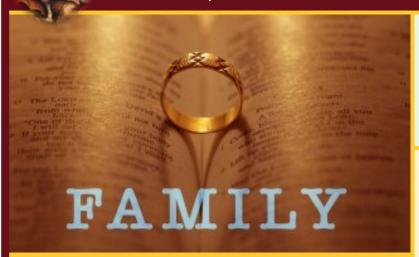
OCTOBER 3, 2021

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

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

EUCHARISTIC 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



And The Two Shall Become One: The Mathematics of Marriage



The first reading of this 27th Sunday in ordinary times makes the case for what marriage is all about, and how God intended it to be. "It is not good for the man to be alone.

I will make a suitable partner for him", says the Lord. Notice that Eve was not taken from Adam's feet, and so she was not created to be his slave. She was not taken from Adam's head, and so she was not created to be his boss. She was taken from Adam's side, and so she was created to be his partner. What joy Adam must have felt when he woke up and saw this fellow human. He knew, immediately, that: (a) they were created for each other, "This, at last, is the bone of my bone and the flesh of my

flesh"—created to be companions, partners, friends, etc.; (b) that they were created different from each other, "This one shall be called 'woman'"—difference in gender, gifts, talents, and abilities; and (c) that they were created to be given to each other, "And the two shall become one flesh—to share life, procreate, and find fulfilment in each other. Put all these together and we can see why Scripture says, "Therefore, a man must leave father and mother and cleave to his wife, and the two shall [weave] become one flesh". Leave, cleave, and weave—the secrets of marital satisfaction.

Leave—Scripture says that a couple's first and foremost priority, over and above parents, children, siblings, career, and friends, is their relationship. Nothing comes before it or between it. So, the first consideration in every decision or action must be your spouse otherwise, that decision or action is, intrinsically, faulted and wrong. Yes, a couple will love and care for parents, children, and friends, but their marriage must be first and foremost.

Cleave or Cling—a couple must also cleave to each other. In the original text, the word, "cleave or cling" means "to adhere firmly, to be strongly attached, never to let go". So, a couple should never allow anyone or anything to separate or divide them against themselves, and they must do so with a consistent, persistent, and unyielding spirit. I know that this is difficult to accept, especially where problems already exist, but this is the real deal. It is only when a couple can "leave and cleave" are they able to develop an appropriate relationship with others and the world.

Weave—beyond "leaving" and "cleaving", a couple must also be "weaving", for Scripture says, "And the two shall become one flesh". This involves the joy of knowing and being known, of loving and being loved, of sharing and being shared, and of giving and being given. For this to happen, a couple's relationship, according to Ephesians 5:19ff, must be sacrificial—ready to lay down life for each other; sanctifying—doing whatever it takes to make each other the best he or she can be; satisfying—spicing it up and creating joyful memories for and with each other; sacramental—keeping God and Church in center of things; and forgiving—letting go of wrongs and hurts, with the full knowledge that you are not perfect either. There is no saint without a past and there is no sinner without a future.

So, "leaving, cleaving, and weaving" is the way God intended marriage to be. Yes, it is easier said than done, but it is the real "McCoy". We must always remember that all things are possible for those who believe. I can, is not an emotion; it is a decision. We just need to know that holding unto hurts, not sacrificing for each other, not edifying each other, not creating joyful moments and memories, and keeping God by the wayside only serves to destroy a marriage and cause sadness for those in it. Let's let go, let God, and start going. It is never too late to start.

Msgr. Anselm

Parish Information

USAN FUNDRAISER UPDATE

52 GROUPSTO RAISE

\$100,000

FUNDS RAISED

\$127,460.75



ST. MICHAEL'S COLLECTIONS

Below is an explanation of some of the different St. Michael's Collections:

S.O.S. Collection - This is a monthly "restricted" collection dedicated to paying our utility bills. Restricted collections are not assessed by the Archdiocese of Newark and therefore all funds are used solely by St. Michael's to pay our bills. S.O.S. collections are appreciated at all times.

Tithing—This is a monthly "restricted" collection dedicated to paying for the new air conditioner. Restricted collections are not assessed by the Archdiocese and therefore all funds are used solely for St. Michael's needs. Tithing collections are appreciated at all times.

