

# The Church of Saint Michael

## Sunday, April 12, 2015

Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday



**Please remember in your prayers those who have died.**

Baby Sam Roger Rizzo, Frank Fenimore

**Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish:**

Fanny Monsalve, Joan Hall, Pat Leone, Phil Grella, Frank Demeo, James Taormino, Patricia Heady, Bob Best, Diana Palumbo, Michele Demeo, Hazel and Frank Doran, Nicole Exile, Diane Grzymko, Vincent Dalessandro, Martin Espinosa, Al & Eleanor Yonick, Jeannette DiRenzo, Callan Schaffer, Matthew Schaffer, Patty Casey and Christine Bagniewski, Martha Mendoza, Wendy Ennis

### Weekly Memorial

**Altar Bread & Sacramental Wine:**

Nicholas Costanzo

### Weekly Devotions

Monday:..... Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00 pm  
(not on the last Monday of the month)

Wednesday:..... Rosary Group 7:30 pm

Friday:.....Divine Mercy 3:00 pm

Saturday: .....Rosary (after 8 am Mass) 8:30 am

### Readings for the week

**Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

**Sunday**

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

**Monday**

Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8

**Tuesday**

Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15

**Wednesday**

Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday**

Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

**Friday**

Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday**

Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, April 11, 2015**

8:00 a.m. Matthew J. Soccio, Donald LaBell

5:00 p.m. Santina & Vincenzo Fratangelo,  
Michael Bortak, Donald Best

7:00 p.m. Special Intention

**Sunday, April 12, 2015 - Divine Mercy Sunday**

7:00 a.m. Denise Tobin, Nancy Rosa

8:45 a.m. Alice & William Keenan, Kim DeRocco

10:30 a.m. Alfred & Carmella Esposito, Pat Buckley

12:00 p.m. Pamela Baisley, Ann Sarao, Carmella Marana

2:00 p.m. (Adoration and Confession)

3:00 p.m. (Divine Mercy Chaplet)

**Monday, April 13, 2015**

7:00 a.m. Dan O'Dogherty Sr.

**Tuesday, April 14, 2015**

8:00 a.m. Rose Poklemba

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015**

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

**Thursday, April 16, 2015**

8:00 a.m. Rose Poklemba

**Friday, April 17, 2015**

7:00 a.m. For All Parishioners of St. Michael's Church

**Saturday, April 18, 2015**

8:00 a.m. David Weaver

5:00 p.m. Earl & Anna DiBernard, Jack Norgard

7:00 p.m. Special Intention

**Sunday, April 19, 2015**

7:00 a.m. Nancy Rosa

8:45 a.m. David Weaver, Katherine Conway

10:30 a.m. Nancy Rosa, Frances & Julio Quinones

12:00 p.m. Carmella Marana, Thomas Cairney

**TITHING – GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**  
ST. MICHAEL'S HAS BEEN A TITHING PARISH  
SINCE 1988.

Holy Thursday \$ 1,509.00

Good Friday \$ 1,301.00

Easter Sunday \$20,743.00

Flowers \$ 185.00

Outreach \$ 2,721.00

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

This Sunday, April 12th is the Second Sunday of Easter, we are celebrating **Divine Mercy Sunday**.

What is so special about the Feast of Divine Mercy?

**It is the promise of the forgiveness of all sins and punishment for any soul that would go to Confession and that day receive Jesus in Holy Communion.**

Why would Jesus offer us something so great? Jesus told St. Faustina that she was to prepare the world for His Second Coming and that He would be pouring out His Mercy in great abundance before He comes again as the Just Judge and as the very last hope of salvation. It is a great day of Grace and Mercy for all of us. Jesus chose this day by Himself and gave a promise to give the graces to all who come to Him that very day.

If you know someone who has been away from the practice of the Catholic faith and if you think that person would like to come back into the one true Catholic Church, then this is the most perfect opportunity for him or her. Many former fallen-away Catholics have taken advantage of this great Feast of Mercy to get a brand new start in life and to be totally prepared to stand before the Lord. **Don't miss out on this incredible gift of mercy that is available in our parish Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at all Masses and from 2pm to 3pm, we will have special Divine Mercy prayers with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. At 3 pm, we will sing the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. During that time, priests will be available to hear confessions.**

One of the most reassuring things Our Lord Jesus revealed to us through Saint Faustina includes the several times when He indicated to her that **He is really there in the Confessional when we are making our individual Confessions to the priests. Jesus said that every time we enter the Confessional that He Himself is there waiting for us, and that He is only hidden by the priest.** Jesus said never to analyze what sort of a priest that He is making use of, but for us to reveal our souls to Him and that He will fill us with His peace and light.

