

SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH

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The First Italian Parish In Connecticut

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Parish Office

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Weekday and Weekend Masses

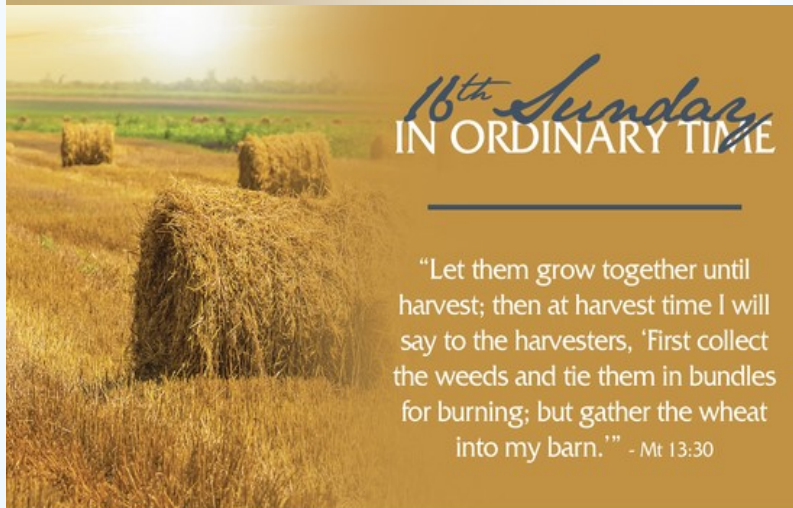
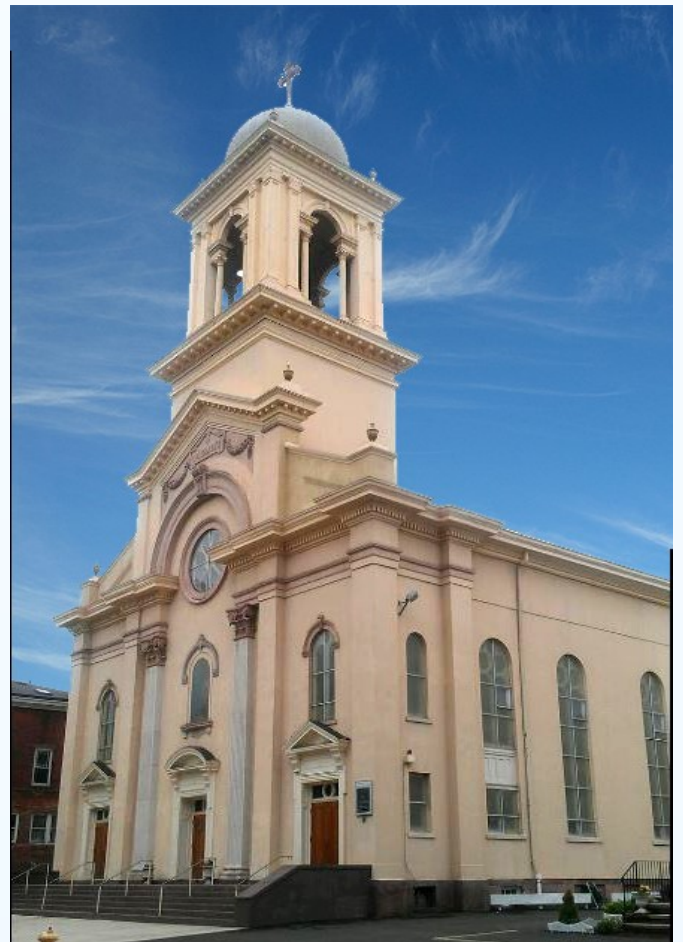
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00am

Saturday vigil—4:00 p.m. Sunday—9:30 a.m.

No mass on Wednesday's (only during Lent)

Holy Days: 8:00am, 12:10pm, 5:30pm

Confessions: Saturday 3:00pm to 3:30pm



Our Mission Statement

Our parish is open to all people who seek to give glory to God through the centrality of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and in sharing the gifts and traditions of the Roman Catholic faith. Enlivened by the Holy Spirit, we strive to create a vibrant, welcoming faith community for worship, education and outreach to our neighbors, community, and the Southern Italian Religious Societies through the Lordship of our Savior Jesus Christ.





