

The Church of Saint Michael

Sunday, August 9, 2015

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Please remember in your prayers those who have died:

Amparo Ramirez

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish:

Fanny Monsalve, Joan Hall, Pat Leone, Phil Grella, 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, Simon Harvey, Rob Newton, Special Intention, Jeanne Rattner, Nancy Richio, Rose DeSantis, Edmond DeSantis Jr., Emma Jane Fenimore, Rosemarie DiRupo, David Pope, Tracy Burghardt

Weekly Memorial

Altar Bread & 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

Friday:..... Under Mary's Mantle 7:30 pm

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

Readings for the week

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Sunday

1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30—5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Monday

2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday

Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday

Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 8, 2015

8:00 a.m. Mario & Joseph Francomacaro

5:00 p.m. Louis Castaldi, MaryAnn Weldon

7:00 p.m. Special Intention

Sunday, August 9, 2015

7:00 a.m. Fritz Grogan

8:45 a.m. Frances & Matthew Soccio, Theresa Tardive

10:30 a.m. Rosemarie Woolston, Andrew Baranik

12:00 p.m. To End Abortion

5:00 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, August 10, 2015

7:00 a.m. Jack Norgard

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

8:00 a.m. Paula Tardive

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

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

Thursday, August 13, 2015

8:00 a.m. Pasqualine & Vincenzo Arbolino

Friday, August 14, 2015

7:00 a.m. John J. Bauer, Bill Ruf

Saturday, August 15, 2015 The Assumption

8:00 a.m. For the Feast of the Assumption Society, Netcong & Jimmy LaBell

5:00 p.m. Madeline & Nicholas Arbolino, Angelina Medrano

7:00 p.m. Teresa Ramirez

Sunday, August 16, 2015

7:00 a.m. Elizabeth Barbato

8:45 a.m. Zara Tighe, Jimmy LaBell

10:30 a.m. Josephine Rampone, Frederick J. Grogan

12:00 p.m. Jimmy LaBell

5:00 p.m. Special Intention

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

Sunday 8/2/15 **not available**

Amount Needed Weekly \$9,651.00

During summer months our collections are low. Last week we collected (available next week). To run our parish properly we need \$9,651. Please consider helping a little bit more if you can.

From The Pastor's Desk

St. Maximillian Kolbe

Maximillian Kolbe was born Raymond Kolbe in Poland on January 8, 1894. Early in his childhood, he had a vision of the Virgin Mary. This was significant to him that he chose to live a life of sanctity and die a martyr. His father was hanged for fighting for an independent Poland. At the age of 13, he and his brother entered a Franciscan seminary. In 1910, he was given the name Maximillian and was an initiate.

He was motivated to “fight for Mary” in his life. He witnessed many horrifying protests and other horrible actions against the church. He is known for his composition, the Immaculata Prayer, which is a consecration to the immaculately conceived Virgin Mary. But he is most known for his heroic action at a concentration camp that led to him being canonized a saint.

In Auschwitz, Kolbe heroically took the place of a man who was one of ten chosen to die in place of three who had apparently escaped the camp. The man had a wife and children and was concerned about them. He said, “I am a Catholic priest from Poland; I would like to take his place, because he has a wife and children.” The man says he could only thank him with his eyes for the sacrifice he made. Maximillian Kolbe was beatified on October 17, 1971 and canonized on October 10, 1982. His feast day is August 14th.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August

Universal: That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.

Evangelization: That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbours to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.

Healing Mass – Our Healing Mass will be August 25 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

Registration Information for 2015-16

- Registrations are being accepted in the office UNTIL Aug. 15. No registrations will be accepted after 8/15 until after classes begin in Sept!
- NOTE: WE CANNOT ACCEPT NEW registrations without a baptismal certificate (or accurate date if child baptized at St. Michael) unless child has never been baptized.
- Please remember that catechists and aides receive significant tuition discounts!

Call the Religious Education office if you have questions (973-347-1465).

Confirmation II

Due dates for registration/retreat:

Con II registrations are due now. If we do not receive the form you will not be on our mailing list and we cannot accept retreat forms from non-registered teens. (payment is not necessary at this time)

July 20 Retreat permission form due/ **Payment 1**

Aug. 20 Payment 2 due (\$40)

Need for Catechists:

Please remember, without volunteer catechists, we cannot teach our youngest parishioners about the love of God and his Church! *Every* baptized person is called to evangelize and many are called to catechize. Please consider if the Holy Spirit is calling *you* to share some of the blessings you have received through your relationship with the Lord!

Sunday: Grades 3, and 6, aides gr. 1,3

Confirmation: gr. 9 this is a big need this year as a number of our catechists are moving on to other ministries. ***Please consider this ministry***—it is a great opportunity to share the Word of God with our awesome parish teens!

We need a catechist to help some young children prepare for Baptism. Please call Debbie if you are interested. This is a different type of ministry that is not locked into the Religious Education session schedule. Please call for more information.

Summer service opportunities

Any teen who needs service work over the summer is asked to contact Mrs. Rogalo at the Religious Ed office. We have some work that needs to be done over the summer.

VBS this week at St. Michael—



Please keep in your prayers all of the teens and adults who are running our VBS this week, teaching our youngest parishioners how to ***Conquer Challenges with God's Mighty Power!***

Youth Ministry News

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

Reflections from Adult Mission Trip Participants

Amazing...

