

# 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:**

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Mrs. Marilynn 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 22, 2018
Fourth 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.

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday April 21

5:30 PM Jesus & Josefina Alvero

Sunday April 22

7:30 AM For the Parishioners 9:00 AM Alejandro T. Cruz 10:30 AM Mary Ann Canavan 12:00 Noon Fidela Dagat (Living)

Monday April 23

7:00 AM Catherine Scilla

8:30 AM Francis & Claire Gillick

Tuesday April 24

7:00 AM Michael Stefanyak

8:30 AM Sita Kone

Wednesday April 25

7:00 AM Novena of Masses 8:30 AM Howard Kraus

**Thursday** April 26 7:00 AM Elaine Dempsey

8:30 AM Rodolfo Perez

Friday April 27 7:00 AM Maria Tavares 8:30 AM Novena of Masses

Saturday April 28

8:30 AM Thomas Gillick, Sr. 5:30 PM Manuel Caram

Sunday April 29

7:30 AM For the Parishioners

9:00 AM Anna Wasco

10:30 AM Rodrigo V. Gancia (Living)

12:00 Noon Minnie Vitale

## **ALTAR OFFERINGS**

The Altar Bread, the Altar Wine and the Sanctuary Lamp are offered for St. Michael's Parishioners

#### **DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially *St. Michael's Parishioners*.

We may sometimes wonder where we "belong" in a world that seems so wrought by division. In today's Gospel Jesus uses the ancient, but still powerful, image of the good shepherd who knows and protects his flock. Easter celebrates that we have been made one people by his death and resurrection. Baptism and Eucharist intensify our place in this body. Nothing could be more unifying than that.

Acts 4:8-12 God raised Jesus as the Savior of the world.
Ps 118 The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.
1 Jn3:1-2 We are God's children.
Jn 10:11-18 "I am the good shepherd."

#### **NOVENA OF MASSES—APRIL 2018**

James Ford, Sr. Alejandro T. Cruz
Jose J. Arnaldo John Francis Mahon
Ann L. Corrigan George Rinehart
Craig Calix (Living) Special Intentions
Walter Foster, Jr. Mary Russomanno
Serafina Sauro Rosemary Sauro

Frank Rubinetti Pierre & Rubinetti Family

Brito Dantas Ines Gomez

Maria Ribeiro Gian Gorospe (Living)

Michelene Kmetz & Joseph Kmetz John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes Jurusik & Arner Families

Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Kalkus,

Vellanti & Tobia Families

Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart &

McMahon Families

Living & Deceased Members of the Ameruso &

Scalgione Families

Living & Deceased Members of the Rodriguez & Pias Families

#### 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 <u>55%</u> towards our goal of <u>\$48,395</u>. 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 22

No Religious Education

3:00-6:00 PM Elvis Impersonator Live!, LC

Monday April 23 8:00 AM Rosary, Church

11:30 PM St. Michael's Senior Meeting, LC

3:30-4:30 PM Religious Education

7:00 PM First Communion Practice.

Church

6:00-9:00 PM St. Michael School Music Con

cert, Farrell Gym

Tuesday April 24 8:00 AM Rosary, C

8:00 AM Rosary, Church 7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education

7:00-8:30 PM CYO, LC

7:00 PM Bible Class, Rectory

Wednesday April 25

8:00 AM Rosary, Church 7:00 PM First Communion Practice,

Church

7:00-8:00 PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ado-

ration, Church

Thursday April 26

8:00 AM Rosary, Church

Friday April 27

8:00 AM Rosary, Church

7:00-8:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday April 28

After 8:30 AM Mass Adult Retreat—Sr. Virginia

Wilkinson, LC

Sunday April 29

10:15-11:30 AM Religious Education

## 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.

#### 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

	Week of	Yr. to Date
	4/15/2018	7/1/-4/15/2018
Collections	\$ 7,224	\$ 305,407
Online Collections	\$ 185	\$ 9,891
SOS	\$ 1,542	\$ 132,332
Online SOS	\$ 302	\$ 2,676
Total	\$ 9,253	\$ 450,306
Budget	\$ 13,422	\$ 460,343
Difference	(\$ 4.169)	<i>(</i> \$ 10.037)
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Easter Collection \$33,214

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 the weekend of May 5 & 6, 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: Marilynn Dragone at (908) 964-0965.

