



St. Michael's Parish Community

We Are Stewards of God's Gifts, Time and Treasure To Build Up The Kingdom

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PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Msgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu, *Pastor*
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Rev. Charles B. McDermott, *Pastor Emeritus*
Deacon Michael Cavallo, *Permanent Deacon*
Mrs. Marilyn Dragone,
Coordinator of Religious Education
Mr. Philip Matrale,
Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry
Mr. Peter Petrecca, *Music Director*
Mrs. Antoinette Telle, *Principal*

MASSES:

Sundays: 5:30PM(Saturday Evening)
7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM, 12:00 Noon
Daily: Monday thru Friday 7:00, 8:30AM
Saturday: 8:30AM
Holy Days: Announced in the bulletin

April 8, 2018
Second Sunday of Easter

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 1:00-2:00PM

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Notify a priest of all who are hospitalized or home bound.
Emergencies at any time.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Parish initiates new members on the 2nd Sunday of the month, at 1:30PM, by arrangement. Instruction is on the Friday evening prior to the baptism, at 7:30PM.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Preparations for Christian Marriage begin one year prior to planned date of the wedding. Couples should contact one of the priests.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Contact the Vocations Office of the Archdiocese of Newark at 973-313-6190 or at NewPriestNJ@gmail.com.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Adults interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church and Catholics who are in need of the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist are welcome to inquire by calling the Parish Center.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

St. Michael's School: An environment for growth in faith, values and knowledge, pre K-8. For further information, call the School Office.
Religious Education: a program of religious instruction, grades 1-8. For further information please call the Religious Education Office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

A comprehensive youth program for all teens from 9th to 12th grade. Our program promotes growth in Catholic values and morals, provides opportunities for Christian service and offers positive social activities. For further information call the Youth Ministry Office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Every Family in the Parish should be registered. People who need to register, please call the Parish Center for information.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Michael the Archangel Parish, a diverse, spiritual community in action, is dedicated to drawing people to Christ, to growing disciples, and to making church and worship matter. We do this (1) through our liturgical worship as we remember and celebrate in memory of Him; (2) through the proclamation of the Good News, as we believe and profess the message of Jesus Christ not only from the pulpit, but also in the way we live our lives; (3) through living out our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure in the service of the needs of our church, the needs of one another, and the needs of those who seek divine help through our doors.

Second Sunday of Easter

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday	April 7
5:30 PM	St. Michael's School Alumni
Sunday	April 8
7:30 AM	Jules Pruszkowski
9:00 AM	Walter Foster, Jr.
10:30 AM	Elizabeth, Donato & Joe Pacicco
12:00 Noon	For the Parishioners
Monday	April 9
7:00 AM	Walter Foster, Jr.
8:30 AM	Dominique Mary Joseph (Living)
Tuesday	April 10
7:00 AM	Primo Ramos, Sr.
8:30 AM	Novena of Masses
Wednesday	April 11
7:00 AM	Carmen Mohamadi
8:30 AM	Kevin Apuzzio (12th Ann.)
Thursday	April 12
7:00 AM	Novena of Masses
8:30 AM	Anthony Marchitello
Friday	April 13
7:00 AM	Nenita Gaité
8:30 AM	Anita Italiano
Saturday	April 14
8:30 AM	John Kip (33rd Ann.)
5:30 PM	Thomas J. Duffy
Sunday	April 15
7:30 AM	For the Parishioners
9:00 AM	Charlie Prossen
10:30 AM	Manuel Pereira Araujo
12:00 Noon	Andrea M. Rilli

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread is offered for Richard M. Epifanio, requested by his Family.
The Altar Wine is offered for Thomas J. Duffy, requested by the Dragone Family.
The Sanctuary Lamp is offered for Kevin Apuzzio, requested by his mom and dad.
The Pascal Candle is offered in memory of Walter & Ruth Reinhard and Edward & Carol Izbicki, donated by Ed & Kathy Izbicki.

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially *Fr. Matthias T. Conva, Pauline Waer & William Grady.*

In the heart of this season of Easter, rejoicing, we are reminded that faith is sometimes fragile and circuitous. If we listen carefully, we realize that Scripture relays another truth about people who struggle and need to be convinced. This is a good Sunday for those of us who have ever experienced doubt and who need to hear that God still loves and forgives us. That describes most of us.

