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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 1, 2026 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH • LITURGY SCHEDULE

MASS

MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00am
SATURDAY 9:00am & 5:15pm (Vigil Mass)
SUNDAY 8:00am, 9:45am, 12:00pm & 5:15 pm

CONFESSION

THURSDAY 9:30am-11:00am & 5:30pm-7:00pm
SATURDAY After the 5:15pm Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

THURSDAY 9:30am-7:00pm
SATURDAY 8:00am-9:00am

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MASS

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

Good news: we have low-gluten hosts!

Please tell the priest, at least ten minutes before the start of mass, that you would like to receive one.



THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED;
listen to him.

MATTHEW 17:5

To stay informed, all current information is on our website and look for the Friday Eblasts! To sign up, go to the "Contact" page on our website and "Join Our Email List"

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OFFERTORY

Your Lenten Almsgiving

St. Paul instructs us to give willingly and regularly - "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7. This reinforces that Almsgiving should be intentional, joyful and **consistent**.

Offertory is **DOWN** versus last year. What is keeping us afloat? One-time gifts and fundraisers, such as the Jubilee Gala and Golf Outing. What does the parish operating budget and our 25 ministries need to stay vibrant? **An Offertory supported by the entire parish community.**

Please prayerfully consider giving \$45 weekly, \$165 monthly or \$2,000 annually by registering for **online giving** – see below for details – for **consistent stewardship** when out of town or during this snowy winter season which prevents consistent giving at Mass due to low attendance. Your generosity supports the continued growth of our parish. Thank you.

-Fr. Paul D. Holland, S.J.

Offertory Matters

Your responsible stewardship funds our mission of:

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Thank you for your generous support of our parish home!

Responsible Stewardship

Due to the publication printing schedule and the weather, we will report the collections for February 22nd in the March 8th bulletin.

**Weekly Offertory Goal to Meet
Operating Budget: \$17,500**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 28, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Uriel Marcos Bayer	Fr. R
St.T	4:00 PM	Lorenzo Contadino	Fr. R
	5:15 PM	Patricia D. Castellano and Robert R. FitzRoy	Fr. P

Sunday, March 1, 2026

St.M	8:00 AM	S. I. Mark Winhoffer	Fr. R
	9:45 AM	Matthew Brown	Fr. P
St.T	11:00 AM	Michael Pratt	Fr. M
	12:00 PM	John Farella	Fr. P
	5:15 PM	All Parishioners	Fr. R

Monday, March 2, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Breton Marr	
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Tuesday, March 3, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	James Alexandro, Christine Pulumbo, S. I. the Donnelly Family	
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Wednesday, March 4, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Anita Gallagher	
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Thursday, March 5, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Phyllis and George Bologna	
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Friday, March 6, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Roni Schmitz	
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Saturday, March 7, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Wieslaw Rakoczy	Fr. R
St.T	4:00 PM		Fr. P
	5:15 PM	Francis A. Castellano and Maria A. Jensen	Fr. R

Sunday, March 8, 2026

St.M	8:00 AM	Uriel Marcos Bayer	Fr. P
	9:45 AM	Tony Monjaly	Fr. R
St.T	11:00 AM	George Matta	Fr. P
	12:00 PM	Russell and Barbara Rigg	Fr. R
	5:15 PM	All Parishioners	Fr. P

P: Fr. Paul R: Fr. Richard M: Fr. Marcotte

SANCTUARY CANDLE



The week of March 1, 2026

St. Michael

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

St. Timothy

John and Mary Zygmunt



Pastor's Reflection

THE GIFT OF MEMORY

Some years ago, I saw a show focused on people who possessed a seemingly superhuman ability to remember. The host would throw out a random date and the person would instantaneously recite even the most minute details of that day as he or she experienced it. They could remember if it were raining or sunny, what they were wearing and the details of the surroundings. Even we who have poor memories can recall some details of where we were when we heard news of, or experienced, significant events like the Challenger disaster, or when we witnessed or were told of the horrific events of 9/11; but not to the detailed degree these individuals could recall random dates or the historical events. One person said it is both a gift and a curse. One woman said she would love to be able to forget things.

