



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*

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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:

Sunday: 5:30 PM (Saturday Evening)

7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

Daily: Monday thru Friday, 7:00, 8:30 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM

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.

July 30, 2017
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Saturday 5:30 PM	July 29 Mary Nanchanatt
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	July 30 Richard Epifanio For the Parishioners Margaret Katherine Smith Stephanie Marie Mejias
Monday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	July 31 Novena of Masses Diane & Joe Morlino
Tuesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 1 Nicholas Clemente Eugene Fabio, Jr.
Wednesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 2 Edward L. Shea Kevin Apuzzio
Thursday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 3 Novena of Masses Frances Kozak
Friday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	August 4 Louis Sauro & Mary Russomanno Frances Kozak
Saturday 8:30 AM 5:30 PM	August 5 Antonio Raimondo Pacita Pena (7th Ann.)
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	August 6 For the Parishioners Norman Escudero (3rd Ann.) Jose Isirio Torres Antoinette Czapla

ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

Today's readings give us an opportunity to reflect on what really matters to us in life: what we seek, where we look for it, and whether we will nurture it when it appears. Some of us have clear answers to those questions, and we vigorously pursue what we value. Others are less clear. Regardless of our approach, our search will not be in vain, if we have an open heart.

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Solomon asks for, and is granted, a wise heart.

Ps 119 Lord, I love your commands.

Rom 8:28-30 "All things work for good for those who love God."

Mt 13:44-52 Jesus offers more parables about the kingdom of heaven.

NOVENA OF MASSES
JULY 2017

<i>Ann L. Corrigan</i>	<i>Alejandro T. Cruz</i>
<i>Jose Arnaldo</i>	<i>John Francis Mahon</i>
<i>Michael Scolamiero</i>	<i>Manuel Fazendeiro</i>
<i>George Rinehart</i>	<i>Special Intentions</i>
<i>Pierre & Rubinetti Families</i>	<i>Frank Rubinetti</i>
<i>John & James T. Bradley</i>	<i>Clare Pettesch</i>
<i>Jurusik & Arner Families</i>	<i>Edward L. Shea</i>
<i>Stephanie Marie Mejias</i>	<i>Frank Benson</i>
<i>Albert & Madalen Salls</i>	<i>Vende Horvath</i>
<i>Micheline & Joseph Kmetz</i>	
<i>Serafina Sauro & Mary Russomanno</i>	
<i>John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes</i>	
<i>Rosemary & Lupo Ramos</i>	
<i>Ronald Deleon & Catherine Deleon (Living)</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Kalkus, Tobia & Vellanti Families</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahon Families</i>	
<i>Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione Families</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family</i>	

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially **Thomas J. Waters and Lucy Harris.**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday	July 30
Monday 8:00 AM	July 31 Rosary
Tuesday 8:00 AM	August 1 Rosary, Church
Wednesday 8:00 AM	August 2 Rosary, Church
Thursday 8:00 AM	August 3 Rosary, Church
Friday 8:00 AM 6:00-8:00 PM	August 4 Rosary, Church First Friday Adoration, Church
Saturday 1:00-2:00 PM	August 5 Confession
Sunday	August 6

**PARISH CONTRIBUTION
FOR THE SUMMER**

Please remember your financial contribution to our parish even though you spend some of your summer away from St. Michael's. Bills and salaries continue during the summer months (electric, phones, staff and health benefits, etc.). If you'll be away, please remember your parish contributions when you return or mail them to the Parish Center. Thank you.

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, Pat Scalgione, Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Marianne Hunt O'Malley, Joanne Milana Doman & Joseph Doman, Rakoczy Family, Elisa Perez, Angelo Martino, Joseph Martino, Jr., Veronica Patulot, Alexa D'Amato, Roselle Roux, Iluminada Duyan, Elizabeth Williamson, Llane Samonte, Peggy Gehrig, Leslie Zambrano, Lucille Arnaldo, 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, John Telle, Ester Anni Ban, Raymond Ottao, Joseph Foster, Lucas Files, Ruth Guido, Blanca Tan, Bellew Family, Betty Falcon, Kim Treppunti, Rosemary Hunt, Danilo Ipo, Ed Stonack, Irzing Guazon, Rene Romero, Colette Zahodnick, Kathleen Sarno, Frederico Pajarillo, Vincent Vince, Antoinette Witsch, Flossie Abrigo, Scott Leddy, Manuel Domingo, Sr., Lucy Scalgione.



