

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:

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.

September 24, 2017

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday 5:30 PM	September 23 Helen Williamson
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	September 24 For the Parishioners Jennie Pruszkowski Jesus Pena (19th Ann.) Kate & Patrick McMahon
Monday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	September 25 Novena of Masses Tino Rosa
Tuesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	September 26 Joseph F. Barbato Anthony Marchitello
Wednesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	September 27 Craig Calix (Living) Maria A. Tavares
Thursday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	September 28 Mary Shemanski (12th Ann.) Doris Kennedy
Friday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	September 29 Novena of Masses Dena Eltouy (Living) & Patrick Eltouy (Living)
Saturday 8:30 AM 5:30 PM	September 30 Manuel Fazendeiro Barbara Rinehart
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	October 1 Christina Salvatore Julian & Jennie Pruszkowski Madeleine Roxas

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread, Altar Wine and Sanctuary Lamp are offered for the Froustet & Nolan Families.

Today's readings remind us that with God, we are wise to expect the unexpected. Life is full of surprises and, sometimes reversals. We may suffer injustice; things may seem unfair or out of balance; bad things happen when we least expect them. But, whatever happens to us, we can be confident that God is with us. Even more, a loving, generous God is actually pursuing us. God's love and compassion are always here ... though sometimes just outside our line of vision. Realizing that can help us to see everything — and everyone — differently. Nothing is as it seems.

Is 55:6-9 Seek God, as God seeks us.

Ps 145 The Lord is near to all who can call upon him.

Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Paul ponders his future in light of the Gospel.

Mt 20:1-16a A parable about God's generous salvation.

**NOVENA OF MASSES
SEPTEMBER 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>Tom Donohue</i>
<i>George Rinehart</i>	<i>John Bradley</i>
<i>Pierre & Rubinetti Families</i>	<i>Frank Rubinetti</i>
<i>Nicoletta Regina</i>	<i>Clare Pettesch</i>
<i>Jurusik & Arner Families</i>	<i>Edward L. Shea</i>
<i>Magdalena Moreno Cruz</i>	<i>Robert Emery</i>
<i>Micheline & Joseph Kmetz</i>	<i>James Ford Sr.</i>
<i>Alfreda Ernestine Thompson</i>	<i>Rosa Rodriguez</i>
<i>Rodney Lucas (Living)</i>	<i>Rosemary Sauro &</i>
<i>Mary Russomanno</i>	<i>Patsy Scalgione</i>
<i>Linda Abbey-Kalio (Living)</i>	<i>Philip Montalto</i>
<i>Dena Eltouy & Patrick Eltouy (Living)</i>	
<i>John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes</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 *Jean Grady*.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:15-11:30 AM 10:30 AM Mass 3:00 PM	September 24 Religious Education Confirmation Rite of Enrollment, Church San Lorenzo Ruiz Feast & Fellowship, Church & LC
Monday 8:00 AM 3:30-4:30 PM	September 25 Rosary, Church Religious Education, LC
Tuesday 8:00 AM 7:00-8:30 7:00-8:15 PM 7:00-8:00 PM	September 26 Rosary, Church CYO, LC Religious Education Bible Class, Rectory
Wednesday 8:00 AM 7:00-8:00 PM	September 27 Rosary, Church Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena, Church
Thursday 8:00 AM 7:30 PM	September 28 Rosary, Church Choir Practice, Church
Friday 8:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00-11:00 PM	September 29 Rosary, Church St. Michael's Feast Mass, Church St. Michael's Feast Dinner Dance, Costa Del Sol
Saturday 1:00-2:00 PM	September 30 Confession, Church
Sunday 10:15-11:30 AM	October 1 Religious Education

SAVE THE DATE: INSTALLATION MASS for our new pastor- *Mmgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu*, will be on **October 15th, 2017, during the 12:00 Noon Mass** followed by a reception in the Lower Church. We encourage our parishioners to come and welcome our new pastor.

SAVE THE DATE: The **2018 MASS BOOK** will open starting **Wednesday, September 27, Thursday, September 28 and Friday, September 29 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM** at the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.). Please come to reserve your dates for Masses and the Mass Offerings.

Daily Masses and Novena of Masses—\$10.00

Altar Bread—\$25.00

Altar Wine—\$15.00

Sanctuary Lamp—\$10.00

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, Elisa Perez, Angelo Martino, Joseph Martino, Jr., Veronica Patulot, Alexa D'Amato, Roselle Roux, Iluminada Duyan, Elizabeth Williamson, Lane 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, Mary Ann Flynn, Joyce Toth, Rodney Lucas, Pamela D'Amico, Maria Espiritu and Rita Himiak.*



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 <u>9/17/2017</u>	Yr. to Date <u>7/1/-9/17/2017</u>
Actual	\$ 7,567	\$ 87,011
SOS	\$ 1,331	\$ 33,478
Total	\$ 8,898	\$ 120,489
Budget	\$ 11,224	\$ 128,134
Difference	(\$ 2,326)	(\$ 7,645)

Parish Online
Giving \$640

Thank you for giving to your parish!

