



ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

October 23, 2022

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mission Statement

St. Michael the Archangel Parish is dedicated to growing disciples, drawing people to Christ and making church and worship matter. We do this through our liturgical worship, the proclamation of the Good News, and living out our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.

Mass Schedule

SUNDAY

5:30 pm (Saturday Evening)
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon

DAILY

Monday ► Friday:

8:30 am, 12:00 Noon

Saturday: 8:30 am

Holy Days: Announced in the bulletin

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Msgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu, *Pastor*

Rev. Camilo Lopez, *Parochial Vicar*

Rev. Charles B. McDermott, *Pastor Emeritus*

Deacon Michael Cavallo, *Permanent Deacon*

Deacon Michael Alfano, *Permanent Deacon*

Mrs. Clare Andriola, *Pastoral Associate for Religious Education*

Ms. Cristina Manochio, *Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry*

Ms. Fran Engleman, *9:00 am Choirmaster*

Mr. Patrick B. Phillips, *12:00 Noon Choirmaster*

Mrs. Rebekah Scicolone, *Principal*

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE Saturday 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Notify a priest of all who are hospitalized or home bound

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm

Baptism preparation: 2nd Friday evening at 7:30 pm

Call parish office to register (908-688-1232)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Contact a priest at the parish at least no less than eight months prior to booking your wedding date.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Adults wishing to join the Catholic Church or who are baptized but have not made their First Communion/Confirmation should please contact the parish office for full information and guidance.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (CCD)

Grade 1-8 religious formation for First Penance and First Communion please call the Parish Religious Education office (908-964-0965).

YOUTH MINISTRY

A comprehensive youth program for all teens from 9th to 12th grade. Our program prepares teens for Confirmation, 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

All parishioners need to be registered.

Please call the Parish Office for registration or information.

Address

1212 Kelly Street, Union, New Jersey 07083

Telephones

Rectory/Parish Center: 908-688-1232

Rectory/Parish Center Fax: 908-810-1076

School: 908-688-1063

Religious Education Office: 908-964-0965

Youth Ministry Office: 908-686-3762

Email: stmichaelunion@comcast.net

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Devotions

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATIONS

Every 1st Friday and 1st Sunday 6:30 pm

DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

Wednesdays 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 1st, 2nd and 4th 7:00 pm

BOLD AND CATHOLIC REFLECTION

3rd Saturdays 9:00 am

ADVENT REFLECTION

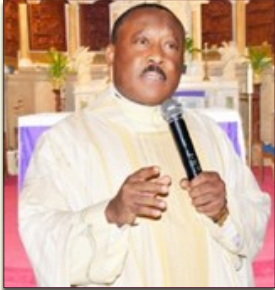
Every Saturday of Advent 9:00 am

LENTEN REFLECTION

Every Friday of Lent 7:00 pm

Every Saturday of Lent 9:00 am

Message From *The Pastors Desk*



My dear and beloved parishioners,

We have done it again! We have reached our USAN goal of \$100,000.00. We have submitted a balanced budget! Our 2021/2022 end-of-the-year financial report has a zero debt balance. This is our third straight year on this record. By the grace of God, it shall remain permanent.

I am so grateful to God for what you have been able to do and accomplish in these past few years that we have pastured this parish. Four years ago, we set out on a mission to balance the budget of our parish and to put it on a path of sustainability and growth. We committed to only one fundraiser per year with a goal of \$100,000.00. What we have done, so far, is to show that when we fervently believe in a goal and vigorously act on it, with prayerful determination, there is nothing we cannot achieve as a parish. Secondly, we have shown that if a goal is worth reaching, then, it is worth doing everything necessary to achieve it.

I thank all of you who committed everything possible to make sure that we succeeded in this year's USAN campaign. Many of you gave huge donations to make sure our goal was reached. Many of you worked as facilitators to raise money in your groups, which is not easy to do. Many gave whatever they could afford to assure their participation. May the good Lord bless and reward all of you abundantly. It may be sad to note that many of our parishioners did not participated in this noble and most important fundraiser, just as many do not participate in our envelop system, Sunday collections, and special and holiday collections. It is my prayer that all those who fall into this category many find it in their heart to support this parish and her mission and to take this parish as their baby. What is good to note, though, is that we will never allow the unwilling to determine the course of our future. No, we will never give up on our goals and aspirations. Rather, we will always find ways to adjust the sails on our ship, whenever we cannot control the wind, to make sure that we reach our destination. God has blessed us with a wonderful parish community that is very diverse. St. Michael's Church is a giant and we are determined, by the grace of God, to live up to that expectation. I, therefore, encourage all of us to continue praying for our parish and to do all that is needed for her growth and sustainability. In this way, we can create the kind of parish that we want.

