



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.

April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday	April 28
5:30 PM	Manuel Caram
Sunday	April 29
7:30 AM	For the Parishioners
9:00 AM	Anna Wasco
10:30 AM	Rodrigo V. Gancia (Living)
12:00 Noon	Minnie Vitale
Monday	April 30
7:00 AM	Ronnie Terranova
8:30 AM	Manuel Fazendeiro
Tuesday	May 1
7:00 AM	Monica Votapek
8:30 AM	Ana Silva
Wednesday	May 2
7:00 AM	Helen Miller
8:30 AM	Antoinette Adase
Thursday	May 3
7:00 AM	Novena of Masses
8:30 AM	Rose Ann Cebulak
Friday	May 4
7:00 AM	Carol Manzella (45th Ann.)
8:30 AM	Craig Calix (Living)
Saturday	May 5
8:30 AM	John Cryan
5:30 PM	Elizabeth Scanio
Sunday	May 6
7:30 AM	Emma Remondelli
9:00 AM	For the Parishioners
10:30 AM	Walter McMahan
12:00 Noon	Regina N. Mendoza

ALTAR OFFERINGS

*The Altar Bread and the Altar Wine are offered for St. Michael's Parishioners.
The Sanctuary Lamp is offered for Craig Calix (Living).*

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially *St. Michael's Parishioners.*

Today's Gospel challenges the depth of our relationship to Christ, who calls himself the vine and us, the branches. The immediacy of this relationship is palpable among the early Christians. But what is it for us? We've been invited into something far deeper and more intimate than our relationship to our own family or someone we love. How comfortable are we with this invitation?

*Acts 9:26-31 Saul preaches boldly in Jerusalem.
Ps 22 I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.
1 Jn 3:18-24 Loving and believing in Christ is to keep his commandments.
Jn15:1-8 "I am the vine, you are the branches."*

NOVENA OF MASSES—APRIL 2018

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| <i>James Ford, Sr.</i> | <i>Alejandro T. Cruz</i> |
| <i>Jose J. Arnaldo</i> | <i>John Francis Mahon</i> |
| <i>Ann L. Corrigan</i> | <i>George Rinehart</i> |
| <i>Craig Calix (Living)</i> | <i>Special Intentions</i> |
| <i>Walter Foster, Jr.</i> | <i>Mary Russomanno</i> |
| <i>Serafina Sauro</i> | <i>Rosemary Sauro</i> |
| <i>Frank Rubinetti</i> | <i>Pierre & Rubinetti Family</i> |
| <i>Brito Dantas</i> | <i>Ines Gomez</i> |
| <i>Maria Ribeiro</i> | <i>Gian Gorospe (Living)</i> |
| <i>Micheline Kmetz & Joseph Kmetz</i> | |
| <i>John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes</i> | |
| <i>Jurusik & Arner Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Kalkus, Vellanti & Tobia Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Czapl, Leniart & McMahan Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione Families</i> | |
| <i>Living & Deceased Members of the Rodriguez & Pias Families</i> | |

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 59% 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	April 29 Religious Education
Monday 8:00 AM 3:30-4:30 PM 7:00 PM	April 30 Rosary, Church Religious Education First Communion Practice, Church
Tuesday 8:00 AM 7:00-8:15 PM 7:00-8:30 PM 7:00 PM	May 1 Rosary, Church Last Day— Tuesday—Religious Education CYO, LC Bible Class, Rectory
Wednesday 8:00 AM 7:00 PM	May 2 Rosary, Church First Communion Practice, Church
Thursday 8:00 AM	May 3 Rosary, Church
Friday 8:00 AM 6:30-8:30 PM	May 4 Rosary, Church First Friday Adoration. Church
Saturday 11:00 AM	May 5 Healing Mass, Lower Church
Sunday 10:15-11:30 AM	May 6 Last Day—Sunday -Religious

THE WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPE AND THE IRS

Using our weekly offertory envelopes enables the parish to provide a statement of deductions at the end of the year that satisfies the IRS deduction requirements. IRS tax rules forbid tax deductions for charitable donations unless the donor can prove the donation through receipts or other financial records. Contact the Parish Center for more information.

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> <u>4/22/2018</u>	<u>Yr. to Date</u> <u>7/1-/4/22/2018</u>
Collections	\$ 6,235	\$ 311,642
Online Collections	\$ 277	\$ 10,585
SOS	\$ 1,312	\$ 133,672
Online SOS	\$ 60	\$ 2,946
Total	\$ 7,884	\$ 458,845
Budget	\$ 8,309	\$ 468,652
Difference	(\$ 425)	(\$ 9,807)

Easter Collection \$33,924

Thank you for your continued generosity!

EASTER COLLECTION

Thank you to all parishioners for your generous donation to our Easter Collection and the Easter Flowers.

“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 May 5 & 6, 2018.** SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE

ST. MICHAEL’S CHURCH
90TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2018 @ 3:00 PM
 AT THE WESTWOOD
 438 NORTH AVENUE, GARWOOD, NJ

The Distinguished Honorees:

Rev. Fr. Charles McDermott
 Mr. & Mrs. Roger and Kathleen Boetsch
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph and Carol Furnari

For more information please check our website: stmichaelunion.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

Hours for the Religious Education Office are Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Other hours are available by appointment. Contact Coordinator: Marilyn Dragone at (908) 964-0965.

