



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*

Rev. Camilo Lopez, *Parochial Vicar*

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:

Sunday: 5:30 PM (Saturday Evening)

7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

Daily: Monday thru Friday, 7:00, 8:30 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Holy Days: Announced in the bulletin

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.

August 6, 2017

The Transfiguration of the Lord

**THE TRANSFIGURATION
OF THE LORD**

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday 5:30 PM	August 5 Pacita Pena (7th Ann.)
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	August 6 For the Parishioners Norman Escudero (3rd Ann.) Jose Isirio Torres Antoinette Czapla
Monday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 7 Pearl H. Michaelson Dorothy Marchitello
Tuesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 8 Novena of Masses Frances Cebulak
Wednesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 9 Eugene Fabio Jr. Thomas Gesumaria (2nd Ann.)
Thursday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 10 Richard Dam Guillermo Santos
Friday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 11 Novena of Masses Josefina Alvero
Saturday 8:30 AM 5:30 PM	August 12 Stephanie Marie Mejias Maura Tolwinska & Thomas Talwinska
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	August 13 John Mc Cann For the Parishioners Denisa Sardella & Family Edward Kempf

ALTAR OFFERINGS

*The Altar Bread and Altar Wine are offered for St. Michael's Parishioners.
The Sanctuary Lamp is offered in memory of Norman Escudero, requested by his daughter Carmen Di Bisceglie, grandchildren and great grandchildren.*

Throughout history, people have needed new insights, messages and affirmation regarding who God is and the reality of God's presence in their lives. How do we know who or what we can trust, especially in troubling times? Jesus' followers grew in their understanding of who he was — sometimes gradually, sometimes suddenly, as in today's story of the Transfiguration. We are no different. The important thing is to keep growing in our understanding and our commitment.

*Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 Daniel's inspiring vision in a time of persecution.
Ps 97 The Lord is my King, most high over the earth.
2 Pet 1:16-19 Christ has truly been sent from God.
Mt 17:1-9 Jesus exceeds the laws and the prophets.*

NOVENA OF MASSES
AUGUST 2017

<i>Ann L. Corrigan</i>	<i>Alejandro T. Cruz</i>
<i>Jose Arnaldo</i>	<i>John Francis Mahon</i>
<i>Michael Scolamiero</i>	<i>Omar Estremera</i>
<i>George Rinehart</i>	<i>Special Intentions</i>
<i>Pierre & Rubinetti Families</i>	<i>Frank Rubinetti</i>
<i>James T. Bradley</i>	<i>Cecelia Gesumaria</i>
<i>Jurusik & Arner Families</i>	<i>Edward L. Shea</i>
<i>Stephanie Marie Mejias</i>	<i>Alta Grace Limage</i>
<i>Michelene & Joseph Kmetz</i>	<i>James Ford Sr.</i>
<i>Dena Eltouy & Patrick Eltouy (Living)</i>	
<i>Luigi Sauro & Mary Russomanno</i>	
<i>John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Kalkus, Tobia & Vellanti Families</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahan Families</i>	
<i>Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione Families</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family</i>	

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially *Albert Bauer*.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday	August 6
Monday 8:00 AM	August 7 Rosary
Tuesday 8:00 AM 7:00 PM	August 8 Rosary, Church Finance Council Meeting, Rectory
Wednesday 8:00 AM	August 9 Rosary, Church
Thursday 8:00 AM	August 10 Rosary, Church
Friday 8:00 AM 7:30 PM	August 11 Rosary, Church Baptism Class, Rectory
Saturday 1:00-2:00 PM	August 12 Confession Center for Hope selling raffle tickets after Mass
Sunday	August 13 Center for Hope selling raffle tickets after Mass

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, September 15, 2015 at 7:30 PM, Cardinal Tobin will be saying Mass for all people of the deanery at Holy Spirit Church.

**PARISH CONTRIBUTION
FOR THE SUMMER**

Please remember your financial contribution to our parish even though you spend some of your summer away from St. Michael's. Bills and salaries continue during the summer months (electric, phones, staff and health benefits, etc.). If you'll be away, please remember your parish contributions when you return or mail them to the Parish Center. Thank you.