I thank God for all of you and I pray that He will continue to sustain you and your families as you are doing what you can to sustain His mission and ministry in this parish. Congratulations to all our facilitators and to all who coordinated this year's USAN. In a very special way, and on behalf of this Church, I thank Cynthia Grandeza for taking this project as her own baby.

May the good Lord bless you all!

Rev. Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu, Ph.D.
Pastor

Announcements

USAN FUNDRAISER UPDATE

GOAL: **\$100,000**

10/17/2022 **\$106,731**

<https://www.stmichaelunion.org/usan>

ST. MICHAEL'S 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.*

Tithing—This is a monthly "restricted" collection dedicated to paying for the new air conditioner. *Restricted collections are not assessed by the Archdiocese and therefore all funds are used solely for St. Michael's needs. Tithing 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 Archdiocese of Newark, monthly, to pay our Assessment Obligation. No funds are used for St. Michael's needs.*

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 the Archdiocese of 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 continued generosity and support to our Parish!

ONLINE GIVING

Donating your weekly collections through the Parish Giving online platform is helpful now more than ever. Due to health and safety concerns related to the pandemic the number of volunteers that are available to count the collections has significantly diminished. By using online giving you are selecting the safest and easiest method of giving for St. Michael's Parish. To start using Parish Giving go to our parish website (stmichaelunion.org) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form. Thank you for sustaining the parish during this unprecedented emergency that we are all experiencing.

Stewardship of Treasure

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**

COLLECTION & SOS

	NEEDED WEEKLY	ACTUAL WEEKLY	OVER/UNDER
October			
Week 1 Collections \$7,079		\$ 9,829	\$2,750
Week 2 Collections \$7,079		\$ 7118	\$ 39
Week 3 Collections \$7,079		\$6,445	\$ 634
Monthly SOS	\$10,040	\$5,768	\$4,362

- **Mailing/dropping off your envelopes** to the Parish Center Office (1211 Orange Ave).
- **Online Giving** Go to our parish website (stmichaelunion.org) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form.

Dear Parishioners,

In order for us to stay in the GREEN, it is important that we meet our weekly budget collections and SOS. Please let us continue to support the weekly Sunday collection so that we can achieve our goals of balancing the budget going forward.

Thank you for your support of the parish and your continued generosity.

Msr. Anselm

6 Ways To DONATE

ONLINE GIVING:

Parish Giving
—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—
stmichaelunion.org

BANK TRANSFER:

zelle
stmichaelunion@comcast.net

In the Comment section, indicate where your donation should be accounted for, e.g., USAN (with your Group Name), Offertory, Tithe, etc.

CONTACT FREE: QR CODE



Scanning the code above with your mobile device directs you to the online donation page

MAIL IN:



1211 Orange Ave, Union, NJ 07083

DROP OFF: AT THE PARISH CENTER



1211 Orange Ave, Union, NJ 07083

DURING OFFERTORY: AT MASS



You can use designated envelopes OR use your envelope but indicate where your donation should be accounted for.

STAY INFORMED ABOUT ST. MICHAEL'S

If you have not been receiving emails from the church via **Evangelus** please visit eva.us/stmichaels to sign up in order to receive messages and stay informed about current happenings in church.

Mass Intentions & Devotions

SATURDAY	October 22
5:30 pm	Frank & Genevieve Karwowski Maria Salome Domingo
SUNDAY	October 23
7:30 am	Dominick Monteleone, Sr. Wilma Abutal
9:00 am	Maria Cherry Vibar (Living)-Thanksgiving For the Parishioners
10:30 am	Stanley Ozuzu (3rd Ann.) Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group-Falsely Accused
12:00 noon	Annunziata Bitelli Novena of Masses for Mother Mary
MONDAY	October 24
8:30 am	Jesus M. Duenas Pasquale Pntoriero
12:00 noon	Novena of Masses
TUESDAY	October 25
8:30 am	Elisa T. Corpuz
12:00 noon	Bernadette Laine Frank & Leone Laine
WEDNESDAY	October 26
8:30 am	Novena of Masses
12:00 noon	For the Parishioners
THURSDAY	October 27
8:30 am	Luis & Manuel Alvero
12:00 Noon	Maria Tavares
FRIDAY	October 28
8:30 am	Ed Stonack James Ford, Sr.
12:00 noon	Galo Proano
SATURDAY	October 29
8:30 am	Fr. Charles McDermott (Living)-Birthday
5:30 pm	Maria Cherry Vibar (Living)-Thanksgiving
SUNDAY	October 30
7:30 am	For the Parishioners Novena of Masses for Mother Mary
9:00 am	Deceased Members of Janiola & Deligero Family
10:30 am	Josephine Ruisi Manuel Caram
12:00 noon	Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group-Departed Souls Louis Cavallo

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread, Altar Wine & Sanctuary Lamp are offered in memory of Thomas & Mary Ann Canavan.

