

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

June 27, 2021 | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

DAILY MASS

Mon – Sat: 8:00 AM | Mon: 7:00 PM

First Friday: 12:15 (in Latin) and 5:30 (in English)

WEEKEND MASSES

Our weekend Mass schedule has been gradually evolving as our recovery from the pandemic continues. Please see our new weekend Mass schedule (Page 12) that will take effect on the weekend of July 10-11.

RECONCILIATION

Our Confession schedule has also been gradually evolving as our recovery from the pandemic continues. Please see Page 5 of this bulletin and our parish website for specific Confession times. All scheduled Confessions will be indoors near the St. Joseph Altar of the sanctuary until further notice. For a special need or to arrange for a by-appointment Confession at other times, please call the parish office.

REGISTRATION

To register with the parish, please call the Parish Office for information.

MARRIAGES

Couples who wish to marry at the parish should contact the Parish Office for a Marriage Request Form, and for further information. The bride or groom, or their parents/grandparents must be registered parishioners for at least eighteen months prior to the proposed wedding date to make arrangements. There is a twelve month timeline for wedding preparations.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms take place generally on Sundays at 1:00 PM. Other days/times can also be arranged. Parents must be registered parishioners, and can call the Parish Office for information and scheduling.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

There is a Monthly Holy Hour for Vocations that includes Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions. This Monthly Holy Hour is from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM on the Thursday immediately preceding the First Friday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To enroll your child for our Religious Education classes, please contact Kevin Connelly, ext. 2 at the Catholic Center. All families must be registered with the parish.



RELIGIOUS
FREEDOM
WEEK

June 22-29, 2021

*Saints Thomas More,
John Fisher, and John
the Baptist, pray for us.*

PARISH OFFICE

800 Ocean Avenue | Long Branch, NJ 07740

Ph: (732) 222-8080 | Fx: (732) 870-1174

www.stmichaelnj.com

Hours (pending return to full schedule):

Mon, Wed, Fri: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Answering service phone coverage at all other times.

Tuesday and Thursday: Office closed and observing part-time Covid schedule until July 6.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. John Butler, Pastor

Rev. Mark Nillo, Parochial Vicar

Thomas Randazzo, Business Manager

Kevin Connelly, Director of Religious Ed.

Mary Valan, Parish Secretary

Jose Rodriguez, Maintenance Manager

Lauren Walters, Acting Music Director

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16 Beechwood Avenue | West Long Branch,
NJ 07764

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Jesus said to the woman, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

Mark 5:34

June 27, 2021

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS*

Saturday, June 26

8:00 AM † John Tho

Aida David

People of the Parish

* 4:00 PM † Danielle M. Russo

Mom

5:30 PM † Renee Bazaz

Camille Doronin

† Don Plescho

Rose & Tom Lang

7:00 PM † Joseph Shevlin

Emilie Boman

Sunday, June 27

7:00 AM † Arthur O'Connell

† Judy Calandriello

Joann Dorgan

† Rosa Alba Stranieri

Mother Francesca

8:30 AM Special Intention: Healing and Deliverance for Gaelle

Gaelle Annulyse

† Gloria Townsend

Audrey Boglioli

* 10:00 AM † Harold John Bowman

Joseph & AnneMarie Principe

† Gabriel Dillon

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Principe

12:00 PM † Arlene Sue Muller

Richard Cero

† Maria Ermila Zapata Vallejo

Marina Kerber

4:00 PM People of the Parish

† Renee Bazaz

Friends of Renee

7:00 PM † Helen Schaefer

Terry & Jack Lee

Monday, June 28

8:00 AM † Helen Murphy

Daughter

Pro-Life Cause

Friends of Sylvia Marsico

7:00 PM † Irene F. & Edward W. Moskal, Sr.

Barbara & Edward Moskal, Jr.

Tuesday, June 29

8:00 AM † Incononata (Nada) Raffa Koenigsberg

Simonelli Family

Wednesday, June 30

8:00 AM † Joe Agresto

Wife & Children

† Allan McLeod, Jr.

