



ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH COMMUNITY

WE ARE STEWARDS OF GOD'S GIFTS, TIME AND TREASURE TO BUILD UP THE KINGDOM

ADDRESS:

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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:

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 23, 2017

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Saturday **July 22**
5:30 PM Jeronimo "Jerry" Fernandez

Sunday **July 23**
7:30 AM For the Parishioners
9:00 AM Manuel Araujo
10:30 AM Richard Casali
12:00 Noon Richard Birch

Monday **July 24**
7:00 AM Maria Ribeiro
8:30 AM Novena of Masses

Tuesday **July 25**
7:00 AM Nicholas Clemente
8:30 AM Barbara Lime

Wednesday **July 26**
7:00 AM Linda Williams
8:30 AM Evelyn Lime

Thursday **July 27**
7:00 AM Maria A. Tavares
8:30 AM Novena of Masses

Friday **July 28**
7:00 AM Alfred Lime
8:30 AM Winifred Smyth

Saturday **July 29**
8:30 AM Stella Siembida
5:30 PM Mary Nanchanatt

Sunday **July 30**
7:30 AM Richard Epifanio
9:00 AM For the Parishioners
10:30 AM Margaret Katherine Smith
12:00 Noon Stephanie Marie Mejias

Today we are presented more insight about God, the kingdom of heaven, and what is expected of us. The overwhelming message is that God is all about power, justice, lenience, kindness and most of all love. We are offered endless opportunities to hear and respond to God, but nothing matches God's efforts to claim us. God chooses us, sends help on our behalf, and invites us into a reign of love and peace beyond measure.

Wis 12:13, 15-19 A prayer about God's attributes and the Jews' response to them.

Ps 86 Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Rom 8:26-27 The Spirit helps and intercedes for us.

Mt 13:24-43 Three familiar 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>	

ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially **Raymond Reynolds**.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday	July 23
9:00 AM-3:00 PM	Blood Drive, LC
Monday	July 24
8:00 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon	Vacation Bible School. LC
Tuesday	July 25
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon	Vacation Bible School. LC
Wednesday	July 26
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon	Vacation Bible School. LC
Thursday	July 27
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon	Vacation Bible School. LC
Friday	July 28
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Vacation Bible School, LC
Saturday	July 29
1:00-2:00 PM	Confession
Sunday	July 30

50/50 RAFFLE

Please take a moment to stop by after Mass and buy your raffle tickets. Proceeds from the sale help support vital Church operations. Thank you for your support. *Cost of the ticket is \$5.00 each.*

- 1st Prize - 35 % of the proceeds
 2nd Prize - 10% of the proceeds
 3rd Prize - 5% of the proceeds

*Thank you to all the committees who were helping sell the 50/50 tickets throughout the year.
 Tickets are not sold during the months of July and August.*

**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>7/16/2017</u>	<u>7/1/-7/16/2017</u>
Actual	\$ 7,770	\$ 19,905
SOS	\$ 1,027	\$ 10,444
Total	\$ 8,797	\$ 30,349
Budget	\$ 11,974	\$ 35,923
Difference	(\$ 3,177)	(\$ 5,574)

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

Gospel Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

In the gospel reading, Jesus is determined that his disciples will understand how the kingdom grows in their midst. So, he tells the parable of the weeds in the wheat field. The sower (Jesus) allows both the wheat (those who work for God's kingdom) and the weeds (those who work against God's kingdom) to grow together until the harvest (the end of time).

The gospel story tells us much about the justice and mercy of God. Even though the weeds are present in our world, the wheat is growing and will prosper in the end. The grace of Christ will triumph over sin and evil. Pray: Help me, Lord, to be your faithful follower until your kingdom comes in its fullness. Amen.

Discussion Questions for Gospel

Gardeners tell us that we have to be careful when pulling weeds. Some weeds look very much like the flowers and vegetables around them! Sometimes they have to be allowed to grow a little to be sure they are truly weeds! Also, gardeners must be careful not to pull up the good plants with the weeds, especially when they are growing close together.

Name some weeds in your personal world. Then name some weeds in our country. Then name some weeds in the world in general. What is your attitude towards these weeds? What do you think might be Jesus' attitude toward them? How should we treat these weeds?

If you look carefully, you might find some "weeds" inside your own heart. What is Jesus' attitude toward them? How will you deal with them?

Source: Sadlier Connect

Time	July 22-23 16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	July 29-30 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30pm	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche*	1. Lance Panes 2. Jennele Baul 3. Angel Rodriguez 4. Alexis Artiga*
7:30am	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uguchi Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uzonna Adibemma 3. Austin Nosike
9:00am	1. Aidan Perez 2. Jewelz Massicot 3. Joshua Laube 4. Kailey Barros-Dias*	1. Desi Garcia 2. Nathan Felix 3. Megan Felix 4. Alisha James*
10:30am	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Johnnuel Magno 4. Jedrek Kumi*	1. Julia Durugo 2. Joshua Estoque 3. Johnnuel Magno 4. Daniel Gonzales*
12:00nn	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tanguib 3. Marc Pereira 4. Gabriel Castano*	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Lorenz Tanguib 4. Gabriel Castano*

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 weekends. 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.

BLOOD DRIVE

"Emergency Blood Shortage"! Please donate on Sunday, **July 23, 2017** in the Lower Church from **9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**. One donation helps save 3 lives. Contact Samantha Arrieta at (908) 838-5572 or SaMA18@msn.com or the New Jersey Blood Services at 1-900-933-2566 for more information.

UNION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Union Knights of Columbus Council 4504 Officers will be having their **Installation of Officers on July 23rd following 12:00pm Mass**. All parishioners are welcome to attend the ceremony.

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.

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.

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWScyounion@aol.com**CONFIRMATION 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.

SAVE THE DATE: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Date: July 24 — July 28, 2017

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Friday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Price: \$ 55 per child (3rd sibling is free)

Our program is for children ages 4 to 6th Grade

Our week will include: Bible stories, Prayer, Arts & Crafts, Snacks, Playground time, Music, Movies and much, much more!

Groups will be run by the teen members of our CYO Youth Ministry Program.

2017 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Child's Name:_____Age:_____

Please Circle: Boy Girl

Address:_____

Phone #_____Cell #_____

Grade child will start in September_____

School child attends_____

Parent Name & Signature:_____

Emergency Contact:_____

(Name) (Phone) (Relationship)

Please circle any of the following your child is allergic to:

Chocolate peanuts bee stings

Does your child have any special concerns we should be aware of?
 This includes any allergies, diabetic, etc.

Pictures from Bible School are used on our Website, for advertising and on our Church Bulletin Boards. No names or personal information is ever used or given out on any child.

If you do not want pictures of your child used sign here:

Registration Fee: \$55.00

Total Enclosed:_____

Register by July 10th & receive a free Bible School T-Shirt \$10.00)

Circle T-shirt Size

Child's Sm Med Large Adult Small

If after July 10th, you can purchase shirts while supplies last.

Please return form to St. Michael's Parish Center, 1211 Orange Ave., Union, NJ 07083 in person or by mail.

Please address envelope to St. Michael's Vacation Bible School on the envelope.