

Saint Michael Parish

Hudson, Massachusetts



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 28, 2025

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

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Processional Hymn: #119 Angels We Have Heard on High

Kyrie

Gloria:

GLORY TO GOD

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to
peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you,
we glo - ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa - ther.
Lord Je-sus Christ, On - ly Be-got - ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the
sins of the world, re - ceive our _ prayer;
right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.
For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Responsorial Psalm 128: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Offertory Hymn: #135 Away in a Manger

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Creation (by Marty Haugen)

Communion Hymn: #397 What Child is This

Hymn of Praise:

DONA NOBIS PACEM

Gregory Norbet

Refrain

1-6 to Verses | Final 2

1. Give us peace, God, peace for
2. God of near-ness, God of
3. Set us free, God, from mind-less
4. You re-new us with great
5. Be our breath, God, deep and
6. Ma-ra-na-tha: come to

1. all, like a riv-er run-ning free-ly.
2. life, you are with us; we re-joice.
3. ways; guide us in pur-su-ing good.
4. love; God a-mong us: this our joy!
5. pure; feed our hun-ger for your truth.
6. us with your heal-ing gift of peace.

to Refrain

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Recessional Hymn: #213 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



Feast of the Holy Family – Holy Innocents

Greetings, brothers and sisters! We hope your celebration of Christmas was a joyful and holy one! With the Feasts of the Holy Family and the Holy Innocents this weekend, our minds reflect on the importance of our relationships with family. The holidays, while often bringing great joys, can also bring great challenges for families. Our scriptures, particularly about the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, reveal great insights from which to learn many things!

In our Old Testament reading, we are hearing again from Sirach – always full of rich wisdom. His remarks are addressed to someone as ‘son’ – who could either be an adult or a child. Reverence between parents and kids is always important, but Sirach also highlights the spiritual blessings of honoring and revering our parents. This may not always be easy. Our elderly often struggle with various forms of dementia or other limitations. Two points come to mind. Caring for them now is important. Once they are gone, our chances to love them and show them charity will be gone as well. Secondly, we will all most likely become elderly ourselves. Wouldn’t we all hope to receive the same charity from *our* children that we’re asked to give to our parents today. Jesus shows us that holiness is about living with love, obedience, patience and care for our parents. We can model this now!

A Message from Our Clergy

Deacon Chuck

St. Paul reminds us that compassion, humility, gentleness and patience, mutual forgiveness and love are all characteristics of a holy family when lived between husbands and wives, children and parents. “And over all of these, put on love, that is, the bond of perfection.” When we let Christ control our hearts, then He will dwell in us richly, and we will certainly know His peace!

His indwelling within us, as precious as it is, is not meant to shield us from life’s challenges, but rather help us endure through them, and promote our protection, healing and safety. The Holy Family, born directly into poverty, had to further endure an urgent flea to Egypt to escape Herod’s wrath and destruction of the Holy Innocents. Because of Joseph’s faithfulness to his family in his role as a dad, they safely managed those early years through to their settling as a family in Nazareth.



The Holy Family is offered as a role model for us to emulate and live by. They teach us all the features and elements of family living a holy life rooted in prayer and their faith in God, which bears fruit. Quoting an excerpt of Mother Theresa’s prayer called “The Fruits of Silence”, she says the following:

The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love.

The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace.

Lord, thank you for the gift of Christmas, and being born to save us and help us merit eternity with you in heaven. Help us to use the gift of the New Year to become more holy families, to love, serve, respect and honor each other, and in doing so, enjoy the Peace which you so freely give us. Amen.

Best wishes for a holy and Happy New Year!

