**JUNE 7, 2020** 

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



# **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. Marilynn Dragone, Coordinator of Religious Education

Mr. Philip Matrale, 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 1:30 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

#### 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**

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATIONS**Every 1st Sunday and 1st Friday 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



# Message From Our Pastor



#### Beloved Parishioners,

I would like to invite all of you to join me in wishing a heartfelt farewell and a blessed retirement to Marilynn Dragone, our Coordinator of Religious Education. Marilynn began her work with our religious Education Ministry in 2002 as a part-timer and then got into full-time position in 2009 and has been with this parish ever since. She retired on June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

The Parish of St. Michael Church will truly miss Marilynn. She was very detailed and dedicated, collaborative and conscientious in her work of guiding our children to the reception of the Sacraments. Both the staff and the parish will truly miss her faithful presence and committed service.

I invite the whole parish to find ways to reach out and thank her for her commitment to Religious Education in this parish. Hopefully, as soon as we can gather together again, this parish will honor her and give her a befitting send-off.

Marilynn, we thank you for what you have been and given to St. Michael's Church; we thank you for the many children who came to the table of the Lord through your guidance; we thank you for your unwavering commitment to this parish. May the good Lord grant you a very blessed and fruitful retirement!

Sincerely Yours,

Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu, Ph.D Pastor,

# Mass Intentions & Stewardship of Treasure

SATURDAY

8:30 am Jane Muchiri (Living), Roger Boetsch

SUNDAY June 7

10:00 am For the Parishioners,

Irene McMahon,

Rey V. Gancia (2nd Ann)

Alejandro T. Cruz

MONDAY June 8

12:00 Noon Ali A. Domestani, Rae DeLucca,

Zosimo Prado, Sr.

**TUESDAY** June 9

12:00 Noon Fr. Joseh Mukalel,

Imelda Cruz Tan (4th Ann.) **WEDNESDAY** June 10

12:00 Noon Novena of Masses

Marylu & Almario Morales (Living)

(32nd Wedding Ann.)

**THURSDAY** June 11 12:00 Noon Roger Boetsch

Ma. Grace Estevez-Laureta

**FRIDAY** June 12

12:00 Noon Winifred Smyth, Novena of Masses

SATURDAY June 13

SUNDAY

8:30 am Galo Murrieta Vera St. Anthony Intention

June 14

10:00 am Thanksgiving to the Infant of Prague

Eddy Preval, Julian Pruszkowski

#### ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

The Sanctuary Lamp is offered for Lucy Scalgione, Family and Friends.

#### 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

5/24/2020	Needed	Actual	Deficit
	This Week	This Week	This Week
Collection & SOS	\$13,949	\$5,171	(\$8,778)

In the present health emergency, with public celebrations of Mass suspended our weekly collections, of course, are interrupt-

ed. Please make every effort to maintain your Sunday offerings by using one of the following methods:

•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

\$12,000 \$9,000 \$6,000 \$3,000 Week Week

(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 \$13,949. What we actually received is \$5,171, so we are short **\$8,778**. Do please continue to support St. Michael's Parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

# Adorations, Devotions & Reflections

# ST. MICHAEL CHURCH VIRTUAL GATEWAY TO PRAYER



MONDAYS - FRIDAYS SUNDAYS

MASS 10:00 AM **DAILY MASS** 12:00 NOON

TUESDAYS

WEDNESDAYS **BIBLE CLASS** MARIAN DEVOTION 7:00 - 8:00 PM

7:00 - 8:00 PM

SATURDAYS

MORNING MASS 8:30 AM

**MORNING REFLECTION - 3RD SATURDAYS** 

9:00 - 10:00 AM

#### ADORATIONS

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH - SACRED HEART FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 6:30 - 8:00 PM

#### JOIN US VIRTUALLY

https://www.gotomeet.me/StMichaelChurch

OR CALL IN

1 (312) 757-3121 Access Code 574-150-285

# 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.



## MINISTRY Information

# CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY News

cyounion@aol.com



Make sure you test Positive for Faith.

Keep distant from Doubt,
and isolate from Fear.

Trust God Through it all! Amen!

Our CYO/Youth Ministry members continue to keep our Parish, Family and Friends in or prayers!

#### L.O.C.K.D.O.W.N. is a time to:

**L-isten** to God's voice and reflect. Let go and let God.

**O-bey** His Word and His teachings.

*C-all* on Jesus name and be calm.

**K-now** what is the purpose of all this.

**D-well** in His presence. Do not panic.

**O-ffer** a prayer for everyone's safety.

**W-ait** and be patient.

**N-urture** our personal relationship with Him.

#### RICE BOWL

Rice Bowls can be sent to the Parish Center. Those monies are given to missions that help people throughout the world.

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

#### First Reading

Exodus 34:4b-6,8-9

Moses pleads for God's mercy on Mt. Sinai.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

Daniel 3:52-56

We praise God who is exalted above all forever.

#### Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul urges the Corinthians to live in peace with one another and with God.

#### **Gospel Reading**

John 3:16-18

God sent his Son into the world to save the world.

## MINISTRY Information

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

The RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE is currently closed. Email and telephone messages are checked daily. You can contact us by phone (908) 964-0965 or by email at <a href="mailto:smccd@comcast.net">smccd@comcast.net</a> if you would like to leave a message.

