

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

November 12, 2023 | Thirty-Second 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.

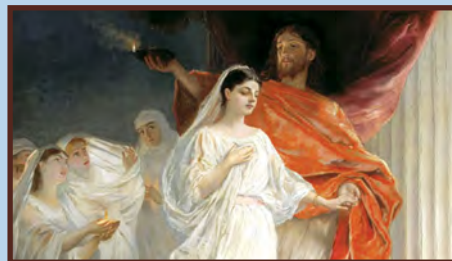
BAPTISMS

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

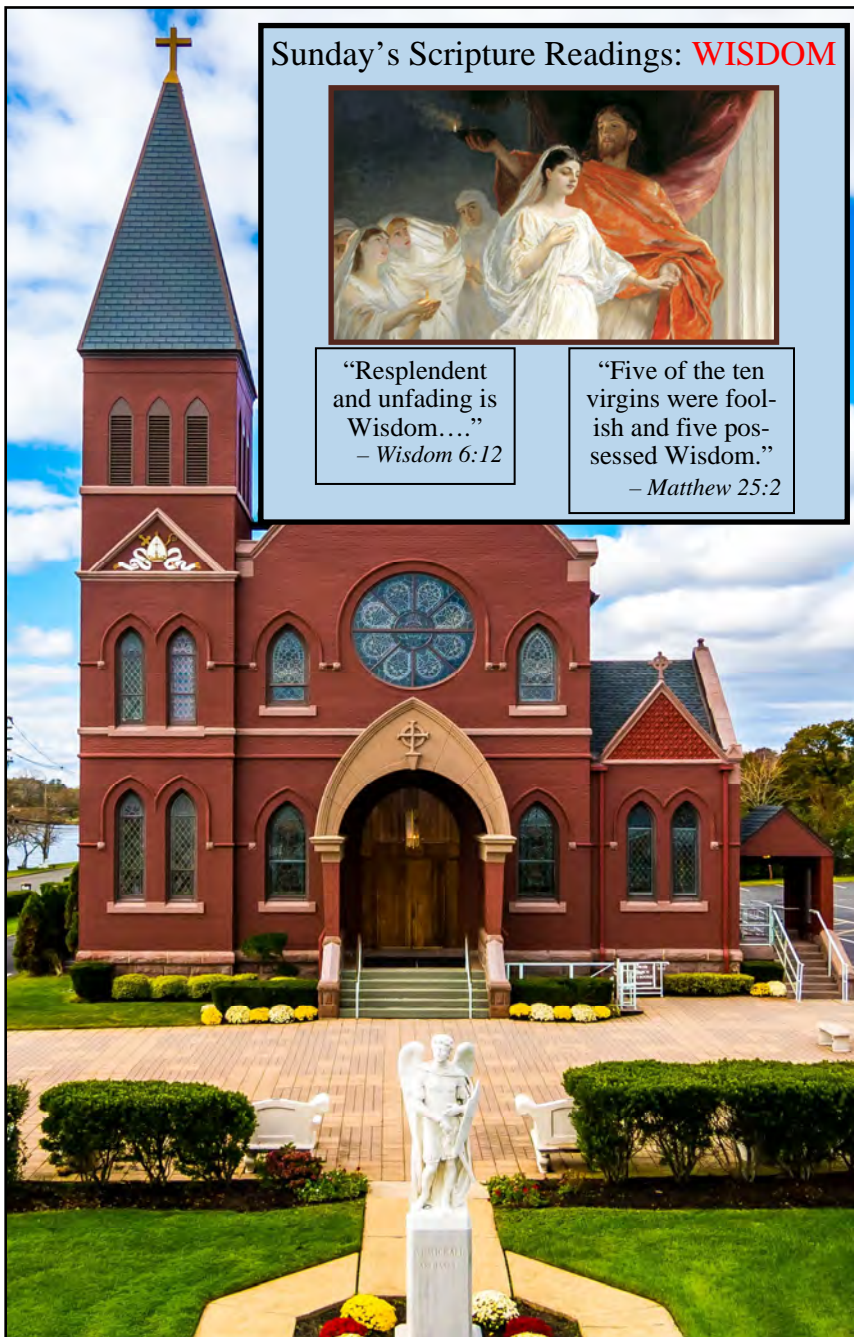
To enroll your child for our Religious Education classes, please contact Kevin Connelly, (732)483-0360, ext. 2 at the Catholic Center.