Deacon Chuck

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. December 27, 9 a.m. Jeanne Maria Valborge
Sat. December 27, 4 p.m. Mildred Guthy
Geraldine & Robert Abraham
Bernard & Joan Cauley
James DiGeronimo
Private Intention
St. Michael Parishioners
Rosa Chaves
Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Anna & Manuel Fernandes
Margaret Murphy
St. Michael Parishioners
Mary Louise Ferris—Mass for the Living
Rosa Chaves
Cheryl Ann Rooney
Margaret & Malcolm Callahan
Jack Hughes
Private Intention

December Sponsors

*Bread & Wine are offered in Memory of Maria Rosa Braga
Altar Candles are offered in Memory of Mary & Lawrence Leary,
Bob Alexander and Carol Radford*

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*)

CONFESION & 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

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

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*Confession also available after most Masses
by request or by appointment*

MATRIMONY

Contact the parish office to make an appointment with a member of the clergy at least eight months prior to the desired wedding date.

* MASS INTENTION * ALTAR CANDLES * BREAD & WINE *

If you would like to reserve a Mass for someone, sponsor Altar Candles or Bread & Wine, please contact the parish office.



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Parish Pastoral Council

PastoralCouncil@stmikes.org

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. MICHAEL'S

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31—The Parish Center will close at 12:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1—The Parish Center will be closed all day—Happy New Year!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31—Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)—see schedule for details.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1—Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)—see schedule for details.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2—First Friday Eucharistic Adoration, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., English, Upper Church | 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Portuguese, Lower Church. Come and spend some quiet time with the Lord!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3—St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Meeting, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Parish Center (immediately following the 4:00 p.m. Mass).

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8—Walking With Purpose, 9:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Parish Center. To register or discover more, go to our website at <https://stmikes.org/ministries> or email stmikeswwp@gmail.com.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8—Adult Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Lower Church.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13—Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting, 6:30 p.m., St. Matthias Parish Hall, 409 Hemenway St, Marlborough.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14—Faith Formation welcomes Mike Nicholson, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Upper Church. All are welcome!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25—150th Anniversary Bilingual Mass, 11:00 a.m., Upper Church. Celebration followed by a luncheon at the Hudson Portuguese Club. Tickets for sale after all Masses.



FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

December 9—15, 2025*

*We are catching up with providing totals from previous weeks due to earlier printer deadlines throughout the holiday season. Thank you for your patience.

COLLECTION SUMMARY	Offertory	St. Vincent de Paul
In-Pew	\$16,854**	\$3222
Online Giving	\$1792	0
GRAND TOTAL	\$18,646	\$3222

** A large annual offertory gift was given this week which hyper-inflated our In-pew/Mail amount.

Thank you for your generosity.

Electronic Online Donations are Increasing

Please consider this type of giving as it is better for the Parish.

If this is difficult for you to set up on your own, please feel free to call Marcy at the parish center and she can assist you.



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Increased Offertory Update

If you have not yet responded, please drop your pledge form in the Sunday basket or send it back in the mail. It will help us keep our records up to date. Thank you.

Upcoming 2nd Collections

December 28—No second collection

January 4—Maintenance & Development



MASS SCHEDULE — SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Wednesday, December 31—Vigil

4:00 p.m. English, Upper Church
6:00 p.m. Portuguese/Brazilian, Lower Church

Thursday, January 1

9:00 a.m. English, Upper Church
10:30 a.m. Portuguese/Brazilian, Upper Church
7:00 p.m. English, Upper Church

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Please consider making a New Year's Resolution that truly matters: one that will deepen your relationship with God. Some suggestions may include:

- ◆ Attending daily or First Friday Masses
- ◆ Reading the Bible more regularly or listening to the Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz
- ◆ Going to confession more regularly
- ◆ Praying the Rosary daily
- ◆ Volunteering at the church

May God bless you and your families in 2026!

LADIES SODALITY

The Ladies' Sodality Ministry is sponsoring a drawing for a 32" TV. To purchase tickets, you may call Martha 978-562-2705 or Noemia at 978-568-1340. Tickets are 3 chances for \$5.00. The drawing will be held on Sunday, January 18 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Upper Church. Proceeds to benefit St. Michael's Parish. Good luck!

THANK YOU!

The Knights of Columbus Council 81, and particularly the many individual knights who are members of St.

