

Saint Michael Parish

Hudson, Massachusetts



The Epiphany of the Lord
January 4, 2026

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

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Processional Hymn: #394 We Three Kings of Orient Are

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 72: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Offertory Hymn: #122 As With Gladness Men of Old

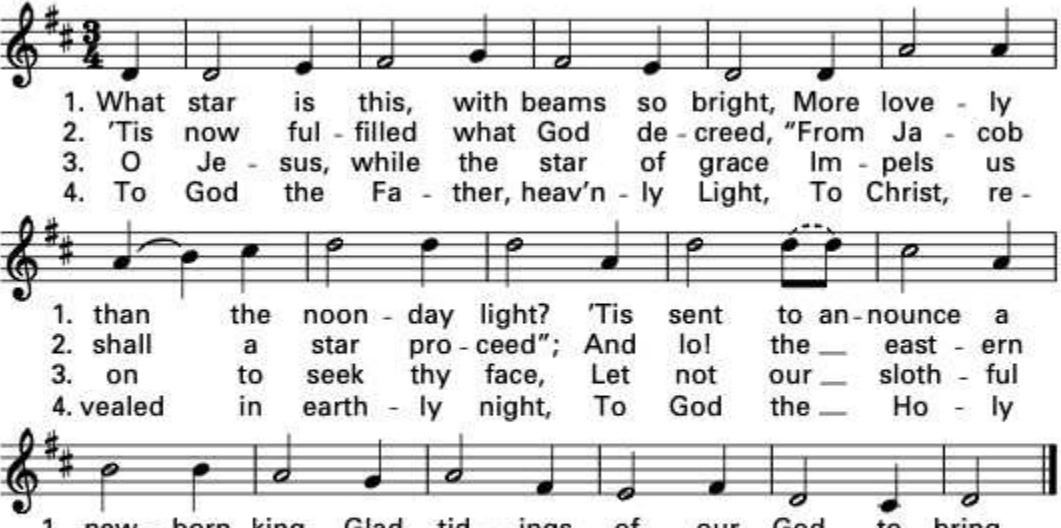
Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Creation (by Marty Haugen)

Communion Hymn: #361 The First Nowell

Hymn of Praise:

WHAT STAR IS THIS

PUER NOBIS



1. What star is this, with beams so bright, More love - ly
2. 'Tis now ful - filled what God de - creed, "From Ja - cob
3. O Je - sus, while the star of grace Im - pels us
4. To God the Fa - ther, heav'n - ly Light, To Christ, re -

1. than the noon - day light? 'Tis sent to an-nounce a
2. shall a star pro - ceed"; And lo! the east - ern
3. on to seek thy face, Let not our sloth - ful
4. vealed in earth - ly night, To God the Ho - ly

1. new - born king, Glad tid - ings of our God to bring.
2. sag - es stand To read in heav'n the Lord's com-mand.
3. hearts re - fuse The guid - ance of thy light to use.
4. Spir - it raise An end - less song of thank - ful praise!

Text: LM; Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.

Music: adapt. by Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621.

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Recessional Hymn: #243 Joy to the World (verses 1, 2, & 4)



Epiphany of the Lord – Manifestation to All Peoples

On this feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus Christ not simply as the infant of Bethlehem, but as Light to all nations. The word *Epiphany* means “manifestation” or “shining upon,” and today’s readings invite us to see the great mystery: the Christ revealed not only to Israel, but to the whole world; past, present and future.

Our first reading from *Isaiah* echoes like a prophetic anthem of hope and mission: “Arise, be enlightened, O Jerusalem: for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.” In the ancient context, the glory of God was promised to shine upon a restored Jerusalem; in the fullness of time, Christ becomes that glory shining upon the world. And the prophet’s words continue: “Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by the brightness of your rising.”

Here we see the first seeds of the Gospel fulfilled: the Gentiles, too, are drawn into the light of God’s salvation. This theme carries into the responsorial psalm, where we acclaim, “*Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.*” The Psalmist’s vision is breathtaking: rulers and peoples from every direction offering homage, justice flourishing, peace reigning.

A Message from Our Clergy

Deacon Jared

In the second reading, Saint Paul makes explicit what Isaiah saw in hope: in Christ the mystery of salvation is revealed to include the Gentiles, so that they become “co-heirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise” through the Gospel. This is the heart of Epiphany: Christ’s light is not for an exclusive few but for all peoples and all nations.

The Gospel recounts the journey of the Magi from the East, drawn by a star to Bethlehem so that they might adore the newborn King of the Jews. Though Matthew never calls them “kings,” the tradition of the *Three Wise Men* points to distinguished seekers from afar who recognize the glory of God and bring gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh—symbols of Christ’s kingship, divinity, and future suffering.

