

The Church of Saint Michael
 November 24, 2019
 Our Lord Jesus Christ,
 King of the Universe



Please remember in your prayers those who have died:
 Joan Hoffman

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish:
 Tim Paternostro, Abigail Paternostro, Bill Regal, Diane Grzymko, Doug Ernst, Zach Glut, Catherine Lackey, Maggie Michaud, Diana Palumbo, Keith Pasquariello, Nancy Regal, Carmella Susco, George Ellis, Mari Grohowski

Weekly Memorial
 Sanctuary Lamp: Andrew Weaver

All are Welcome... All are Invited...
 Come... PRAY the ROSARY
 Monday though Saturday
 7:30AM

Readings for the week

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sunday

2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Monday

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28 or, for Thanksgiving Day, any readings from the *Lectionary for Mass* (vol. IV), the Mass "In Thanksgiving to God," nos. 943-947

Friday

Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 23, 2019

8:00 a.m. Anthony & Josephine Preziosi

5:00 p.m. Eugene & Regina Trapp, Eleanor Sylvester

Sunday, November 24, 2019

7:00 a.m. Thomasina Grogan, Andrew Weaver,
 Louis & Alice Esposito

9:30 a.m. Intentions of the Aziz Family
 Francesco Fluri

11:30 a.m. Eugene Kim

1:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, November 25, 2019

7:00 a.m. John & Margit Bakonyi

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

8:00 a.m. Anthony Preziosi Jr.

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

7:00 a.m. For All Deceased Parishioners

Thursday, November 28, 2019 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 a.m. Richie DiRenzo

Friday, November 29, 2019

9:00 a.m. Trapper Family

Saturday, November 30, 2019

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

5:00 p.m. Rea Family, Gloria Bauer

Sunday, December 1, 2019 First Sunday of Advent

7:00 a.m. Special Intention

9:30 a.m. Gayle Jackson

11:30 a.m. Chester DeFelice Sr., Francesco Fluri

1:30 p.m. Special Intention

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

Sunday, 11/17/19

\$7,004.00

WeShare 11/17/19

\$1,141.00

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

Next Healing Mass is Tuesday, November 26th at 7pm

From Fr. Mike

In November of 1621, after the Pilgrims' first corn harvest proved successful, Governor William Bradford organized a celebratory feast and invited a group of the fledgling colony's Native American allies, including the Wampanoag Chief Massasoit. Now remembered as America's "First Thanksgiving" although the Pilgrims themselves may not have used the term at the time - the festival lasted for three days. While no record exists of the historic banquet's exact menu, the Pilgrim chronicler Edward Winslow wrote in his journal that Governor Bradford sent four men on a "fowling" mission in preparation for the event, and that the Wampanoag guests arrived bearing five deer.

Pilgrims held their second Thanksgiving celebration in 1623 to mark the end of a long drought that had threatened the year's harvest and prompted Governor Bradford to call for a religious fast. Abraham Lincoln, at the height of the Civil War, made a proclamation entreating all Americans to ask God to "commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife" and to "heal the wounds of the nation." He scheduled Thanksgiving for the final Thursday in November. In 1941 President Roosevelt signed a bill officially making Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November. In many American households, the Thanksgiving celebration has lost much of its original religious significance; instead, it now centers on cooking and sharing a bountiful meal with family and friends. Turkey, a Thanksgiving staple, has become all but synonymous with the holiday.

So as we gather around someone's table (and I believe that no one should be alone for any holiday) we should give thanks to God for the good times and even the bad times. That we should return to the Lord with gratitude for the many blessings that He has shared with us in our lives.

As many of you know, our youth is fleeting and our lives are never a given. Our call "home" could come instantly or as the Scriptures say "like a thief in the night." So, let us take a few moments this Thanksgiving Day and do a few things: First, let us

give thanks to God aloud for the many blessings that He has shared with us. If we have lost loved ones, let us also give Him thanks for the many years we have had them in our lives.

Secondly, let us be exceptionally generous with the many people that would go without food during Thanksgiving Day. It is hard to give thanks to God when your stomach, refrigerator and cupboards are empty. We are exceptionally fortunate here at Saint Michael Church for the many people that continuously bring food to church each and every weekend. To them I am most grateful and personally appreciative. But to those who bring nothing, I would like to gently challenge you to "put your canned goods where your faith is." We want to extend to our less fortunate brothers and sisters, not empty hands and typical best wishes, but practical and edible symbols of our Christian love and generosity. As Saint Paul reminds us "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

So as we gather around our Thanksgiving tables, let us be mindful of those whose hearts are burdened with the pain of loss and know that our grateful hearts give thanks to God for the gift of our own lives, our own faith and our own health. Let our hearts also be filled with the joy of being generous and cheerful givers, that through our generosity and that of our parish family, knowing that our gifts of food and cheer specifically add to the joy of other people's lives during this time of the year. Thank you for your continued generosity and prayerful support of our Food Pantry and the many needy people that we minister to in your name.



