

The Church of Saint Michael
Sunday, January 1, 2017
Solemnity of Mary/New Year's Day



Please remember in your prayers those who have died:
Elvira Griffin

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish:
Colleen Looby

(please call 973-347-0032 or email smrc.church@gmail.com if you would like to add anyone to the sick list for 2017)

Weekly Memorial

Sanctuary Lamp: Andrew Weaver
Altar Bread & Wine: Grace Costanzo

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

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Sunday

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Monday

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday

1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday

1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

First Friday

1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28
or 3:28, 31-34, 36, 38

First Saturday

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 31, 2016 New Year's Eve

8:00 a.m. Veronica Geraghty

5:00 p.m. Vincent Dalessandro, George Zehnder

Sunday, January 1, 2017 Solemnity of Mary

7:00 a.m. Protection of babies in the womb

8:45 a.m. Josephine & Emilio Rea, Sam & Vincent Rea

10:30 a.m. Patricia Buckley, Vincent Tardive

12:00 p.m. The Brodo Family

1:30 p.m. Jamie Liamero, Guillermo Valdivia,

Maria Palma, Teresa Ramirez & Matias Salazar

Monday, January 2, 2017

9:00 a.m. Julia Ilaria

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

8:00 a.m. Deacon Ed Moran

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

Thursday, January 5, 2017

8:00 a.m. Robin Carlson

Friday, January 6, 2017

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

Saturday, January 7, 2017

8:00 a.m. Catherine Werner

5:00 p.m. Sabato & Angelina Gugliemini,

Vincent Dalessandro, Marie Vendola

Sunday, January 8, 2017

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:45 a.m. Bertha Kulick

10:30 a.m. Victoria Serafini, Ralph Amato

12:00 p.m. Special Intention

1:30 p.m. Tolio Araujo

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

Sunday 12/25/16 \$ 7,380.00

Christmas \$19,999.00

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

Please consider helping a little bit more if you can.

-Healing Mass

Tuesday, January 31st at 7pm,

Rosary/Chaplet at 6:30pm

From Fr. Adam, Pastor

After three and a half wonderful years that I have spent with you, it's time to say goodbye. This weekend is my last in our great parish of St. Michael. On January 17th, I will start my Active Duty Service for 101 Airborne Division in Fort Campbell, KY.

I remember when our Bishop told me that he was sending me to Saint Michael, he said: "I am sending you to a very good parish. Their pastor, Fr. Nick, is there for fourteen years already. They love him a lot but they will love you too because they are really good people." It did not take long to realize how wonderful you all are and how supportive you are to your priests and to your church. Not every parish has this many wonderful volunteers who take care of their parish like they take care of their own homes. Moreover, many of you adopted me spiritually and promised that you will pray for me all the time. All this makes me feel that we are united together like a family. I want to assure you that I will never forget about you. St. Michael parish will be always dear to my heart and I will always remember you in my prayers, especially during the Holy Eucharist, when I pray my rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. And I ask you only for one favor and that is to please pray for me during the Holy Eucharist, when you pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet and especially when you are in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. You may also want to add the prayer that you can see on this page that an anonymous parishioner wrote, for which I am grateful.

As soon I as I have my new address, I will e-mail it to Annemarie, our wonderful secretary, so she can share it with you in the bulletin.

I want to welcome our new Administrator, Fr. Michael Lee, as he starts his service in our parish on January 8th. He is a very good priest. You will love him and I know he will love you right away.

May God bless you every day of your life and Mary, our Mother, always intercede for you.
Happy and Blessed New Year!

Fr. Adam

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

Prayer for Chaplains from a parishioner

Dear Lord,

I ask you to keep all our military Chaplains safe and close to you. Give them the courage to speak Your truth to all those that they encounter, the right words for when they need to comfort their soldiers and strength that they can endure all that is awaiting them with hope and joy.

May their witness for Christ be an uplifting sign for those who are both faithful and those seeking You. I pray that these chaplains are steadfast in prayer, faithful in their service and dedicated in their ministry.

Please bestow on them the wisdom and understanding to do the job that You have called them to, the gift of counsel for their soldiers and their families, and obedience to both You and their superiors.