Sunday's Scripture Readings: **WISDOM**



“Resplendent and unfading is Wisdom....”
– Wisdom 6:12

“Five of the ten virgins were foolish and five possessed Wisdom.”
– Matthew 25:2



PARISH OFFICE

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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, Maintenance Coordinator

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"The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise."

– Matthew 25:1

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 11

8:00 AM † Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society	Members of the Altar Rosary Society
People of the Parish	
4:00 PM † Edwin Wilbert	Family
† Jack McGill	Family
† Madeleine Valentine	Family
5:30 PM † Dennis F. Fallon	Bill Mizerak
Special Intention	
7:00 PM † Veronica Szenzenstein	Ciufo Family
† Salvatore Freda	Ciufo Family
† Deceased Veterans	

Sunday, November 12

7:00 AM † Ed Thayer, Sr.	Pat, Anne Marie & Michael
8:30 AM † Maria Holzer	St. Vincent De Paul Society
8:45 AM (At St. Jerome's Church): Health and Blessings: Children of Our Parish and Our Catechists	
10:00 AM † George Hoffman	Family
† Michael Monahan	Janet Brown
12:00 PM † Donna Shirley	Margaret Clinton
† Anthony & Marilyn Caporale	Nina Pearl
4:00 PM People of the Parish	
7:00 PM † Deceased Veterans	

Monday, November 13

8:00 AM † David R. Dorgan	Jo Ann & Family
† Rita N. Cittadino	Christopher M. Cittadino & Children
Pro-Life Cause	Friends of Sylvia Marsico
7:00 PM † Edward Sullivan	Friend

Tuesday, November 14

8:00 AM † Michael Monahan
Special Intentions

Wednesday, November 15

8:00 AM † Elizabeth Zarraga Zarraga Family

Thursday, November 16

8:00 AM † Emilia & Julius B. Simonelli Maria & Pasquale Simonelli

Friday, November 17

8:00 AM † Raffaele Cittadino Christopher M. Cittadino
† Raymond T. Armstrong Scavone Family

Saturday, November 18

8:00 AM People of the Parish
4:00 PM Special Intention: Jennifer Family
Special Intention: Sheryl McGill & Family
Marilyn Wilbert
5:30 PM † Deceased Members of the Brown Family Elizabeth & Fredrica Brown
Special Intention
7:00 PM † Elizabeth Mary Zuppone Jennifer & Timothy Collier and Family

Sunday, November 19

7:00 AM † Charles Murrin Theresa
8:30 AM † Jim Foggia Mimi Paolise
(20th Anniversary)
† John Cassidy Viola Trollan
8:45 AM (At St. Jerome's Church):
Health and Blessings:
Children of Our Parish and
Our Catechists
10:00 AM † Nancy Minchello Mary & Catherine Farrar
† Rev. Russell Abata Rick Binaco
12:00 PM † Brian L. Rogers Jr. Anne & Phil Martinho
† Michelle Bill & Anne
4:00 PM Special Intention
† Adelina Gomes Gomes Family
7:00 PM People of the Parish

The Blessed Mother, the St. Joseph, and the Center Sanctuary Candles will be lit this week for the Pro-Life Cause and for Peace throughout the World.



*Pastor's Note: The First Reading and Gospel passage at this weekend's Masses raise the topic of "**Wisdom**". In the First Reading: "Resplendent and unfading is **Wisdom**, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her...." (Book of Wisdom 6:12) In the Gospel passage Jesus tells the parable about the **Wisdom** of the well-prepared maidens and the foolishness of the un-prepared maidens. **Wisdom** has been addressed from many different perspectives in theology, philosophy, art, literature, etc. Below is an essay on "Our Lady Seat of **Wisdom**" written by Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman around 1874.*



Our Lady Seat of Wisdom—in stained glass at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, NY

Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman on Our Lady Seat of Wisdom

SEDES SAPIENTIAE – SEAT OF WISDOM

By Cardinal J. H. Newman



Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman

Mary has this title – Our Lady Seat of **Wisdom** –in her Litany, because the Son of God, who is also called in Scripture the Word and **Wisdom of God**, once dwelt in her, and then, after His birth of her, was carried in her arms and seated in her lap in His first years. Thus, being as it were, the human throne of Him who reigns in heaven, she is called the "Seat of **Wisdom**." In the poet's words:

His throne, thy bosom blest,
O Mother undefiled.
That Throne, if aught beneath the skies,
Beseems the sinless Child.

