

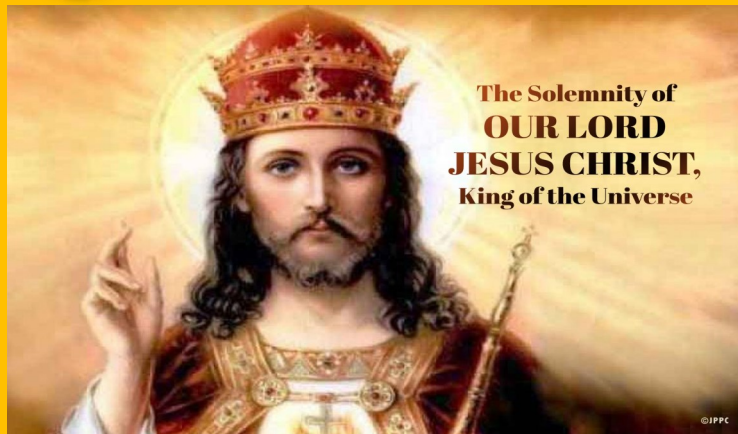


# ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

November 20, 2022

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



The Solemnity of  
**OUR LORD  
JESUS CHRIST,**  
King of the Universe

## Pastoral Staff

**Rev. Msgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu**, *Pastor*  
**Rev. Camilo Lopez**, *Parochial Vicar*  
**Rev. Charles B. McDermott**, *Pastor Emeritus*  
**Deacon Michael Cavallo**, *Permanent Deacon*  
**Deacon Michael Alfano**, *Permanent Deacon*  
**Mrs. Clare Andriola**, *Pastoral Associate for Religious Education*  
**Ms. Cristina Manochio**, *Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry*  
**Ms. Fran Engleman**, *9:00 am Choirmaster*  
**Mr. Patrick B. Phillips**, *12:00 Noon Choirmaster*  
**Mrs. Rebekah Scicolone**, *Principal*

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** Saturday 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Notify a priest of all who are hospitalized or home bound

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm  
Baptism preparation: 2nd Friday evening at 7:30 pm  
Call parish office to register (908-688-1232)

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE** Contact a priest at the parish at least no less than eight months prior to booking your wedding date.

### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Adults wishing to join the Catholic Church or who are baptized but have not made their First Communion/Confirmation should please contact the parish office for full information and guidance.

### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (CCD)

Grade 1-8 religious formation for First Penance and First Communion please call the Parish Religious Education office (908-964-0965).

### YOUTH MINISTRY

A comprehensive youth program for all teens from 9th to 12th grade. Our program prepares teens for Confirmation, 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

All parishioners need to be registered.  
Please call the Parish Office for registration or information.

## Mission Statement

St. Michael the Archangel Parish is dedicated to growing disciples, drawing people to Christ and making church and worship matter. We do this through our liturgical worship, the proclamation of the Good News, and living out our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.

## Mass Schedule

### SUNDAY

5:30 pm (Saturday Evening)  
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon

### DAILY

**Monday ▶ Friday:**

8:30 am, 12:00 Noon

**Saturday:** 8:30 am

**Holy Days:** Announced in the bulletin

## Address

1212 Kelly Street, Union, New Jersey 07083

## Telephones

**Rectory/Parish Center:** 908-688-1232  
**Rectory/Parish Center Fax:** 908-810-1076  
**School:** 908-688-1063  
**Religious Education Office:** 908-964-0965  
**Youth Ministry Office:** 908-686-3762  
**Email:** stmichaelunion@comcast.net  
**Stay Connected:**