**16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 19, 2020**

Saturday, July 18th, Vigil of the Lord's Day

4:00 p.m. - James Plano, req. by wife & children

Sunday, July 19th, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. - In Honor of St. Maria Maddalena

Monday, July 20th, St. Apollinaris

8:00 a.m. - Catello Donarumo, req. by daughter Ann

Tuesday, July 21st, St. Lawrence of Brindisi

8:00 a.m. - Souls in Purgatory and conversion of people in Connecticut, req. by Martina Vuk

Wednesday, July 22nd, St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 a.m. - NO MASS

Thursday, July 23rd, St. Bridget

8:00 a.m. - People of St. Michael Parish

Friday, July 24th, St. Sharbel Makhluf

8:00 a.m. -

Saturday, July 25th, Vigil of the Lord's Day

4:00 p.m. - Deceased Member of Dell'Amura family, req. by nieces & nephews

Sunday, July 26th, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. - Angela Naclerio, req. by family

What is heaven like? Wouldn't we all like to now! So, it's not surprising that people asked Jesus this question. But instead of telling them about harps, clouds and pearly gates, he told them about seeds. It's true that the Kingdom of Heaven is the hope of eternal life, but according to Jesus, the Kingdom of Heaven is not only something in our future. It's here already, planted like a seed in the hearts of those who believe, and in the Church. It may be hidden, like the seed under the dirt or the yeast folded into the dough, but it is here, nevertheless. And Jesus promised that what is not concealed will someday be revealed.

The time we live in is a time of waiting between the planting and the harvest—that is, between Jesus' first coming and his return. But during that time, those who follow Jesus are expected to do some things. We can continue the work of Jesus by spreading the seeds of the Kingdom. When we love our neighbor, when we feed the hungry, when we talk about our faith with others, we are planting seeds.

But there is one thing we are not to do, and that is to judge others. That means we are not allowed to try to determine who are the "wheat" and who are the "weeds." as our First Reading says, we are to treat others with leniency and kindness. The psalm reminds us to forgive. In fact, forgiving others is another way to plant the seeds of the Kingdom. Judgment is God's job, and even he is not yet doing it because there is still time for conversion—as long as one is alive, there is still time to turn to God. So keep spreading those seeds.

Sanctuary Lamp

*Sunday, July 1, 2020
In Memory of
Rev. Ralph M. Colicchio*

In remembrance of those who died,

**Reverend Ralph M. Colicchio &
Margaret Mirto**

May they rest in peace.

Weekend of July 12, 2020

Weekly Collection \$1373.00

**One Collections This Week
Weekly Collection
Cooperative Mission Appeal**

**Collections Next Week
Weekly Collection**

Question of the Week

How does God's patience with the weeds change the way I act toward others? To whom do I need to show clemency this week?

Readings for the week of July 19, 2020

Sunday: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday: Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday: Song of Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; John 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Matthew 13:10-17

Friday: Jeremiah 3:14-17; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]; Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

**Mission Cooperative Appeal
July 19, 2020**

During the summer months, normally the parishes of the Archdioceses of Hartford host a visiting missionary priest, religious brother, sister, or a lay person as part of the Archdioceses' Missionary Cooperation Plan. This year, we the parishioners of St. Michael's, were planning to welcome to our parish Fr. Robert Vujs MM who is a member of the Maryknoll Priest and Brothers. Yes, Fr. Robert Vujs is the brother of Fr. Joseph Vujs who is a priest of the Archdioceses of Hartford. But because of the Coronavirus, all in person mission appeals have been cancelled for this year. However, regardless of this fact, the missions and the work of the missionaries still need our prayers and financial support to help them in their work of proclaiming the gospel.

The Maryknoll priests and brothers were founded in 1910 by two American priests Fathers James Walsh and Thomas Price who had a "mutual desire to build a seminary for the training of young American men for the foreign Missions." "Writing extensively about the concept," Fathers Walsh and Price received approval from the American Bishops and "in June of 1911, the two priests traveled to Rome where Pope Pius X not only gave them approved of their plan to build a seminary for the specific purpose of training young men for the missions but also gave them and their efforts his official blessing. Thus, The Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, now known as the Maryknoll Fathers and Brother were born.

"By 1918," some seven years later, "three young priests – Frs. James E. Walsh, no relation to the founder ...Francis X. Ford and Bernard F. Meyer were ready for the foreign missions in China, just after the first world war... The mission soon expanded to include northern China and Korea. As war or unrest made mission [work] impossible in one area, Maryknoll went to other regions; Latin America in 1942 and Africa in 1946, just as these continents entered eras of military conflict and social upheaval."

"Today there are over 356 Maryknoll Priest and Brothers serving in countries around the world, principally in Africa, Asia and Latin America."

