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of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Bridgeport
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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.

FEBRUARY 5, 2023
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH • LITURGY SCHEDULE

MASS

MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00am (No Tuesday Mass)
SATURDAY 9:00am & 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)
SUNDAY 7:30am, 8:30am, 9:45am, 12:00pm & 5:00pm

CONFESSION

WEDNESDAY 9:30-11:00am & 6:30-8:00pm
SATURDAY 4:15-4:45pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

WEDNESDAY 9:30AM-8:00PM

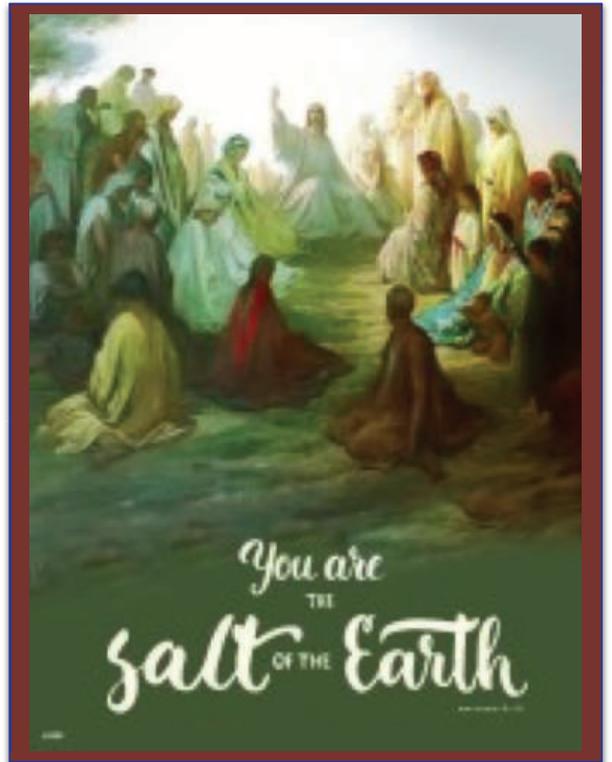
ST. TIMOTHY CHAPEL • 1034 NORTH STREET

MASS

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

We are glad you are here!

Welcome to our Parish Family!
Feel free to speak with Father Richard Murphy regarding our Parish. You can register from our website at:
Stmichaelgreenwich.com



Dates to Remember:

February 22nd – Ash Wednesday
February 24th – Emmaus Men's Retreat

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Frank Z.	DI
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Aline Oddi	JF
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 4, 2023

St.T 4:00 PM Paul Taylor Fr. R
5:00 PM Sean Edward Furey Fr. P

Sunday, February 5, 2023

St.M 7:30 AM All Parishioners Fr. M
8:30 AM Delores Nichol Fr. R
9:45 AM S.I. Teresa Mutz Fr. P
St.T 11:00 AM Richard Nedder Fr. M
12:00 PM Terry Bond Fr. R
5:00 PM S.I. Adriana Eyzayaga Fr. R

Monday, February 6, 2023

St.M 9:00 AM Fiona Derges

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

St.M 9:00 AM Pierre Daviron

Thursday, February 9, 2023

St.M 9:00 AM Hannelore Christa & Edward Bresnan

Friday, February 10, 2023

St.M 9:00 AM Elia Gabina Guzman

Saturday, February 11, 2023

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Moran Family Fr. R
St.T 4:00 PM Claire Davies Fr. R
St.M 5:00 PM S.I. The Riera Family Fr. P

R: Fr. Richard
P: Fr. Perrella

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

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The week of February 5, 2023



St. Michael
Special Intentions

St. Timothy
All Parishioners

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Baptisms are generally celebrated on Sundays. Please call the parish office to register and arrange for a Baptism, and to sign up for a pre-Baptismal class.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesdays 9:30-11:00am, 6:30-8pm and Saturdays 4:15-4:45pm

Marriage: Those wishing to get married are required to meet with a priest of the parish at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

OBEDIENCE

Fr. Parella and I had a nice discussion over a meal the other day and one of the topics that came up was that of the value of obedience. We were noting how devalued the notion of obedience has become not only in our culture but even in our faith.

I understand how people seem to put more emphasis on the gift of doing something motivated by the feeling of love. It is certainly a great motivator and seems to be the most genuine and pure. But that does not mean it is more important than being motivated by obedience.

There are times in our life and hopefully many, that out of a sense of devotion, empathy or affection that we do the right thing toward God or others. There are also many times that we are challenged to do the right thing toward God and others when there is little or no devotion, empathy or affection. These emotions are nice but they are also transitory and unreliable. There are times when out of such emotions we do the wrong thing such as enabling people in their bad behavior rather than lovingly challenging them to do better.

If we only go to mass when it is pleasant, or convenient we will not go weekly as we are commanded to by the third commandment and our church as Christ has established it. If we go when we do not “feel” like it, I believe it is a higher act of love active through obedience to God. The world, the flesh and the devil can easily affect our emotional state. The great saints did what was right in keeping with God’s will for them as best they knew it, no matter how devoted, empathetic or affectionate they felt.

