

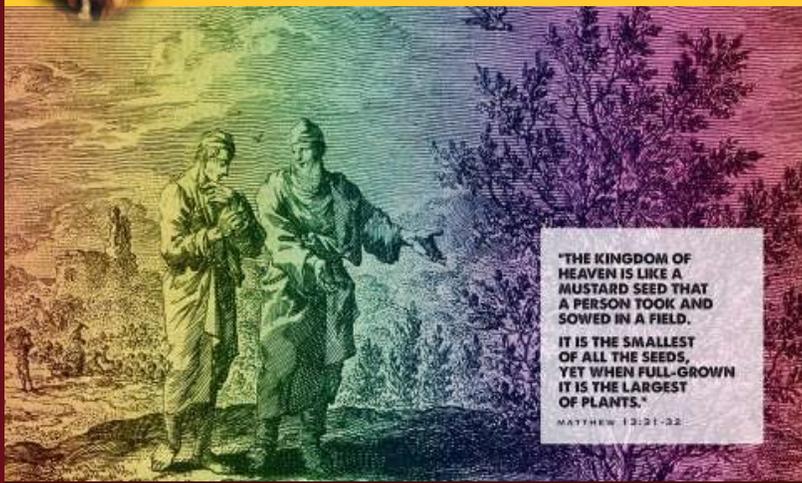


ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

JULY 19, 2020

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE A MUSTARD SEED THAT A PERSON TOOK AND SOWED IN A FIELD. IT IS THE SMALLEST OF ALL THE SEEDS, YET WHEN FULL-GROWN IT IS THE LARGEST OF PLANTS." MATTHEW 13:21-22

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*
- TBA, *Coordinator of Religious Education*
- Mr. Philip Matrile, *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.

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:

7:00 am, 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

- 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
- Stay Connected:



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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

Wellness Ministry

Dance & Wellness Classes

Saturdays 9:30 am, Mondays 7:00 pm

Message From Our Pastor



My beloved parishioners of St. Michael's Church,



On behalf of our parish, I would like to congratulate Deacon Michael Alfano, a member of our parish family, who was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate for service of the Church of Newark Archdiocese. Deacon Michael was among the 10 Deacons—Class of 2020—ordained on Saturday, July 11th, 2020, by His Eminence, Cardinal Joseph Tobin; the Archbishop of Newark, with Monsignor Anselm Nwaorgu and Deacon Michael Cavallo, in attendance. Deacon Michael Alfano has been assigned to his home parish, St. Michael Church, Union for his Pastoral work—the Church where he made his First Communion and Confirmation.

Deacon Michael has a Bachelor's degree in Physical and Life Sciences from Notre Dame University, where he developed a deep sense of the need to be involved and to be committed to Catholic ministry and community service. Over time, this led to his desire to become a Permanent Deacon, and five years ago, he committed, and registered, and began the long and tedious program in preparation for the Permanent Diaconate. He went through the five-year theological Studies established by the Archdiocese of Newark in conjunction with Seton Hall University that led to his graduating with a master's degree in systematic theology.

We are so glad and fortunate to have Deacon Michael added to our Parish Staff because he is already one of our own. He has, for several years, served St. Michael's Parish as, the coordinator and teacher of the Right of Christian Initiation for Adults program, a Eucharistic Minister, and a Lector. We now have an extra hand to help out with Sunday homilies, Baptisms, weddings, wakes, and Non-Eucharistic funeral Services.

I request that all the members of our Church family keep Deacon Michael in their prayers, as he begins his new ministry, as a Deacon, here at St. Michael's Parish.

Deacon Michael, we congratulate you and wish you every grace necessary for the fruitful fulfillment of your vocation as a Permanent Deacon in the Catholic Church. Our prayers are with you. Welcome on board, my dear friend.

Msgr. Anselm

Mass Intentions & Stewardship of Treasure

SATURDAY	July 18
5:30 pm	Lucilia Sousa Araujo
SUNDAY	July 19
7:30 am	Eileen & Russell Eklund
9:00 am	For the Parishioners
10:30 am	Alejandro T. Cruz
12:00 Noon	David Jones
MONDAY	July 20
8:30 am	Mathilde Ordonez
12:00 Noon	Novena of Masses
TUESDAY	July 21
8:30 am	Rosa Mugavero
12:00 Noon	Reynaldo Murrieta Vera
WEDNESDAY	July 22
8:30 am	Mary Nanchanatt
12:00 Noon	Novena of Masses
THURSDAY	July 23
8:30 am	Maria Ribeiro
12:00 Noon	Gil Aguila
FRIDAY	July 24
8:30 am	Carlos Ong (Living)
12:00 Noon	Tyron Cabalu (Living)
SATURDAY	July 25
8:30 am	Nicholas Clemente
5:30 pm	Winifred Smyth
SUNDAY	July 26
7:30 am	For the Parishioners
9:00 am	Maria Amador
10:30 am	Kenneth Spassione, Sr.
12:00 Noon	Barbara Dittmer (5th Ann.)

ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE (YEAR TO DATE)

"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	Year to Date
	6/28/2020	7/1-6/28/2020
Collections	\$5,536	\$287,844
Online Collections	\$1,890	\$ 61,686
SOS	\$ 920	\$102,480
Online SOS	\$ 70	\$ 31,777
Total	\$8,416	\$483,787
Budget	\$8,017	\$533,110
Difference	\$ 399	(\$ 49,323)

St. Michael's Parish fiscal year end is 6/30/2020. The Church is finishing up this year with a Collection and SOS shortfall of \$49,323.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Adorations, Devotions & Reflections

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH VIRTUAL MASSES & DEVOTIONS



MONDAYS - FRIDAYS
DAILY MASSES - 12 NOON

TUESDAYS
BIBLE CLASSES
7:00 - 8:00 PM

WEDNESDAYS
MARIAN DEVOTION
7:00 - 8:00 PM

SATURDAYS
MORNING MASS - 8:30 AM
MORNING REFLECTION - 3RD SATURDAYS
9:00 - 10:00 AM

JOIN US VIRTUALLY
<https://www.gotomeet.me/StMichaelChurch>
OR CALL IN
1 (312) 757-3121 Access Code 574-150-285

SUNDAYS
MASS - 10:30 AM

Facebook Live @StMichaelParishUnion

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	Needed	Actual	Deficit
	This Week	This Week	This Week
Collection & SOS	\$14,324	\$ 8,416	(\$5,908)

In the present health emergency, our weekly collections are interrupted. Please make every effort to maintain your Sunday offerings by using one of the following methods:

- **Dropping your envelopes** in the box in the Church vestibule.
- **Mailing your envelopes** to the Parish Center Office.
- **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.
- **GoFundMe** The Archdiocese has established a site for contributions, to parishes, due to the current emergency. Go to our parish website (stmichaelunion.org) and click on the GoFundMe button that will take you to the St. Michael Union team page.

As you can see what we needed to cover the cost of our operations this week is **\$14,324**. What we actually received is **\$8,416**, so we are short **\$5,908**. Do please continue to support St. Michael's Parish.



Thank you for your continued generosity!

MINISTRY Information

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY News

cyouunion@aol.com



Confirmation Registrations for our 2020-2021 Class have been mailed out to all our current 8th Grade Religious Education and Grammar School Students. Please have your registrations in by July 15th.

All those requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation must have completed 8 years of Religious Education and be in High School by September 2020. A make up class is available for those who have not completed all 8 years.

If you did not receive a registration form or have any questions please email the Youth Ministry Office at cyouunion@aol.com

A note to our current Confirmation Class.

When we are notified that the Sacrament can be held in Church we will select a new Confirmation Celebration date. Expect it to be before the end of the 2020 year as per our guidelines. All families will be notified when the date is set.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH MUSIC MINISTRY

St. Michael's Church offers a variety of musical styles at the following masses:

Saturday, 5:30 pm and Sunday, 10:30 am

Traditional and Contemporary Music

Sunday, 9:00 am and 12 noon

Gospel/Contemporary Worship Music

The 12:00 Noon Contemporary Band and Choir is looking for volunteers who can play the bass, guitar or sing.

Contact: Patrick B. Phillips at

Patrick@patirckphillips.com



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First Reading

Wisdom 12:13,16-19

God has shown himself to be a God of justice and mercy.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16

A prayer to God for mercy.

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit intercedes for us with God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:24-43 (shorter form: Matthew 13:24-30)

Jesus offers parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and explains them to his disciples.

MINISTRY Information

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

The **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE** is now open. You can contact us by phone (908) 964-0965 or by email at smccd@comcast.net if you would like to leave a message.

Contact Coordinator: (908) 964-0965.

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

FIRST RECONCILIATION:

Dates for your child's First Reconciliation have been scheduled. There will be two services and they will begin at 10:00 am in the Church.

Children whose last names begin with A-L will attend on SATURDAY, JULY 18TH.

Children whose last names begin with M-Z will attend on SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST.

Due to Church guidelines and restrictions, we are only allowed 100 people in the Church at this time. ***This means only one parent and one child can attend the reconciliation service.***

Your child can receive this sacrament ONLY IF we have received proof of their Baptism. If you have received a letter asking for proof and have yet to provide it, please do so immediately. Letters were only sent to those who have not provided proof.

If you need to change the date of the reconciliation, please call the office as soon as possible. Please call or email the office once you have received the letter packet.

PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

REGISTRATION PAPERS FOR THE 2020-2021 CCD YEAR have been mailed. Please register your child for religious education classes. If you know of someone who has a child entering the first grade, please ask them to contact the Religious Education Office. We will send registration papers to them. Special classes are available for older students who haven't had any prior religious instruction.

PARENTS OF SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN: Religious education begins in first grade and continues through grade eight. Children usually receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (Communion) in the second grade. Most children are confirmed in the ninth grade, as long as they have completed grades one through eight. If you have a child who needs to make up classes, please contact the Religious Education Office.

MINISTRY Information

HANDS OF GRACE (HUGS) MINISTRY

We are in need of clothing, sanitary and feeding items for children (**New born to Age 5**) and for mothers. Please call **Tania Massicot** at (973) 420-8659 for a comprehensive list of items needed. All items must be **NEW**.

