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March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday

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

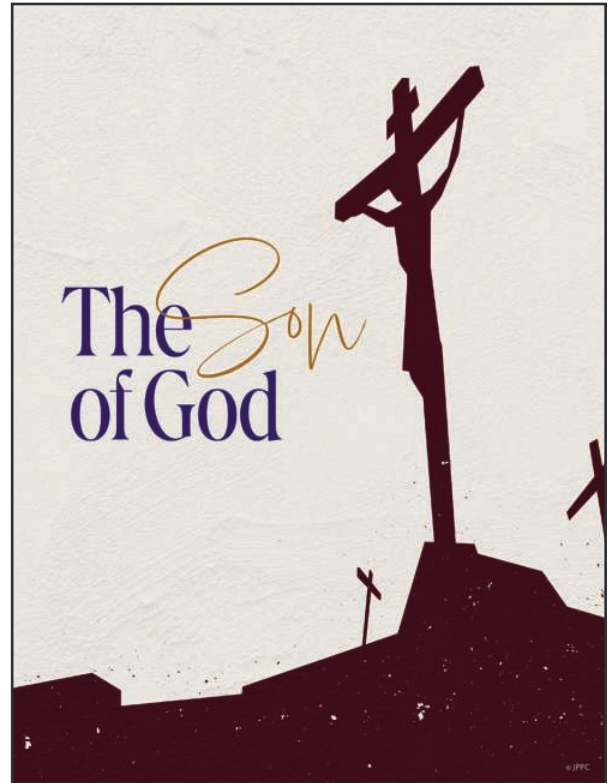
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MASS

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

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



The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, April 2nd, Friday, April 3rd and Monday, April 6th.

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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.

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Grace Wohlberg	Laura	John Paul
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Rita S.	M.D.	Matthew F.
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Frank Z.	Magtibay	Kelly Berry
Jane G.	George Sinclair	Bill M.
Jim W.	Peter O'Neil	Yvonne Williams
Richard C.	Mark H.	Michael Sabia
Michael	Patrick F	The adult children of
A. M. C.	Michelle P.	Polly & Freddy
Alain C.	Allison Radzin	William E. Jensen
Rita C.	Jasmine Drake	
Rita D.	Stephen	
A. C. Z.	DiCologero	

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 28, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	William McAndrews	Fr. R
St.T	4:00 PM	Richard Kennedy	Fr. R
	5:15 PM	Pasquale Martinucci	Fr. P

Sunday, March 29, 2026 - Palm Sunday

St.M	8:00 AM	Frank Docimo	Fr. R
	9:45 AM	S. I. Joanna Rakoczy	Fr. P
St.T	11:00 AM	All Parishioners	Fr. R
	12:00 PM	Miranda Sabia	Fr. P
	5:15 PM		Fr. R

Monday, March 30, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Rita & George Oxer
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Tuesday, March 31, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Lorenzo Contadino
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Wednesday, April 1, 2026

St.M	9:00 AM	Anita Gallagher
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Thursday, April 2, 2026 - Holy Thursday

St.M	9:00 AM	No Mass
	7:00 PM	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
	8:30 PM	Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	9:15 PM	Night Prayer

Friday, April 3, 2026 - Good Friday

St.M	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer (No Mass)	Fr. P
	3:00 PM	Liturgy of the Passion	Fr. P
	6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Fr. R
	9:15 PM	Night Prayer	Fr. P

Saturday, April 4, 2026 - Holy Saturday

St.M	9:00 AM	Morning Prayer (No Mass)	Fr. P
St.T	4:00 PM	No Mass	
	5:15 PM	No Mass	
	8:00 PM	Easter Vigil	Fr. P

Sunday, April 5, 2026 - Easter

St.M	8:00 AM		Fr. R
	9:45 AM		Fr. P
St.T	11:00 AM		Fr. R
	12:00 PM		Fr. P
	5:15 PM	No Mass	

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

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3/16-3/22 Online Giving: \$3,797.00
3/22 Pew Collection: \$11,418.00
Total: \$15,215.00

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

SANCTUARY CANDLE



The week of March 29, 2026

St. Michael

St. Timothy

John and Mary Zygmunt



Pastor's Reflection

PALM SUNDAY

This Sunday is most commonly known as Palm Sunday. It is also called Passion Sunday. I am not sure why Palm wins out over Passion, but in speculation let us enter into a meditation. At first, I imagine that we gravitate to Palm over Passion the same way we gravitate to that which is most pleasant. We find people leaning toward calling funeral masses a celebration of life. We also recall victories of our favorite teams more often than losses. That is why on the YES network, when they have a game on Yankee classics it is of course always a win for the Yankees. There have been some classic blunders, I can tell you!

