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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 16, 2026 – 20th 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

ST. TIMOTHY CHAPEL • 1034 NORTH STREET

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.



O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish.

MATTHEW 15:28

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 **September**. 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 16**.

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Rob S.	Jim Z	Alex Rocco
Rita S.	Angie C	Matthew F.
Mateo	Miranda H.	George S
Frank Z.	M.D.	Kelly Berry
Jane G.	Christine Angelica	Yvonne Williams
Jim W.	Magtibay	Michael Sabia
Richard C.	George Sinclair	The adult children of
Michael	Peter O'Neil	Polly & Freddy
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8/3-8/9 Online Giving: \$6,090.00

8/9 Pew Collection: \$6,179.00

8/2 Total: \$12,269.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 15, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Michael Winhoff
St.T 4:00 PM Richard W. Kennedy
5:15 PM S.I. The Lyons Family

Sunday, August 16, 2026

St.M 8:00 AM Michael Pratt
9:45 AM John Halpin
St.T 11:00 AM All Parishioners
12:00 PM Vincent Sabia

Monday, August 17, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Carol Ann Uva & Richard Uva, Sr.

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Carol Ann Uva & Richard Uva, Sr.

Wednesday, August 19, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM S.I. Carol Ann Uva & Richard Uva, Sr.

Thursday, August 20, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM Stefan Rakoczy

Friday, August 21, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM Msgr. Guinan

Saturday, August 22, 2026

St.M 9:00 AM Franca Santanna
St.T 4:00 PM John Ruocco
5:15 PM S.I. Magdalena Rakoczy

Sunday, August 23, 2026

St.M 8:00 AM S.I. George Sinclair
9:45 AM Cary May
St.T 11:00 AM Anthony Lobello
12:00 PM All Parishioners

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 16, 2026

St. Michael

Thomas Denniston

St. Timothy

John and Mary Zygmunt





Pastor's Reflection

These last weeks of summer offer us a respite from the busyness of our lives, that we might be refreshed and "re-created." The God who created us in the divine image, and continues to create us and make us new, invites us to share some time together in prayer. So this week and next, I offer some reflections (mostly from others!) on prayer and praying.

"All things have a home: the bird has a nest, the fox has a hole, the bee has a hive. A soul without prayer is a soul without a home. Weary, sobbing, the soul after roving, roaming through a world pestered with aimlessness, falsehoods, absurdities, seeks a moment in which to gather up its scattered life, in which to divest itself of enforced pretensions and camouflage, in which to simplify complexities, in which to call for help without being a coward--such a home is prayer. Continuity, permanence, intimacy, authenticity, earnestness are its attributes. For the soul, home is where prayer is."

--Abraham Heschel

"Prayer is as holy, as sanctifying as song. Prayer is trust, is confirmation. Those who pray do not ask for anything, they merely recount their conditions and wants, they sing forth their suffering and their thanks, as little children sing."

--Hermann Hesse

Calvin reminds us that prayer is not only an attitude but also an act. Prayer is an act in which we open ourselves to God's presence, break up our hard hearts to receive the refreshing shower of God's grace. Prayer is a practice by which we allow ourselves to receive God's gifts, to be embraced by Christ's love, to be filled with the life of the Spirit. Prayer as act is a gesture of gratitude that we make.

Prayer is taking time to let God recreate us, play with us, touch us as an artist who is making a sculpture, a painting, or a piece of music with our lives, making us "poets of the Word." We need to stop often for the act of prayer. We've explored how difficult it is to take time for prayer, to find ten or fifteen minutes to focus on the most important relationship of our lives. Strange, but true. So we need to be reminded to set aside time for prayer. "Although we want to make all our time, time for God, we will never succeed if we do not reserve a minute, an hour, a morning, a day, a week, a month, or whatever period of time for God...alone."

--Don Postema, Space For God

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

HARVEST CELEBRATION

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.

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.

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.



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John 1: 39

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For more information, you can speak
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after mass;
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or
email the Coordinators:

Val Sprague
valerieannsprague@gmail.com
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*So the churches
were being
strengthened in
the faith and
were increasing
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- Acts 16:5*

FAITH FORMATION

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COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH MINISTRY (CYM) OFFERS BINGO WITH THE RESIDENTS OF NATHANIEL WITHERELL CARE FACILITY

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Faith Doesn't Take a Summer Break



We are preparing to welcome our students back to their Faith Formation sessions after the summer break.

Comprehensive Youth Ministry (CYM): Middle & High School students resume September 13th

Family Formation: levels 1-5 - resumes September 20th beginning with the 9:45am Mass. We can't wait to be back together again after many weeks apart.

During the summer months, the Gospel of Matthew at Sunday Mass is filled with many of Jesus' parables. These simple but powerful stories help children discover God's love, understand His Kingdom, and learn.



For additional ideas on how literature can help parents teach their children about God's presence, see **Literature and Young People** as part of Building a Catholic Culture at Home at **FirstWitnesses.org**.

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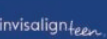


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