



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:

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

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.

March 4, 2018
Third Sunday of Lent

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.

Third Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday	March 3
5:30 PM	John & Anna Puschak
Sunday	March 4
7:30 AM	For the Parishioners
9:00 AM	Carl Bergel
10:30 AM	Serapio Dagat
12:00 Noon	Michael McCurdy
Monday	March 5
7:00 AM	Bertha Wolff
8:30 AM	Estelita Catabay
Tuesday	March 6
7:00 AM	Novena of Masses
8:30 AM	Ruby Gail Sarmenta Villanueva
Wednesday	March 7
7:00 AM	Thomas Canavan (8th Ann.)
8:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Gillick & Kelly Families
Thursday	March 8
7:00 AM	Estrella Famarin
8:30 AM	Joseph Delmauro
Friday	March 9
7:00 AM	Carl Horn
8:30 AM	Novena of Masses
Saturday	March 10
8:30 AM	Michael J. Scanlon
5:30 PM	Mary Cryan
Sunday	March 11
7:30 AM	Pat Pruszkowski
9:00 AM	Joseph Gabriel
10:30 AM	Estrella Famarin
12:00 Noon	For the Parishioners

ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

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 *Carmen Mohamadi*.

Jesus was something new to the Jews. From extensive laws guiding all of life, to their temple worship, their profound understanding of God has been established over time. But then Jesus challenged all that they knew, Lent calls us to encounter God in new and deeper ways and to reflect on how we respond to new insights or information that may challenge our comfortable belief, understanding or religious practices.

Ex 20:1-17 Israel is given the commandments.
 Ps 19 Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
 1 Cor 1:22-25 Christ surpasses human understanding.
 Jn 2:13-25 Jesus cleanses the Temple in Jerusalem.

NOVENA OF MASSES—MARCH 2018

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| James Ford, Sr. | Alejandro T. Cruz |
| Jose J. Arnaldo | John Francis Mahon |
| Ann L. Corrigan | George Rinehart |
| Craig Calix (Living) | Josefina Stuart |
| Walter Foster, Jr. | Noel Mercado |
| Mary Russomanno | Mary & Idolo Russomanno |
| Louis Sauro | Luigi Sauro |
| Frank Rubinetti | Pierre & Rubinetti Family |
| Michalene Kmetz & Joseph Kmetz | |
| Special Intention to St. Joseph | |
| Michalene 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 Joseph Cicalese Family | |
| Living & Deceased Members of the Czapl, Leniart & McMahan Families | |
| Living & Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione 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 **19%** towards our goal of **\$48,395**. 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 10:15-11:30 AM 6:00-7:30 PM	March 4 Religious Education First Sunday Adoration with Break Ministry, Church
Monday 8:00 AM 11:30 AM 3:30-4:30 PM 7:00 PM	March 5 Rosary, Church St. Michael's Senior Meeting, LC Religious Education Children's Liturgy of the Word Meeting, Parish Center
Tuesday 8:00 AM 7:00-8:15 PM 7:00-8:00 PM 7:00-8:30 PM	March 6 Rosary, Church Religious Education Bible Class, Rectory CYO, LC
Wednesday 8:00 AM	March 7 Rosary, Church
Thursday 8:00 AM 7:30 PM	March 8 Rosary, Church Choir Practice, Church
Friday 8:00 AM 7:00-7:30 PM 7:30 PM	March 9 Rosary, Church Stations of the Cross, Church Lenten Series Talk
Saturday 9:00-10:00 AM 9:45-10:45 1:00-2:00 PM	March 10 Bold & Lenten Coffee, Murphy Room Zumba, LC Confession, Church
Sunday 10:15-11:30 AM	March 11 Religious Education

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 and Remo Lacson.*

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.

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

	<u>Week of</u> 2/25/2018	<u>Yr. to Date</u> 7/1/-2/25/2018
Collections	\$ 8,432	\$ 261,619
Online Collections	\$ 275	\$ 7,746
SOS	\$ 677	\$ 105,970
Online SOS	\$ 5	\$ 1,952
Total	\$ 9,389	\$ 377,287
Budget	\$ 7,430	\$ 383,725
Difference	\$ 1,959	(\$ 6,438)

Thank you for your continued 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 March 3 & 4, 2018. SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.

Remember loved ones by giving a Flower Offering for Easter. Envelopes are in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.



