

St. Michael Church

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CONVENT, 7421 St. Michaels Lane, Annandale, VA 22003
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) **571-385-0085**

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

5:00 p.m.

Sunday:

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses: See Inside Bulletin

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., and Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. SHARP.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month, after the 12:30 p.m. Mass. All parents must attend a class prior to the baptism of their child. Please call the rectory for assistance and more information.

HOLY MATRIMONY: Please notify one of the priests at least six (6) months before the wedding. Cohabitation (living together before marriage) is not lawful; such couples will be asked to separate.

SICK CALLS: Please notify the Rectory for Communion Calls to the sick and shut-in.

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL:

Pre-K3 through grade 8. For information, contact the school office at 703-256-1222. Website: stmikes22003.org.
Principal: Annie Fernandez,
annie.fernandez@stmikes22003.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

For all children attending public school, Grades 1-12. Director of Religious Education: Zachary Beckman, 571-385-0085 or reled@stmikes22003.org.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Registration forms are available from the ushers after Mass on Sunday or you may stop by the rectory during the week. Parish membership is required for the reception of either Baptism or Matrimony. Please notify the rectory when your telephone number changes and also when you are moving within or outside the parish.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

9:30 a.m. — 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and until 4 p.m. on Friday.

PREGNANT AND NEED HELP? CALL 1-800-848-5683

CLERGY OF PARISH

Pastor: Rev. Alexander R. Drummond
Parochial Vicars: Rev. Michael J. Folmar
Rev. John F. Heisler
Permanent Deacon: Deacon David S. McCaffrey

**3rd Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 26, 2025**

The Priest's Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 25
8:30 a.m. Lenore Principato +
5 p.m. Luz D. Moreno +
Sunday, January 26
8:30 a.m. Pro Populo
10:30 a.m. John Bashista +
12:30 p.m. Francis C. Tran +
Monday, January 27
8:30 a.m. Bernard Kennelly +
12 noon Joan Pistolesi
Tuesday, January 28
8:30 a.m. Philip Schnur
12 noon Christopher Murphy +
Wednesday, January 29
8:30 a.m. Alexander Tette
12 noon Jad Azar +
Thursday, January 30
8:30 a.m. Alana La Grenade Finch
12 noon John Lyttle +
Friday, January 31
8:30 a.m. Peter Huong Le +
12 noon Jose Daniel Moreno, Jr. +
Saturday, February 1
8:30 a.m. David Tette, Jr.
5 p.m. Lucja Lis +
Sunday, February 2
8:30 a.m. Pro Populo
10:30 a.m. Magdalena Hanh Che +
12:30 p.m. John Bashista +

A Word from Fr. Drummond

The inductory rites of the Mass conclude with the Opening Prayer or *Collect*. The Collect sets the tone or context of the Mass reflecting themes addressed in the readings. During the season of Ordinary Time the Sunday Collect is used throughout the week while the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Lent have specific Collects for each day. However, both because it is short and at the start of the Mass the Collect often fails to get the attention it deserves.

Much can be gained by an attentive listening to the words of the Collect. Indeed, a good Collect can stand alone as a powerful prayer. The Collect for the First Week of Ordinary Time prays for the People of God, "That they see what must be done and gain strength to do what they have seen." These words

make the hair on the back of my neck stand up. To *see* what must be done and then gain the strength to *do* it. This is what conversion is all about. In the Collect for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (this week) we hear, "Direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved son we may abound in good works." Our actions should reflect our faith. Although we already know this, how often do we pray for God's help in both knowing and doing His will in our own lives.

The Collect serves not only as the conclusion of the introductory rites but also as the gateway to the Liturgy of the Word. Entering in more fully to the prayer of the Collect we open ourselves up more fully to the reception of God's Word to us in Sacred Scripture which in turn will open us more fully to the Eucharist. If you wish to get more out of Mass attend carefully to the Collect.