2023 MASS BOOK is now open. Please stop by the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) to book your Mass Intentions. The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Ministry Information

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The **Religious Education Office** is open Monday through Thursday from 9:30AM to 2:30PM (except holidays) or by appointment. We are located in the Parish Center at 1211 Orange Avenue. You can also contact us by phone 908-964-0965 at any time and leave a message, or via email at smccd@comcast.net

Coordinator of Religious Education
Clare Andriola

Coordinator of Home-Based Religious Education
Lois Scanio

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for Grades 1 through 8 are well underway. Our Second Grade and Sacrament Prep 2 students are preparing to receive First Communion in the spring. We are no longer accepting registrations for in-person classes.

CYO YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

cyouunionnj@gmail.com



The CYO / Youth Ministry is excited to announce that we will be venturing back to Camp Lebanon for our annual teen retreat on the weekend of November 18th -20th! Any teen who is interested in attending, or anyone looking to sponsor someone who is attending, please contact us at cyouunionnj@gmail.com. Thank you and God Bless!



"To Teach, To Guide, To Guard"

St. Michael School is looking for substitute teachers. If interested, please email Rebekah Scicolone at rscicolone@smsunion.org



WELLNESS MINISTRY

(FREE) DANCE Classes
For the whole Family

Saturdays 9:30—10:30 am
Phil Matrale Church Hall (LC)

Announcements

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES CYCLE C

First Reading

1 Kings 19:16b,19-21

Elijah anoints Elisha as his successor.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11

I set the Lord ever before me.

Second Reading

Galatians 5:1,13-18

Christ has set us free.

Gospel Reading

Luke 9:51-62

Jesus resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem.

PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR

Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Joseph Doman, Mary Ann Flynn, Lucille Arnaldo, Barbara Lombardi, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Roselle Roux, Amanda D'Amato, Jean Claude, Claubette Kallabeen, Stephen Czapl, Clarence Roberts, Thomasina Rodriguez, Harry Vendemia, Iluminda Duyan, Ruth Guido, Maria Santiago, Dr. Vic Tan, Sam Vincent Milana, Beth Barto, Targelia Penafiel, Herlinda Castillo, Gregory Ward, David Randolph, Junia Perez, Virginia Hernandez, Lucy Scalgione, Doug Heinzer, Veana Lim, Myra Kebala, Alan Cicotte, William Grant, Matteo Piano, Jesus Adrien Duenas, Cesar DeJesus, Frances Mechado, Chet Janusz, Kathy Sarno, Baby Charlie Boyle, Carmen Diaz Colon, Marian Orzechowski, Sebastian DePinho, Baby Charlie Esmores, George Leary, Carole A. Facenta, Grace Fortino, Brian Schmitt, Tom Ewing, Tony Zaliwski, Kathleen Kachelriess, Trudy Spinelli, Willa Jackson, John McEvoy, Dolores Rust, Lucy Nwauku, Mary Pubehara, Steven Yaccarino, Jacky Schellseheidt, Karen Marotta, Ken Lang, Judy Reid, Connie Emery, Ana Torres, Rita Homiak, Stephen Berberabe, Norma Tuano, Marlene Cababe, Milan Durish, Maria Santiago, Marisol Morales, Angelina Amali, Debbie Schaeffer Huggan, Jeff Pogorzelski, Virginia Attanasio, Karen Zabbia, Mary Leeman, Marie Esposito, Jose M. DeJesus, Andre Graigwell, Nicole Pozeinick, Amy Dombroski, Byron DelMonte, Samantha Lopes, Joselito Espana, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Harry Benbemia, Ken Lang, Valarie Carter, Willie Green, Shirley Dobard

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers our parish, friends and family members who have passed on to the Lord, that they may inherit the promise of everlasting life in heaven.