**SAVE THE DATE:
SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018
ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH
WELLNESS MINISTRY
Hosts FREE Zumba/Line Dance Classes,
after the Bold & Catholic Morning
Session, @ 9:45-10:45 AM, Lower Church**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS
 Hours for the Religious Education Office are Monday through Thursday from 9:30 AM until 2:30 PM.

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.

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CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION: Bible pictures are due back. Please bring it in to your teacher or catechist.

RICE BOWLS are available in the church. Please consider taking one and donating to the missions which help people throughout the world.

SR. ANN'S FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF FOOD!!! Please consider donating some canned or non-perishable food items so we

SAVE THE DATE:

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 8, 2018
Lower Church

ST. MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

St Michael's Senior Club will meet on Monday, March 5th. 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 - Officer Victoria Smith, from the Union County Sheriff's Office, will speak about Identity Theft /Fraud.

Upcoming Event:

March 13th - St. Patrick's Day luncheon at the Royal Manor.
 April 9th - Guest speaker from the Caring, Sharing Network

Membership is extended to those 55 and over.

ATTENTION TO ALL CREATIVE & ARTISTIC PARISHIONERS:

Please submit a painting or sketch of the Church's front with landscape. The winning art work will be used as a cover for our 90th Dinner/Dance Celebration Journal. The winning artist will receive a free ticket to our September 30th Dinner/Dance at the Westwood in Garwood. All original artwork must be submitted by March 23, 2018 at the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave) with your name and contact information.

For more information, please call the Parish Center (908) 688-1232.

SAVE THE DATES:

We are pleased to announce we have the following **LENTEN SERIES SPEAKERS:**

<u>SPEAKER:</u>	<u>TOPIC:</u>
March 9th: Deacon Sebastian Ovando	Power of Forgiveness
March 16th: Fr. Danny Pabon	TBA
March 23rd: Dr. Julie Burkey	Praying with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane

These talks will begin after the Stations of the Cross.



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.

Time	March 3-4 3 rd Sunday of Lent	March 10-11 4 th Sunday of Lent
5:30pm	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche	1. Angel Rodriguez 2. Jonathan Rodriguez 3. Alexis Artiga
7:30am	1. Ugochi Adibemma 2. Ifeanyi Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uzonna Adibemma 3. Austin Nosike 4. Lance Panes
9:00am	1. Megan Felix 2. Julian Felix 3. Jewelz Massicot 4. Joshua Laube 5. Aidan Perez	1. Desi Garcia 2. Nathan Felix 3. Jean Felix 4. Alisha James
10:30am	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Michael Durugo 4. Isabella Fernandes	1. Julia Durugo 2. Johnnuel Magno 3. Joshua Estoque
12:00mn	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

LENTEN SCHEDULE

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday, March 23

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 24

12:00-2:00 PM – Individual Confessions

Wednesday of the Week - March 28

6:00-8:00 PM - Penance Service with Individual Confession
No confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

Saturday, March 24 at 5:30 PM

Sunday, March 25 at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 12:00 Noon

Distribution of Palms at all Masses

Wednesday of the Week - March 28

Penance Service with Individual Confession—6:00-8:00 PM

Holy Thursday - March 29

8:30 AM – Morning Prayer

7:00 PM – Mass of the Lord’s Supper followed by Adoration

Good Friday – March 30

8:30 AM – Morning Prayer

3:00 PM – Stations of the Cross

3:30 PM – Celebration of the Passion

7:30 PM – CYO Living Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, March 31

8:30 AM – Morning Prayer

12:00 Noon – Blessing of Food

8:00 PM – Easter Vigil

No Confessions/No 5:30 PM Mass

Easter Sunday, April 1

Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 12:00 Noon

“BOLD AND CATHOLIC LENTEN MORNING COFFEE SESSIONS”

Every Saturday morning during Lent, from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM in the Murphy Room, Lower Church. Coffee will be served.

To register for free materials go to stmichaelunion.org go to Quick Links, Dynamic Catholics, Free Resources, Best Lent Ever and Sign up.

The materials will be emailed to you every day and will be discussed at the Lenten Morning Coffee Sessions every Saturday during Lent. Materials for discussion are also available in the vestibule of the Church Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Archdiocese of Newark

Catholic Women’s Commission Day of Reflection

Saturday, March 3, 2018, 8:00AM –4:00PM

“Alive in Christ” Renewing our Families

Cost: \$25, register online www.rcan.org/womenscommission

Seton Hall University, 400 South Orange Ave., South Orange, NJ

Catholic Men’s Conference

Saturday, March 10, 2018. 8:00AM-4:30PM

“Be Not Afraid ... the Victory is Christ”

Cost: \$25, register online—www.njcatholicmen.org
Email:catholicmen@rcan.org, 973-497-4545

For those who are interested to attend, please contact Fr. Miles Lopez (908) 688-1232, ext. 302.