I prayed the rosary for many years out of mere obedience because I believe our Blessed Mother asked us to at Fatima on behalf of the conversion of sinners. I prayed it many times with little emotion, or spiritual insight. In time I have come to value the daily rosary almost as much as the mass in how God has ministered to me, and others, through this devotion. I have had some of my most important encounters with God and His revelation as a result of being “obedient” faithful to praying the rosary.

When our Blessed Mother instructed us, “me” to pray the rosary daily for the conversion of sinners, I didn’t realize she meant me as one of them. I am glad she did.

God has told us in His word, “I desire obedience, not sacrifice.” The greatest act of obedience was when Christ embraced and accomplished His passion, death and resurrection. He did not feel like doing it, but He knew His Father wanted Him to do it, and so we have the open door of His pierced heart for our opportunity of salvation. Be obedient to God as best you can and see what He can do with it and know that it pleases Him, and after all, isn’t that the best reason for anything?

Fr. Richard

MUSIC DIRECTOR – FRANK MATHIS

Processional Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy" (#213)

Glory to God: #884

Offertory Hymn: "This Little Light of Mine"
Traditional Spiritual

Holy, Holy, Holy: #885

When We Eat This Bread: #886

Amen: #887

Lamb of God: #888

Communion Hymn: **Piano Solo Meditation**

Recessional Hymn: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" (#176)

--Frank

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World renowned speaker and author Christopher West, along with award winning musician, Mike Mangione, are coming to St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Greenwich with a beautiful multimedia event called MADE FOR MORE: VISIONS OF THE PROMISED LAND. Bring family and friends. Anyone 12 years or age and up. No one should miss this awesome and inspiring event!

For more information about the event, or to purchase your tickets today, go to

<https://M4MGreenwich.eventbrite.com>. Tickets are \$25.

Please contact Loren Procaccini at 203-869-5421 or by email at reledstmichael@gmail.com if you have any questions.



ST MICHAEL PARISH
MEN'S EMMAUS VII

Friday February 24th -
Sunday February 26th

Emmaus Retreat

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.

Like those disciples who were transformed in a profound manner, we can become so wrapped up in our own feelings that we do not realize that it is Jesus who is accompanying us as we journey in this life while on earth.

Participants, referred to as “walking disciples”, renew and strengthen their relationship with Jesus Christ in a unique way. The weekend is enveloped in prayer and grace-filled times of worship, singing, and the celebration of the Mass and Sacraments.

You will have the opportunity to meet and build relationships with others with whom to share your journey towards Heaven!

LOCATION

Don Bosco Retreat Center
174 Filors Ln, Stony Point, NY

ROOM & BOARD: The cost of the weekend is \$300. This includes a private single room with bathroom and all meals.

CHECK IN : Registration will start at 5:45 pm on Friday February 24th

RETREAT CLOSING : It will conclude on Sunday February 26th at 5:00 pm with Mass. Family and friends are invited to attend!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: Emmaus.sm.men@gmail.com

Nacho Mendive (917) 603-1776

Pere Costa (914) 450-8225

TO REGISTER: [Registration Emmaus VII Retreat Mens Walking Disciples](#)

What's taking place in February...

Feb. 9 - Mommy & Me Music Class

Feb. 10 - Youth Group

Feb. 19 - 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Prep

Feb. 23 - Mommy & Me Music Class

Feb. 27 - Family Formation, Grades 1-6

**Becoming a Confirmation sponsor?
What is your role?...**

The sponsor's function is to make sure that the person confirmed behaves as a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfills the duties inherent in this sacrament."

A sponsor has a great honor and responsibility to be a witness of Christ and help the confirmed throughout their lifelong faith journey.

8th Grade Confirmation Requirements

8th grade students should be working on their confirmation requirements and have them ready to hand into the Faith Formation office by April 1st.

All forms can be downloaded from St. Michael's website at www.stmichaelgreenwich.com/confirmation



Congratulations to the boys and girls who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this weekend. May they always feel God's love and mercy. They will now be preparing for the sacrament of the Eucharist. Please pray for them as they continue their journey of faith.

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YOUTH GROUP OF GREENWICH**



ST. MICHAEL AND ST. MARY PARISH
COMMUNITY YOUTH GROUP FOR AGES 12-18

After a long week of school, bring your friends and have fun. Start the New Year with prayer, fun social activities, and community service, all working towards your personal growth.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Friday Evenings, 6:30 PM to 8 PM

- Jan. 27th at St Mary - Church tour and Mass Lecture Presentation by Larry Mabes
- Feb. 10th at St Michael
- Feb. 24th from 7:30 pm to 9 pm - Ice Skating at Dorothy Hamill Ice Rink
- Mar. 10th at St Michael - Teen Adoration and Confession evening
- Mar. 24th at St Mary - Taco night and making Rosaries for the Communion Classes
- Mar. 27th from 7:30 pm to 9 pm at St. Michael - Made for More Event

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If you were unable to join us to hear the story of *Sheli* by the author Deanna Danielle and purchase her book, please stop into the parish office to pick up a book today for your children or grandchildren to enjoy.



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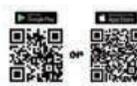
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