



ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

August 2, 2020

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"They all ate and were satisfied." MATTHEW 14:15

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 Matrale, 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

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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

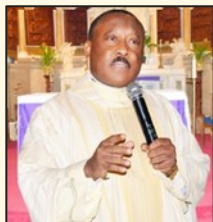
Saturdays 9:30 am, Mondays 7:00 pm

Message From Our Pastor



Dear Parishioners,

Shift of the Wind



"Five loaves and two fish are all we have here," said the apostles, that is to say, how far can that go in feeding these five thousand people? What the apostles forgot was that the bread was going to be put in the hands of Jesus; the only things needed to have over 12 basket-full of bread crumbs leftover after the people had eaten to their fill.

We so often underestimate what God can do. There is this other story, in the book of Numbers, chapter 11, where Moses thought that it was impossible for God to feed the millions of Israelites he was leading through the desert with enough meat for one day. The Lord told him that He will do it, not for one day, but for one month; and with a simple shift of the wind, God sent enough quails into the Israeli camp to fulfill His promise.

When it comes to our lives and what God can do, we need to know that, with a shift of His hand, a touch, a word, or a glance, God can make the impossible become possible for us, at any given moment. Your situation right now might make you doubt this and you might ask: When will God do this for I have been praying and hoping and nothing has happened. Many a time, we let our doubts overtake our hope, and we lose patience with God. Scripture says: "Even if the promise delays wait for it, for it will certainly come to pass—it will not arrive late" (Habakkuk 2:3)

In that passage from Numbers, God said to Moses, "You shall see now whether or not what I have promised you takes place." We always need to believe that, in His time, at the appointed time, the wind will shift directions and blow in our favor. Hold onto this promise, keep your hope strong, for hope is the believing faith that God is faithful and has a plan for my life and will see me through it. Here is what Scripture says, "The Lord of hosts has sworn: As I have designed, so shall it be; and as I have planned, so shall it be established" (Isaiah 14:24). "I am watching to see that every word I have spoken comes to be true" (Jer. 1:12);

May every word and promise God has spoken in our favor be "Yes" in Him and "Amen" unto us in Christ Jesus, Amen!

Msgr. Anselm

Mass Intentions & Stewardship of Treasure

SATURDAY

5:30 pm

SUNDAY

7:30 am

9:00 am

10:30 am

12:00 Noon

MONDAY

8:30 am

12:00 Noon

TUESDAY

8:30 am

12:00 Noon

WEDNESDAY

8:30 am

12:00 Noon

THURSDAY

8:30 am

12:00 Noon

FRIDAY

8:30 am

12:00 Noon

6:30 pm

SATURDAY

8:30 am

5:30 pm

SUNDAY

7:30 am

9:00 am

10:30 am

12:00 Noon

August 1

Nwando Melie (Living)

August 2

Alejandro T. Cruz

For the Parishioners

Kevin Appuzzio

Lucila Sousa Araujo

August 3

Kachi Odoemene (Living)

Walter Drake

August 4

Bienvenido Valencia

Novena of Masses

August 5

Pacita Pena (10th Ann.)

Novena of Masses

August 6

Ali A. Damestani

Patrick Bullo

August 7

Dorothy Marchitello

Robert Gechtman

Josephine Ilagan-Catilo and

Wilson Delos Reyes

August 8

Novena of Masses

Michelle Espeleta (Living)

August 9

For the Parishioners

Eugene Fabio, Jr.

Denisa Sardella & Family

Antoinette Czaplá

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread and Altar Wine are offered to Benjamin Torres, requested by Iraida & Hector Mejias and Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp is offered for Lucy Scalgione & Family & Friends.

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

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**

	Needed This Week	Actual This Week	Deficit This Week
Collection & SOS	\$ 9,703	\$ 5,730	(\$3,973)

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 **\$9,703**. What we actually received is **\$5,730**, so we are short **\$3,973**. Do please continue to support St. Michael's Parish.



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 6/28/2020	Year to Date 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!

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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



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-3

The Lord will renew his covenant with the descendants of David.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145:8-9,15-18

The Lord provides for his people.

Second Reading

Romans 8:35,37-39

Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish.

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

ATTENTION FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS:

You should have received a letter and an email with information about the First Communion dates.

Children whose last names begin with A-L will receive First Communion on Saturday, August 22nd at 10:00 AM Mass.

Children whose last names begin with M-Z will receive First Communion of Saturday, August 29th at 10:00 AM Mass.

Because of self-distancing, only parents and siblings can attend the Mass.

The Mass will be Live Streamed.

Please call **908-964-0965** and email the office at smccd@comcast.net to confirm receipt of the letter and date.

More information will follow.

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.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION FORMS. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW ABOUT THE PROGRAM AS SOON AS WE GET INFORMATION FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE 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

AUGUST 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 & Rubineti Families	Frank Rubineti, Sr.
Donna (Pruszkowski) Hornig	Mollie Endler
Ann Ledesma Jalandoni	Oscar Bascon
Christina Cordero	Fidela Dagat
Florencio Roque, Sr.	Mary Sefia (Living)
Jean Ronal Antoine	Maria Viana
Shela Boulon (Living) - Birthday	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
Lucilia Sousa Araujo & Manuel Pereira Araujo	
Living & Deceased Members of the Czaplá, 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	
All Souls in Purgatory	
Claudia Torres & Tiago Torres (Living)	
Living & Deceased Members of the Torres & Aarujó Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Araujo, Pais & Cadenas Families	

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

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.

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.**