Saint Michael Parish Hudson, Massachusetts



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 31, 2025

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (all):



Text: Reginald Heber. Melody: NICAEA, 11.12.12.10; John B. Dykes.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON		Missal, p. 491
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PENITENITAL ACT (Form A	Δ)	Missal n o

KYRIE ELEISON (all) "Missa Primitiva"	Missal, p. 35
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LITURGY OF THE WORD	
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SANCTUS (all) "Missa Primitiva"	Missal, p. 36

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

I (The Roman Canon) "To you, therefore, most merciful Father"	Missal, p. 17 Missal, p. 19
LORD'S PRAYER (all)	Missal, p. 25
AGNUS DEI <i>(all)</i> "Missa Primitiva"	Missal, p. 37
INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION	Missal, p. 27

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

COMMUNION HYMN (all):



Text: Anima Christi, 14th c. Latin; Tr. Edward Caswall. Melody: ANIMA CHRISTI (MAHER), 10.10.10.10; William J. Maher.

CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING	Missal, p. 29
DISMISSAL	Missal, p. 30
PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL	Missal. back cover

RECESSIONAL HYMN (all):





Text: Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ebren, Joachim Neander; Tr. Catherine Winkworth. Melody: LOBE DEN HERREN, 14.14.4.7.8; 17th c. German.

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Greetings, brothers and sisters. Our journey through the experience of discipleship continues. Last week, we heard Jesus' invitation to us to enter through the narrow gate, and that those who give the minimum effort into a relationship may not necessarily be invited into the heavenly banquet at the end of our lives. Discipline of growing in our faith is required. As Fr. Bert mentioned in his homily last weekend, simply going to little league practice doesn't guarantee that we make the team! Jesus is asking us to throw ourselves 'all in' in our relationship with Him. He wants all of our hearts, not just when it feels convenient or checks the box to satisfy compliance. This is something that our faith journey allows us to grow into.

This week, we're invited to consider humility. Just like entering in through the narrow gate may require us to stoop and go low to gain entrance into the city, humility is the pathway for gaining favor with God and entering his Kingdom. Sirach

A Message from Our Clergy

Deacon Chuck Rossignol

teaches us that greatness in the eyes of God is achieved by making ourselves more humble. We learn that pride can lead us to ruin, but humility opens the way to true wisdom. Growing in humility reduces our focus on ourselves, and frees us to focus on the needs of others. We hear this echoed in our psalm, which reminds us that God cares especially for the humble and the poor. How can we know the love of God if we are so filled with pride? We are the eyes, hands and feet of God on earth. How can God love the poor and the lowly through us if we are filled with only ourselves?

We can have no better role model for this than our Savior Jesus Christ. The Son of God the Most High, King of the Universe, chooses to enter into our humanity to save us from our sins, not as an all-powerful earthly king robed in majesty and commanding armies to conquer and rule over others. Rather, he chooses to enter into our world in poverty and the humility of being born in a stall, wrapped in the swaddling clothes used for animals. His entire life is devoted to teaching love borne through humility and service to others. The host in our gospel reading from Luke is advised to invite the poor, the crippled and the blind to the banquet. In like manner, so we too – as 'hosts' during our earthly existence, are invited to extend ourselves to those who suffer among us who are sick and needing the mercy of God. The saints all understood this. Like them, we can only do these things through the great gift of humility. In modeling them, we can achieve exaltation in the Kingdom of God.



Of course it's not easy. We have to go through the narrow gate! It's what's on the other side of it that will bring us incomparable peace and joy. Happy journeys, and keep a smile on your face!!

Wishing you great peace,

— Dcn Chuck

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. August 30, 9 a.m. Maxine Crocker & Scott Bedell (deceased)

James & Elizabeth Luttrell (living)

Sat. August 30, 4 p.m. St. Michael Parishioners

Sun. August 31, 8 a.m. The Deceased Members of the Devlin Family

Barbara Ann Vezeau

Sun. August 31, 10 a.m.

