

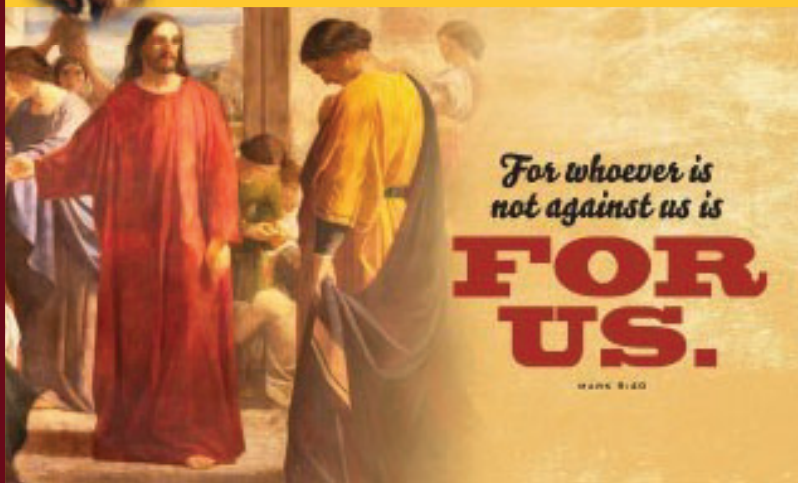


ST MICHAEL'S PARISH

A DIVERSE SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN ACTION

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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 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

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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



"Are You Jealous For Me"



In the first reading of this 26th Sunday in ordinary times, we read about God bestowing His spirit on 70 elders who were appointed to help Moses in the governance of His people. Two of these elders did not come out to the temple area, where the rest were gathered, but remained in the camp. The spirit of the Lord still came upon them and they prophesied. Someone went and reported to Moses that these two guys were prophesying in the camp, and Joshua, furious with the news, asked Moses to stop them. In his mind, they were usurping Moses' job. It was like saying to Moses, if these two guys keep prophesying, people won't realize how special you are. Protect your privilege! Stop them! You don't really want to share your special grace with them, do you? He was jealous for Moses' power and authority and wanted to guard it because he was the next in command. But Moses looked at Joshua and said: "Are you jealous for me?" Don't worry; I wish everybody was preaching. God is big enough for all of us to preach. There is enough God to go around, Joshua. I won't be out of job.

It is amazing how we can be the moon and still be jealous of the stars. Jealousy is such a belittling passion because it resents God's goodness in other people's lives and ignores God's goodness in our own lives. It fails to recognize that God knows what He's doing in the apportionment of His gifts. Jealousy cannot stand it when others are doing better and is sad at the happiness of others. It breeds a destructive critical spirit and gives birth to unwarranted suspicion and anger. It makes us hostile towards people and sometimes seeks to bring about the ruin of the others who have done nothing to hurt us. Look at the story of Cain and Abel in Genesis chapter four. A friend of mine always says that the worst part of success is trying to find someone who is truly happy for you.

How come Moses didn't join Joshua in this outburst of jealousy? Because he understood that God's grace is enough for each and every one of us. What you have does not diminish what God can give to me. What you have is yours; mine is mine. We only get jealous when we think there is not enough to go around, which is the same thing as doubting God's provision. We should never underestimate the power of jealousy to destroy. It has destroyed friendships, dissolved engagements, wrecked marriages, caused severe tensions in the rank-and-file of business organizations, sowed seeds of doubt and distrust while fostering bitterness and ugliness in families, and wreaked havoc in the lives of many people. As Scripture says, "Jealousy rots the bones" (Proverb 14:30). Just as iron is eaten away by rust so does jealous consume with negative passions, like anger, resentment, inadequacy, helplessness, or even disgust. We need to bear in mind, that the grace of God is sufficient for all of us.