WELLNESS MINISTRY (LENT AND YOUR BODY) LIVING WITH DIABETES

Saturday, March 17th at 10:00 AM Lower Church

Presented by: Sharon Mulzac
A Registered Dietitian with over 25 years in the field of dietetics.



BELL DONATION



Thank you to all parishioners who have contributed to the installation of the new church bells. The bells are a beautiful improvement to our parish and it would not have been possible without many donors like you. Donations for the bells are specifically dedicated "IN GRATITUDE TO GOD FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED AND YET TO COME."

ARCHANGEL

Mary Karwowski, Jose & Rosalyn Joseph, Susan Ike, Raymond & Kathleen Pruszkowski, Ligaya Bernardo

APOSTLE

James & Deborah Ford, Betty Falcon, Anonymous Benefactor, Frank & Ruth Santangelo, Marie Powell, Michael Cavallo, Obi & Auril Okeke, Roberto & Linda Demetillo, William & Juliemarie Robles, Milton Hernandez, Barbara Sibilia, Celina Zablocki, Robert & Teresa Reiter, Theodore & Marlene Czapl, Vicente & Blanca Tan

ELDER

Michelle & Melissa Famarin, Benjamin & Victoria Del Rosario, Chinwe Irene Melie, David Corona, Elvira Fernandez, Emmanuel Ekeh, Federico & Alegria Pajarillo, James & Alma Cabanatan, Jorge & Kattia Fonseca, Joselito & Madesa Espana, Kermit & Cheryl Thompson, Lucy Scalgione, Derrick & Clare Andriola, Emmanuel Egwuonwu, Robert & Susan Rumohr, Sebastiao & Amelia De Pinho, Stan & Olga Slonski, Edward Cheatam, Louise Fabio, Rachel Emposimato-Laparré, Carolyn Dela Cruz, Liliana Apolinario-Pinto. Patricia Diaz, Salvatore & Patricia Milone, Roger & Kathleen Boetsch,

COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Princess Emeana & Family, Robert & Constance Emery, St. Michael School Student Council, Joseph & Carol Furnari, Agnes Kozubal, Alberta Phillips, Angela Conti, Anna Donsec, Anthony & Josephine Reo, Augusta Mahon, Charles & Christiana Enweonwu, Charles & Joyce Cababe, Cyriac & Alice Kunnath, David Quinn, Eric & Michaela Lopez, Florencio & Teresa Ratuiste, Frank & Rosemary Hunt, James Roselle, Joann Russo, Joanne Wolters, John & Anna McKnight, John & Joann Rullo, Ervelli Family, John Skubon, Lester & Joann Pasteweski, Marciano & Felisa Cruz, Mario & Marie Rubino, Jose & Elsa Araujo, Patrick & Grace Onuekwusi, Romeo & Maria Quiambao, Joan Browne-Tucker, Kim Joseph, Linda Solipa, Maria Junia Perez, Pamela Joyce, Natividad Molina, Paul & Lucy Sefia, Philip & Elizabeth Bober, Theresa Cesaro, Stephen & Carol Nagy, Steven Freire, William & Shirley Votapek

ELECTRONIC GIVING NOW AVAILABLE!

St. Michaels Parish has enlisted Parish Giving to provide its members with the opportunity to use Electronic Funds Transfer as an alternative method for giving.

Parish Giving is being offered to us free of charge. On our website (<http://stmichaelunion.org>) you will be able to select from the various opportunities to contribute to our parish and other initiatives. Following is an overview of some of the features:

Ability to make one-time contributions, Ability to make recurring contributions, Ability to contribute to multiple organizations, Ability to select your billing date, Ability to use Credit Card or Bank Transfer, Ability to access end of year contribution reports

Once again, Welcome to St. Michael's Parish Giving.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New members are invited to register as soon as possible in order to participate in our various ministries, programs and activities. Registration is our only means of recognizing anyone as a supporting and practicing member of our parish. It is also important for sponsorship certificates for the sacraments, recommendations for positions, school and character references. Please take the time to register at the Parish Center, 1211 Orange Avenue or our website: www.stmichaelunion.org. It is also important to notify the Parish Center of any change of address or phone number.