

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*

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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. Rebekah Scicolone, *Principal*

MASS

Sundays: 5:30PM (Saturday Evening)

7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM, 12:00 Noon

Daily: Monday thru Friday 7:00, 8:30AM, 12:00 Noon

Saturday: 8:30AM

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.

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.

February 17, 2019
6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY



Saturday 5:30 PM	February 16 Alejandro T. Cruz
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	February 17 For the Parishioners Manuel Pereira Carmen M. Gancia (20th Ann.) Norma Gonzalez
Monday 9:00 AM	February 18 Jose Arnaldo
Tuesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM 12:00 Noon	February 19 Ferdinand Ukwuoma Josefina Alvero Lucille Arnaldo (Living)
Wednesday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM 12:00 Noon	February 20 Mary Russomano (B) Jesus Alvero Novena of Masses
Thursday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM 12:00 Noon	February 21 Francisca Asoya Luis & Manuel Alvero Marie Rose Dallemand
Friday 7:00 AM 8:30 AM 12:00 Noon	February 22 Novena of Masses Maria Ribeiro James Martin (70th Ann.)
Saturday 8:30 AM 5:30 PM	February 23 Thomas Tolwinski Dennis Gabriel (18th Ann.)
Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon	February 24 Richard Shemanski For the Parishioners Mannelia Karam Sister Margaret & Ellen Conneely

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread, Altar Wine and Sanctuary Lamp is offered for Craig Calix (Living), requested by his mom Marie.

There are still Masses for intentions, Novena of Masses and the Altar Offerings (Bread—\$25, Wine—\$15 and Sanctuary Lamp—\$10) available in 2019 for your loved ones.

Stop by the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave) and book your Masses.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In these politically-charged times, we often question one another's values. We assume we can identify our own, but it is not always easy. At some point, we all need to consider where our faith is rooted and what difference that makes in our life choices. Today's readings address these centuries-old questions quite directly. They matter, because who and what we believe in undergirds every aspect of our lives. What would our personal inventories reveal?

Jer 17:5-8 The prophet contrasts trust in God with trust in humans.

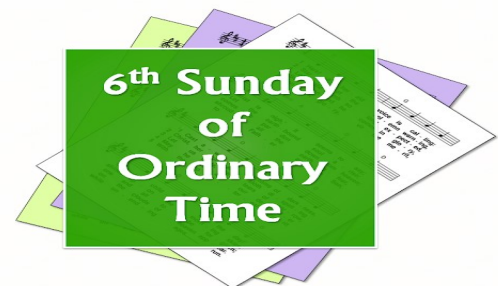
Ps 1 Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Faith must be rooted in Christ's resurrection.

Lk 6:17, 20-26 Jesus preaches four blessings and four woes.

NOVENA OF MASSES—February 2019

George Rinehart
James Ford, Sr.
Alejandro T. Cruz
Jose J. Arnaldo
Ann L. Corrigan
Mary Russomanno
Mary & Idolo Russomanno
Craig Calix (Living)
Jurusik & Arner Families
John Francis Mahon
Henrietta Torres Arnaldo
Frank Rubinetti, Sr.
Pierre & Rubinetti Families
Special Intentions
Illuminada Duyan
Living Members of the Famarin & Duyan Families
John P. Hynes & Irene C. Hynes
Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahon Families
Living & Deceased Members of the Ameruso & Scalgione Families
Special Intentions for the Nwosuh & Odoemene Families
Mr. & Mrs. Onwuzuligbo (Living)



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Saturday	February 16
9:00-10:00 AM	Gospel Reflections, LC
10:00-11:00 AM	Zumba, LC
Sunday	February 17
9:00-10:15 AM	RCIA, Murphy Room
No Religious Education Extended	
1:30 PM	Young Adults Group, Murphy Room
Scholarship Fund for Inner City Children (All Masses)	
Monday	February 18 President's Day
Parish Center Closed	
8:30 AM	Rosary, Church
11:30 AM	St. Michael's Senior Meeting
No Religious Education	
7:00 PM	Zumba, LC
Tuesday	February 19
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
7:00-8:15 PM	Religious Education
7:00-8:30 PM	CYO
7:00 PM	Bible Class, Rectory
Wednesday	February 20
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
Thursday	February 21
8:00 AM	Rosary
7:30 PM	Choir Practice, Church
Friday	February 22
8:00 AM	Rosary, Church
Saturday	February 23
9:30 AM	Zumba, LC
11:00 AM	First Communion Teaching Mass, Church
1:00-2:00 PM	Confession, Church
Sunday	February 24
9:00-10:15 AM	RCIA, Murphy Room
10:15-11:30 AM	Religious Education

**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 2/10/2018	Yr. to Date 7/1/-2/10/2018
Collections	\$ 7,389	\$ 226,878
Online Collections	\$ 577	\$ 18,272
SOS	\$ 1,520	\$ 81,471
Online SOS	\$ 1,012	\$ 11,754
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Total	\$ 10,498	\$ 338,375
Budget	\$ 10,740	\$ 340,694
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Difference	(\$ 242)	(\$ 2,319)

Thank you for your continued generosity!