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

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS:** Classes will resume on Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

# **FAMILIES PREPARING FOR FIRST EUCHA-**

<u>RIST:</u> Decorated butterflies and Communion banners can be turned in to your child's catechist or teacher, or dropped off at the Parish Center.

# **IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS**

First Communion: Sunday, April 29th, 9:00 a.m. Practice: Monday, April 23rd, 7:00 p.m.

First Communion: Sunday, April 29th, 12:00 p.m. Practice: Wednesday, April 25th, 7:00 p.m.

**SR. VIRGINIA'S NEWBURGH MINISTRY** is in need of shampoo, cream rinse and soap. Please bring any of these items to the Parish Center located on Orange Avenue.

RICE BOWL donations can still be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish Center. Religious Education students can give their donations to their catechist. The monies collected are donated to the missions that help people throughout the world.

# **SAVE THE DATE**



# ELVIS IMPERSONATOR LIVE! DON ANTHONY

April 22, 2018 Tickets—\$25 Showtime: 3:00-6:00 PM

Drinks, pizza, buffalo wings will be served

# **SAVE THE DATE**

There will be an Adult Retreat on
Saturday morning, April 28, 2018
Lower Church, after 8:30 AM Mass
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 23rd. 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 –** Family Chiropractic of Clark, Dr. Tricia Mastropietro

# **Upcoming Event:**

May 7<sup>th</sup> - General Meeting followed by Bingo

May 21<sup>st</sup> – White Elephant Table fundraiser. Membership is extended to those 55 and over.

Next Meeting Monday, May 7th

Time	April 21-24 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	April 28-29 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
5:30pm	Angel Rodriguez     Jonathan Rodriguez     Alexis Artiga	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche
7:30am	Chika Adibemma     Uzonna Adibemma     Austin Nosike     Lance Panes	1. Ifeanyi Adibemma 2. Chika Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia
9:00am	<ol> <li>Desi Garcia</li> <li>Nathan Felix</li> <li>Jean Felix</li> <li>Alisha James</li> </ol>	Megan Felix     Julian Felix     Jewelz Massicot     Joshua Laube     Aidan Perez
10:30am	Julia Durugo     Johnnuel Magno     Joshua Estoque	Jerome Fernandez     Jianna Fernandez     Michael Durugo
12:00nn	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Samuel Ilagan 4. Gabriel Castano	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Charles Ozurumba

#### 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!

#### 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.

# **SAVE THE DATES**

May 5, 2018 - Healing Mass

*May 16, 2018 - May Crowning* 

# **ANNUAL HEALING MASS**

On **Saturday, May5th at 11:00 AM**, St. Michael's Parish will hold its Annual Healing Mass in the Lower Church. The mass will begin promptly at 11:00 AM with lunch to follow. If you are interested in attending, please call the Parish Center (908) 688-1232 and register so that we may plan accordingly.

# 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.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN BAPTIZED IN THE MONTH OF APRIL 2018

Victory Chinenyenwe Ojibe Ryder Philip Lopes



CYO/Youth Ministry News cyounion@aol.com



This week our guest speaker will be **Christine Correia** on the **"Cause and Effects" of Bullying**. A lot of information will be shared so be sure not to miss it! Your friends are also welcome to attend.

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered at the quadriplegic center last week and you can sign up for this month's service projects at CYO this week.

Last call for Freshman interested in Core Team. There will be a special meeting in May to explain the responsibilities and involvements of our leadership program.

# **MATCHING GIFTS**

# Double Your Donation to St. Michael's Church!

Many companies offer matching gift programs to encourage employees to contribute to charitable organizations. Most of these programs match contributions dollar for dollar, and some will even double or triple the amount of your gift!

Please check with your company to see if it offers a matching gift program that will match your gift to St. Michael's Church.

Your personal gift and matched contribution will be credited to the St. Michael's project that you designate. This spring St. Michael's Church is raising funds to purchase and install 2 new church air conditioner units. Matching funds from your employer would be a great addition to this fundraiser.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact the Parish Center Office at stmichaelunion.org or call 908-688-1232.

# ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL NEWS

We still have limited tickets for our Tricky Tray!

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!!!

Tours are being provided for Full Time PreK - 8th grade, please contact the main office or principal Telle for information:

908-688-1063 or ttelle@smsunion.org

# **Important Dates**:

School Mass - April 23rd School Pictures, individual pictures only - April 24th Tricky Tray - April 26th Progress Reports - April 27th

# **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 Zambrano, 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, Manuel Crudo and Josephine Steinberg.

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.