*Acts 4:32-35 Evangelism and daily life in the early church.
 Ps 118 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.
 I Jn 5:1-6 The importance of faith and love is the community.
 Jn 20:19-41 Jesus challenges Thomas' doubt.*

NOVENA OF MASSES—APRIL 2018

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| <i>James Ford, Sr.</i> | <i>Alejandro T. Cruz</i> |
| <i>Jose J. Arnaldo</i> | <i>John Francis Mahon</i> |
| <i>Ann L. Corrigan</i> | <i>George Rinehart</i> |
| <i>Craig Calix (Living)</i> | <i>Special Intentions</i> |
| <i>Walter Foster, Jr.</i> | <i>Mary Russomanno</i> |
| <i>Serafina Sauro</i> | <i>Rosemary Sauro</i> |
| <i>Frank Rubinetti</i> | <i>Pierre & Rubinetti Family</i> |
| <i>Brito Dantas</i> | <i>Ines Gomez</i> |
| <i>Maria Ribeiro</i> | |
| <i>Micheline Kmetz & Joseph Kmetz</i> | |
| <i>John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes</i> | |
| <i>Jurusik & Arner Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Kalkus, Vellanti & Tobia Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Czaplá, Leniart & McMahan Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Rodriguez & Pias Families</i> | |

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. St. Michael's is **44%** towards our goal of **\$48,000**. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the Church. Please help support the many programs and ministries that assist so many in our community.

Our parish also benefits by receiving a rebate from the appeal if it exceeds its goal. If we exceed the goal, we will use the rebate towards the new air-conditioning system.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday April 8
 9:00 AM Children’s Liturgy of the Word
 Mass, Church
 10:15-11:30 Religious Education
 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Sunday, LC
 St. Michael’s Girl Scout Cookie Sale—After all Masses

Monday April 9
 8:00 AM Rosary, Church
 11:30 AM St. Michael’s Senior Meeting, LC
 3:30-4:30 PM Religious Education
 7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting, Murphy Room
 8:00 PM Social Events Committee Meeting,
 Murphy Room

Tuesday April 10
 8:00 AM Rosary, Church
 7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education
 7:00-9:00 PM CYO, LC
 7:00 PM Finance Council Meeting, Rectorry

Wednesday April 11
 8:00 AM Rosary, Church
 7:00 PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ado-
 ration, Church

Thursday April 12
 8:00 AM Rosary, Church

Friday April 13
 8:00 AM Rosary, Church
 7:30 PM Baptism Class, LC

Saturday April 14
 11:00 AM Eucharist Preparation—First
 Reconciliation, Church
 9:30-10:30 AM Zumba Class, LC

Sunday April 15
 No Religious Education
 1:00 PM Young Adults Group, Murphy Room
 1:30 PM Baptism, Church
 St. Michael’s School Girl Scout Cookie Sale —after all
 Masses
 Knights Membership Drive, LC

It is with great sadness we inform you that
Fr. Matthias T. Conva former Pastor at St. Michael’s
 Church from 1997-2006 passed away on March 23, 2018.
*His funeral Mass was on April 4th at Our Lady of Visita-
 tion Church in Paramus.*
St. Michael’s Church will celebrate a Mass in his honor
on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 12:00 Noon Mass.
In lieu of flowers, donations to Catholic Charities of the
Archdiocese of Newark are requested. This may be done
online ccannj.com/donate or by regular mail to Catholic
*Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, Development Of-
 fice, 590 North 7th St., Newark, NJ 07107.*
To leave an online condolences visit: vanderplaat.com.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

*Give and gifts will be given to you...the measure with which you meas-
 ure will in turn be measured out to you. Luke 6:38*

	Week of 3/25/2018	Yr. to Date 7/1/-3/25/2018
Collections	\$ 10,464	\$ 293,373
Online Collections	\$ 315	\$ 8,831
SOS	\$ 1,259	\$ 119,333
Online SOS	\$ 0	\$ 2,264
Total	\$ 12,038	\$ 423,801
Budget	\$ 7,695	\$ 428,386
Difference	\$ 4,343	(\$ 4,585)

Thank you for your continued generosity!

EASTER COLLECTION

The Easter Collection is very important, it gives St. Michael’s a chance to catch up on large bills such as employee pensions and insurances that strain the weekly collections. It is not too late to send in your Easter Offering or use Parish Online Giving for your contribution. Thank you for your generosity.

“SOS COLLECTION”

On the first weekend of each month, the first collection is the “SOS” collection. This collection is dedicated especially for our utility bills. ***The next SOS collection is this weekend of April 7 & 8, 2018.*** SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

Hours for the Religious Education Office are Monday through Thursday

from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Other hours are available by appointment.

