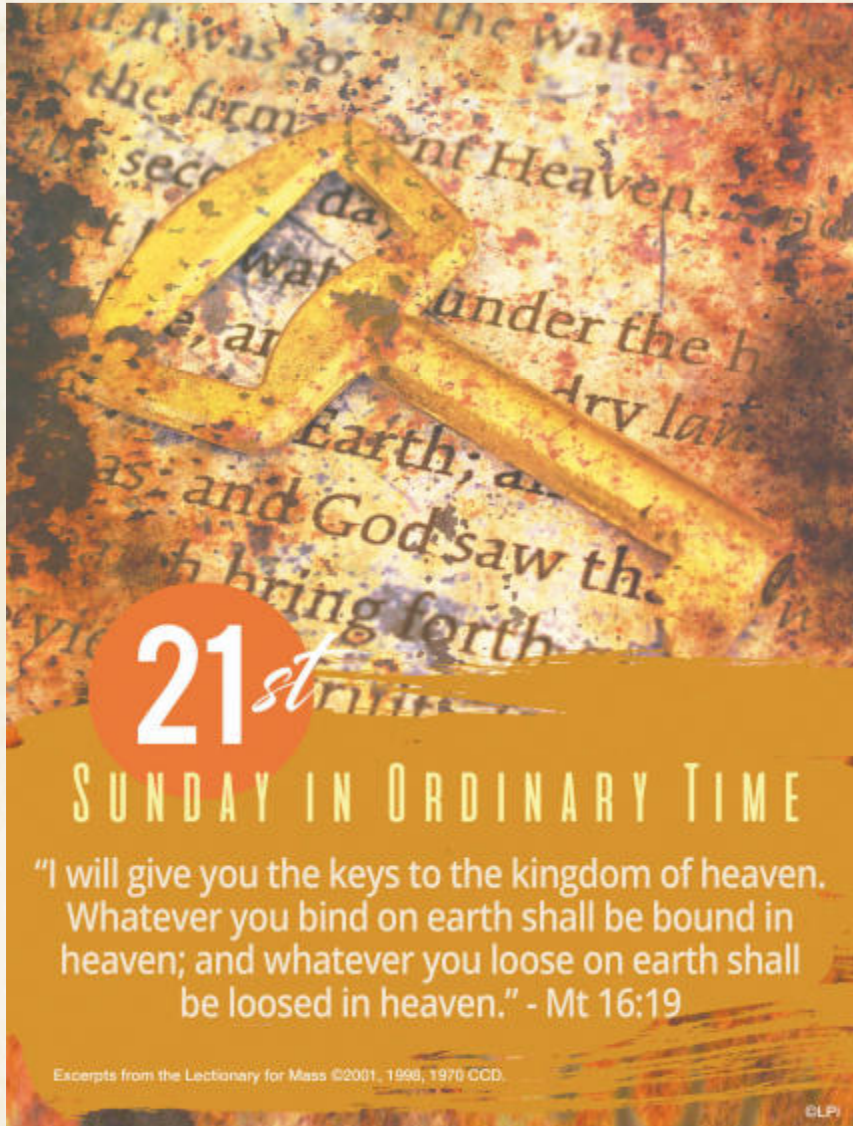


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August 23, 2020

Parish



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Sunday | 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00am

Saturday Vigil | 4:00pm

Daily (Mon.-Sat.) | 8:00am

Public masses have opened at limited capacity. Please see the website to sign up to attend a weekend mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30PM in the Sacristy.

Adoration

Wednesdays 8:30am - 8:30pm

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Our Mission

St. Michael Parish in Exeter, NH, is a Roman Catholic community inviting all people to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ and His Church.

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PARISH INFORMATION

New Parishioners If you have just moved to the Exeter area, we welcome you to Saint Michael Parish. Please call Gabriel House for the next Meet the Pastor evening.

