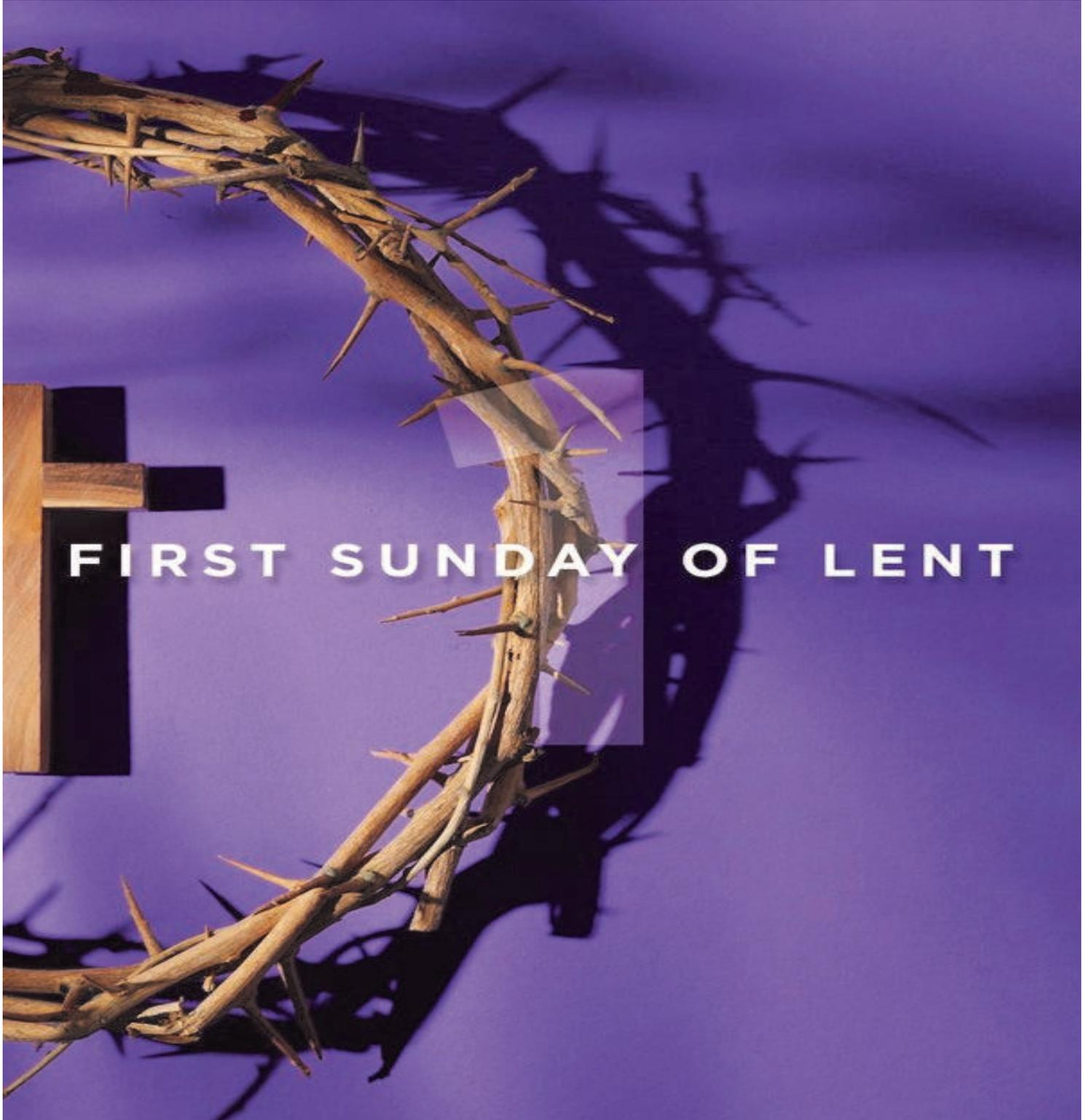


Welcome to the Parish Communities of

ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 5/6, 2022 / First Sunday of Lent

DISCIPLES ON THE WAY

MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of March 7 - 13

ST. MICHAEL - CHUTE POND

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

7:30 AM † Open

ST. MICHAEL - SURING

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

8:45 AM † Open

ST. JOHN - GILLETT

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

4:00 PM † People of the Parish

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

10:00 AM † Open

MINISTERS OF THE MASS

CHUTE POND

SUNDAY 3/13 7:30 AM
Ministers of the Word Steve Brickner

SURING

SUNDAY 3/13 8:45 AM
Ministers of the Word Mike Rupiper
Hospitality Ministers Kate Mahoney
Phil Fischer, Jr.

GILLETT

SATURDAY 3/12 4:00 PM
Ministers of the Word Jay Conley
Hospitality Ministers Ben Penkivich

SUNDAY

SUNDAY 3/13 10:00 AM
Ministers of the Word Mary Gerbers
Hospitality Ministers Jack Arneson Louie Tenaglia

Open Dates For Mass Intentions

St. Michael Parish

Suring, Sunday: March 13, 20, 27

Wednesdays: March 9, 16, 23

Chapel, Sunday: March 13, 20, 27

St. John Parish

Tuesdays: Mar. 8, 15, 22, 29, Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26

Saturdays: Mar. 12, 26, Apr. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Sundays: Mar. 13, 20, 27, Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24

Suggested stipend fee is \$10 per Mass.



