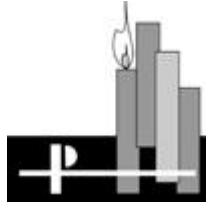


The Church of Saint Michael
Sunday, November 27, 2016
First Sunday of Advent



Please remember in your prayers those who have died.

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, Pat Leone, Simon Harvey, Robert Newton, Phil Grella, Diana Palumbo, Patricia Heady, Elaine Dietz, Michele Demeo, Thomas Togno, James Maurino, Roland Berard, Peter Stchur, Daniel Barra Sr., Phillip Dalbec, Irma Vidal, Tim Paternostro, Doug Ernst, Czesia Hader, Edith Olivo Beth Courter, Sophie Modrzynski, Loda Nerbecki, Valerie Matronich, Zach Glut, Pauline Milone, Antal Frey, Josephine Brozon, Margaret DiPasquale

Weekly Memorial

Sanctuary Lamp: Andrew Weaver

Weekly Devotions

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

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Monday

Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Thursday

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

First Friday

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

First Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 26, 2016

8:00 a.m. For All Souls

5:00 p.m. Vincent Dalessandro, Lynne Anne Gudiana

Sunday, November 27, 2016

7:00 a.m. Emilio, Josephine, Vincent & Sam Rea,
Thomasina Grogan, Andrew Weaver,
Louis & Alice Esposito

8:45 a.m. For All Deceased Family Members

10:30 a.m. For World Peace

12:00 p.m. Jesse Faunt

1:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, November 28, 2016

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

7:00 p.m. Advent Retreat – For All Parishioners

Tuesday, November 29, 2016

8:00 a.m. Joseph Kelly

7:00 p.m. Healing Mass & Advent Retreat Intentions

Wednesday, November 30, 2016

7:00 a.m. Richard Manfredo

Thursday, December 1, 2016

8:00 a.m. Respect Life

Friday, December 2, 2016

7:00 a.m. Henry Coppola

Saturday, December 3, 2016

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

5:00 p.m. Vincent Dalessandro, Emelio, John &
Margaret Verdi

Sunday, December 4, 2016

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:45 a.m. Augustine & Philomena Verdi

10:30 a.m. Frank Galante, Ralph Amato

12:00 p.m. James Wilson

1:30 p.m. Aristides Romero

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

Sunday 11/20/16 not available yet

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

Please consider helping a little bit more if you can.

-Healing Mass with Fr. Peter

Tuesday, November 29th at 7pm,

Rosary/Chaplet at 6:30pm

***Please pray for our Diaconate Candidates –
Russ Raffay and John Meyer***

From Fr. Adam, Pastor

This weekend we are starting the season of Advent and the new liturgical year. I am so happy that we can start our Advent and preparation for Christmas with our Advent Retreat lead by my friend Fr. Peter. I strongly encourage you to come on Monday and Tuesday at 7pm. There will also be Confessions on Monday at 6pm. Let us prepare well for our Lord's Birthday!

As you already know I love to do renovations! I am here 3 years and so far we renovated the rectory, some areas of the convent, put in a few flat roofs, some parts of the school, and rectory steps. This is all because of your donations for the renovation collection and some money from The Partners in Faith Campaign. Also we have done a lot because of the great men from our Building and Grounds Committee who donated their precious time.

Right now we are renovating our church basement. A lot is already done like our kitchen, heat, AC, dry wall and insulation. But the biggest items are still on hold. If you would like to contribute to the church basement renovations, we are preparing a plaque listing the names of people who have made contributions. You can donate some money in memory of your loved one, of yourself, or any one you wish, and by that you can help us to finish the church basement renovation.... The items for the renovation are listed below.

Thank you for all that you do for our wonderful church of St. Michael.