Readings for the Week

Monday Heb 9:15, 24-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11 Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday Heb 10:11-18 Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 Mk 4:1-20
Thursday Heb 10:19-25 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Mk 4:21-25
Friday Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 Mk 4:26-34
Saturday Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 Mk 4:35-41
Sunday Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Faith Formation/Religious Education

CONTINUE INVESTING IN YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH! St. Michael's Religious Education offers many opportunities to continue learning and growing in your own faith, while also supporting your fellow parish families. Learn more about our programs by clicking the "FAITH FORMATION" tab on our website, stmichaelannandale.org/. We offer:

- **Monday Night Religious Education** classes for Grades 1-8 and High School. We are always looking for catechists and assistants - get in touch with our DRE, Zachary Beckman, to find out how you can share your time, talents, or treasure (email: reled@stmikes22003.org, phone: 571-385-0085).
- **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** sessions for ages 3-12. To learn more, visit stmichaelannandale.org/atrium, and get in touch with our Atrium Coordinator at st.michael.atrium@gmail.com!
- **Adult Bible Study** weekly meetings to deepen your understanding of our Liturgy and the Bible. To learn more, visit stmichaelannandale.org/adultbiblestudy!
- **RCIA** weekly meetings for those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. The RCIA classes are for those who have not been Baptized, those who are Baptized but not as Catholics, or for those who have been Baptized Catholic but who have not yet received the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Interested, or know someone who is? Get in touch with our DRE, Zachary Beckman, to find out how you can get started (email: reled@stmikes22003.org, phone: 571-385-0085).

Bad Weather/Church Closings

If it's slippery and dangerous -- or if there's an abundance of snow, USE COMMON SENSE. Don't try to come to Mass. **If the Fairfax County Schools system delays or cancels school due to weather, there will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass.** Fairfax County Schools, for congruous purposes, is simply an efficient means to follow. If the U.S. Government shuts down because of bad weather, we'll do our best to maintain the Noon schedule because snow removal work should be well underway by that time -- but there are no guarantees.

For the safety of those shoveling and plowing the snow, gates will be closed and the entrances will be blocked by cones. (Please do not drive around the cones.)

You can receive email notices -- from Fairfax County Schools by signing up via this link: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/VAEDUFCPS/subscriber/new> (or use the internet search engine: "Fairfax County Schools closings"). U.S. Government closings because of the weather, of course, are pretty big deals and news is easily accessible from television reports.

In Our Parish

Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Scannell Council 14523:

- January Family of the Month: James and Jamie Bacigalupi are the Msgr. Scannell Council 14523 Family of the Month for January 2025. The Bacigalupi's have four wonderful children. James has volunteered regularly at both Saint Michael Church and School as a Eucharistic Minister, Soccer Coach, and PTO member. Jamie also volunteers at Saint Michael Church as a lector and has trained others to serve as lectors. Their grandson also serves as an altar server. Congratulations Bacigalupi Family!
- January Knight of the Month: Joseph Provenzano is the Msgr. Scannell Council 14523 Knight of the Month for January 2025. He is happily married to Sandra who works as a librarian. Joe grew up in Annandale. He currently works at Marymount University. He previously served as the Grand Knight. Joe is a regular cook manning the BBQ at the annual Saint Michael Church Picnic. Joe also volunteers in various capacities to help Saint Michael Church. Congratulations Joe!

Men, do you want to grow further in your faith and help our St. Michael Parish community? --

The Knights of Columbus will be available to answer questions after each Mass the weekend of February 8, 2025, after each Mass.

Reasons to Join the Knights of Columbus:

- **Join a band of brothers**, a network of men in communities around the world dedicated to corporal works of mercy in the service of God and our neighbor.
- **Share in the sense of pride** all Knights feel in knowing that their Order is second to none in support of our Holy Father, our bishops and priests; in working for our fellow



man, and especially those most in need.

- **Support your Parish** by putting your Catholic faith into action.
- **Be a part of the New Evangelization.**
- **Reach out to meet community needs** through programs of charity and service and deepen your faith through volunteerism.
- **Give back to your community** by putting your principles and ideals into action.
- **Work with people who have similar beliefs**, values, and interests.
- **Uphold Catholic teaching** by defending marriage, families and building a culture of life.
- **Build and strengthen Catholic fellowship** among families.
- **Provide for the financial security of our members and their families** through our Fraternal Benefits program.