I especially pray for Chaplain Muda whom You have called to be one of Your representatives among the soldiers. May he fulfill his duties to You with joy and those to the Army with compassion. Please give him the special graces he needs to not only minister to the soldiers entrusted to him but also to their families and any who come to him in need. May he find peace and gladness in doing Your will among the soldiers. Keep him always close to You and remind him always that there are those whose lives he has touched both in the military and in the laity that will always be praying for him. Never let him doubt his calling to both you and the Army and may he be forever blessed with peace and love that will bring him through all the hard times that he may encounter. May he never lose faith or doubt that he is one of Your chosen ones.

I ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen

please include at least three Hail Mary's after you recite this prayer



St. Michael's Giving Tree

Thank you!

Thank you to all who donated gifts. We were able to provide gifts to all our outreach families. God Bless your generosity.

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH BASEMENT RENOVATION MEMORIALS

Baseboard Heating	\$3,500
Insulation	\$4,000
Pipe Insulation	\$1,000 taken
Drywall System	\$5,000
Soundproofing	\$10,000
Drop Ceiling	\$15,000
Electrical Wiring	\$5,000
Ceiling Lights	\$5,000 taken
Wall Lights	\$5,000 taken
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 taken
Wall Repair (Rt. #46)	\$3,000

Grade 5: During regular class sessions 1/22 and 1/23
 Grade 8: During regular class session 1/23
 Grade 10: During the large group session scheduled for 1/15, 1pm in school. Please note the assessment will only take part of the time; the balance of the session will be a regular meeting ending at 3:20pm.

Any young person who is absent the day of the evaluation will take it the day he/she returns to class.



First Reconciliation: as per the calendar
Sat., Jan. 14 at 10 am: Classes of Kathy Parker, Soraya Hernandez, Dee Tardive, Tina DeLuca

Sat., Jan. 21 snow date
 In the Church!
 Please keep in your prayers the parish children who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in January!



At the back of church there is a basket with refrigerator magnet 'sheep'—we ask that families take one and pray for the child listed on the back as they prepare to celebrate their First Reconciliation this month.

**Mass is at 9am on the Monday
after New Year's day.
No Confession.
The rectory office will be closed.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

There are no Religious Education sessions this week

Sessions resume:

- Gr. 1-6: Sunday Jan. 8 and Mon. Jan. 9
- Gr. 8: Mon. Jan. 9 at **6:45 pm** (and every Mon. night through 1/30)
- Gr. 7 sessions resume Feb. 6

Confirmation Prep:

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.

Confirmation I: small group sessions begin this month. Remember, attendance at all sessions is expected.

ACRE Evaluations for Grades 5, 8 and 10

As per the calendar and the letters sent home with every student (Gr. 5, 8, 10) ACRE Religion Assessment mandated by Bishop Serratelli will take place as follows:

Mission Trip 2017

Registration packets are available. Please submit the deposit to the rectory this week to receive your packet. Please label your envelope "*Mission Trip 2017 Deposit*". Questions can be directed to Deacon Stu by phone or email at smrcyouthministry@gmail.com

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.

New Jersey Right to Life Raffle Winner

The Volvo winner was from Bedminster. Thank you for your continued support of God's most vulnerable. God Bless you all.

*Andrina DeSantis
Respect Life Committee*

**St. Michael Bus Trip to Washington DC
March for Life
January 27, 2017**

Our bus will depart from the upper parking lot at about 6am and will return at approximately 11pm. There is no charge for the bus but there is a free will offering.

Sign ups will begin in January.

If you have any questions, please call John Hand at [973-670-7457](tel:973-670-7457) or email johnphand58@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus & Respect Life Committee

ParishPay
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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 Adoration Chapel is open on
New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.
If you can't make your hour,
please get a substitute.
Please do not call the rectory.**

Respect Life Committee



If anyone would like to join us, please call Andrina at 973-609-4012. 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

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 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 and Christmas. 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
No meeting on Jan. 2, 2017

ADORATION NOTICE

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
THURSDAY	9 AM
FRIDAY	1 AM
FRIDAY	1 PM
SATURDAY	12 PM
SATURDAY	3 PM
SATURDAY	9 PM

Thank you and God bless you.

Marie Francisco 732-895-7972

Volunteer needed with expertise in Interior Design

for help with windows, walls, etc. in our newly renovated church basement. Please call the rectory.