Contact Coordinator: Marilyn Dragone at (908) 964-0965.

We can also be reached via e-mail at smccd@comcast.net

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Florence Montalto, Lois Scanio, Lidia Arrieta, Marianne Browe, Margarita Capelo and Kayla Silverio who helped make our First Communion "Grandma's Bread" Retreat a huge success.

THANK YOU to Patti Milone and her "Alleluia" children for their help at our 9:00 a.m. Easter Mass.

FAMILIES PREPARING FOR FIRST EUCHARIST: Decorated butterflies and Communion banners can be turned in to your child's catechist or teacher, or dropped off at the Parish Center.

REMINDER FOR FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES:

First Reconciliation

Saturday, April 7th at 11:00 a.m. for children with last names A - L

Saturday, April 14th at 11:00 a.m. for children with last names M - Z

Please be on time.

SAVE THE DATE:

The FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY will be celebrated at St. Michael's this Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 3:00 PM in the Lower Church.

The chaplet will be recited followed by prayers.

All are invited to attend.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL NEWS

Important Dates:

April:

- 9th - School reopens
- 12th - environmental magic show for grades K-8
- 16th - 20th Book Fair
- 24th - School Pictures, no sibling pictures
- 26th - Tricky Tray
- 27th Progress Reports

New Registration

PreK and Kindergarten - full time

Before and Aftercare available

Please contact principal Mrs. Telle for tour and information: ttelle@smsunion.org

908-688-1063 ext. 201

Tricky Tray News - our tricky tray will take place on April 26th, at the Knights of Columbus, tickets are \$15.00 and can be purchased at <http://smstrickytray.ticketleap.com/2018/great-prizes-and-50/50!!!>

SAVE THE DATE

There will be an Adult Retreat on Saturday morning, April 28, 2018
Sr. Virginia Wilkinson will speak on "The Gospel of Luke—Portrait of Jesus"

All are welcome!

ST. MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

St Michael's Senior Club will meet on Monday, April 9th. Doors will open at 11:30 for coffee and social time. Our general meeting will begin at 12 Noon in the lower church.

Guest Speaker - Lois Schanker from Caring, Sharing Network

Upcoming Event:

April 23rd - Family Chiropractic Care in Clark
Membership is extended to those 55 and over.

Time	April 7-8 Divine Mercy Sunday	April 14-15 3 rd Sunday of Easter
5:30pm	1. Angel Rodriguez 2. Jonathan Rodriguez 3. Alexis Artiga	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche
7:30am	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uzonna Adibemma 3. Austin Nosike 4. Lance Panes	1. Ugochi Adibemma 2. Ifeanyi Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia
9:00am	1. Desi Garcia 2. Nathan Felix 3. Jean Felix 4. Alisha James	1. Megan Felix 2. Julian Felix 3. Jewelz Massicot 4. Joshua Laube 5. Aidan Perez
10:30am	1. Julia Durugo 2. Joshua Estoque 3. Johnnuel Magno 4. Daniel Gonzales	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Michael Durugo
12:00nn	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Lorenz Tangub 4. Gabriel Castano	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Aimee Cabatu-Panlilio

SAVE THE DATES

May 5, 2018 - Healing Mass

May 16, 2018 - May Crowning

THE WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPE AND THE IRS

Using our weekly offertory envelopes enables the parish to provide a statement of deductions at the end of the year that satisfies the IRS deduction requirements. IRS tax rules forbid tax deductions for charitable donations unless the donor can prove the donation through receipts or other financial records. Contact the Parish Center for more information.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Through your faithful giving to the St. Vincent de Paul fund we have been able to make the following donations:

St. John's Soup Kitchen	\$1,000
St. Joseph Social Service Center	\$ 500
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital	\$ 500

All funds donated to St. Vincent de Paul are used for outreach to charitable organizations. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

WE ARE LIVING STONES CAMPAIGN

The St. Michael's Lower Church Kitchen renovation is complete. \$16,500 was used from the We are Living Stones Campaign Funds to complete this major improvement to the church. Thank you to all the participants in the We Are Living Stones Campaign. Please continue to complete your pledge. Your donations are making a visible difference to St. Michael's Church!

DEFIBRILLATORS

Two Philips HeartStart Onsite defibrillators have been donated to St. Michael's, anonymously, by a parishioner. Thank you. The defibrillators have been installed in the vestibule of the Upper Church and in the hallway outside of the classrooms in the Lower Church.

