

**The Church of Saint Michael**

**Sunday, May 1, 2016**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**



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

Mark Corey, Brian Neely

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

Rose DeSantis, Edmond DeSantis Jr., Emma Jane Fenimore, Rosemarie DiRupo, David Pope, Jennie Sommer, Brian Bergeson, Eileen Bergeson, Jaydon Franklin, Paula DiElsi, Evelyn and Vivian Dumpert, Sam Rosa, Pat Leone, Simon Harvey, Robert Newton, Robert White, Phil Grella, Vincent D’Alessandro, Diana Palumbo, Patricia Heady, Elaine Dietz, Michele Demeo, Thomas Togno, James Maurino, Roland Berard, Margherite DiBernard, Peter Stchur, David Conklin

**Weekly Devotions**

Monday:..... Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00 pm  
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**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday**

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**Monday**

Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday**

1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

**Wednesday**

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday**

The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28,  
10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (or where the Ascension is transferred to the following Sunday)

Easter Weekday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

**First Friday**

Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

**First Saturday**

Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, April 30, 2016**

8:00 a.m. Special Intention  
5:00 p.m. Joanne Pucò, Alice Esposito  
7:00 p.m. For World Peace

**Sunday, May 1, 2016**

7:00 a.m. Dennis Stabile  
8:45 a.m. Eileen Licciardiello  
10:30 a.m. Tracey Payne, Nicholas Arbolino  
12:00 p.m. Lillian M. Clark  
5:00 p.m. Special Intention  
7:00 p.m. Barbara & Nicholas Bias

**Monday, May 2, 2016**

7:00 a.m. For All St. Michael’s Parishioners

**Tuesday, May 3, 2016**

8:00 a.m. Joe & Joyce Benvenuto, Rosemary Fox

**Wednesday, May 4, 2016**

7:00 a.m. For World Peace

**Thursday, May 5, 2016 The Ascension of the Lord**

7:00 a.m. Josephine & Emilio Rea  
8:30 a.m. Helen Rogalski, St. Michael’s School Students and Faculty  
7:00 p.m. Special Intention

**Friday, May 6, 2016**

7:00 a.m. For All Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, May 7, 2016**

8:00 a.m. Mark Corey  
5:00 p.m. Santino & Vincenzo Fratangelo, Grace Montemarano  
7:00 p.m. Jaime, Lucely, Gloria Patarroyo, Teresa Ramirez & Matias Salazar

**Sunday, May 8, 2016 Mother’s Day**

7:00 a.m. Thomasina Grogan  
8:45 a.m. Special Intention, Matthew & Frances Soccio, Mary & John Ronzo, Mary & Michael Soccio  
10:30 a.m. Mary F. Burns, Anne T. Keenan  
12:00 p.m. Rosemary Fox  
5:00 p.m. Special Intention

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

**Sunday 4/24/16 \$7,064.00**  
**Online for April (Monthly Total Coming)**

*To run our parish properly we need \$9,651.*

*Please consider helping a little bit more if you can.*

## From Fr. Adam

This Saturday evening and Sunday some of our second graders are receiving the Eucharist for the first time. Our congratulations to the First Communicants and their families, and thanks to the instructors in the religious education program and religious teachers from St. Michael's School for all their work in preparing the children for this Sacrament. It is important for parents to remember that the celebration of First Communion puts the emphasis on Communion, not first. The Eucharist should be a regular part of our life as Catholics. It is our belief that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist (see John's Gospel, Chapter 6) and that frequent Communion is a grace given to us to help us become stronger Christians. This year the children are receiving First Eucharist at our regularly scheduled weekend Masses. Seeing the joy of the children, as they receive the Real Presence of Christ for the first time, brings back memories of our own First Holy Communion. Thank you for praying for the children as our St. Michael Parish family welcomes them to the Table of the Lord.