Baptisms Please contact Deacon Eric at Deacon@stmichaelparish.org or by calling the office at 772-2494 X211.

Communion Calls A Priest or Eucharistic Minister will be happy to arrange a visit. Please call Karen Schalit at Gabriel House.

Healing Prayer For an individual Healing Prayer appointment by a trained Prayer Team, please call Maureen & Steve at 603-929-3934.

Marriages Couples must call Gabriel House for an appointment at least six months prior to the date of their marriage.

Natural Family Planning To learn more, contact Hannah Parent at hannahrose.parent@gmail.com or 339.309.9187

Spiritual Direction for Women Please contact Jan Moran for an appointment 603.770.1578.

St. Michael Parish Prayer Line | Grace at smythfam@comcast.net or Deb @ 580-5067 or debpasno@comcast.net.

Society of St. Vincent DePaul Exeter | 772-9922

Community Assistance Center Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am-4pm

Food Pantry Hours Mon, Weds, Fri 10am-12pm | Mon Nights 7-8pm

Parish Office Hours

The office is staffed to receive phone calls Monday - Friday, 8:30AM - 3PM

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Reservations: Welcome Back!

Attendance is currently limited: Please see the website for instructions on signing up to attend.

Join us to Pray the Rosary

Join us for the rosary at 7:30am each weekday and Saturday morning before the 8am mass. The first Saturday of each month after the 8am will be the First Saturday Devotional Rosary.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22, 2020

8:00 am For Parishioners

4:00 pm Albert Belanger

Sunday, August 23, 2020

7:00 am Eugene Carmody

9:00 am Anthony Molinari

11:00 am Eduardo Basurco

Monday, August 24, 2020

8:00 am April McKinnon

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

8:00 am Phyllis Del Greco

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

8:00 am Steven Badolato

Thursday, August 27, 2020

8:00 am Rebecca Driscoll

Friday, August 28, 2020

8:00 am For Parishioners

Saturday, August 29, 2020

8:00 am Jack Hall

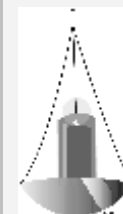
4:00 pm Carol Binette

Sunday, August 30, 2020

7:00 am Daniel Sullivan

9:00 am Earl Gaudet

11:00 am Paul Thomas Zitelli



Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle may be lit in honor of your loved one.

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PETER, THE ROCK: FIRST BISHOP OF ROME

To answer the question of why Catholics have a pope, we have to pull the lens back and think about the very nature of the Church herself. According to the Nicene Creed (which is the statement of beliefs that we recite each Sunday at Mass), we profess that the Church is “one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.” These adjectives are called the marks of the Church, and they help us see that the Church is bigger than just our individual parish communities or even the Christians living in a particular region or country.



To help ensure that the community of disciples would remain united in a communion of love, Jesus entrusted the Apostles with special authority to teach, heal, and forgive sins in his name. And from among this group, Jesus chose Simon Peter to play a special role, designating him as the “rock” on which the Church was to be built (see Matthew 16:18-19; John 21:15-17). Peter “the Rock” became the visible sign of union within and among the Apostles. In time, as Peter and the other Apostles passed away, other men were chosen to take their place. The successors of St. Peter — who we honor as the first Bishop of Rome — and the successors of the other Apostles (the bishops) continued the work entrusted by Jesus to that first generation of Church leaders.

According to long-standing tradition, the successor of Peter was Linus, who was followed by Cletus, who was followed by Clement I, etc. This line of succession continues to Pope Francis in our own time.

Over the centuries, these Bishops of Rome — who came to be known as the “pope” (from papa, which means “father” in Latin) — still continue to act as the “rock” of the Church and as the visible sign of unity for all the Catholic Christians. The pope, more than any other bishop, stands as the Church’s primary teacher and as pastor of the Church throughout the world, helping to ensure that the Church remains what Jesus intended her to be: one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.

