

# Saint Michael's Roman Catholic Church

*A Tithing Community*

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## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday:  
9:30 AM to 1:30 PM  
**Closed Saturday-Sunday**

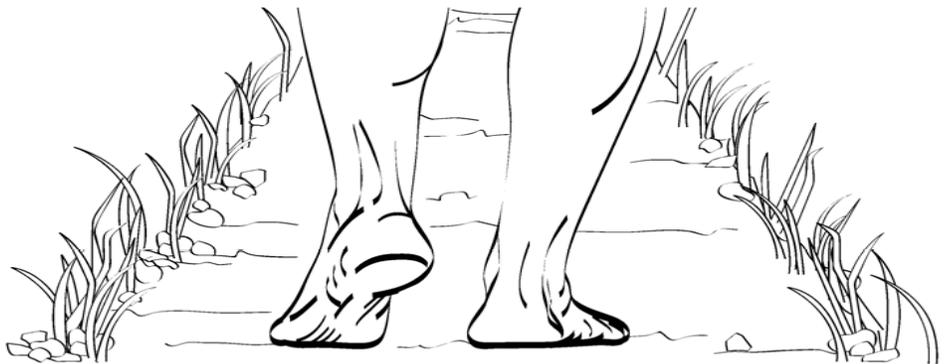
## Parish Staff

Reverend Peter Heasley, S.Th.D.,  
Administrator  
Reverend Benedict Paul, Ph.D.,  
Parochial Vicar  
Reverend Ernest Frimpong  
Sunday Associate  
Deacon Thomas Tortorella  
Reverend Akram Javid  
Sunday Associate  
Reverend Daniel Sabatos  
Sunday Associate  
Brian Freeman, Parish Secretary  
Sarah Glassman, Music Director



**We welcome new parishioners. Please introduce yourself to one of the priests after Mass and, at your convenience, please register at the Church Office. We welcome you and invite you to become an active member of our parish family.**

***Damos la bienvenida a nuevos feligreses: Por favor preséntense a uno de los sacerdotes despues de la Misa y a su conveniencia, por favor inscribase en la oficina parroquial. Les damos la Bienvenida y les invitamos a ser miembros activos de nuestra familia parroquial.***



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## Mass Schedule /

**Weekdays:** 9:00 AM (Monday - Friday)

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:** 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, (English)  
11:30 AM (Spanish)  
1:00 PM (English)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/  
Every Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM**

## Baptism

Registration for Baptism takes place by meeting with one of the parish priests. The child's birth certificate is necessary at the time of registration. Godparents must present sponsor certificates, from their parish, which state the child is registered for Baptism. Parents and Godparents are required to attend one instructional class. Parents must be registered parishioners. Baptisms are held on the fourth Saturday of the month.

## Marriage

It is expected that those requesting Marriage attend Mass on a regular basis and that they be registered members of this parish. Preliminary arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Please do not set a date until the pastor has been consulted.

## Sacrament of the Sick

Those who are sick, homebound, or in the hospital are vital members of our parish family. Please call the parish office to arrange for the reception of the Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick.

## Devotions

The Rosary is recited daily after the 9:00 AM Mass. The Miraculous Medal Novena is said after the Monday morning Mass. First Friday devotion includes a Holy Hour and Benediction after the morning Mass.

## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

*Saint Michael the Archangel Church is a multi-cultural Roman Catholic community seeking to live the faith honestly with courage, warmth, trust, love and hope. We are united together in fellowship as a family. The guiding spirit of Christ enables us to serve the needs of others, thereby leading to peace.*



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### **WELCOME THE STRANGER**

We have become accustomed to seeing pictures in the media and stories on the news about immigrants from Latin America and refugees from Syria fleeing violence and destruction in their own countries, trying to make their way to a safe place. We have also seen the reactions of people who want to keep them away from their countries, who fail to welcome the stranger and the helpless children. Have we forgotten Jesus' call to comfort the homeless and the stranger? "They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations . . . to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD."

In the three readings for this day, we are told that we are to welcome these strangers, to welcome the discipline of the Lord, which leads to peace, and to "strive to enter through the narrow gate" into the glory of God's own homeland, the reign of God.