Michael Parish, would like to wish all the members of the St. Michael Parish faith communities a wonderful Christmas season and Happy New Year. We are immensely grateful for your support throughout the year! All of you remain in our prayers. With great appreciation—Kevin Armstrong, Grand Knight



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

St. Michael's Prayer Shawl Ministry will start up again in January. 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. If you do not know how to knit or crochet, there is always someone there who can help—beginners are welcome! We will meet on Monday, January 5 at 1:30 p.m. in the Community Room, Parish Center. Bring yourself and a friend, a knitting project you have going, or just some needles and yarn and a desire to learn. Questions? Please email Pat at moepatty@comcast.net

CONGRATULATIONS!



Anthony and Autumn Manolian were married on Sunday, December 13. Beautiful wedding Mass at which Fr. Bert presided.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Manolian!

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

St. Michael's is running another session of Adult Confirmation classes for baptized Catholics age 17 and over who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion but were never Confirmed. Classes will be held in the parish center every Thursday evening in February 2026, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and pre registration is required. Please visit our website for more information: www.stmikes.org/confirmation-classes-for-adults, or call Lori in the parish center.



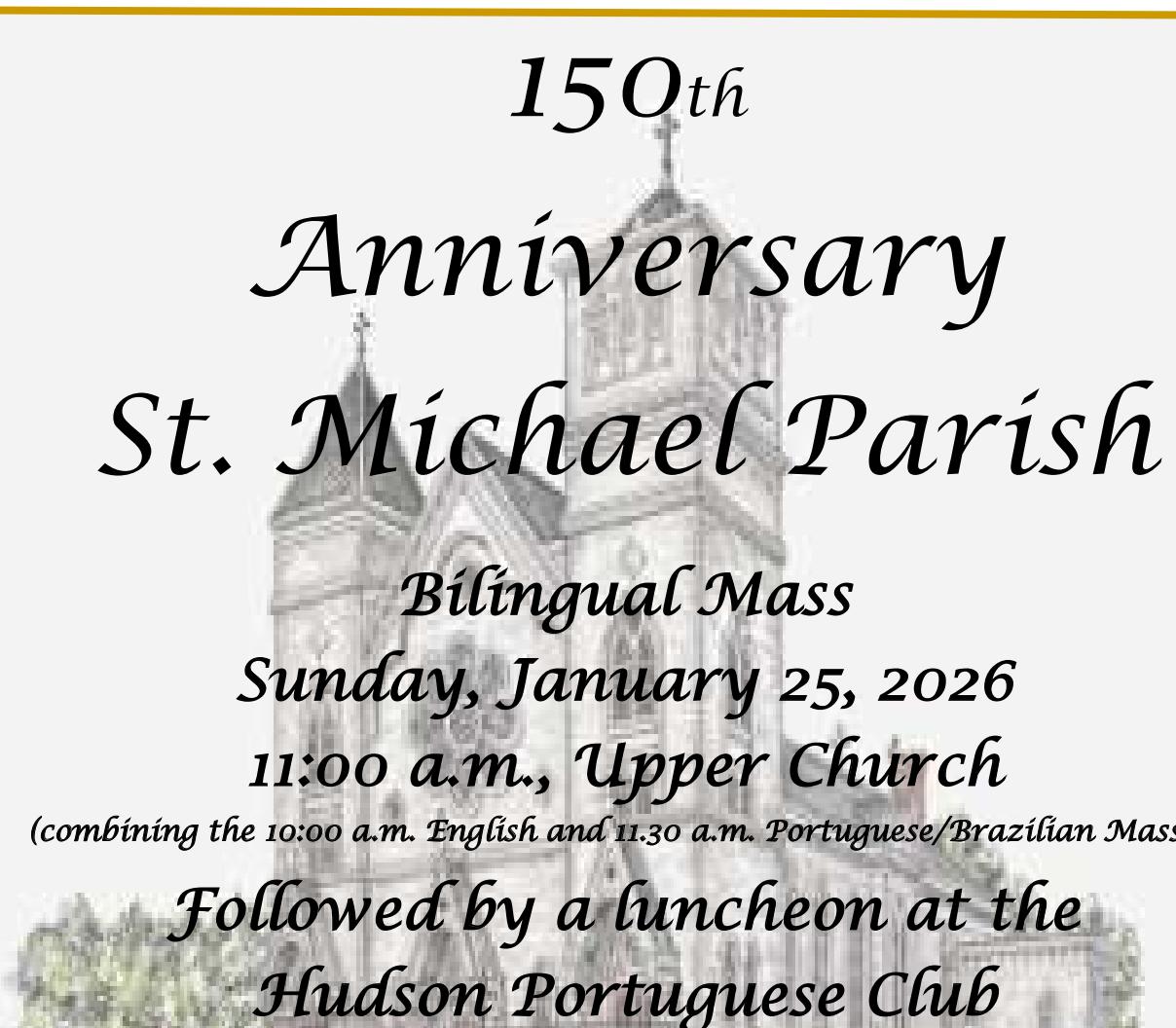


Giving Tree 2025



Thank you to all who supported our Giving Tree this year ✨ St. Michael's parishioners and the Hudson Chapter of St. Vincent de Paul were able to help over 200 families this season!





150th Anniversary St. Michael Parish

*Bilingual Mass
Sunday, January 25, 2026
11:00 a.m., Upper Church*

(combining the 10:00 a.m. English and 11:30 a.m. Portuguese/Brazilian Masses)

*Followed by a luncheon at the
Hudson Portuguese Club*

