

# SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH

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<u>ADORATION</u>	<u>HOLY MASS</u>		<u>CONFESSIONS</u>
<u>St. Joseph's</u>	<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>St. Joseph's</u>	<u>St. Joseph's</u>
Tuesdays 6-7pm	<u>Daily Mass (9am)</u>	<u>Daily Mass (9am)</u>	Saturday 9:30-10:30
Benediction 6:45	Monday (Port.) Wed. (Eng.) (School) Friday (Port)	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	Tuesday 6pm-6:45
<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>Weekends</u>	<u>Weekends</u>	<u>St. Michael's</u>
Wednesdays 9:30-6pm	Saturday 4pm (Eng) Sunday 8am (Port) 10am (Eng.) 11:30 (Port.)	Saturday 4:30 Sunday 7am 10am	Saturdays 3-3:45pm Sundays 9am-9:45 Mondays 6-7pm
Benediction 5:45pm			Any time by appointment

**Palm Sunday—March 29, 2015**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

*Saturday, Mar. 28th—(Vigil - Palm Sunday)  
4:30 P.M.— Susan Anderson—9th Anniversary*

*Sunday, Mar. 29th—(Palm Sunday)  
7:00 A.M. – Joseph C. Miranda  
10:00 A.M. – John Cupolo*

*Tuesday, March 31st—(Tuesday of Holy Week)  
9:00 A.M. – For Our Parishioners*

*Thursday, April 2nd—(Holy Thursday)  
7:00 P.M.—Holy Thursday Mass*

*Friday, April 3rd—(Good Friday)  
3:00 P.M.—Stations of the Cross  
7:00 P.M.—Good Friday Service*

*Saturday, April 4th—(Easter Vigil)  
7:00 P.M.— All Remembered in Easter Memorials*

*Sunday, April 5th—(Easter Sunday)  
7:00 A.M. – Claire Berube  
10:00 A.M. – All Remembered in Easter Memorials*

**PRAYERS FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Please pray for Madeline Tomlinson and all our deceased friends and relatives.

**SANCTUARY LAMP:**

Will be lit this week in memory of Susan Anderson on the ninth anniversary of her death.

**MASS INTENTION BOOK IS NOW OPEN:**

Mass intentions are now being taken for the second half of 2015 (July to December). Remembering those who have died by having Masses said for them is the greatest thing we can do for them. Mass stipends are \$10.00 and Masses can be booked in the office with Eileen.

**THE CHRISM MASS:**

Each year during Holy Week, all the priests of the Diocese gather with the Bishop to renew their priestly promises, remembering that Jesus instituted the priesthood on Holy Thursday at the Last Supper. The Chrism Mass will be held at Saint Mary’s Cathedral on Tuesday, March 31st at 4:00 P.M. All are invited to attend.

**NO HOLY HOUR THIS WEEK:**

Because the Chrism Mass is being celebrated on Tuesday, there will be no Holy Hour this Tuesday evening. On Tuesday evening, Bishop da Cunha will gather with all priests to celebrate the institution of the Priesthood by Christ at the Last Supper.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS:**

Please pick up your April schedule which in the wall pocket outside the Reconciliation Room. Thank You!

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

*For Catholics, Holy Week is the most important week of the year, as we celebrate our Lord’s Last Supper in which he instituted the Eucharist and the Priesthood, His Passion and Crucifixion and His Resurrection. I encourage each of you and your families to make the effort to be present to celebrate these Holy Days*

**HOLY THURSDAY**

*Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:00 P.M.  
Adoration to follow until 10:00 P.M.*

**GOOD FRIDAY**

*Stations of the Cross at 3:00 P.M.  
Good Friday Service at 7:00 P.M.*

**EASTER VIGIL**

*Mass at 7:00 P.M.*

**EASTER SUNDAY**

*Mass at 7:00 A.M.  
Mass at 10:00 A.M.*

**LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE:**

The season of Lent is a call to conversion! It is a time in which we turn from our sins and embrace the Sacrament of Confession. Starting in Lent, confessions will be heard at the following times:

**St. Joseph’s**

Saturday 9:30 A.M.—10:30 A.M.  
Tuesday 6:00 P.M.—7:00 P.M.

**St. Michael’s**

Saturday 3:00 P.M.—3:45 P.M.  
Sunday 9:00 A.M.—9:45 A.M.  
Monday 6:00 P.M.—7:00 P.M.

**EASTER MEMORIALS:**

Envelopes have been placed on the tables in the rear of the church for your Easter Memorials. Memorials will be listed in a separate bulletin insert on Easter Sunday. Please remember your loved ones in this special way. Donations will be used to defray the cost of the flowers on the altar at Easter.

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:**

Bishop da Cunha will be coming to St. Michael’s Parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for those in both St. Joseph’s and St. Michael’s parishes on Friday evening, April 17th at 7:00 P.M.