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, Pat Scalgione, Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Marianne Hunt O'Malley, Joanne Milana Doman & Joseph Doman, Rakoczy Family, Elisa Perez, Angelo Martino, Joseph Martino, Jr., Veronica Patulot, Alexa D'Amato, Roselle Roux, Iluminada Duyan, Elizabeth Williamson, Llane Samonte, Peggy Gehrig, Leslie Zambrano, Lucille Arnaldo, 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, John Telle, Ester Anni Ban, Raymond Ottao, Joseph Foster, Lucas Files, Ruth Guido, Blanca Tan, Bellew Family, Betty Falcon, Kim Treppunti, Rosemary Hunt, Danilo Ipo, Ed Stonack, Irzing Guazon, Rene Romero, Colette Zahodnick, Kathleen Sarno, Frederico Pajarillo, Vincent Vince, Antoinette Witsch, Flossie Abrigo, Scott Leddy, Manuel Domingo, Sr., Lucy Scalgione, Mary Ann Flynn.



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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	Week of	Yr. to Date
	<u>7/30/2017</u>	<u>7/1-7/30/2017</u>
Actual	\$ 8,499	\$ 37,415
SOS	\$ 941	\$ 12,434
Total	\$ 9,440	\$ 49,849
Budget	\$ 7,826	\$ 51,575
Difference	\$ 1,614	(\$ 1,726)

Thank you for giving to your parish! Your generosity is essential to the continuation of our mission to spread the Gospel.

“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 the weekend of August 5 & 6. SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SUMMER HOURS

Hours for the Religious Education Office are Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 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.

PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM: Registration papers for the 2017-2018 CCD year have been mailed. If you know of someone who has a child entering the first grade, please ask them to contact the Religious Education Office. We will send registration papers to them. Special classes are available for older students who haven't had any prior religious instruction. **Late registration fees go into effect after August 15th.** You can register now and pay later.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Do you love your Catholic faith? Do you like interacting with children? Do you have an hour to share each week? If so, then perhaps you would consider becoming a catechist. Prior experience is not necessary. We provide the training, the guidance and support as well as all materials. Consider team-teaching with a friend! You can teach together or alternate weeks. Our children are the future of the world. Growing in faith and love for God is so important. The children of St. Michael's need to learn about their faith. **They need your help.** If interested, please call the Religious Education Office at (908) 964-0965 for more information on this rewarding ministry.

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

cyounion@aol.com



CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for our 2017-2018 Confirmation Class was due by June 1st. Our Parent Information Meeting was held Tuesday, June 6th. Sacramental Information, Mass Attendance Cards, Service Projects and how to choose a Faithful Sponsor was discussed at this meeting.

If you have not registered your child you need to do so immediately. You can pick up a Red Confirmation Folder at the Parish Center with all registration materials, information and paperwork. You can also contact the Youth Ministry Office at cyounion@aol.com for more information.

All those registering for Confirmation must be in high school by September and have completed 8 years of Religious Education. Make-Up classes are available for those who have not completed 8 years.

<i>Time</i>	August 5-6 The Transfiguration of The Lord	August 12-13 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<i>5:30pm</i>	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche*	1. Lance Panes 2. Jennele Baul 3. Angel Rodriguez 4. Alexis Artiga*
<i>7:30am</i>	1. Ugochi Adibemmma 2. Ifeanyi Adibemmma 3. Jarlene Estopia	1. Chika Adibemmma 2. Uzonna Adibemmma 3. Austin Nosike
<i>9:00am</i>	1. Kailey Barros-Dias* 2. Jewelz Massicot 3. Joshua Laube 4. Aidan Perez	1. Desi Garcia 2. Nathan Felix 3. Megan Felix 4. Alisha James*
<i>10:30am</i>	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Michael Durugo 4. Isabella Fernandes*	1. Julia Durugo 2. Johnnuel Magno 3. Joshua Estoque 4. Jedrek Kumi*
<i>12:00nn</i>	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Aimee Cabatu-Panlilio*	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Samuel Ilagan 4. Gabriel Castano*

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL NEWS

Registration and tours available, contact principal Antoinette Telle at ttelle@smsunion.org or school office 908-688-1063, ext. 200, full day PreK and Kindergarten

Aug. 28th - PreK Orientation 9:00-10:00 AM
 Aug. 29th - Kindergarten Orientation 9:00-10:00 AM
 Meet your teacher, teacher assistant and classmates!

Sept. 5th - First Day of School for Grades 1-8
 Sept. 6th -First Day of School for Kindergarten
 Sept. 11th - First Day of School for PreK
 Full day session

Aftercare positions available - Mon-Fri, 2:20-5:00 or 6:00.
 If interested please contact Miss Catalano our Assistant Principal and Aftercare Director at rcatalano@smsunion.org or 908-688-1063, ext. 200.

