

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.

November 26, 2017

CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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.

CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Saturday	November 25
5:30 PM	Deceased Members of the Terriaca Family
Sunday	November 26
7:30 AM	For the Parishioners
9:00 AM	Rev. John F. Tyks (24th Ann.)
10:30 AM	Julian & Jennie Pruszkowski
12:00 Noon	Alejandro T. Cruz
Monday	November 27
7:00 AM	Roseanne Almeida
8:30 AM	Maria A. Tavares
Tuesday	November 28
7:00 AM	All Souls
8:30 AM	Margaret Smith
Wednesday	November 29
7:00 AM	Luigi Sauro & Mary Russomanno
8:30 AM	George Rinehart
Thursday	November 30
7:00 AM	Catherine & Al Karrenberg
8:30 AM	All Souls
Friday	December 1
7:00 AM	Novena of Masses
8:30 AM	Jane Ferrara
Saturday	December 2
8:30 AM	Margaret Smith
5:30 PM	Anastasio & Lewandowski Families
Sunday	December 3
7:30 AM	John Mc Cann (9th Ann.)
9:00 AM	Edward Slezak
10:30 AM	Agerico Mendoza (2nd Ann.)
12:00 Noon	For the Parishioners

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread, Altar Wine and Sanctuary Lamp are offered for Margaret Smith, requested by Carol Papale.

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially **Frank Hannon, Sr.**

Some of the most dramatic biblical imagery comes on this last Sunday of our liturgical year. The overall imagery on this feast is striking: Israel's rulers do not adequately care for their people. So, God will do it, as both shepherd and judge. But, the responsibility for the neediest shifts in the Gospel. When the Son of Man comes in glory, he will judge us for our acts or mercy. We cannot look to God to care for those in need. The job is now ours, and the King now judges us.

Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17 I myself will look after and tend my sheep.

Ps 23 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1 Cor 15:20-26 Paul proclaims Christ's death, resurrection and second coming.

Mt 25:31-46 The Son of Man will judge us on our acts of mercy.

NOVENA OF MASSES—DECEMBER 2017

<i>Ann L. Corrigan</i>	<i>Michael Scolamiero</i>
<i>John Francis Mahon</i>	<i>Jose J. Arnaldo</i>
<i>Alejandro T. Cruz</i>	<i>James Ford Sr.</i>
<i>Pierre & Rubinetti Families</i>	<i>Frank Rubinetti</i>
<i>Craig Calix</i>	<i>George Rinehart</i>
<i>Clara Caparro</i>	<i>Special Intentions</i>
<i>Helen Granato</i>	<i>Cajetan Ezenida</i>
<i>Nicholas Clemente</i>	<i>John Moscatiello</i>
<i>Amy Aszman (Living)</i>	<i>Edward L. Shea</i>
<i>Ting-Ting Dingkong Murray</i>	<i>Nicholas Lizares (Living)</i>
<i>Bernalda Malasaga</i>	<i>Ethel Manibo</i>
<i>Isabel Sitchon</i>	<i>Jose Carmona</i>
<i>Solidad De Castro</i>	<i>Patsy Scalgione</i>
<i>Frank Martin</i>	<i>Melissa Mansfield</i>
<i>Chike Melie, Jr.</i>	<i>Joseph & Micheline Kmetz</i>
<i>Jurusik & Arner Families</i>	<i>John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes</i>
<i>Louis Sauro & Mary Russomanno</i>	
<i>Thanksgiving From the Furnari Family</i>	
<i>Chinwe, Nkiru, Obie, Chike III, Nwando Melie (Living)</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Joseph Family</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Rinaldy & Brenner Families</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Joseph Cicalese Family</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Kalkus,</i>	
<i>Vellanti & Tobia Families</i>	
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Araujo & Torres Families</i>	
<i>Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione Families</i>	

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

*All Church Volunteers are invited to a Volunteer Appreciation Night on **Friday, December 8th** in the Lower Church after the 7:00 PM Mass.*

Light refreshments will be served. It will be a night for all volunteers to gather and socialize. If you are planning to attend, please RSVP to the Parish Center Office (908) 688-1232 or email stmichaelunion@comcast.net by December 1st.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday No Religious Education	November 26
Monday 8:00 AM 3:30-4:30 PM	November 27 Rosary, Church Religious Education
Tuesday 8:00 AM 7:00-8:30 PM 7:00-8:00 PM 7:00-8:15 PM	November 28 Rosary, Church CYO Bible Study, Rectory Religious Education
Wednesday 8:00 AM	November 29 Rosary, Church
Thursday 8:00 AM 7:30 PM	November 30 Rosary, Church Choir Practice, Church
Friday 8:00 AM 6:00-8:00 PM	December 1 Rosary, Church First Friday Adoration with the Lord, Church
Saturday 1:00-2:00 PM	December 2 Confession, Church
Sunday 10:15-11:30 AM 12:00-5:00 PM 6:00-7:30 PM	December 3 Religious Education Feast of Blessed Michael Iwene Tansi Mass & Fellowship, Church & LC Adoration with the Lord with the Break Ministry, Church