### **DA LA BIENVENIDA AL EXTRANJERO**

Ya casi nos hemos acostumbrado a ver fotografías en las redes sociales e historias en los periódicos de inmigrantes latinoamericanos y refugiados sirios escapando de la violencia y la destrucción de sus propios países, intentando hacer una vida mejor en un lugar más seguro. También nos ha tocado ver las reacciones de las personas que intentan mantenerlas lejos de sus países, que se oponen a ayudar a los extranjeros y a los niños indefensos. ¿Se nos ha olvidado la enseñanza de Jesús de ayudar a los desamparados y a los extranjeros? "Traerán todos a sus hermanos y hermanas de todas las naciones . . . a Jerusalén, a mi monte santo, dice el Señor".

En las tres lecturas de hoy, se nos dice que debemos ser hospitalarios con los extranjeros, dar la bienvenida a los discípulos del Señor, lo cual nos lleva a la paz, y a "entrar por la puerta que es angosta" a la gloria del reino de Dios.

*Fr. Peter was away this week, and wanted to post the following invitation from St. Lucy's Parish nearby:*

### **St. Lucy Parish 2019 Pilgrimages**

*Our pilgrimages promote spiritual growth with the aim to bring our parish family and community to a deeper spirituality in faith, hope, and love of Him, and to Him, and with Him, and in Him who is truly the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Each of these pilgrimages will be a spiritual experience that will long be remembered.*

*September 18, 2019 - Shrine to Padre Pio, Barto, PA - bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. and returns by 7 p.m. \$40 per person. Bring own food - picnic tables available. Mass, talk and video will be provided on the life and works of St. Padre Pio.*

*October 17, 2019 - The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA - bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. and returns by 7 p.m. \$40 per person. Bring own food - tables available.*

*Please register and pay for trips at St. Lucy's Rectory in advance to assure a seat.*

*For more information, go to St. Lucy's Rectory, 833 Mace Avenue, Bronx, NY 10467, phone number: 718-882-0710.*

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab, 17; Mk 6:17-29
- Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

### **GRACE AND STRUGGLE**

The gift of grace increases as the struggles increase.  
—St. Rose of Lima

### **ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

I never heard anything about the resolutions of the apostles, but a great deal about their acts.

—Horace Mann

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, August 26th**

**Tuesday, August 27th** St. Monica

**Wednesday, August 28th** St. Augustine  
(*Christian Meditation Group 1:30pm*)

**Thursday, August 29th** The Passion of St. John the Baptist

**Friday, August 30th**

**Saturday, August 31st** Blessed Virgin Mary

**Sunday, September 1st**



### August 31st -September 1st

**Saturday**  
(5:00 pm)

**Stephen Perry**

**8:30 am**

**Michael Kaplan**

**10:00 am**

**Christina Nevers**

**11:30 am**

**Nelly Rodriguez**

**1:00 pm**

**Michelle Tapper**

Masses for  
the Week



### **Sunday, August 25th**

8:30am Priscilla Murphy

10:00am Frank & Kay Apollo- Special Intention

11:30am Catalina Munoz

11:30am Rafael C. Abreu

11:30am Roland Ramirez Rosario

### **Monday, August 26th**

9:00am Monica & Aaron Udeze

### **Tuesday, August 27th**

9:00am Raul Fuentes

### **Wednesday, August 28th**

9:00am Marilyn Baptiste - Special Intention

### **Thursday, August 29th**

9:00am Anne Rossi

### **Friday, August 30th**

9:00am Monica & Aaron Udeze

### **Saturday, August 31st**

5:00pm Mary Albert DelRio

### **Sunday, September 1st**

8:30am Ramon Rosa & Colon Family

10:00am Claire M. Tapper

11:30am Daniela Fonseca

11:30am Armando Dalmau

1:00pm Annamma Chackochen & James Luckose

## Sanctuary Lamp

**Gladys Nunez**

### A Note Regarding Renew and Rebuild

We have become aware of some difficulties with regard to payments made to the Renew and Rebuild campaign of the Archdiocese of New York. Those payments are to be sent directly to the Archdiocese of New York with the envelopes provided. Any outstanding issues between individual donors and the Renew and Rebuild campaign must be handled directly with the Archdiocese. We at Saint Michael the Archangel have no way of mediating any particular problem.

I would encourage our parishioners to continue to be generous in supporting the Renew and Rebuild campaign and the parish of Saint Michael's, despite these issues. The people of this parish are well-known for their generosity, both spiritually and materially. May God continue to bless us here in Co-op City with his many gifts and graces.

Fr. Peter

### WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

Weekly Collection: \$4794

Monthly Mortgage: \$137

Special Collection for Bishop Punalur: \$1060

Holy Day Assumption: \$1301

Thank you for your generosity!