Assessment Collection - The Archdiocese of Newark assesses all parishes in the archdiocese a percentage of the parish's annual unrestricted revenue, to be paid monthly. This assessment is used by the Archdiocese to support administrative services. St. Michael's has instituted a monthly "restricted" collection that is used solely for paying our monthly assessment. All Assessment Collection funds are sent directly to Newark, monthly, to pay our Assessment Obligation.

National Collections - the Archdiocese of Newark has ten collections during the year to benefit various organizations such as the retired priest's fund, the church in Eastern Europe, the religious retirement fund, and mission appeals. Money from the national collections go directly to Newark.

St. Vincent De Paul Collection – money donated to St. Vincent De Paul is distributed prior to Thanksgiving and prior to Easter to local foodbanks, soup kitchens and social centers that provide food and shelter for those in need.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support to our Parish!

Stewardship of Treasure

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**

9/26/2021 NEEDED ACUTAL DIFICIT
WEEKLY WEEKLY WEEKLY

This Week This Week This Week
Collection & SOS \$ 9,038 \$ 7,257 (\$1,781)

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 (<u>stmichaelunion.org</u>) and click on the Parish Giving button that will take you to the easy sign up form.

As you can see what we needed to cover the cost of our operations this week is **\$9,038**. What we actually received is **\$7,257** so we are short **\$1,781**.

Dear Parishioners,

In order for us to stay in the GREEN, it is important that we meet our weekly budget collections and SOS. Please let us continue to support the weekly Sunday collection so that we can achieve our goals of balancing the budget going forward.

Thank you for your support of the parish and your continued generosity.

Msgr. Anselm



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.



Mass Intentions & Devotions

SATURDAY

October 2

5:30 pm Shirley Blanc (Living)

SUNDAY

7:30 am

October 3 For the Parishioners Remi Valentine Blanc

9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 Noon

Uy Nguyen Madeline Relano-Roxas

Avelino Torres

MONDAY

8:30 am 12:00 Noon October 4

Reynaldo Ticzon Novena of Masses Andrey Fonseca

TUESDAY

8:30 am 12:00 Noon October 5

Lucilia Sousa Araujo Antonino Mugavero

WEDNESDAY

8:30 am 12:00 Noon October 6

Concepcion Ticzon Cynthia Stuart

THURSDAY

8:30 am 12:00 Noon October 7

Bienvenido Valencia Rose Petrick (39th Ann.)

FRIDAY

8:30 am 12:00 Noon October 8

Mathilde Ordonez Novena of Masses Cesar Beldua

SATURDAY

8:30 am 5:30 pm

October 9 Roger Boetsch Alejandro T. Cruz

Shella Boulin (Living)-Thanksgiving

SUNDAY

10:30 am

October 10

Novena of Masses for St. Michael's Clergy 7:30 am 9:00 am

For the Parishioners

Leo Ibabao Barbara Dybas

12:00 Noon Izabel Emilia M. da Silva

ALTAR OFFERINGS

The Altar Bread and Altar Wine are offered for Shella Boulin (Living) for Thanksgiving.

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

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 time and leave a message or via email at smccd@comcast.net.

Classes began the week of Sept. 19 (and Sept. 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 on 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.

STEWARDS OF GOD'S GIFTS

Sept. 19 was Catechetical Sunday where the church recognizes those who teach our children. The following men and women will share their faith with the children and youth as catechists for our parish family this year:

Grade 1

Suzette Cavadas Edna Dossantos Lisa Perez

Grade 2 Clare Andriola

Aida Mendez-Boud

Grade 3

Grade 5

Grade 7

Tania Massicot Margaret Sasieta Grade 4 Reuben Vibar

Lolita Maksom

Grade 6 Cristina Manochio Kim Herbert

Fernanda Manochio David Vargas

Grade 8

Danielle Laube Yonette Gawel Okezie Ukaegbu Lea Sheridan

EUCHARIST PREPARATION/ CHRISTIAN INTIATION OF CHILDREN Marie Crespo, Jovel Golingan, Adaeze Ihuoma

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Christine Dziedzic, Terry Dziedzic, Danielle Laube, Patricia Milone

SPECIAL HELPERS

Helena Araujo, Dina Connelly, Maria Esmond, Leon Enriquez, Marivic Enriquez, Donna Faraone, Ana Miranda, Lois Scanio, Kayla Silverio

We are grateful to these men and women of our parish who have answered God's call to teach our young people about God's love and our faith through our Religious Education Program.