God Bless!
Fr. Adam

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH BASEMENT

RENOVATION MEMORIALS

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| Baseboard Heating | \$3,500 |
| Insulation | \$4,000 |
| Pipe Insulation | \$1,000 |
| Drywall System | \$5,000 |
| Soundproofing | \$10,000 |
| Drop Ceiling | \$15,000 |
| Electrical Wiring | \$5,000 |
| Ceiling Lights | \$5,000 |
| Wall Lights | \$5,000 |
| Sound System | \$3,000 |
| Tables (20) | \$6,500 |
| Chairs (200) | \$10,000 |
| Kitchen Cabinets | \$10,000 |
| Back Splash | \$1,500 |
| Granite Countertops | \$2,500 |
| Refrigerator | \$2,000 |
| Range/Installation | \$1,700 |
| Range Hood | \$700 |
| A/C System (TNT Air Donation) | |
| Tile Floors | \$15,000 |
| Server's Closet | \$2,000 |
| Choir's Closet | \$2,000 |
| Stair Covering | \$2,000 |
| Entrance Door | \$1,500 |
| Side Doors (Rt. #46) | \$2,000 |
| Wall Repair (Rt. #46) | \$3,000 |

Advent Retreat

St. Michael's will be having an Advent Retreat on November 26, 27, 28 and 29th with Fr. Peter who is the Director of Evangelization & Charismatic Renewal in Poland. The Retreat will be at all Masses on November 26 & 27th. On Monday there will be Confession at 6pm and Mass at 7pm. On Tuesday we will conclude with our monthly Healing Mass at 7pm and Rosary at 6:30pm. Please join us.

Holy Father's Intentions for December

Universal: End to Child-Soldiers

That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

Evangelization: Europe

That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

NEWS

Reminders.....

NO SESSIONS Nov. 27, for gr. K-6

CLASSES ARE IN SESSION ON MONDAY, Nov. 28 for gr. 1-6 and 7

Catechist in-service: Sun., Nov. 27, 10-11:15 am in the rectory basement.

Confirmation Prep:

-Confirmation I: Next Large group meeting: Sun., Dec. 4, 1-3 pm. One service form is due at this session! We will meet in the school.

-Confirmation II: all candidates have received a report detailing outstanding service, sponsor paperwork, etc. Saint report **due Nov. 30**

Religious Education Calendars for all programs are available on the website. Go to Faith Formation tab then choose Religious Education.

First Reconciliation Morning of Reflection:

Sat., Dec. 3, 9:30 am-11:30 am. Please arrive at church by 9:20 am. An adult should accompany each child. This is for all grade 2 and Mrs. Tardive's special Sacramental prep classes.



Gift Idea!

We have several copies of *We Believe and Pray*, a beautiful prayer book for children. Included are traditional Catholic prayers, practices and some basic teachings. Suitable for ages 6-12. The cost per book is \$7. Copies are available at the school during Religious Education class times or by calling the office (973-347-1465)

“Wrap Presents and Be Present”

~Best Advent Ever~



We prepare for everything we consider important in life. And that includes Christmas. We shop for gifts, bake cookies, decorate our trees, and visit family and friends until we're ready to drop. This year, prepare for Christmas in a different way. Join Dynamic Catholic for Best Advent Ever: *Rediscover Christmas*. You'll receive daily emails with inspirational videos, practical tips, or free Christmas music that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most. You'll experience Christmas in a way you've never experienced it before. Are you ready for your best Advent ever? To sign up, visit BestAdventEver.com (brought to you by Dynamic Catholic)

Youth 2016 Celebrating Christ This Christmas

Calling all young people (age 14 and up). Come join us for an evening of prayer, praise, pizza and volleyball. Let's shout out our love for Jesus in praise and song celebrating Jesus' birthday with a party.

When: Tuesday evening, December 20th
Adoration with praise and song at 7:00pm in the church,
pizza and volleyball from 8:00pm to midnight in the gym.

Spread the word.

