

The Church of Saint Michael
Sunday, December 18, 2016
Fourth 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 Modrzyński, Loda Nerbecki, Valerie Matronich, Zach Glut, Pauline Milone, Antal Frey, Josephine Brozon, Margaret DiPasquale, Bill Regal, Janice Airel

Weekly Memorial

Sanctuary Lamp: James & Anna Pucci
 Altar Bread & Wine: Carol & Peter Dinkowitz

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Monday

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday

Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45

Thursday

1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

Friday

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

Saturday

Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79

Mass Intentions for the Week

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

Monday, December 19, 2016

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

Tuesday, December 20, 2016

8:00 a.m. For All Souls

Wednesday, December 21, 2016

7:00 a.m. Mary Ruf

Thursday, December 22, 2016

8:00 a.m. Right to Life

Friday, December 23, 2016

7:00 a.m. Mary & Ernest Palanchi, Theresa Weaver, Necelia Polianchik, David Weaver

Saturday, December 24, 2016 Christmas Eve

8:00 a.m. Jack Norgard, Fred & Grace Grogan and Deceased Family Members
 5:00 p.m. Elwin & Mary Burd, John J. Bauer
 7:00 p.m. Special Intentions
 11:00 p.m. Samuel D. Palumbo Sr., Adeline & Joseph Bencivenga, Joseph Esposito

Sunday, December 25, 2016 Christmas Day

7:00 a.m. Josephine, Emilio, Vincent & Sam Rea, Louis Castaldi
 8:45 a.m. Margaret Flynn, Robert & Maryann Weldon
 10:30 a.m. Alfred & Carmella Esposito, Thomasina Grogan
 12:00 p.m. Gus & Josephine Rampone, Martin C. Koert Sr.
 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 12/11/16 \$8,036.20

Retired Religious \$2,910.00

Immaculate Conception \$1,396.00

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 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
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.



Join us for our Spanish Nativity Novena

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

Fr. Jeider at the Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe



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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Gr. K-6: As per the calendar, classes *are* in session this week.
Gr. 8 has class 12/19 (test)
NO sessions week of 12/25 and 1/1

After Christmas---

Gr. 1-6 resumes Sunday Jan. 8 and Mon. Jan. 9
Gr. 8 resumes Mon. Jan. 9 at **6:45 pm** (and every Mon. night through 1/30)
Gr. K resumes Jan. 15
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.

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

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

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!



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 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)

This Tuesday!

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

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.



Would you like to help decorate our church?

We will meet to decorate our church on Friday, December 23rd at 4pm. All are welcome.

Country Breakfast with Santa

The Knights will be having their Country Breakfast with Santa Sunday, Dec 18th, from 7:30 – 12. For more information please call the Knights at (973)347-9706 or email kofc3665@gmail.com

A Christmas Message From Your Knights of Columbus Council

On behalf of the brother knights of St. Michael Council I want to wish our parish family a Blessed and Joy filled Christmas. May we continue to proclaim the Good News by placing Christ at the center of our Christmas festivities. *Vivat Jesus*

*Michael Rosa, Grand Knight
St Michael Council 3665*

Knights of Columbus 3665 Blood Drive

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

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 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.

Congratulations to Betty Pinsonault!

Betty's name was picked and she will be listening to Joseph's beautiful voice at Christmas time. Thank you to all who participated.

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!

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
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