Thursday, July 1

8:00 AM † Richard Balfour

Linda Heaning

Friday, July 2

8:00 AM † Conrad Russo

Wife

Saturday, July 3

8:00 AM † Michael Thorne

Thorne Family

† Marion Comber

Doris Schmidt

* 4:00 PM † Philip Meola

Loving Family

† Mary DeMarco

Kim & Doug Hindman

5:30 PM † Arthur O'Connell

† Anthony Caruso

April Caruso

7:00 PM People of the Parish

† Renee Bazaz

April Caruso

Sunday, July 4

7:00 AM † Antoinette D'Angelo

Paul & Agnes D'Angelo

† Rosa Alba Stranieri

Mother Francesca

8:30 AM † Scott I. Opatosky

Rick & Carol Ferrante

* 10:00 AM † Rev. Dennis Foley

Luci Perez

† Raffaele DeLeonardis

Tricia & Louis Vincelli

12:00 PM † Imre Merenyi

Margaret (Peg) Walsh

4:00 PM People of the Parish

7:00 PM For Vocations

* All Masses listed on this page will be celebrated indoors in the Upper Church with the exception of the Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass and the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass which are celebrated (weather permitting) in the parish's North Parking Lot and live-streamed via the parish website www.stmichaelnj.com and the parish's YouTube channel.

YOUNG MEN CONSIDERING – OR THINKING ABOUT – THE POSSIBILITY OF BECOMING A PRIEST ARE INVITED TO A VOCATIONS MASS AND BARBECUE WITH BISHOP DAVID M. O’CONNELL ON JUNE 29 (THIS TUESDAY)



Speaking of Vocations....on our Parish Day of Prayer for Vocations in June 2019 Mass was celebrated and gathered at the church entrance after Mass were priests, deacons, religious sisters, and altar servers. Please pray for vocations, vocations, vocations!

An afternoon of discussion and camaraderie with the Diocese’s shepherd and priests will take place June 29 for those considering/discerning a call to the priesthood.

Bishop David M. O’Connell, C.M., will celebrate Mass at 4:30 p.m. in St. John Church, Allentown, followed by a barbecue under tents on the parish property. Men ages 15 to 40 are invited to attend. Further information may be found on Page 4 of this bulletin.

“The aim of this event is to connect with potential new discerners, as well as to foster community among our current discerners,” said Father Jason Parzynski, diocesan director of vocations. “It’s a great low-key event to invite someone who is hesitant or just beginning to think about the priesthood.”

Those seeking more information about the priesthood and the discernment process, men currently in formation, and ordained clergy of the vocations team of the Diocese of Trenton will be present at the Mass and at the barbecue.

“This gathering is for those who ... want to see what it’s all about – an opportunity to connect, ask questions,” Father Parzynski said. “The ultimate aim is to discern God’s will and to help them have the confidence to make the next choice – whether it’s to enter the seminary or to go another direction.”

Registration for this event is required and can be made at www.GodIsCallingYou.org, or by emailing vocations@dioceseoftrenton.org. St. John Church is located at 1282 Yardville Allentown Rd., Allentown, NJ.

FAQs and Summary of Key Changes in Our Revised Covid Protocols

In the bulletin of Sunday, June 6 (on pages 4 and 5) there appeared the complete list of *Revisions of Current Covid Protocols* as published by the Diocese of Trenton on May 26. Below is a list of a few of those revisions accompanied by further details on timing and implementation here at St. Michael’s. In the event of any questions, please contact the parish office.

- Holy Communion. We have returned to our pre-pandemic method of distributing and receiving Communion: Communicants process to the altar area via the center aisle in two lines. Communion ministers will wear their face masks while distributing the Eucharist. ***Receiving Communion on the hand is strongly favored and strongly encouraged.*** Receiving Communion on the tongue is permitted but we ask all to please charitably and respectfully consider and practice receiving on the hand. Please return to your pew after receiving Communion and remain in your pew until the priest-celebrant has concluded the Mass and has processed either to the sacristy or to the church vestibule.
- Parking Lot Mass. The parking lot Masses will continue through and including Sunday, July 4. Saturdays at 4:00 and Sundays at 10:00. The last parking lot Mass will be on Sunday, July 4.
- Face Masks. Face masks are no longer required. They may be worn by those who choose to do so. Face masks are encouraged for those who have not received the covid vaccine.
- Social Distancing and Seating Capacity. Social distancing is no longer required. The red ropes have been removed from the church. All pews and all seats will be available for use subject to the fire marshal restrictions on seating capacity and to safety considerations and common sense (especially on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day).
- Holy Water. Holy water fonts in the church and the dispenser in the church vestibule have been replenished as of June 4. The fonts and dispenser will be emptied, cleaned, and refilled daily.

Independence Day Prayer Service at St. Michael's

On Saturday, July 3, we will celebrate our Nation's birth *and* remember God's presence in our daily lives and in the Declaration of Independence itself.



