

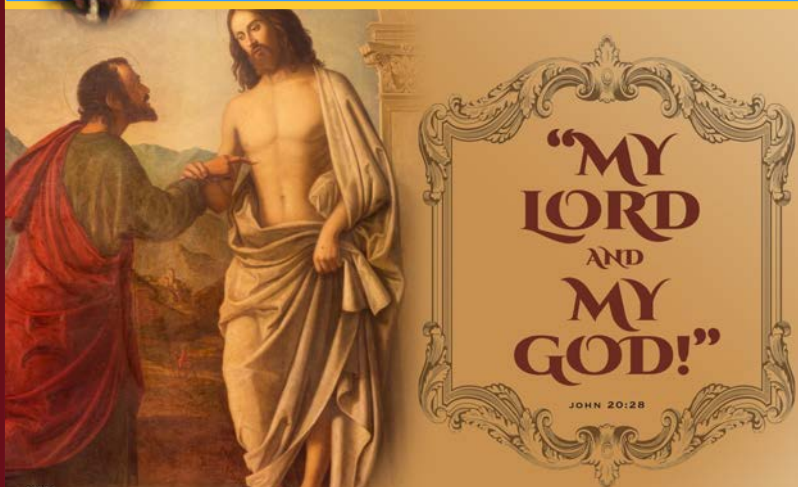


# ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

APRIL 24, 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



## Pastoral Staff

**Rev. Msgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu**, *Pastor*  
**Rev. Camilo Lopez**, *Parochial Vicar*  
**Rev. Charles B. McDermott**, *Pastor Emeritus*  
**Deacon Michael Cavallo**, *Permanent Deacon*  
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**Mrs. Clare Andriola**, *Pastoral Associate for Religious Education*  
**Ms. Cristina Manochio**, *Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry*  
**Mr. Peter Petrecca**, *Music Director*  
**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.



## 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

## Address

1212 Kelly Street, Union, New Jersey 07083

## Telephones

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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

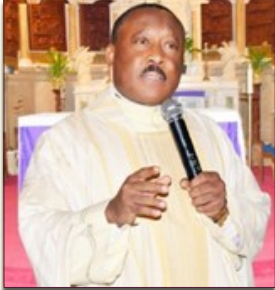
Every Saturday of Advent 9:00 am

### LENTEN REFLECTION

Every Friday of Lent 7:00 pm

Every Saturday of Lent 9:00 am

## Message From *The Pastors Desk*



My dear Parishioners,

“Christ the Lord is risen – Hallelujah.” He is alive, and as the popular song of years ago says, “Because He lives, I can face tomorrow, [we can face tomorrow, our Church can face tomorrow]; Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living, just because He lives!” Can you imagine life without Christ? No, it is hard for me to imagine. Where would our lives be, and what would that life be like, without the Cross and the resurrection; without the goodness of the Lord. I pray that God will continue to bless all of you in Christ Jesus.

What a wonderful Lent, Holy Week, and Triduum we had as a parish. Great numbers turned out for our Lenten Fridays’ Stations of the Cross, the epidemic of which was our “4,000 steps for Jesus” as we walked around Union on Good Friday, testifying to the moments that led up to the final crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ. On Easter Sunday, the Church overflowed with our parishioners. The environment of our Church was so gorgeously decorated with the most befitting décor. My friends, let us continue to thank God for the tremendous favors He is bestowing upon our parish and to remain grateful to Him for His blessings and the strength of our commitment to this faith of ours.

I invite all our parishioners to help make the joy of our Easter celebration complete by doing all we can to close the gap between our budgeted Easter collection and the present actual at hand. At this present moment, we are short of \$9,500 for this Easter and \$2,600 from this past Christmas. Many of our parishioners may have forgotten to send in their collection envelopes or may not have been as generous as we are used to. I have no doubt that those who were unable to send in their collections will do so and that those who would like to help stand in the breach of this gap will rise up to the occasion. Our parish is one of the biggest Churches in the archdiocese of Newark and we are up to that responsibility; no questions about that.

