

# St. Michael Church

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**RECTORY, 7401 St. Michaels Lane** 703-256-7822  
**SCHOOL, 7401 St. Michaels Lane** 703-256-1222  
**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 visits and/or Communion Calls to the sick, shut-ins and those in the hospital.

## **ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL:**

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

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

For all children attending public school, Grades 1-12. Director of Religious Education: Adina Ordonez, 571-385-0085 or [ccdstm@outlook.com](mailto:ccdstm@outlook.com).

## **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 Friday.

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

## **CLERGY OF PARISH**

**Pastor: Rev. Alexander R. Drummond**

**Parochial Vicar: Rev. Brian B. McAllister**

**In Residence: Rev. Stefan P. Starzynski**

**Permanent Deacons: Deacon David S. McCaffrey**

28th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

October 10, 2021

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In Our Parish

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The Priest's Mass Intentions

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Saturday, October 9  
 5 p.m. vigil Jean Stewart +  
Sunday, October 10  
 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish  
 10:30 a.m. Roman Avaroma +  
 12:30 p.m. All Souls +  
Monday, October 11  
 10 a.m. Binh Tan Nguyen +  
Tuesday, October 12  
 8:30 a.m. Anthony Sieve +  
 12 noon Ricco Thomas Amadio +  
Wednesday, October 13  
 8:30 a.m. Giuse Thanh Duong +  
 12 noon William Joseph Lavin +  
Thursday, October 14  
 8:30 a.m. Maria Nguyen Thi Hong +  
 12 noon Getulio F. Fuster, Sr. +  
Friday, October 15  
 8:30 a.m. Deacon Ostrom +  
 12 noon Robert & Rose Dooley +  
Saturday, October 16  
 8:30 a.m. Christian Mothers  
 5 p.m. vigil Sue Gehringer  
Sunday, October 17  
 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish  
 10:30 a.m. Chuck & Karen Mussomele & Family  
 12:30 p.m. Robert Ruperto +

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Readings of the Week

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32  
 Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41  
 Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46  
 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54  
 Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7  
 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43;  
 Lk 12:8-12  
 Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;  
 Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. John XXIII; Columbus Day  
 Thursday: St. Callistus I  
 Friday: St. Teresa of Jesus;  
 National Boss's Day  
 Saturday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque;  
 Blessed Virgin Mary; Sweetest Day

**Columbus Day Mass** -- All parishioners are invited to join with the St. Michael Knights of Columbus and attend the **10 a.m. Mass** here at St. Michael on **Monday, October 11, 2021**, which is **Columbus Day** (observed).

When founding the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Michael McGivney picked Christopher Columbus as a namesake for the organization because in a time when anti-Catholic and anti-immigrant feeling ran rampant, the American public embraced this famous explorer.

Fr. McGivney and his Knights understood that using Columbus as their Order's namesake asserted an important truth: that not only was there a place for Catholics and immigrants within American society, but that such a person had already played a part in creating the young, free world around them.

Times have changed and today there are those who contest Columbus' achievements and protest the national holiday held in his honor. They look to make Columbus responsible for all the atrocities against Native Americans.

In an article that appeared in RealClear Politics two years ago and also in recent testimony in New Haven, Conn., Patrick Mason (A member of the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors and also of the Osage Nation), said there is a danger that blaming Columbus misses the lessons of history and adds to the risk of repeating it.

"As American citizens, we need to remember our history, both the good and the bad, so that we are not set up to repeat history's mistakes," Mason said. "We need to take an honest look at all our fore-fathers. We need to give them the credit they deserve for what they did well, while being mindful of the things that they should have been done differently or better."

He added that the current debate brings with it the opportunity to honor and acknowledge indigenous people while preserving the great explorer's legacy.

The Knights of Columbus continue to celebrate Columbus Day, knowing that the explorer gave voice and representation to generations of Catholics, and helped pave a path for the diverse society we have today.

Please join us at Mass and Please consider joining the Knights by contacting Grand Knight Richard Stavros [stavros@thomas-dwight.com](mailto:stavros@thomas-dwight.com).

**Our Lady's Rosary Makers** -- In 1917, Our Lady of Fatima asked us to pray the rosary for world peace. To help comply with that request, we have here at St. Michael, Our Lady's Rosary Makers to make rosaries for our use and to send to the missions and to other countries. We meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Junior School building, room 3, at 10 a.m. Please join us at our meeting or make them in your home. For more information, please call Aileen Bashista at 703 -978-8373.