All are invited to an Independence Day Prayer Service at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 3 at the courtyard in front of St. Michael's Church. Light refreshments will follow. Daily Mass will be celebrated that day at the usual 8:00 a.m. time in the church. The Prayer Service will include a reading of the Declaration of Independence by a Revolutionary War re-enactor, a prayer for our Country and for the colonists who died during the Revolution for the cause of freedom, and the singing of *The National Anthem* and *God Bless America*. Please take a few minutes early on a Saturday morning (and bring family and friends) to remember God and Country and celebrate our independence as we enjoy our holiday weekend. In the event of rain, this Prayer Service will be conducted in the Upper Church.



World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly Sunday, July 25, 2021



Pope Francis has established a World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time ever on Sunday, July 25, 2021. The "Day" is intended to foster a greater recognition of grandparents for their role and vocation in passing on their Catholic faith to the next

generations. Plans are being developed for the celebration of World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly here at St. Michael's. Further information will be published in the bulletin and on the parish website in the coming weeks. St. Anne and St. Joachim (grandparents of Jesus), pray for us.



DIOCESE OF TRENTON

PRIESTLY VOCATION DISCERNMENT BBQ

TUESDAY, JUNE 29TH, 2021

4:30 PM Mass w/ Bishop O'Connell, CM

- Outdoor Games & Activities -
- BBQ Dinner & Discussion -

Saint John's Church
1282 Yardville Allentown Rd
Allentown, NJ 08501

www.GodsCallingYou.org

Note from Fr. John and Fr. Mark. This barbecue event is an ideal opportunity – in a casual and comfortable setting – to learn more about priesthood and the process of discernment and to explore the possibility that you may have a calling – a vocation – to serve God and the People of God as a priest. The barbecue is geared for men between the ages of 15 and 40. If you've thought about priesthood for a long time or if you are just beginning to think about it, this priestly vocation discernment event would be a very informative and helpful investment of your time and we – Fr. John and Fr. Mark – strongly encourage your attendance and participation; and we're praying for you. Please call us at the St. Michael's parish office if you have any questions (732-222-8080). To sign-up for the barbecue, please contact Fr. Jason Parzynski (Vocation Director for the Diocese of Trenton) at jparzynski@dioceseoftrenton.org or 609-403-7133 or Ms. Carolyn Norbut (Associate Vocation Director for the Diocese of Trenton) at cnorbu@dioceseoftrenton.org or 609-406-7448. Further information may be found on Page 3 of this bulletin.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH MASS & CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE

Last Parking Lot Mass will be on July 4 at 10:00 a.m. Please see Page 3 for more details.

Weekend Outdoor Parking Lot In-Car Masses

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. **(through and including July 3)**
Sunday at 10:00 a.m. **(through and including July 4)**

- Communion distributed in cars at end of Mass.
- Tune your radio to 92.1 FM.
- Live-stream available at parish website and You Tube.
- If inclement weather occurs, the priest/celebrant and Eucharistic Ministers will re-locate to the Upper Church and the majority of in-car Mass-goers will remain in their cars. And in that case the church will be open in limited numbers to the public during these Parking Lot Masses on an inclement weather day.

Schedule of Confessions †

- Monday through Saturday: after the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 9:00 a.m.
- Monday Night: after the 7:00 p.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.
- Sunday: after the 7:00 a.m. Mass until 8:00 a.m.; 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. prior to the 7:00 p.m. Mass.
- First Fridays: After the 12:15 p.m. Latin Mass until 1:15 p.m. After the 5:30 English-language Mass until 6:30 p.m.

† All of the Confession times listed above are currently conducted indoors in the sanctuary near the St. Joseph Altar. Weather permitting, the priest-celebrant of the Mass preceding or following Confessions may elect to move the Confession location outdoors to the north portico of the church; and if that is the case, the priest-celebrant (and confessor) will announce that change of location. Later in the Summer we will return Confessions to the out-of-doors on the North Porch of the church or Rose Garden as determined and as announced by that day's priest-confessor and ultimately to the indoor Confessionals.

Weekend Public In-Church Masses

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Sunday at 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12:00 Noon,
4:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Weekday Public In-Church Masses

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 a.m.
Monday Night at 7:00 p.m.