COLLECTIONS

Below is an explanation of some of the different St. Michael's Collections:

S.O.S. Collection - This is a monthly "restricted" collection dedicated to paying our utility bills. Restricted collections are not assessed by the Archdiocese of Newark and therefore all funds are used solely by St. Michael's to pay our bills. S.O.S. collections are appreciated at all times.

Assessment Collection - the Archdiocese of Newark assesses all parishes in the archdiocese a percentage of the parish's annual unrestricted revenue, to be paid monthly. This assessment is used by the Archdiocese to support administrative services. St. Michael's has instituted a monthly "restricted" collection that is used solely for paying our monthly assessment. All Assessment Collection funds are sent directly to Newark, monthly, to pay our Assessment Obligation.

National Collections - the Archdiocese of Newark has ten collections during the year to benefit various organizations such as the retired priest's fund, the church in Eastern Europe, the religious retirement fund, and mission appeals. Money from the national collections go directly to Newark.

St. Vincent De Paul Collection - money donated to St. Vincent De Paul is distributed prior to Thanksgiving and prior to Easter to local foodbanks, soup kitchens and social centers that provide food and shelter for those in need.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

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, 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, Mary Ann Flynn, Joyce Toth, Rodney Lucas, Pamela D'Amico, Maria Espiritu, Rita Himiak, Dominick Monteleone, Martha Owens and Brian Phillips.

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

	Week of 11/12/2017	Yr. to Date 7/1-11/12/2017
Collections	\$ 7,522	\$ 153,142
Online Collections	\$ 275	\$ 2,629
SOS	\$ 1,715	\$ 58,005
Online SOS	\$ 230	\$ 895
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Total	\$ 9,742	\$ 214,671
Budget	\$ 13,620	\$ 212,478
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Difference	(\$ 3,878)	\$ 2,193

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 the weekend—December 2 & 3. SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.



*The Staff of the Religious Education Office
wish you and yours a Happy and Blessed
Thanksgiving!*

Marilynn Dragone and Lois Scanio

CCD STUDENTS: There are **NO** Religious Education classes on Sunday, November 26th.

ADVENT....."HE IS COMING!"

St. Michael's Church is planning an adult Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 9th. The guest speaker will be Fr. John Gordon. It will begin after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. More info will follow.

THANKSGIVING OBSERVANCE

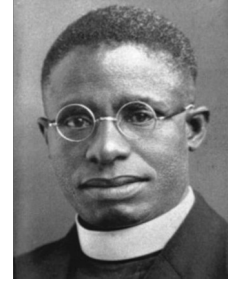
*Count your blessings instead of your crosses;
Count your gains instead of your losses.
Count your joys instead of your woes;
Count your friends instead of your foes.
Count your smiles instead of your tears;
Count your courage instead of your fears.
Count your full years instead of your lean;
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
Count your health instead of your wealth;
Count on God instead of yourself.*

..Author Unknown

SR. ANN'S FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF FOOD!!!

Please consider donating some canned or non-perishable food items so we can help feed those in need. Food may be dropped off at the church or at the Parish Center. Thank you!

The GIVING TREE will be in the church vestibule on November 26th. We invite you to take a tag (or two) and purchase the gift items. Items need to be returned to the church or Parish Center by December 10th. Please use gift bags only, gifts **must not be wrapped**. Leave gift tag on the bag. Please help us make the Christmas holiday extra special to others.



SAVE THE DATE: *Feast of Blessed Cyprian Michael Iwene Tansi, Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 12:00 Noon Mass. Fellowship and Reception at the Lower Church after Mass.*

CONGRATULATIONS! **November 2017 Baptism**

Vivianna Valentino
Ezinma Ikwu
Michael Stefan Szczesny V
Luna Bella Gomez Rios
Ryan Sebastian Gomez



**Welcome to the St. Michael's Parish
Community!**

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is living out Christ's instructions to "love one another as I have loved you". For this reason we would like to invite you to look at St. Michael's different ministries and to pray and seek the way to be of service to the Church in terms of time and talent. The following are the Ministries we have at St. Michael's:

Liturgical Ministries: *Music Ministry, Eucharistic Ministry, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Church Decorations, Children's Liturgy of the Word*

Service Ministries: *Food Pantry, Accounting Steward, Wellness Ministry, Respect for Life Ministry, Catholic Charities*

Standing Committees: *Multi-Cultural Committee, Parish Events Committee, Parish Faith Formation Committee, Maintenance Committee, Stewardship Committee, Liturgy Committee*

More information regarding the ministries can be found at the Church website: **stmichaelunion.org**

It is our duty to be Stewards of God through time, talent and treasure by which to evangelize people to the Catholic way of life.