But then I thought this might not be the reason, we are not necessarily a "glass half full" people. Think of how we remember one criticism for ages and don't hold onto a hundred compliments for more than a minute or two.

Why Palm over Passion? I have no answer. The Mass starts with the blessing of palms and reading the gospel recalling Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem with waving of palm branches in a procession; That is unique and celebratory. There is also the added fun of getting to play with the palm branch in the seat and make crosses during the homily while discarding the shreds, UGH! A nice memory overall.

But what about the passion? There we recount Jesus' humiliating, torturous, way of the cross as He eventually cries out, "Into Your hands I commend my Spirit;" And breaths His last; That is ugly, and if we let it be, convicting, for our sins put him there. Maybe that is what we would rather forget. Life, though beautiful and full of blessings and opportunities, it is also pocked with suffering and sacrifice. We may not want to meditate on Christ crucified when things are nice and easy but it sure is a comfort and strength when we are going through the trial. It is good to know that our God did not sit out the tough aspects of this world, rather, He entered into them. He walks with us through every aspect of life and so inspires us and imbues all things with meaning.

One of my favorite quotes which I first heard from pope Benedict XVI is, "Jesus did not enter the world to eradicate suffering but rather to walk with us in it." That statement has been a great help for me. I have also seen that realization bring comfort to many as I try to minister to them in their time of distress. They can begin to believe that God has not abandoned them or failed them, but is with them.

Yes, the palm procession with it's Hosannas to the Son of David are memorable and joyfully inspiring as we contemplate the approach of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. But it was His willingness to lay down His life for us that enabled the divine victory over Satan, sin and death. As St. Paul reminds us in his letter to the Philippians, "And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on the cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name." (2:8,9) Walk with Jesus in all aspects of life, He walks with you. As Phil Wickham says in his song about Good Friday, "Friday is Good because Sunday is coming."

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

Holy Week

Holy Thursday April 2nd

(No Morning Mass)

Mass

7:00pm

Night Prayer

9:15pm

Good Friday April 3rd

(No Morning Mass)

Morning Prayer

9:00am

Confessions

Noon-2:30pm

Liturgy of the Passion

3:00pm

Stations of the Cross

6:00pm

Night Prayer

9:15pm

Holy Saturday April 4th

(No Morning Mass)

Morning Prayer

9:00am

Easter Vigil

8:00 pm

(followed by
reception for the
four neophytes)

(NO 4pm or 5:15pm
Mass)

Easter Sunday April 5th

St. Michael Masses at
8:00am

9:45am

(plus Easter egg hunt)

noon

St. Timothy 11:00am

(NO 5:15pm Mass)

Help needed! Baptismal Bibs Ministry

Do you know how to sew?

We are currently are looking for someone to help take over the Baptismal Bibs Ministry.

When we baptize infants, we place upon them a white "bib," a miniature version of the white alb the priest wears.

These white garments are a key symbol in the baptism rite, and we need ministers to help fashion them.

**Please call our office 203-869-5421
for more information and to volunteer.**

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.

BUILDING COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

FORE!

The 2026 Annual Saint Michael the Archangel Golf Outing will be held on Monday, June 15th at the Griff Harris GC in Greenwich.

Sign up early to participate as a golfer, sponsor of both! Details including the Golf Entry Form may be found on the parish website. Alternatively, you may contact Mike Nedder at mcnedder@gmail.com or 914-329-1242 for him to email you the form or answer any of your questions.