First Friday Public In-Church Masses

First Friday of the month at 12:15 p.m. in
Latin and at 5:30 p.m. in English

Church Building Hours For Private Prayer

- These hours are subject to change for funerals, weddings, and other special occasions.
- Monday through Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Monday: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (before and after Monday evening's 7:00 p.m. Mass)
- Saturday: 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (before and after Saturday morning's 8:00 a.m. Mass) and 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. (before the 5:30 p.m. Mass and after the conclusion of the 7:00 p.m. Mass).
- Sunday: 6:30 a.m. until the conclusion of the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Closed 9:30-11:30 to allow for preparations etc. for the 10:00 Parking Lot Mass. Re-opening at 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (respectively, before and after the Sunday 12:00 Noon, Sunday 4:00 p.m., and Sunday evening 7:00 p.m. Masses and Sunday 6:15 p.m. Confessions).

NEIGHBORING PARISHES OF NORTHEAST MONMOUTH COUNTY IN COHORT 17

Christ the King (www.cklb.org)

Divine Mercy of New Jersey Healing Ministry will be visiting us on Sunday, July 11th, 2021, for a 2:00 pm Healing Service at Holy Trinity Church followed by the Chaplet & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. They will have Healing teams available for individual prayer and laying on of hands. Relics of St. Padre Pio, St. Faustina and Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos will be available to venerate.

St. Michael's (www.stmichaelnj.com)

Please join us for our monthly Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m. First Friday **Mass in Latin** on Friday, July 2 at 12:15 p.m. Followed by Confessions (1:00-1:15), Eucharistic Adoration (1:00-5:15), Benediction (5:15), Mass (5:30), and Confessions (6:00-6:30).

Our Lady of Hope Parish (www.ladyofhopeparish.org)

Please join us every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. behind St. Mary's in Deal for the Rosary and consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will begin on Thursday, June 17. For information please call Lea Tallarico at 732-371- 3983 or Mary Delisa at 732-533- 8280. (Please bring a chair).

***Pastor's Note:** Our Bishop, David M. O'Connell, C.M., participated last week in the 2021 Spring General Assembly of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), which was conducted in a virtual format June 16-18. Among the topics under consideration was whether the bishops should draft a formal statement on the meaning of the Eucharist in the life of the Catholic Church. In addition, many other matters were also on the meeting agenda of the bishops including, for example: the Eucharistic Revival initiative; pastoral care for immigrants, refugees and travelers; pastoral matters pertaining to youths and young adults; the sainthood causes of two military chaplains revered for their heroism in World War II and the Korean War, and the like. Bishop O'Connell has authored the following message providing a brief insight into the Eucharist-related matters that were (and that were not) addressed at the USCCB meeting and the meeting's outcomes which include the tasking of a bishops committee to draft a teaching document on the Eucharist. Taking note of the "controversy and confusion" that surrounded this USCCB meeting, Bishop O'Connell (as you will read below) reminds us (regardless of what the media say and "regardless of where individual bishops stand on the need for a new pastoral document on the Holy Eucharist") that the critical and essential principle and starting point to please keep in mind is this: "The centrality of the Holy Eucharist as the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the life and faith of the Catholic Church ('the source and summit of the Christian life') is not new nor was it ever in doubt or questioned at any point in the USCCB meeting." Bishop O'Connell's message was published on the website of The Trenton Monitor on June 23 and is available at <https://trentonmonitor.com/Content/Default/Bishop-s-Corner/Article/The-Holy-Eucharist-is-Jesus-Christ-Himself/>*

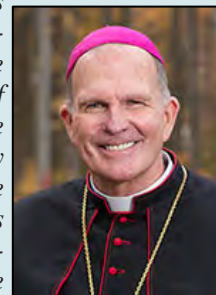
A message from Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.

The Holy Eucharist is Jesus Christ Himself: The Meaning of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church

The USCCB shared the following:

Since the conclusion of the Spring Plenary Assembly of the U.S. bishops last week, there has been much attention on the vote taken to draft a document on the Eucharist. The question of whether or not to deny any individual or groups Holy Communion was not on the ballot. The vote by the bishops last week tasked the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Doctrine to begin the drafting of a teaching document on the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life. The importance of nurturing an ever deeper understanding of the beauty and mystery of the Eucharist in our lives is not a new topic for the bishops. The document being drafted is not meant to be disciplinary in nature, nor is it targeted at any one individual or class of persons. It will include a section on the Church's teaching on the responsibility of every Catholic, including bishops, to live in accordance with the truth, goodness and beauty of the Eucharist we celebrate.

