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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.

August 2, 2026 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH • LITURGY SCHEDULE

MASS

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

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.

They all ate and were satisfied.

Matthew 14:20



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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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

We will be updating the **Prayers for the Sick** for **August**. Please be so kind to email (ParishOffice@stmichaelgreenwichct.org) or call (203- 869-5421) the parish office with names you would like to add or keep on the list by **August 9**.

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Rita S.	Angie C	Matthew F.
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Responsible Stewardship

Due to the publication printing schedule, we will report the collections for July 26th in the August 9th bulletin.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 1, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Fr. Richard Murphy
St.T 4:00 PM Danielle Tassio
5:15 PM S.I. Katherine Rakoczy-Peck

Sunday, August 2, 2026

St.M 8:00 AM Emmanuel E. Almeda, Jr.
9:45 AM Richard W. Kennedy
St.T 11:00 AM Michael & Susan O'Hora
12:00 PM All Parishioners

Monday, August 3, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM Joe Finn

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Jola Michelska

Wednesday, August 5, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. The Lebida Family

Thursday, August 6, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM John Brendan Halpin

Friday, August 7, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM Wieslaw Rakoczy

Saturday, August 8, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Anna P. Napolitano
St.T 4:00 PM Lorenzo Contadino
5:15 PM Matilde Sabia

Sunday, August 9, 2026

St.M 8:00 AM Uriel Marcos Bayer
9:45 AM All Parishioners
St.T 11:00 AM S.I. Michael Forte
12:00 PM Jo Carol Guastello

We are now receiving requests for Mass intentions for dates in 2027. Due to the large number of requests, we must limit them to two per month.

For Mass intentions or Sanctuary Candle intentions, please contact Stephanie Gambino in the office.

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

SANCTUARY CANDLE



The week of August 2, 2026

St. Michael

St. Timothy

John and Mary Zygmunt



Pastor's Reflection

I'll be on retreat the next two weeks, so I offer a reflection, extended over two weekends, on the opportunities of these waning days of summer. My jumping off point is St. Paul's bold declaration that nothing can separate us from the love of God made manifest in Christ Jesus; and that emblem of summer itself, a bottle of ketchup! (No, I have not lost my mind!)

Ketchup points us towards the summer cook-outs and barbecues, where it is used as nature intends, on hamburgers and maybe French fries, and not, heaven forbid, on hot dogs! And barbecues and cook-outs are wonderful antidotes to our usual ways of acting.

So many families hardly see one another in the course of the week---meals wolfed down as they rush to another soccer game or music practice, evening meetings or work requirements.

So often our next-door neighbors, our extended families, our long-time friends, become little more than strangers to us, as we have no time to stop and socialize and share with them.

But a cook-out changes all that. We have to stop, plan, fuss with all the details of food and fire, and then we sit together and reconnect, as the unmistakable aromas of burgers and dogs and ribs fill our nostrils.

So let ketchup be a reminder, and invitation to take time this summer to gather the folks, share the stories and break bread together, as family and extended family. After all, that's what we mean to do at each Eucharist, as the love of Christ binds us together; for nothing can separate us from the love of God.

There's another important aspect of ketchup. It's very ordinary, almost boringly simple. Your kitchen spice rack probably has "parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme" along with allspice, saffron, mace, and cinnamon. Even mustard can occupy a rather complex niche: honey mustard, deli mustard, Dijon and stone ground and spicy brown, and, of course, "Grey Poupon."

But ketchup comes in just one variety: tomato.

Yet wouldn't you miss it if it weren't there? What would that hamburger be like without it?

The same is true of our ordinary, daily lives. Every day there are miracles of grace which we miss, precisely because they seem so ordinary and routine.

Every day the sun rises and sets, yet each one no less a miracle, if we but stop to watch and receive as gift.

Our lives, our heartbeat, our breath, our minds and bodies, our ability to laugh and to cry and to wonder---all these are miracles, and they are not diminished just because they are daily gifts from God.

Indeed, we can take God for granted. The Sign of the Cross can become routine and unthinking. Scripture, the very Word of God, can become so much background noise. Receiving Eucharist, the very Body and Blood of Christ, can become just another stroll down the aisle on our way out the door.

But how would we live without those ordinary, everyday gifts of sun and stars, of body and mind, of prayer and scripture and Eucharist? If they were gone, who and what would we be?

Think about the hamburger without the condiment! Then maybe that ordinary ketchup might be a sacramental, a reminder that the ordinary contains the indispensable.

Next weekend, one additional reflection on summer, ketchup and the love of God. I hope you look forward to it in "anticipation" (cue Carly Simon and the Heinz ad!)

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



Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15

Join us on August 15 as we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast honors Mary's Assumption into heaven, body and soul, and reminds us of God's promise of eternal life and the resurrection of the body. Although it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, all parishioners are encouraged to attend Mass and join us in prayer.