**The Secular Carmelite Vocation** -- is open to all, men and women, married or single. The Carmelites are those faithful who, by special vocation, undertake to live an evangelical life in the world imbued with the spirit of contemplation, in imitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Carmelites in the Capital Area meet the 2nd Sunday of the month from 1 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. in the St. Michael's Lower Level. Please contact Shaza Plunkett at 571.623.7956 or [shaza.plunkett@gmail.com](mailto:shaza.plunkett@gmail.com) for further information.

**FAMILY HOLY HOUR** -- has resumed! Please join us this Friday, October 15th, at 7 p.m. in the church with Fr. Brian.

**40 Days for Life** -- now through October 31st, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Falls Church Healthcare Center at 900 S. Washington Street. **This year St. Michael church does not sponsor any particular date so if you are able to join the Vigil prayer, please visit the 40 Days for Life website and register your available date and time directly where it says "Sign Up for Vigil Hours". In case you are not available to pray in public, please do so at home to help save the unborn.** Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. For any further questions pertaining to this program, please contact: Anh Tu Do at [703-919-4370](tel:703-919-4370) or e-mail [anhdo18@gmail.com](mailto:anhdo18@gmail.com). Feel free to visit [www.40daysforlife.com/fallschurch](http://www.40daysforlife.com/fallschurch) for more information.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage** -- Bishop Burbidge invites you to join him to mark this "Year of St. Joseph" at the diocesan Marian pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, October 30 from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. This beautiful family event is free and there is no need to register. For complete schedule and details, visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/2021/marian-pilgrimage](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2021/marian-pilgrimage).

\*\*\*ST. MICHAEL'S WILL BE CHARTERING A BUS; A SIGN UP SHEET CAN BE FOUND IN THE VESTIBULE. IT WILL BE A FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED BASIS. PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY, AND ONE NAME PER LINE. \*\*\*Please note that there will be NO 8:30 a.m. Mass that day NOR afternoon confessions.

**Frassati Annandale Young Adult Ministry (FAYA)** -- Parishioners aged 18-35 years old are welcome to join the St. Michael's Young Adult Ministry. Thanks to everyone who came out for Mass & Brunch last weekend! For more information on FAYA events, please e-mail: [frassatiannandale@gmail.com](mailto:frassatiannandale@gmail.com).

**Liturgy Readers Needed** -- Are you interested in reading at Mass? Reluctant to express that interest without knowing more about the commitment? Don't feel confident but have the desire? You may be hearing a call to serve and participate as a reader in the Liturgy of the Word. Your questions and doubts can best be addressed by contacting the Parish Office Monday – Friday at 703-256-7822 or Jamie Bacigalupi at 703-407-5646. If we miss your call, please leave a message with your name and contact information. Training and support provided.

**Perpetual Adoration** -- *"Lord Jesus, Who in the Eucharist make your dwelling among us and become our traveling companion, sustain our Christian communities so that they may be ever more open to listening and accepting your Word. May they draw from the Eucharist a renewed commitment to spreading in society, by the proclamation of your Gospel, the signs and deeds of an attentive and active charity," ~ St. Pope John Paul II* We are currently in need of adorers: Fridays 2-3 a.m., and Sundays 3-4 a.m. To sign up for an adoration hour, or for more information, contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468.

**Please Pray for:** Diana Pascoe; Cecile McNeill\*; Tuy Nguyen\*; Ellen Louise Daily; Steve Maitland\*; Dan Keller; Lili Lang; Eileen Carroll-Doshier; June & Norman Grimm\*; Edward Imperati\*; Julia & Sophia Lattanzio; Mauricio Posada; Pat Daly\*; Carlos Reguerin\*; Stone Uhre; Sr. Paul Marie; Yoshimi Kadota; Stephan Nguyen\*; Alvin Anceravage\*; Rick Webb; Carmen Deshler\*; Matt Skube, Jr.; Robert John Nicaise, Sr.; Julie Molony Lee; Andrew F. Zaccardi\*; Joe Meister; Michael Anthony Urban; Marco Tulio Gamba; Ethel Apostolico\*; Richard & Norma Geiger\*; Lucas Velleco; Patrick Pearing; Sean & Chrissy Campbell; Terry Spragens; Debi Hochgertle; Ardwin Barsanti; Madelyn Respicio Cabatic; Bob Cafarella; Elsa Noriega\*; Paul McEnrue\*; Ronald Neff\*; Julia Garcia; Kathleen Johnston\*; John and Marie Sibenik\*; Priscilla Chaney\*; Cindy Pierato\*; Irma Barrera; Ruth Nicaise Smokowski; Peter Pometto; Charlene Morison; Maria Castro; John Carlson; Courtney Villareal\*; Olga Sotiriou, ; Tracy Wilson; Tom & Charlene Sheffler; Amy Keady; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Gorey\*; Thomas Siemer\*; *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; LTJG Andre Acevedo, USNavy; Lt. Col. John D. Barringer, III, USAF; John P. Hoang USMC; ENS Stephan Acevedo USNavy; David Hayes, Jr. USNavy; David Blincoe, USMC; Kevin Coleman, USAF; and.... [call Mary at the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we'll keep our prayers going for our military in harms way.]

