

# St. Michael Church

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**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**

3rd Sunday  
of Advent

December 12, 2021

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The Priest's Mass Intentions  
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Saturday, December 11  
5 p.m. vigil Jeff Neiscess +

Sunday, December 12  
8:30 a.m. People of the Parish  
10:30 a.m. McAuliffe Family +  
12:30 p.m. Phyllis Cribbin +

Monday, December 13  
8:30 a.m. David Tette  
12 noon Mr. McCartney +

Tuesday, December 14  
8:30 a.m. Vincent Nguyen Hung Thinh +  
12 noon Paul Fridley +

Wednesday, December 15  
8:30 a.m. Isaac Sharbach +  
12 noon Raymond Pace +

Thursday, December 16  
8:30 a.m. Karen Richardson +  
12 noon All Souls +

Friday, December 17  
8:30 a.m. Phil McCarville +  
12 noon The Coady Family

Saturday, December 18  
8:30 a.m. Ferd Heider, Jr. +  
5 p.m. vigil Lorgio & Nelly Jordan +

Sunday, December 19  
8:30 a.m. People of the Parish  
10:30 a.m. Cecilia Tette  
12:30 p.m. Mr. Casey Beach +

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Readings of the Week  
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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27
- Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32
- Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23
- Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30
- Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
- Saturday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
- Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
- Monday: St. Lucy
- Tuesday: St. John of the Cross

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Christmas  
and Mary, Mother of God  
Mass Schedule  
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**Christmas**

*December 24, 2021*

- 5:00 p.m.** Family Mass
- 10:00 p.m.** Mass at Night

*December 25, 2021*

- 10:30 a.m.** Mass
- 12:30 p.m.** Mass

**Mary, Mother of God**

*December 31, 2021*

- Eucharistic Holy Hour 11 p.m.  
with Benediction at Midnight

*January 1, 2022*

- 10:30 a.m.** Mass
- 12:30 p.m.** Mass

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In Our Parish  
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**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.



**Knights of Columbus®**

- **Knights Host Pancake Sunday with Santa** -- Mark your calendars, the St. Michael's Parish Knight of Columbus Monsignor Scannell Council will host Pancakes with Santa on **Sunday, December 12** after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses in the cafeteria. Santa will be available for photos with kids. Please email Eric Williams at [ericsean74@gmail.com](mailto:ericsean74@gmail.com) with any questions.

- **Keep Christ in Christmas Cards are Here** -- The Knights of Columbus will be making religious-themed Christmas cards available for reasonable prices as part of its well known Keep Christ in Christmas program. The Knights will be selling KCIC cards in the vestibule at various Masses throughout December.

• **Spiritual Bouquet** -- Please join the St. Michael Knights of Columbus in preparing Spiritual Bouquets (prayers or spiritual acts) for Fr. Drummond, Fr. Brian, Fr. Starzynski, Deacon Dave, and the LaSalette Sisters as a Christmas gift to them.

The process is simple:

1.) Mass/Holy Hour/rosary/divine mercy chaplet/or other prayers.

2.) Keep track of total of each offered, total for each individual and/or sisters.

3.) E-Mail totals to [tomw5486@gmail.com](mailto:tomw5486@gmail.com) by Wednesday December 22, 2021.

• **KoC Membership** -- With almost two million members the Knights is the largest Catholic men's organization in the world! The St. Michael Knights of Columbus do many good works for St. Michael parish and the community. It is very easy to join online. Go to [www.kofc.org/un/newjoin/en/](http://www.kofc.org/un/newjoin/en/) and put in St. Michael Council number 14523. If you have any questions, please contact Grand Knight, Richard Stavros at [stavros@thomas-dwight.com](mailto:stavros@thomas-dwight.com), or Tom Howard, [tomw5486@gmail.com](mailto:tomw5486@gmail.com).

**Frassati Annandale Young Adult Ministry (FAYA)** -- Frassati Annandale Young Adults will have a **St. Nicholas Christmas Wrapping Table** outside the church after the 5 p.m. mass on **Saturday, December 11th**, and after the 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. masses on **Sunday, December 12th**. You may drop off your gifts with us and pick them up wrapped and ready to go later that day at 5 p.m. in the all-purpose room. Please plan ahead and bring your gifts for us to wrap for your loved ones! All wrapping services will be free of charge and any donations are welcome to help support our ministry, please spread the word! We will also have beautiful hand-made gifts ready to purchase to complete your Christmas shopping list.

• Parishioners aged 18-39 years old are welcome to join the St. Michael's Young Adult Ministry. For more information on FAYA events and to join our GroupMe chat to receive the latest updates, please e-mail: [frassatiannandale@gmail.com](mailto:frassatiannandale@gmail.com). Follow us on Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/frassatiannandale/>.

**The Christian Mothers** -- will meet on Saturday, December 18th in the Main Church at the 8:30am Mass. A meeting with follow in the All Purpose Room. Please remember that this prayerful group is open to Mothers of all ages. We hope to see some new faces.