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.

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

Lost & Found

A gold charm bracelet was found and remains unclaimed. The bracelet appears to have sentimental value and is engraved with the words "Love Jack." If you believe it may be yours, or know someone who has lost a charm bracelet, please contact the parish office and provide a detailed description to help us identify the rightful owner.



**Are you Interested in
becoming Catholic?**

**Learning more about the
Catholic Faith?**

**Do you wish to receive
the Sacraments?**

Jesus said, "Come, and you will see."

John 1: 39

Are you—or someone you know—interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the process by which teens, young adults, adults and couples are welcomed into the Catholic Church through prayer, study, fellowship and community.

Whether you are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition or a baptized Catholic

who has not yet received First Communion and Confirmation, OCIA offers a supportive and faith-filled journey of accompaniment toward

full initiation into the Church.

All are welcome!

For more information, you can speak with our Pastor, Father Paul Holland after mass;

call the parish office at 203-869-5421 or email the Coordinators:

Val Sprague

valerieannsprague@gmail.com

or Lisa Rooney

lisarooney76@gmail.com.

God Bless You!!!



SAVE THE DATE

St. Michael Harvest Celebration

Friday, November 6, 2026

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Greenwich Country Club

19 Doubling Road, Greenwich

Please save the date for the **St. Michael Harvest Celebration**, an evening to gather in gratitude, celebrate the bounty of our parish, and support the future vitality of St. Michael. Join us for elegant dining, delicious drinks, valet service, live auction excitement, and musical entertainment as we help fund two parish priorities: expanding our Youth Ministry and creating a Pastoral Assistant position to support our clergy, ministries, and Faith Formation programs.

Tickets: \$250 per guest

Ticket sales will be live soon.

Pajama Palooza Babysitting Available

Comprehensive Youth Ministry will offer babysitting for children ages 4 and older at the **St. Michael Parish Center, 469 North Street, Greenwich**. Drop-off is **5:30 PM** and pick-up is by **9:30 PM**. Dinner, games, and a movie will be provided. Online registration will be available at a later date.

Come to the table. Share in our bounty. Give thanks.

More details, ticket sales, and donation opportunities coming soon.



**Summer Bible Study Series
with Fr. Richard**

Join Fr. Richard for our Summer Bible Study Series on August 3 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm in the St. Gabriel Room.
All are welcome.

Please call the Parish Office to let us know if you plan to attend.

**ST. MICHAEL YOUNG ADULTS
(SMYA)**

An opportunity for young adult men and women to gather and discuss topics pertinent to their lives in light of catholic teaching and tradition.

We gather the SECOND THURSDAY of each month, from 7–8:30pm.

Generally for adults ages 20 to 35.

If you have any questions, you can contact Cristina Malagisi at (203) 964-7016 or Matthew Fraioli at (203) 898-4692.





FAITH FORMATION

A lifelong journey, childhood-teens-adults

When school lets out, learning can slip away. Now that summer is well and truly here, keep your child's faith and curiosity growing all season with free, joy-filled Catholic resources you can open anytime — at home, on the road, or on a rainy afternoon.



Take Time to Listen

Four young Catholic adults, seeking God amid this crazy, mixed-up world, discuss life, relationships, work, fun, and everything in-between through the lens of our Catholic Faith.

Take a few moments to listen to **Restless**, a podcast created right here in the Diocese of Bridgeport.

restlesscatholicmedia.podbean.com

Welcome to The Digital Pantry

One easy place for games, family faith tools, prayers, and ministry ideas from the Institute for Catholic Formation.

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Youth Mission Day

What a wonderful, blessed day of fellowship and service with teens from neighboring parishes, the young-at-heart seniors of St. Aloysius Parish, some of the moms, their babies, and the staff of Malta House. First, we gathered for Mass; a great way to start the day 😊. We then gathered to play some games for the teens to get to know each other. The teens then prepared snacks, played bingo, and shared stories with about 30 seniors. The group then

ventured to host a BBQ and carnival for the mothers

& children, at Malta House. It was precious time spent with wonderful people; thank you Jesus for the call to serve! AND Mama Mary who covered us all in her mantle of prayer as we stopped to pray the Rosary throughout the event.

Teens, watch for updates so you can mark your calendars for this annual summer collaboration 2027!

The reflections written by our teens were amazing! Look at some of the thoughts that were written in our reflections!

- "Everyone has bigger problems than you might see."
- "I realized that life is precious and when you help people, it really does bring the light of Christ to that person!"
- "Thank you, God, for choosing me to spread your Word, love and name yet again."
- "Small acts of kindness, like having a conversation can bring happiness and although it might not seem significant to you, it truly may be important to them."



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