God Bless you,  
Fr. Adam



### First Communion Celebrations at St. Michael Parish

**First Communions will be taking place during 4 Sunday masses this year: the 5 pm Mass on April 30 and May 7, and the 10:30 am Mass on May 1 and May 8.**

The proper place for celebration of First Communion is within the Sunday liturgy which reinforces the idea that the Sacraments are never meant to be private events but part of the life of the entire Body of Christ, the Church. It is the Church gathered as the community of the faithful that initiates and welcomes people into the faith (*RCIA*). And so gathering with the People of God called to form the Body of Christ at St. Michael is an appropriate and excellent way of welcoming the children to the Table of the Lord. With the celebration of their *first of many* communions, we welcome these young people as they begin to participate more fully in the prayer and praise of God every Sunday. We hope that you will join in the celebration with the children and their families at these Sunday Masses over the next two weeks!

### *Holy Father's Intentions for May*

#### **Universal: Respect for Women**

That in every country of the world, women may be honored and respected and that their essential contribution to society may be highly esteemed.

#### **Evangelization: Holy Rosary**

That families, communities, and groups may pray the Holy Rosary for evangelization and peace.

**-Healing Mass Tuesday, May 31st at 7pm,**

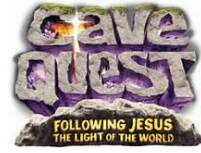
Rosary/Chaplet at 6:30pm

**-Youth/Family Mass Sunday, May 1 at 7pm.**



### **Eucharistic Flame Evangelist Comes to St. Michael Parish, Netcong**

Rev. Dr. Joseph Vadakkal from India celebrated the monthly Healing Mass here at St. Michael Parish on Tuesday, April 26. He spoke about the joy, peace and hope that one can get when we keep Jesus close to us in our hearts through reception of the Eucharist as well as Eucharistic Adoration. Fr. Vadakkal brought a First Class Relic of St. Paul certified by the Vatican with him and blessed all those present individually with the Blessed Sacrament as well as with the relic. He is well known for his dissertation "The Eucharistic Flame Evangelization" which he continues to share with those he celebrates Healing Masses for. He was appointed the director of the Eucharistic Flame Evangelization for Europe in 2006. Fr. Vadakkal has also written two books; one of which is titled "Jesus – your Eucharistic Flame." One of his books can be purchased in Polish, Spanish, Slovakian as well as English. He received an apostolic blessing on July 17, 2009 from Pope Benedict XVI for his work on the Eucharistic Flame mission. Fr. Vadakkal continues to spread the message of the Eucharistic Flame as he continues his time here in New Jersey.



Please take a peek at our new online giving program. It is so easy and simple! You set up your own account and can make changes when needed. Check out the flyer in the bulletin or the information on the website under the DONATE tab!

VBS Registration IS OPEN! There will be forms available in the vestibule after Masses and on the website (under Faith Formation tab)

## **Prayer Group Meeting**

The regular St. Michael prayer meeting will resume on Monday evening at 7PM the 23rd of May.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

### **Calendar Reminders-**

- Remaining Gr. 8 sessions: 5/2 (review), 5/9 (test)
- Remaining Gr. 1-6 sessions: week of 5/1. Please help your child study for his/her end of year test.
- Next Kindergarten: 5/1

**Confirmation I:** Next set of service forms is due JUNE 10

**Confirmation II:** Letter to the pastor due April 30. Sponsor letters due May 1.

### **Registration Information for 2016-17 ONLY THROUGH MAY 7**



- On or about 4/22, forms were 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 7. 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 9 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 or other 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. All 8<sup>th</sup> graders must take and pass the doctrine test before registrations are finalized. Please call Mrs. Rogalo for information (973-347-1465)

### **First Communion**

**Rehearsals** (6:45 pm, sharp in church; arrive 10 min. early)

**The classes of** Soraya Hernandez and Dee Tardive (First Communion 5/7, 5 pm)---Mon. May 2

**The class of** Tina DeLuca (First Communion 5/8, 10:30)---Tues., May 3

## **Youth Ministry News**

**Deacon Stu 973-347-1396**

### ***The Disobedient Son***

*Once there was a rich farmer in a village. He had a lot of land, cattle, money and many servants. He had two sons. He led a happy life with them. After few years, the younger of the two sons became unhappy. He asked his father for his share of property. His father advised him not to demand like that. His mother also advised her son to do so. But he would not listen to his father's words. He got his share and sold them. He had a huge amount with him. Once he got much money, he got bad company of friends. With this amount, he travelled to a distant country where he did all he wished. He had another bad company of friends there as well. Because of this, he fell into evil ways. All the money was gone. He became poor. AT that time, no one helped him out of bad company. Soon, he fell into debt. Then he understood his mistake and returned to his country and to his parents. He afterwards obeyed his parents and led a happy life.*