Wed. September 3, 9 a.m.

Thu. September 4, 9 a.m.

Fri. September 5, 9 a.m.

Sat. September 6, 9 a.m.

Private Intention

Dorothy Allen

No Intention

No Intention

No Intention

Sat. September 6, 4 p.m. Private Intention

Sun. September 7, 8 a.m. St. Michael Parishioners Sun. September 7, 10 a.m. Ann Marie Buonopane

Residence at Artisan-Hudson (living)

Roger Taylor (deceased) John Crosby (deceased) Linda Creamer (living)

September Bread & Wine and Altar Candles are offered in Memory of the Janssen & Gotz Family Members.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass: English

4:00 p.m. (Saturday Vigil) 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Mass: Portuguese

9:15 a.m. Chapel

11:30 a.m. Chapel (Brazilian)

Daily Mass: English

Wed-Sat. | 9:00 a.m.

Daily Mass: Portuguese

Mon | 7:00 p.m. Chapel (Brazilian)

CONFESSION & ADORATION

Mondays: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Confession & Adoration (Portuguese/Brazilian)

First Fridays: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.Adoration Only (returning in September)

Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Confession & Adoration

Confession also available after most Masses by request or by appointment

* BOOK A MASS INTENTION *

Interested in booking a Mass intention? Please stop by or call the parish office if you would like to reserve a Mass for someone. The suggested stipend for Masses is \$10.



* SPONSOR ALTAR CANDLES OR BREAD & WINE *

If you would like to sponsor a month's supply of Altar Candles or Bread & Wine in memory of someone, please stop by or call the parish office. Stipends for Altar Candles are \$50 and Bread & Wine are \$75.

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The Pastoral Council helps Fr. Bert with practical parish matters. Please send a message to offer ideas, talent, expertise, or feedback. Note: This e-mail is checked weekly, and the Pastoral Council meets every 6-8 weeks. For immediate pastoral needs, contact the appropriate clergy or staff above.

St. Vincent de Paul

978-618-5175, svdp.hudsonma@gmail.com For any of our Hudson neighbors in need of assistance, the local chapter of St. Vincent de Paul is ready to help.

THANK YOU TO MARIANO ALVES

Mariano Alves has been serving as the organist for the 9:15 a.m. Sunday Mass in Portuguese at St. Michael's for

the past ten years, and we thought it was time to include a word of thanks! Mariano has been commuting from North Smithfield, Rhode Island twice a week (once for Sunday Mass, once for Wednesday choir practice, through any kind of weather) until



just recently. He and his wife moved to Clinton earlier this month, his commute to St. Michael's is much easier!

ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We need knitters, can you help? St. Michael's Prayer Shawl Ministry will start up again in October, will you be there? We create knitted or crocheted wraps for the homebound, people in hospitals, new Mom's, the elderly, anyone who is in need of a warm hug of a shawl. You do not have to be an expert, there is always someone there who can help you learn the art of knitting. Crocheting is also great! We will start a new year of fun on Monday, October 6 at 1:30 p.m. in the Community Room in the Parish Center. Bring yourself and a friend, a knitting project you have going or some needles and yarn and a desire to learn. If you have any questions, please email moepatty@comcsat.net. See you soon!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Thank you to all who recently attended the Protecting God's Children (PGC) classes offered at St. Michael's. This was an important Archdiocesan initiative. Thanks to the instructors who so generously gave of their time: Rich and Dawn Cassie, and Deacon Franklin Mejia.

If you have never taken a PGC class and are interested in volunteering at St. Michael's, there are other training opportunities available across the Archdiocese. Go to www.virtusonline.org and create an account. Once you have created your account, you will be able to view and register for upcoming classes online.

