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<u>ADORATION</u>	<u>HOLY MASS</u>		<u>CONFESSIONS</u>
<u>St. Joseph's</u> Tuesdays 6-7pm Benediction 6:45	<u>St. Michael's</u> <u>Daily Mass (9am)</u> Monday (Port.) Wed. (Eng.) (School) Friday (Port)	<u>St. Joseph's</u> <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 3-345pm Sundays 9am-9:45 Mondays 6-7pm Any time by appointment

Sixth Sunday of Easter—May 10, 2015

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 9th — (Vigil — Sixth Sunday of Easter)
4:30 P.M.— For all Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers

Sunday, May 10th — (Sixth Sunday of Easter)
7:00 A.M. — Eileen Corey
10:00 A.M. — For all Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers

Tuesday, May 12th — (Saint Nereus and Achilleus)
9:00 A.M.— George and Lillian Kennedy

Thursday, May 14th — (Saint Matthias)
9:00 A.M.— For Our Parishoners

Saturday, May 16th — (Easter Weekday)
9:00 A.M.— Kathryn Shea

Saturday, May 16th — (Vigil — Sixth Sunday of Easter)
4:30 P.M.— Joseph Medeiros

Sunday, May 10th — (Sixth Sunday of Easter)
7:00 A.M. — Brian Troia
10:00 A.M. — Philip Rivard

SANCTUARY LAMP:

Will be lit this week in memory of Anna M. Tyrrell.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS:

For the weekend of May 9th and 10th have been generously donated in the memory of Maria Amelia Lourenco and Guilherminha Sousa Lopes.

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.

THE “HAPPINESS CLUB” WINNER

May 10th — Deborah Farias

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.

CHANGE IN WEBSITE/EMAIL:

We are currently rebuilding our parish website so that it is more update and user friendly. Because we had to switch providers, we also have a new email address. Please see the cover of the bulletin for a listing of email addresses for clergy and staff as well as other important information.

DEVOTION TO ST JOSEPH

Each Tuesday morning following the 9am morning Mass, the litany to St. Joseph is prayed. It is a great way to build devotion to the patron of parish as well as asking for his intercession for our parish and our particular needs. Please join us on Tuesday mornings.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Diocesan Catholic Charities appeal has begun. You should have received a mailing highlighting some of the appeal's work as well as asking for your continued generous support. I am positive that we can all work together to surpass last year's total of \$17,582.00.

You can turn in your pledge cards in the weekly collection basket, at the table at the entrance of the Church or by mailing them directly to the rectory. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

NEW PARISH OFFICE

As I have been mentioning in the bulletin the past couple of weeks, we now moved our parish office to the rectory at St. Joseph's. I am happy to announce that Mrs. Shanna Lubold, a life long parishioner of St. Michael's, has been hired to fill the new position of Director of Pastoral Services at both parishes. I am sure that you will find her friendly and very easy to work with, as I already have. Anabela Medeiros, who has been working as the parish secretary will be moving on at the end of May. We are certainly grateful for her service here at St. Michael's these past 12 years.

The office will be open Monday through Friday, from 9am to 3pm. The phone numbers will remain the same. Please see the front of the bulletin for email addresses for each priest and staff member. The rectory of St. Michael's will serve exclusively as a residence for Fr. Jay, Fr. Messias and Fr. Dave Deston, who is the Chaplain for Charlton Memorial Hospital and is in residence here. Please go to St. Joseph's rectory for all parish business.

ASCENSION THURSDAY MASSES

The Ascension of our Lord into heaven will be celebrated on Thursday, May 10th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation for us as Catholic. Masses will be offered at 9am and 5pm.

Mass will also be offered at St. Michael's at:

9am With school children (English)
12pm (Portuguese)
7pm (English)

Mass will also be offered at St. Joseph's at:

9am
5pm

SAINT MICHAEL'S SOUP KITCHEN:

The next soup kitchen will be held on Saturday, May 16th 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tues., May 12 Adoration and Benediction from 6PM to 7PM
Sat., May 16 St. Michael’s soup Kitchen: Help needed from 2PM to 6PM
Tues., May 19 Adoration and Benediction from 6PM to 7PM
Tues., May 26 Blood Pressure screening after the 9AM Mass
Fri., May 29 Ryan Tremblay Concert at 7PM

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.

WITNESSES OF THE RESURRECTION:

As we continue to celebrate the Easter Season throughout these next few weeks, we are reminded of the words of our Lord who told His disciples to go out into the world and share the news of His resurrection. As we celebrate this Holy Season of Easter, let us continue to share our faith with family and friends, and in particular to invite them to join us at Holy Mass.

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.

CHOIR REHEARSAL:

If anyone is interested in singing in the choir, practice is held on Wednesdays nights starting at 6pm! All are welcome! We are looking for more members to enhance the music at our 10am Mass, so please consider joining.

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 Shanna.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Each Thursday morning, following the 9am Morning Mass, the diocesan prayer for vocations is prayed. It is the responsibility of each of us to pray for increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, in particular here in our own parish. Please join us on Thursday Mornings to pray for vocations.

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.

FIRST FRIDAY MEN’S CLUB

The First Friday Club of Fall River consists of a group of Catholic Men who continue to honor the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the first Friday of each month at St. Josephs Church. It is the longest continuous running First Friday group in the United States. The group has a Mass at 6pm, followed by a hot meal and a guest speaker. The evening ends at 8pm. 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 June 5th.

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.

SAVE THE DATE!

Ryan Tremblay will be visiting our parish to lead us in worship, sharing his personal Catholic experience with powerful drumming, heart-felt songs and true and sometimes hilarious stories about his love of the people and sacraments of the Catholic Church. He’ll be accompanied by his lovely wife Elizabeth Tremblay as they sing and share the story of what it is like to meet Pope Francis! Delivered with lots of love and humor, this is an event that will leave you smiling inside and out.

All are welcome to join with Ryan and Elizabeth on Friday, May 29th at 7:00pm at St. Joseph’s Church.

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION: (May 2nd/3rd)
Parish Offering: \$ 1,924.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:
May 16th/17th Extra Help Collection
May 23rd/24th Church Maintenance

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