"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 October 7 & 8.** SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HOURS

Hours for the Religious Education Office are
Monday through Thursday from
10:00 a.m. until 2:00 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.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, Grade 1 and Sacrament Prep Year 1
will begin on October 1st.
Monday, Grade 1 will begin on October 2nd.
Class assignments and school calendars have
been mailed.

**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.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL NEWS

Important dates:

October

2nd - Picture Day, dress up! Sibling pictures will
be taken, must note on order envelope, cheese-
cake sale begins
9th - School closed
13th - Progress Reports, Walk-A-Thon
16th - School Mass 1:00 PM, Cheesecake sale
ends
18th - School Closed, Professional Day
27th - 12:00 dismissal, aftercare is NOT available
31st - Trick or Trunk for grade Prek-4, Pizza & a
movie gr. 5, Dance gr. 6-8

ST.MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

Upcoming Events:

October 2nd – Guest Speaker Karen Jason
from the Union Public Library

October 16th – Guest Speaker Msgr. Anselm
Membership fees are due and will be col-
lected at this meeting.

Membership is extended to those 55 and
over.

THANK YOU!

The New Devotional Candles for the Sacred
Heart of Jesus and St. Anthony have been
installed.

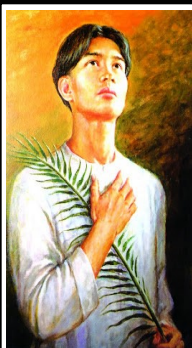
We are grateful to the following parishion-
ers who have pledged to donate towards
the cost of new candle holders.

*Manuel and Letty Hugo
Vincente and Blanca Tan
Federico and Alegria Pajarillo*

*Many thanks to the Multicultural Ministry
for donating the cost of renovating the
Church vestibule. The renovation includes
painting, the new cork boards, refinishing
the floors, new entry rugs and new light-
ing. We are very grateful for the ongoing
support of the Multicultural Ministry.*

*Thank you to Mike Eger for donating the
cement blocks outside the Parish Center
office.*

Time	September 23-24 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sept. 30 - Oct. 1 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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. Ifeanyi Adibemma 2. Chika 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 3. Aidan Perez
10:30am	1. Julia Durugo 2. Johnnuel Magno 3. Joshua Estoque 4. Jedrek Kumi	1. Jerome Fernandez 2. Jianna Fernandez 3. Johnnuel Magno 4. Daniel Gonzales
12:00nn	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Samuel Ilagan 4. Gabriel Castano	1. Jed Iglesia 2. Lorenz Tangub 3. Marc Pereira 4. Charles Ozurumba



SAVE THE DATE: THE FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ will be celebrated this **Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 3:00 PM** at St. Michael's Church with fellowship immediately after the Mass. Mass on Sunday. Everyone is invited!

SAVE THE DATE: BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Saturday, October 7, 2017
12:00 Noon

DEVOTIONAL NOVENAS

Mother of Perpetual Help —2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month—7:00-8:00 PM, Church

BIBLE CLASS will be held every 1st, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 PM, Rectory

ADORATION:

Every 1st Friday of the month—6:00-8:00 PM, Church
Every 1st Sunday of the month—Evening with the Lord with the Break Ministry—6:00-8:00 PM, Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every 4th Friday of the month from 7:00-8:00 PM, Church.

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 be paid for at time of purchase.

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: _____



NEW PETITION BOXES have been installed at the St. Anthony, Sacred Heart, St. Jude and Our Lady of Fatima devotion candles. Please use the paper and pencil provided to complete your petitions and place it in the box. The petitions will be collected and prayed for.



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.

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

cyouunion@aol.com



Welcome back to CYO/Youth Ministry!

Tuesday, September 26th
and every Tuesday afterwards!
7:00-8:30pm. St. Michael's Lower Church

Attention all High School Students! CYO starts up this month and we want to see you there! We have a great year planned. This includes our Topic Nights, Teen Retreats, Ski Trip, Christmas Dance, Festival of Lights, Medieval Times, Charity Basketball Games, Stations of the Cross.....and much more.

We also have our much loved service projects each month: (Nursing Home, Homeless Shelter, Quadriplegic Center, Disabled Children, sandwich making, Mentoring & others!)

But most importantly, we will Share our Catholic Faith in Jesus, learn from each other, PRAY and grow as young Christians!

Everyone and their friends are always invited and welcome!

For more information contact us at cyouunion@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 cyouunion@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.