To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 857-862 and 880-882).

Source: LPi, Vibrant Church

Remember: Christ called an imperfect Peter - the one who walked onto the water but sank out of doubt; the one who would deny him three times - to receive the keys to heaven and lead his people. Despite our struggles, Jesus sees the goodness inside and calls us, too. Let’s pray this week that we will also be freed of our burdens and bound to a joyful, eternal life...

Blessed Apostle Peter, to whom God has given the keys of the kingdom of Heaven, and the power to bind and loose, grant that we may be delivered through the help of your intercession from the bonds of our sins. O, Holy Shepherd, Prince of the Apostles, pray for us that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/
Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/
Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/
Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [1]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 [5]/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17
[cf. 15ab]/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/
Mt 16:21-27

Welcome Back Altar Servers

We are pleased to invite altar servers back to our weekend masses! For the time being, one server may participate in each mass. If you or a member of your family would like to be scheduled, please contact Deacon Eric or call the parish office. We are grateful for your ministry as we celebrate the sacrament of the Eucharist!



Adoration Times Extended 8/19

A great way to add a little peace to your week and deepen your relationship with Christ is to sit with Him in Adoration. We build earthly relationships by spending time together. Come nurture yours with Jesus through prayer, journaling, or simply listening.

Wednesdays 8:30am - 8:30pm. Please observe Covid safety.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please call the parish office or Charlie Schuh at 702.0403.

A Back to School Prayer

Whether your family is returning to schools and offices or continuing to learn and work remotely, let us be unified in love and prayer:

Father,
We thank you for the opportunity
to begin this new school year,
and we ask that you bless
the students, faculty, and student families
that make our school a great place.

We pray that you will guide us in your ways,
and strengthen our school community,
so that we will seek your will
in everything that we do,
and love others as you love us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Written by David Bennett, ChurchYear.net



Resources for Mass

With many still worshipping from home and limitations on in-hand missalettes in the pews, we wanted to offer you options for following along with readings and prayers during mass:

- ♦ Find Weekly Readings listed in this bulletin each weekend
- ♦ Access all weekly and daily readings at bible.usccb.org
- ♦ Watch Livestream Mass at any of the following sites: stmarynh.org | stmichaelparish.org (Recordings available.) EWTN, Word On Fire, CatholicTV, St. Patrick's Cathedral
- ♦ Make an **Act of Spiritual Communion**: *My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Whether in-person or remote, we are grateful that you are still a part of our community. Thank you for praying with us!

Prayers & Well Wishes for our Seminarians!

This summer we were blessed to have three New Hampshire seminarians working in our parish at different times.

Deacon Joe Moynahan and Seminarian Ben Gorewitz will both be returning to St. John's Seminary in Boston this month. We are also extremely proud of a young man from our own parish, Spencer Gregory, who will be starting his seminary formation at Our Lady of Providence Seminary in Rhode Island. Seminary is a time of discernment and growth as these young men remain open to the Lord's plan for their lives. Please keep them all in your prayers, and if you would like to stay in touch, you can reach them at the following addresses:

St. John's Seminary
 127 Lake Street
 Brighton, MA 02135

Our Lady of Providence Seminary
 485 Mount Pleasant Avenue
 Providence, RI 02908



Dcn Joe



Ben



Spencer

Thank you Joe, Ben, and Spencer. May your journeys be blessed!

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August 9, 2020

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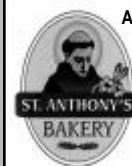


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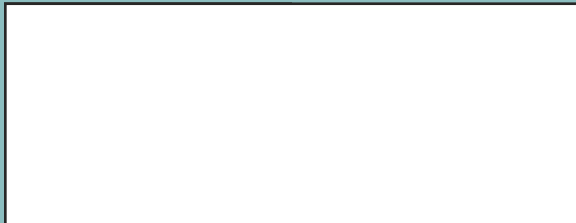
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