But the possession of her Son lasted beyond His infancy—He was under her rule, as St. Luke tells us, and lived with her in her house, till He went forth to preach—that is, for at least a whole thirty years. And this brings us to a reflection about her, cognate to that which was suggested to us yesterday by the title of "Mirror of Justice." For if such close and continued intimacy with her Son created in her a sanctity inconceivably great, must not also the knowledge which she gained during those many years from His conversation of present, past, and future, have been so large, and so profound, and so diversified, and so thorough, that, though she was a poor woman without human advantages, she must in her knowledge of creation, of the universe, and of history, have excelled the greatest of philosophers, and in her theological knowledge the greatest of theologians, and in her prophetic discernment the most favored of prophets?

What was the grand theme of conversation between her and her Son but the nature, the attributes, the providence, and the works of Almighty God? Would not our Lord be ever glorifying the Father who sent Him? Would He not unfold to her the solemn eternal decrees, and the purposes and will of God? Would He not from time to time enlighten her in all those points of doctrine which have been first discussed and then settled in the Church from the time of the Apostles till now, and all that shall be till the end—nay, these, and far more than these? All that is obscure, all that is fragmentary in revelation, would, so far as the knowledge is possible to man, be brought out to her in clearness and simplicity by Him who is the Light of the World.

And so of the events which are to come. God spoke to the Prophets: we have His communications to them in Scripture. But He spoke to them in figure and parable. There was one, viz., Moses, to whom He vouchsafed to speak face to face. "If there be among you a prophet of the Lord," God says, "I will appear to him in a vision, and I will speak to him in a dream. But it is not so with my servant Moses. . . For I will speak to him mouth to mouth, and plainly, and not by riddles and figures doth he see the Lord." This was the great privilege of the inspired Lawgiver of the Jews; but how much was it below that of Mary! Moses had the privilege only now and then, from time to time; but Mary for thirty continuous years saw and heard Him, being all through that time face to face with Him, and being able to ask Him any question which she wished explained, and knowing that the answers she received were from the Eternal God, who neither deceives nor can be deceived.

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom; pray for us.

Available at the EWTN website at <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/library/seat-of-wisdom-5810>. Taken from the book "The Mystical Rose" (Thoughts on the Blessed Virgin from the writings of Cardinal J. H. Newman) St. Paul Publications 1955.



St. Michael's Rosary Altar Society Annual Christmas Luncheon



Luncheon Details:

St. Michael's Rosary Altar Society is pleased to once again host our Annual Christmas Luncheon at the Deal Country Club.

Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 12:00 Noon.

Place: Deal Country Club, 1 Golf Lane (Roseld Avenue, Deal, NJ 07753).

Menu: Buffet Luncheon (includes coffee/tea/soda).

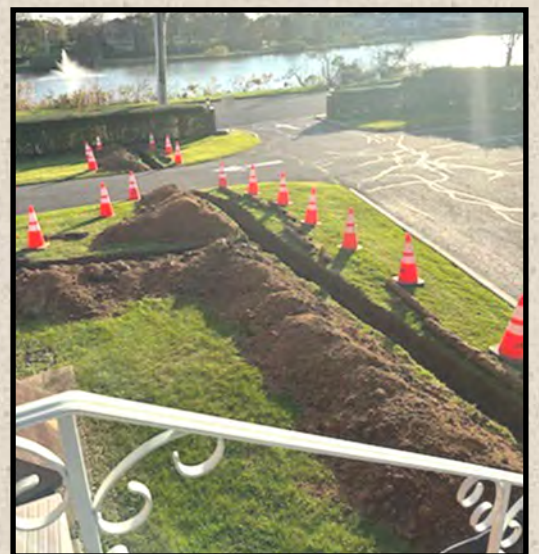
Cost: \$55 per person (includes gratuity). Check should be made payable to **St. Michael's Rosary Altar Society**.

Reservations: RSVP by Friday, December 8th, by calling Sharon Barham at 732-539-7145.

Payment: Mail check to Sharon Barham, 2 Belle Drive, West Long Branch, NJ 07764 (Remarks space: Rosary Altar Society Christmas Luncheon).



Work began earlier this week to upgrade the underground rainwater drainage system in and around the church. The crew from A.M.E. Plumbing arrived first thing Monday morning and commenced the digging on the North and West sides of the church (please see the accompanying photos) to remove broken and collapsed drainpipes and to install approximately 250 feet of new storm drain piping. The cost of this project and related work will be in the neighborhood of \$12,000. Please pray for a swift and complete remedy of the water drainage problem that has plagued our Lower Church for many years.