Because Jealousy is a secret sin, a secret between me and my God, the only way to deal with it is to acknowledge its presence, denounce it, ask God to help us focus and be grateful for His blessings in our lives, and to be thankful for His blessings in other people's lives. May the good Lord grant us the grace to do this, in the Name of His Son, Jesus Christ, Amen!

Msgr. Anselm

Parish Information

USAN FUNDRAISER UPDATE

52 GROUPS

TO RAISE

\$100,000

FUNDS RAISED

\$117,683

THANK YOU

Annual Appeal ^{the 2021} Catholic Stewardship in Action

Our Goal - **\$46,240**
Amount Pledged to Date - **\$43,770**
Number of Donors To Date - **154**
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ST. MICHAEL'S NEWSLETTER

AUGUST



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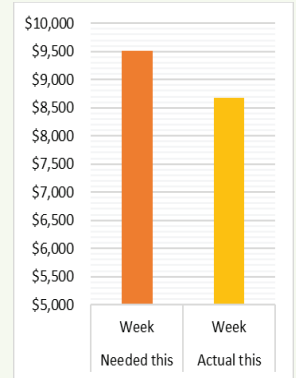
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"Give and gifts will be given to you ...the measure with which you measure will in turn be measured out to you." **Luke 6:38**

8/15/2021	NEEDED WEEKLY	ACUTAL WEEKLY	DEFICIT WEEKLY
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>
Collection & SOS	\$ 10,022	\$ 8,864	(\$1,158)

Please make every effort to maintain your Sunday offerings by using one of the following methods:

- **Mailing / dropping off your envelopes** to the Parish Center Office (1211 Orange Ave).
- **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 **\$10,022**. What we actually received is **\$8,864** so we are short **\$1,158**. Do please continue to support St. Michael's Parish. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Parish Giving

—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—



Thank you to our parishioners who have started using Parish Giving. Sunday Collections donated online, using Parish Giving, has increased from 9%, in 2019, to currently 30% of our Total Sunday Collections. Donating your weekly collections through the **Parish Giving online platform** is helpful now more than ever. Due to health and safety concerns related to the pandemic the number of volunteers that are available to count the collections has significantly diminished. By using online giving you are selecting the safest and easiest method of giving for St. Michael's Parish. To start using Parish Giving go to our parish website (stmichaelunion.org) and click on the Parish Giving button or scan the QR Code above, (with your phone camera) that will take you to the easy sign up form. Thank you for sustaining the parish during the unprecedented emergency that we are experiencing.

IMPORTANT GO FUND ME CHANGES

GO FUND ME has advised the ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK that they will no longer support the program platform that hosts our GO FUND ME WEBSITE. The last day for donations will be September 30, 2021. Parishioners with recurring donations will also cease on September 30, 2021. If you have been donating to ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH using the GO FUND ME PLATFORM thank you for your giving. Before September 30, 2021, please begin to donate using our platform, PARISH GIVING. Go to our Parish Website ([STMICHAELUNION.ORG](https://stmichaelunion.org)) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form. THANK YOU for your continued support of ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.

Mass Intentions & Devotions

SATURDAY 5:30 pm	September 25 Concepcion & Reynaldo Ticzon
SUNDAY 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 Noon	September 26 Sefia Family Benefactors Alejandro T. Cruz Anthony Marchitello For the Parishioners Anthony Manochio
MONDAY 8:30 am 12:00 Noon	September 27 Mella Orlando (Living)-90th Birthday James Santoriello Maria Tavares
TUESDAY 8:30 am 12:00 Noon	September 28 Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena of Masses In Honor of St. Michael the Archangel Shirley Blanc (Living) - Birthday
WEDNESDAY 8:30 am 12:00 Noon	September 29 Feast of St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels Mike Anderson & Kate Bernot (Living)-2nd Ann. Manuel Fazendeiro Michelle & Concetta Ianiro & Family
THURSDAY 8:30 am 12:00 Noon	September 30 Donald Jerome Silvey Nicholas Gussis
FRIDAY 8:30 am 12:00 Noon 6:30 pm	October 1 First Friday Novena of Masses Jun Felix (Living) - 50th Birthday Maria Carlos (Living) - Birthday Barbara Kip
SATURDAY 8:30 am 5:30 pm	October 2 Rose Bergel Shirley Blanc (Living)
SUNDAY 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 Noon	October 3 For the Parishioners Avelino Torres Uy Nguyen Madeline Relano-Roxas