God has given humanity a great gift in the ability to remember and reflect on memories. Even painful memories have great benefit if processed properly. If it were not for the ability to remember we would be doomed to continually start over again, learning how to operate things, learning the lessons of life experience, and contemplating wonders.

This Sunday which is the second Sunday of Lent we are called to remember, along with the apostles, Jesus transfigured. The apostles, Peter, James and John were invited to witness this remarkable event as Jesus let them have a glimpse of His Glory as the God/man. The early church understood that one of the reasons they were given this gift was to steel them against the trauma they would experience soon after when in Jerusalem their Lord and Messiah would be betrayed by one of their own and handed over to religious and civil authorities to be tortured and crucified.

Their seeing the joyous event of the Transfigured Jesus talking with Moses and Elijah would no doubt help keep them from complete despair as their world was rocked. Yes, they would be angry, confused and grief stricken even though they witnessed the Glory of Jesus, but the memory of His Glory would help them hold on long enough to keep the band of disciples going until the resurrection. It may have been a different story had they not been able to recall what they experienced on the holy mountain that day.

How many times has God given us experiences of His providential deliverance, His gift of letting us feel consolation to know He is near and to be trusted; These experiences were not of the magnitude of the Transfiguration but at the time seemed unforgettably assuring. It is easy with the passing of time or the experiencing of trials to forget such experiences. That is when we must make an effort to recall His power to save and triumph over challenges. Like the apostles we are given encounters with God to one degree or another. We are to recall them to help inspire us to persevere and enable us to fortify others who are struggling.

Lent is an excellent time to begin the practice of prayerfully recalling God's goodness to us and our ancestors in the faith through salvation history. We can write them in a journal to help us remember. It is easy to remember negative experiences and hurts, let us put effort into being mindful of the blessings and gifts of God. One of my favorite gospel songs is "God on the Mountain", which speaks of our never changing God being the same in good times and bad times, and He is to be trusted. Remember God on the mountain because He is still God in the valley.

--Fr. Richard Murphy
Associate Pastor, St. Michael the Archangel Parish



Lent: A Journey of Hope

As we enter the holy season of **Lent**, the Church invites us to deepen our lives of **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving**. These sacred practices draw us closer to Christ and strengthen our communion with one another.



Lent is a journey of the heart, a time to reflect on God's mercy, renew our commitment to the Gospel, and grow in hope. This hope is not meant to be kept to ourselves; it reaches out, lifts up, and transforms lives.

United as **One in Christ**, we are called to share this hope with our brothers and sisters throughout our diocese. As you prayerfully make your Lenten sacrifices, please consider offering a gift to the **Bishop's Appeal**. Your generosity becomes a living sign of hope and a witness to our shared mission as the Church.

Be assured of our prayers as you begin your Lenten journey. May this season draw us ever closer to Christ and to one another.

Make your gift to the Bishop's Appeal today! Visit: 2026BishopsAppeal.org



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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Jim W.	George Sinclair	Kelly
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Michael	Mark H.	Yvonne Williams
A. M. C.	Patrick F	Michael Sabia
Alain C.	Michelle P.	The adult
Rita C.	Allison Radzin	children of
Rita D.	Jasmine Drake	Polly & Freddy
A. C. Z.		William E. Jensen



New Day Bereavement Program

Spring Session registration
now open.

Tuesday mornings,
March 3 – April 28, 10–11:30am
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4 Riverside Ave., Riverside
www.Thegrief.org
Carolyn Killian - 203-404-0023

Shawl Ministry

The Shawl Ministry needs new members to knit, crochet and quilt the prayer shawl given to the sick of the Parish, friends and family. These gifts of prayers and comforting embrace go to those undergoing medical procedures, recovering from illness, grieving a loss, or nursing a new baby. Want to help but don't know how to knit? No problem! We will teach you! Please call Gerri Russo at 914-672-5849.

