

The Church of Saint Michael
Sunday, December 11, 2016
Third Sunday of Advent



Please remember in your prayers those who have died:
 Dottie McCrink, Elaine Struss-Feret

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 Modrzyński, Loda Nerbecki, Valerie
 Matronich, Zach Glut, Pauline Milone, Antal Frey,
 Josephine Brozon, Margaret DiPasquale, Bill Regal

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

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday

Is 35:1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Monday

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab;

Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Tuesday

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday

Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday

Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

Friday

Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Jn 5:33-36

Saturday

Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 10, 2016

8:00 a.m. Margaret Chromey

5:00 p.m. Vincent Dalessandro, Sean Clark

Sunday, December 11, 2016

7:00 a.m. Louis & Alice Esposito

8:45 a.m. Martin & Anna Smith,
 Thomas & Virginia Romano, John Andico

10:30 a.m. Marie Lucatelli, Charlie Farruggio,
 Patricia Baumiller

12:00 p.m. Joseph Kasper, Carmella DeSantis &
 Ralph Guglielmo

1:30 p.m. Paula Mejia Special Intention,
 Isabel Locela Urias

Monday, December 12, 2016

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

8:00 a.m. Lisa Meyer

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

7:00 a.m. For our Parishioners

Thursday, December 15, 2016

8:00 a.m. Anthony Preziosi

Friday, December 16, 2016

7:00 a.m. For Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, December 17, 2016

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

5:00 p.m. Vincent Dalessandro, Dion Amendola

Sunday, December 18, 2016

7:00 a.m. Richie DiRenzo

8:45 a.m. Anthony Vaia, Matthew & Frances Soccio

10:30 a.m. Paula Tardive, Nicholas Bias, Patricia Buckley

12:00 p.m. Carol & Peter Dinkowitz

1:30 p.m. Alfredo Rolando Gutierrez

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

Sunday 12/4/16 \$6,217.90

Repair & Renovation \$2,068.00

Parish Pay

Nov. Regular \$4,009.00

Nov. R & R \$ 250.00

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

Please consider helping a little bit more if you can.

-Healing Mass

Tuesday, December 27th at 7pm,

Rosary/Chaplet at 6:30pm

From Fr. Adam, Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

As you know 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 renovation, 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 anyone you wish, and by that you can help us to finish the church basement renovation. If you donate \$100 or more your name will be listed on the plaque. I would love to see it renovated before I go to my active duty service. The items for the renovation are listed below.

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

God Bless!
Fr. Adam

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH BASEMENT RENOVATION MEMORIALS

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 taken
A/C System (TNT Air Donation)	
Tile Floors	\$15,000
Server's Closet	\$2,000
Choir's Closet	\$2,000 taken
Stair Covering	\$2,000
Entrance Door	\$1,500 taken
Side Doors (Rt. #46)	\$2,000
Wall Repair (Rt. #46)	\$3,000

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

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.

Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe

at the 1:30 Spanish Mass on Dec. 11th we will have a celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas with the Mariachis - all are invited.

Join us for our Spanish Nativity Novena

From December 16 to 23, at 7:30pm in Church
(Dec. 16 & 20 in Rec Basement)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

NEWS

Gr. 1-6: As per the calendar, classes are in session

Week of 12/11, 12/18

Gr. K: 12/18

Gr. 7: 12/12 (test)

Gr. 8: 12/19 (test)

NO sessions week of 12/25 and 1/1

Confirmation Prep

Confirmation I: Next Large group meeting:

Sun., Dec. 11, 1-3 pm. One service form is due at this session! We will meet in the school.

Confirmation II: Next large group meeting:

January 15, 1-3:20 pm

Service forms due: Jan. 10 (covering all service done since 9/30). Please note all make up service is to be completed by Jan. 10. If you need help, please contact Mrs. Rogalo, 073-347-1465.

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

Attention any Sophomore, Junior or Senior who would like to help on the Confirmation I retreat (to be held in Feb.): If you want to be part of the team, please come to our planning meeting on Dec. 12, 7 pm, School. If you have questions, please contact Deacon Stu (973-691-1396) or the Religious Ed office (973-347-1465).



Special Offer from Sunnyside Garden and Gifts

Rte. 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!

“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 ways. 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)

Religious Education and Youth

Important Meeting teens (sophomore and older) interested in participating on the freshman and eighth grade retreat teams. When: Monday, December 12th, 7:00 - 9:00 pm Where: School Building meeting room Deacon Stu

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. Lets 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.

St. Michael's Giving Tree Returns... This weekend



We are asking that you return the ornament tag with the wrapped gift back to the Giving Tree by **December 10/11th**. God Bless your 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.

Joseph will sing for you.....

In the spirit of Advent, the church gives us time to prepare our hearts for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. We surround ourselves with good food, family and friends. We sing carols and wish blessings of good will to one another. This year you can add to your festivities. How? Joseph Legaspi, our Director of Music, has agreed to sing at your home and help you celebrate a fun filled evening with your family and friends. As a fundraiser, all parishioners will be given an opportunity to participate this weekend. The winner will experience a delightful evening listening to our talented Director of Music, Joseph, singing to you and your family and friends. What a special Advent/Christmas present for all!

St. Michael's Outreach Pantry

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The cupboards at the Food Pantry were bare but now they are overflowing thanks to your generosity and kindness. Parishioners, community members and community organizations made certain that we had enough food for each family to enjoy a plentiful Thanksgiving dinner. We can't thank you enough for your continued support. At this time we are in need of personal items such as deodorant, razors, toothpaste, soap, body wash, shampoo, etc. As always, your help is greatly appreciated.

Prayer Group Meeting

Mondays at 7pm



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!



The World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) Prayer Cell
Next meeting is Friday, January 6th at 7pm

ADORATION NOTICE

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

Luke 6:38

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

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
SATURDAY	9 PM

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

Knights of Columbus 3665 Blood Drive

Monday December 19th and Wednesday, December 28th
3-9pm at the Knights Hall, Netcong

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Isaiah tells us that when Christ comes, the weak will be made strong, the deaf will hear, the blind will see, and, above all, “sorrow and mourning will flee.”

Second Reading: James 5:7-10

As the farmer waits patiently through winter and spring for the “yield of the soil” so, too, must we wait patiently for the coming of the Messiah.

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

While in prison, John sends a messenger to Jesus to ask, “Are you He who is to come or do we look for another?” Jesus replies by citing the miracles he has performed for the blind, the deaf, and the crippled. He concludes by identifying John as the messenger He has sent to prepare the way.