Please indicate on the envelope if your donation is an additional contribution to bridge the gap between our budgeted and the actual in our Christmas and Easter collections.

May the blessings of our risen Lord be upon all of you! May the good Lord continue to protect and keep you! May His face continue to shine upon you! May He be gracious to you and grant you the fullness of joy and peace within yourself and in your families, Amen.

*Msgr. Anselm*

## Announcements

### ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

#### AAA

2022 Goal	\$40,214
Total Pledge as of 4/4/2022	\$33,199
Total Collected as of 4/4/2022	\$22,065
<b>Under</b>	<b>(\$7,015)</b>

Dear Parishioners:

Many parishes have met their goals and exceeded it. It is sad to say that our church is not listed as exceeding our goal. This is not good for our Church. We need to be among the first in fulfilling our responsibility to the Archdiocese and therefore call upon our parishioners who have not made their contribution to do so. We need to meet our goal before the end of April. May the Good Lord bless you for your generosity to the mission of the Church in our Archdiocese.

Remain very blessed.

Msgr. Anselm

To All Parishioners:

Our beloved pastor, **Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu** will be celebrating his **30th Anniversary as a priest on June 5, 2022**. There will be a Thanksgiving Mass at the 12:00 Noon and fellowship celebration after at the Phil Matrale Hall (LC).



To celebrate this beautiful milestone, a **Commemorative Journal** is being created as a keepsake and lasting memory of his dedicated ministry. We have been blessed with his ministerial work and this journal marks the time that he has spent at St. Michael's Parish and throughout his 30 years of priesthood touching lives and doing God's work. **PARTICIPATION IS VOLUNTARY.**

To those who wish to place an ad/send messages/greetings, please go to [tinyurl.com/msgranselms30th](http://tinyurl.com/msgranselms30th)

For more information, please contact Cynthia Grandeza at **(908) 591-1065**.

Thank you,

**The 30th Anniversary Committee**

## 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**

4/17/2022	NEEDED WEEKLY	ACTUAL WEEKLY	OVER/UNDER
	This Week	This Week	This Week
Collection & SOS	\$ 2,692	\$ 3,738	\$1,046
Easter Collection	\$27,000	\$16,473	(\$10,527)

**Deficit for the Easter Sunday 4/17/22 is (\$10,527). It is not too late to hand in your Easter contributions. Could we please have some parishioners help us cover this deficit this coming weeks, in this way we stay in budget and be in the green. Thank you for your generosity to God's Kingdom on earth.**

Please make every effort to maintain your Sunday offerings by using one of the following methods:

- **Mailing/dropping off your envelopes** to the Parish Center Office (1211 Orange Ave).
- **Online Giving** Go to our parish website ([stmichaelunion.org](http://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.**

*Msgr. Anselm*



**Thank you to our parishioners who have started using Parish Giving. Sunday Collections donated online, using Parish Giving, has increased from 9%, in 2019, to currently 30% of our Total Sunday Collections.**

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](http://stmichaelunion.org)) and click on the Parish Giving button or **scan the QR Code above**, (with your phone camera) that will take you to the easy sign up form. Thank you for sustaining the parish during the unprecedented emergency that we are experiencing.