**Parochial Status of Adult Children** -- Please note that adult children of registered families are not automatically members of the parish; and especially if they are no longer living with their parents should register at the parish in which they live. Adult children who no longer live in the parish and/or do not practice the Faith cannot use St. Michael's as a "default" parish to fall back on if they are in need of sponsor certificates or other proofs of belonging to a parish.

**EnCourage** -- is a support group for faithful Catholics with same-sex attracted loved ones. What distinguishes the work of EnCourage is its commitment to offer faithful witness to Catholic teachings on sexual morality while addressing the needs of its members with charity and compassion. To this end, the group both professes an orthodox position on the immorality of homosexual acts and respects the human dignity of persons who have homosexual feelings. For more information about Courage International and other resources, visit <http://couragerc.org>.

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**American Heritage Girls  
 and Trail Life Troops**  
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**School News**  
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**THIS WEEKEND** (and next weekend) -- please consider supporting our AHG Fall Krispy Kreme Donut AHG Fundraiser. Funds will go towards our AHG troop's activities for 2021 - 2022 by purchasing a box of donuts after the weekend Masses on **10/9, 10/10, 10/16, and 10/17**.

**AHG VA 0894 and Trail Life VA 0894** -- Because of the troop's assistance to the Sleepy Hollow Nursing Home at the outbreak of Covid as well as delivering over 250 pounds collected food donations to the local food pantry, St. Michael's AHG Troop VA 0894 has been honored and asked to be this year's Grand Marshall in the **Annandale Fall Parade** on October 23rd. This is the first time a youth group has been named **Grand Marshall**. We are excited and invite you to attend the parade! Visit <http://www.annandalechamber.com/theannandaleparade.rhtml> for more info.

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**RCIA and Faith Growth**  
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**How does the Faith give tremendous meaning to our lives? What is the Catholic Faith? What do Catholics believe and how does it impact how they live? Do you understand and appreciate the gift that the Faith is?**

If you or someone you know is curious about these questions, come to our RCIA program starting Monday, September 13, at 7:30 pm. This is for those who are just curious, the unbaptized, those baptized but not in the Catholic Church, and adults who are seeking to complete their sacramental initiation. And even if you are a fully initiated Catholic, you are welcome to come, share your Faith, and grow in your understanding and living the Faith.

For further information or questions, contact Deacon Dave McCaffrey at (phone: 571-643-6895 or email: [dsmjr1@gmail.com](mailto:dsmjr1@gmail.com)).

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**CCD/Religious Education**  
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Registration information on the Religious Education program for **Grades 1 - 8** can be found at [stmichaelannandale.org/religiouseducation](http://stmichaelannandale.org/religiouseducation), OR under the Faith Formation tab of the Parish website.

Information on the **St. Michael Teens** can also be found on the website. The group meets Sunday evenings from 7 - 8 PM in the All-Purpose Room.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION** – We are currently accepting applications for the 2021-2022 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](mailto:office@stmikes22003.org).

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS** – We are currently seeking engaging, reliable substitute teachers. Ideal candidates should have the ability to lead the class in an orderly fashion. Responsibilities include, but not limited to, assisting with classroom instruction, providing support to students and supervising students during non-classroom time and recreational activities. Please send your resume to Annie Fernandez at [annie.fernandez@stmikes22003.org](mailto:annie.fernandez@stmikes22003.org).

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION IS AN INVESTMENT  
 IN YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE**

We, the children of God at Saint Michael Catholic School, live the Gospel message by fostering a spirit of worship, a commitment to service and a continuous love of learning.

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**Around Our Diocese**  
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**Our Fruitful Love** – NEW Resource for Couples struggling with Infertility. The Diocese of Arlington, through the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life, has developed a website called Our Fruitful Love to better accompany those suffering infertility and infant loss. To learn more about on-line resources and mentors, or if you would like to share your story, visit [www.ourfruitfullove.com](http://www.ourfruitfullove.com).

**Take a Hike! with FIAT and the Nashville Dominican Sisters** – On Saturday October 16, join the FIAT high school young women and Dominican Sisters for some prayer, hiking and hanging out at Leesylvania State Park. Day starts with Mass at 9 a.m. and ends at noon. Sponsored by the Office of Vocations. For more information and to register visit [www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/FIAT](http://www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/FIAT), or contact [vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org) or 703-841-2514. *Deadline to register: October 11.*