Need volunteers!

St Michaels will be celebrating its 150th anniversary in January 2026 and we will be having a special bilingual Mass on Jan 25th, followed by a luncheon at the Portuguese Club, kicking off a extraordinary year of events for our parish. We need volunteers to sell tickets to the luncheon after all Masses on the weekends that lead up to the 25th, and we will also need volunteers at the luncheon -- decorating, serving the meal, and cleaning up after the event.

We are also selling hand-crafted ornaments to defray costs. All proceeds to benefit St. Michael's.

If you can help, please leave your contact info on the signup sheets which are located in the back of the church. This event is being run by the 150th Planning Committee. Thank you!



Brazilian & Portuguese Community Information

Que o ano novo seja repleto de paz, amor e saúde e
Que a Deus traga um ano feliz!

HORÁRIOS DE MISSAS

* Domingos:

Missa Portuguesa: 9:15 a.m.

Missa Brasileira: 11:30 a.m.

* Segundas-feiras:

Confissões: 6:00 p.m.

Santa Missa: 7:00 p.m.

ORAÇÕES EM COMUNIDADE

* Terças-feiras:

Grupo de Jovens: 7:30 p.m.

* Quartas-feiras:

Terço das Mães: 6:30 p.m.

Terço dos Homens: 8:00 p.m.

* Primeira Sextas-feiras de cada mês:

Encontro do Apostolado de Oração: 7:15 p.m.

Missa do Sagrado Coração de Jesus com Adoração:

8:00 p.m.

CATEQUESE

Já estão acontecendo os encontros de catequese para crianças, adolescentes e adultos. Maiores info. podem entrar em contato com as catequistas:

*Sumaya(Crianças e Adolescentes): 5089485083

*Yassue(Adultos): 5087260300

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HORÁRIO DAS MISSAS — SOLENIDADE DE MARIA, MÃE DE DEUS

Quarta-feira, 31 de dezembro – Vigília

16h00 Inglês, Igreja Superior

18h00 Português/Brasileiro, Igreja Inferior

Quinta-feira, 1º de janeiro

9h00 Inglês, Igreja Superior

10h30 Português/Brasileiro, Igreja Superior

19h00 Inglês, Igreja Superior



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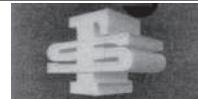
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