Bible Study

Join us in a Bible journey through the gospel of John. The Turning Point by Dr. Allen Hunt is a wonderful insight to the Gospel of John and his encounters with Jesus and how we can encounter Him more in our daily lives. The Bible study will begin on Wednesday, March 30 and be at 6:00 PM. If you are interested please contact the parish office at 920-842-2580 or Sheelagh School at 920-344-0180. Anyone and all are welcome to take part.

Looking Ahead

Tues., March 8

Mass

8:30 AM at St. John

**St. John & St. Michael
Diocesan Procedural Mtg.**

6:00 PM at St. John (for council members, ushers, money counters, and parish secretaries)

Wed., March 9

Mass

8:30 AM at St. Michael

Sat., March 12

Ruby's Pantry

7:30 - 9:30 AM Gillett HS

Reconciliation

3:00 PM at St. John

Wed., March 16

St. John & St. Michael

Reconciliation Service

6:00 PM at St. John

Faith Formation Classes

Wed., March 9

St. John

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Sun., March 13

St. Michael

8:45 AM - 12:00 PM

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LIVING LIVES OF MERCY

St. John & St. Michael Lenten Project

During this Lenten season, we will be collecting donations to support seminarians in Sri Lanka. Donations will go to fulfill needs of seminarians so they can grow in spiritual, human, pastoral, & psychological formation in Fr. Francis' Diocese of Batticaloa. The Diocese of Batticaloa is a newly formed diocese. After 30 years of brutal civil war and the disasters caused by tsunami, it has been very difficult to uplift the standard of living and find stable funding. The subsidy given by the diocese to run the seminary is insufficient and, at the same time, the contribution from students' parents is comparatively low since their income is very poor. The diocese is committed to forming future priests not only for their diocese, but also to serve as missionaries. Your donations will help with essential needs such as food, education, & medical care. Please bring your donations to Mass during Lent and place in the provided donation box.



Bishop's Appeal - Discipleship & Parish Life Ministries

These ministries offer opportunities for people to learn and experience God on a personal level. Here are a few examples of their work:

- **Diaconate Program** provides Deacons with the education and resources to share the Gospel with people in their parishes, homeless shelters, hospitals, prisons and schools.
- **Discipleship Formation Ministry** provides opportunities for parish leaders to deepen their faith and share Jesus with others.

In 2021, the Bishop's Appeal distributed \$1,240,487 to Discipleship and Parish Life ministries.

Please help us reach our goal!

ST. MICHAEL PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week.....	\$2100.00
Received February 26/27	\$1332.00
Heat.....	\$238.00
Building & Repair.....	\$40.00
Bishop's Appeal to Date: \$2160 of \$7724 (28%)	

My dear parish members and friends in Christ,
Happy Lenten Season to you!

Lent is a forty-day period in which we are encouraged to take up some new discipline, or practice, or expression of faith in order to draw closer to God.

We will remember that the season of lent is 40 days beginning from Ash Wednesday to the Saturday of Palm Sunday. Lent invites us to an inner change of heart; a turning to God; a rejection of all that is evil; an opportunity for us to walk in a new direction. The Holy Catholic Church also desires each of us to grow spiritually and experience a re-awakening of our relationship with God during the forty days of Lent, which culminates at Easter with the Lord's passion, death and resurrection.

Our Holy Father Pope Francis invites us to do three things during Lent. He says by devoting more time to prayer; we enable our hearts to root out our secret lies and forms of self-deception, and then to find the consolation God offers. He is our Father and he wants us to live life well. Almsgiving; it sets us free from greed and helps us to regard our neighbors as a brother or sister. What I possess is never mine alone. Fasting; it weakens our tendency to violence; it disarms us and becomes an important opportunity for growth. On the one hand, it allows us to experience what the destitute and the starving have to endure. On the other hand, it expresses our own spiritual hunger and thirst for life in God. Fasting wakes us up. It makes us more attentive to God and our neighbors. It revives our desire to obey God, who alone is capable of satisfying our hunger.

This year during Lent and Easter we will have all the usual services in our parishes. As an administrator of these parishes, I am inviting you all to participate fully in these services. I pray that the Gospel will become all the more real to everyone this Lent as we walk in the steps of Jesus to the cross and rejoice in his glorious resurrection on Easter.

This year we have been given another task by our bishop Most. Rev. David L. Ricken. That is the 'Bishop's Appeal'. The theme of the appeal is 'Hearts Filled with Hope'. The appeal began the first weekend in February. We will be given more information in our parish bulletin and on our parish website. Please support this project, and I thank the parish members who have already supported this cause.

God bless you all.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Francis X. Dias

ST. JOHN PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Each Week.....	\$1615.00
Received February 26/27	<i>See next week's bulletin</i>
Bishop's Appeal to Date: \$1295 of \$8873 (15%)	