Substitute teacher positions available. Please contact Principal Telle at ttelle@smsunion.or or 908-688-1063, ext.200 for more information.

Enjoy your summer, remember to attend Mass.

FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL



We will celebrate the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel by having a Dinner Dance on our feast day, Friday evening, **September 29, 2017 at Costa del Sol. Tickets are \$70.00 each** and are available in the Parish

Center during the week and in the church vestibule on weekends. **Tickets can either be paid for at the time of purchase or a reservation, which is payable August 1st, can be made.**

This commemorative celebration will begin with Holy Eucharist at 6:00 PM in Church and followed by a night of celebrative dinning, dancing and listening to the music of the 50's and 60's music. The dinner will be from 7:00—11:00 PM. The buffet dinner will be offering seven different items. In addition, there will be unlimited beer, sangria and soda. Entertainment will be provided by "The Band of Brothers," which plays various types of music spanning the years from the 50's and 60's right up to the present time. There will also be door prizes, a 50/50 raffle and a gift basket raffle.

**St. Michael Parish Church
 A Night to Remember Dinner Dance
 Ticket Order**

Name: _____
 # of tickets: _____ x \$70 = _____

Make checks out to St. Michael's Church

Ticket questions? Please contact Cheryl Thompson at Thompsonkct@aol.com or Parish Center at 908-688-1232, ext. 100

Please seat with: _____



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Our Parish Mission Statement calls us to be both disciples and stewards of the Kingdom. Discipleship and Stewardship go hand in hand. As stewards, we receive God's gift of time, talent and treasure gratefully, nurture them responsibly, and share them lovingly, believing the promise of God to further increase them a hundred fold. Stewardship is best exercised through tithing: Giving back to God 10% of our time, talent, and treasure to make sure the work of His Church continues unto the end of time.

Each one of us has been gifted by God. Besides our gifts of treasure, we all have two other valuable gifts—the gift of **time** and the gift of **talent**. Both are priceless opportunities we must use to fulfill our life's potential and to do great things for God in the church.

We are grateful to God that the doors of this Church have been kept open for over ninety years now by the generous donation of time, talent and treasure of generations of parishioners. We all need to be on that list as we each need to answer the biblical question: "What return shall I make to the Lord for all He has done for me?"

We are therefore inviting every member of our parish to prayerfully think about the different ways you can help serve this parish community. I need us to think about what we can do for our Church.

There are many ministries that can use your talent and time right now. Would you please consider some of these:

Stewardship Council

The Stewardship council works with the Pastor in promoting stewardship as a way of life in our parish. The council encourages and organizes the giving back of time, talent, and treasure for the life of the parish. If you are above the age of 18 years, and have the passion and zeal for the wellbeing of this church, you are qualified to be a member of this council. Please call the Church Office at 908-688-1232 to indicate your interest.

The Wellness Ministry: Do you have any expertise in any of the different aspects of wellness? Do you have the passion or interest to help others rally around a healthy quality of life? As a nurse or healthcare provider, would you consider participating in a parish health fair? Would you want to lead a parish group for jogging, exercise, yoga, meditation, or rebalance health wellness? Then this ministry is for you. The wellness ministry is dedicated to promoting physical wellbeing by helping parishioners become better partners in their own wellness through participation in the different aspects of physical wellness. Please call the Church Office at 908-688-1232 to indicate your interest.

Parish Social Events Committee

The Parish Social Events Committee provides opportunities for the parish family to come together and experience the Christian community through fun social events. Our parish family includes multiple generations, married, singles, parents and their children, teens, grandparents and empty nesters. The goal is to provide a variety of social events that will appeal to the entire family community and bring them together with good food, fun and camaraderie. If you have the interest or the passion to make our parish a lively and vibrant community in action, then you are qualified to be a member. Please call the Church Office at 908-688-1232 to indicate your interest.

Maintenance Committee

The Maintenance Committee is an advisory committee to the pastor that oversees the maintenance and repair of all parish properties. The Committee conducts monthly and seasonal inspections to ensure that all church properties are properly maintained and advises the pastor on any major problems that are identified. From time to time the committee may need professional advice and would welcome participation by parishioners with expertise in construction, plumbing, electrical, etc. If you have any expertise or you are knowledgeable in any of the different aspects of building and construction, with a passion for the wellbeing of our parish, then you are qualified to be a member. Please call the Church Office at 908-688-1232 to indicate your interest.

Remember, "it is not by power or might, but by the spirit of the Lord". Whoever the Lord calls, He will also equip.

Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu