ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

July 23, 2023 | Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

DAILY MASS

Mon - Sat: 8:00 AM | Mon: 7:00 PM First Friday 12:15 PM in Latin in Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, Dec. In English in Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov. And 5:30 PM (on First Friday) in English in all months.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

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. Mass until 1:15 p.m. After the 5:30 Mass until 6:30 p.m.

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 1:15 PM. Other days/times can also be arranged. Parents must be registered parishioners, and can call the Parish Office for information and scheduling.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To enroll your child for our Religious Education classes, please contact Kevin Connelly, (732)483-0360, ext. 2 at the Catholic Center.

Parish Office

800 Ocean Avenue | Long Branch, NJ 07740 Ph: (732) 222-8080 | Fx: (732) 870-1174 www.stmichaelnj.com

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

Answering service phone coverage at all other times.

Parish Staff

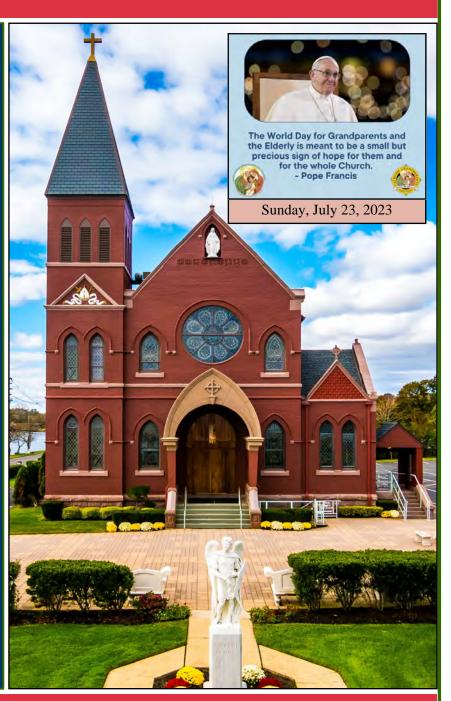
Rev. John Butler. Pastor Rev. Cyril Johnson, Parochial Vicar Thomas Randazzo, Business Manager Kevin Connelly, Director of Religious Ed. Mary Valan, Parish Secretary Emily Carroll, Assistant Parish Secretary Lauren Walters, Acting Music Director Larry Swenson, Maintenace Coordinator

CATHOLIC CENTER AND

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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MASS INTENTIONS

† Josephine Torchia

7:00 PM People of the Parish

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8:00 AM † Michael Pacheco Margolin Family
4:00 PM † Paul Rolleri Grandchildren Silvia, Noah, Marco, & Jude
† Karen Smith Loving Husband
5:30 PM † James Carr Janice, Fred, Kathleen & Isabel Carr

Daughters

Peggy & Anthony

Romano

Sunday, July 23

7:00 AM † Msgr. Frederick Valentino

8:30 AM † Joan Harrigan Nancy Murphy
† Anthony Albano Paul & Agnes D'Angelo

10:00 AM † Mary Ann McKenzie St. Vincent De Paul Society

† Sharon Mazza The Retired Teachers of Wayside School "Breakfast Group"

12:00 PM † Fred Acerra

† Maureen Ann Lago 4:00 PM † Ruben Novoa

7:00 PM People of the Parish

Monday, July 24

8:00 AM Pro-Life Cause Friends of Sylvia Marsico
† Anthony D'Elia
† Theresa Brignola Rene & Jack Brignola

7:00 PM † Our Deceased Grandparents

Tuesday, July 25

8:00 AM † Deceased Members of the Russo Family

"The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father."

-Matthew 13:43a

Wednesday, July 26

8:00 AM † Michael Wrubel Wife Maria & Family

† Sharon Mazza

† Ed Thayer Sr. Pat, Ann Marie, &

Michael Thayer

Thursday, July 27

8:00 AM † Delia Sheridan Nancy Murphy

Friday, July 28

8:00 AM † Judith Klein

Saturday, July 29

8:00 AM † James Dillon, III Friends

People of the Parish

4:00 PM Special Intention: Health & Mary & Richard

God's Blessing for Mary and Richard Konarski (50th Wedding Anniversary)

5:30 PM † Harold John Bowman Loving Children

Loving Children Michael, Joe, & AnneMarie

7:00 PM † Jim Brown Louie & Tricia Vincelli

Sunday, July 30

7:00 AM † Janet Manoco Russo Family

8:30 AM † Patricia Wargo Margie & Joe Wargo

† Sharon Mazza Retired Teachers of

Wayside School "Breakfast Group"

10:00 AM † Judith Klein Hartman Family

† Jean C. Cosentino Elizabeth & Patrick

Gervolino

12:00 PM † Fred Acerra Barbara Maietta

† Peter Astuni Fisher Family

4:00 PM People of the Parish

7:00 PM † Jim & Justine Weeden Family

The Center Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week for all grandparents and elderly.

The Blessed Mother Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Apollo and Baby Greyson.

The St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week for our seminarians and for vocations, vocations, vocations.

Parish Day of Prayer for Vocations: Friday, August 4



On the Feast of St. John Vianney (Friday, August 4) we will continue a St. Michael's Church tradition and gather as a parish community throughout the day to pray for more vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious life. Please join us. The day of prayer will begin with our regularly scheduled Morning Mass at 8:00 a.m. and conclude with a Closing Mass at 5:00 p.m. We will break at 12:00

Noon for praying of the An-(outdoors at the church weather permitting) until re-1:00 p.m. During the mornsession (in addition to the there will be Eucharistic Adsary, confessions will be announced times, and special vocations. St. John Vianney, pray for us.



I ask parish communities not to yield to discouragement but to continue praying that the Lord will send workers to the harvest. May he give us priests enamoured of the Gospel, close to all their brothers and sisters, living signs of God's merciful love.

Pope Francis



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BLESSING OF CARS FEAST OF ST. CHRISTOPHER (July 25th) PATRON SAINT OF CAR SAFETY AND TRAVELERS

On Saturday, July 22 immediately after the 4:00 p.m. Mass and on Sunday, July 23 immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Mass, Fr. John and one of our weekend visiting priests will

be available in the North Parking Lot for all those who wish to have their cars blessed. Please park in the area near the garage and the statue of St. Michael in the North

Parking Lot and the priests will be there right after Mass for this blessing. This blessing of Cars is part of the Commemoration of the Memorial of St. Christopher which falls on July 25.



St. Christopher Prayer ("The Motorist's Prayer")

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Grant me O Lord a steady hand and watchful eye.

That no one shall be hurt as I pass by.

Thou gavest life, I pray no act of mine
May take away or mar that gift of Thine.

Shelter those, dear Lord, who bear me company,
From the evils of fire and all calamity.

Teach me to use my car for others need;
Nor miss through love of undue speed
The beauty of the world; that thus I may
With joy and courtesy go on my way.

St. Christopher, holy patron of travelers,
Protect me and lead me safely to my destiny.

Amen.

Welcome Back, Kerridge



Our parish welcomed back <u>DEACON</u> Wynne Kerridge last Saturday the 15th at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. "Deacon Wynne" was known simply as "Wynne" when he was with us here at St. Michael's during the Summer of 2019 as a seminarian summer intern (similar to Nick Alescio's summer internship with us this summer of 2023; please see Page 7 of this bulletin regarding the wrap-up of Nick's summer at St. Michael's). "Reverend Mr. Kerridge" (photo at left) was recently

ordained to the transitional diaconate by Bishop O'Connell and he proclaimed the Gospel and preached the homily at the Saturday 4:00 Mass and assisted Fr. Kevin O'Neil of San Alfonso at the altar. With the help of God, Deacon Wynne will be ordained to the priesthood next year. Please remember him and all deacons in your prayers.





The 3rd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be Celebrated This Sunday, July 23



The theme chosen for this year by the Holy Father is "**His mercy is from age to age**" (Lk 1:50), which expresses the link with World Youth Day (WYD) which will take place a few days later in Lisbon (August 1-6, 2023).

The WYD theme "Mary got up and went with haste" (Lk 1:39) shows us, in fact,

the young Mary who sets out to go and find her elderly cousin Elizabeth and who loudly proclaims, in the Magnificat, the strength of the alliance between young and old. On the occasion of the Grandparents and Elderly Day, the Holy Father will preside over a Eucharistic liturgy in St. Peter's Basilica and he invites parishes, dioceses, associations and ecclesial communities from all over the world to celebrate the Day in their own pastoral context.

"The elderly should be cared for like a treasure of humanity: they are our wisdom, our memory. It is crucial that grandchildren remain close to their grandparents, who are like roots from which they draw the sap of human and spiritual values" Pope Francis has said.

Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July, to coin-



Please see Page 9 of this bulletin for *important information on the Indulgence that may be obtained* by participating in the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on July 23.



cide with the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne (the parents of the Blessed Mother and the grandparents of Jesus), to emphasize the pastoral care of the elderly as a priority. Not only are grandchildren and young people called upon to be present in the lives of older people, but older people and grandparents also have a mission of evangelization, proclamation and prayer, and of encouraging young people in their faith. May God bless our grandparents and our elderly!

FOR FR. ALPHONSE AND HIS 1940s BIG BAND: THIS SUNDAY, July 23, 2023 AT 5:00 P.M.



We are pleased that the parish will again be hosting *Fr. Alphonse Stephenson and His 1940s Big Band* for an early evening of delightful outdoor summer music this Sunday, July 23 at 5:00 p.m. on the church's front lawn. This concert of the state of the parish will be supported to the

will be free-of-charge and open to the public. Concert goers are invited to bring a picnic-style meal, lawn chairs, beach blankets, etc. *AND ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED* to attend the 4:00 Mass preceding the concert or the 7:00 Mass following the concert. Several of the accompanying photos are from Fr. Alphonse's outdoor concert here at St. Michael's in 2022. Please pray for perfect weather and please mark your calendars for this very special evening at St. Michael's.





<u>Pastor's Note</u>. The Memorial of Saints Anne and Joachim (parents of the Blessed Mother and grandparents of Jesus) is on Wednesday, July 26. As we approach and celebrate that Memorial and also celebrate the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly (which falls on Sunday, July 23), we will be praying the following Novena Prayer to St. Anne and St. Joachim at all Masses during the nine-day period that began on Tuesday, July 18 and concludes on Wednesday, July 26.

Novena Prayer to St. Anne and St. Joachim

Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus and parents of Mary, we seek your intercession. We beg you to direct all our actions to the greater glory of God and the salvation of souls. Strengthen us when we are tempted, console us during our trials, help us when we are in need, be with us in life and in death.

O Divine Savior, we Joachim and Anne to be the and so to be your beloved

their patronage this day. We recomdren, and our grandchildren. Keep them Grant that they may ever grow in great-

Saints Joachim and Anne, we have cede for us before the throne of your our special intentions, our own special



thank You for having chosen Saints parents of our Blessed Mother Mary grandparents. We place ourselves under mend to them our families, our chilfrom all spiritual and physical harm. er love of God and others.

many great needs. We beg you to inter-Divine Grandson. All of us here have needs, and we pray that through your

intercession our prayers may be granted and particularly the special grace that we now implore: [pause briefly and silently mention your request here]. Saints Joachim and Anne, please pray for us. Amen.

Instructions: Please pray this prayer daily for nine days.

Available at https://ascensionpress.com/pages/novena-to-st-anne-and-st-joachim.

Movie Night at St. Michael's Church Nefarious* Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. In the Lower Church



Francis X. Maier, a senior fellow in the Catholic Studies Program at the Ethics and Public Policy Center wrote the following review of *Nefarious* - "*Nefarious* is a film about a demonic possession, a subject that often spells cinematic disaster. But this one is brilliantly acted and spiritually powerful, which makes it hard to dismiss or forget. *Nefarious* is deadly serious about the nature of evil, and thus it's both convincing and memorable."

Refreshments will be available (free popcorn and free bottled water and soda).

No admission charge. A free-will donation will be accepted.

Suitable for ages 16 and older according to the film's producers. Discretion and caution are advised for all viewers of this movie. Its content is intense and may be upsetting. The movie's storyline and message are important and relevant for our times.

*From the writers and directors of *Unplanned* and *God is Not Dead*.



Collection Scheduled for Retired, Elderly and Infirm Priests Fund; This Weekend July 22 and 23, 2023

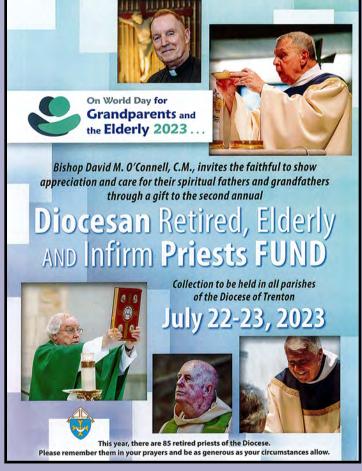
Our Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., is again inviting parishioners in the Diocese of Trenton to support the second annual collection for the Retired, Elderly and Infirm Priests Fund scheduled for all Masses on July 22 and 23. This collection is part of the diocesan observance of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly --established three years ago by Pope



Francis to be held on or near the Feast of Jesus' own grandparents, Saints Joachim and Anne. The collection, which will be taken in all Catholic churches across Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, will be used to help fund the needs of the retired and elderly priests of the Diocese whose numbers have now reached 85.

In announcing this year's collection, Bishop O'Connell stated, "As we celebrate the feast of the grandparents of Jesus, I am also mindful of the priests of the Diocese who have 'born the heat of the day' in our parishes and institutions, serving and ministering to us and who are now retired. They are truly our 'spiritual grandparents'. Many continue to offer Masses and share the Sacraments in our parishes.

"As Bishop, I invite all the clergy and faithful of the Diocese, once again, to show the generosity for which I have come to know you so well by contributing to the annual collection for the retired, elderly and infirm priests of the Diocese. They, too, deserve our love and gratitude in their twilight years!"



Pastor's Note. Please remember this weekend's Second Collection described by Bishop O'Connell in the message to the left on this Page 6. That collection is intended to help fund the needs of the retired and elderly priests of our Diocese. Please also remember: "Where would St. Michael's Parish be without the dedicated and generous assistance of the several retired priests who regularly visit us to help with celebrating our NINE weekend Masses and to hear our EVERY-DAY-OF-THE-WEEK Confessions?" Without the

help of those retired priests (and other nearby priests) now that our parish is once again a one-priest parish, making available NINE weekend Masses and hearing Confessions EVERY DAY would not be possible. Please pray for more vocations, vocations, vocations to the priesthood. And, if possible, please contribute within your means to this weekend's Second Collection to help support the retired and elderly priests of our Diocese. Thank you.



Long Branch Police Department

Mark your calendars for a free night of food, games, and fun!

<u>National Night Out</u> is Tuesday, August 1st from 6:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. at Slocum Park!



<u>Call-Out for Volunteers and Helpers</u>: We would welcome parishioners of all ages (including children ten years old and older accompanied by a parent) to assist with our parish table and parish exhibit at National Night Out. Assistance is needed with packing our materials, games, tables, chairs, etc. into cars at the church at 5:00 p.m. on "event day" and transporting those materials to Slocum Park (Broadway near the Long Branch Public Library and City Hall) and then setting-up and staffing our parish table during the event and taking-down everything and bringing everything back to the church at the end of the night. Please contact Sharon Fornarotto at (732) 963-9969 for information and to sign-up.

Each of us has a vital part TOGETHER 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). 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 2021 vs. 2022 vs. 2023 results-to-date in the Annual Catholic Appeal. The thermometers indicate good news. This year's total after twenty one weekends is strong, although it is behind the pace after the same first twenty one weekends of last year and the year before that. Thank you for your support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. *Together we can do great*

<u>N.B</u>: Second Collection on July 29-30 to support the Diocese Annual Catholic Appeal.

*This \$91,625 figure is approximately 84.1% of our parish goal. It was received through and including the twenty first weekend of the campaign (tallied as of July 18) from 279 pledgers or check-writing contributors (and many unidentified, unquantified cash contributors) all of whom comprise approximately 13.1% of the 2,127 registered households of the parish. Thank you! The Diocese sent a Diocesanwide mailing during the week of February 10 to all of our registered parishioners and past ACA contributors asking for prayerful consideration of a pledge/contribution to the Appeal. Please help to the extent that you can.



Thank You, Nick, and Good Luck and God Bless!

Our seminarian summer intern Nick Alescio completed his summer with us during the past week. He will be returning next month to the seminary and his studies and formation for the priesthood at Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Nick has done an excellent job during the summer and been a great help to the staff and others in and around

the parish. Nick's summer experiences have iniar with day-to-day parish life and parish operatic Ministry; homebound and hospital Communion boring parish; incense-bearing at Mass; cooking kitchen; offering spiritual/Scriptural reflections at Evening Prayer; helping with the counting of the

July Prayer Service; parish children on

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cluded (as part of becoming more and more familtions) altar serving; lectoring; cantoring; Eucharisvisits; driving baby diaper donations to our neighhard-boiled brown eggs for breakfast in the rectory weekday morning Masses; leading Monday night Sunday collection; leading prayers at our 4th of attending parish staff meetings; accompanying the the Summer Camp Nature Day at the Sandy Hook

Beach; assisting the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity with their children's summer day camp in Asbury Park; assisting with funerals, wakes, and cemetery committal services; socializing with parishioners and our weekend visiting priests; participating in the New Jersey Mass for Life and Rally for Life in Trenton, etc., etc., etc. It's been an active, busy, and fruitful summer. Please remember Nick and all of our Trenton seminarians in your prayers.



The St. Michael's Summer Choir to Sing at Blueclaws Baseball Game; Members of All Ages Welcome; Rehearsals Begin on Monday, August 7

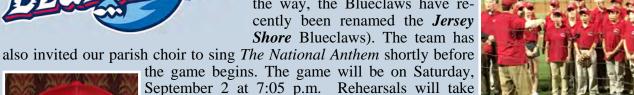


ST MICHAEL'S

SUMMER CHOIR

Once again (as in the Summers of 2018, 2019, 2021, and 2022) the St. Michael's Summer Choir is forming-up and preparing to sing *God*

Bless America and Take Me Out to the Ball Game during the 7th inning stretch of an upcoming Lakewood Blueclaws game (by the way, the Blueclaws have recently been renamed the Jersey Shore Blueclaws). The team has



place on four consecutive Mondays (August 7, 14, 21, and 28) from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Lower Church. Parishioners of all ages (seven years and over) are welcome to participate. The Summer Choir will again be di-

rected by our Acting
The evening will inand other ball park
Mass in the team's

stadium's Upper Level. All members of the cial" choir golf shirt and baseball cap with Summer Choir". To sign-up or to obtain furren Walters at <u>LaRennel@aol.com</u> or 609-



Parish Music Director Lauren Walters. clude attendance at the game, hot dogs food, and a pre-game 5:00 p.m. Vigil Corporate Conference Room on the Summer Choir will be given "an offiembroidered lettering "St. Michael's ther information, please contact Lau-706-0766.



Visit our website for ticket information: domesticchurchmedia. org/2023-benefit-concert



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 AT 3:00 P.M.

Notre Dame High School Theater 601 Lawrence Road Lawrenceville, NJ



<u>Pastor's Note</u>. An Indulgence is available for those who participate in the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on July 23. Our Bishop David O'Connell has provided the relevant information to all the parishes of our Diocese as stated below in the Decree issued by Cardinal Piacenza. Please see Page 4 and Page 6 of this bulletin for other information about the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary on the Granting of a Plenary Indulgence on the Occasion of the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, 05.07.2023

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The Apostolic Penitentiary, in order to increase the devotion of the faithful and procure the salvation of souls, by virtue of the faculties attributed to it by the Supreme Pontiff Francis, Pope by Divine Providence, accepting the recent request presented by the Most Eminent Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church Kevin Joseph Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life, on the occasion of the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, already instituted by the Supreme Pontiff on the fourth Sunday of the month of July and which this year will be held on the theme "His mercy is from age to age" (*Lk* 1:50) graciously grants from the heavenly treasures of the Church the Plenary Indulgence, under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff) to grandparents, the elderly and all the faithful who, motivated by a true spirit of penance and charity, participate on 23 July 2023, on the occasion of the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, at the solemn celebration over which the Most Holy Father Francis will preside in the Vatican Papal Basilica, or at the various functions that will be held throughout the world, a Plenary Indulgence that may also be applied as a suffrage to the souls in Purgatory.

This Court of Mercy also grants the Plenary Indulgence on this same day to the faithful who devote adequate time to visiting, in person or virtually, through the communications media, their elderly brothers and sisters in need or in difficulty (such as the sick, the abandoned, the disabled...).

The Plenary Indulgence may also be granted, provided that they free themselves from any sin and intend to fulfill the three usual conditions as soon as possible, to the sick elderly and to all those who, unable to leave their homes for a serious reason, will unite spiritually with the sacred services of World Youth Day, offering to the Merciful God their prayers, their sorrows and the sufferings of their lives, especially while the words of the Supreme Pontiff and the various celebrations are broadcast through the media.

In order, therefore, that this opportunity to obtain divine grace through the power of the Keys of the Church may be more easily realized through pastoral charity, this Penitentiary firmly requests priests, equipped with the appropriate faculties to hear confessions, to make themselves available, with a ready and generous spirit, for the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance.

This Decree is valid for the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary. Given in Rome, at the Seat of the Apostolic Penitentiary, on 15 June 2023.

Mauro Cardinal Piacenza Major Penitentiary

"Houston, We Have a Problem"

Mass-goers may have noticed the orange traffic cones and yellow "crime scene tape" blocking the east stairwell under the church's main entrance and blocking the "short road" to the restrooms in the Lower Church. We have a water drainage problem that has caused decay in the east stairwell's plaster ceiling and in the old wooden beams that support the church's front porch. The wooden beams need to be reinforced with new steel supports and then the plaster ceiling



will need to be replaced This will take time and the meantime, the main used (it is safe and sound) road") that leads to the reach the restrooms, please church's side door) and (the "long road"). Thank patience during this repair



and the front steps re-caulked. money. The work has begun. In entrance to the church may be but the east stairwell (the "short restrooms is not usable. To use the north stairwell (near the walk through the Lower Church you for your cooperation and project.





Weekend Collection & Attendance

Thank You!

Saturday, July 15, 2023

4:00 PM Mass	\$2,008.00	149 people
5:30 PM Mass	\$1,014.00	102 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$558.00	52 people

Sunday, July 16, 2023

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\$1,045.00	86 people
\$1,937.00	124 people
\$1,487.00	117 people
\$1,690.00	113 people
\$1,176.00	148 people
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Mailed-in Envelopes for the July 16 collection and for previous Sunday collections during the Pandemic Lockdown: \$2,316.00

This Week's Total: \$14,054.00

Same Week's Total Last Year: \$11,955.00

Second Collection for Annual Catholic Appeal (cash and checks; omitting pledge cards): \$1,591.00. Thank You!