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread, Altar Wine and Sanctuary Lamp are offered for Helen & Stanley Skora, requested by their family.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES began the week of September 19 (and September 26 for first graders). **Class assignments have been emailed to parents of all registered students.**

Some classes are reaching capacity as we are complying with Covid restrictions. If you have not registered your child, please call the office for instructions.

CYO YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

cyouunionnj@gmail.com



CYO is back! All high schoolers are welcome to join us for weekly meetings on Tuesday nights in the Phil Matrale Hall (Lower Church) from 7:00pm-8:30pm. If anyone has any questions about how to register or would like to sign up to be a part of the incoming Confirmation class, please email us at cyouunionnj@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you all soon!



"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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

There will be a Children Liturgy Mass on Sunday, September 26th at the 9:00 am Mass. The children will be escorted to the Phil Matrale Hall (LC). The children will be social distance and are required to wear a mask.

ATTENTION TO ALL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS:

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. Contact Fr. Miles for more information.

Baptism Ministry is looking for new members. Please contact the Parish Center or Deacon Michael Cavallo at deaconmikecavallo@gmail.com

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



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: SR. ANN'S FOOD PANTRY

Please consider donating food to the Food Pantry. You can drop off the food items at the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) Thank you for your generosity.

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).

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

NOVENA of Masses

NOVENA OF MASSES SEPTEMBER 2021

Ann L. Corrigan	Alejandro T. Cruz
James Ford, Sr.	Phil Matrale
Jose Arnaldo	Tom Donohue
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	Sr. Juvenia Joseph (Living)-Birthday
Ibrahim Makson	Celso & Rosalia Anuada
Alex Micayabas	Jordan Alexander Machado (Living)
Elizabeth Odoemene	George Mgbeahurike
Fritz Maddy	Raymond Dua
Ruel Estopia	Jessica Churchward (Living)
Barbara Marszalek	Eric Elechicon
Peter Petrecca (Living)	Olivia Oasan
Terry Malloy	Shella Boulton (Living)-Thanksgiving
Arturo Mori	Cesar Jalandoni
Elijah Vines (Living)	Brittany Dorsonne (Living)
Henrikka Niemi (Living)	Tamika Joy Domond (Living)-Healing
Kareema Fatima Charlotin (Living)-Birthday	
Simon David Wiedmer (Living)	
Raphael Marc Wiedmer (Living)	
Micheline & Joseph Kmetz	
Claudia Torres & Tiago Torres (Living)	
Special Intentions to St. Joseph	
Ben & Marivic Del Rosario & Family (Living) - Thanksgiving	
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 Czapl, 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 Araujo, Cadenas & Pais Families	
Living & Deceased Members of the Landeira & Machado Families	
Living & Deceased Members of Chinyere Odoemene Family	
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PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR,

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**First Reading**

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord bestows his spirit on the seventy elders.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 19:8,10,12-13,14

The Law of the Lord brings joy.

Second Reading

James 5:1-6

James chastises the rich.

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Jesus teaches that whoever is not against him is for him.

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.


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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US

for the celebration of the feast of

*San Lorenzo Ruiz,
the first Filipino Saint*

Sunday, September 26, 2021
at 3:00 pm

**2022 MASS BOOK**

The 2022 Mass Book will be open starting October 6, 2021. Please come to the Parish Center (1211 Orange Ave.) to offer your Mass Intentions. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing while at the Parish Center. Thank you for your cooperation.

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DURING OFFERTORY: AT MASS

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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.



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