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February 25, 2024 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH • LITURGY SCHEDULE

MASS

MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00am

SATURDAY 9:00am & 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

SUNDAY 7:30am, 8:30am, 9:45am, 12:00pm &

5:00pm

CONFESSION

WEDNESDAY 9:30am-11:00am & 6:30pm-8:00pm

SATURDAY After the 5:00pm Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

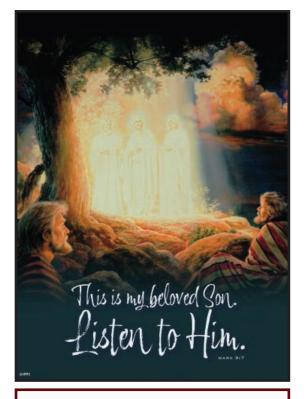
WEDNESDAY 9:30am-8:00pm SATURDAY 8:00am-9:00am

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MASS

SATURDAY 4:00pm (Vigil Mass)

SUNDAY 11:00am



To stay informed, all current information is on our website and look for the Friday Eblasts!

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Prayers for the Sick will be updated on a monthly basis.

Please be so kind to email or call the parish office with names you would like to add or remove.

Tom Schupp	Mateo
Grace Wohlberg	Frank Z.
Sal D.	Aline Oddi
Eneko Rauch	Jane G.
George Sinclair	Jim W.
Renato P.	Richard C.
Rob S.	Karen Hasterok
Barbara Rigg	Michael
Rita S.	Deacon Joseph Gagne

Lost and Found

St. Michael's has several items in the Lost and Found. If you are missing something please come by the office to see if it's here. Currently we have: 2 pairs of gloves, a scarf, a Spanish Bible, 2 prayer books, several pairs of glasses, an umbrella, and a child's teething ring. Unclaimed items will be donated or thrown out at the end of the month.

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Responsible Stewardship

Due to the holiday, pew collection for the 2/18 will reported next week.

Online Giving: \$4,130.30

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 24, 2024				
St.M	9:00 AM	S. I. Mateo	Fr. R	
St.T	4:00 PM	Joseph Campbell	Fr. R	
	5:00 PM	S. I. Isobel Cunningham	Fr. P	
Sunday	Sunday, February 25, 2024			
St.M	7:30 AM	All Parishioners	Fr. R	
	8:30 AM	S. I. Cecilia	S.C.	
		Edward Furey	S.C.	
St.T		Aline McDonnell	Fr. R	
		Jane Pickett	Fr. P	
	5:00 PM	Maddelena Del Luccese	Fr. P	
Monday, February 26, 2024				
St.M	9:00 AM	Michael James Nikis		
Tuesda	y, February	27, 2024		
St.M	9:00 AM	Anne Walsh		
Wedne	esday, Febru	uary 28, 2024		
St.M	9:00 AM	Mariane Garcia	Fr. P	
Thursday, February 29, 2024				
St.M	9:00 AM	Lorenzo Contadino	Fr. P	
Friday, March 1, 2024				
St.M	9:00 AM	S.I. Mark Winhoffer	Fr. P	
Saturday, March 2, 2024				
St.M	9:00 AM	S.I. Mr. & Mrs. Pete Nikitaidis	Fr. R	
St.T	4:00 PM	John Mclindon	Fr. P	
	5:00 PM	Patricia D. Castellano	Fr. R	
Sunday, March 3, 2024				
St.M	7:30 AM	Jason Barinaga	Fr. R	
	8:30 AM	All Parishioners	Fr. M	
	9:45 AM	S. I. Cichy Family	Fr. R	
St.T	11:00 AM	Ailene McDonnell	Fr. M	
	12:00 PM	Maureen Maurelli	Fr. P	
	5:00 PM	James Crowley	Fr. P	

PH: Fr. Paul S.C.: Salesian Community R: Fr. Richard M: Fr. Marcotte

SANCTUARY CANDLE



The week of February 25, 2024 St. Michael

St. Timothy



Pastor's Reflection

Second week of Lent: The Transfiguration

The gospel stories for Lent are dramatic encounters: Last week the temptation in the desert, this week the Transfiguration, next week the woman at the well, then the man born blind, then the raising of Lazarus.