On the Calendar at St. Michael's Church	CALENDAR
Annual Catholic Appeal 2023	Commenced February 18-19; Ongoing
Novena to St. Anne and St. Joachim	July 18-26, 2023 At All Masses (See Page 5 for details)
Blessing of Cars	Saturday, July 22, 2023 and Sunday, July 23, 2023 (See Page 3 for details)
World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly	Sunday, July 23, 2023 (See Pages 4 and 6 for details)
Fr. Alphonse and His 1940s Big Band Outdoor Summer Concert (on the church's front lawn)	Sunday, July 23, 2023 5:00 p.m. (following the 4:00 Sunday Mass; preceding the 7:00 Sunday Mass) (See Page 4 for details)
Movie Night: <i>Nefarious</i> (Parental discretion advised)	Wednesday, July 26, 2023 7:00 p.m. (See Page 5 for details)
Holy Hour for Vocations	Thursday, August 3, 2023 7:00 p.m.
Parish Day of Prayer for Vocations	Friday, August 4, 2023 (See Page 3 for details)
First Friday	Friday, August 4, 2023 (12:15 p.m. Mass in Latin, Eucharistic Adoration 12:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., Mass in English at 5:30 p.m., Confessions 12:45 to 1:15 and 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.)
Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (A holy day of obligation)	Tuesday, August 15, 2023
Summer Missionary Appeal	August 19 and 20, 2023
Parish Summer Choir: Mass and Songs at Lakewood (Jersey Shore) Blueclaws Baseball Game	Saturday, September 2, 2023 Mass: 5:00 p.m. Game 7:05 p.m. (See Page 8 for details)
Red Mass of the Diocese of Trenton AT St. Michael's	Sunday, October 1, 2023 12:00 Noon

Aid For The Hearing Impaired

We offer the use of radio aids during Mass upon request. The device is tuned to the sound system in the church so that those who have a hearing deficit might hear more clearly. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Married at St. Michael's on July 17, 2023 Stephanie Crepeau & Rupert Aguila



Half-Day Fridays at the Parish Office are back for the summer. From Friday, May 26 until Labor Day Weekend's Friday (September 1), the office will close at 12:00 noon on Fridays.

Thank you for your cooperation.

<u>Monday - Thursday:</u> 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

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

† Ronald Lubischer

r/o Joyce Lubischer

YEARLY MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 2023

†Ralph and Eleanor Siciliano

r/o The Boeckman Family

FEBRUARY 2024

†Susan Whitman

r/o Lex and Janet Tucci

April 2024

†Rita N. Cittadino

r/o Christopher M. Cittadino and Children

Mass Book

We kindly ask that when you come to the office for scheduling, please bring a written list including the names and dates of your requests and your name and phone number. The stipend for Masses is \$10.00 per Mass.

The Oceanport Seniors Invite You to FIESTA DE SAN GENNARO

Come join the fun and enjoy the fantastic duo of Julian & Dominique, widely recognized for their "Show of a Thousand Voices" which they performed in Celine Dion's extravaganza in Las Vegas. Add to this celebration Bill Trimarco & The Gondolier Show Band plus a great comedian.

<u>Date</u>: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 Where: The Shore Club, Spring Lake

Time: 10:30 a.m. Bus leaves from Port-au-Peck Fire House, 433 Myrtle Avenue, Oceanport

Price: \$75.00

Payment: Cash or check made payable to Oceanport Seniors

Deadline to register is September 1, 2023

Please return the bottom portion of this announcement along with your payment and mail to:

Mimi Paolise (any questions call 732-245-4987) 49 Wyandotte Ave. Oceanport, NJ 07757



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Sirloin of Beef	Chicken Marsala	Herbal Salmon
Price includes lunch lunch, music, show		1:30 a.m12:30 p.m.) Wine and soda will be served during
		NO REFLINDS