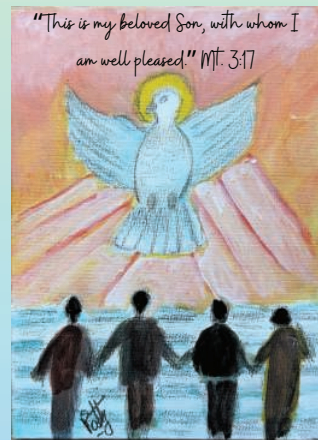
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For more information contact:

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Stories like Aaron's are made possible through the **Bishop's Appeal**. Your generosity helps ensure that our neighbors in crisis are met with dignity, compassion, and the love of Christ.


Thank you for supporting **Catholic Charities** and for helping transform lives through the Bishop's Appeal.

Make your gift to the Bishop's Appeal today!

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2026 BISHOP'S APPEAL - ONE IN CHRIST

St. Michael the Archangel Parish	
2026 Bishop's Appeal as of 3/20/26	
Bishop's Appeal Goal:	\$279,500.00
Total Pledged:	\$174,218 (62%)
Donors to Date:	82 Donors
	To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2026BishopsAppeal.org , call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

Your Lenten Almsgiving

Paul, (the Saint, not me the pastor!), characteristically begins his letters to the churches with a word of gratitude: "I give thanks to my God for all of you" (Rom. 1:8) and he considered the goal of his ministry to increase the amount of thanksgiving directed toward God: "Grace will come more abundantly upon you and great will be the thanksgiving for the glory of God." (2 Cor 4:15). In that light, Paul exhorts the community at Corinth: "*Let each one give what he decided upon personally, and not reluctantly as if obliged. God loves a cheerful giver.*" (2 Cor 9:7.) As one of the three disciplines of Lent, along with prayer and fasting, Almsgiving then becomes intentional, joyful and **consistent**.

I too begin by expressing my gratitude for your generosity to the parish, to the annual Bishop's Appeal, and to the several extra collections like the Thanksgiving drive and the F.I.A.T. projects.

Our basic offertory collections, however, are **DOWN** compared to last year. Winter weather has significantly impacted Sunday mass attendance. We are kept solvent by generous one-time gifts and by our fundraisers, such as the Jubilee Gala and Golf Outing.

And we want to do more than just "stay afloat and keep the lights on." We want to flourish. And so, our parish operating budget and the twenty-five ministries it funds need an **Offertory supported by the entire parish community**.

Please prayerfully consider exercising **consistent stewardship**, even when you are out of town or the weather prevents your attending mass, by registering for **online giving** – see below for details –. Giving \$45 weekly, \$165 monthly or \$2,000 annually will underwrite St. Michael's **many ministries**, and our **one mission**, to give witness and service to the Reign of God, until God's "kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Thank you.

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



FAITH FORMATION

A lifelong journey, childhood-teens-adults


Family stations!!

Stations of the Cross led by children of our parish!

Friday, April 3rd at 6.00pm

A great way for your children to get involved during Lent, to share in the faith, and enter into, the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us.


Family Resources...to help grow in our faith



The Digital Pantry

Use this quick reference guide to search for all the digital resources, games, and ministry opportunities offered to you by the Institute for Catholic Formation.

SCAN ME!



Games
Fun ways to learn and explore the Catholic faith.

Children & Families
Faith resources for young children and families

Teens and Families
Activities for older kids, teens, and the whole family.

All Ages
Faith-based resources that everyone can enjoy.

Ministry Leaders
Tools and ideas for leading faith formation and ministry.

Easter Egg hunt

Sunday, April 5th
After the 9:45am Mass

All children up to 6th
grade welcome

Thank you to the
Woods family for
donating approx. 3000
eggs for our annual
Easter Egg hunt!

CYM – What’s Up?

This past Sunday our teens took a short journey through the Triduum. The engaging mini retreat, focused on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, included scripture, reflective journaling, and tangible take-home items symbolizing these Sacred Days.

St. Michael **C**omprehensive **Y**outh **M**inistry (CYM) is open to teens in grades 6-12 and gather on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. Our next gathering is **April 12**.
 Middle School 10:45am-11:45am
 High School 6:30pm-7:45pm

Note: A special event for high school will be on April 12 and offered at a different time. More details to come.



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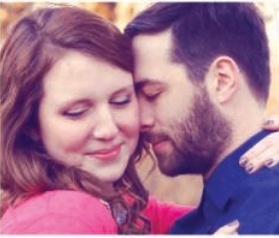
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