

The Church of Saint Michael
 Sunday, January 13, 2019
 The Baptism of The Lord



Please remember in your prayers those who have died.

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish.

Weekly Memorials
 Altar Bread & Wine: For All Parishioners

Weekly Devotions

Wednesday:..... Rosary Group 7:30 pm
 Friday:..... Divine Mercy 3:00 pm

Readings for the week

The Baptism of the Lord

Sunday

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday

Heb 1:1-6; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday

Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday

Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday

Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45

Friday

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17

Mass Intentions For The Week

Saturday, January 12, 2019

8:00 a.m. Eugene Kim

5:00 p.m. Mary & Elwin Burd, Betty DiBernard

Sunday, January 13, 2019

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

9:30 a.m. Joseph Stassi

11:30 a.m. Ronald Costanzo

1:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, January 14, 2019

7:00 a.m. John J. Bauer

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

8:00 a.m. For the Unborn

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

Thursday, January 17, 2019

8:00 a.m. For All Parishioners

11:00 a.m. St. Anthony the Abbot

Friday, January 18, 2019

7:00 a.m. Mary Brodo

Saturday, January 19, 2019

8:00 a.m. Patricia Wise

5:00 p.m. Eleanor Sylvester,
 Joseph Anthony Cinotti

Sunday, January 20, 2019

7:00 a.m. Michael Bortak & Anthony Arbolino
 Richie DiRenzo

9:30 a.m. Jim McIntyre, Isura DaCosta

11:30 a.m. Ronald Costanzo, Intention for the Unborn

1:30 p.m. Special Intention

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

Sunday, 12/23/18 \$7,946.00

WeShare, 12/23/18 \$2,096.00

Christmas, 12/25/18 \$16,900.00

Christmas, Flowers \$1,432.00

WeShare, Christmas \$695.00

Sunday, 12/30/18 \$5,662.00

WeShare, 12/30/18 \$971.00

Solemnity, 1/1/19 \$2,439.00

Sunday, 1/6/19 \$6,042.00

WeShare, 1/6/19 \$1,216.00

Repair & Renov., 1/6/19 \$2,175.00

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

From Fr. Mike

As we come to the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, I think about our own baptisms and entering into a faith family. Naturally, I think we have to turn to the Holy Family as a model. When I think about the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Saint Joseph, I do not think that just because Jesus was God and Mary was without sin, that that made them holy. I think what made them holy was how they loved and supported one another. How they took on the crosses that life gave them (both literally and figuratively) and bore them together. What made them a family is that they prayed together and stayed together during the most difficult times of their lives. Remember, it was only Mary and two others that Jesus had at the foot of His cross. That is what made this family holy!

Where does that leave us? Well that is why I know that our family of choice can be what our own natural families do not provide. That is why I make such a huge deal about Saint Michael Church being your family of faith. Not just because it sounds nice, but because we want you to feel safe here, to feel welcome here, to be at peace here. We want you to know that we are diminished by your absence and increased by your presence. We need you to be part of this family, our family, your family!

As Saint Paul said to his community in Colossae, this should be a place where we are "God's chosen ones, holy and beloved" a place where you can find "heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience" where we "bear with one another, forgiving one another" and above all "love one another." Have we perfected that? Not yet, but we keep working on it each and every day! Of course, like belonging to any family, there are obligations and responsibilities that come with being part of this family.

This is not just a give and take relationship where the Church gives and you take. It is not even a 50-50 relationship, but rather, a 100-100% relationship. A family where both sides have to be committed 100% to making it work. It means coming to church regularly, each and every week. It means donating your time, your gifts, your talents and yes, even supporting your parish family, so we can continue the works of the Lord to our community that is in need. If you already belong to a "holy family" take a few moments and thank the Lord. And if you are not, then in the new year, maybe you can give this family of faith a chance to be that place, that space, that group of people you can call your own and they consider you a member of this family.

Maybe this coming year we can continue to work on being a loving family at home, a welcoming family in church and look to the baptism of Jesus. It reminds us of who we are and Whose we are. By Baptism we become sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, members of his Church, heirs of heaven and temples of the Holy Spirit.

*Our Next Healing Mass is
Tuesday, January 29th at 7pm*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Kindergarten has class today, 1/13

Jr. High: Sessions resume 1/14 for gr. 7

- Gr. 8 parent meeting 1/21, 7:30 pm, youth ministry meeting room

Confirmation Prep

- Con. I: **1/13** regular time and place
- **Confirmation I and II:** Service forms for the quarter (Oct., Nov., Dec.) due Dec. 31

First Reconciliation

Sat., January 19, 2019

9:30 am, The classes of Tina DeLuca and Lucia Pintos
Please arrive at least 15 min. early, in the church



Please keep in your prayers the parish children who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Jan. 19!