What does this feast ask of us in 2026? The world today is marked by fragmentation and division—nations and peoples still walk in darkness. Yet, the Epiphany reminds us that the Light of Christ continues to draw all peoples to himself. Just as the Magi journeyed from distant lands to adore Jesus, so too are we called to journey—spiritually, morally, and communally—toward the Lord, towards His light. We must be bearers of this light in our families, communities, workplaces, and across the global stage.



This feast also challenges us to recognize that adoration leads to transformation. The Magi did not merely observe from a distance; they fell to their knees and offered their treasures. In the same way, when nations and individuals today allow Christ to illuminate their hearts, they are invited not only to *see* the light but to worship and serve in justice, mercy, and peace.

May our celebration of the Epiphany inspire us in 2026 and beyond to be a people whose lives reflect the radiance of Christ’s light, drawing others—near and far—into the joy of his presence. *Lord, every nation on earth will adore you!*

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. January 3, 9 a.m.	Margaret Murphy
Sat. January 3, 4 p.m.	St. Michael Parishioners
Sun. January 4, 8 a.m.	Mary Louise Ferris—Mass for the Living
	Rosa Chaves
	Cheryl Ann Rooney
	Margaret & Malcolm Callahan
	Jack Hughes
Sun. January 4, 10 a.m.	Private Intention
Wed. January 7, 9 a.m.	Aprigio M. Nordclo
Thu. January 8, 9 a.m.	Robert Seymour Currey
Fri. January 9, 9 a.m.	Abby Cahill—Mass for the Living
Sat. January 10, 9 a.m.	Linda Nassar
Sat. January 10, 4 p.m.	Private Intention
Sun. January 11, 8 a.m.	St. Michael Parishioners
Sun. January 11, 10 a.m.	No Intention

January Sponsors

*Bread & Wine are offered in Memory of Brad Smith
Altar Candles are offered in Memory of Fr. Tony Lalli*

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.

Confession & Adoration
*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.
Masses are available through June 2026.



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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.*

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. MICHAEL'S

MONDAY, JANUARY 5—Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Community Room, Parish Center. For details, email Pat at mocpatty@comcast.net

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://stmikcs.org/ministries> or email stmikesswp@gmail.com.

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

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10—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). Open to anyone interested in this important ministry.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13—Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting, 6:30 p.m., St. Matthias Parish Hall, 409 Hemenway St, Marlborough. Open to members and Catholic men over the age of 18.

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. Event volunteers needed.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27—Founding Day of St. Michael Parish, 1876—2026.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6—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.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Adult Confirmation 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. For baptized Catholics age 17 and over who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion but were never Confirmed. Please visit our website for more information: www.stmikcs.org/confirmation-classes-for-adults, or call Lori in the parish center.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

December 16—22, 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
In-Pew/Mail	\$14259
Online Giving	\$1882
GRAND TOTAL	\$16141

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

January 4—Maintenance & Development

January 11—No Second Collection

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 Noemias 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!

FAITH FORMATION—ADVENT RETREAT

December 10, 2025

Deacon Chuck lead our faith formation children and families to reflect on the miracle of our Savior's birth.



**FAITH FORMATION
GUEST SPEAKER:
MIKE NICHOLSON**

**WED, JANUARY 14, 2026
6:00 PM, UPPER CHURCH**

All are welcome!



Christmas Decorating 2025



Thank you to all who came out to make our parish beautiful for the birth of our Savior! Let us praise the Lord of days and seasons and years saying Glory to God in the Highest and Peace to his people on earth!





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 Michael's 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

MENSAGEM de ANO NOVO – 2026

Queridos irmãos e irmãs,

Com alegria e esperança, desejo a toda a nossa comunidade brasileira e portuguesa um abençoado Ano Novo de 2026. Que este novo tempo seja marcado pela fé viva, pela união entre nós e pela confiança em Deus.

Sob a proteção de São Miguel Arcanjo, caminhemos firmes no bem, fortalecidos pela oração e pelo amor fraterno. Que o Senhor abençoe nossas famílias, nosso trabalho e nossa caminhada cristã, concedendo-nos paz, saúde e perseverança.

Que 2026 seja um ano de graça e renovação espiritual para todos nós.

Com estima e oração,

Fr. Adriano Lessa Natalino

Fr. Valdir Lima

Paróquia São Miguel Arcanjo 

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

Info sobre o Boletim: *Regina-7743605856

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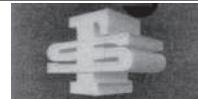
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