

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

August 22, 2021 | Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

DAILY MASS

Mon-Sat: 8:00 AM | Mon: 7:00 PM

First Friday 12:15 in Latin in Oct, Dec, Feb, Apr, June, Aug. In English in Sept, Nov, Jan, Mar, May, July. And 5:30 (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

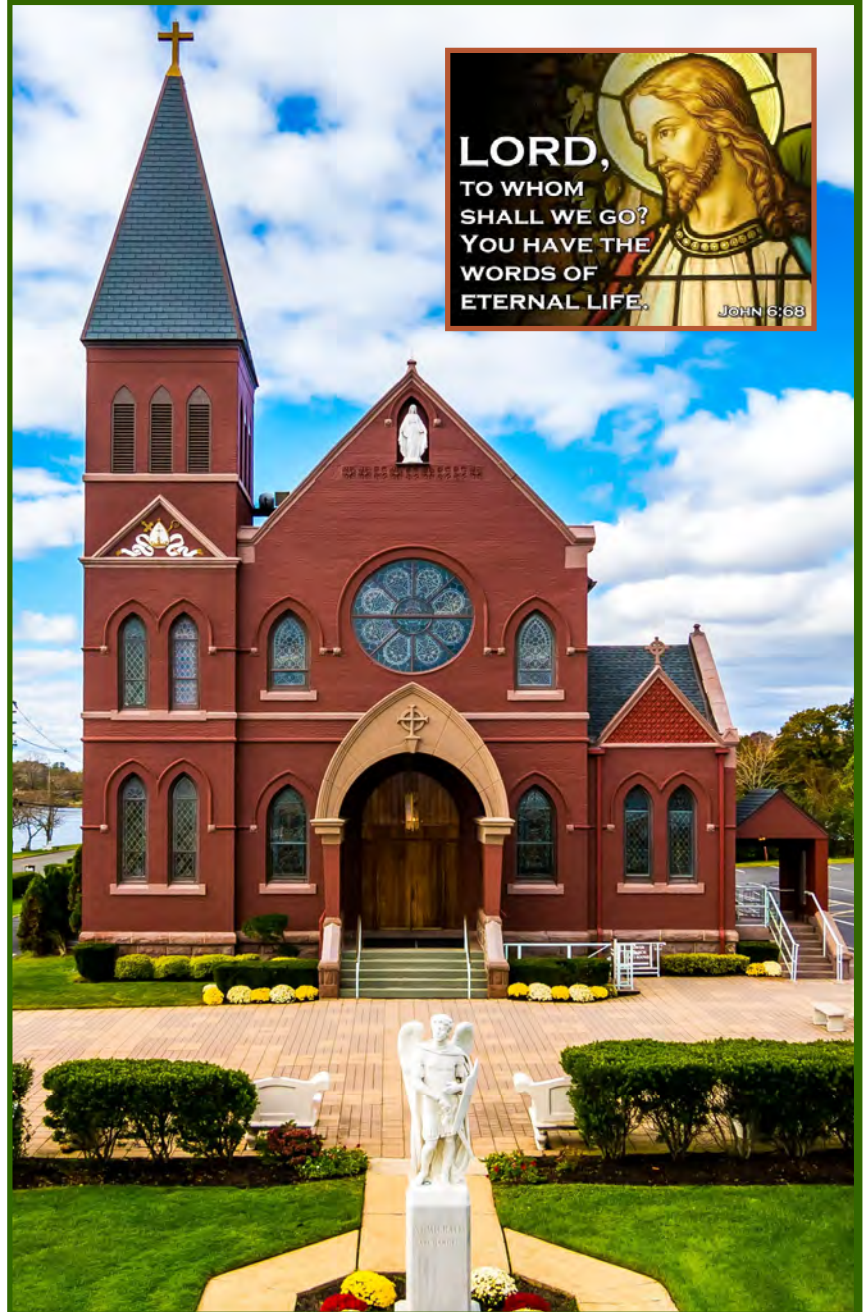
Couples who wish to marry at the parish should contact the Parish Office for a Marriage Request Form, and for further information. The bride or groom, or their parents/grandparents must be registered parishioners for at least eighteen months prior to the proposed wedding date to make arrangements. There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

BAPTISMS

Baptisms take place generally on Sundays at 1:00 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, ext. 2 at the Catholic Center. All families must be registered with the parish.



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.-12:00 Noon

Answering service phone coverage at all other times.

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

CATHOLIC CENTER AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

16 Beechwood Avenue | West Long Branch, NJ 07764
Ph: (732) 483-0360 | Fx: (732) 483-0363
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
732-483-0360 ext. 7



*Master, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of
eternal life.*

-John 6:68

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 21

8:00 AM † All Who Have Died From the Covid Virus Russo Family

Special Intention: Health & Blessing For All Who Are Suffering From Covid Russo Family

4:00 PM Special Intention: Our Lady of Knock Delehanty Family

† Walter Zulinski Repko & Zulinski Families

5:30 PM † Elaine Hoechele Dom Trancucci

† Joseph Buccellato Suzanne Stingo

7:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, August 22

7:00 AM † Catherine McLaughlin Morris & Ruthie Sutton

† Rosa Alba Stranieri Mother Francesca

8:30 AM † Patty Chavez Kim & Barry Pollack

† Genevieve Cicca Rene & Jack Brignola

10:00 AM † Dorothy Radzniak Ambrosino Family

† Ellen Grodeska Kate Phillips

12:00 PM † Eleanor Boyle

4:00 PM People of the Parish

7:00 PM † Marguerite C. Butler

† Claire B. Garvey

Monday, August 23

8:00 AM Pro-Life Cause Friends of Sylvia Marsico

† Fred West Agnes & Paul D'Angelo

7:00 PM † Prisciliano Marichal Priscy Marichal

Special Intention: Laura Daughter

Tuesday, August 24

8:00 AM † Mico Fernando

Wednesday, August 25

8:00 AM † David Barber

11:05 AM (At Monmouth Medical Ctr)
Health & Blessings of
Hospital Patients & Staff
and People of St. Michael's

Thursday, August 26

8:00 AM † Ronald Cattelona Sister

Friday, August 27

8:00 AM † Edgardo Angeles

Saturday, August 28

8:00 AM † Jose Bernarte Aida David

† Nicholas Cattelona Sister

4:00 PM † Catherine Zulinski Repko & Zulinski Families

5:30 PM † Marie Sacco Coles Friend

† Julio Bento Tony & Natalina Gomes

7:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, August 29

7:00 AM † Rosa Alba Stranieri Mother Francesca

8:30 AM † Incononata (Nada) Raffa Simonelli Family
Koenigsberg

10:00 AM † Thomas F. Apostolico Joseph & AnneMarie Principe

12:00 PM † Kathleen Smith Cristina D'Averso-Collins & Brian Collins

† Eddie Caruso April Caruso

4:00 PM † Lucy Gardocka Children

People of the Parish

7:00 PM † Paul Anthony Desiderio, Sr. Aunt Mary Ann & Uncle Anthony Desiderio

Diocese of Trenton



140 Years

AUGUST
1881 ~ 2021

With gratitude for all we've been given, we ask for God's continued blessings on the parishes and people of our Church family.

COVID-19 Vaccinations at St. Michael's Church

Saturday, September 11

10:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon

Sunday, September 12

9:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M.

Monday, September 13

6:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.

St. Michael's Church will again be participating with the New Jersey Department of Health and the Chemed Company in the *Grateful for the Shot* program to provide Covid vaccinations (using the Pfizer vaccine) free of charge in the St. Michael's Lower Church. No appointment necessary. No need to provide identification documentation or insurance documentation. First come, first served. For those unable to walk down and up the Lower Church stairs, a tent will be set-up in the church parking lot where you may receive the Covid vaccination. Please pray for a swift and complete end to the Covid-19 pandemic, for the recovery of those who are ill with this virus, and for the safety and perseverance of their caregivers.



Bishop O'Connell's Wedding Anniversary Blessings 2021; Sunday, October 10, 2021 for Ocean and Monmouth Counties

Deadline to Register: September 15

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2020 or 2021 calendar



year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and Blessing at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, attendance at Mass is limited but the event will be livestreamed. Couples may register through their parish or online pending approval of their parish. For more information or to register online go to www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing. The registration deadline for all Anniversary Couples is September 15, 2021.

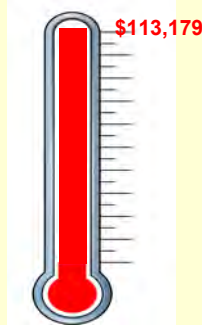
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Each of us has a vital part **TOGETHER** in all we do in Christ's name, and *each of us* can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up *our* Church. *You* make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

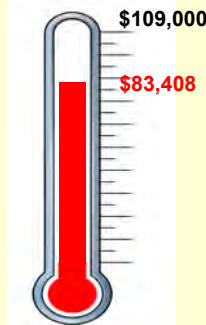


Parish Goal = \$109,000

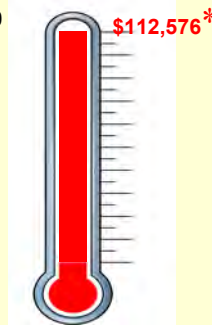
2019
After Twenty
Six
Weekends



2020
After Twenty
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Weekends



2021
After Twenty
Six
Weekends



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 twenty six weekends is significantly ahead of our parish's total after twenty six weekends in 2020 although lower than our parish's total after twenty six weekends in 2019. ***We are now at 102% of our goal as further discussed to the right.*** Thank you! As Saint/Mother Teresa said: ***"Together we can do great things!"***

*This \$112,576 figure is approximately 103% of our parish goal. It was received as of the twenty sixth weekend of the campaign (tallied as of August 18) from 415 pledgers or check-writing contributors (and many unidentified, unquantified cash contributors) all of whom comprise approximately 14.3% of the 2,899 registered households of the parish. ***Thank you!*** That \$112,576 figure is referred to as the "raised amount" and includes both actually collected funds and unpaid/partially paid pledges. Our "actually collected" ACA total at present is \$107,839 - slightly below our \$109,000 goal and so (as in recent past years) we will continue our ACA efforts until (God willing!) we surpass the \$109,000 parish goal in ***actually collected*** funds. ***Again, thank you for supporting the Annual Appeal!***

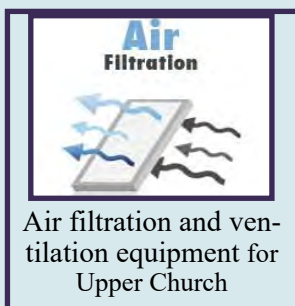
THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021 **IN ACTION!**

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

Catholic Social Services

Diocesan Parish Counseling Services: Parishioners have access to short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) at locations throughout the Diocese. The program was developed by **Catholic Charities** and the Diocese of Trenton. Licensed counseling professionals are available to help parishioners through difficult issues such as marital problems, raising children, eldercare, bereavement or the stress of job loss that can be successfully addressed by brief counseling support. Pastors and parish priests of the Diocese can refer parishioners to the parish counseling services.

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



Pro-Life Message from Bishop David O'Connell

As Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton, I encourage all our Catholic clergy, religious, and lay faithful to sign a petition to protect congressional legislative provisions in support of life: <http://www.NoTaxpayerAbortion.com>. Please

access the New Jersey Catholic Conference website: <https://njcatholic.org/protecting-the-hyde-amendment> and also read the Action Alerts posted on the NJCC website: <https://njcatholic.org>.

Please consider writing letters in strong support of pro-life protections to our NJ senators and congressmen. Thank you and God bless and protect you all, born and unborn.

Bishop O'Connell



Weekend Mass Schedule (Recently Changed)

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THE JOY OF LOVE AND FAMILY CONFERENCE SERIES 2021

The Joy of Love and Family 2021 is a conference series in celebration of the *Year of the Family* as declared by Pope Francis. The Diocese of Trenton, in collaboration with the other four Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey, is co-sponsoring the series. Premiering in June of this year and continuing into December 2021, this series of free talks has been and will be covering topics for every stage of family life. 20+ speakers. The conference is free! Full schedule and details are available at www.lightingheartsonfire.org. To register please go to <https://lightingheartsonfire.org/signup>. Questions or concerns, email cdaverso@diometuchen.org.

Catholic Charities Guardian Angel Benefit of Hope Gala

Each year Catholic Charities serves over 100,000 people in the diocese. This annual event honoring community partners who help to inspire and give hope to so many, is scheduled for September 9th from 6-7:30 P.M. Due to Covid-19, the Gala will again be virtual, and all parishioners are



invited to attend at no cost. On September 9th, go to www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/Gaboh2021 to hear a former client's inspiring success story, enjoy the entertainment, join the silent action, and honor Catholic Charities' friends from each county in the diocese.

Catholic Charities assists with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence, and immigration services. If you know of a parishioner needing help, please contact us at www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org or call 800-360-7711.

AA Weekly Meetings at St. Michael's

Weekly meetings of AA have resumed at St. Michael's in our Lower Church on Tuesday nights at 8:00 p.m. These meetings have been conducted at St. Michael's for many years and had to be suspended until recently because of the covid protocols governing the church's facilities. For more information about these meetings please visit https://findrecovery.com/aa_meetings/nj/long-branch/ or call 866-641-9190.

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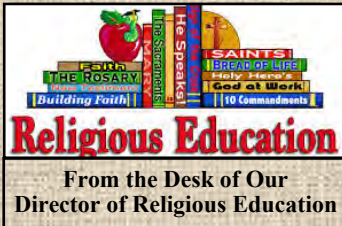
#JoyLoveFamilyNJ

Begins June 24, 2021



The
**JOY of
LOVE &
FAMILY**
CONFERENCE
SERIES **2021**





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Christ rose from the dead so we could walk in the newness of life. A life in which our inmost being must be renewed, and you must put on the new man.

Have you ever met anyone who doesn't want to be happy? I haven't. Every person who ever lived, regardless of how miserable their lives may be, wants to be happy. The choices we make, the things that we do all are aimed at happiness - at least for a time. Then, why is there so much unhappiness in our world? I find it sad, even heart-breaking that I know so many unhappy people.

The reality is that to some extent all of us are interiorly conflicted. St. Paul describes it this way: *For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want.* In other words, driven by our physical impulses and emotional needs, there are things that we desire that are self-destructive. Doing them, regardless of anyone's opinion or however strong the urge, is harmful. It can be described much like taking an addictive drug. For a time the drug makes one feel "high", even wonderful, but it wears off and leaves behind damaged cells and dissatisfaction that cries out for more - a more that can never be satiated by any drug.

There is a solution for this civil war within all of us. Staying with the example of drugs, parents who clearly forbid their son or daughter from experimenting with drugs are doing the right thing because they love their child. If they didn't care, they wouldn't bother. The child that wants to try the drug but obeys remains safe, and later in life finds peace realizing it was the right choice. The child who disobeys becomes increasingly ensnared with every drug use, often unable to see how their lives are being destroyed. That is, until it reaches a point where they believe they can never stop. In their minds, the compulsion becomes who they are, their very identity. This is true for every one trapped in sin.



While the solution truly is as simple as the matter of obedience, we are not invulnerable to the powerful biological, emotional, psychological and outside forces that are far more complicated and confusing. This is the state of fallen humanity and why we are not to judge each other, because all of us have our "drug of choice." Whether it's pride, greed, wrath, envy, lust, gluttony or sloth, only God knows our inner struggle to overcome these temptations. Our response to our own evil inclinations must be the same way we approach others; with humility, kindness, charity, patience, diligence, temperance and chastity. In shorthand, to love them as God loves us - unconditionally, immeasurably, irretrievably and sacrificially.

There is nothing easy about escaping from the clutches of habitual sin. The temptation is to give up, rationalize, vindicate or become blind to even obvious facts when the pleasure of fleeting happiness, mistaken for real happiness, is so nearby. Then there are the external influences that play a satanic role in leading us astray. Consider the incredibly stupid and evil reasoning our Supreme Court used in justifying abortion on demand: "At the heart of liberty is the right to define one's own concept of existence, of meaning, of the universe, and of the mystery of human life." Vile hogwash! Our society has become a victim of this poison. The heart of liberty is to live by truth, and not to be enslaved by one's own

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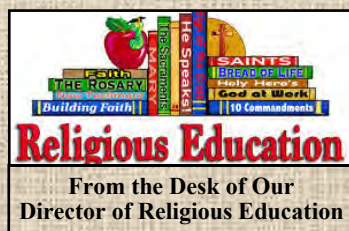
Notes & Reminders from the D.R.E.:

- Deadline for CCD Registration: Friday, September 10, 2021
- CCD Classes Resume:
Sunday, September 19, 2021 9:15-10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, September 21, 2021 4:15-5:30 p.m.
- CCD 8th Grade Confirmation trip to Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, New York City: December 4, 2021
- Confirmation (Bishop O'Connell presiding): March 10, 2022

Call for CCD Catechists and Volunteers

God has a plan for you - and it might be as a CCD teacher, teacher's aide, or volunteer. Please contact Kevin Connelly (Director of Religious Education) at 732-483-0360 ext. 2 to join our team. God may be calling **YOU!**

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delusions, delusions we all have. The popular idea that personal choice is the highest virtue in yet another lie. Personal choice, freedom, is a gift that can be used virtuously, when guided by truth and love, or abused wickedly in destroying self and others. When "personal choice" abandons reality of truth, it becomes oppression and chaos.