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## Devotions

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATIONS

Every 1st Friday and 1st Sunday 6:30 pm

### DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

**UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL**

Wednesdays 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

### BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 1st, 2nd and 4th 7:00 pm

### BOLD AND CATHOLIC REFLECTION

3rd Saturdays 9:00 am

### ADVENT REFLECTION

Every Saturday of Advent 9:00 am

### LENTEN REFLECTION

Every Friday of Lent 7:00 pm  
Every Saturday of Lent 9:00 am

# Message From *The Pastors Desk*



## KING OF KINGS

This Sunday is the last Sunday in ordinary times and is also the Celebration of the Kingship of Christ as King of the kings and the Lord of lords. Throughout the Old Testament, God promised to send a deliverer; a savior of humankind. It was the fulfillment of this promise that made the Wise Men traveled all the way from the Far East to Bethlehem to worship the new born King. It was the fulfillment of this promise that made King Herod, in a jealous rage, to slaughter innocent children in his bid to kill Jesus. It was the fulfillment of this promise that made

Matthew to begin his Gospel with a genealogy tracing Jesus to the lineage of King David. It was Jesus' claim of His Kingship that made Pilate to nail a sign "King of the Jews" on the Cross of the crucifixion. In the book of Revelation, John writes "I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True. He is called the Word of God...On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, "King of kings and Lord of lords."

But it was not until 1925, that the Church officially instituted the celebration of this solemnity by Pope Pius XI. This, he did, in response to the then growing nationalism and secularism that sought to thrust Jesus Christ and his holy laws out of public life; a move, the Pope believed, was a threat to human civilization and religious freedom. Unfortunately, we still live under that threat even till this day. Bill O'Rielly, on his radio program, a few years ago, asked: "Why is Christianity under attack in our culture?" The answer, in my opinion, is not farfetched. The two kingdoms, the kingdom of this world and the Kingdom of Christ are not easily compatible; they are constantly in conflict and do not see eye to eye. The contrast between them is not about good and evil but rather about two fundamentally different mindsets, belief systems, and loyalties.

The kingdom of this world trusts the power of the sword and might to conquer, to subdue and to lord it over others. This kingdom is rooted in preserving and advancing ones self-interests and will; is heavily invested in defending and advancing one's own group, one's nation, one's ethnicity, one's state, one's religion, one's ideologies, or one's political agendas. The motto of this kingdom is "tit-for-tat"—"eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." It is a kingdom where money, power, superiority, and affluence, are worshiped, the end justifies the means, and appetite satiation is the dominant philosophy of living.

In contrast, the Kingdom of Christ is a kingdom of light and peace; a kingdom that trusts in the power of the cross; in the power of kindness and compassion, in the power of transforming lives from the inside out, in the power of doing God's will even if this requires sacrificing one's own interests. It is a kingdom that believe in putting God first above all things, in serving rather than being served, in carrying the cross not the sword, in returning evil with good, in forgiving the neighbor, in praying for the enemy, and in seeking the well-being of others. It is a kingdom that is involved, not in conflict and wars with enemies of blood and flesh but with "rulers, authorities, the cosmic powers of this present darkness, and the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places" (Ref. Ephesians 6:12)

My friends, Christ, as King, is the only king that can free us from the fear of death; the only one that makes the resurrection possible; the only one that offers eternal life beyond the grave, and the only one who can obliterate our guilt before God at the end of our earthly journey. He is the only one that makes heaven possible. Many a time, we are prone to think that making Christ the King of our lives somehow takes joy and fun out of living. Quite the contrary! As Christ says, "I have come that they may have life and have it in its fullness". To declare Christ as your lord and king is to live and to love, to forgive and to be forgiven, and to enjoy the life-giving grace of God. May Christ be our king and all, Amen!