His Excellency David M. O'Connell, C.M., Bishop of OUR Diocese of Trenton, was with us here at St. Michael's this past Tuesday evening to celebrate our two Vigil Masses for the Solemnity of All Saints (a holy day of obligation). The Masses were well attended and the Bishop had the opportunity to meet and greet many of our parishioners. Please see the photos below. Thank you, Bishop O'Connell, for being with us and for your prayers and blessings.



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Fr. Alphonse's Christmas Concert at St. Michael's Church

Sunday, December 17, 2023
1:30 p.m. in the Upper Church

Tickets for Fr. Alphonse's Christmas Concert here at St. Michael's *went on sale Monday, October 23rd*. For the first few weeks, these tickets have been sold online (and only online) by visiting the parish's website at www.stmichaelnj.com which will take you to the ticket-selling website of Eventbrite. Online sales will continue.



Beginning the weekend of November 18-19 tickets also will be available for purchase "manually" in the rear of the church and may be paid for there with cash or a check. These "manual sales" of the concert tickets will take place *after* Mass as follows:

- Following the Saturday, November 18th 4:00 p.m. Mass and 5:30 p.m. Mass.
- Following the Sunday, November 19th 12:00 p.m. Mass.
- Following the Saturday, November 25th 4:00 p.m. Mass and 5:30 p.m. Mass.
- Following the Sunday, November 26th 8:30 a.m. Mass and 10:00 a.m. Mass.
- Following the Saturday, December 2nd 4:00 p.m. Mass and 5:30 p.m. Mass.
- Following the Sunday, December 3rd 7:00 a.m. Mass and 8:30 a.m. Mass.

All concert seats will be reserved and assigned seating. The pricing levels are \$55, \$50, and \$45. Tickets will not be available for purchase in the parish business office (except as announced) nor over the phone. *If you purchased your ticket online, please print out the ticket and bring the ticket with you to the concert.*

National Vocation Awareness Week

National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 5-12, 2023, is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renewing our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in the U.S. in 1976. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November. Please pray for vocations, vocations, vocations and please actively encourage someone whom you know to pursue his or her religious vocation. *YOU* may be the messenger and voice of the Holy Spirit whispering in that person's ear to be courageous and generous in saying "Yes" to God's call.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All parishioners, families, and friends are
invited to a
Family Mass of Thanksgiving
at 9:30 A.M.
on Thanksgiving Day.



At the conclusion of this Mass, loaves of bread will be blessed and distributed.

Please note: Mass on Thanksgiving Day will also be celebrated at 7:00 a.m. (the "early bird Thanksgiving Day Mass") in addition to the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass. Mass will not be celebrated at 8:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Confessions will not be heard on Thanksgiving Day except for an urgent need; please contact the Parish Office if such a need occurs in order to schedule an appointment in advance.

ALSO, for those who may be traveling on Thanksgiving Day itself or who may be getting on the road very early that day, we will be celebrating an **EVE of Thanksgiving Mass** on Wednesday, November 22 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited and welcome.

An Irish Christmas Concert Celebration at Carnegie Hall Saturday, December 9, 2023



Keith and Kristyn Getty will perform their magical Irish Christmas concert at Carnegie Hall on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. This cherished Christmas tradition has blended church music, historic carols, and joyful congregational singing into a beautiful concert appropriate for all ages.

St. Michael's is pleased to offer this Christmas Concert Outing to Carnegie Hall for a joyful celebration of Christmas Carols and contemporary music. Our memorable day will start with a visit to St. Patrick's Cathedral for private prayer; time to see the Christmas Tree at Rockefeller Center; private Mass at St. Agnes Church; three-course dinner; and concert ticket to the Christmas Concert with Keith & Kristyn Getty and friends.

Our memorable day's schedule:

- 12:30 p.m. Van departs from St. Michael's upper parking lot.
- 2:00 p.m. Leisure time for visit to St. Patrick's Cathedral and Rockefeller Center to see Christmas Tree.
- 3:15 p.m. Van departs for St. Agnes.
- 4:00 p.m. Private Mass at St. Agnes Catholic Church – 143 East 43rd Street.
- 5:00 p.m. Van departs for restaurant – the Red Eye Grill (890 Seventh Avenue - across the street from Carnegie Hall - 57th Street & Seventh Avenue).
- 7:30 p.m. Concert at Carnegie Hall – Dress Circle Section.
- 10:00 p.m. Van departs for home.

Our reservations:

Tickets are limited so reserve your seat today! First come, first served. Reservations must first be made by contacting Dotty O'Hara at 908-310-6497 no later than Friday, December 1, 2023. Please include names of attendees and cell phone numbers.

Our price per person: \$145.00

Checks should be made payable to St. Michael's Church and can be mailed to or dropped off at the Parish Business Office (Attn: Dotty O'Hara). Please note in the remarks section of your check: Irish Christmas Concert. Remember – you must first reserve a seat by calling Dotty at 908-310-6497.





Second Collection Next Weekend
November 18 and 19
for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development



Next weekend we will take up a Second Collection at all Masses to support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development as requested by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.

Please make checks payable to St. Michael's Church.



**Happy
Birthday,
Jo Ann**

Parishioners and friends paused during the counting of the Sunday collection this past week to celebrate the birthday of Jo Ann Dorgan, chairwoman of the parish's Hospitality Committee. Happy birthday and ad multos annos!



God Bless Cassandra!

One of our youngest and littlest St. Michael's parishioners – Cassandra – (please see the accompanying smiling photo) is recovering from her numerous and most recent (and successful!) cancer surgeries at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (C.H.O.P.). Cassandra is very grateful for all the prayers offered for her by her friends at St. Michael's and sends her love and gratitude and smiles to everyone.



FALL BIBLE STUDY: GENESIS

New Temporary Location!

Because of the unavailability of the Lower Church due to the Sept. 29 rainfall and flooding, the Fall Bible Study, GENESIS, will now be held in the basement at Holy Trinity Church as a temporary location for our Fall Bible Study - thank you Fr. Javier!



Our first session at this new venue will be Thursday, October 26, 2023. There is a slight change to the morning schedule - Thursdays 9:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. The evening schedule times remain unchanged - Thursdays 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Holy Trinity Church is located at 408 Prospect Street, Long Branch.

If you have any questions, please call Rene or Jack at 732-222-3164.

Our Call to Respond to Those Suffering in the Holy Land

***Pastor's Note.** War is being waged in the Holy Land. Pope Francis, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, our Bishop O'Connell, and others have urged faithful Catholics to pray and fast for peace in the Holy Land. The Bishop's message is published below and is available at <https://trentonmonitor.com/news/2023/oct/12/our-call-to-respond-to-those-suffering-in-the-holy-land/>. In response to the situation in Israel and to Bishop O'Connell's request, our parish conducted a Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration and praying of the Rosary on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 and Wednesday, October 25, 2023. We also joined Pope Francis in his worldwide Prayer for Peace on Friday, October 27 when parishioners gathered in our church to view the live telecast of the Pope's Holy Hour from St. Peter's Square in Rome at 12:00 Noon our time in New Jersey and followed-up that hour with an additional Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and fasting from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us.*

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

As is so often the case, our sisters and brothers in need in our own country and throughout the world depend upon



on our love and generosity, prompted by our Catholic faith, and turn to us for help in times of crisis. Such is now the case in Israel. I offer some ways to respond. First, fore-

most and always, we need to pray. In this month of the Rosary, pray this most effective prayer that our Blessed Mother will intercede with her Divine Son for the people affected by the current war. Pray for peace. The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa, has also made this request on behalf of the bishops in Israel:

We ask that on Tuesday, October 17, the Feast of St. Ignatius of Antioch, everyone hold a day of fasting, abstinence and prayer. Let us organize prayer times with Eucharistic adoration and with the recitation of the Rosary to Our Blessed Virgin Mary. This is the way we all come together despite everything, and unite collectively in prayer, to deliver to God the Father our thirst for peace, justice and reconciliation.

Second, please respond in charity to the extent that you are willing and able to Catholic Relief Services at this link: support.crs.org/donate/holy-land-conflict.

Thank you. Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!

NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE

WHEN:

Thursday,
September 26, 2024

WHERE:

New Jersey State Capitol
State House Annex
125 W State St
Trenton, NJ 08608

SCHEDULE

11:00 a.m. NJ March for Life Rally

12:00 p.m. NJ March for Life



New Jersey Right to Life

MARCH FOR LIFE

Learn More: nj.marchforlife.org

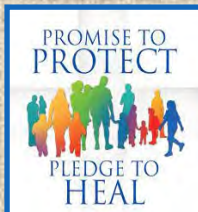
Aid For The Hearing Impaired

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.



OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT:

The Diocese of Trenton and St. Michael's Church are committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the Diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org. The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.



