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MISSION: We are a diverse community of Roman Catholics dedicated to a life of prayer and service to others. We strive to draw closer to God and to remain in God as we journey together, supporting one another to heaven.

March 3, 2024 – 3rd 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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

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MASS

SATURDAY	4:00pm (Vigil Mass)
SUNDAY	11:00am



"Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

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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	Rita S.	Michael
Grace Wohlberg	Mateo	Deacon Joseph
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George Sinclair	Jane G.	Alain C.
Renato P.	Jim W.	Rita C.
Rob S.	Richard C.	Rita D.
Barbara Rigg	Karen Hasterok	

2024 Bishop's Appeal - One In Christ

St. Michael the Archangel Parish 2024 Bishop's Appeal as of 2/29/24

ABA Goal: \$279,500

Total Pledged: \$48,345 (17.30%)

Donors to Date: 32 Donors

The Bishop's Appeal supports the ministries of
the Catholic Church throughout Fairfield County.

If you have not yet given your support,
please prayerfully consider doing so.

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2/19-2/25 Online Giving: \$4,391.15
2/18 Pew Collection: \$6,670.00
2/25 Pew Collection: \$6,422.00

TOTAL: \$17,483.15

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 2, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Mr. & Mrs. Pete Nikitaidis Fr. R
St.T 4:00 PM John McIndoo 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

Monday, March 4, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM Thomas Byczajka

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM Matthew Brown

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM Ryszard F. Tryka Fr. P

Thursday, March 7, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM Joan Huston Fr. P

Friday, March 8, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM Salvatore Cingari Fr. P

Saturday, March 9, 2024

St.M 9:00 AM Rainer Gut Fr. P
St.T 4:00 PM Carol Titcomb
5:00 PM S. I. Isobel Cunningham Fr. P

Sunday, March 10, 2024

St.M 7:30 AM Uriel Marcos Bayer S.C.
8:30 AM S. I. Isobel Cunningham S.C.
9:45 AM Cary May Fr. P
St.T 11:00 AM Jane Pickett
12:00 PM Jim Smith Fr. P
5:00 PM All Parishioners Fr. P

PH: Fr. Paul
R: Fr. Richard

S.C.: Salesian Community
M: Fr. Marcotte

SANCTUARY CANDLE



The week of March 3, 2024

St. Michael

Francis A. Castellano, Patricia D.
Castellano & Maria A. Jensen

St. Timothy

John & Mary Zygmunt



Pastor's Reflection

Third Week of Lent: Woman at the Well

Three quick scenes from this long gospel:

First the Samaritan woman has to fetch water in the heat of the day. She can't go to the well with the other women of the village in the cool of the morning or dusk with the other women because they have branded her "a bad woman." That separation is emblematic of sin, which severs right relationship with God and with God's people. That is the opposite of Shalom, peace, which flows from God's loving mercy of the Covenant.

Second, Jesus risks his own reputation by talking to her. He is willing to pay a price for rescuing her, restoring her to community and to right relationship with God.

Third, after encountering Jesus, the woman becomes an evangelist, sharing the good news of the gift of living water. She leads others to their own encounter with Jesus.

We retell this story in Lent because it evokes baptism, the graces of which Lent renews in us; and we tell it at Eucharist because it evokes the price Christ pays—his body broken, his blood poured out—in order to restore union and communion with God. And it models for us our own mission: to go forth and share the Shalom we receive here with others so they too may encounter the same Jesus, drink deeply of his living water, and can come to declare : we believe , not just because of what you say, but because we have met him and come to know that he is the Christ."

"It joined us together, the well;
the well led me into You.
No one between us but light
deep in the well, the pupil of the eye,
set in an orbit of stones.
Within your eye, I,
drawn by the well,
am enclosed. (Karol Wojtyla)

Next Saturday morning immediately after the 9:00 a.m. mass, we continue our Lenten series with **an Ignatian meditation on the Man Born Blind. It will conclude with the sacrament of anointing of the sick.** Please join us!