12 CHANCES TO WIN UP TO \$12,000 IN 12 WEEKS!

St. Michael's Calendar Raffle

- ◇ Win up to \$12,000 in 12 drawings.
- ◇ \$1,000 every week for 12 consecutive weeks.
- ◇ Winning ticket goes back into the drawing pool.
- ◇ Number of tickets to be sold is 300.
- ◇ Cost is \$120 per ticket for 12 chances.
- ◇ Drawing date is every Sunday from 12/16/18-3/3/19
- ◇ Drawing will take place in the Lower Church at 1:30 PM
- ◇ Winner does not need to be present
- ◇ Proceeds will go to the restoration of the Church's air conditioner

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE \$1000 WEEKLY WINNERS

December 16, 2018 — Anna Laudati

December 23, 2018 — Matt Lepaski

December 30, 2018 — William Beute

January 6, 2019 — Donna Faraone

January 13, 2019 — Maria Edmond

January 20, 2019 — Albert & Gina Cruz

January 27, 2019 — Patrick Onyekwusi

February 3, 2019 — Jose Joseph

February 10, 2019—Jean & Ray Perkins

It is not too late to buy raffle tickets! NINE \$1000 winners have already been drawn and returned for another chance in our Mega Raffle.

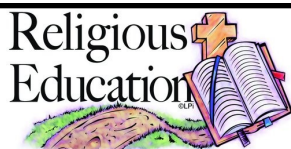
We are asking all to support this unique and exciting fundraiser by buying a ticket (can be with friends).

Also if you have a source to sell them, that's even better !!

Don't wait, act now there are still TWO drawings to go. Want tickets? Call 908 688 1232.

"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 the weekend of March 2 & 3, 2019.** SOS donations are appreciated at all times. Thank you.



Hours for the Religious Education Office are
Monday through Thursday from
9:00 a.m. until 4:00 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS: There are **NO**
Religious Education classes on Sunday, February,
17th and Monday, February 18th. There **IS** class on
Tuesday, February 19th.

SISTER ANN'S FOOD PANTRY: If you or someone
you know is in need of food, please contact Mike at
(908) 380-0970. Our next pantry food date is on
Tuesday, February 19th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
at the Parish Center located on Orange Avenue.

**ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN PREPARING
TO RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION:** The Teaching
Mass will be held on Saturday, February 23rd at
11:00 a.m. in the Church. The Mass will be celebrat-
ed and the meaning of each part of Mass will be ex-
plained. It is a learning experience for young and
old. [All are welcome!](#)

SR. VIRGINIA'S NEWBURGH MINISTRY
is in need of the following items:

Shampoo and conditioner
Soap, lotion, deodorant, body powder
Toothpaste and toothbrushes
Mouthwash, dental floss, Q-tips

These items can be brought to the Parish Center located
on Orange Avenue.

**Meet St. Michael's Parish Council
Members. You can find them at our website
stmichaelunion.org/parish-leadership/**

**You can approach them with any suggestions,
concerns and issues regarding
the parish.**

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH CENSUS

St. Michael's Parish is in the process of updating our Database, so we can
reach out to everyone when we need to:

Please fill out the form below:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____

☐ Please send me parish collection envelopes.

Consent Request:

You may contact me regarding parish news and important message _____

Preferred Mode of Contact:

Email: _____

Text Msg: _____

Both: _____

- Use for Census only

*If you have not filled out the census form yet please do so. Census forms can
also be filled out online at stmichaelunion.org.*

*If you are not a registered member of St. Michael's you can register online
stmichaelunion.org or come by the Parish Center to register.*

WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPE AND THE IRS

Using our weekly offertory envelopes ena-
bles the parish to provide a statement of
deductions at the end of the year that sat-
isfies the IRS deduction requirements. IRS
tax rules forbid tax deductions for charita-
ble donations unless the donor can prove
the donation through receipts or other fi-
nancial records. Donations that are not
given in an envelope with your parish
number are not posted to your account.

Contact the Parish Center for more infor-
mation. (908) 688-1232, ext 101.

