

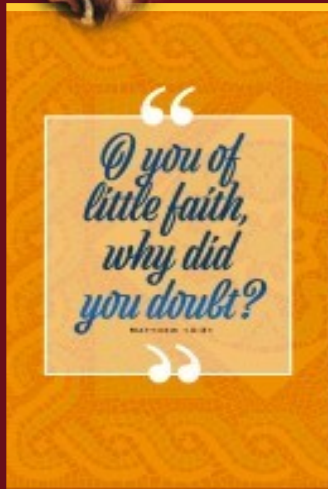


ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

August 9, 2020

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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:

7:00 am, 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
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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

Wellness Ministry

Dance & Wellness Classes

Saturdays 9:30 am, Mondays 7:00 pm

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*

TBA, *Coordinator of Religious Education*

Mr. Philip Matrile, *Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry*

Mr. Peter Petrecca, *Music Director*

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.

Message From Our Pastor



Archdiocese of Newark
OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

July 29, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The devastating consequences of the current pandemic have gravely impacted our Church as well as every aspect of our society. The financial insecurity that has been generated by COVID-19 affects in a particular way the schools of the Archdiocese, their students, parents, faculty and administration. As families struggle to pay tuition, school communities scramble to meet additional expenses of COVID-19.

Already, COVID-19 has contributed to the permanent closure of some 140 Catholic schools across the country. Additionally, surveys show ten percent of Catholic schools are now uncertain if they can re-open this fall. That means as many as 500 or more Catholic schools, including several in our own Archdiocese, are seriously at risk.

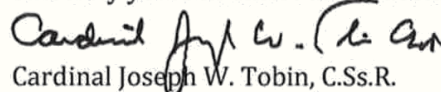
Proposed legislation entitled the *Alexander-Scott "School Choice Now Act"* will pay for emergency funding for scholarship-granting organizations in each state and provides permanent dollar-for-dollar federal tax credits for contributions to scholarship granting organizations. As the Senate prepares its next aid bill, urge your Senators that the next COVID relief package include the *School Choice Now Act* to provide immediate assistance to families through federally funded scholarships.

- ASK that private school students receive equitable share in COVID-19 relief services that are offered to public schools;
- ASK for tuition assistance for struggling families;
- ASK for tax deductions or credits for families' education expenses to help in the struggle to pay for school tuition now.

Please visit [NJCatholic.org/faith-in-action](https://www.njcatholic.org/faith-in-action) and follow the prompts on [NJ Catholic Conference's Voter Voice](#). In a few clicks, you can ask Congress to help our Catholic School Families stay in their Catholic schools. Use Voter Voice as soon as possible so your voice has the greatest impact.

Thank you for answering the call to support our students and schools by advocating for them.

Sincerely yours in Christ the Redeemer,


Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.
Archbishop of Newark

Archdiocesan Center

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Mass Intentions & Stewardship of Treasure

SATURDAY 5:30 pm	August 8 Michelle Espeleta (Living)
SUNDAY 7:30 am	August 9 For the Parishioners
9:00 am	Eugene Fabio, Jr.
10:30 am	Denisa Sardella & Family
12:00 Noon	Antoinette Czaplá
MONDAY 8:30 am	August 10 Frances Cebulak
12:00 Noon	Monique Badiola (Living)-Birthday
TUESDAY 8:30 am	August 11 Jesus & Josephina Alvero
12:00 Noon	Antonio D. Rodrigues
WEDNESDAY 8:30 am	August 12 Lucrecia Gamboa
12:00 Noon	Nelson Tan
THURSDAY 8:30 am	August 13 Luis & Manuel Alvero
12:00 Noon	Novena of Masses
FRIDAY 8:30 am	August 14 Leroy Previl
12:00 Noon	Noel Badiola
7:00 pm	Ed Badiola (Living)
SATURDAY 8:30 am	August 15 Clare Pettesch
5:30 pm	Joaquin Lerma (30th Ann.)
SUNDAY 7:30 am	August 16 For the Parishioners
9:00 am	Jose Isirio Torres
10:30 am	Henry Mendoza (Living)
12:00 Noon	Isabel Marques Da Silva (30th Ann.)