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

WORSHIP

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"*

Music Ministry

"Lord, hear our prayer..."

Processional Hymn: "Holy Ground"

Penitential Act

Offertory Song: "As the Deer" (#138)

*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

FAITH FORMATION

A lifelong journey, childhood-teens-adults

Save the date!

Family Stations of the Cross, **March 29th at 6.00pm**

Would your family like to take part in the family stations of the cross? It is a great way to get involved during Lent. We are looking for **children** who would like to read at each station and to be part of a powerful way to share in your faith, and enter into, the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us. Please contact Loren for more details.

Stations of the Cross is a 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus' last day on earth as a man. The 14 devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation. The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individual moves from station to station. At each station, the individual recalls and meditates on a specific event from Christ's last day. Specific prayers are recited, then the individual moves to the next station until all 14 are complete.

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.



If a Parish Isn't Crying, It's Dying. Silence has its place in church, but don't forget that 'God put the wiggle in children.'

My daughter began her preaching career at St. Michael's Church about 10 years ago. The only problem? A priest was delivering his homily at the same time.

As the priest offered his thoughts on the Gospel, my daughter, then 8 months old, shouted and smacked her hands on the back of the pew in front of her. It wasn't long before congregants turned around to find her flashing a mostly toothless smile. During such moments, all parents ponder the same question: At what point does my child become so disruptive that I need to escort her out?

On one occasion I was told "you know there is a cry room in the back." To which I responded, "I know, but my daughter's not crying." I was never one for the "cry room".

People approached my husband and I after Mass and, rather than offer veiled remarks about how "spirited" our child was, told us that our daughter was destined for the choir when she was older. 10 years on, she is an altar server and serves every Sunday without fail.

Silence has its place, and most parents try to keep their children quiet, a task that often requires ingenuity. I never thought I would spend most Sundays feeding my child Cheerios and crackers from my sweaty palms or urging them to keep quiet while helping them flip through a book or two, but that's what worked for that season. It doesn't always go according to plan, and many parents are tempted to rush out at the first squawk.

Pope Francis, who famously loves babies and has encouraged mothers to feel comfortable breastfeeding during Mass, seems to agree. In 2014 he said, "It really irritates me when I see a child crying in church, and someone says they must go out. God's voice is in a child's tears." Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me,"

"The presence of children is a gift to the Church, and they are a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents."

To parents of small children, if you leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. Everyone is welcome!

BUILDING COMMUNITY AND SERVICE



ST MICHAEL PARISH MEN'S EMMAUS VIII

Friday, March 8th -
Sunday, March 10th

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:

Emmaus.sm.men@gmail.com

Joe Fonti (917) 805-8594

Oscar Gutierrez (646) 896 4333

David Falk (203) 414-0768



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

St. Michael's Women's Emmaus IX Retreat

A retreat centered on Luke 24:13-35



REGISTER HERE

Registration now open through QR code or at <https://www.stmichaelgreenwich.com/>

Experience God's love, within a community of women, away from the distractions and demands of everyday life. It is a time we set aside for personal encounter with our loving God, so alive and present in our midst.

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.

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HERE**



CT MARCH FOR LIFE IN HARTFORD

Date: Wednesday, March 20th

Depart: from St. Michael 10:10 am

Arrive Home: back to St. Michael 4:05 pm

COST: \$15.00

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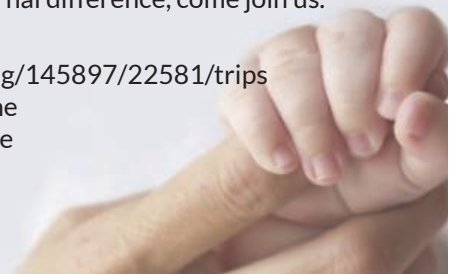
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Last year the trip up and the rally as a whole were experiences marked by joy, compassion, and good fellowship. If you need an uplifting experience that makes an eternal difference, come join us.

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<http://rally.co/booking/145897/22581/trips>

or contact Loren in the Faith Formation office to help you sign up.



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