Today, the Transfiguration scene is packed with majesty and mystery. Do you remember the experience of Moses on Mount Sinai? The events of Sinai are re-enacted in the experience of the new Moses. Like the first Moses, Jesus goes up a mountain. His face shines unbearably. A cloud covers this mountain too, a luminous cloud, the symbol of God's presence. Here God speaks from the cloud. Even the three booths or tents Peter wants to set up recall the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths that commemorated the sojourn of the Israelites on Sinai while they received the revelation of the Law through Moses.

Here we go beyond Sinai. Here Moses and Elias represent the law and the prophets; their presence bears witness that in Jesus the law and the prophets are fulfilled. And here we meet that astounding paradox: To be Messiah meant to suffer, and still Jesus was the glorious Son of Man. (From Walter Burghardt, SJ, <u>Sir, We Would Like To See Jesus</u>)

Next Saturday morning, our Lenten series will take up the next gospel scene, Jesus meeting the Samaritan woman at the well.

"The water that I shall give will become a spring of eternal life."

We will enter into an Ignatian meditation on the scene and conclude with a brief service of reconciliation (not individual confessions).

9:30 to 11:30 in the church, immediately after the 9:00 a.m. mass. Please join us.

---Fr. Paul D. Holland, S.J. Pastor, St. Michael the Archangel Parish

Music Ministry

"Lord, hear our prayer..."

Processional Hymn: "Holy Ground"

Penitential Act

Offertory Song: "Transfiguration" (#125)

Holy, Holy, Holy

When We Eat This Bread

Amen

Lamb of God

Communion Meditation: Piano Solo Meditation

Recessional Hymn: "Again We Keep This Solemn Fast" (#123)

IMPORTANT UPDATE: The sung mass parts for this Lent season (starting Ash Wednesday) will be from the Chant Mass. There are music sheets in the pews on which are printed "Holy Ground" and the Chant Mass parts. Please use this during mass and return them prior to leaving the church.

God Bless, --Frank

Lent Schedule of Events 2024

Saturday Lenten Program

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in Guinan Hall

March 2nd

Ignatian Contemplation – *The Woman at the Well* concluding with a Reconciliation Service

March 9th

Ignatian Contemplation – *The Man Born Blind* concluding with the Sacrament of the Sick

March 16th

Bishop Caggiano leads a gathering on *The One* at St. Mary's, Greenwich for all those in parish leadership. 8:30 a.m. to noon.

March 23rd

Points to Ponder for Holy Week – Palms, Last Supper & Washing of Feet

March 25th to March 27th During Holy Week

Parishes throughout the diocese will offer extended hours for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. At St. Michael's, the Sacrament will be available on Wednesday March 27 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We will publicize the hours and days at the other Greenwich parishes when those become available.

Prayers for a blessed season of repentance and renewal for each of us!

"Repent and Believe the Good News"

Lent Mass Schedule 2024

Sunday, March 3rd, March 10th & March 17th

We will celebrate the "Scrutinies" with the catechumen who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This will take place during the noon mass on March 3rd and 17th, and at the 9:45 a.m. mass on March 10th.

"Repent and Believe the Good News"



COME IN FAITH. LEAVE WITH HOPE.

God hears our prayers for the renewal of our Church. He will answer them through a life-changing transformation of our own hearts. The **10th**National Eucharistic Congress is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to share Christ's love with a world that so desperately needs it.

Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis Indiana Wednesday, July 17 through Sunday, July 21

Whether you can come for one day or all five, join us for this generational moment.

The diocese has 20 passes that have been pre-paid by the diocese for those who wish to attend the Eucharistic Congress in July 2024.

More information about the event can be found here www.eucharisticcongress.org

The diocesan office for the National Eucharistic Congress will put all names of those who wish to go into a lottery.

