



ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

OCTOBER 24, 2021

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME


**Go your way,
YOUR FAITH
HAS SAVED YOU.**

Mark 16:7



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*
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

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



INSIGHTS FROM THE BARTIMAEUS' STORY



The gospel of this 30th Sunday in Ordinary times, tells of the story of a blind man, called Bartimaeus, who, although was physically blind, could see perfectly, on the inside. He could see what the crowd, who had eyes, could not see; that the Jesus of Nazareth (a reference to the humanity of Jesus, the son of Joseph) was truly Jesus, the son of David (an appeal to His divinity and divine origin; the Messiah). It was this depth of insight that empowered him to act. My friends, we walk, not by sight, but by faith, says the Word of God.

Bartimaeus' conviction that Jesus is the son of David made him determined not to let anything come between him and this faith. So when the crowd attempted to put him down and shut him up, he would have none of it. He was not going to allow the crowd to intimidate and bully him out of his conviction. This was about his faith in Christ Jesus and nothing was going to stop his expression of it. My friends do not let people talk or intimidate you out of your faith and beliefs. Many of our young people have fallen into this trap, and it is so sad. Faith is also about insight and not just sight alone. Scripture says, "Whatever is revealed is revealed unto us and our children"

You see, resilience is the key to success. If Bartimaeus had shouted once without success and decided to save his breath, leave Jesus alone, and allowed the crowd to cower him out of his conviction, he would have lost out. The crowd presented enough inhibition to discourage him but he was neither demoralized, nor disappointed, nor distressed; rather, he remained persistent and unyielding, and his courage paid off. Christ will not turn down a man who raised his voice, craved for his attention, and refused to leave. That is why Scripture encourages us to be persistent in our prayers. Half measures do not produce good results. We must be consistent, persistent, and unyielding in the pursuit of our goals.

Isn't it amazing how quickly people rally around success? When Jesus stopped and said; "Call him", the same people who were blocking Bartimaeus from getting through to Jesus turned around and urged him; "Cheer up! Get on your feet! He's calling you". My friends, the best way to repay your detractors and dream-undertakers is to become a success. It doesn't matter what the people around you are saying, thinking, or feeling, go for your goals with all your might, as long as they are morally right. Look at the woman with the issue of blood (Mark 5:25-34) and Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10), it was their determination and courage that paid off at last. Remember, there is a spirit in you that is greater than your opposition.

Once Bartimaeus turned to Jesus, he broke away from his past by throwing away the garment he was wearing as a blind man, ran to Jesus, got healed, and became a follower. When we say yes to Jesus, we should never look back again. Scripture says: "Now that you have become a new creation, put away the old self and put on the new self, born in the image of Christ Jesus". Commitment to our goals and aspirations must be total. Lukewarmness is a recipe for disaster. God, Scripture says, spits out those who are lukewarm.

In all, let us remember that insight is more powerful than sight and that, while people may try to cut off our path to Jesus and our path to success, they can never cut off our hope in God, our hunger for God, and our desire to succeed. Deep and committed faith is what it takes to make all the difference in life. May God grant us such faith in Jesus Name, Amen!

Msr. Anselm

Mass Intentions & Devotions

SATURDAY 5:30 pm	October 23 Baby Phillips
SUNDAY 7:30 am	October 24 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle B For the Parishioners Dominick Monteleone, Sr. Clare Pettesch (5th Ann.) Theodore Sefia (Living) - Birthday Sefia Family Benefactors
MONDAY 8:30 am	October 25 Jesus Duenas Dioscoro B. Lacuesta Novena of Masses Michael Keicher Maria Silva
TUESDAY 8:30 am	October 26 Chinyere Odoemene & Family (Living) Connie Matrale
WEDNESDAY 8:30 am	October 27 Manuel & Luis Alvero Maria Tavares
THURSDAY 8:30 am	October 28 James Ford, Sr. Ed Stonack
FRIDAY 8:30 am	October 29 Jorge J. Criado Manuel Fazendeiro
SATURDAY 8:30 am	October 30 Philip Bozulus Avelina Quesada Navarez Manuel Caram
SUNDAY 7:30 am	October 31 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle B Urbano Manuel Diaz For the Parishioners Alex & Betty Wrafter Carmen M. Gancia & Teodore Mendoza Louis Cavallo & Annunziata Bitietti Carmelo Valentino

ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS

All the Saints votive candle stands are now open. Please follow the safety directions on how to light the candles.



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.

Notice of Upcoming Event:

A Morning of Advent Reflection
St. Michael the Archangel Church
Saturday, December 4, 2021
begins at 9AM in the
Phil Matrale Hall (Lower Church)

Presenter: Barbara La Mort, a retired teacher and member of Holy Spirit Parish since its founding in 1963 will speak to us on "A Time to Savor God's Gift of Grace."