**Olive Wood Carvings** -- on the weekend of December 18/19, there will be a display of beautiful olivewood handmade carvings from the Holy Land. These carvings are made by the Christians of Bethlehem who use them as their source of income. These brothers and sisters of ours are enduring hardships at this moment because of the volatile situation in their home country. Christians in the Holy Land used to be more than 37% of the population. There is less than 1% now because of the situation. As Christians of faith, it is our duty to support our brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. YOU can support them by purchasing some of these beautiful carvings after Mass.

**Join us for Simbang Gabi, a novena of Masses leading up to the birth of Christ** -- Simbang Gabi is a Filipino Tradition in

which a novena of Masses are held to spiritually prepare for the birth of Christ on Christmas Day. This year, the novena of Masses will take place from Wednesday, December 15 through Thursday, December 23 at numerous churches throughout the Diocese of Arlington. Simbang Gabi will be held at **St. Michael on Monday, December 20 at 7 p.m.** and celebrated by Fr. Brian. All are welcome!

**Please Pray for:** 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\*; Patrick Pearring; 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\*; Irma Barrera; Ruth Nicaise Smokowski; Peter Pometto; Charlene Morrison; Maria Castro; John Carlson; Courtney Villareal\*; Olga Sotiriou; Tracy Wilson; Tom & Charlene Sheffler; Amy Keady; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Gorey\*; Thomas Siemer\*; Diana Pascoe; Lauren Hagelin; Cecile McNeill\*; Tuy Nguyen\*; Ellen Louise Daily; Steve Maitland\*; Carolyn Newgent Cole; Jennifer McGowan; Dan Keller; Joe Armstead; Jane O'Connor; Lili Lang; Diane McGill\*; Eileen Carroll-Doshier; June & Norman Grimm\*; Patino family\*; Vinh Nguyen; *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.]

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** -- We encourage you to use your offering envelopes for all your donations. If you forgot your envelope, we have TEMPORARY ENVELOPES at the vestibule for your convenience. Please make sure you write your name and amount, so you can the credit for it. If you are visiting, please use the TEMPORARY ENVELOPES for your donation and write your name and address on it so we can send you a statement of your contributions at the end of the year for tax purpose. If you are not receiving your envelopes, please call the office (703-256-7822) and talk to Raquel. MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY!

**Reception of Holy Communion at Mass** -- please note that you may kneel or stand at the communion rail.

**Friday Family Holy Hour** -- is suspended until next year. Join us again in 2022!



**Perpetual Adoration** -- *“You may be sure that of all the moments of your life, the time you spend before the divine Sacrament will be that which will give you more strength during life and more consolation at the hour of your death and during eternity,” ~ St. Alphonsus*  
 We are currently in need of adorers: Mondays 1-2 a.m. and 5-6 a.m., and Thursdays 2-3 a.m. To sign up for an adoration hour, or for more information, contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468.

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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, held on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. 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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**School News**

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**2022 Calendars** -- will be available after Christmas. One per family please, to ensure fair distribution. Thank you!

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**CCD/Religious Education**

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Program information can be found at [stmichaelannandale.org/religious](http://stmichaelannandale.org/religious) education, or under the Faith Formation tab on the Parish website.

St. Michael Teens meet Sunday evening 7-8 PM in the All-Purpose Room.

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**In Our Diocese**

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**The Falls Church - Annandale Lion's Club** -- is holding its next Fruit Sale Fundraiser of the season on 18 December, 2021 from 8:15 a.m. until 4:00 pm or sold out. The sale will be held on the grounds of the Annandale Swim and Tennis Club, next to the Wendy's on Little River Turnpike. As always the Lions deeply appreciate the support of our community in raising funds that are used for sight and hearing conservation, as well as community support and youth activities. All sales will be outdoors. We will observe social distancing and will be masked. Just drive up and we will bring the fruit to your car.

**Please Consider Adding 'Searching for More' to Your Podcast List!** -- 'Searching for More' features interviews and discussions on a range of topics affecting Catholics in today's world. Guests include clergy, local Catholics, doctors, technology experts, Catholic news anchors, and even Hollywood actors starring in epic biblical dramas. In addition to interviews, some podcasts will emanate from inspiring talks, speeches, homilies, and lectures given throughout the Diocese. The podcast is dedicated to the patronage of our diocesan saint, St. Thomas More. 'Searching for More' joins the 'Walk Humbly' and 'Catholic Herald' podcasts as diocesan audio offerings.

**Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!** -- Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese - straight to your inbox. Sign up here: [arlingtondiocese.org/email](http://arlingtondiocese.org/email).

**The Angel Tree** – is set up in the vestibule of the Church. We have many families in our Church and School that need assistance for Christmas. Please take an Angel from the tree and return your gift card next Sunday in the collection basket. Please turn in all donations by Sunday, December 19th. Thank you for your generosity to help those in our parish.

**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 St. Michael Catholic School, strive to learn and embody the Gospel message, achieve academic excellence, and selflessly serve others.