*Msgr. Anselm*

## Announcements

### USAN FUNDRAISER UPDATE

**GOAL:** \$100,000

**11/2/2022** \$129,130

<https://www.stmichaelunion.org/usan>

### ST. MICHAEL'S COLLECTIONS

**Below is an explanation of some of the different St. Michael's Collections:**

**S.O.S. Collection** - This is a monthly "restricted" collection dedicated to paying our utility bills. *Restricted collections are not assessed by the Archdiocese of Newark and therefore all funds are used solely by St. Michael's to pay our bills. S.O.S. collections are appreciated at all times.*

**Tithing**—This is a monthly "restricted" collection dedicated to paying for the new air conditioner. *Restricted collections are not assessed by the Archdiocese and therefore all funds are used solely for St. Michael's needs. Tithing collections are appreciated at all times.*

**Assessment Collection** - The Archdiocese of Newark assesses all parishes in the archdiocese a percentage of the parish's annual unrestricted revenue, to be paid monthly. This assessment is used by the Archdiocese to support administrative services. St. Michael's has instituted a monthly "restricted" collection that is used solely for paying our monthly assessment. *All Assessment Collection funds are sent directly to Archdiocese of Newark, monthly, to pay our Assessment Obligation. No funds are used for St. Michael's needs.*

**National Collections** - the Archdiocese of Newark has ten collections during the year to benefit various organizations such as the retired priest's fund, the church in Eastern Europe, the religious retirement fund, and mission appeals. *Money from the national collections go directly to the Archdiocese of Newark.*

**St. Vincent De Paul Collection** - money donated to St. Vincent De Paul is distributed prior to Thanksgiving and prior to Easter to local foodbanks, soup kitchens and social centers that provide food and shelter for those in need.

**Thank you for your continued generosity and support to our Parish!**

### ONLINE GIVING

Donating your weekly collections through the Parish Giving online platform is helpful now more than ever. Due to health and safety concerns related to the pandemic the number of volunteers that are available to count the collections has significantly diminished. By using online giving you are selecting the safest and easiest method of giving for St. Michael's Parish. To start using Parish Giving go to our parish website ([stmichaelunion.org](http://stmichaelunion.org)) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form. Thank you for sustaining the parish during this unprecedented emergency that we are all experiencing.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

#### COLLECTION & SOS

	NEEDED WEEKLY	ACTUAL WEEKLY	OVER/UNDER
<b>November</b>			
Week 1 Collections	\$7,079	\$6,575	\$ 504
Week 2 Collections	\$7,079	\$7,775	\$ 696
<b>Monthly SOS</b>	<b>\$10,040</b>	<b>\$7,784</b>	<b>\$2,456</b>

- **Mailing/dropping off your envelopes** to the Parish Center Office (1211 Orange Ave).
- **Online Giving** Go to our parish website ([stmichaelunion.org](http://stmichaelunion.org)) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form.

*Dear Parishioners,*

**In order for us to stay in the GREEN, it is important that we meet our weekly budget collections and SOS. Please let us continue to support the weekly Sunday collection so that we can achieve our goals of balancing the budget going forward.**

**Thank you for your support of the parish and your continued generosity.**

*Msr. Anselm*

## 6 Ways To DONATE

#### ONLINE GIVING:



—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—  
stmichaelunion.org

#### BANK TRANSFER:



stmichaelunion@comcast.net  
In the Comment section, indicate where your donation should be accounted for, e.g., USAN (with your Group Name), Offertory, Tithe, etc.

#### CONTACT FREE: QR CODE



Scanning the code above with your mobile device directs you to the online donation page

#### MAIL IN:



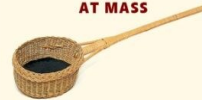
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#### DROP OFF: AT THE PARISH CENTER



1211 Orange Ave, Union, NJ 07083

#### DURING OFFERTORY: AT MASS



You can use designated envelopes OR use your envelope but indicate where your donation should be accounted for.

### STAY INFORMED ABOUT ST. MICHAEL'S

If you have not been receiving emails from the church via **Evangelus** please visit [eva.us/stmichaels](http://eva.us/stmichaels) to sign up in order to receive messages and stay informed about current happenings in church.

