



St. Michael School

Fall River, Massachusetts

Dear SMS families,

I hope that the first few days of the new school year have been a positive experience for you and your children. As you can see from the photos posted on our social media, there were many smiling faces! I want to thank our wonderful faculty and staff for their hard work.

I want to draw your attention to some upcoming events at our parish and school that you are invited and encouraged to participate in and become active members of our community.

OPENING SCHOOL YEAR MASS: Our all-school Mass will be held on Sunday Sept. 17 at 9:30 AM with a reception in the parish hall to follow. All families are encouraged to attend.

SCHOOL DINNER: One of our biggest fundraiser of the Fall is just a few weeks away! We are hoping it will be a great success once again. Please get your order forms in ASAP and remember that 50% of all ticket sales go to your fundraising goal for the year. There is much help that is needed that weekend with preparations. This is a great way to get your service hours in and meet other families. The Fall Dinner will be held on Saturday, September 23rd at 6PM. Take out is available from 4-5:30PM. Contact the office for tickets. Please order early as we will likely sell out.

BLUE MASS FOR POLICE OFFICERS - This year's annual Blue Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, September 28th at 7:00PM. St. Michael the Archangel is the patron saint of those in law enforcement. Please let all police officers and firefighters, and their families know. This is a great way for us to show our support to those who serve and protect our community, and to pray for them and their families. I want to invite you and your children to this beautiful Mass and reception which begins at 7pm. There will be a reception in the hall following Mass.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHILDRENS CHOIR St. Michael's Parish has a wonderful children's choir available to all children in 2nd grade through High School to sing at the 9:30AM Mass. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays, from 2:45PM to 3:45PM for our school students. For more information, feel free to contact our music teacher, Mrs. Shanna Lubold

Meeting for ALL 1st and 2nd Grade Parents for information on First Holy Communion There will be a meeting on Wednesday night, September 27th at 7pm at St. Joseph's Church. If you intend to have your child receive their First Holy Communion, it is imperative to be at this meeting to receive necessary information about our parish program for preparation. Sacramental preparation is a two-year program.

YOUTH GROUP: Our parish has two youth groups, one for middle school (grades 5-7) and one for high school (Grades 8-12). It is a great way for our children to have social time with their friends while also getting connected to parish events. We have a great team of dedicated parishioners to provide safe, healthy and faith-based gatherings for our students. Our first Middle School Youth Group gathering will be held on Friday September 29th from 7-9pm.

God Bless,
Fr. Jay