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Host Our Blessed Mother Mary in your home for one week to pray as a family

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Similar to asking a friend to pray for you, we ask Mary to intercede with Jesus on our behalf, a role exemplified at the wedding at Cana

Breaking Open the Word

Every Thursday during Lent
 7:15pm in the Parish Center



Contact the parish office for more details 203-869-5421



Emmaus for Men Retreat X
 March 13-15, 2026

"They asked one another: were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"
 Luke 24:13

Emmaus for Men Retreat X
 (10th Anniversary)

A weekend-long experience led by laymen, inspired by the Gospel of Luke (Luke 24:13-35), where two disciples encounter the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus.

WHEN / WHERE:
 FRIDAY, March 13 to SUNDAY, March 15, 2026
 Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
 40 W. Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743

COST: \$350 all-inclusive; Covers private room with bath, meals, snacks, and materials. (If you feel called to join us but finances are a concern, **please reach out!**)

REGISTRATION: Scan QR Code, or visit www.stmichaelgreenwich.com/mens-emmaus

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FAITH FORMATION

A lifelong journey, childhood-teens-adults

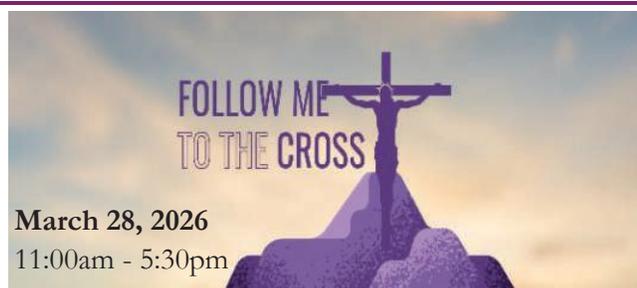
Faith Formation Reimagined...New Year, New Logo!

Our mission is *to support each family member's growth on their faith journey with Christ through prayer, encounter and accompaniment*. Our new logo reflects our mission and commitment to reaching our goals.

1. To increase the perception of a more spiritual lifestyle and a sense of purpose for the future.
2. To increase knowledge and understanding of the importance of the Catholic faith.
3. To rejuvenate parents and families to help them fall in love with the Eucharist, which is the foundation of our faith.



Under the umbrella of Faith Formation reimagined and enhanced by our new logo, “a lifelong journey, childhood-teens-adults” we express the excitement as we venture into Ministering to the Youth of St. Michael Parish with **CYM** (Comprehensive Youth Ministry) and **Beyond**, highlighting growth of Faith Formation for every age.



St. Matthew Church

216 Scribner Ave. Norwalk, CT 06854

Bishop Caggiano invites our high school youth to a special Lenten encounter! This one-day event includes: Live Stations of the Cross, Youth Witness Talk, Eucharistic Procession, Rosary, Lenten Service Project, Praise & Worship Adoration, Celebration of Mass with Bishop Caggiano. Lunch is included, and Confessions are available. Use the QR to register.

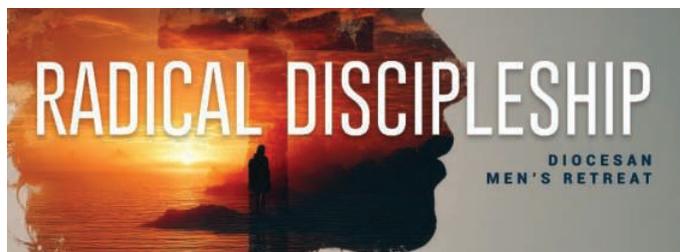
The cost is \$35
(students may request a scholarship).



Lenten Resources

To help families journey through Lent 2026 together, the Diocese of Bridgeport is providing a plethora of resources to make your lent a little lighter.

You can also download an English or Spanish version of **40 Ways to Enter Into Lent** for you, your students, or the whole family.



Rooted in *Radical Discipleship*, this year's men's

retreat invites participants to reflect on what it means to follow Jesus with courage, conviction, and trust. Guided by **Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR**, the retreat offers prayer, reflection, and fraternity to help men grow in faith and live as authentic disciples in their families, parishes, and communities.

This event includes - Celebration of Mass with Bishop Caggiano - Praise & Worship Adoration - Eucharistic Procession/Icon Procession - Small Group Reflection Discussions - Panel Discussion on Radical Discipleship – Time for confessions - Breakfast and Lunch.

March 14, 2026, 7:00am - 3:00pm, St. Catherine of Siena, Trumbull.



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