

# SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH

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

## Easter Sunday—April 5, 2015

### MASS INTENTIONS

*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*

*Tuesday, April 7th—(Tuesday in the Octave of Easter)*

*9:00 A.M. – Maria C. Pontes*

*Thursday, April 9th—(Thursday in the Octave of Easter)*

*9:00 A.M.—Jose F. Moniz*

*Saturday, April 11th—(Saturday in the Octave of Easter)*

*9:00 A.M.—For Our Parishioners*

*Saturday, April 11th—(Vigil—Second Sunday of Easter)*

*4:30 P.M.—Rose Bazinet—17th Anniversary*

*Sunday, April 12th—(Second Sunday of Easter)*

*7:00 A.M. – Maria Amelia Lourenco*

*10:00 A.M. – William J. Tompkins*

### **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 Helen Jette.

### **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 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.

### **THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION:**

The second grade students in the religious education program will receive the Sacrament of First Communion on Saturday, April 2nd at 11:00 A.M.

### **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.

### **HAPPY EASTER!!!**

**CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!!! A Blessed and Happy Easter to each of you and your families! If you are visiting our parish, please know how welcome you are and how happy we are to have you in our beautiful Church! You are always welcome at St. Joseph's. Please see the cover of the bulletin for Mass times and the confession schedule as well as other parish devotions.**

### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE:**

At Saint Joseph's Parish, Confessions will be heard on Saturday from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. and on Tuesday from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. At Saint Michael's Parish, Confessions will be heard on Saturday from 3:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M., on Sunday from 9:00 A.M. to 9:45 A.M. and on Monday from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:**

There are no classes this 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.

### **HOLY HOUR ON TUESDAY NIGHT:**

A number of people have asked about the structure of the Tuesday night Holy Hour. Allow me the opportunity to explain: At 6:00 P.M., I place the Eucharist in the Monstrance (called Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament). After a few moments of quiet prayer, I read a Gospel passage and give a brief reflection. Following the reflection, I hear confessions until about 6:45pm. During that time, people sit/kneel in quiet prayer before our Lord, present to us in the Eucharist (called Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament). Some pray the rosary, read from the bible or other spiritual books. At 6:45 P.M., we begin Solemn Benediction in which those present are blessed as the priest makes the sign of the cross with the Monstrance holding our Eucharistic Lord. All are invited to join us each Tuesday night for the Holy Hour, for as much time as they are available. You do not need to be there the entire 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.

### **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.

### **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.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- 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
- Mon., Apr. 13th 8th Grade Confirmation students meet from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. in Saint Joseph's School Hall
- Tues., Apr. 14th **Adoration and Benediction from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.**
- Tues. Apr. 14th **Confession from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.**
- Sat., Apr. 18th **Confession from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.**
- Sat., Apr. 18th Saint Michael's Soup Kitchen
- Sun., Apr. 19th No Religious Education Classes

**HAPPINESS CLUB WINNER:**

Congratulations to Roger Dufour , this week's winner.

**SAVE THE DATES!!!**

This Spring, our parish will be hosting a number of Friday night concerts. These concerts will give us the opportunity to open up our Church to visitors, displaying both our beautiful church and wonderful acoustics. These concerts will also serve as opportunities for prayer as some of the music will be spiritual in nature. The first will be an Acapella group from Bridgewater State University on **May 8th at 7:00 P.M.** The second will be on **MAY 29th at 7:00 P.M.** in which Ryan Tremblay, a local artist will be leading us in worship and a testimony to how God has worked in his life. Ryan's CDs will also be available! I encourage you to save the dates and make every effort to attend and to also invite family and friends!

**CHOWDER AND CLAMCAKE SUPPER:**

A chowder and clamcake supper will be held on Saturday, April 25th following the 4:30 P.M. Mass. Tickets to attend the supper are \$10.00 for both adults and children. Tickets will be available the weekends of April 11th/12th and April 18th/19th after all the Masses. Tickets for the special raffle will also be on sale. Donations are needed for the liquor raffle. Liquor should be brought to the rectory in advance of the supper. Help is needed to set up for the supper on Saturday, April 25th at 10:00 A.M. Help is also needed to serve the supper.

**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..

**FIRST FRIDAY MEN'S CLUB OF FALL RIVER**

The First Friday Club consists of a group of Catholic Men who continue to honor the devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the first Friday of each month. It is the longest continuous running First Friday group in the United States. The group has a Mass at 6:00 P.M. followed by a hot meal and a guest speaker. The evening ends at 8:00 P.M. There are no other commitments or activities. This is a wonderful way to connect with other Catholic men in the city and grow in your faith. I encourage you to come when you are able, as well as invite others to join you. The next gathering will be on May 1st. The 6:00 P.M. Mass is open to the public. To reserve a seat for dinner and speaker (\$11.00), call Daryl Gonyon at 508-672-4822.

**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!

**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.

**THE PORTUGUESE KIDS**

The local and very popular "Portuguese Kids" will be coming to St. Michael's school on Sunday April 26th. Lunch starts at 12:45P.M. and the Show begins at 2:00 P.M. Tickets are \$25 and are limited. Please contact the school to reserve a ticket.

<b>LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:</b>	
Parish Offering:	\$2,302.75
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<b>UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:</b>	
April 11th/12th	Church Maintenance
April 18th/19th	Extra Help Collection

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