***WE should obey our parents.***

### **YM Retreat Planning Meetings**

**Meeting Wednesday, May 4th at 7:00 pm in rectory basement meeting room right side for adult coordinators.** Purpose is to do a detailed walk through of the draft agenda; talk about various roles chaperons and adult coordinators are interested in serve at as well as assign teens to talks, skits, activities to the extent we can at this time. Any other issues based on our collective experience should be brought up so we can document and resolve or followup on as needed. We will want to set up a meeting schedule for rehearsals, etc as well.

## Mission Trip Flower Sale Pick Up

The plants will arrive and be ready for pick up in the rectory garage on **Friday, May 6th after 6pm or Saturday May 7th, between 10-12am.** Just in time for Mother's Day. Thank you for your support throughout the years and for your continued support.

## Protecting God's Children Training

St. Michael's will be hosting a training class on **June 11th at 9:30am.** Please email or call Soraya to register.  
[pgc.stmichaelnetcong@gmail.com](mailto:pgc.stmichaelnetcong@gmail.com) or 973-202-1909

## Congratulations Betty!

Congratulations to Betty Pinsonault of our parish. Betty has been chosen to receive the Vivere Christus Award on May 15th at St. Philip's Church in Clifton. We want to thank Betty for all that she does for our parish.

## ADORATION NOTICE

**"Recommit yourself to the love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. By expressing it in the way that He asked you to express it, your willingness to spend time with Him in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Our love is measured by our willingness to spend time with the Beloved...When Our Lord shows the world His glory, when He has won the victory, we may be able to rejoice that much more in His victory, for it will be the love of His friends that will have moved His Heart to show His glory to this broken world in order that He Himself may heal it."** (Excerpt from M.B.S. audio tape "Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration")

### **OPEN HOURS**

**SUNDAY 3 AM**  
**SUNDAY 7 PM**  
**MONDAY 12 AM**  
**MONDAY 2 AM**  
**MONDAY 8 AM**  
**MONDAY 1 PM**  
**MONDAY 2 PM**  
**TUESDAY 11 AM**  
**FRIDAY 3 PM (CO-ADORER NEEDED)**  
**SATURDAY 4 AM**

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



## LECTOR OPPORTUNITIES

Would you like to become more involved in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass? As a lector you can. This service to our Lord is spiritually uplifting, will deepen your faith and requires little time. Your *yes* is especially needed now, with two lectors moving in the near future and another going to college. Please call [973] 248 - 5265 (John Matits) or [973] 347 - 9030 (Valerie Nichols) for information. Thank you and God bless you.



## Respect Life Committee

If anyone would like to join us, please call Andrina at 973-609-4012. We need your help and your ideas...

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.

(Crisis Pregnancy Hotline – 800-848-5683)

**-Please join us at Planned Parenthood in Newton for one hour of prayer – First Saturday of each month at 10am. All are welcome. We need to end these atrocities against life.**

## Spiritual Adoption

*Please spiritually adopt a baby in danger of abortion. The sign up book gives the baby a name and we ask that you pray for them each day for the entire pregnancy. Take a prayer card because your prayers can save a life. The book is near the statue of Our Blessed Mother. God Bless you.*

*The Respect Life Committee*

## From the Diocese....

*The Catholic Schools Office, Diocese of Paterson, is seeking applicants for the 2016-2017 school year for the following positions:*

*Principal, St. Andrew the Apostle Elementary School, Clifton, NJ*

*Principal, St. Therese Elementary School, Succasunna, NJ*

*Information and application materials can be found at <http://www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings>.*

*Closing date for applications is May 15, 2016.*

## Community Info

**Full time live in aide needed** – room and board, salary provided. Please call Rita 201-723-7694

**Netcong – 1 bedroom apartment, 2nd floor**

Please call 201-207-3006

## **Bayley-Ellard Reunion**

Class of 1966 is having their 50th reunion on Oct. 1, 2016 at the Westin Governor Morris in Morristown, NJ. Please call Hortense for info 973-347-6236.