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread and Sanctuary Lamp are offered for St. Michael's Parishioners
 The Altar Wine is offered for Theodore Czaplá, requested by Ted Czaplá and Family.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE (YEAR TO DATE)

"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	Year to Date
	6/28/2020	7/1-6/28/2020
Collections	\$5,536	\$287,844
Online Collections	\$1,890	\$ 61,686
SOS	\$ 920	\$102,480
Online SOS	\$ 70	\$ 31,777
Total	\$8,416	\$483,787
Budget	\$8,017	\$533,110
Difference	\$ 399	(\$ 49,323)

St. Michael's Parish fiscal year end is 6/30/2020. The Church is finishing up this year with a Collection and SOS shortfall of \$49,323.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Adorations, Devotions & Reflections

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH VIRTUAL MASSES & DEVOTIONS



MONDAYS - FRIDAYS
DAILY MASSES - 12 NOON

TUESDAYS
BIBLE CLASSES
 7:00 - 8:00 PM

WEDNESDAYS
MARIAN DEVOTION
 7:00 - 8:00 PM

SATURDAYS
MORNING MASS - 8:30 AM
MORNING REFLECTION - 3RD SATURDAYS
9:00 - 10:00 AM

JOIN US VIRTUALLY
<https://www.gotomeet.me/StMichaelChurch>
OR CALL IN
1 (312) 757-3121 Access Code 574-150-285

SUNDAYS
MASS - 10:30 AM

Facebook Live @StMichaelParishUnion

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8/02/2020	Needed	Actual	Deficit
	This Week	This Week	This Week
Collection & SOS	\$ 11,986	\$ 8,911	(\$3,075)

In the present health emergency, our weekly collections are interrupted. Please make every effort to maintain your Sunday offerings by using one of the following methods:

- **Dropping your envelopes** in the box in the Church vestibule.
- **Mailing your envelopes** to the Parish Center Office.
- **Online Giving** Go to our parish website (stmichaelunion.org) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form.
- **GoFundMe** The Archdiocese has established a site for contributions, to parishes, due to the current emergency. Go to our parish website (stmichaelunion.org) and click on the GoFundMe button that will take you to the St. Michael Union team page.

As you can see what we needed to cover the cost of our operations this week is **\$11,986**. What we actually received is **\$8,911**, so we are short **\$3,075**. Do please continue to support St. Michael's Parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

MINISTRY Information

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY News

cyouunion@aol.com



Confirmation Registrations for our 2020-2021 Class have been mailed out to all our current 8th Grade Religious Education and Grammar School Students. Please have your registrations in by July 15th.

All those requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation must have completed 8 years of Religious Education and be in High School by September 2020. A make up class is available for those who have not completed all 8 years.

If you did not receive a registration form or have any questions please email the Youth Ministry Office at cyouunion@aol.com

A note to our current Confirmation Class.

When we are notified that the Sacrament can be held in Church we will select a new Confirmation Celebration date. Expect it to be before the end of the 2020 year as per our guidelines. All families will be notified when the date is set.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH MUSIC MINISTRY

St. Michael's Church offers a variety of musical styles at the following masses:

Saturday, 5:30 pm and Sunday, 10:30 am

Traditional and Contemporary Music

Sunday, 9:00 am and 12 noon

Gospel/Contemporary Worship Music

The 12:00 Noon Contemporary Band and Choir is looking for volunteers who can play the bass, guitar or sing.

Contact: Patrick B. Phillips at
Patrick@patirckphillips.com



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Isaiah 22:19-23

God will remove Shebna from his office as master of the palace.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 138:1-3,6,8

God's kindness is forever.

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36

Paul sings praise to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

MINISTRY Information

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

The **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE** is now open. You can contact us by phone (908) 964-0965 or by email at smccd@comcast.net if you would like to leave a message.

Contact Coordinator: (908) 964-0965.
We can also be reached via e-mail at smccd@comcast.net

ATTENTION FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS:

You should have received a letter and an email with information about the First Communion dates.

Children whose last names begin with A-L will receive First Communion on Saturday, August 22nd at 10:00 AM Mass.

Children whose last names begin with M-Z will receive First Communion of Saturday, August 29th at 10:00 AM Mass.

Please respond with your date as soon as possible.

Because of self-distancing, only parents and siblings can attend the Mass.

The Mass will be Live Streamed.

Please call 908-964-0965 and email the office at smccd@comcast.net to confirm receipt of the letter and date.

More information will follow.

PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

REGISTRATION PAPERS FOR THE 2020-2021 CCD YEAR have been mailed. Please register your child for religious education classes. 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.

PARENTS OF SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN:

Religious education begins in first grade and continues through grade eight. Children usually receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (Communion) in the second grade. Most children are confirmed in the ninth grade, as long as they have completed grades one through eight. If you have a child who needs to make up classes, please contact the Religious Education Office.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION FORMS. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW ABOUT THE PROGRAM AS SOON AS WE GET INFORMATION FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OFFICE.

MINISTRY Information

HANDS OF GRACE (HUGS) MINISTRY



"Hands of Grace Ministry (HUGS) celebrates its 1 Year Anniversary this August!!

HUGS Ministry is a charitable arm of St. Michael Parish. The Ministry's purpose is to extend the hand of grace to the community with a focus on mothers and young children from birth to age five.

Within the past year, with the help of all those who generously donated to the Ministry, HUGS has distributed about **100 Grace Bags** to families (parishioners and non-parishioners), and various organizations in neighboring including the Division of Child Protection & Permanency of Union County; Union County Prosecutor's Office; Hillside Police Dept; Plainfield Police Dept; Newark Police Dept. Special Victims Unit; and Tainas Guerreras Foundation.