"Over 10 decades, more than 2,000 men have been ordained to the missionary priesthood, and several hundred have taken the oaths as brothers. The areas in which Maryknollers [as they are sometimes called or referred to] serve have been affected by World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and other conflicts around the globe. Maryknollers have been imprisoned, tortured, and killed. But the enthusiastic and joyful dedication of the Maryknollers to their apostolic calling has never diminished as they carry the Gospel to Africa, Asia and Latin American."

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Thank you for your generous financial support for it is through your loving concern that religious priest, brothers, sisters, and lay people are able to "go out to all the world to proclaim the good news of salvation."

Fr. Roy

2020 Mission Cooperative Mission Appeal
July 18-19, 2020

The **2020 Mission Cooperative Appeal Collection** will be taken as a second collection next weekend. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the missionaries are not able to be with us this year; however, although physically distant, we have the opportunity to be present to them through our spiritual and financial support. The ministries of the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers will benefit from our parish's generosity. Our assistance will help with them with their medical outreach to those with eye disease as well as vocational skills training for those with blindness. Our donations also will provide famine relief and assistance for refugees in South Sudan, formation of Maryknoll seminarians and care for infirm missionaries. Our response to Christ's call that we "love one another" will bring His hope into the lives of many. We ask your generous response. Checks may be made out to The Catholic Mission Aid Office. On their behalf, thank you.

VOCATION REFLECTIONS

July 19th - Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

The master knows that pulling the weeds will destroy the plants. He lets them grow together and will separate them at the harvest. Jesus loves his people and gives them time and space to change their ways and follow him. If you are called to follow him by becoming a priest or religious, call **Fr. Michael Casey**, Director of Vocations, Pastoral Center, 860-761-7456, e-mail vocations@aoht.org or visit the web at www.hartfordpriest.com.

Food Bank – Each week there is a box in the rectory entrance to receive donations of non-perishable foods that are brought to the Saint Ann Church Food Bank in Hamden. **(PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE OPEN AND EXPIRED FOOD)**. Your donation of these items are appreciated greatly by those who receive them. Please consider bringing one or two non-perishable items per month as a way of fulfilling the Corporal Work of Mercy, **To Feed the Hungry**.

Please mail me/us a registration form for Saint Michael Church

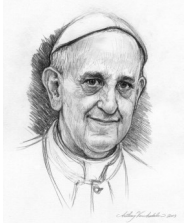
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Send this request to:
Saint Michael Church Office:
29 Wooster Place
New Haven, CT 06511
Or place in offertory basket.

*From the Twitter Account of
Pope Francis*



*On the Day of Judgment we will
not be judged for our ideas, but for
the compassion we have shown
to others.*

**TO RESCHEDULE WEEKDAY MASSES,
CALL THE CHURCH AT 203-562-7178.**

**ALL WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS
HAVE BEEN
RESCHEDULED FOR 2021**

On Line Giving

Realizing that the Coronavirus has affected us in many ways, even financially, I would like to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all the parishioners of St. Michael's Church who have remembered St. Michael financially by mailing or dropping off your weekly envelopes. We now offer on-line giving through our website, StMichaelWoosterSquare.org, under the Parish Life tab.

**Word Among Us Books
&
Weekly Bulletins**

Due to the Coronavirus, the Word Among Us Books and weekly bulletins are located in the office. If you wish to obtain a copy, please call the office or stop by the church during office hours while supplies last.

MASS BOOK

The Mass Book is open for all registered and non-registered parishioners for 2020. Weekday masses and Sanctuary candles are available. Come to the rectory from 9:30am – 12:00 noon Monday thru Friday, or call the Rectory at 203-562-7178 to book your masses.

All Masses must be paid in full at the time of booking.

Weekday and Weekend Masses

Weekday and Weekend Masses has started in the main Church, the mass times are as follows: Monday Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 8:00 a.m., Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Please remember to wear your mask and observe social distancing rules.

Or you can watch the 4:00 p.m. mass on Saturday live on our Facebook page: [St. Michael Church Wooster Square New Haven](#) or if you miss the mass you can watch it on our You Tube channel: [St. Michael Church Wooster Square](#).

As we face this unrepresented worldwide pandemic, by practice social distancing, as a community of people and of faith, may we always keep in mind that we are all in this together and that we need to be there for one another and to support one another and it is no different with St. Michael's. We are here for you! We need to stay in touch and connected. The weekly bulletin along with other information is available on our web site; stmichaelwoostersquare.org, on our Facebook page (St. Michael Church Wooster Square New Haven, CT) or on You Tube (St. Michael Church Wooster Square). You can always contact us by phone at 203-562-7178 or via email smc1889@att.org

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