In Christ – Fr. Bert

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

August 19 – 25, 2025

COLLECTION SUMMARY	Offertory	Texas Floods
In-Pew	\$8328	\$2041
Online Giving	\$1328	_
GRAND TOTAL	\$9651	\$2041

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Upcoming 2nd Collections

August 31—No Second Collection
September 7— Maintenance & Development

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM 2025/26

Religious education registration is live on St. Michael's website! The Faith Formation Program is open to children grades 1 through 8. We will meet at 6:00 p.m.

on Wednesday evenings in the Upper Church starting on September 24. To register, please scan the QR Code or see the website for more information.

www.stmikes.org/religious-education



For Youth interested in Confirmation, please register your child in Grade 8 for students to the age of 16. Students age 16 and over will register in the Adult Confirmation Classes.—see below.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The adult confirmation class is for adult Catholics who were baptized and received their First Holy Communion, but were never confirmed. This class is also offered to students age 17 and over to receive Confirmation. We will meet in the Parish Center at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings starting October 2.

Please contact Lori Morton at the Parish Office or see the website for more information. https://www.stmikes.org/confirmation-classes-for-adults-june-2025

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. MICHAEL'S

<u>SEPTEMBER 5</u>—6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Upper Church—First Friday Eucharistic Adoration resumes—join us as we spend some quiet time with the Lord.

<u>SEPTEMBER 6</u>—5:00 p.m., Parish Center—St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Meeting—immediately following the 4 p.m. Mass (5-7 pm). Open to members and anyone interested in learning more about this ministry.

<u>SEPTEMBER 7</u>—10:00 a.m. Mass, Upper Church— **Regional Adult Confirmation Event at St. Michael's—Bishop Reed** will be at St. Michael's to confirm several adult parishioners at the 10 a.m. Mass.

<u>SEPTEMBER 7</u>—**WooSox Tickets** are still available, please see Andrea in the Parish Center for tickets.

<u>SEPTEMBER 8</u>—Faith Formation Registration Closes Reminder to register your child for the 2025-2026 faith formation season on or before September 8. Online registration can be found at www.stmikes.org/religious-education

SEPTEMBER 9—7:30 p.m.—Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting takes place at St. Matthias Parish Hall, 409 Hemenway St., Marlborough— for any Catholic man over the age of 18.

<u>SEPTEMBER 18</u>—Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study—Thursday morning session 'Touching the Divine'; and Tuesday evening session 'Passionate Discipleship'. Please see the bulletin for more details or email stmikeswwp@gmail.com to register!

SEPTEMBER 24—Religious Educations classes begin. Deacon Jared will be speaking to the parents in the Upper Church as the children have their first lesson in the parish center.

SEPTEMBER 27—Worcester Catholic Women's Conference—All women are invited to this exciting conference held at St. Joseph School in Webster, MA. Register today! https://www.wcwconference.com

AGUSTINO FESTIVAL

Thanks to everyone who came out on Saturday for the Agustino Festival. A great time was had by all! A special thanks to those who contributed their time and talents to make the festival such a fun and successful event!



CONGRATULATIONS!



St. Michael's welcomes Lincoln Vincent Janiero who was baptized on Saturday, August 23.

Congratulations Kellie and Alex (Mom and Dad), and Godfather Matthew Suprenant. It was a beautiful day!!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

A blessing of the backpacks was held on August 24 at the 8:00 a.m. Mass. All children received a special blessing as a way to offer encouragement, support and prayers as they embark on a new academic year! God bless!





ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH PICNIC / BLOCK PARTY

Sunday, October 5th (rain date Sunday, October 19th)

Join us for a free picnic lunch! We will be serving hot dogs and hamburgers from 12:45—2:00 p.m. Help support this event and our parish by purchasing beer, wine or soda with lunch, water will be free.

Need dessert or dinner? Pastels and baked goods will be found at the bake sale tables.

At 2:00 p.m. we will be celebrating The Feast of St. Francis with the Blessing of Pets. Fr. Bert will be under the pet blessing tent in the kids game area. Bring your pet!

Please call the parish office if you would like to volunteer at this parish community event!





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