**HOUSE BLESSING:**

Having our houses blessed is a great way to bring our faith into our homes. It can also be a great way to encourage family and friends who may have fallen away to come back to the Church. It is also a great way for the new pastor to get to know you and your family. If anyone is interested in having their home blessed, please contact Fr. Jay.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Sun., Mar. 29th Religious Education Classes Meet
- Sun., Mar. 29th Share Our Faith Program for second grade parents
- Tues., Mar. 31st Blood Pressure Screening following the 9:00 A.M. Mass
- Thurs., Apr. 2nd **Holy Thursday Mass at 7:00 P.M.**
- Fri., Apr. 3rd **Stations of the Cross at 3:00 P.M.**
- Fri., Apr. 3rd **Good Friday Service at 7:00 P.M.**
- Sat., Apr. 4th **Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00 P.M.**
- Sun., Apr. 5th **Easter Masses at 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.**
- Tues., Apr. 7th **Adoration and Benediction from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.**
- Tues., Apr. 7th **Confession from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.**
- Sat., Apr. 11th **Confession from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.**
- Sat., Apr. 11th **First Communion Practice from 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.**
- Sat., Apr. 11th Blood Pressure Screening following the 4:30 P.M. Mass
- Sun., Apr. 12th Religious Education Classes Meet

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:**

Classes will be held this weekend at the usual time. Classes are dismissed following the 10:00 A.M. Family Mass. There are no classes next weekend (Easter Sunday). On Saturday, April 11th, First communion practice will be held from 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Classes will resume on Sunday, April 12th at the usual time.

**LECTORS NEEDED:**

We are currently in need of more people to read at Holy Mass. Those interested in being a Lector (Reader) at Holy Mass should speak with Fr. Jay after one of the weekend Masses.

**SPECIAL WINTER FUEL COLLECTION:**

We will have a special second collection this weekend for the oil and gas which from December through February alone has amounted to \$13,624.00. I am grateful for your generosity in this matter. Thank God that Spring is just around the corner!

**SPONSOR CERTIFICATES:**

It is a great honor when we are asked to be a Godparent (or Sponsor) for a baptism or confirmation. To obtain a sponsor certificate, please see Fr. Jay in the parish office or after one of the Masses. To be a Godparent, one must be a registered parishioner, have received their Confirmation, attend Mass regularly and be in a valid marriage (Church wedding) and live a good moral life.

**PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE:**

Have you “Liked” our parish Facebook page? It is a great way to stay up to date with things that are going on in the parish as well as stay connected with other parishioners and reach out to new ones. If you haven’t already done so, check out the page and share it with friends.

**CHOIR PRACTICE:**

Practice will be held on Wednesday evening at 6:00 P.M. in the choir loft. Rehearsal will be one hour.

**THANK YOU!**

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped in the set up or serving of the Chicken Pie Supper and to the volunteers who cleaned up after the supper. To all who donated to the liquor raffle or to the special raffle, thank you. Because of your support and generosity, proceeds of \$1,055.90 were collected from the supper.

**HAPPINESS CLUB WINNER:**

Congratulations to Lillian Correia, this week’s winner and Vivian Fitzgerald, our Saint Joseph’s Day winner.

**THE ST. MICHAEL’S ARCHANGEL 20/20 CLUB:**

Very similar to our Happiness Club, this helps raise needed funds for the Parish, while at the same time giving people the opportunity to win a \$30.00 cash prize each week. An end of the year dinner and grand prize drawing are included! The Club will start in April. The cost to join is \$60.00 for a twenty week period. Registration forms can be picked up at St. Michael’s Rectory during the week. Thank you and good luck!

**SAINT MICHAEL’S SOUP KITCHEN:**

The next soup kitchen will be held on Saturday, April 18th in Saint Michael’s Parish Hall. Help is needed from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Please consider volunteering your time to help those who are less fortunate

**MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES:**

Praying for our loved ones who have died, and having Masses offered, is the greatest thing that we can do for them. I am aware that there are limited Masses in which to remember your loved ones, and so, I have asked a priest friend of mine who is working at the Vatican and does not have a parish, to take some of these Mass Intentions. For those who would like to utilize this special opportunity, please do so with Eileen in the parish office. Please know that these Mass intentions will NOT be published in the weekly bulletin, but the list of names will go directly to the priest himself. I am able to send him approximately 10 intentions per month.

**REGISTER FOR THE ANCHOR:**

The Anchor is the Diocesan Newspaper! Each parish is assessed a certain number of registrations based on the size of the parish. Saint Joseph’s is assessed 250 subscriptions each year! That means that at \$20.00 for each subscription, we get a bill for \$5,000.00 each year. To date, 38 families have subscribed. Every family that registers for only \$20.00 a year helps greatly with that annual bill. Registration envelopes can be found on the tables in the back of the church.

<b>LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION:</b>	
Parish Offering:	\$2,527.90
Energy Collection:	\$1,047.00
<b>UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:</b>	
April 4th/5th	Retired & Infirm Priests
April 11th/12th	Church Maintenance

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