### Mass Intentions & Devotions

<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:30 pm	<b>April 23</b> Ilvert & Lize Beauliere Maria Cherry Vibar (Living)-Thanksgiving
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 am	<b>April 24</b> Fidela Dagat Vincent & Rosario Vibar
9:00 am	St. Michael's Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group
10:30 am	Lucilia Sousa Araujo For the Parishioners
12:00 Noon	Rodrigo Gancia Joseph & Marie Kitchell (Living) 25th Wedding Anniversary
<b>MONDAY</b> 8:30 am	<b>April 25</b> Sofia Espana (Living)
12:00 Noon	Novena of Masses Donald Neil Silvey
<b>TUESDAY</b> 8:30 am	<b>April 26</b> Pierre Ricot Domond II
12:00 Noon	Elaine Dempsey
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:30 am	<b>April 27</b> Paul & Andrelie Francois
12:00 Noon	Maria Tavares
<b>THURSDAY</b> 8:30 am	<b>April 28</b> Thomas Gillick, Sr. Teresita Lara Las Pinas (1st Ann.)
12:00 Noon	Daniel Bernard
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8:30 am	<b>April 29</b> Novena of Masses Salnave Fevrim (Living) - Birthday
12:00 Noon	Manuel Caram
<b>SATURDAY</b> 8:30 am	<b>April 30</b> Reynaldo Ticzon
5:30 pm	Teresita De Jesus Hidalgo (1st Ann.) Jimmy Doncsec (25th Ann.)
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 am	<b>May 1</b> For the Parishioners
9:00 am	Maria Cherry Vibar (Living)-Thanksgiving
10:30 am	Monica & Marylou Votapek St. Michael's Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group
12:00 Noon	Manuel Caram Jerry Shar, Jr. James & Helen Materia

#### ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

**The Paschal Candle is offered in memory of Walter & Ruth Reinhard and Edward & Carol Izbicki, donated by Ed & Kathy Izbicki.**

### 2022 MASS BOOK

**There are still Masses available in the 2022 Book. Please come to the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) to offer your Mass Intentions.**

### Ministry Information

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Office is open Monday through Thursday 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](mailto:smccd@comcast.net).

#### Students Preparing for First Eucharist

Congratulations to the children who received First Holy Communion this weekend! The remaining students will receive the sacrament on Sunday, May 1 at the 9AM and 12PM masses. A full list of names will be published in the bulletin after all sessions have been completed.

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

Practice for First Holy Communion will be **in person in the church**. Please note these dates.

Practice for May 1 (9AM Mass) is **Wednesday, April 27 at 6PM.**

Practice for May 1 (12PM Mass) is **Friday, April 29 at 6:30PM.**

#### CYO YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

[cyouniionnj@gmail.com](mailto:cyouniionnj@gmail.com)



The CYO / Youth Ministry would like to thank everyone who purchased Palm Crosses, Flowers and Candy! We appreciate your support for our fundraiser! We would also like to thank all our members who participated in and were present for our inspirational "Living Stations of the Cross" on Good Friday Evening. Our CYO teens touched the hearts of many!

#### Stations of The Cross

- Jesus Christ: ..... Cristian Simms
- Mary: ..... Jenna Brual
- Soldiers: ..... Michael Kelly & Gabriel Castano
- Simon: ..... Andrew Rabanal
- Veronica: ..... Zaida Massaquoi
- Women of Jerusalem: ..... Ava Moran, Michelle Torres & Amelia Rabanal
- Servant: ..... Blanca Salazar
- Apastles: ..... Vincent España, Kevin Arruda & Samuel Nnadi
- Voice of Mary: ..... Ana Ruiz

Readers: Emma Freire, Laila Tomlinson, Kaitlin Laverty, Aeryn Perez, Angelina Holandez, Samantha Torres, Jasline Hernandez & Sean Alexander.

Stage/Lights:.....Ryu Javate

Special thanks also goes to the Choir for their beautiful Music!

God Bless them all!

CYO will resume on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> in the Phil Matrале Hall from 7:00pm-8:30pm where we will be having our annual Cupcake/Coffee House Showcase. All CYO members are encouraged to share their talents with the group. Baked goods and soft drinks will be provided and there will be a \$5 entry fee.

## Announcements

### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**First Reading**

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

Peter and the apostles perform many signs and wonders.

**Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

A song of praise to the Lord.

**Second Reading**

Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19

John describes the instruction he received to write down his vision.