**Mass Intentions & Devotions**

**SATURDAY November 19**  
 5:30 pm Marion Bozolus  
 Maria Cherry Vibar (Living)-Thanksgiving

**SUNDAY November 20**  
 7:30 am For the Parishioners  
 Blessed Iwene Tansi  
 9:00 am Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group-Thanksgiving  
 Paula Sousa Tabourel  
 10:30 am Roslyn Moreno Cruz (21st Ann.)  
 George Rinehart  
 12:00 noon Manuel J. Ribeiro (1st Ann.)  
 Beatrice & Charles Eluwa (Living)-34th Wedding Ann

**MONDAY November 21**  
 8:30 am Phil Matrale (2nd Ann.)  
 12:00 noon All Souls  
 Mr. Costa

**TUESDAY November 22**  
 8:30 am Jim Gillecce  
 12:00 noon Benjamin Magbanua (16th Ann.)  
 Theresa Ojeawere (Living)

**WEDNESDAY November 23**  
 8:30 am Nordick Anthony Garcia  
 Lala Tan (Living) - 88th Birthday  
 12:00 noon Blessed Iwene Tansi  
 Ana Maura Zeik-Antuono

**THURSDAY November 24 Thanksgiving Day**  
 9:00 am Novena of Mass for Thanksgiving of  
 God's Blessings  
 Patrick & Dena Eltouny (Living)  
 Karen Pajarillo-Wang (Living)-52nd Birthday

**FRIDAY November 25**  
 9:00 am Mary Minni  
 Ana Maura Zeik-Antuono

**SATURDAY November 26**  
 8:30 am All Souls  
 Alejandro T. Cruz  
 Craig Calix  
 5:30 pm Maria Jose Farinah  
 Lucia D'Amato

**SUNDAY November 27**  
 7:30 am Maria Tavares  
 9:00 am Julian & Jennie Pruszkowski  
 10:30 am Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group-Propagation of Faith  
 Blessed Iwene Tansi  
 Rita & Vito Sauro  
 12:00 noon For the Parishioners  
 Maria Cherry Vibar (Living)-Thanksgiving

**ALTAR OFFERINGS**

*The Altar Bread and Altar Wine are offered for St. Michael's Parishioners.*

*The Sanctuary Lamp is offered in memory of Phil Matrale, requested by the Mejias Family.*

**2023 MASS BOOK is now open. Please stop by the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) to book your Mass Intentions. The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.**

**Ministry Information**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

The **Religious Education Office** is open Monday through Thursday from 9:30AM to 2:30PM (except holidays) or by appointment. We are located in the Parish Center at 1211 Orange Avenue. You can also contact us by phone 908-964-0965 at any time and leave a message, or via email at [smccd@comcast.net](mailto:smccd@comcast.net)

**Coordinator of Religious Education**  
*Clare Andriola*  
**Coordinator of Home-Based Religious Education**  
*Lois Scanio*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES** for Grades 1 through 8 are well underway. Our Second Grade and Sacrament Prep 2 students are preparing to receive First Communion in the spring. We are no longer accepting registrations for in-person classes.

**FAITH FORMATION NOTICE OF UPCOMING EVENT! ALL ARE INVITED!**

**ADVENT RETREAT**  
 Theme: *Hope in Times of Turmoil*



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 1211 Kelly Street – Union, NJ

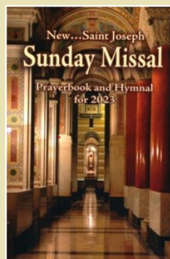
**Friday, December 2 at 6:30 – 8:30PM**  
 Worship & Praise / Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration  
 Presider: Rev. Fr. Albert Nzeh, Pastor, Blessed Sacrament / St. Charles Borromeo Church

**Saturday, December 3**  
 8:30AM Breakfast Available in Phil Matrale Hall (LC)  
 9:35 – 11:55AM  
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Private Devotion  
 Reflection, Small Group Discussion & Sharing  
 Presider: Msgr. Paul L. Bochicchio, Archdiocese of Newark

**Retreat concludes with Mass at 12 Noon**

Please R.S.V.P. via email to Clare / Lois at [smccd@comcast.net](mailto:smccd@comcast.net)

**SAINT JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2023**



We have a limited quantity available for purchase. **Cost is \$6.00.** Please stop by the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) to pick up your copy.