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

FAMILIES PREPARING FOR FIRST

EUCCHARIST:

First Communion: Saturday, May 5th, 5:30 p.m.
Practice: Monday, April 30th, 7:00 p.m.

First Communion: Sunday, May 6th, 10:30 a.m.
Practice: Wednesday, May 2nd, 7:00 p.m.

SR. VIRGINIA'S NEWBURGH MINISTRY is in need of shampoo, conditioners and soap. Please bring any of these items to the Parish Center located on Orange Avenue.

LAST DAY OF CLASS FOR RELIGIOUS

EDUCATION STUDENTS:

Tuesday: May 1
Sunday: May 6
Monday: May 7

RICE BOWL donations can still be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish Center. Religious Education students can give their donations to their catechist. The monies collected are donated to the missions that help people throughout the world.

SR. ANN DOMINIC FOOD PANTRY

Four years ago the Knights of Columbus took over the Food Pantry that Sr. Ann Dominic had been running for many years. We wanted to continue this service for the St. Michael's community.

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners and many food drives we have been able to keep it going.

In addition to our regular monthly pantry, we provide groceries to low income senior housing and also to a nearby soup kitchen.

Once again, thank you.

ST.MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

St Michael's Senior Club will meet on Monday, May 7th. Doors will open at 11:30 for coffee and social time. Our general meeting will begin at 12 Noon in the lower church followed by Bingo.

Upcoming Event:

May 21st - Attic Treasurers Club fundraiser.
June 4th - Guest Speaker Phyllis Monguso, Director Union Senior Center

Membership is extended to those 55 and over.
Next Meeting Monday, June 18th

PARISH REGISTRATION AND UPDATES

Registering as a member of our parish is an important aspect of our Catholic community life. It is an opportunity to identify our parishioners and allow us to serve our parish community accordingly. We invite you to register or simply update our records with your new address, phone or a family member's name change. Please come by the Parish Center to register or online at our website: stmichaelunion.org

Time	April 28-29 5 th Sunday of Easter	May 5-6 6 th Sunday of Easter
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. Ifeanyi Adibemma 2. Chika Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia	1. Uguchi 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	1. Julia Durugo 2. Joshua Estoque 3. Daniel Gonzales
12:00nn	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Charles Ozurumba	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Samuel Ilagan 4. Aimee Cabatu-Panlilio

SAVE THE DATES

May 5, 2018 - Healing Mass

May 16, 2018 - May Crowning

ANNUAL HEALING MASS

On **Saturday, May 5th at 11:00 AM**, St. Michael's Parish will hold its Annual Healing Mass in the Lower Church. The mass will begin promptly at 11:00 AM with lunch to follow. If you are interested in attending, please call the Parish Center (908) 688-1232 and register so that we may plan accordingly.

WE ARE LIVING STONES CAMPAIGN

The St. Michael's Lower Church Kitchen renovation is complete. \$16,500 was used from the We are Living Stones Campaign Funds to complete this major improvement to the church. Thank you to all the participants in the We Are Living Stones Campaign. Please continue to complete your pledge. Your donations are making a visible difference to St. Michael's Church!



ST. MICHAEL'S ANNUAL MAY CROWNING
WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 16TH, 7:00 PM

The month of May is especially dedicated to the Blessed Mother, and here at St. Michael's we honor her in song and prayer at our May Crowning. ***Our new first communicants will be present and are asked to wear their Communion apparel. The first communicants planning to attend should be in the Lower Church at 6:30 PM to prepare procession.*** Parents attending may bring flowers for "Mary's Garden" if they wish, and place them in the urns in front of the altar. Each child will receive a flower as they process into the Church. This is a very special way to celebrate God's gift to us with the children. Fr. Miles will be with us for the celebration.

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.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for our 2018-2019 Confirmation Class has begun and registration forms have been mailed out to all 8th grade student parents.

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. Registration forms and payment are due by June 1st.

Our Parent/Student Information Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 5th at 7pm in the Lower Church Hall. Sacramental Information, Mass Attendance Cards, Service Projects and how to choose a Faithful Sponsor will be fully discussed at this meeting.

Any questions please contact the Youth Ministry office at 908-686-3762 or email to cyunion@aol.com



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

MATCHING GIFTS

Double Your Donation to St. Michael's Church!

Many companies offer matching gift programs to encourage employees to contribute to charitable organizations. Most of these programs match contributions dollar for dollar, and some will even double or triple the amount of your gift!

Please check with your company to see if it offers a matching gift program that will match your gift to St. Michael's Church.

Your personal gift and matched contribution will be credited to the St. Michael's project that you designate. This spring St. Michael's Church is raising funds to purchase and install 2 new church air conditioner units. Matching funds from your employer would be a great addition to this fundraiser.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact the Parish Center Office at stmichaelunion.org or call 908-688-1232.

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 Pata-
 nia, John Canfield, Frank Egan, Cheryl & Victor Graziano, Dorothy & Henry
 Sohl, Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Marianne Hunt O'Malley, Jo-
 anne 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 Trep-
 punti, 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, Mar-
 tha Owens, Brian Phillips, Lily Hulsey and Katherine
 Friedrich VenAcker, Lucille Arnaldo, Fr. Jim Worth, Aname Orillaneda
 Richard Shemanski, Barbara Lombardi, Mario F. Lopez, Manuel Crudo and
 Josephine Steinberg.



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.