At the recent virtual meeting of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States His Excellency Archbishop Christophe Pierre addressed the bishops assembled online. During his remarks, the Nuncio observed: "... we need to be a Church that follows the method of Jesus, which is one of accompaniment and dialogue, a dialogue directed toward salvation. ... The Church offers salvation in the Person of Jesus Christ. ... What is often lacking in the process of evangelization, and we certainly need to evangelize and catechize now more than ever, is 'beginning again from Jesus Christ' ... The starting point, therefore, cannot be to shame the weak, but to propose the One who can strengthen us to overcome our weaknesses, especially through the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. With respect to the latter, Holy Communion is not merely a 'thing' to be received, but Christ Himself, a Person to be encountered. Jesus Christ is a Person, not a concept."



Given the controversy and confusion that has surrounded this particular meeting of the USCCB in both the secular and some Catholic media, I found the Nuncio's address direct, clear, inspiring and even comforting. Regardless of where individual bishops stand on the need for a new pastoral document on the Holy Eucharist – and there was some difference of opinion about it – the centrality of the Holy Eucharist as the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the life and faith of the Catholic Church ("the source and summit of the Christian life") is not new nor was it ever in doubt or questioned at any point in the USCCB meeting.

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The Church believes and teaches and practices what it has always believed and taught and practiced about the Holy Eucharist. That is what the new proposed document to be drafted in the next few months will consider, similar to the USCCB document on the Holy Eucharist (“Happy Are Those Called to His Supper”) published in 2006, not a set of national norms on Eucharistic reception, although worthy receiving of the Holy Eucharist will surely be addressed.



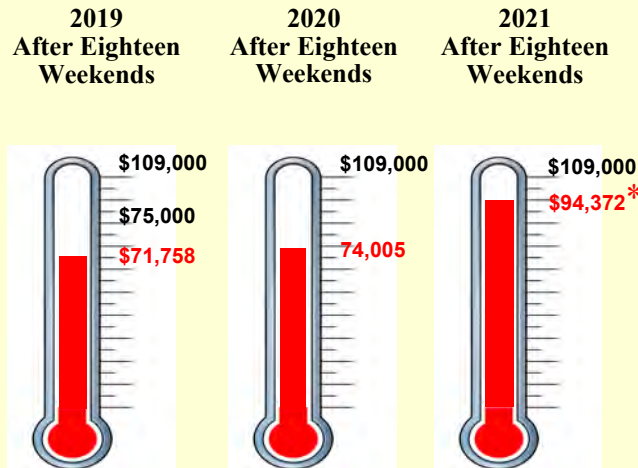
"... The centrality of the Holy Eucharist as the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the life and faith of the Catholic Church ("the source and summit of the Christian life") is not new nor was it ever in doubt," Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., shares in his message concerning the recent discussions on the Holy Eucharist during the USCCB spring assembly. Jeff Bruno photo

The alarming data published regarding Catholics who either don't understand or believe in the true nature of the Holy Eucharist; the steadily declining pre-pandemic numbers of Catholics who have not attended Sunday Mass regularly; and the call for Catholics to return to Mass as pandemic restrictions have been lifted, all make the timing of this new document on the Holy Eucharist spiritually opportune. In addition to this proposed document, the USCCB has initiated plans for a three-year "Eucharistic Revival" throughout all the dioceses and parishes in our country, beginning in the summer of 2022.

Each of us has a vital part **TO-GETHER** in all we do in Christ's name, and *each of us* can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up *our* Church. *You* make that happen with a generous gift to the ACA. Your contribution does make a difference! Please help. Please contribute. Please make a pledge.



Parish Goal = \$109,000



The three "thermometers" above compare our parish's 2019 vs. 2020 vs. 2021 results-to-date in the Annual Appeal. The thermometers indicate good news. This year's total after eighteen weekends is significantly ahead of our parish's total after eighteen weekends both in 2020 and 2019. **We are now more than 85% of the way to our goal!** Thank you! As Saint/Mother Teresa said: **"Together we can do great things!"**

*This \$94,372 figure is approximately 86.5% of our parish goal. It was received as of the eighteenth weekend of the campaign (tallied as of June 23) from 357 pledgers or check-writing contributors (and many unidentified, unquantified cash contributors) all of whom comprise approximately 12.3% of the 2,899 registered households of the parish. **Thank you!** The Diocese sent a Diocesan-wide mailing during the week of Feb. 10 to all registered parishioners and past ACA contributors asking for prayerful consideration of a pledge/contribution to the Appeal. A second mailing from the Diocese was sent during the week of May 10. Please help to the extent that you can.



THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021 **IN ACTION!**

1. HOW YOUR CONTRIBUTION HELPS THE TRENTON DIOCESE HELP OTHERS:

Evangelization-Pastoral Care

Rooted in the Gospel invitation to share in the healing mission of Jesus Christ, we advance the compassionate and competent spiritual, pastoral and sacramental care of God's suffering people by resourcing the clergy, pastoral ministers, healthcare professionals and caregivers who serve them. Those who offer pastoral care communicate God's love and compassion 'person-to-person' by offering spiritual and sacramental support, including the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick offered by a priest. We connect with healthcare institutions, medical professionals, chaplains and clergy by providing extensive consultation and resources for the holistic health and well-being of Catholic patients. Your gift helps you to live and spread the Gospel.

2. HOW YOUR CONTRIBUTION HELPS ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH HERE AT HOME:





Each year, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) encourages the observance of Religious Freedom Week. Beginning with the feast day of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, and including the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, the week-long commemoration ends with the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul.

Religious Freedom Week will be observed this year from June 22 to June 29 and the theme chosen is *Solidarity in Freedom*. "Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community" (*Fratelli tutti*, 116). Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all.

The USCCB has prepared resources to "Pray – Reflect – Act" which may be found at: www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek. Each day focuses on different religious liberty topics of concern for the bishops. These materials were prepared to help people understand religious liberty from a Catholic perspective, pray about particular issues, and act on what they learn by advocating for policies that promote religious freedom.

The USCCB's Committee for Religious Liberty collaborated with the Office of International Justice and Peace to raise awareness and show solidarity with people throughout the world who suffer for their faith, from the persecution of Christians in Nicaragua to highlighting Pope Francis's trip to Iraq this year. Domestically, a major area of concern continues to be freedom for Catholic institutions, such as schools, hospitals, and child welfare service providers, to carry out their missions with integrity.

Through prayer, education, and public action during Religious Freedom Week, the USCCB hopes to promote the essential right of religious freedom for Catholics and for those of *all* faiths.

Connect with the USCCB Committee for Religious Liberty. Text FREEDOM to 84576 and sign up for *First Freedom News*, the USCCB Committee for Religious Liberty's monthly newsletter.



PATTY CHAVEZ
Entered Into Eternal Life
December 14, 2020

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



There will be a Holy Hour for Vocations from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the Thursday evening that precedes First Friday. The next Holy Hour for Vocations will be on July 1. The Holy Hour will include Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, and Confessions. The harvest is great but the laborers are few. Please join with us in praying for vocations!

First Friday Mass *In Latin* at 12:15 P.M.
and Eucharistic Adoration on July 2

First Friday Mass *in Latin* will be celebrated on July 2 at 12:15 p.m. Confessions will be heard after that Mass until 1:15 p.m. And First Friday Mass will also be celebrated (in English) at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, July 2 followed by Confessions until 6:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration will take place throughout the afternoon on Friday, July 2 from the conclusion of the 12:15 Latin Mass until 5:15 p.m.





Fr. Mark with 2019 Vacation Bible Campers.

Vacation Bible Camp 2021 St. Michael's Church to Host "For the Greater Glory of God" 3 Wednesdays of Summer Fun July 28, August 4, August 11

Have your children, ages 4 and up, discover that the world around us is full of God's wonder. At Sandy Hook we'll find animal life under the sea; more exotic animals will join us at St. Michael's. Games, crafts, music, and more await. Each day will run from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and children will be in age-appropriate groups. Capacity is only 25, so please sign up now. Fee \$45.00.

*For more information, please call Kevin Connelly (Director of Religious Education)
at 732-483-0360 ext. 3.*

"FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD" REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Child: _____ Child's gender: _____

Age of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Home church: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Persons to contact in the event of an emergency:

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Are there any special medical needs, food/latex allergies, etc., which we should be aware of?

If so, please state: _____

I hereby grant permission for St. Michael's to call 911 in case of an emergency, to photograph my child at Vacation Bible Camp, and to use such photos exclusively in the parish bulletin.

Date: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____

*Please return this Registration Form to the St. Michael's Parish Office, or mail it to
St. Michael's Catholic Center Attn: VBC-Mr. Connelly at 16 Beechwood Ave., West Long Branch, NJ
07764. The deadline for Registration Forms is July 21.*

WE CAN ONLY ACCEPT THE FIRST 25 CHILDREN.

THE FEE IS \$45.00 PER CHILD PAYABLE TO ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.



