

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

NOVEMBER 6, 2022

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday:
English: 8:00am
10:30am (Upper Church)
Portuguese: 10:30 am (Lower Church)
Brazilian: 12:00pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

9:00 am
Monday
Wednesday
Friday

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St. Michael Parish

Welcome New Parishioners

We welcome you to the St. Michael community. Please introduce yourself to Father, 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 1:00pm and 2:30pm.

Register online at www.stmikes.org or call the Parish Center and ask for Joyce Rossignol X309

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 Joyce Rossignol 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, and or by appointment.

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 Vina Sousa at the Parish Office.

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday through Friday —9:00am-3:00pm

November



Bread and Wine

Thomas Doerr & Daughter Lisa Doerr

**Lights and Candles in Loving Memory of
Manuel A. & Mary J. Cardoza
& Dec Relatives**

From the Business Office

Weekly Income:	\$10,000.00
To Meet Expense	
In Church Giving	\$7,150.00
On Line Giving	\$1,211.00
Other	\$139.00
Parish Maintenance & Dev.	\$195.00
Over Budget (shortfall):	(\$1,305.00)
Grand Annual	\$31,615.00

In observance of Veteran's Day the Parish Office will be closed on Friday November 11, 2022

**Faith Formation Sacramental Preparation
Schedule
2022/2023**

First Reconciliation /First Communion

Nov. 13	3:00-4:30 PM
Jan. 8	3:00-4:30 PM
March. 12	3:00-4:30 PM

Confirmation

Oct. 9	3:00-4:30
Dec.11	3:00-4:30
Feb.12	3:00-4:30
April 16	3:00-4:30

Saturday
4:00

November 5, 2022

Jose Resendes Sousa & Dec Rel.

Sunday
8:00am

November 6, 2022

St. Michael's Parishioner's

10:30am (upper Church) **Mary & Lawrence Leary**
Bob Alexander & Carol Radford

10:30am (lower Church) **Portuguese Mass**

12:00pm (upper church) **Brazilian Mass**

Monday
4:00 pm

November 7, 2022

Chester & Dorothy Gapinski
Jose Maria Chaves & Parents
Manuel Lopes

Wednesday
9:00am

November 9, 2022

Joe Braga & Jose Braga Sr.

Friday
9:00am

November 11, 2022

Maria Esteves

Saturday
4:00

November 12, 2022

John B. Monteiro & Dec Rel.

Sunday
8:00

November 13, 2022

Al Blanchard

10:30 **St. Michael's Parishioner's**

10:30 (Lower Church) **Portuguese Mass**

12:00 (Upper Church) **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.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Michael Parish is here to assist people in the Hudson community. When an individual or family is experiencing a need for financial or informational assistance, please feel free to contact us directly at 978-618-5175. We are here to help!



Eucharistic Adoration

Friday morning after Mass until noon.



***“The Unfolding of Your Words Gives Light”*: A Deep Dive into the Ten Commandments (Part XXII) . . .**

Jesus boiled down the Ten Commandments to two basic points: “*You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.* The second is like it: *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*”

The first three commandments have historically been grouped in the first category; the last six belong to the second set. In fact, traditional depictions of Moses coming down from the mountain with the two stone tablets show one slab having three decrees and the other with six, rather than being divided equally: five and five.

So now we transition from the commandments detailing right relationship with God to those that form the proper way of relating with our fellow human beings. It begins with the Fourth Commandment: *Honor your father and mother, that your days may be long in the land which the LORD your God is giving you.* Honoring our parents is the most basic and immediate way we develop the capacity to forge and sustain relationships with other people. We learn how to trust others, how to regulate our behavior to show consideration for other people and their rights, and we learn how to respect legitimate authority.

The family is the basic unit of society. It’s the society that God established and is organic to our nature. As such, it’s the first/best setting in which to learn socialization. We are social creatures, and we only fully flourish when we are in communion with others. But we also are individuals, and sometimes—especially since we’re scarred with original sin and its after-effects—our individuality can be either exaggerated or jeopardized: exaggerated by our own egotism; jeopardized by other people wanting to exploit us for their own purposes. So proper socialization is a delicate balancing act that requires us to learn how to negotiate the mean between individual autonomy and integration into a community. The family is nicely composed to develop these skills.