The cost for participants is as follows:

Single: \$2,349 per personDouble: \$1,849 per personTriple/Quad: \$1,649 per person

This includes hotel, airfare from New York, ground transportation in Indianapolis, and the registration fee for the Congress. It does not include food not covered by the Congress or participants travel to and parking in New York.

If participants wish to make all travel and hotel reservations on their own, the cost of participating is \$250 for the Congress registration fee.

Hotels are expensive and limited, but families who wish to attend may want to look for vacation rentals.

Submit your name to institute@diobpt.org before March 1, 2024.

Families can submit names as one but must indicate how many people are included in the family.

FAITH FORMATION A lifelong journey, childhood-teens-adults

Lenten Resources



To help families journey through Lent 2024 together, the Diocese of Bridgeport is providing a plethora of resources to make your lent a little lighter.

https://formationreimagined.org/lenten-resources/

Pick up a Lenten calendar in the entrance of the church or download an English or Spanish version of 40 Ways to Enter Into Lent for you, your students, or the whole family.



Repent & Believe the Good News

Take your children to church.

Even if they are on the floor, it's probably because they need to play or a pacifier to keep them calm.

Even if you spend all your time in the back of the church swinging from side to side and holding them.

Even if your child is a turbine or a little hurricane.

Take them to church: let them watch you worship, let them pray and most of all let them watch you sing God's praises.

Let them watch you receive the Eucharist, they will surely follow and imitate you...If they don't see you doing these things and they don't learn from you, who will they learn from?

Children, to a certain extent listen to their parents with their ears but always with their eyes...

But be certain, the world will not teach them who Jesus is, that he is alive in the Word and the Bread of life.

"Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

(Mc 10, 14b)

Lenten Norms...

FAST AND ABSTINENCE: Catholics over the age of 14 years are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and every Friday. All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are required by Church law to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Only one full meal is permitted for people in this age group on those two days, plus two lighter meals. In the case of children under the age of 14, the Church recommends that parents encourage them to perform some kind of voluntary penance suitable for their age.

Here are some outside of the box ideas to consider taking up or giving up during Lent

- Don't take the best spot in the parking lot.
- Make your bed every day or before you leave your room or make someone else's bed!
- Don't leave dishes in the sink overnight.
- Go to Mass once per week in addition to Sunday.
- Give up social media.
- Say a family Rosary once week.
- Do not complain or speak negatively.
- Have dinner as a family.
- Say 3 nice things to your spouse & kids daily.

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https://www.crsricebowl.org/about

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WHEN: April 5th to 7th, 2024 WHERE: Don Bosco Retreat Center, 174 Filors Ln, Stony Point, NY 10980

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James Lalino is an investigative journalist with Project Veritas. James helped bring to light anti-Catholic discrimination within the Greenwich Public School system.

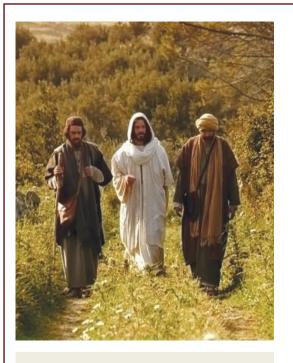
James is also a member of the greater NYC Catholic community.

JOIN US MARCH 7TH | 6:30 PM

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To register online please go to St. Michael's website and select Parish Life>Emmaus>Men's Emmaus under the main menu.

ST MICHAEL PARISH MEN'S EMMAUS VIII

Friday, March 8th - Sunday, March 10th, 2024

Emmaus is a weekend long Retreat where laymen gather to experience the love of God and to grow their faith and their spiritual life. The structure of this Retreat is based on the account in the Gospel of Luke (24:13-35) where two disciples encounter our Risen Christ on the road to Emmaus. Family and friends are invited to attend!

LOCATION: Don Bosco Retreat Center,

174 Filors Ln, Stony Point, NY

ROOM & BOARD: The cost of the weekend is \$350.

This includes a private single room with bathroom and all meals.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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