Mr. Kevin Connelly (D.R.E.) with 2019 Vacation Bible Campers.

An Important Message from your St. Vincent DePaul Society!

The moratorium on evictions from non-payment of rent, mortgage foreclosures, and utility shut-offs is ending soon. If anyone is behind by more than a couple of months in utility payments, rent or mortgage payments, please contact SVDP to discuss getting help in resolving this situation. These payments will become due once the moratorium is lifted. Please call us at (732) 483-0360 ext. 1.

SAVE THE DATE

July 9, 2021
7:30 PM
Our Lady Star of the Sea
Church
Christ the King Parish
101 Chelsea Ave.
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The Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, July 5** in observance of Independence Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, July 6 at 8:30 a.m.

Mass will be celebrated at the usual 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. times on July 5 with Confessions after each Mass.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

† Ronald Lubischer r/o Joyce Lubischer

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Rosarian Prayer Group

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

This is a list of parishioners, relatives, and friends who are in need of our prayers for healing. Our Rosarians also pray every Saturday for all the parishioners of St. Michael's.

Please note that intentions will be listed for two months and then removed, unless the requestor calls to renew for another two months. Please also note that according to the HIPPA & privacy laws only the sick themselves or family

members may request to be added to the list. Contact the Parish Office for all prayer requests. Thank you and may Our Lord grant healing to all those who are suffering and in need of our prayers.

Week 4

Joanne Buono

New Weekend Mass Schedule Following the “Retirement” of the Parking Lot Masses

The Parking Lot Masses (Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m.) – that have served the Parish very well during the Covid Pandemic dating back to the first such Masses here at St. Michael’s in May of last year (2020) – will come to an end with the Sunday, July 4th Mass at 10:00 a.m. The “retirement” of the Parking Lot Masses is consistent with the *Revisions of Current Covid Protocols* issued by our Diocese on May 26 to accomplish many purposes, one of which is the return to “normalcy” and another of which is the encouragement of the faithful to return to in-church Masses. The *Revisions* include the direction that “Parking lot Masses and in-car reception of the Eucharist should be discontinued.” Gratitude is extended to the many parishioners and visitors who have attended and supported the Parking Lot Masses during the past year-plus and ***EXTREME GRATITUDE*** is extended to the numerous parish volunteers and staff members whose generous giving of time and labor have made the “staging” of these Masses possible and made the continuation of these Masses feasible during Summer heat and Winter cold. Without the Parking Lot Masses (and the dedicated and self-sacrificing volunteers) during the past 14 months many would not have received the sacramental grace of the Eucharist.

Beginning on the weekend of Saturday, July 10 and Sunday, July 11, the weekend Mass schedule will be as follows. This schedule is “new” in comparison with the pre-pandemic schedule of ten weekend Masses (now there are and will be nine weekend Masses) but is “not new” in comparison with the schedule that we have been using for the past two months. The schedule is also “new” in the sense that it takes into account the lessons of the pandemic, among which are reducing physical contact and being mindful of proximity and distance. It does so by “spreading out” the Mass times on Sunday mornings and Saturday afternoons (and parking lot congestion, too) compared to the pre-pandemic Mass times. The most noteworthy change is that the Saturday 4:00 Mass will now be celebrated indoors in the Upper Church and the Sunday 10:00 Mass will also now be celebrated in the Upper Church. Future adjustments to this Mass schedule are possible as needs and circumstances warrant but for the foreseeable future this will be our weekend Mass schedule. The current Confessions schedule will remain “as is” for the time being (please see Page 5 of this bulletin); additional Confession times are being evaluated. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. May God continue to bless St. Michael’s Church and her good people. St. Michael, pray for us!

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE COMMENCING JULY 10 AND JULY 11

Saturday Vigil Masses: 4:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 4:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.



The parish’s Annual Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated last Saturday as part of the 5:30 Vigil Mass. Several young parishioners of St. Michael’s who have recently graduated from high school, elementary school, and pre-kindergarten (accompanying photo) gathered with family members, friends, Fr. John, and Fr. Mark to pray in gratitude for their accomplishments and in supplication for God’s grace and blessings in future endeavors. Please pray for our young parishioners and for all the graduates of the Class of 2021.

National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week: July 25-31, 2021

The Department of Evangelization is pleased to announce plans for the observance of National Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week 2021. Couples who embrace NFP report high levels of marital satisfaction, enhanced communication, improved physical, emotional and spiritual welfare, and exhibit marital generosity that extends far beyond their immediate family.