# PARENTS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS:

Please make sure your child continues to work in the religious education book. We strongly encourage you to help your child with their faith formation. Review the book with them. Reciting the Our Father and Hail Mary while washing their hands is one easy way of helping them remember their prayers!

# PARENTS OF CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION:

We now have guidelines regarding the gradual reopening of churches. Once First Reconciliation dates and Communion Masses have been decided, you will be notified.

# **Director of Religious Education**

St. Michael's Parish is looking for a part time Director of Religious Education. If you are interested in the position please email your cover letter and resume to stmichaelunion@comcast.net

#### 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 <a href="mailto:patrickphillps96@qmail.com">patrickphillps96@qmail.com</a>

## **MINISTRY** Information

#### HANDS OF GRACE (HUGS) MINISTRY

We are in need of clothing, sanitary and feeding items for children (New born to Age 5) and for mothers. Please call Tania Massicot at (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 onetime or recurring basis, on our website at www.stmichaelunion.org (Click on the Parish Giving Icon).

## "Drop Box"

The **New** Drop Box for the Hands of Grace Ministry is located at the Back Entrance of the Parish Center (Red Door).

Please call the Parish Center at (908) 688-1232 or the Ministry Chair, **Bisi Longe at (908) 247-4461** if you have any questions.



#### 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- 8<sup>th</sup> 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!

#### **NOVENA** of Masses

#### **JUNE 2020**

Alejandro T. Cruz Jurusik & Arner Families Jose J. Arnaldo Craig Calix (Living) Mary & Idolo Russomanno Pierre & Rubinetti Families Roger Boetsch

Julian "Jules" Pruszkowski Michelene & Joseph Kmetz George Rinehart
John & Augusta Mahon
Ann L. Corrigan
Special Intentions
Angela & Frank Sauro
Frank Rubinetti, Sr.
James Ford, Sr.
Paul & Irene Endler

Joseph & Carol Furnari (Living)-66th Wedding Anniversary Living & Deceased Members of the Furnari & Potignano Family

Living & Decembers of the Santoriello Family George Sr, Ruth & Barbara Rinehart Lucila Sousa Araujo & Manuel Pereira Araujo Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahon Families

Patsy J. Scalgione & Deceased Family Members
Special Intentions for the Nwoshu & Odoemene Families
Living & Deceased Members of the Araujo, Pais &
Cadenas Families

All Souls in Purgatory

Living & Deceased Members of the Pruszkowski, Endler, Hornig & Macecsko Families

In Thanks for God's Blessings on the USA For God's Assistance with CONVID 19

## 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, Claubette 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 members of St. Michael's Parish.

#### 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 drop off your requests at the Parish Center. Please put your name and telephone number so we can get in touch with you if we have any questions.

# VIRTUAL MASS IN MEMORY OF PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE PANDEMIC PERIOD

#### TO ALL PARISHIONERS:

Please email—<u>stmichaelunion@comcast.net</u>

The names of your loved ones, relatives and friends who have passed away during the pandemic period of our lock down.

We will be having a Virtual Memorial Mass on **First Friday, June 5, 2020** at 6:30 PM to honor them.

# ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK/ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

#### PHASE 1—WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days as well as from "Easter duty" (the obligation to receive Holy Communion during Easter season) is in force.

Our Church reopened on Tuesday, May 19th, and will be open from 1pm-3pm, each day of the week, except Sundays, solely for personal prayers. **No gatherings are permitted.** 

Confessions will resumed on Saturday, May 23 and will continue from 1pm-2pm every Saturday. **All must wear a mask.** 

If you show symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to an infected person, please quarantine for 14 days before you can come to Church.

Wear your mask at all times while in the Church.

Individuals and families must maintain 6 feet of physical distance from each person while in the Church.

Sanitize your hands at the entrance doors as you go in and put of Church.

#### Announcements

#### PRAYER AGAINST COVID-19

Heavenly Father, we know that we can do nothing without You, and that with You all things are possible. As we thank You and give You praise and worship, we also come to You in desperate need of Your power and healing grace. At this very moment, we acknowledge that we are weak, fearful and intimidated by COVID-19. Yes, even as we believe that You have absolute power over this virus, our flesh is still afraid and our spirit weak. Fill us therefore with Your courage, hope, peace, and joy in this moment of fear and desperation. David, your servant, testified, "I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears." Your Word also tells us that, You, Oh God, are close to the brokenhearted; that You save those who are crushed in spirit, and rescue them from all their distress.

Father Almighty, we are highly distressed right now, fearful and in despair and, just like David, we seek your face and implore You to heal our land; to forbid this hand of death and devastation. Come to our aid, forgive our sins, and send forth the rain of deliverance upon the earth, and shower humanity with your healing grace. Protect all healthcare workers as they take care of the sick, strengthen and heal those who have become afflicted and comfort those who have lost loved ones to this virus. Provide wisdom and guidance to scientists and researchers to find a cure for this pandemic, so that this virus may be eradicated faster than it started. Show forth your saving grace, so that every knee may bow and every tongue may confess that it was nothing short of Your power that delivered us from this mayhem. Father, please save your people; answer this prayer and restore unto us the joy of our salvation. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ your Son, Amen.

