

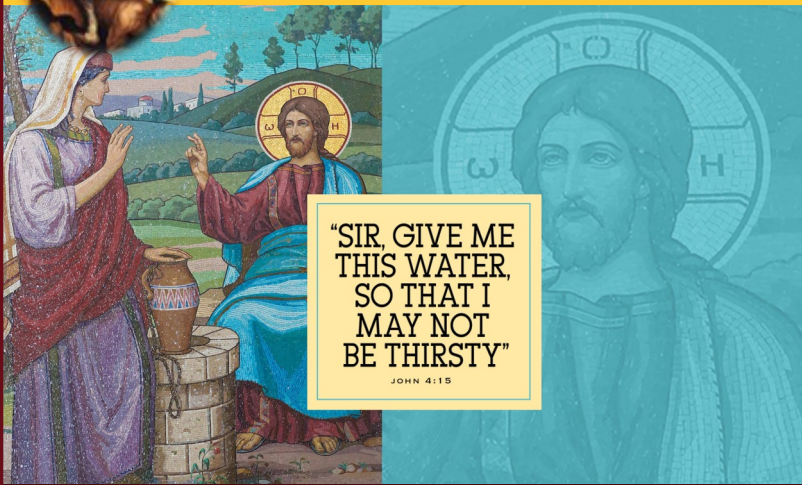


ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

MARCH 15, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



"SIR, GIVE ME
THIS WATER,
SO THAT I
MAY NOT
BE THIRSTY"

JOHN 4:15

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Msgr. Anselm I. Nwaorgu, *Pastor*
Rev. Camilo Lopez, *Parochial Vicar*
Rev. Charles B. McDermott, *Pastor Emeritus*
Deacon Michael Cavallo, *Permanent Deacon*
Mrs. Marilynn Dragone, *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 1:30 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 guid-
 ance.

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:

7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:00 Noon

Saturday: 8:30 am

Holy Days: Announced in the bulletin

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1212 Kelly Street, Union, New Jersey 07083

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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 Sunday and 1st Friday 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

Masses Intentions and Readings

Saturday	March 14
5:30 pm	Jennie Pruszkowski
Sunday	March 15
7:30 am	For the Parishioners
9:00 am	Frieda, George & Ann Stinson
10:30 am	Bambina Minicozzi
12:00 Noon	John & Carol Halloran
Monday	March 16
7:00 am	Arthur Ericksen
8:30 am	Thanksgiving
12:00 Noon	Novena of Masses
Tuesday	March 17
7:00 am	Donald Neil Silvey
8:30 am	Claire Kelly Gillick
12:00 Noon	Marie McMahon (51st Ann.)
Wednesday	March 18
7:00 am	Joseph Bilicska
8:30 am	Aurora B. Antonio (1st Ann.)
12:00 Noon	Frances Petrick (93rd Ann.)
Thursday	March 19
7:00 am	Novena of Masses
8:30 am	Mary Ann Canavan (7th Ann.)
12:00 Noon	St. Joseph Special Intentions
Friday	March 20
7:00 am	Helen Walano
8:30 am	Albert & Yolanda Shak
12:00 Noon	Aris Francisco, Sr.
Saturday	March 21
8:30 am	Roberto & Ursula Gancia
5:30 pm	Roger Boetsch
Sunday	March 22
7:30 am	Alejandro T. Cruz
9:00 am	Manuel Pereira Araujo
10:30 am	Teodoro Mendoza (20th Ann.)
12:00 Noon	For the Parishioners

ALTAR OFFERINGS

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

The Pascal Candle is donated by Ed & Kathy Izbicki, in remembrance of Walter & Ruth Reinhard and Edward & Carol Izbicki.

Third Sunday of Lent

Hymnal # 1022

First Reading

Exodus 17:3-7

God tells Moses to bring forth water from the rock.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95:1-2,6-9

Sing joyfully in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading

Romans 5:1-2,5-8

Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

Gospel Reading

John 4:5-42

Jesus reveals himself to the Samaritan woman at the well. (shorter form: John 4:5-15,19b-26,39a,40-42)

Message From Our Pastor

CALLED TO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Last week, we began reflecting on the powerful spiritual exercise of Eucharistic Adoration. Here, I would like to recall the words of Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical "Redeemer of Man" where he said that our communal worship at Mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration in order that our love may be complete."