In commemoration of our anniversary HUGS will be distributing **100 Back-to-School supplies** to our school age parishioners after the Masses on **August 22 and 23rd**. The supplies will be packed in large Ziplock bags. (In compliance with social distancing rules).

Please consider donating to the HUGS Ministry to help us foster on with our mission. We are constantly in need of clothing, sanitary and feeding items for children (**New born to Age 5**) and for mothers. Please call **Bisi Longe** (908)247-4461 or **Tania Massicot** (973) 420-8659 for a comprehensive list of items needed.

All items must be **NEW**.

Please note that donations can also be made online on a one-time or recurring basis, on our website at www.stmichaelunion.org (Click on the Parish Giving Icon).

MINISTRY Information

ST. MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

All meetings are postponed until further notice. Please stay safe.



"To Teach, To Guide, To Guard"

St. Michael School is a community of faith within the vibrant and diverse Saint Michael Parish. Our ministry of the Word is the proclamation of the good news of Jesus Christ - a message of hope. Each child is seen as a whole person on a developmental progression with individual differences, but with basically similar learning needs: spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional and physical. Our goal is to educate every child who enters our doors.

Registration is open for St. Michael School, where students come to learn in a faith-filled environment with a strong academic base. St. Michael's offers classes from prek- 8th grade. We have a full day prek-3, prek-4, and kindergarten. Morning and Aftercare until 6:00pm is available as well. If you are interested in enrolling your child at St. Michael School, please email Mrs. Scicolone at rscicolone@smsunion.org.

Come tour and explore our amazing school!



**THE SEPTEMBER
ST. MICHAEL'S
DINNER DANCE
HAS BEEN CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

NOVENA of Masses

AUGUST 2020

Alejandro T. Cruz	George Rinehart
Jurusik & Arner Families	John & Augusta Mahon
Jose J. Arnaldo	Ann L. Corrigan
James Ford Sr.	Special Intentions
Mary & Idolo Russomanno	Angela & Frank Sauro
Pierre & Rubinetti Families	Frank Rubinetti, Sr.
Donna (Pruszkowski) Hornig	Mollie Endler
Ann Ledesma Jalandoni	Oscar Bascon
Christina Cordero	Fidela Dagat
Florencio Roque, Sr.	Mary Sefia (Living)
Jean Ronal Antoine	Maria Viana

Shela Boulin (Living) - Birthday
 Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family
 Lucilia Sousa Araujo & Manuel Pereira Araujo
 Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahon Families
 Patsy J. Scalgione & Deceased Family Members
 Special Intentions for the Nwosuh & Odoemene Families
 Living & Deceased Members of the Pruszkowski, Endler, Hornig & Macecsko Families
 In Thanks for God's Blessings on the USA
 For God's Assistance with COVID 19
 All Souls in Purgatory
 Claudia Torres & Tiago Torres (Living)
 Living & Deceased Members of the Torres & Araujo Families
 Living & Deceased Members of the Araujo, Pais & Cadenas Families

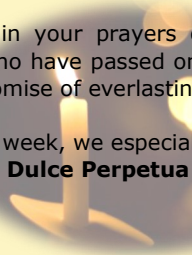
PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR,

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Fr. Lawrence Murphy, Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Joanne Milana Doman & Joseph Doman, Rakoczy Family, Mary Ann Flynn, Joyce Toth, Brian Phillips, Lucille Arnaldo, Barbara Lombardi, Manuel Crudo, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Frances Machado, Flossie Abrigo, Roselle Roux, Amanda D'Amato, Richard Abrigo, Jean Claude, Claudette Kallabeen, Carol Czapla, Stephen Czapla, Clarence Roberts, Thomasina Rodriguez, Harry Vendemia, Iluminda Duyan, Ruth Guido, Henry Cababe, Joseph Guid, Salve Ching, Maria Santiago, Dr. Vic Tan, Sam Vincent Milana, Beth Barto, Linda Atwell, Targelia Penafiel, Herlinda Castillo Anthony Reo, Gregory Ward, Marie Mate, David Randolph, Fr. Roy Regaspi, Junia Perez & Virginia Hernandez.

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
Mary Froustet, Dulce Perpetua and Robert Leamy.



Announcements

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions, Novena of Masses, Candle Offerings to the Saints in Church, Altar Offerings (Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp) and St. Vincent de Paul Donations can be done online through Parish Giving.

Please go to our website www.stmichaelunion.org or

You can also come by the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) The office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

STAY INFORMED AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Visit eva.us/stmichael-adults to sign up and let us know if you prefer to receive emails or text messages from us.

Follow the response to update your profile and select email or text messages as your preferred form of contact. You can also indicate if you are part of a ministry or would like to join a ministry (group).



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.