For more information about the Feast of Divine Mercy please see our website: [www.stmichaelnetcong.org](http://www.stmichaelnetcong.org) and [www.divinemercysunday.com](http://www.divinemercysunday.com)

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for April**

**Universal:** That people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God.

**Evangelization:** That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church.

**Healing Mass** – Our next Healing Mass will be on **Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 7pm, Rosary/Chaplet at 6:30pm.**

### **St. Michael's Prayer Group**

St. Michael's Prayer Group meets each Monday evening from 7PM to 8:30PM in the rectory basement. For further information call Betty @ [973-448-8847](tel:973-448-8847).

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **NEWS**

#### **Calendar Reminders-**

- Sessions for Gr. K-6 and 8 resume this week
- Remaining Gr. 7 sessions: 4/20 (review), 4/27 (test)
- Remaining Gr. 8 sessions: 4/13, 5/4 (review), 5/11 (test)

#### **Confirmation II:**

- **Reconciliation Service:** for all candidates and sponsors; parents are also invited, April 12; 6:30 for teens, church basement; 7:30 for everyone else, church
- Mandatory rehearsals: 4/17 for candidates, 7-8:15 pm, church and 4/20, 7-8:15 pm for candidates and Sponsors or parent stand-in .

#### **Confirmation I:**

**Service forms: were due 3/10.** Failure to do service monthly and hand in reports as per due dates will result in a delay of your Confirmation.

#### **First Communion:**

Parents and families: please continue to work with your child on his/her First Communion Journal. If you have questions please call the Religious Ed office or contact your child's catechist. If you have not given us a wallet sized photo of your child, please do so by April 16 so it can be included in the First Communion display.

**FIRST COMMUNION DRESS:** someone donated a beautiful dress, worn once, size 10. Please call 973-347-1465 if you would like to see it or if you know a family who could use it.

### **St. Michael Vacation Bible School**

Save the date!

Mark your calendars for Aug. 3rd-7th

Registration forms available April 12 and will be distributed in Rel. Ed, and at the school.



#### **Registration Information for 2015-16**

- On 4/23, forms will be mailed to all families with children *currently* in gr. K-7 as long as tuition account is current. Children in **YOUR** family who will be **NEW** to the program must be registered on a separate form which will be available in the church vestibule or Religious Ed office.
- Registration will be opened to all families (**current and new**) through May 5. Forms must be received or postmarked by 5 PM
- *If you need a particular day*, register **ASAP** as class assignments are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. A small deposit is requested not required; payment arrangements can be made.



- **Current grade 8** teens will be registered for Confirmation Preparation at May 11 parent meeting, 7:30 pm, church. More information will be mailed home.

Special note for Parish families with an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at a Catholic school: Please contact the Rel.Ed. office if your teen will be participating in the St. Michael Confirmation program. We have important information to share with you before the parent session in May. 973-347-1465



Are you up for an awesome adventure at high altitudes? Are you ready for a divinely daring and dramatic descent this summer?

**Mark your calendars**  
**VBS is August 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>**

*Essentials for your experience will be en route expeditiously*

## Youth Ministry News

**Fr. Leonardo 973-224-6693 or 973-347-0032**

### **Forgiving an Enemy**

Miriam young Iraqi refugee girl knew that her comments about forgiveness would go viral. When interviewed recently by Sat 7 reporter Essam Nagy, 10-year-old Myriam shared her heart about life as a refugee in Erbil, Kurdistan. She told Nagy that she forgives ISIS for forcing her family from their home last summer in Qaraqosh, Iraq. Now, Myriam's words have been viewed by at least 500,000 people, and her child-like faith has encouraged and inspired Christians worldwide. Tens of thousands were moved by her sweet, precious song of praise of Jesus. Essam Nagy brings us the story behind the story. So, please do not forget to pray for Myriam, her family, and the millions of Iraqi and Syrian refugees experiencing daily hardship in camps throughout parts of the Middle East. See video <https://youtu.be/ige6CcXuMg>

### **Mother's day**

It's that time of the year for our Mother's Day Flower Sale to benefit the youth. Support a great cause and bring some more beauty to your home. Remember, they like flowers! Flower Sale at Masses will be on the weekends of April 11/12 and 18/19. Flower Pick up is Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Show Mom you're thinking of her.

### **Adam's Restaurant**

We invite you to go to Adams Restaurant; they will give us a percentage of your bill. The only thing that you need to say is "I am from Saint Michael's Church." It's a good way to help young kids who want to serve the poor and less fortunate.