In an apparition to Catalina, Jesus said: "I promise to the soul that visits Me frequently in this Sacrament of Love, that I will receive it affectionately together with all the Blessed and the Angels in Heaven, and that each of its visits will be written down in the Book of its Life and I will grant to it:

1. Every petition that is presented before the Altar of God in favor of the Church, the Pope and consecrated souls.
2. The annulment of Satan's power over its person and its loved ones.
3. Special protection in case of earthquakes, hurricanes and other natural disasters which otherwise would affect it.
4. It will be lovingly withdrawn from the world and its attractions, which are the cause of perdition.
5. The elevation of its soul, desiring to attain sanctification, in virtuous eternal contemplation of My face.
6. Relief of its loved ones from the pains of Purgatory.
7. My blessing on every material and spiritual project it undertakes, if they are for the good of its own soul.
8. The receiving of My visits in company with My Mother at the moment of its death.
9. To listen to and to look after the needs of the persons for whom it prays.
10. The intercession of the Saints and Angels at the hour of its death, in order to diminish temporal punishment.
11. That My Love will cause holy vocations consecrated to God among its loved ones and friends.
12. That the soul which preserves a genuine devotion to My Presence in the Eucharist will not be condemned or die without the Sacraments of the Church.

"I promise these things to all persons, under only two conditions which are the fruit of genuine love towards My Real Presence in the Eucharist, and which are absolutely indispensable for My promises to become a reality in their lives:

- a) **That they strive to preserve the dignity of My Altars.**
- b) **That they be merciful towards their neighbor."**

From the book "In Adoration" by Catalina Rivas that received an imprimatur from Mons. Cristo'bal Biaiasik, Bishop of the Dioceses of Oruro, Bolivia.

We encourage all our parishioners to develop an appetite for Eucharistic Adoration. As a parish, we have Adoration every First Sunday and First Friday of the Month, beginning at 6:30 pm in the main Church. It is a powerful way to connect with Jesus Christ, up close and personal. It is always a time worth spending in Church. All are welcome!

Msr. Anselm

Weekly Calendar & Stewardship of Treasure

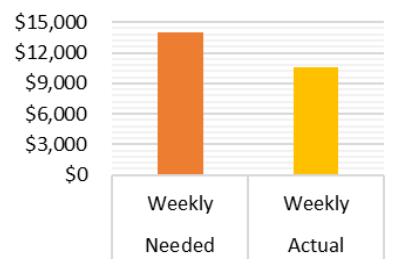
Sunday	March 15
9:00 - 10:00 am	RCIA Class, Murphy Room
9:00 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass, Church
9:00 - 11:30 am	Religious Education Extended Session
Girl Scout Cookie Sale, after all Masses	
Monday	March 16
8:00 am	Rosary, Church
12:00 Noon	St. Michael's Senior Meeting, LC
1:00 pm	St. Michael's School Mass
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Religious Education
7:00 pm	Dance and Wellness Class, LC
Tuesday	March 17
8:00 am	Rosary, Church
7:00 - 8:15 pm	Religious Education
7:30 pm	Contemporary Choir Practice
7:00 pm	Finance Council Meeting, Rectory
7:00 - 8:30 pm	CYO, LC
Wednesday	March 18
8:00 am	Rosary, Church
7:00 pm	Our Lady Devotion, Church
Thursday	March 19
8:00 am	Rosary, Church
7:30 pm	Choir Practice, Church
Friday	March 20
8:00 am	Rosary, Church
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross, Lenten Talk
Saturday	March 21
9:00 am	Lenten Saturday Morning Reflection
10:00 am	Dance & Wellness, LC
11:00 am	First Reconciliation (A to L), Church
1:00 pm	Confession, Church
Sunday	March 22
9:00 - 10:00 am	RCIA Class, 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**

3/8/2020	Needed Weekly	Actual Weekly	Deficit Weekly
Collection & SOS	\$14,090	\$10,708	(\$3,382)

As you can see what we needed to cover the cost of our operations this week is **\$14,090**. What we actually received is **\$10,708**, so we are short **\$3,382**. Do please consider what you can do to help cover this deficit.



Thank you for your continued generosity!

"SOS COLLECTION"

On the first weekend of each month, the first collection is the "SOS" collection. This collection is dedicated specifically for our utility bills and emergency Church repairs.

The next SOS collection is the weekend of April 4 & 5, 2020.

Thank you for blessing our Church.