Deacon Stu

Youth Ministry Mission Trip Fundraiser

The holiday season is here once again! St. Michael Mission Trip volunteers have begun selling gift cards after all Masses. You pay face value and your card is worth face value, but the Mission Trip earns a rebate on each card sold. Please help support this fundraiser. Thank you!

New CD's in Vestibule.....

Please remember that there are religious CD's available in the vestibule and they are \$3 each.

Thank you to Russ Raffay and Welcome to Betty Pinsonault

Thank you Russ for your service as our Evangelization Director. We appreciate all of your time and commitment. We want to welcome Betty as she will be our new Evangelization Director beginning this First Sunday of Advent and new liturgical year.

St. Michael's Giving Tree

Is here!!!



The Giving Tree is located in the back of the church and the ornament tags are available. We are asking that you **return the ornament tag with the wrapped gift by December 10/11th**. God Bless your generosity.

Thank you to St. Michael's Knights of Columbus #3665!

The Knights have recently donated a total of \$1,500 to the Food Pantry, two cases of children's coats for Christmas, 36 turkeys and collected food donations every Friday evening at Bingo. Thank you for helping so many people in need. We appreciate all of your hard work and generosity.

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.

St. Michael's Christmas Concert

Lessons and Carols

Friday, December 16th at
7pm in church. Please join
us for some beautiful
Christmas music.



SAINT MICHAEL'S OUTREACH PANTRY

The food pantry is in need of your help!!! The cupboard is bare!!! We are in need of canned vegetables and canned fruit, pasta, and jarred spaghetti sauce. Because of your incredible kindness and generosity, we have always been able to provide for our needy families. Please help us to continue to help the needy in our community. *If you would like to donate a turkey or a ham for Christmas, please bring it to the rectory office Monday through Thursday from 9am-2pm. Thank you.*



Special Offer from Sunnyside Garden and Gifts Rt. 206 North, Byram! 973-347-3010

~ Bring a bag of food for our St. Michael

Outreach Food pantry to Sunnyside and receive

10% off your holiday purchase! The folks at Sunnyside have offered to be a remote "drop off" location for our Food Pantry! Spread the word and thank you!

Prayer Group Meeting

Mondays at 7pm

ParishPay
Making it Easier to Give™

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!

Stop Assisted Suicide in New Jersey

Our State Assembly has narrowly passed a bill permitting assisted suicide. The bill now goes to the State Senate for its vote. You can help to defeat this law by calling your State Senator and informing him of your opposition. Many senators will vote on the basis of the pros and cons registered on their phone calls. Call today, as the vote will likely be taking place within a few days. Tell your senator that you oppose the Assisted Suicide Bill Number S-2474 and you urge him to vote NO.

District 24 (Stanhope, Mount Olive, Byram, Andover Borough and Township, Green Twp): Senator Steven V. Oroho 908-300-0200

District 25 (Byram, Roxbury): Senator Anthony R. Bucco 973-627-9700



The World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) Prayer Cell meetings have been postponed due to the upcoming 33 Days to Merciful Love retreat! Keep looking for updates on the next meeting.

ADORATION NOTICE

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven...." Mother Teresa

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 prayerfully 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.

Open Hours

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| SUNDAY | 3 AM |
| SUNDAY | 10 PM |
| MONDAY | 12 AM |
| MONDAY | 1 AM |
| MONDAY | 2 AM |
| MONDAY | 10 AM |
| WEDNESDAY | 5 AM |
| FRIDAY | 1 AM |
| SATURDAY | 12 PM |
| SATURDAY | 3 PM |

Thank you and God bless you.
Marie Francisco 732-895-7972



Diocesan Christmas Concert

All are invited to join Bishop Serratelli and the faithful of the diocese for our annual Christmas Concert, "Christmas Flourish", an exciting afternoon of music for the Advent and Christmas seasons with our Diocesan Choir, Diocesan Children's Choir, along with the Gramercy Brass Quintet on **Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Parsippany.**