### **TOGETHER WE'RE BETTER**

A great way to help our youth with only a little planning and no cost to you is to buy gift cards. The youth are selling gift cards at face value (so a \$25 card to Shoprite for example costs you

\$25). Where & When you can buy: **after all weekend Masses**. Thank you for your support!

### **Clean Out Your Closets!**

Saint Michael Youth Ministry wants your generous donation with a collection of *clothes, shoes, kitchen tools, picture frames, coffee makers old lamps Etc.* Please bring them to the gym basement. Those items will be collected from now until April 18. Please leave near the gym front doors and we will take them in. Thanks so much. God Bless you.

### **Mission Trip Meeting:**

We have an important Meeting on April 26 at 1:00pm.

## **St. Michael School**

### **SPONSORS & VENDORS WANTED - 2nd Annual St Michael School Italian Festival**

Bigger & Better!!! FOOD – RIDES GAMES – LIVE

MUSIC EVENTS - VENDORS - FIREWORKS

DEADLINE –

APRIL 1, 2015 CONTACT US TO LEARN MORE

[info@smsitalianfest.com](mailto:info@smsitalianfest.com)

May 28 – 31 Waterloo Concert Field

## **REGISTER NOW - St. Michael School**

**Pre- K 3 through Grade 7**

**A Technology-infused curriculum rooted in  
Catholic Faith and Tradition**

- ❖ Established, developmentally appropriate Pre – K classes with flexible options
- ❖ Challenging curriculum that meets or exceeds current standards
- ❖ Innovative Middle School 1:1 IPAD Initiative for Instruction in Subject areas eliminating textbooks
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Call to schedule your personal tour  
973-347-0039



## **St. Michael School Camp**

If you want to give your child the best summer ever than St. Michael School Camp is the place for them! Our camp offers a safe environment for our campers to enjoy a good old-fashioned summer. Supervised by certified teachers, with Virtus training, our camp runs from June 29, 2015 through August 14, 2015. Each week has a fun theme that is incorporated into our activities.

We offer the opportunity for children to experience a more traditional summer by getting them away from technology and encouraging them to play and use their imaginations. The creative process of play fosters emotional health, original thinking, problem solving, critical thinking and self-regulation. Children work through challenges and gain confidence when given the opportunity to invent their own scenarios in play. St. Michael School Camp allows children to take initiative, ask questions and create and solve their own problems. These life skills help to build a foundation for understanding concepts and skills that form and enhance the basis of academic learning.

Our camp runs from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. with before care starting at 7:30 a.m. and aftercare until 5:30 p.m. Cost for camp is \$180.00 per week with a small additional charge for before care and after care.

If you would like additional information please call St. Michael School at 973-347-0039, ext. 19

## **Rice Bowls**

Please return your rice bowls to the rectory.

Thank you so much.

## **Respect Life Committee**



The Respect Life Meeting will be held the first Saturday of the month at 11:30am in the rectory basement. Holy Hour will be the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm in church.

***All life is sacred from conception to natural death.*** Please prayerfully consider becoming a member of our Respect Life Committee. Any questions please call Andrina at 973-347-9418. (Crisis Pregnancy Hotline – 800-848-5683)

## **Spiritual Adoption**

Please spiritually adopt, name and pray for an unborn child somewhere at the risk of being aborted. You can sign the book by the statue of the Blessed Mother and take a prayer or use your own prayer for the next nine months.

## **ADORATION OPEN HOURS**

Our open hours are posted below. Ideally we would like to fill these hours first but all hours of the day or night are available. Please consider signing up for an hour that is convenient for you and help us to reach our goal of at least two adorers for every hour. Hourly coordinators and substitutes are also needed.

SUNDAY	1 PM
MONDAY	2 AM
MONDAY	5 AM
TUESDAY	11 AM
TUESDAY	12 PM
TUESDAY	1 PM
TUESDAY	4 PM
WEDNESDAY	4 PM
THURSDAY	12 AM
FRIDAY	8 AM
FRIDAY	4 PM
SATURDAY	3 PM

Thank you and God bless you. Chris Warner 973-527-3839

## **Knights of Columbus Country Breakfast**

The Knights will be having their monthly Country Breakfast Sunday April 19th from 7:30 – 12  
Proceeds to benefit the Scouts.

For more information please call the Knights at (973)347-9706 or email [kofc3665@gmail.com](mailto:kofc3665@gmail.com).



## **Conference with Deacon Stu**

At all Masses the weekend of April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>  
Continues with evening session on the 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and  
Ends with the Healing Mass on Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

