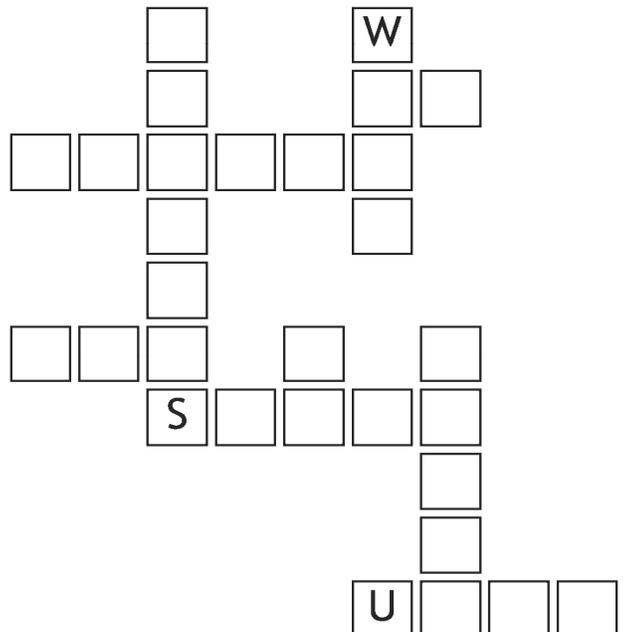
Draw a picture of yourself reading your favorite Bible story about Jesus.



Puzzle

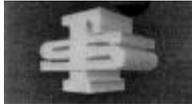
Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Jesus used stories when he spoke to the people.



Mission for the Week

Memorize John 3:16 this week. Let God's love sink into your heart. Treasure what you learn from Jesus.



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