CYO YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS cyounionnj@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 cyounionni@qmail.com. We look forward to seeing you all soon!

MINISTRY 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 michaeljalfano@aol.com if you want to learn more about the program.

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@patrickkbphillps.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. Àll itéms must be **NEW.**

Please note that donations can also be made online on a onetime 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 & Jo-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 Czapla, Stephen Czapla, 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 Delesus, Frances Mechado, Chet Jaseppin (1997). Jesus Adrien Duenas, Cesar DeJesus, Frances Mechado, Chet Ja-nusz , Kathy Sarno, Baby Charlie Boyle, Carmen Diaz Colon, Mari-an 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

NOVENA of Masses

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Ann L. Corrigan James Ford, Sr. Jose Arnaldo George Rinehart Frank Rubinetti, Sr. Remedios Rabano Luigi Sauro Special Intentions-VG All Souls in Purgatory

Jorge J. Criado Ibrahim Makson **Emmett Villa** Teresa Chiera

Rufino Ramos Alex Micavabas Elizabeth Odoemene Peter Petrecca (Living) All Souls in Purgatory Alex Micavabas Bishop Guy Sansaricq Rubiela Segura Quintero

Jerome Shaw, Jr. Adolfo Aviguetero

Alejandro T. Cruz Phil Matrale Paulino Cruz Craig Calix (Living) Pierre & Rubinetti Families

Reynaldo & Concepcion Ticzon Mary & Idolo Russomanno Magdalena Moreno Cruz Ana Rodrigues (Living) Jessica Churchward (Living) Celso & Rosalia Anuada Lolita Maksom (Living)-Birthday

Maria Carlos (Living)-Birthday Judith Gumban (Living)-Birthday Jordan Alexander Machado (Living) George Mgbeahurike

Michelene & Joseph Kmetz Hermenegildo Balbutin Elizabeth Odoemene Chi Pancho (Living) Fritz Maddy

Claudia Patricia Munoz Segura

Carlos Andres Munoz Seguara 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 Czapla, 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

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading Genesis 2:18-24

God creates woman from Adam's rib.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128:1-2,3,4-5,6

A prayer for God's blessing

Second Reading

Hebrews 2:9-11

Christ was made perfect through suffering so that we might all be consecrated.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:2-16 (shorter form Mark 10:2-12)

Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.

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 caper-menter23@gmail.com or 201-407-3397.



IOB 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

SEEKING TIME AND TALENT ST. MICHAEL'S MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

When you come upon the church, school, rectory or Parish Center, do you look around and recognize the recent physical improvements and observe a potential need for repair? If so, we want you! We are now starting to create a Parish Maintenance Committee that can assist Tiago Rodrigues, our Supervisor of Maintenance, as eyes for the parish to both identify various maintenance initiatives and participate in opportunities to address those initiatives.

This is a "time" and "talent" volunteer opportunity. If you have the time or a talent to volunteer, we could use you in either or both. As examples, whether it be a willingness to vacuum the heating vents in the church or remove stains from the altar chairs, or tackle a small masonry, electrical, plumbing, or tile project, your Parish will benefit from and display your efforts.

Many Catholic parishes were founded on extensive donations and volunteer efforts. Let's continue these efforts. If interested in taking care of YOUR parish, contact David Bernot at 908-472-8858 or davidbernot1876@gmail.com with your interest or questions in participating in and supporting this new committee.

Ways To DONATE



In the Comment section, indicate where your donation should be accounted for, e.g., USAN (with your Group Name), Offertory,



Scanning the code above with your mobile device directs you to the online donation page

MAIL IN:



DROP OFF: AT THE PARISH CENTER



1211 Orange Ave, Union, NJ 07083

DURING OFFERTORY: AT MASS

envelopes OR use your envelope but indicate where your

ation should be accounted

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.