*Married at St. Michael's on
November 4, 2023*

Kimberly Wood & Christopher Mitchell



The next Baptism preparation class for parents is scheduled for Saturday, November 18 at 11:00 a.m. at the parish's Catholic Center at 16 Beechwood Avenue, West Long Branch. Please call the parish office to register in advance.

**PRAY
FOR
PEACE
IN
UKRAINE**



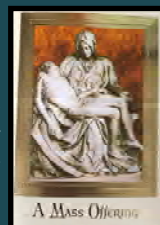
Communion Visits; Confession Visits; Anointing of the Sick

Please keep in mind that the parish priest and our lay Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are available and eager to bring Communion to parishioners who are in the hospital (nursing homes, assisted living facilities, rehab centers, and hospices, too) and to parishioners who are at home but unable to get to church. Please contact Mary Valan at the parish office or Dotty O'Hara at (908)310-6497 to make arrangements. Hospitals and other healthcare facilities **generally do not notify the parish office** regarding their Catholic patients who desire to receive Sacraments. And so it falls to the patient herself/himself or to a family member or friend to contact the parish office to make the request. The parish priest will also very gladly make a hospital visit or home visit to hear a Confession and/or administer the Sacrament of the Sick ("Anointing of the Sick") in addition to bringing Holy Communion. Please remember to contact the parish office or Dotty to make these arrangements. Thank you.



2024 Mass Book

The 2024 Mass Book will open on Tuesday, November 28. 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.



PARISH COUNSELING SERVICES

A joint effort of the Diocese of Trenton and Catholic Charities provides licensed professionals for short term counseling (up to six sessions) to parishioners dealing with difficult issues, for example, job-stress, family concerns, and bereavement. Contact your pastor or parish priest (732-222-8080) for additional information and referral. The fee is \$90 per session, but, if needed, financial assistance is available through the Diocese of Trenton Parish Counseling Services.

Weekend Collection & Attendance

Thank You!

Saturday, November 4, 2023

4:00 PM Mass	\$1,855.00	129 people
5:30 PM Mass	\$889.00	76 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$1,020.00	56 people

Sunday, November 5, 2023

7:00 AM Mass	\$1,711.00	101 people
8:30 AM Mass	\$2,177.00	133 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,728.00	119 people
12:00 PM Mass	\$1,684.00	88 people
4:00 PM Mass	\$883.00	114 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$937.00	91 people

Mailed-in Envelopes for the November 5 collection and for previous Sunday collections during the Pandemic Lockdown: **\$2,870.00**

This Week's Total: \$15,754.00

Same Week's Total Last Year: \$12,462.00

All Saints Day: \$4,227.00

Online Giving

Please consider joining 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.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

† Ronald Lubischer r/o Joyce Lubischer

YEARLY MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 2024

† Susan Whitman r/o Lex and Janet Tucci

April 2024

† Rita N. Cittadino r/o Christopher M. Cittadino and Children

SEPTEMBER 2024

† Ralph and Eleanor Siciliano r/o The Boeckman Family

† Connie and Tony Criesi r/o Lin Criesi

† Dick Nolan r/o Lin Criesi

ON THE CALENDAR AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH



Baptism Preparation Class	Saturday, November 18, 2023 11:00 a.m.
CCD Children's Thanksgiving Mass	Tuesday, November 21, 2023 4:00 p.m. (at St Michael's Church)
Thanksgiving Eve Mass	Wednesday, November 22, 2023 7:00 p.m.
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 23, 2023 Early Mass at 7:00 a.m. Family Mass at 9:30 a.m. (No 8:00 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving Day) (See Page 6 for details)
First Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 3, 2023
Advent Penance Service	Date to be announced
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)	Friday, December 8, 2023
Handel's Messiah Sing-Along	Friday, December 8, 2023 7:00 p.m.
Parish Trip to Carnegie Hall Christmas Concert	Saturday, December 9, 2023 (See Page 7 for details)
Rosary Altar Society Christmas Luncheon	Wednesday, December 13, 2023 (See Page 4 for details)
Fr. Alphonse's Christmas Concert at St. Michael's	Sunday, December 17, 2023 1:30 p.m. (See Page 6 for details)
Christmas (Holy Day of Obligation)	Monday, December 25, 2023
New Year's Day and Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	Monday, January 1, 2024



Old Guard of Long Branch is Sponsoring a Bus Trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City

When: Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Cost: \$40.00 (Receive \$20.00 back at Casino and free refreshments on the bus).

Bus leaves St. Michael's Church at 10:15 a.m.

For more information and to make a reservation call Peter at 732-801-6886