The nuclear family is small enough that each individual member can receive personal attention, have his/her rights respected and nurtured, and have his/her particular talents or aptitude appreciated for what they can contribute to the community. (And this is true even for large Catholic families!) But the family also is a tightly joined group of people that can only function smoothly when each member makes space for the other members. We learn to rein in our egos, our individual wants, to defer gratification, and even to forfeit our own personal interests for the good of others. And because the family is a close-knit clan bonded together by mutual love, we learn to understand how these sacrifices are good. When we’re little, our parents may force them on us, and they may feel like impositions at first, but we are privy to eventually seeing the beneficial consequences of those sacrifices, and that helps us appreciate their deeper value. In this way we cultivate social skills, developing the self-discipline necessary for healthy relationships until they become “second nature,” as it were.

Of course, nothing in this life is perfect, and this ideal isn’t always realized—much less is it ever realized perfectly in any family. This is all the more reason why proper relationship with God needs to be established first: we need constant purification by God’s grace in order to live out this potential at least fairly decently. But the imperfections of life notwithstanding, the family is still the best structure in which to learn those skills that are so vital for responsible participation in society as well as to groom a genuine respect for other people and individual rights. As the family lays the groundwork for civilized life, the Fourth Commandment lays the ground rules for mutual relationships within the family. However, it’s important to bear in mind that this is the proverbial two-way street: honoring one’s father and mother carries with it the parents’ duty to treat their children with dignity, respect, and love.

Father Ren

“O desdobramento de suas palavras traz luz”: um mergulho profundo nos dez mandamentos (parte XXII) . . .

Jesus resumiu os Dez Mandamentos em dois pontos básicos: “Amarás o Senhor teu Deus de todo o teu coração, de toda a tua alma e de todo o teu entendimento. A segunda é assim: Amarás o teu próximo como a ti mesmo”.

Os três primeiros mandamentos foram historicamente agrupados na primeira categoria; os seis últimos pertencem ao segundo set. De fato, as representações tradicionais de Moisés descendo da montanha com as duas tábuas de pedra mostram uma laje com três decretos e a outra com seis, em vez de serem divididas igualmente: cinco e cinco.

Então agora passamos dos mandamentos que detalham o relacionamento correto com Deus para aqueles que formam a maneira correta de nos relacionarmos com nossos semelhantes. Começa com o quarto mandamento: Honra teu pai e tua mãe, para que se prolonguem os teus dias na terra que o Senhor teu Deus te dá. Honrar nossos pais é a maneira mais básica e imediata de desenvolvermos a capacidade de forjar e manter relacionamentos com outras pessoas. Aprendemos a confiar nos outros, a regular nosso comportamento para mostrar consideração pelas outras pessoas e seus direitos, e aprendemos a respeitar a autoridade legítima.

A família é a unidade básica da sociedade. É a sociedade que Deus estabeleceu e é orgânica à nossa natureza. Como tal, é o primeiro/melhor cenário para aprender a socialização. Somos criaturas sociais e só florescemos plenamente quando estamos em comunhão com os outros. Mas também somos indivíduos, e às vezes – especialmente porque estamos marcados pelo pecado original e seus efeitos posteriores – nossa individualidade pode ser exagerada ou ameaçada: exagerada por nosso próprio egoísmo; prejudicados por outras pessoas que querem nos explorar para seus próprios propósitos. Assim, a socialização adequada é um ato de equilíbrio delicado que exige que aprendamos a negociar o meio-termo entre autonomia individual e integração em uma comunidade. A família está bem composta para desenvolver essas habilidades.

A família nuclear é pequena o suficiente para que cada membro individual possa receber atenção pessoal, ter seus direitos respeitados e nutridos e ter seus talentos ou aptidões particulares apreciados pelo que podem contribuir para a comunidade. (E isso é verdade mesmo para grandes famílias católicas!) Mas a família também é um grupo de pessoas fortemente unidas que só pode funcionar sem problemas quando cada membro abre espaço para os outros membros. Aprendemos a controlar nossos egos, nossos desejos individuais, adiar a gratificação e até mesmo abrir mão de nossos próprios interesses pessoais pelo bem dos outros. E porque a família é um clã muito unido e unido pelo amor mútuo, aprendemos a entender como esses sacrifícios são bons. Quando somos pequenos, nossos pais podem forçá-los a nós, e eles podem parecer imposições no início, mas estamos a par de eventualmente ver as consequências benéficas desses sacrifícios, e isso nos ajuda a apreciar seu valor mais profundo. Dessa forma, cultivamos habilidades sociais, desenvolvendo a autodisciplina necessária para relacionamentos saudáveis até que se tornem “segunda natureza”, por assim dizer.