Youth Ministry

† MARCH FOR LIFE †

Thursday January 17th-Friday January 18th

Stand for those who cannot stand for themselves

Counts as an excused absence from school if you have discussed with your teachers prior to the trip about rescheduling necessary quarterlies, midterms, or homework

\$150

Only 2 spots available

First come first serve

† Youth Ministry Meetings †

Every Sunday unless posted

12:30-1:30pm in the school

All permission slips/registration forms can be found online

Calendar for other events and service opportunities can be found on the parish website at stmichaelnetcong.org/youth-ministry

THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

From St. Michael Outreach Pantry

We extend our sincere thanks for your holiday donations to the Food Pantry. Your contributions helped needy families and individuals in our community to have a happy Thanksgiving and Christmas. Because of your kindness we were able to provide the following:

Thanksgiving

59 Families

182 Bags of food

53 Turkeys

Christmas

66 Families

188 Bags of food

21 Turkeys and hams

We also were able to provide hats, scarves, gloves and personal items donated by various scouting troops, local schools, local organizations and individuals, and our Knights of Columbus made their yearly donation of children's coats. In addition, the Interfaith Food Pantry of Morris County provided us with fresh produce. We thank all of these organizations for their kindnesses and most especially we THANK YOU for your generosity at the holidays and all year long. You are truly a reflection of God's goodness.

Midnight Run to NYC

Our next Midnight Run to feed and cloth the homeless will be on February 16th. We are in need of new, gently used and clean jackets, pants, sweatshirts, t-shirts, hats, gloves, underwear and socks. (all in large and above for men – medium and large for woman) Toiletries; travel toothpaste, toothbrushes and travel soap, granola bars and juice boxes. We are also in need of sleeping bags, blankets and backpacks.

If you are interested in driving, please contact the parish office. (we limit to 5 cars and appx. 17 people) Please call to make arrangements to drop off donations.

ADORATION

"It's amazing how a simple act of committing to even a short time of regular Adoration makes such a huge difference to the rest of your life. You can carry that moment of being in His presence with you long after you've left the church or chapel. His grace sustains you in every moment, especially in moments of temptation.

Temptation becomes easier to resist when you're spending more time in Adoration."

OPEN HOURS

Tuesday 11pm, Wednesday 12am, Friday 1am, Saturday 4am, 10am partner, 3pm, 6pm, 9pm, Sunday 12am.

Please prayerfully consider filling an open hour. If you cannot make your hour – please find coverage or call your division leader.

Thank you!

Marie Francisco 732-895-7972

Andrea Trapper 973-347-7031

Knights of Columbus March For Life Bus Trip January 18, 2019

The bus will leave from St. Michael's upper parking lot at 6:15 am. We will return around 11:00 pm that evening. We will march with thousands of others to peacefully protest the Roe V Wade decision that legalized abortion in America.

The cost of the trip is free to all and is sponsored by

The Knights of Columbus Council 3665 Netcong.
To reserve your seat and for more information call John Hand @ 973-670-7457.

Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence to all who attend the March.

(Only with the proper conditions confession, communion and prayer for the Holy Father)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

All Boys and Girls, ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship on Sunday, January 27, 2019 from Noon – 2 p.m. at the St. Michael's Gym. Please bring proof of your age. Questions, please call (973)760-5569.

Make a Difference in Our Parish and Community – Join the Knights of Columbus here at St. Michael's Church. Please see Deacon Stu Murphy or call Greg Keller (973) 760-5569. You may also join on-line at www.kofc.org/joinus



Creating a spiritual blessing: Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Please join your fellow parishioners for breakfast on Sunday, February 3rd after the morning Masses AND help us make baby blankets to donate to our community. The blankets will be donated to babies who are baptized at Saint Michael, babies who are sick at local area hospitals and other local charities such as Birth Haven.

The blankets are made of fleece fabric and do NOT involve any sewing. A full blanket can be made in less than an hour. Even if you only have a few minutes, you can help make one! All materials will be provided and there is no cost. Volunteers are needed to cut material and tie the knots - that's it!

Please join us in helping our youngest community members and their families. Contact Mrs. Fett at 862-266-3545 with questions or to sign up to help.

From Fr. Henry



EL BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

Primera Lectura: Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7

Isaías cuenta del Siervo del Señor, quién será discreto, pero quien no descansará hasta que la justicia sea establecida. El Señor luego dice a su Siervo que fué formado para ser “una luz para las naciones”.

Segunda Lectura: Hechos 10:34-38

Pedro habla a un grupo de paganos por primera vez. Les explica que cualquier persona que sigue a Dios es aceptable a El, sin importar su nacionalidad.

Evangelio: San Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22

Juan el Bautista asegura que uno llegará, quien es más poderoso que él mismo, uno que bautizará con el Espíritu Santo en vez de agua. Cuando Jesús vino a ver a Juan y fué bautizado, el Espíritu descendió en El y una voz dijo: “Tú eres mi hijo amado a quien he elegido”.



Los Caballeros de Colón junto con la Parroquia de St. Michael los invita a hacer parte de la anual marcha por la vida en la ciudad de Washington D.C

De nuestra parroquia saldrá un bus en la mañana el día 18 de enero regresando el mismo día en la noche.

¡Este viaje no tiene ningún precio para los parroquianos, por lo tanto,

tenemos cupos limitados!

Interesados comunicarse con el padre Henry al (973) 347-0032 Ext:2350