Feeling a need to contribute?

Would you like to feel fulfilled?

HELP NEEDED -- St.

Michael Ushers are seeking men or women to serve as substitute ushers at the 10:30 AM Sunday Mass, and as

VOLUNTEER TODAY

permanent ushers at the 12:30 PM Sunday Mass. Please contact Stan Ritchick by email (sritc@verizon.net), supplying your name and email address. We look forward to increasing our corps of faithful volunteers.

The Secular Carmelites -- Is God calling you? Secular Carmelites are those lay faithful, who by a special vocation, undertake to live an evangelical life in the world, imbued with the spirit of contemplation, in imitation of our Carmelite Saints and the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is open to all, men and women, married or single. A local Community of Secular Carmelites meet here the **second Sunday of each month**, and we invite you to reach out to us and arrange for a visit to learn more. Contact Kathy Izquierdo at kizquierdo2@yahoo.com for more information.

Salt and Light Ministry (SALM) -- is open to young adults (18-39) at St. Michael's. The mission is to be the SALT of the earth and the LIGHT of the world! Matthew 5:13-16. Visit <https://linktr.ee/saltandlightyoungadults> to get connected.

- Please join the Salt and Light Young Adults for Mass at 5pm on February 15th and then head over to Chick Fil A in Annandale for dinner and fellowship. RSVP here: <https://partiful.com/e/sUCc8kEFRihBjtxABKxu>.

Perpetual Adoration -- *On Wednesday, January 15, 2025, St. Michael's celebrated the 41st Anniversary of Perpetual Adoration at the parish!!!* If you would like more information about perpetual adoration at St. Michael, please contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468.

Legion of Mary -- was founded by Servant of God, Frank Duff, with the primary goal of the sanctification of its members, by supporting the parish via apostolic works and evangelization. To find out more about what this group does for our parish, or how to become an active participant or an auxiliary (praying) member, contact their President, Jim Caruso, at carusofairfax@gmail.com.



2025 Men's Conference -- Join Catholic men from around the Diocese for a day of prayer, fellowship and reflection. Our Conference, with the theme "Anchored in Hope," will take place Saturday, March 8, 2025, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 750 Peachtree Street, Herndon, from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Featured keynotes will be by Mr. Michael Warsaw, Chairman and CEO of EWTN, and Dr. John Cuddeback, a professor of philosophy at Christendom College. Sign-in begins at 7:30 a.m. with confession, coffee, and pastries. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge later in the morning, followed by lunch. Early-bird pricing for the Conference is \$65 (\$85 after February 7). You may register at <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/men> or contact your parish captains, Steven Rossi at StevenRossi@yahoo.com or 202-525-7552 or Thomas Rossi at Thomashrossi@yahoo.com or 202-430-6868, for more details and/or to register.

