

**The Church of Saint Michael
Sunday, January 22, 2017
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**



Please remember in your prayers those who have died:
Mariusz Pawlina

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish:
Colleen Looby, Peter Stchur, Irma Vidal, Tim Paternostro,
Bill Regal, Jeanette DiRenzo, Michelle Demeo, Diana Palumbo

Weekly Memorial

Altar Bread & Sacramental Wine: Salvatore Sclafani

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 in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 8:23—9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday

Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday

Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

Thursday

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Tit 1:1-5; Mk 4:21-25

Friday

Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 21, 2017

8:00 a.m. For the Sick of our Parish

5:00 p.m. Santina & Vincenzo Fratangelo, Michael Bortak

Sunday, January 22, 2017

7:00 a.m. Maureen McDavitt

8:45 a.m. Anthony Preziosi

10:30 a.m. Paul Rosato, Isaura DaCosta

12:00 p.m. Anthony DiElsi

1:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, January 23, 2017

7:00 a.m. Anthony Barbato

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

8:00 a.m. Ed Maron

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

7:00 a.m. Anthony Barbato

Thursday, January 26, 2017

8:00 a.m. Anthony Barbato, Matthew & Frances Soccio

Friday, January 27, 2017

7:00 a.m. Marguerite Izbicki, John Grogan

Saturday, January 28, 2017

8:00 a.m. Carol Baranik

5:00 p.m. Elwin & Mary Burd, Louis Castaldi

Sunday, January 29, 2017

7:00 a.m. Anthony Barbato

8:45 a.m. Alfred and Carmella Esposito

10:30 a.m. Charles O'Brien

12:00 p.m. For All Parishioners of St. Michael Church

1:30 p.m. Teresa Ramirez, Matias Salazar

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

Sunday 1/15/17 \$6,339.02

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. Michael

Dear Parishioners of St. Michael's Church,

Greetings. Allow me to express my joy and optimism in joining this wonderful faith filled community. I look forward to working with and getting to know everyone on this journey of discipleship. Another New Year is upon us and it comes with expectations for new and exciting things as well as strength to face challenges and uncertainties. It is certainly a time of excitement and apprehension but recalling the words of St. John Paul the Great, "life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." In this great adventure we call life, we are called to enter into these anxieties with conviction since it is an opportunity to expand our horizons and give us possibilities for growth. The best part for us is that Jesus will be with us on the journey throughout the year to nurture and strengthen us.

In his audience last week, Pope Francis said, "It is necessary to trust in God, and God will give a blessing." By trusting in God's Word, hoping in His promises, and relying on His providence for our parish, we become more like Him, sharing in His life and rejoicing in His care.

We ask for the intercessions of Our Blessed Mother and the protection of St. Michael the ArchAngel, that we may all continually strive for sanctity and that we may work together to establish the Kingdom in our midst.

God Bless

Veni Sancti Spiritu!

Fr. Mike

New Parish Emails

Fr. Michael Lee, Parish Administrator

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Fr. Jeider Barraza, Parochial Vicar

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Annemarie Bias, Office Administrator

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Deborah Rogalo, Director of Religious Education

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ST. MICHAEL CHURCH BASEMENT RENOVATION MEMORIALS

Please call the rectory if you would like a memorial for your family, friend or yourself. You can make payments.

If you donate \$100 or more your name will be listed on the plaque.

Baseboard Heating	\$3,500 taken
Insulation	\$4,000
Pipe Insulation	\$1,000 taken
Drywall System	\$5,000
Soundproofing	\$15,000
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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education session date reminders

Gr. 8: meets every Mon. night in Jan. 9 starting 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:** Feb. 12, 1-3pm with your sponsor!

All outstanding service forms AND Saint report corrections are DUE Jan. 30.

Confirmation I: **all candidates have received small group schedules!** If you don't know when your next small group session is, please call the Religious Ed office!

† **Retreat information letters** have been mailed home. Permission slip and fee to be returned to Rel. Ed. Office by Feb. 4

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:

Grade 5: During regular class sessions 1/22 and 1/23

Grade 8: During regular class session 1/23

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

Next catechist in-service: Jan. 26, 7:00 pm, rectory basement.



Vacation Bible School will be July 31st to August 4th!

Keep looking in bulletin and on the website for registration information and Crew leader training sessions.

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

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!

Spanish Ministry

Si eres nuevo en la parroquia te invitamos a llenar el formulario de inscripción a nuestra comunidad, estos formularios se encuentran en la sacristía. 973-347-0032 x205

Te invitamos a participar del estudio bíblico a las 7:00 PM (basement de la rectoría).

Muy pronto tendremos en nuestra parroquia el ministerio de parejas. Este ministerio tiene como misión crecer en el dialogo y en la oración como parejas. Para mayor información comunicarse con el padre Jeider Barraza.

New CD's in Vestibule.....

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

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



Apoya el derecho a la vida! St. Michael te invita a participar de la marcha Pro-Vida en Washington, D.C. el día 17 de Enero completamente gratis. El bus saldrá a las 6:00 AM y regresará aproximadamente a las 11:00 PM. Para reservar tu puesto por favor comunicarse con Mr. John Hand al [973-670-7457](tel:973-670-7457).

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

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.

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!

***If you can't make your Adoration hour
please get a substitute, call your division leader or
call Marie Francisco 732-895-7972.
Please do not call the rectory.***

ADORATION NOTICE

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

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	11 PM
MONDAY	1 AM
MONDAY	2 AM
MONDAY	3 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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

The prophet Isaiah describes the anguish of a conquered people, but he promises that they will triumph and will see a great light as on the “day of Midian.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10—13, 17

Paul speaks to the Corinthians with both anger and indignation because they are quarreling among themselves as to whom they should show allegiance. Some wish to follow Paul; some, Peter; others Apollos; others, Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his mission by going to Capernaum, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He selects Peter, Andrew, James and John as his disciples, inviting them to be “fishers of men.”

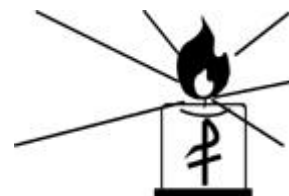
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“I beg you brothers in the name of Lord Jesus Christ, to agree on what you say. Let there be no factions; rather be united in mind and judgment... Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel – not with wordy ‘wisdom’ however, lest the cross of Christ be rendered void of its meaning.

From the early days of the church questions and disputes arose, as the communities were formed and began to grow. Two thousand years later, people continue to line up, choose a banner or are pasted with a label. The words of St. Paul should cause us to pause and think.

I hear many sermons, read many tracts, watch a variety of religious programs. All seem to have different perspectives. If they are credible, they should lead us to the cross of Jesus Christ. If they fail to do this, they are of little worth.

Did we not hear the scripture words “there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God who is Father?” May we learn to listen with a special ear, discern with a keen eye and discover the wisdom of Jesus Christ and the cross. Next time, don't listen for just what you want to hear, but what you need to hear.



Volunteer needed with expertise in Interior Design for help with windows, walls, etc. in our newly renovated church basement. Please call the rectory.

Caregiver Needed

Part time care giver needed for 90 year old healthy mother in Stanhope. 10am to Noon, plus 3pm to 5pm weekdays (4 hrs day) Prefer retired mother from St. Michael's, good pay, 20 hrs a week. Light household duties and shopping.
Call 973-347-9212.