<i>Time</i>	November 25-26 Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe	December 2-3 1st Sunday of Advent
5:30pm	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Simone Oropeza 3. Salome Oropeza 4. Morgan Labranche	1. Jennele Baul 2. Angel Rodriguez 3. Jonathan Rodriguez 4. Alexis Artiga
7:30am	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uguchi Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia	1. Chika Adibemma 2. Uzonna Adibemma 3. Austin Nosike 4. Lance Panes
9:00am	1. Aidan Perez 2. Jewelz Massicot 3. Joshua Laube 4. Kailey Barros-Dias	1. Desi Garcia 2. Nathan Felix 3. Jean Felix 4. Alisha James
10:30am	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Jedrek Kumi 4. Johnnuel Magno	1. Julia Durugo 2. Joshua Estoque 3. Johnnuel Magno 4. Daniel Gonzales
12:00nn	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Gabriel Castano	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Lorenz Tangub 4. Gabriel Castano

ALTAR SERVER ANNOUNCEMENT

"Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." - John 12: 26

The Altar Servers Ministry invites parish boys and girls - 4th grade or higher to serve at the table of the Lord. These volunteer servers assist at Mass and other liturgical services. Training is required prior to serving. It is out of one's baptism into the Body of Christ that we are called to this ministry. Some at St. Michael's Church have served well into their high school years.

Altar Server Qualifications

- Must be baptized
- Must be a Catholic
- Must regularly attend Sunday Mass
- Must complete training before being scheduled to serve regularly
- Must be in 4th Grade or higher

Those who are interested to become altar servers, please let Fr. Miles Lopez know after all weekend Masses or call the rectory: 908-688-1232 ext. 302.

CYO/Youth Ministry News

cyouunion@aol.com



CHRISTMAS WREATH/GRAVE COVER SALE!

Beginning the weekend of Nov. 25TH & 26TH and the 2 weekends to follow, CYO will be selling Christmas Wreaths and Grave Covers after all Masses as a fundraiser.

Wreaths \$25.00

Small Grave Covers \$20.00

Large Grave Covers \$35.00

We thank you in advance for your continued generosity and support!

ST.MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

St Michael's Senior Club will meet on Monday, December 4th. 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 - Deacon Michael Cavallo

Upcoming Event:

December 13 - Christmas Luncheon at the Suburban Golf Club. Payment is due at this meeting the price is \$42 p/p. Bus service from St. Michael's parking lot is available. Bus will leave the parking lot at 12Noon.

Membership is extended to those 55 and over.

The new and improved parish website is now launched!

Please visit our new website:

stmichaelunion.org



It is my promise that our Church Bells will begin to ring again on or before Christmas Day. To make this happen, I need four groups of people to help the Church out:

- (1) **The Archangels**—those who are willing to make a donation of \$1000 each to this project.
- (2) **The Apostles**—those who are willing to make a donation of \$500 to this project.
- (3) **The Elders**—those who are willing to make a donation of \$250 to this project.
- (4) **The Communion of Saints**—those who are willing to make a donation of \$100-\$200 to this project. I have already commissioned the installation of the bells, believing God that this Church will come through with this project.

Please know that Donations for this project are specifically dedicated **"IN GRATITUDE TO GOD FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED AND YET TO COME"**. There will be dedication plaques for the different groups of donors. Please call the Parish Center to make your donations or go to our Church website to use the electronic giving platform. I thank God for the blessings in your lives.

Msgr. Anselm

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.
- Create or login to your Parish Giving account



SAVE THE DATE: ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Sunday, December 10, 2017 at 1:30 PM
Pot Luck. Feel free to bring a dish representing your heritage.**

Opportunity to meet Santa, games and dance.

More information to follow.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL NEWS

You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion and through us your generosity will result in Thanksgiving to God. Corinthians

Wishes for a blessed Thanksgiving with abundance of good health, faith, and love.

Important Dates: December

1st Report Cards distributed, 12:00 dismissal after-care is available students must bring lunch from home

3rd - Beginning of the Advent Season

8th - School Closed, Immaculate Conception

10th - Honors Breakfast for students grade 6-8 receiving 1st and 2nd Honors

15th - Christmas Concert 7:00 Church

18th - School Mass

2017 SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2017 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal is well underway. We have **\$28,880** already pledged. This is approximately **59%** of our goal of **\$48,991**. The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

Thank you for your prayers and support.