The Philips HeartStart Onsite defibrillator allows virtually anyone to treat the most common causes of sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) by delivering a shock quickly and effectively. The defibrillator guides the user through a cardiac emergency with step-by-step instructions. It is designed for the ordinary person to use in the extraordinary moment.

ARCHDIOCESE ANNIVERSARY MASSES

The Archdiocese of Newark will be celebrating five (5), twenty five (25 and fifty (50) years of Christian marriage in the year 2018. The Liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 29, 2018	3:00 PM	5 years & 25 years (all counties)
Registration due by April 18		
May 6, 2018	3:00 PM	50 years (all counties)
Registration due by April 25		

Please call the Parish Center (908) 688-1232, ext. 100 to register before the due dates.

CYO/Youth Ministry News

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We would like to thank all those who participated in our Good Friday, Living Stations of the Cross. Your beautiful presentation touched our hearts and helped us to recognize the sacrifice Jesus made for all of us. God Bless!

Stations Cast

Jesus Christ.....Xavier Santos
Mary.....Amaya Rivera
Soldiers.....Phillip Fonseca.....John Matos
Servant.....Jessica Vargas
Veronica.....Lyndsay Richeme
Simon.....Rhyan Almonacy

Women of Jerusalem

Christina Moran
 Fernanda Ordas
 Erin McTernan

Apostles

Brandon Almonte
 Matthew Fazendeiro
 James Simms

Pilot.....Joseph Fox

Readers

Intro & Poem: One Solitary LifeMaximiliano Cuenca

Leticia Sefia	Michael Cross	Larra Richeme
Nixon Puertollano	Amy Hoang	Aidan Perez
Salome Oropeza	Sebastian Castan	Kayla Silverio
Andrew Kelley	Jacob Randolph	Kyla Ochotoren
Jonathan Kreinberg	Simone Oropeza	

Voice of Mary.....Alexandra Anton

Lights/Stage.....Michael Lazogue

Music.....Friends of CYO Choir

CYO Choir Members

Wendy Castor
 Mary Kate Morales
 Leticia Sefia

CYO/Youth Ministry News

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Attention all Members! This Tuesday evening, April 10th Justin Fatica and Hard As Nails Ministry will be our guest speakers at CYO. Be encouraged! Be challenged! and join us as Justin and his team share their message of Hope and Inspiration! This will be a meeting like no other! Bring your friends! Everyone is invited!

Please Note Time! This special meeting will run from 7-9pm. Door will open at 630! Don't miss it!

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS



Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Fr. Lawrence Murphy, Louise A. Del Russo, Dominick Vellanti, Gail Patania, John Canfield, Frank Egan, Cheryl & Victor Graziano, Dorothy & Henry Sohl, Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Marianne Hunt O'Malley, Joanne Milana Doman & Joseph Doman, Rakoczy Family, Peggy Gehrig, Leslie Zambra, Virgie Palencia, John Czap, Joan Malespina, Sebastian DaSilva, Edwardo Salamat, Rosa Mugavero, Salvatore DeSimone, Clarence Roberts, Emanuel DeJesus, Tina Dubas, Alfred DeBeau, Michael Tobia, James Sysko, Ester Anni Ban, Raymond Ottao, Joseph Foster, Lucas Files, Ruth Guido, Blanca Tan, Bellew Family, Kim Treppunti, Rosemary Hunt, Danilo Ipo, Ed Stonack, Irzing Guazon, Rene Romero, Colette Zahodnick, Kathleen Sarno, Vincent Vince, Antoinette Witsch, Flossie Abrigo, Scott Leddy, Manuel Domingo, Sr., Lucy Scalgione, Mary Ann Flynn, Joyce Toth, Rodney Lucas, Pamela D'Amico, Maria Espiritu, Rita Himiak, Dominick Monteleone, Martha Owens, Brian Phillips, Lily Hulsey and Katherine Friedrich VenAcker, Lucille Arnaldo, Fr. Jim Worth, Aname Orillaneda Richard Shemanski, Barbara Lombardi, Mario F. Lopez and Ricky Arnaldo.

Anyone who would like someone to be put on the sick list, please contact the parish center. The names will be left on for one month, unless notified otherwise.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Christ is risen! These words fill the festive celebrations of Catholic Churches throughout the world. Some people, however, have difficulty experiencing these joys in the depth of their hearts due to their circumstances in life. Catholic Charities aim to help relieve the sufferings of many in our society through its various programs. Please help Catholic Charities continue its mission by donating your unwanted clothing to the bin located in the parking lot. May the spirit of the Risen Christ respond through your generosity. Thank you.