Please note that donations can also be made online on a one-time or recurring basis, on our website at www.stmichaelunion.org (Click on the Parish Giving Icon).

"Drop Box"

The **New** Drop Box for the Hands of Grace Ministry is located at the Back Entrance of the Parish Center (**Red Door**).

Please call the Parish Center at (908) 688-1232 or the Ministry Chair, **Bisi Longe** at (908) 247-4461 if you have any questions.



ST. MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

All meetings are postponed until further notice. Please stay safe.



"To Teach, To Guide, To Guard"

St. Michael School is a community of faith within the vibrant and diverse Saint Michael Parish. Our ministry of the Word is the proclamation of the good news of Jesus Christ - a message of hope. Each child is seen as a whole person on a developmental progression with individual differences, but with basically similar learning needs: spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional and physical. Our goal is to educate every child who enters our doors.

Registration is open for St. Michael School, where students come to learn in a faith-filled environment with a strong academic base. St. Michael's offers classes from prek- 8th grade. We have a full day prek-3, prek-4, and kindergarten. Morning and Aftercare until 6:00pm is available as well. If you are interested in enrolling your child at St. Michael School, please email Mrs. Scicolone at rscicolone@smsunion.org.

Come tour and explore our amazing school!

NOVENA of Masses

JULY 2020

Alejandro T. Cruz	George Rinehart
Jurusik & Arner Families	John & Augusta Mahon
Jose J. Arnaldo	Ann L. Corrigan
James Ford Sr.	Special Intentions
Mary & Idolo Russomanno	Angela & Frank Sauro
Pierre & Rubinetti Families	Frank Rubinetti, Sr.
Donna (Pruszkowski) Hornig	Mollie Endler
John Ciborowski	Tomasa Roque
Joseph Baranello	Stanley Skora
Jean & Ray Perkins (Living) - 50th Wedding Anniversary	
Micheline & Joseph Kmetz	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Lucilia Sousa Araujo & Manuel Pereira Araujo	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahon Families	
Patsy J. Scalgione & Deceased Family Members	
Special Intentions for the Nwosuh & Odoemene Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Pruszkowski, Endler, Hornig & Macecsko Families	
In Thanks for God's Blessings on the USA	
For God's Assistance with COVID 19	

PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR,

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, Mary Ann Flynn, Joyce Toth, Brian Phillips, Lucille Arnaldo, Barbara Lombardi, Manuel Crudo, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Frances Machado, Flossie Abrigo, Roselle Roux, Amanda D'Amato, Richard Abrigo, Jean Claude, Claubette Kallabeen, Carol Czapla, Stephen Czapla, Clarence Roberts, Thomasina Rodriguez, Harry Vendemia, Iluminda Duyan, Ruth Guido, Henry Cababe, Joseph Guid, Salve Ching, Maria Santiago, Dr. Vic Tan, Sam Vincent Milana, Beth Barto, Linda Atwell, Targelia Penafiel, Herlinda Castillo Anthony Reo, Gregory Ward, Marie Mate, David Randolph, Fr. Roy Regaspi, Junia Perez & Virginia Hernandez.

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
members of St. Michael's Parish.

Announcements

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 or

You can also drop off your requests at the Parish Center. Please put your name and telephone number so we can get in touch with you if we have any questions.

STAY INFORMED AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Visit eva.us/stmichael-adults to sign up and let us know if you prefer to receive emails or text messages from us.

Follow the response to update your profile and select email or text messages as your preferred form of contact. You can also indicate if you are part of a ministry or would like to join a ministry (group).

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.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS:

Please be advised that the Religious Education (CCD) email has been hacked. You might have received an email asking for an Amazon card or any kind of gift card from Lois Scanio, please disregard. **It is a scam.**

Sorry for the inconvenience.

Announcements

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY-RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Status: Part Time: 25-28 Hours per week, flexible schedule
Supervisor: Pastor

Position Specific Requirements

- ◆ Practicing Catholic in good standing with the Catholic Church
- ◆ Must have vision and a demonstrated ability to plan, develop, coordinate, manage and implement a parish catechetical program within the parameters of the Catholic Church
- ◆ Adequate credentials as a Catechetical leader
- ◆ Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- ◆ Conflict management skills
- ◆ Computer skills
- ◆ Proven ability to work effectively with youth and diverse individuals, and teams of volunteers.
- ◆ Also participation in the Archdiocesan sponsored certification program and the Archdiocesan mentoring process will be an ongoing requirement.

General Purpose of Position

To oversee and direct the entire religious formation program for the Parish from Sacramental preparation—1st Reconciliation through 1st Holy Communion through 8th grade and oversee the Parish Adult Faith Formation.

Interested candidates are invited to send cover letters and resumes to the attention of:

Msgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu
 St. Michael's Parish
 1212 Kelly St.
 Union, NJ 07083

Email: stmichaelunion@comcast.net



**THE SEPTEMBER
 ST. MICHAEL'S
 DINNER DANCE
 HAS BEEN CANCELLED
 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**