Adorations, Devotions & Reflections

ADORATIONS

April 3, 2020 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration Schedule

- Mass at 6:30 pm. Followed by
- First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Stations of the Cross and
- Lenten Talk

April 5, 2020 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

1st Sunday Eucharistic Adoration

DEVOTIONS

March 18, 2020 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

2nd Wednesday Marian Devotion
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

March 25, 2020 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

3rd Wednesday Marian Devotion
Immaculate Heart of Mary

April 1, 2020 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

4th Wednesday Marian Devotion
Our Lady of Guadalupe

April 8, 2020 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

1st Wednesday Marian Devotion
Our Lady of Fatima

BIBLE CLASSES

All Bible Classes on Tuesday at 7:00 pm
March 24 and 31 at the Rectory

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

On Saturday during Lent at 9:00 am
March 14, 21, 28, April 4 at the Lower Church

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.



MINISTRY Information

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Time	March 14 - 15 3 rd Sunday of Lent	March 21 - 22 4 th Sunday of Lent
5:30 pm	Alyssa De la Cruz Alexis Artiga Blanca Salas Mariana Salas Ana Ruiz	Angel Rodriguez Jonathan Rodriguez Morgan Labranche Jerome Fernandez Jianna Fernandez
7:30 am	David Bernot Cherry Vibar Jarlene Estopia	Uguchi Adibemma Uzonna Adibemma Jarlene Estopia
9:00 am	Julian Felix Jewelz Massicot Megan Felix Nicholas Laube Joshua Laube	Jean Felix Alisha James Aidan Perez Nathan De Guzman
10:30 am	Carmella Mendoza Nwando Melie Ian Galing Kamsi Emeh Ian Galing	Johnnuel Magno Nwando Melie Joshua Omoruyi Samuel Ilagan Samuel Nnadi Precious Nnadi
12:00 Noon	Lance Fernandez Aimee Cabatu-Panlilio Reginald Mondesir	Ginika Ozurumba Gabriel Castano David Punzalan

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The Church is in need of people who can help out in the snow shoveling of the church property during major snow storms.

Snow shovelers will be paid an hourly rate.

For more information, please contact Tiago at stmichaelproperty@yahoo.com

CYO/YOUTH MINISTRY News

cyounion@aol.com



This week at CYO you can sign up to volunteer with the disabled Children on Saturday March 21st and at the Quadriplegic Center for March 26th. All spots are first come first serve so be sure not to delay.

Any Junior or Senior who did not read or act in our Christmas Festival of Lights, and would like to for our Good Friday Living Stations of the Cross be sure to see Phil. We'd like to give everyone an opportunity to do so. Information on Core Team for Freshman will also be discussed this week.

MINISTRY Information

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

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

Other hours are available by appointment. Contact Coordinator: Marilynn Dragone at (908) 964-0965.

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

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS: will have an extended session on March 15th. They are to attend the 9:00 am mass and sit with their class. They will go directly to the school for class after mass. Dismissal will be at 11:30 am **This session counts as two classes.**

REMINDER FOR FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES:

First Reconciliation

Saturday, March 21st at 11:00 a.m. for children with last names A - L

Saturday, March 28th at 11:00 a.m. for children with last names K - Z

Please be on time.

If you need to change your date, please contact the Religious Education Office.

RICE BOWLS

Rice Bowls are available in the Church. Please consider taking one and donating to the missions that help people throughout the world.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!

Any parishioners who have experience running **BINGO AND CARNIVALS** please contact the Parish Center (908) 688-1232.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

SR. ANN'S FOOD PANTRY

Please consider donating some canned or non-perishable food items so we can help feed those in need. Food may be dropped off at the Church or at the Parish Center. Thank you!

Our next food pantry day is Tuesday March 17, at the Parish Center located on Orange Avenue from 9:30 am until 1:00 pm.

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.

Rehearsals: 7:30 pm on Tuesdays in the Church. Contact: Patrick B. Phillips at patrickphillips96@gmail.com

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.



Our next Grace Bags Distribution Day is Tuesday, March 24th, at the Parish Center located at 1211 Orange Avenue from **12:00 to 2:00 pm**.

ST. MICHAEL'S SENIOR NEWS

Wednesday, March 18th

St. Michael's Senior Club will be celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph with a luncheon at The Brownstone located in Paterson.

The bus will leave at 10:00 am from the church parking lot located at Kelly and High streets.



"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 rscolone@smsunion.org or call (908) 688-1063.

Come tour and explore our amazing school!