**Gospel Reading**

John 20:19-31

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

### DIVINE MERCY



The feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated today, **Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 pm** in Church. All are invited to attend.

### PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR

Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Joseph Doman, Mary Ann Flynn, Lucille Arnaldo, Barbara Lombardi, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Flossie Abrigo, Roselle Roux, Amanda D’Amato, Jean Claude, Claudette Kallabeen, Stephen Czapla, 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, Fr. Roy Regaspi, 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, Mary Keegan, Baby Charlie Esmores, George Leary, Carole A. Facenta, Grace Fortino, Brian Schmitt, Aurora Manochio, 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, Charito Palencia, Angelina Amali, Debbie Schaeffer Huggan

### 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  
**St. Michael’s Parishioners**

## NOVENA of Masses

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Phil Matrale	Jose Arnaldo
James Ford, Sr.	Ann L. Corrigan
Alejandro T. Cruz	Jorge J. Criado
Craig Calix (Living)	Alex Micayabas
Mary & Idolo Russomanno	Lucilia Sousa Araujo
Manuel Pereira Araujo	Ibrahim Makson
John Francis Caufield	Fritz Maddy
Special Intentions—VG	Serafina Sauro
Luz Pastor De Mejia (1st Ann)	Rosemary Sauro
Reynaldo & Concepcion Ticzon	George Rinehart
Pierre & Rubinetti Family	Frank Rubinetti, Sr.
Celso & Rosalia Anuda	Reme Valentine
For the Souls of Purgatory	
Michelene Kmetz & Joseph Kmetz	
Patsy Scalgione & Deceased Family Members	
Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leinart & 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	
The Pierre-Lys & Thebaud Family (Living) - For Thanksgiving	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Living & Deceased Members of the Seibert & Menee Families	
Shela Boulin & Family (Living) - Thanksgiving	
Living & Deceased Members of Del Rosario & Perez Families	

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MASS INTENTIONS, NOVENA OF MASSES, CANDLE OFFERINGS TO THE SAINTS IN CHURCH, ALTAR OFFERINGS (BREAD, WINE & SANCTUARY LAMP) AND ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DONATIONS CAN BE DONE ONLINE THROUGH PARISH GIVING.**

Please go to our website [www.stmichaelunion.org](http://www.stmichaelunion.org) or

You can also come by the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) The office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

### ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS

Here are the schedule for the 2022 HOLY FIRST COMMUNION MASSES

Sunday, April 24 at 10:30 am Mass  
Sunday, May 1 at 9:00 am and 12:00 noon Masses

## Announcements

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

The Archdiocese of Newark is once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five (5), twenty-five (25) and fifty (50) years of valid marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2022.

These anniversary liturgy will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

**April 24, 2022 3:00 pm 5 years & 25 years**  
**May 15, 2022 3:00 pm 50 years**

Please call the Parish Center (908) 688-1232, ext. 100 to register.



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## 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.**



## Announcements

### TRIP- SIGHT AND SOUND



### 2nd TRIP- SIGHT AND SOUND

**Join us on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 for another trip to Sight and Sound to see DAVID.**

Experience one of the most legendary Bible stories as it comes to life with spectacular special effects, massive sets, and live animals in this brand new original stage production.

Bus will leave St. Michael's parking lot at **7:30 am sharp**. Please be on time, the bus leaves at 7:30 am sharp to make the show on time. After the show we will have lunch at Hershey Farms Restaurant.

**Price is \$130.00** which will include lunch at Hershey Farms Restaurant and gratuities. Make checks payable to St. Michael's Church.

Bus seating will be on a first come basis.

**Vaccinations are required.**

For further information contact the Parish Center (908) 688-1232, ext. 100 or email [Albertvp@verizon.net](mailto:Albertvp@verizon.net).

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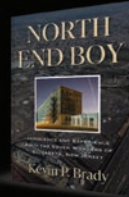
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