**Announcements**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE  
CYCLE C**

**First Reading**

2 Samuel 5:1-3

David is anointed king.

**Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 122:1-2,3-4,4-5

Enter the house of the Lord rejoicing.

**Second Reading**

Colossians 1:12-20

Hymn to Jesus as the first-born of all creation.

**Gospel Reading**

Luke 23:35-43

Jesus is crucified under the title King of the Jews.

**PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR**

Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Joseph Doman, Mary Ann Flynn, Lucille Arnaldo, Barbara Lombardi, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Roselle Roux, Amanda D'Amato, Jean Claude, Claubette Kallabeen, Stephen Czapla, Clarence Roberts, Thomasina Rodriguez, Harry Vendemia, Iluminda Duyan, Ruth Guido, Maria Santiago, Dr. Vic Tan, Sam Vincent Milana, Beth Barto, Targelia Penafiel, Herlinda Castillo, Gregory Ward, David Randolph, Junia Perez, Virginia Hernandez, Lucy Scalgione, Doug Heinzer, Veana Lim, Myra Kebala, Alan Cicotte, William Grant, Matteo Piano, Jesus Adrien Duenas, Cesar DeJesus, Frances Machado, Chet Janusz, Kathy Sarno, Baby Charlie Boyle, Carmen Diaz Colon, Marian Orzechowski, Sebastian DePinho, Baby Charlie Esmores, George Leary, Carole A. Facenta, Grace Fortino, Brian Schmitt, Tom Ewing, Tony Zaliwski, Kathleen Kachelriess, Trudy Spinelli, Willa Jackson, John McEvoy, Dolores Rust, Lucy Nwauku, Mary Pubehara, Steven Yaccarino, Jacky Schellseheidt, Karen Marotta, Ken Lang, Judy Reid, Connie Emery, Ana Torres, Rita Homiak, Stephen Berberabe, Norma Tuano, Marlene Cababe, Milan Durish, Maria Santiago, Marisol Morales, Angelina Amali, Debbie Schaeffer Huggan, Jeff Pogorzelski, Virginia Attanasio, Karen Zabbia, Mary Leeman, Marie Esposito, Jose M. DeJesus, Andre Graigwell, Nicole Pozeinick, Amy Dombroski, Byron DelMonte, Samantha Lopes, Joselito Espana, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Harry Benbemia, Ken Lang, Valarie Carter, Willie Green, Shirley Dobard, Joyce Toth, Maria Ferrara

**DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**

Please remember in your prayers our parish, friends and family members who have passed on to the Lord, that they may inherit the promise of everlasting life in heaven.

For this week, we especially remember

**Members of St. Michael's Parish**

**Prayer to St. Michael**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



**NOVENA of Masses**

**DECEASED PARISHIONERS  
November 2021-November 2022**

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Josephine Ruisi       | Thomas Cowan        |
| Manuel Guirnalda      | Kathleen Lumley     |
| Manuel Riberio        | Claudette Fleury    |
| Anna Chemiente        | Daniel J. Fasano    |
| Anthony Tamburello    | Nelson Rovera       |
| Milagros Obispo       | John E. McKnight    |
| Henry Spada           | Kenneth Maggiore    |
| Flora Bartucci        | Helen Verderame     |
| Antonio Bastos        | James Deady         |
| Shirley Lipari        | Anna Russo          |
| Elizabeth Disler      | Gerald Betzner      |
| Gaetana Brusciannelli | Salvatore Leonetti  |
| Agatha Boyle          | Gianna Bambaci      |
| Bernadette Lynch      | Lourdes Manguera    |
| Patsy Taglia          | Ralph De John       |
| Joyce Rogers          | Marion Bozulus      |
| William Doubraski     | Angela Veluz        |
| Kenneth Lumley        | William C. Safranek |
| Timothy Connell       | Olga Wenzel         |
| Galo Proano-Cobo      | John Rutledge       |
| Ida Fortunato         | Bernard Hess        |
| Rocco Maltese         | Carmen Sugges       |
| William Crivellone    | Robert Pffarr       |
| Joseph Mulligan       | Dolores Grueneri    |
| Albert J. Phillips    | Brian Phillips      |
| Lina Galazzo          | Frank J. Catena     |
| Mary T. Capriglione   | Marie Hannon        |
| Alfonso Tanseco       | Valerie Eger        |
| Guiseppe Galazzo      | Anthony Cavallo     |
| Alfonso Tanseco       | Jamie Huntly        |
| James Gilleece        | Marion O'Connor     |
| Maureen Holmes        |                     |