Jesus doesn't just understand our sinful inclinations (that is a desire for things to please that will harm us) he felt tempted in every way. If you think He doesn't fathom our lure to wealth and power, the desire to be lazy and selfish, uncontrolled anger, the temptation to the sexual immoralities of adultery, living together, homosexuality, sex outside of marriage (aka fornication), the use of contraception, to skip our Sunday obligation, to gossip and slander, to use drugs, and even transgenderism, you are mistaken. We all have some of these proclivities and Jesus knows us intimately, better than we know ourselves. In us He sees the tremendous good God created us to be, and He knows the obstacles that can be either our success or our undoing. He calls these "our cross."

Jesus has these words for you and me, and to everyone seeking happiness; *You must take up your cross and follow me.* It is the only road to eternal happiness. Jesus knows we have emotional, biological and spiritual needs, and He does not want us to try and fulfill these in misguided, harmful, and unachievable ways. We may feel we are this or that, such as an alcoholic not by choice but by birth, but for our salvation *we need to deny ourselves, and take up our cross, and follow Him.* Loving obedience to God, just as a child gives to a parent, even when we don't understand, it is very difficult and want to do something else, is the answer. For *when we subject the wisdom of the flesh to God's law, we shall be re-created as one single man of peace.* Wisdom and understanding will eventually come to you.

If we do not truly trust Christ as our source of holiness, we will not be able to avoid wicked and impure thoughts and actions. Having long realized that I cannot defeat sin on my own, I know when I let Him, Christ wins the battle with and for me. Yes, I sometimes want to do bad things. I want to make the rules. I want to say what's right and wrong. I don't want to think about it. I want gratification my way. I want to be my own God. But I'm not. Behaving so is the certain road to sin... to self-destruction.

Regardless of how corrupt, misguided, confused, sinful my life or your life may have been or is now, Jesus Christ wants

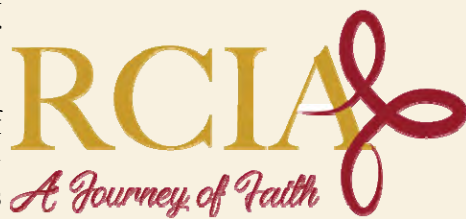
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Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Would you like to become a Catholic? Or perhaps you have been baptized yet never received First Holy Communion or made your Confirmation?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) classes

begin in the fall. If you are interested in attending these classes to complete your Sacraments, please contact Kevin Connelly (our Director of Religious Education) at 732-483-0360 ext. 2 or Mary Valan at the parish office.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Catechism classes at St. Michael's begin September 19 and 21. Every child in grades 1-8 should be enrolled unless they attend Catholic school. Pre-K and kindergarten children are also welcome. Registration is still on-going; however, materials and book orders will be completed soon. Please register your children ASAP. Registration forms can be found in the back of the church or emailed upon request. Please call Kevin Connelly, Director of Religious Education at 732-483-0360 ext. 2 for more information.



Plans Re: Our Fr. Alphonse Concert



The performance here at St. Michael's by Fr. Alphonse Stephenson and his 1940s Big Band has been called off twice (July 25 and August 8) because of the weather. Are the gods trying to tell us something?! At present no new date has been scheduled for this event. A decision on whether or not to re-schedule the concert is pending and will depend in-part on the directions taken by the Delta virus strain, by the covid spiking numbers, by the public health authorities, and the like. Plans for re-scheduling or permanently cancelling the concert will be announced as soon as possible and no later than August 25.

NEIGHBORING PARISHES OF

Northeast Monmouth
Cohort 17

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

We need to pray to the Blessed Mother in these times for "peace" in the world. Please join us every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. behind St. Mary's Church in Deal for the Rosary and consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. For information please call Lea Tallarico at 732-371-3983 or Mary Delisa at 732-533-8280.

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

Covid Vaccinations (Pfizer vaccine) in St. Michael's Lower Church on Sat, Sept 11 (10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon), Sun, Sept 12 (9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.), Mon, Sept 13 (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)

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us to know His redeemable love. The Holy Spirit wants to guide us into God's loving embrace and teach us how to truly love our self and others and not settle for the imposter the world calls love. Our Heavenly Father wants us to be happy forever and sent His Son, who was obedient even to death on the Cross, to show us how.