For this week, we especially remember

Jaime Huntley & Members of St. Michael's Parish

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



NOVENA of Masses

NOVENA OF MASSES OCTOBER 2022

Phil Matrale	Jose Arnaldo
James Ford, Sr.	Ann L. Corrigan
Alejandro T. Cruz	Jorge J. Criado
Mary & Idolo Russomano	Luigi Sauro
Manuel Pereira Araujo	Lucilia Sousa Araujo
Reme Valentine Blanc	Fritz Maddy
Reynaldo & Concepcion Ticzon	George Rinehart
Pierre & Rubinetti Families	Frank Rubinetti, Sr.
Special Intentions—VG	For the Souls in Purgatory
Jeff Pogorzelski (Living) - Healing	Abigaelle Boulon (Living)
Rosemary Hunt	Paulino Cruz
Harold Charles Faulk	Chul Bak (Living)-Healing
Aurora Sandoval	Angelito Sandoval
Frank Ozimek	Louie Ozimek
Anastasia Mendiola	
Anamaria Araujo Pais (Living)-Special Intentions	
George Sr., Ruth & Barbara Reinhart	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Living & Deceased Members of Del Rosario & Perez Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Patsy Scalgione & Deceased Family Members	
Living & Deceased Members of the Czapl, Leniart & McMahon Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Orlando, Landolfi, Siciliano & LaManna Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Pruszkowski, Endler, Hornig & Macecsko Families	
Living & Deceased Members of Araujo, Pais, Cadenas Families	
Richard Dominic Laudadio & Family (Living)-Peace & Protection	
Shela Boulon & Family (Living) - Thanksgiving	
Living & Deceased Members of the Furnari & Potignano Families	

COME AND EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT PERSONALLY



With St. Michael's Parish

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group

DAY: Wednesday TIME: 6PM-7.30PM

VENUE: Murphy's Room, Lower Church

HANDS OF GRACE MINISTRY (HUGS)

HUGS Ministry distributes **Gift Bags once a month throughout the year.**

Please contact **Bisi (908) 247-4461** or **Tania (908) 420 8659**

Announcements

RISE AGAINST HUNGER EVENT

Are you looking to give back to those less fortunate this Thanksgiving? Come and join the Family Activities Committee and St. Michael's School in our joint event, **"RISE AGAINST HUNGER"**. On November 12 from 11am-1pm we are going to pack meals and have at least 50 volunteers. Please go to

<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/StMichaelSchool2022> to make a donation and sign up. If you have any questions, reach out to Christine Parmenter at caparment23@gmail.com or at (201)407-3397



Volunteers are the pillar of our Church community. Please come and join and be a volunteer in our Family Activities Committee, Multicultural Committee, Social Events Committee and our Adult Faith Formation Committee. Please call the Parish Center (908) 688-1232, ext. 100 for more information.

SISTER ANN'S FOOD PANTRY

The holidays are coming, please consider making food or financial donations for Sister Ann's Food Pantry to help out those in need.

Your weekly and financial donations keep Sister Ann's Pantry going. I am sure she is smiling at us from heaven.

RCIA PROGRAM

Deacon Michael Alfano has started the RCIA classes every Saturday morning in the Phil Matrale Hall (LC) - Murphy Room at 10:30 am. Please contact Deacon Michael at michaeljalfano@aol.com if you want to learn more about the program.

Announcements

My Dear Parishioners,

I am pleased to announce to you that we have received two grants from the Stewardship Endowment of the Archdiocese of Newark in the amounts of \$45,000 and \$9,306 totaling \$54,306.

The \$45,000 grant will be used to help cover the cost of the new roofing of the Convent Building/Parish Center. The \$9,306 grant will be used to cover cameras and security installations in the Church premiss.

Our gratitude goes to our shepherd, His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Tobin, the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Newark and those who worked to make it possible for us to receive this grant.

**Msgr. Anselm I. Nwarogu
Pastor**

TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS: PREVENTING SCAMS IN OUR PARISH

There is increasing use of many Pastor's names, via email or text message, to try to scam parishioners. They have tried it severally with many pastors in our diocese. Please do not be scammed. You can prevent this by taking a few things in consideration.

- A. If you receive a text message or email and you don't know your pastor's phone number or email, do not reply to the message sent in his name unless it comes from the Parish Office. **You need to call the Parish and verify the message.**
- B. If someone texts, emails or calls you in a way that implies urgency, attempting to get you to act quickly before you have time to carefully read and examine the message. Be careful how you respond. Verify first.
- C. If you receive any text, email, or call pressuring you to send funds via gift cards for whatever reason, by asking you for the code numbers or PINs on the back of the cards so that the card can be redeemed immediately, be careful how you respond. Verify first.
- D. If you receive any text or email, or call telling you a story about the urgent need of your pastor or someone you don't relate with at that level, that involves a medical emergency, being stranded somewhere, or for travel needs, be careful how you respond. Make sure the phone number or email address is verified.

We just need to be smart and we can beat these attempts at scamming parishioners. It is nearly impossible to locate where the scam is originating from or the number being used. What we can do is to be watchful. Always look at the number and email from which the message is being sent. If it is not a number or email address you are familiar with, your best bet is not to respond or verify before you respond.

Msgr. Anselm