Here in the Diocese of Trenton, our NFP Awareness efforts for 2021 – 2022 will emphasize the mother-daughter relationship with a host of events to honor the special role of mothers in teaching their daughters the wonders of their changing bodies, fertility cycles, becoming a woman and perhaps one day a mother.

The events listed here reflect an emphasis on the importance of the Mother-Daughter relationship in passing on a faith-based, Catholic perspective from generation to generation when it comes to the beauty of God’s plan for love, marriage and family.

July 25 – 31, 2021 – Evening Conversations on Fertility Awareness and Parenthood; 7:00 pm each evening on Facebook.

July 29, 2021 – The Wonder of Eve – A virtual evening session on the wonders of the female reproductive system for mothers and their teenage daughters (9th through 12th grade); 7:00 – 8:15 pm.

For a complete set of resources on NFP Awareness from the USCCB, visit:

<https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/national-nfp-awareness-week>

Weekend Collection & Attendance

Thank You!

Saturday, June 19, 2021

4:00 PM Parking Lot Mass	\$2,258.00	111 Cars
5:30 PM Public In-Church Mass	\$948.00	79 People
7:00 PM Public In-Church Mass	\$367.00	42 People

Sunday, June 20, 2021

7:00 AM Public In-Church Mass	\$1,470.00	108 People
8:30 AM Public In-Church Mass	\$2,575.00	106 People
10:00 AM Parking Lot Mass	\$1,647.00	97 Cars
12:00 PM Public In-Church Mass	\$3,245.00	93 People
4:00 PM Public In-Church Mass	\$302.00	44 People
7:00 PM Public In-Church Mass	\$509.00	102 People

Mailed-in Envelopes for the June 20 Collection and for Previous Sunday Collections during the Pandemic Lockdown: **\$2,504.00**

This Week's Total: \$15,825.00

Same Week's Total Last Year: \$12,111.00

Annual Catholic Appeal: \$4,181.00

Please continue your financial support of your parish during the COVID-19 situation by: mailing Sunday collection envelopes to the parish business office; dropping-off Sunday collection envelopes in the rectory mailbox at any time; or by means of online Faith Direct.net where the St. Michael's parish identification code is NJ319. *Thank you very much. And God bless.*

ON THE CALENDAR AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021	Ongoing: Commenced February 21; Second mailing in week of May 10
Religious Freedom Week	June 22-29, 2021
Covid Vaccination Day #2 (Lower Church)	Saturday, June 26, 2021 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon
Bishop O'Connell's Priesthood Vocation Discernment Mass and Barbecue	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 4:30 p.m. (see details on Pages 3 and 4)
Holy Hour for Vocations	Thursday, July 1, 2021 7:00 p.m.
First Friday	Friday, July 2 (12:15 p.m. Mass in Latin, Eucharistic Adoration 1:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m. Mass in English)
Independence Day Prayer Service (Reading of Declaration of Independence)	Saturday, July 3, 2021 9:00 a.m.
World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly	Sunday, July 25, 2021 (see details on Page 4)
National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week	July 25-31, 2021 (see details on Page 10)
Vacation Bible Camp	Wednesday, July 28 and August 4 & 11 (see details on Page 8)

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



Half-Day Fridays at the Parish Office are back for the summer. From Friday, May 28 until Labor Day Weekend's Friday (September 3), the office will close at 12:00 noon on Fridays. Thank you for your cooperation.

Monday and Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (closed 12:00 Noon - 1:00 p.m. for lunch)

Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon

Tuesday & Thursday: Office closed and observing part-time Covid schedule until Tuesday, July 6.

Office will reopen to pre-pandemic hours starting Tuesday, July 6.

Monday through Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (closed 12:00 Noon - 1:00 p.m. for lunch)

Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon

Sunday 4:00 P.M. Mass Has Resumed at St. Michael's

The Sunday 4:00 p.m. Mass (indoors in the church) went back onto our regular weekly Mass schedule on May 23,

Pentecost Sunday. Placing this Mass on the weekly parish calendar is part of the effort at St. Michael's to return in graduated steps to our **PRE**-covid Mass schedule and routine. Gratitude is extended to our Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, ushers, and other volunteers and to our parish priests and weekend visiting priests who are participating in the celebration of this 4:00 Mass. The door is always open for **new** volunteers to step forward and assist with the visible and **invisible** work that goes into the celebration and staging of the Mass.

Please call the parish office to learn more about this worthy and helpful, overlooked, and under-appreciated form of volunteer service to your parish and to your fellow parishioners.



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