Claro, nada nesta vida é perfeito, e esse ideal nem sempre é realizado – muito menos é realizado perfeitamente em qualquer família. Esta é mais uma razão pela qual o relacionamento adequado com Deus precisa ser estabelecido primeiro: precisamos de purificação constante pela graça de Deus para viver esse potencial pelo menos de maneira bastante decente. Mas, apesar das imperfeições da vida, a família ainda é a melhor estrutura para aprender aquelas habilidades que são tão vitais para a participação responsável na sociedade, bem como para cultivar um respeito genuíno pelas outras pessoas e pelos direitos individuais. Como a família estabelece as bases para a vida civilizada, o Quarto Mandamento estabelece as regras básicas para relacionamentos mútuos dentro da família. No entanto, é importante ter em mente que esta é a proverbial via de mão dupla: honrar pai e mãe traz consigo o dever dos pais de tratar seus filhos com dignidade, respeito e amor.

Padre Ren



Come to the waters of Healing
(A retreat for Post-Abortion healing)

My spirit was broken and as far as I knew beyond repair. I was living with a decision that I will regret for the rest of my life". I was haunted by the choice and consumed with feelings of remorse. During the retreat ,I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself"

A Project Rachel Retreat participant

Fall 2022 Dates

Saturday, October 1

Saturday, October 29

Saturday, November 19

9:00 AM -5:00 PM

by: The Project Rachel Ministry

Archdiocese of Boston

Location is confidential.

Pre-registration is required.

Limited for 10 participants.

For more information:

Project Rachel at (508)-651-3100

or

help@projectrachelboston.com

Suicide Prevention

Unfortunately suicide is a very real issue in our society today. If you or someone you know is looking for information or help please go to:

[www.nami.org/Learn-More/Mental-Health-Conditions/Related-Conditions/Risk-of-Suicide.](http://www.nami.org/Learn-More/Mental-Health-Conditions/Related-Conditions/Risk-of-Suicide)

Where you can find resources and help.

Lending Library and Reading Room

OPEN 9-3 Daily, Saturday 5-5:30, Sunday following each of the Masses. Closed on Holidays and the day prior to the Holiday.

Come and visit in the Parish Center



Our Lady's Sodality recently had a unique crowning of the Blessed Mother statue in the Christ the King Chapel. The crown was hand-made by long-time parishioner Ana Guarino, who passed away earlier this year. Ana not only made the crown out of colored glass, but devoutly followed the description in Scripture: "... with twelve stars on her head for a crown" (Rev. 12:1). Ana's son Michael graciously donated this precious crown to our parish. The crown is now permanently affixed atop her head.

Come and see this work of beauty to the left of the Reconciliation Room. Offer a prayer to Our Lady for our parish. The Blessed Mother is "the great pride of Israel, the highest honor of our people."

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Local Shelter in need of Diapers. Can you help?

A Hudson homeless shelter is struggling to provide diapers for four children currently living in the home. The ministries of Saint Michaels Parish are working together to collect and to purchase several months' worth Of Diapers in sizes NB,1,2,3,4,5. On November 5th and 6th, we will be asking parishioners to donate a package of diapers or make a monetary donation. Our goal is to provide 2,000 dollars or 12 boxes of diapers. Bins will be located at the back of the church. Donations of checks or cash can be placed in the wooden SVDP poor boxes located on the wall at the entryways into the church. Thank you for your compassion and kindness!

More about our Ministries

Society of Saint Vincent De Paul: We help the needy regardless of their creed, ethnic or social background via person-to-person contact. We collaborate with other local charitable service agencies to assist with relieving a need or addressing the cause of the need, so that the individual or family can move forward with knowledge that will help them to prevent the issue in the future. We are funded by the generosity of our Parishioners, community members, and other charities.

K of C : Founded on the principles of charity, unity and fraternity, the Knights of Columbus was established in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., and a group of parishioners. Their intent? Make the world a better place.

Ladies-sodality: Our purpose is to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary with devotion, love and reverence. We try to bring the church community together. It is an active group that tries to balance its interests between social, spiritual and outreach activities.

We reach out to other organizations such as Birthright.



Walking with Purpose coordinators and small group leaders recently traveled to Norfolk ,CT to hear a talk by Lisa.

Lisa founded a Catholic Scripture based program of studies that focuses on the conversion of heart & developing a personal relationship with Jesus through the reading of his Word.

Since 2020, St. Michael's parish has offered a Tuesday evening hybrid program. The Thursday morning study was added last year.



Lisa Brenninkmeyer

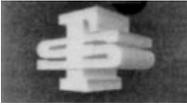
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For more information on upcoming studies please email:

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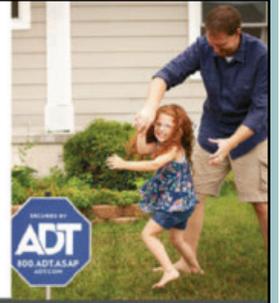
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