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.*

**COME AND EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF THE  
HOLY SPIRIT PERSONALLY  
WITH ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH**

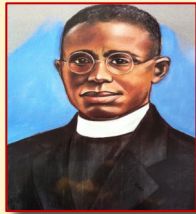


**Catholic Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group**  
**DAY: Wednesday TIME: 6PM-7:30PM**  
**VENUE: Murphy's Room, Lower Church**

**HANDS OF GRACE MINISTRY (HUGS)**

HUGS Ministry distributes **Gift Bags once a month throughout the year. We are presently helping 33 families. Please help us replenish our inventory.** Please contact **Bisi (908) 247-4461** or **Tania (908) 420 8659.**

**Announcements**



**SAVE THE DATE**

**BLESSED CYPRIAN IWENE TANSI MASS**

**Sunday, December 4, 2022**  
**12:00 Noon Mass**  
**Fellowship after Mass at Phil Matrale Hall (LC)**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**BAMBINELLI SUNDAY**  
**Sunday, December 11, 2022**



There will be blessings at all Masses of the Baby Jesus figurines from your home Nativity sets.



**SAVE THE DATE**

**Monday, December 19, 2022 at 8:00 pm**  
**SIMBANG GABI**  
**(CHRISTMAS EVENING MASS)**  
**Fellowship at Phil Matrale Hall (LC) after Mass**

**CYO YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

[cyouionnj@gmail.com](mailto:cyouionnj@gmail.com)



The CYO / Youth Ministry is excited to announce that we will be venturing back to Camp Lebanon for our annual teen retreat on the weekend of November 18th-20th! Please keep our CYO youths in your prayers this weekend.

**Announcements**



**TIS THE SEASON...** Our parish **Giving Tree** will be greeting you once again during this **Advent** season. As we prepare our holiday gifts, let us pray for others and bring comfort to those who are struggling through these difficult times.

**Week 1 (11/27-12/2)** Let us pray for the gift of **HOPE...**  
*"God walks with us and his presence fills us with hope."* – Pope Francis

**Week 2 (12/3-9)** Let us pray for the gift of **PEACE...**  
*"His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Jesus Christ."* –Philippians 4:6-7

**Week 3 (12/10-16)** We give the gift of **JOY...** *"Joy is prayer; joy is strength; joy is love."* –Mother Theresa

**Week 4 (12/17-23)** We give the gift of **LOVE...**  
*"Everytime you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing."* –Mother Theresa

**CANDY CANES** represent gifts for the Children's Christmas Party at Blessed Sacrament Church, Newark.

**GIFT CARDS** to supermarkets and local stores will be distributed to Parishioners and Veterans in need of assistance.

**GIFTS AND CARDS\* WILL BE COLLECTED AT ALL MASSES THE WEEKEND OF DEC. 10-11.**

If you would like to contribute a gift card or monetary donation to the **SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC - CALDWELL**, we will have a separate collection bin in the vestibule of the Church clearly marked for these donations.

**MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES AS YOU SUPPORT AND BLESS OTHERS BY YOUR GENEROSITY!**

**SISTER ANN'S FOOD PANTRY**

**The holidays are coming, please consider making food or financial donations for Sister Ann's Food Pantry to help out those in need.**

**Your weekly and financial donations keep Sister Ann's Pantry going. I am sure she is smiling at us from heaven.**