Adoration Chapel Notice

Thanksgiving Day Mass is at 9am

Friday after is at 9am

The Adoration Chapel will be closed after the 9am Mass on Thanksgiving and will reopen after Mass on the Friday after.

2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal Diocese of Paterson



This time of year, as we come together to celebrate Thanksgiving, please consider making a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal as a way to give thanks for our many blessings. Each year, tens of thousands of people in profound need seek out the services of our Catholic Charities and, with the help for the Bishop's Annual Appeal, they find an open door and a compassionate response. Please make a pledge to our Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2019appeal.org.

Faith Formation News



Gr. K-6 NO sessions this week!

Sessions resume next week, 12/1 at 9:15 am in the church. Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Catechist in-service after 9:30 am mass, rectory basement meeting room.

Confirmation II:

- **Saint reports:** as per the handout given to you in your folder, you MUST do either a written saint report or a live presentation for a Faith Formation class by Nov. 30. Please contact Mrs. Rogalo if you would like to do the presentation for a K-6 group. Email us at: faith.formation@stmichaelnetcong.org

First Reconciliation/First Communion Morning of Reflection:

- For children in Mrs. DeLuca's and Mrs. Lopez's gr. 2 classes and Mrs. Pintos's special sacraments class
- Sat., Dec. 7, 9:30 am-11:30 am. Please arrive at church by 9:20 am. An adult should accompany each child. If this is a problem, please contact Mrs. Rogalo
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ADORATION

There are great fruits to adoration. Our faith deepens, we grow closer to Jesus and are able to hear what HE is telling us. We grow in virtues of holiness: obedience, humility, and patience. Our love for Jesus becomes greater and we experience peace and joy. Our prayer is also good for the Body of the Church of which we are part, St Michael Church.

NO OPEN HOURS – All Adoration hours have been filled. This is an opportunity to sign up as a prayer partner.

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

Yankee Candle Fundraiser

You can still place online orders to get delivery before Christmas. Order due before Dec. 6th (first order of candles are in – pick up in Parish Office) <https://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com/store.htm> - choose what candles or other merchandise you would like, and MAKE SURE TO USE THE CODE #99Up9993370 at check out.

Dec. 6

Midnight Run to NY

We are done taking donations for this run. Thank you to everyone who donated - also thank you to the people who helped sort and organize!

Dec. 14

Nursing Home visit – Mt. Arlington
1:30pm-3pm

Jan. 17-19

Sign up for Salesian Leadership Retreat

Application and payment due before Dec. 6th

Jan 24

March For Life Sign ups
(overnight trip – Jan. 23-24)

Feb. 13

Jason Evert – 7-9pm, St. Paul Inside the Wall

Youth Ministry Meetings

Mondays at 7:00pm in Youth Ministry mtg. room
All permission slips/registration forms can be found online. Calendar for other events can be found on the parish website at stmichaelnetcong.org/youth-ministry. If you have questions, please email Nicole at youth.ministry@stmichaelnetcong.org

St. Michael Church 50/50 Raffle
Please return your sold tickets asap!
Our drawing will take place at Coffee Sunday
On December 1st at 11am.



**Morris Catholic Cheerleaders present a
Craft/Vendor Fair**
Saturday, Dec. 7th – 9-3
In Morris Catholic High School Cafeteria
200 Morris Ave., Denville, NJ
For more info call Carol 973-601-9858

HELP THE FOOD PANTRY

The cupboards in the Pantry are bare!!!!!! We are in great need of the following items:
canned vegetables, cereal, tuna, and soup. Please leave your donations in the bin outside the rectory garage. Thank you, as always, for your generosity!!

St. Michael's Giving Tree Will be here on Nov. 30th!



The Giving Tree will be located in the back of the church and the ornament tags will be available. We are asking that you return the wrapped gift with the ornament tag by December 15th.
God Bless your generosity.

From Fr. Henry



Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
Sunday, December 15th at 11:30am
Bilingual

Wouldn't you like to serve at the altar?

All boys or girls in the fourth grade or higher who would like to serve at the altar are invited to come forward and do so. We have an **URGENT** need for servers who can serve at 5:00 PM, 7:00 AM and 11:30 AM. If you are interested in this special ministry of service please call Deacon Joe within the next week so he can arrange to train you. His telephone number is 973-229-6959. Or email at: Deacon.Joe@stmichaelnetcong.org

FREE



ZUMBA

Saturdays from 10 to 11am

Also Wednesdays at 7pm in the Parish Gym

¡Clases de Zumba Gratis en el Gym de la parroquia!!!!

Sábados de 10:00 AM a 11:00 AM

Y Miercoles a las 7:00 PM

NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO ES REY

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cualquier lectura del Leccionario para la misa (vol. IV), la Misa "En Acción de Gracias a Dios", núms. 943-947

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