Please join us for reflection and discussion on the gift of God's grace in our lives – sometimes in unexpected ways!

All are invited! A continental breakfast will be served.

CYO YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

cyouunionnj@gmail.com



We are excited to announce that our annual St. Michael's CYO teen retreat will be held on November 19th-21st! If you are a teen or chaperone who is interested in attending, or if you are 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 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.

St. Michael School registration for September is now open for grades Prek-3, Prek-4 and kindergarten- 8th grade. To schedule an individual tour please contact the principal at rscicolone@smsunion.org or call (908) 688-1063. Come tour and explore our amazing school!

MINISTRY Information

ATTENTION TO ALL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS:

We are in the process of updating the ministries you are involved in. Please contact your ministry leader if you are back on duty. Ministry Leaders, please contact Mary Jo at the Parish Center with your updated volunteer list.

ALTAR SERVERS

Please contact Fr. Miles if you want to continue to serve. Any children who have made First Holy Communion can be an Altar Server. Please contact Fr. Miles for more information.

RCIA PROGRAM

Deacon Michael Alfano will be starting the RCIA classes every Saturday morning starting October 2 in the Phil Matrale Hall (LC) - Murphy Room at 10:30 am. Please contact Deacon Michael at michaelalfano@aol.com if you want to learn more about the program.

Wellness Ministry

OUTDOOR
Dance & Wellness Classes
Saturdays at 9:30 am



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@patrickkbphillips.com

HANDS OF GRACE (HUGS) MINISTRY

Please consider making donations to the Ministry. We are constantly in need of clothing, sanitary and feeding items for children (**New born to Age 5**) and for mothers.

Please call **Bisi Longe** (908)247-4461 or **Tania Massicot** (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 the parish website at www.stmichaelunion.org (Click on the Parish Giving Icon).

PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR,

Joanne Kalkus, Terry & Tony Russo, Joanne Milana Doman & Joseph Doman, Mary Ann Flynn, Brian Phillips, Lucille Arnaldo, Barbara Lombardi, Josephine Steinberg, Julia Astsalk, Flossie Abrigo, Roselle Roux, Amanda D'Amato, Richard Abrigo, Jean Claude, Claubette Kallabeen, Carol Czaplá, Stephen Czaplá, Clarence Roberts, Thomasina Rodriguez, Harry Vendemia, Iluminda Duyan, Ruth Guido, Henry Cababe, Maria Santiago, Dr. Vic Tan, Sam Vincent Milana, Beth Barto, Targelia Penafiel, Herlinda Castillo, Anthony Reo, Gregory Ward, Marie Mate, 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, Stephanie Phillips, Dolores Rust, Lucy Nwauku, Mary Pubehara, Steven Yaccarino, Jacky Schellseheidt

NOVENA of Masses

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Ann L. Corrigan	Alejandro T. Cruz
James Ford, Sr.	Phil Matrale
Jose Arnaldo	Paulino Cruz
George Rinehart	Craig Calix (Living)
Frank Rubinetti, Sr.	Pierre & Rubinetti Families
Remedios Rabano	Reynaldo & Concepcion Ticzon
Luigi Sauro	Mary & Idolo Russomanno
Special Intentions-VG	Magdalena Moreno Cruz
All Souls in Purgatory	Ana Rodrigues (Living)
Jorge J. Criado	Jessica Churchward (Living)
Ibrahim Makson	Celso & Rosalia Anuada
Emmett Villa	Lolita Maksom (Living)-Birthday
Teresa Chiera	Maria Carlos (Living)-Birthday
Rufino Ramos	Judith Gumban (Living)-Birthday
Alex Micayabas	Jordan Alexander Machado (Living)
Elizabeth Odoemene	George Mgbeahurike
Peter Petrecca (Living)	Micheline & Joseph Kmetz
All Souls in Purgatory	Hermenegildo Balbutin
Alex Micayabas	Elizabeth Odoemene
Bishop Guy Sansaricq	Chi Pancho (Living)
Rubiela Segura Quintero	Fritz Maddy
Jerome Shaw, Jr.	Claudia Patricia Munoz Segura
Adolfo Aviguetero	Carlos Andres Munoz Segura
Lucy Nwauku (Living)	Vitalis Onyema
Adelina Yulo	Jesusa Jimenez Macatangay
Christine Jerome (Living)-Birthday, Gratitude & Thanksgiving	
Marie Jerome (Living) - Thanksgiving	
Dorothy Pryzby Strand (Living) - Birthday	
Ben & Marivic del Rosario & Family (Living)	
Fedia, Micard, Kent & Kareema Charlotin (Living)	
Modeste, Darline & Altagrace Royan (Living)	
Special Intentions to St. Joseph	
George Sr., Ruth & Barbara Rinehart	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Patsy Scalgione & Deceased Family Members	
Living & Deceased Members of Pruszkowski, Endler, Hornig & Macecsko Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Czaplá, Leinart & McMahon Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Milana, Crosby, Doman, Vricella, Scanlon & Mattiack Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Orlando, Landolfi, Siciliano & LaManna Families	
Manuel Pereira Araujo & Lucilia Silva Sousa Araujo	
Living & Deceased Members of the Torres & Araujo Families	
Living & Deceased Members of Araujo, Cadenas & Pais Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Landeira & Machado Families	
Living & Deceased Members of Chinyere Odoemene Family	
Living & Deceased Members of Ignatius Nwosuh Family	
Living & Deceased Members of the Furnari & Potignano Families	