NOVENA of Masses

MARCH 2020

Ann L. Corrigan	Jose J. Arnaldo
Jurusik & Arner Families	Alejandro T. Cruz
Mary & Idolo Russomano	John & Augusta Mahon
George Rinehart	James Ford Sr.
Roger Boetsch	Special Intentions
Micheline & Joseph Kmetz	Craig Calix (Living)
Donna Hornig	Leopold Enwonwu
Pierre & Rubineti Families	Frank Rubineti, Sr.
Louis Sauro	Luigi Sauro
Jennie "Pat" Pruszkowski	Rev. Matthias Conva
Raizza Jean Gonzales (Living)	Susan De Jesus
Kathleen Turner (Living)	All Souls in Purgatory
Donna Davidson (1st Ann.)	
Felicitas Onday (Living) - For Health	
Victorino Mendoza (Living) - For Health	
Loi Panes (Living) - For Health	
Ann Marie Bentivegna (1st Ann.)	
George Sr., Ruth & Barbara Rinehart	
Deceased Members of the Galgo Family	
Living & Deceased Members of the Santoriello Family	
In thanks for God's blessings on the USA	
Living & Deceased Members of the Pruszkowski, Endler, Hornig & Macecsko Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Czapla, Leniart & McMahon Families	
Patsy Scalgione & Deceased Family Members	
Special Intentions for the Nwosuh & Odoemene Families	
Lucila Sousa Araujo and Manuel Pereira Araujo	
Living & Deceased Members of 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 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 Regazpi, 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

2020 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Friday, March 13, 20, 27, April 3
7:00 pm, Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday, April 4
1:00-2:00 pm – Individual Confessions

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday, April 4 at 5:30 pm
Sunday, April 5 at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and
12:00 noon
Distribution of Palms at all Masses

Monday of the Week, April 6 at 8:00 pm
Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart,
Newark with Archbishop Cardinal Tobin

Wednesday of the Week, April 8
Penance Service with Individual Confession
7:00-8:30 pm
**No confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday
and Holy Saturday**

Holy Thursday, April 9
8:30 am – Morning Prayer
7:00 pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by
Vigil & Adoration

Good Friday, April 10
8:30 am – Morning Prayer
2:00 pm – Walk of Our Lord (Stations of the Cross)
3:30 pm – Celebration of the Passion
7:30 pm – CYO Living Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 11
8:30 am – Morning Prayer/Reflections
12:00 Noon – Blessing of Food
8:00 pm – Easter Vigil
No Confession/No 5:30 pm Mass

Easter Sunday, April 12

SAVE THE DATE: EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2020
10:30 am - 12:00 Noon
Church Grounds
Rain Location: Lower Church



UNION COLUMBIETTES

Union Columbiettes will be having a **Pocketbook Bingo/Tricky Tray Saturday, April 18** at **Kenilworth VFW**. Doors open at 5 pm and calling starts at 7 pm. **Admission \$25.00** (includes a set of bingo boards for 10 games, dauber, coffee, tea and cake). For ticket info contact Dlupo41@aol.com or 908 577 6606.

Announcements

LENTEN SERIES SPEAKERS

Fridays, immediately following Stations of the Cross, Church

March 13th - Fr. John Cryan—"Breaking Open the Signs and Symbols of Holy Week"

March 20th—Msgr. Robert Wister: Changes in the ethnic composition of the Catholic population in the Archdiocese of Newark over the last 50 years.

March 27th—Fr. Colin Kay—"From the Bottom Up: The Cross and the Poor."

April 3rd—TBA

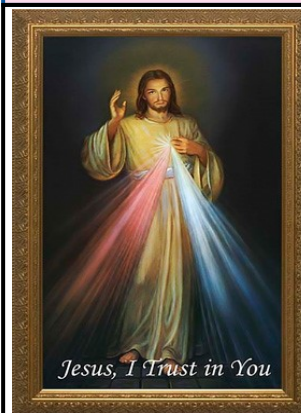
ALTAR SERVER CAPES

Dear Parishioners,

We are still in need of donors for the new Altar Server Capes. Please call the Parish Center Office (908) 688-1232, ext. 100 if you are interested in donating.



Thank you for your continued generosity!



THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated at St. Michael's on **Sunday, April 19th** at **3:00 pm** in Church.

SAVE THE DATE: 2ND DANCE FOR A CAUSE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020
4:00 - 8:00 pm

\$30 per person, includes FOOD and DRINKS
Music provided by: DJ Dano Lumanog
For more information, please contact:
Angie Zoleta — 908-265-2701
Resy Milora-Dilag — 908-416-2732