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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	Week of	Yr. to Date
	<u>7/23/2017</u>	<u>7/1/-7/23/2017</u>
Actual	\$ 9,011	\$ 28,916
SOS	\$ 1,049	\$ 11,493
Total	\$ 10,060	\$ 40,409
Budget	\$ 7,826	\$ 43,749
Difference	\$ 2,234	(\$ 3,340)

Thank you for giving to your parish! Your generosity is essential to the continuation of our mission to spread the Gospel.

"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 August 5 & 6.** SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SUMMER HOURS

THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE IS CLOSED FOR THE MONTH OF JULY.

Messages may be left at (908) 964-0965 and will be checked periodically.

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

The office will reopen on Tuesday, August 1, 2017.

Please continue to send your child's registration papers.

PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM: Registration papers for the 2017-2018 CCD year have been mailed. 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. **Late registration fees go into effect after August 15th.** You can register now and pay later.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Do you love your Catholic faith? Do you like interacting with children? Do you have an hour to share each week? If so, then perhaps you would consider becoming a catechist. Prior experience is not necessary. We provide the training, the guidance and support as well as all materials. Consider team-teaching with a friend! You can teach together or alternate weeks. Our children are the future of the world. Growing in faith and love for God is so important. The children of St. Michael's need to learn about their faith. **They need your help.** If interested, please call the Religious Education Office at (908) 964-0965 for more information on this rewarding ministry.

GOSPEL READINGS AND REFLECTIONS

Reading 1 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Imagine what you would say if God spoke to you in a dream and said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Think of all the possible responses to an invitation like that! The young King Solomon knew that he could ask God for riches or power or victory over his enemies. But he asked instead for "an understanding heart." Young and inexperienced as he was, Solomon knew that the gift of understanding was much more valuable than gold or silver.

Discussion Questions for Reading 1

God was so pleased with the king's prayer that God gave Solomon the greatest wisdom a king had ever had. How often will you ask God for this precious gift of understanding?

Source: Sadlier Connect

Time	July 29-30 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	August 5-6 The Transfiguration of The Lord
5:30pm	1. Lance Panes 2. Jennele Baul 3. Angel Rodriguez 4. Alexis Artiga*	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche*
7:30am	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uzonna Adibemma 3. Austin Nosike	1. Ugochi Adibemma 2. Ifeanyi Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia
9:00am	1. Desi Garcia 2. Nathan Felix 3. Megan Felix 4. Alisha James*	1. Kailey Barros-Dias* 2. Jewelz Massicot 3. Joshua Laube 4. Aidan Perez
10:30am	1. Julia Durugo 2. Joshua Estoque 3. Johnnuel Magno 4. Daniel Gonzales*	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Michael Durugo 4. Isabella Fernandes*
12:00nn	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Lorenz Tangub 4. Gabriel Castano*	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Aimee Cabatu-Panlilio*

BAPTISM PREPARATION & BAPTISMS

Baptism begins the Child's membership in the Catholic faith and first movement towards eternal salvation. This is the first sacrament of initiation into the Catholic faith. The other sacraments of initiation are Eucharist and Confirmation. The sacrament of Baptism frees the child from original sin and invites the Holy Spirit to dwell in the child. The child also receives the theological virtues of faith, hope and charity.

First time parents should visit the Parish Office to register in the parish. Baptisms are held every second Sunday of the month. Baptism preparation classes are held every second Friday of the month at 7:30 PM. Once your family is registered you can schedule the Baptism and Baptism preparation class. Classes usually last an hour. To obtain the true meaning of the Sacrament of Baptism, both parents are required to attend the class.

FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL



We will celebrate the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel by having a Dinner Dance on our feast day, Friday evening, **September 29, 2017 at Costa del Sol. Tickets are \$70.00 each** and are available in the Parish Center during the week and in the church vestibule on week-ends. **Tickets can either be paid for at the time of purchase or a reservation, which is payable August 1st, can be made.**

This commemorative celebration will begin with Holy Eucharist at 6:00 PM in Church and followed by a night of celebrative dinning, dancing and listening to the music of the 50's and 60's music. The dinner will be from 7:00—11:00 PM. The buffet dinner will be offering seven different items. In addition, there will be unlimited beer, sangria and soda. Entertainment will be provided by "The Band of Brothers," which plays various types of music spanning the years from the 50's and 60's right up to the present time. There will also be door prizes, a 50/50 raffle and a gift basket raffle.

St. Michael Parish Church A Night to Remember Dinner Dance Ticket Order

Name: _____
of tickets: _____ x \$70 = _____

Make checks out to St. Michael's Church

Ticket questions? Please contact Cheryl Thompson at Thompsonkct@aol.com or Parish Center at 908-688-1232, ext. 100

Please seat with: _____

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWScyounion@aol.comCONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for our 2017-2018 Confirmation Class was due by June 1st. Our Parent Information Meeting was held Tuesday, June 6th. Sacramental Information, Mass Attendance Cards, Service Projects and how to choose a Faithful Sponsor was discussed at this meeting.

If you have not registered your child you need to do so immediately. You can pick up a Red Confirmation Folder at the Parish Center with all registration materials, information and paperwork. You can also contact the Youth Ministry Office at cyounion@aol.com for more information.

All those registering for Confirmation must be in high school by September and have completed 8 years of Religious Education. Make-Up classes are available for those who have not completed 8 years.

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL NEWS

Registration and tours available, contact principal Antoinette Telle at ttelle@smsunion.org or school office 908-688-1063, ext. 200, full day PreK and Kindergarten

Aug. 28th - PreK Orientation 9:00-10:00 AM
 Aug. 29th - Kindergarten Orientation 9:00-10:00 AM
 Meet your teacher, teacher assistant and classmates!

Sept. 5th - First Day of School for Grades 1-8
 Sept. 6th - First Day of School for Kindergarten
 Sept. 11th - First Day of School for PreK
 Full day session

Aftercare positions available - Mon-Fri, 2:20-5:00 or 6:00. If interested please contact Miss Catalano our Assistant Principal and Aftercare Director at rcatalano@smsunion.org or 908-688-1063, ext. 200.

Substitute teacher positions available. Please contact Principal Telle at ttelle@smsunion.org or 908-688-1063, ext.200 for more information.

Enjoy your summer, remember to attend Mass.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Daphnee Fevrier and Marlan Brewster who were married on Saturday July 22, 2017 at St. Michael's Church.

INVITATIONS TO VALIDATE MARRIAGES

Is Your Marriage Valid?

If you are married civilly, that is not in the Catholic Church before a priest or deacon, it might not be a valid marriage. Some couples believe that a marriage before a Justice of the Peace or a non-Catholic minister is valid. For a marriage to be valid in the Catholic Church, the marriage must be in a Catholic Church or Chapel and officiated by an authorized Catholic priest or deacon along with 2 witnesses. (There are limited interfaith exceptions with proper permission.)

We invite you to speak with one of our priests if there are any questions or if indeed you wish to validate your marriage. The process can be very simple and your marriage will now be blessed by the Church.

A **"Holy Hour for Life"** will be held on **Wednesday, August 2, 2017** from 7:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M., at Holy Spirit R.C. Church, 984 Suburban Road, Union, New Jersey.

GOING ON VACATION?

Visit www.masstimes.org for the nearest church at your vacation destination.

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. It is also important to notify the Parish Center of any change of address or phone number.