What an amazing week! The mission trip was one of the best weeks of my life. My work crew (which consisted of 5 teens I had never met before) AND my resident and his son have now become my family and a part of my heart forever! We added a deck and a wheelchair ramp for our resident.

I think the best part about the mission trip is that it all centers around Jesus and that we all worship, pray and work together for Him. That makes this trip different from many others and that's why our people want to go many times since the experience is so powerful. I highly recommend to anyone, teen or adult, who wants to experience Jesus working in their lives while serving others to go on a mission trip. It will be one of the best weeks of your life!

Karen Cubberly

A glimpse...

While on our mission trip in Bluefield, VA, I believe we were given a "glimpse" of what God has in store for us, *those who love Him*. I am thankful to God, our parish and Annemarie that I was able to go on our parish mission trip with 36 of our young adults and several other adult chaperones. It was a long week with a very busy and rigorous schedule of which "Program" (morning and evening assemblies), "Devotion" (team reflection and prayer) and "work" (building, painting and repairing our resident's houses) took up most of our time. Most of what we were feeling and experiencing throughout the whole week was pure joy, peace and the Love of Jesus. We were a very large group of God's children coming together to share His love for our neighbor and in the midst of a LOT of hard work, challenges, extreme heat and the occasional hurt, we saw what selfless giving is all about... Emptying ourselves for the sake of others with the Love of Jesus as our full and undivided motivation resulted in that little glimpse of heaven. The Beatific Vision. In total and full communion with Jesus, with the overall and overwhelming feeling of Peace. We gave ourselves in love of God and neighbor and received True Love (Jesus) in return. I pray I will be able to go again...

Deacon Rich

CD's available in church

Please check out the CD rack in the back of the church for some new and interesting releases.

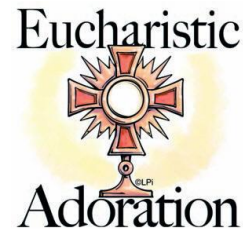
Cost just \$3.00 each.

St. Michael Knights of Columbus Event Golf Outing

Save the date. We have scheduled Knights of Columbus Council 3665 Annual Golf Outing at Crystal Springs Golf Club on August 31, 2015.

St. Michael Outreach Pantry

We are in need of soup and canned or boxed potatoes. Thanks so much for your generosity.



"The Eucharistic Heart of Jesus is infinitely appreciative of the love you have for Him in the Blessed Sacrament. 'The Lord takes delight in His people.' This is why every holy hour you make changes the thorns in His Heart into many flowers of indescribable consolation. With Mary we offer Him any suffering in our own life caused by the feeling of not being appreciated, in order that all humanity may come to truly appreciate Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament. 'They are happy who dwell in Your House...they are happy whose strength is in You.'" (from the book *Rosary Meditations from Mother Teresa of Calcutta: Loving Jesus With the Heart of Mary*)

OPEN HOURS

SUNDAY	1 PM
MONDAY	12 AM
MONDAY	1 AM
MONDAY	2 AM
MONDAY	5 AM
MONDAY	2 PM
TUESDAY	11 AM
TUESDAY	1 PM
WEDNESDAY	4 PM
FRIDAY	4 PM

For more information or to sign up for an hour, please call Chris Warner at 973-527-3839.

Thank you and God bless you.

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.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: I Kings 19:4-8

Queen Jezebel had vowed to kill Elijah, who went into the desert and prayed for death. Instead he went to sleep and was awakened by an angel, who told him to eat the food God had given him. He ate and went back to sleep, but God's angel again woke him and told him to eat. Strengthened by the food, he got up and walked forty days and nights to the mountain of God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:30—5:2

Paul appeals to the Ephesians to get rid of bitterness, anger, and malice. Instead they must be kind, compassionate, and forgiving just as God has been. We must be imitators of Christ, and love one another as he has loved us.

Gospel: John 6:41-51

The Jews were not convinced that Jesus was the bread that came down from heaven. But he again explains that he is the bread of life. He tells them that anyone who believes and eats this bread shall live forever. He explains that the bread he will give is his flesh, for the life of the world.



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"Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ."

When Paul wrote to the Ephesians, he included a shopping list for what we need and what we should eliminate from our lives. The KFC we can easily remember. They are virtues which we seek and surely manifest in many ways. The negatives we might overlook, and perhaps do not see them as barriers or obstacles when we consider receiving the Eucharist.

Paul is not referring to simple annoyances, as heat or storms, but as real vices directed at other people. Let's offer a remedy: First pray for the person or persons against whom we direct rage, fury and anger. Second, when we find it hard to 'forgive and forget' then remember, but without bitterness. The vices make us less human, less loving and selfish, less lovable.

The Lord speaks to us as He did Elijah 'Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you.'

The gift of the Eucharist offers us even greater spiritual strength to live the way Paul taught the Ephesians.

For Rent – Netcong

1 bedroom apartment, 2nd fl.
Call 973-347-1710

Parishioner looking for any baby/pet-sitting job or housework help. Available until August 10th. Please contact Ashley. Cell: 862-258-0794 tel: 862-258-0794 HernandezAN1@gcc.edu

Elderly Man needs overnight care in nursing home. Compensation negotiable. Please call 908-498-0185.