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

THIRTY SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME CYCLE B

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord declares himself to be the Father of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 126:1-2,3,4-5,6

A song of praise to God who does great things

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Christ was made high priest by God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus

FAMILY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Is searching for Committee Chair(s) and Members

Our mission: The Family Activities Committee of St. Michael's Parish mission is to strive to engage St. Michael's Parish families through activities, community outreach, and social gatherings throughout the year. These are designed to strengthen our faith in God, the parish community and our families.

The Family Activities Committee is here to further the goals and overall mission of St. Michael's Church by being a parish of hospitality. Some FAC Events are School Supply Collection, Family Movie Night, Soldier Collection, Parish Socials, Family Game Night, Easter Egg Hunt, Parish Christmas Party and more

Looking for a way to become more involved with our Parish and School? Want to meet with other Parish or School Families? Our members meet approximately once per month to plan and to hold activities design to involve the families of our Parish and School as part of the greater Parish Social Committee. We welcome chairs for both the Parish and School communities to foster collaboration and community.

St. Michael's School Activity Hours will be given to those who chair the committee. The FAC Chair(s) will represent the FAC at the monthly Parish Council Meeting on the 2nd Monday of each month.

If interested: Please contact Christine Parmenter at caparmenter23@gmail.com or 201-407-3397.

JOB VACANCY Apply Now!

PART-TIME BUSINESS MANAGER

Practicing Catholic; strongly committed to Servant Leadership; Bachelor's degree or above, with 3-5 years of business experience; knowledge of accounting principles and practices; proficient with Microsoft Word, Excel, and Quick books, and ability to use financial reporting programs; demonstrated ability to set priorities and to organize work effectively, including maintaining effective record keeping systems; strong communication skills, ability to compose correspondence and reports; ability to relate well with variety of persons; ability to negotiate and manage contracts with outside vendors and interface with corporations, maintain confidentiality, prioritize, and be flexible.

For consideration, please send your resume to stmichaelunion@comcast.net

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ST. MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

Upcoming Event: Our Thanksgiving luncheon will be held on Nov. 8th at Mario's on Chestnut Street. Cost is \$33. (Choice of entrée Salmon, Veal Parmesan, Cavatelli and Broccoli or Turkey and all the trimmings). If you plan to join us please see Kathy Schefter at this meeting for you reservation.

ST. MICHAEL'S MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

CHURCH, RECTORY, SCHOOL, PARISH CENTER, PARKING LOT
WHO MAINTAINS THE PROPERTY

Are you a homeowner? Do you rent? Regardless of ownership, your residence requires maintenance as does our Parish physical property. Tiago Rodrigues, Supervisor of Maintenance at St. Michael's, is the single individual responsible for the Parish. Yes, one person. The church is cleaned daily by another single individual and the school cleaned daily by a small crew. That's it. Snow removal and lawn mowing are contracted.

Volunteers from the parish are sought to assist with the upkeep of all 4 parish buildings, grounds and general repairs as needed. We desire a [Parish Maintenance Committee](#) that can both identify various maintenance initiatives and participate in opportunities to address those initiatives. Attending to your Parish, as directed by the Supervisor of Maintenance or Chairperson of the Parish Maintenance Committee, is a "time" and "talent" volunteer opportunity.

Frequency of service is dependent upon the total number of volunteers. Signing up for this Committee will put you on a distribution list that will be alerted when particular needs may arise. This Committee is open to all parishioners, CYO through retirees. Take pride in your parish and contact **David Bernot at 908-472-8858 or davidbernot1876@gmail.com** with your interest or questions in participating in and supporting this new committee.

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



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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.

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.