Time	Feb. 16-17 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Feb. 23-24 7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30pm	1. Alyssa De la Cruz 2. Alexis Artiga 3. Blanca Salas 4. Ana Ruiz	1. Angel Rodriguez 2. Jonathan Rodriguez 3. Morgan Labranche 4. Salome Oropeza 5. Simone Oropeza
7:30am	1. Ifeanyi Adibemma 2. Chika Adibemma 3. Jarlene Estopia	1. Uguchi Adibemma 2. Uzonna Adibemma
9:00am	1. Megan Felix 2. Julian Felix 3. Jewelz Massicot 4. Justin N. Gawel 5. Joshua Laube 6. Nicholas Laube	1. Desi Garcia 2. Jean Felix 3. Alisha James 4. Justin Gawel 5. Nathan De Guzman
10:30am	1. Joshua Estoque 2. RYANNE Ramah 3. Kamsi Emeh 4. Ian Galing 5. Nwando Melie	1. Lorenz Tangu 2. Aidan Perez 3. Samuel Ilagan
12:00 noon	1. Lance Fernandez 2. Gabriel Castano 3. Aimee Cabatu-Panlilio	1. Ginika Ozurumba 2. Charles Ozurumba 3. Jerome Fernandez 4. Jianna Fernandez

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Fr. Lawrence Murphy, Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Joanne Milana Doman & Joseph Doman, Rakoczy Family, Peggy Gehrig, Lucy Scalgione, Mary Ann Flynn, Joyce Toth, Pamela D'Amico, Brian Phillips, Lucille Arnaldo, Aname Orillaneda, Barbara Lombardi, Manuel Crudo, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Frances Machado, Flossie Abrigo, Roselle Roux, Amanda D'Amato, Richard Abrigo, Barbara Fehr, Jean Claude, Carol Nichnadowcz, Augusta Mahon, Claubette Kallabeen. Carol Czapl & Stephen Czapl, Louis Houmis, Clarence Roberts, Francisco Cruz, Jr., Thomasina Rodriguez, Harry Vendemia and Illuminda Duyan.



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.

DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

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

thank you!

St. Michael's Parish would like to thank **Butch and Teresa Palencia** for the donation of the new and beautiful Holy Water dispenser. We are very grateful for your generous support of the Church.

CYO/Youth Ministry News



cyouunion@aol.com

This coming Thursday evening we will be volunteering at the Quadriplegic Center. Any Junior or Senior who would like to come can sign up this Tuesday at CYO.

All CYO members and their family and friends are encouraged to join us this coming Sunday, February 24th for the 10:30 CYO Mass! Lets join together in Praise and start the week off right!

Confirmation Candidates are reminded that their letters of request to Bishop Marconi are due by March 1st. They can be handed in at CYO or dropped off at the Parish Center.

Any Freshman who is interested in running for our Leadership Core Team should let Phil know immediately. More information is available at CYO.



Join St. Michael's Zumba classes every Saturdays at 9:30 AM and Mondays at 7:00 PM at the Lower Church!

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If you have an existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile you can use the same account.

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.

2019 CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE**ANNIVERSARY LITURGIES**

We are once again celebrating five (5), twenty-five (25) and fifty (50) years of **Christian** marriage in 2019. The anniversary liturgy will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 28, 2019	3:00 PM	50 years (All counties)
June 2, 2019	3:00 PM	5 & 25 years (All counties)

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

**SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS
ANNUAL APPEAL**

This week will be our Commitment Weekend for the 2019 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. You will be asked to complete your commitment card, please prayerfully make your pledge. We would like 100% participation from St. Michael's Parish.

This year, our parish goal is \$44,721. The Annual Appeal provides the poor with food, shelter and clothing; makes religious education, spiritual guidance and CYO programs available for the young; insures the future leadership of the Church with seminarian education and training; and most important, brings Christ's Good News to the people of the Archdiocese. ***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 future projects for the parish.***

ST. MICHAEL'S SENIORS NEWS

St Michael's Senior Club will meet on Monday, **February 18, 2019**. Doors will open at 11:30 for coffee and social time followed by our general meeting at 12 Noon in the lower church.

Guest Speaker-Lauren DelVechio, will speak on Clear Captions phone technology

Upcoming Events:

March 4th Karen Jason, Adult Services Librarian, will speak about the new programs at the Union Public Library,.

March 13th- "My Irish Rose" at the Brownstone. Cost is \$53p/p. Reservation and payment will be accepted at this meeting.

Support our charitable initiatives:

Pennies for our parish initiatives jar

Personal items for the homeless and needy.

(Gerry Jones)

Membership is extended to those 55 or over.