Words come easily, but the struggle to live in the light of truth means accepting *Christ is the true light. We must put away the works of darkness and walk honorably as in broad daylight. When we reject the deeds of darkness and do everything in the light of day, we become light and, as light should, we give light to others by our actions.*

Which brings me to my final point: We must not sit by while others sew the seeds of perdition, particularly if we claim to love them. Recall Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. Two people whose carnal attractions and obsession for each, *the treacherous passions of youth*, led to their doom. None of the adult characters in the play intervened on the part of wisdom, virtue and moral guidance but left them to their vices. Let that not be said of us, for we at least have to try and speak the truth in charity.

O purify me, then I shall be clean. O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow. A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Then all my days will be happy.

Kevin Connelly
Director of Religious Education



MOMOUTH COUNTY DIVORCED AND SEPARATED MINISTRY

St. Mary, Mother of God Church in Middletown is pleased to announce its continuing ministry entitled, "Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family", a healing program being offered for divorced and/or separated Catholics that will begin on September 13, 2021 and will run for twelve consecutive weeks on Monday evenings from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. The location for the meetings is the Chapel located at

26 Leonardville Road in Middletown.

Anyone who needs help in finding peace, power and healing from divorce, whether you are separated, considering divorce, or are already divorced, will discover how to work through emotions and pain, and experience personal healing and hope. Program information can be found at <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/separated-divorce>.

If interested, please email: healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com with your name and contact information and one of the facilitators, Ray DeSibio, Rich DeGennaro, Janet Felice and/or Elaine Anzalone-Goumas will get back in touch with you regarding all the details and will answer any questions you may have.

WE WILL BE HOSTING AN INFORMATION NIGHT ON Thursday, August 26, 2021 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Parish Hall of Church of the Nativity in Fair Haven for anyone that is interested in learning more about the program. At this event, you will be provided with all of the details you will need to decide if this 12 week program is right for you!

Thank you for taking the first step towards your healing!

LIVE-STREAMING OF OUR SATURDAY 4:00 P.M. MASS

The live-streaming of our indoor, in-church Saturday 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass will continue indefinitely even though the Parking Lot Masses have been discontinued and the dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation has been lifted. For those who are healthy and well and able to attend Sunday Mass or Saturday Vigil Mass, the live-streamed Mass is not a substitute for fulfilling the Sunday Mass Obligation (which is a serious and unchanged obligation). The live-streamed Mass is intended for those who for good, serious, and conscientious reason are genuinely unable to attend the Sunday Mass. This live-streamed Mass may be accessed via the home page of the parish website at www.stmichaelnj.com and will be archived on that home page for subsequent viewing following the live, real-time celebration of that Mass.

Weekend Collection & Attendance

Thank You!

Saturday, August 14, 2021

4:00 PM Mass	\$2,585.00	122 people
5:30 PM Mass	\$1,004.00	109 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$855.00	76 people

Sunday, August 21, 2021

7:00 AM Mass	\$1,674.00	114 people
8:30 AM Mass	\$1,553.00	113 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,493.00	119 people
12:00 PM Mass	\$1,313.00	121 people
4:00 PM Mass	\$768.00	78 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$696.00	117 people

Mailed-in Envelopes for the August 15 Collection and for Previous Sunday Collections during the Pandemic Lockdown: **\$2,323.00**

This Week's Total: \$14,264.00

Same Week's Total Last Year: \$10,584.00

Assumption of Blessed Mother: \$2,071.00

Online Giving

Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving to St. Michael's Church. It is secure, convenient and Faith Direct will provide you with an offertory card to place in the basket during the collection. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish. Please sign up today by visiting faithdirect.net. Our parish code is NJ319. Thank You.

ON THE CALENDAR AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021	Ongoing; Commenced February 21; Second mailing in week of May 10
Baptism Preparation Class	Saturday, August 21, 2021 10:00 a.m.
Holy Land Art Sale (Lower Church)	Saturday and Sunday, September 4 and 5, 2021
Covid-19 Vaccinations at St. Michael's Church	September 11, 12, and 13, 2021 (see Page 3 for further information)
CCD Classes Resume	Sunday, September 19, 2021 9:15-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 21, 2021 4:15-5:30 p.m.
St. Vincent DePaul Monthly Food Pantry (Third Saturday)	Saturday, September 21, 2021
Monmouth County Red Mass (Bishop O'Connell presiding)	Sunday, October 10, 2021 12:00 p.m.
Parish Mission: Fr. Wade Menezes of the Fathers of Mercy and of EWTN Television and Radio	December 11-15, 2021

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.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

† Ronald Lubischer r/o Joyce Lubischer

YEARLY MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 2021

Salvatore J. Mirarchi r/o Joe & Carmel Mirarchi

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 2

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