Please Pray for: Diane McGill*; Loretta A. Wack; Eileen Carroll-Doshier; Norman Grimm*; Patino family*; Julia & Sophia Lattanzio; Mauricio Posada; Pat Daly*; Carlos Reguerin*; Stone Uhre; Sean and Cynthia Clark*; Joanne Pearing*; Hailey Steinger; Sr. Paul Marie; Yoshimi Kadota; Stephan Nguyen*; Mr. Nhuong Le; Carmen Deshler*; Julie Molony Lee; Andrew Christian; Paul Klimavicz; Vicki D. Fox*; Ironda Dos Santos; Mary Fontaine*; Christopher Tran; Marco Tulio Gamba; Mary C. Doss; Ethel Apostolico*; Richard & Norma Geiger*; Sean & Chrissy Campbell; Terry Spragens; Christopher Solomon*; Debi Hochgertle; Bob Cafarella; Elsa Noriega*; David Randall*; Paul McEnrue*; Julia Garcia; John and Marie Sibenik*; George Szele; Robert Candler*; Peter Pometto; John Kennelly*; Miriam Kennelly*; Priscilla Chaney*; Irma Barrera; Michael and Patricia Cole; Lucie Le*; Charlene Morison; James Vitalie*; Maria Castro; Arianne Yzabelle; Daniel Randall*; John Carlson; Courtney Villareal*; Tracy Wilson; Tom & Charlene Sheffler*; Mark & Jennifer McGowan; Laura & Collin McGowan; Carol Lloyd*; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Gorey*; Thomas Siemer*; Diana Pascoe; Lauren Hagelin; Evelyn Lang*; Cindy Hall; Cecile McNeill*; Gloria Tansey*; Micah Nguyen; Mohammad E. Musa; Joan Pistolesi*; Tuy Nguyen*; Zoe Green*; Paul B. Haring*; Ellen Louise Daily; Steve Maitland*; Carroll Walker; Dan Keller; Ruth Nicaise Smokowski; Carolyn Nugent-Cole; Lucy Cole*; Barbara (Babby) Dashiell; Joe Armstead; Jane O'Connor; Gerry Connolly; Fred Caovan*; Richard Fox*; Kathleen Foster*; Joyce Bryant; Joseph Jose; Lili Lang; *with apologies to anyone we dropped; to re-add names call the Parish Office.*

Here are the names of family members -- of parishioners who are serving our country overseas: PFC Mark Haugh, USMC; Cdr. David Stabish, USNavy; Alex Puentes USNavy; Sgt. Ramsey Hamilton; LtJG Grace Dalton, USNavy; Lt. Col. John D. Barringer, III, USAF; John P. Hoang USMC; David Hayes, Jr. USNavy; David Blincoe, USMC; Kevin Coleman, USAF; Tommy Do, USArmy; PO3 Daniel Hash, USN and.... [call Mary at the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we'll keep our prayers going for our military in harms way.]

The Lost and Found -- bin is overflowing with coats, keys, glasses, prayer books, etc. Please check to see if any items may be yours. The plastic bin is located under the green table in the Library.

FaithDirect -- Getting started with eGiving is easy; sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA409. Extra pamphlets can be found in the main vestibule, or inquire at the parish office. Thank you for your support of the St. Michael Church family!

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIRS -- Singing in the choir is a wonderful way to serve Our Lord through Sacred Music. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Sarah Shafer, 540-252-4472.

The Second Collection -- *next weekend* will be for The Arlington Catholic Herald.

The MaRiH Center (pronounced Mariah-Mary Arose in Haste) -- was founded in 1974 by Joan and Jim Coleman, long-time parishioners at Saint Michael Church. The MaRiH Center, worked 100% by volunteers, is located in Alexandria and helps women with crisis pregnancies. All operation costs and items are donated. More information on the MaRiH Center can be found at <https://marih.org/>. The Knight of Columbus will be holding a diaper and wipes drive for the MaRiH Center, February 1st and 2nd. All sizes of children's diapers, especially sizes for 4 through 6, are always needed.

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Stay up to date on Parish Announcements and Receive a Variety of Faith Growth/Enrichment
 1. Text to Join: text "STMICHAEL1" to 84576. There is a return text. Supply the requested information (first and last name, email address, smart phone number), or
 2. Log on to stmichael1@flocknote.com. That gets you to a place for you to supply the above information, or
 3. Email Den. McCaffrey at dsmjrl@gmail.com with the above information.

 School News

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week: January 26-February 1! Support our school during Giving Week with your generous donation. Join us for an Open House from 9:00 to 11:30 AM. Enjoy a morning treat—parishioners, grab a donut on us!



Do you like working with children? Would you like to be a part of our team? We are in need of substitute teachers for this school year. Please call the school office at 703-256-1222. Or email the school principal Annie Fernandez at annie.fernandez@stmikes22003.org.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION – We are currently accepting applications for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 School Year. We invite you to call the school office and schedule a tour to see all the wonderful things that happen at Saint Michael School. Our classes are filled on a first registered basis. For more information please call the school office at 703-256-1222 or email office@stmikes22003.org.

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