

EASTER SUNDAY



THE

*Resurrection*

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH**

*April 5, 2026 | Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

## APRIL 5, 2026

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, April 4**

8:30 PM People of the Parish

**Friday, April 10**

8:00 AM † Leigh Ann Basaman

Michaele McKenna & Patricia Micale

† Louis Vincelli

Tricia Vincelli

**Sunday, April 5 - Easter Sunday**

6:00 AM People of the Parish (Outdoors at Church Courtyard)

7:00 AM † Patrick Lennon

Carroll Family

8:30 AM † Joan Easu Tave

Sisters

† Michael Wrubel

Wife Maria & Family

10:00 AM † Anthony Wischenski

Mary & Catherine Farrar

† Harold & Julia Bowman

Loving Children Michael Joseph & AnneMarie

† Dolores DeFelice

Bertorelli & Olsen Families

12:00 PM † Scott Opatosky

Mom & Rick

† Robert Scally

Donna

5:00 PM † Robert Graziano

Glen & Theresa Montague

† Jay Filippo

Filippo Family

**Saturday, April 11**

8:00 AM † Rosemary Lloyd

Linda

People of the Parish

4:00 PM † Anthony Chiafullo

John & Deborah Perri & Family

† John I. Leahy

Mary Anne & Greg Nagy

5:30 PM Special Intention

† Angie Albano

Agnes & Paul D'Angelo

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7:00 PM † Margaret Glynn

Vicki & Tom Hoagland

† John Dorgan

Rosary Altar Society

**Monday, April 6**

8:00 AM Pro-Life Cause

Friends of Sylvia Marsico

† Jeanette DiDomenico

Viggiano Family

7:00 PM † Rosemary Lloyd

Rosary Altar Society

**Sunday, April 12**

7:00 AM † John Dorgan

Jane Farmer

8:30 AM † Maureen Hakim

Connie Castaldo

† Clara May Burke

Marian Davey & Family

10:00 AM Special Intention:  
Children's Rosary

† Janice Tomaine

Joanne & Frank Buono

12:00 PM † Priscilla Thomson

Beaton Family

† Donald Byington

Dave & Emily Beaton

**Tuesday, April 7**

8:00 AM † Maureen Hakim

† Vincent Muscillo

**Wednesday, April 8**

8:00 AM † Angelo D'Amico

Tom Viggiano

† Robert Graziano

**Thursday, April 9**

8:00 AM Special Intention:  
P.F.C. Antonio Cittadino

Christopher M. Citadino

† Louis Vincelli

Tricia Vincelli

The Blessed Mother, the St. Joseph, and the Center Sanctuary Candles will be lit this week in prayer for peace throughout the world and for the Pro-Life cause.



## EASTER WEEKEND 2026

### HOLY SATURDAY#

**8:00 AM Morning Prayer**

*No scheduled Confessions on this day.*

**12:00 Noon Blessing of Easter  
Food Baskets**

**8:30 PM Great Vigil Mass†**

### EASTER SUNDAY#

*No scheduled Confessions on this day.*

**6:00 AM Mass at Sunrise at**

**Parish Courtyard** (outdoors weather permitting; otherwise in Upper Church) †

**7:00 AM Mass\***

**8:30 AM Mass\***

**10:00 AM Mass-Upper Church†\***

**12:00 PM Mass-Upper Church\***

**5:00 PM Mass\***

(No 4:00 p.m. Mass. No 7:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.)

# No scheduled Confessions on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

For an urgent penitential need on those days, please speak to the priest celebrant after Mass or phone the parish office.

† There will be coffee and hot cross buns at the Church Courtyard after this outdoor Sunrise Mass.

\* There will be **one Mass** at this hour; this Mass in the Upper Church will be simulcast to the TV monitor in the Lower Church.

† Live-Stream available at parish website.

Copies of *The Little White Book* for the Easter Season 2026 (49 six-minute daily reflections on the Sunday Gospels of the Easter Season from Cycle A) are available in the back of the church. Please help yourself to one! And please give one to a friend!

These booklets are free of charge and are inspiring and motivating. On nearly every page they remind us and encourage us to:

*“Spend some quiet time with the Lord.”*

### Parish Office Closed; Easter Recess

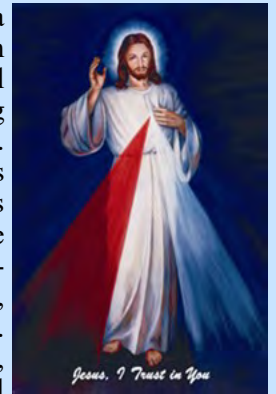
The parish office will be closed on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Monday, April 6. The office will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 7. Mass will be celebrated at the regular time on Monday, April 6 at 8:00 a.m.

and 7:00 p.m. Confessions on Monday, April 6 will be heard at the usual times after the morning Mass until 9:00 a.m. and after the 7:00 evening Mass until 8:00 p.m.



## Divine Mercy Sunday April 12, 2026

From the diary of Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska, a young Polish nun, “Divine Mercy” is a special devotion that began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through Scripture and Tradition ~ that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. With the Divine Mercy devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God’s love is unlimited and available to everyone. The Lord revealed to Sister Faustina a powerful prayer which He wanted everyone to pray ~THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY ~ and He promised extraordinary graces to those who would recite it.



Join us on Sunday, April 12 at 10:45 a.m. at St. Michael’s Church for the praying of this special devotion on Divine Mercy Sunday. Confessions will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

## Invitation to All Women of the Parish



## Rosary Altar Society

### April Meeting

Saturday, April 11

### Election of New Officers

8am Mass and  
Recitation of the Rosary  
followed by  
Meeting and Refreshments  
in the Lower Church

Info Call or Text

Rose McVey 201-232-3891

The Sacrament of Confirmation was administered by Rev. Monsignor Thomas J. Mullely at our parish on Thursday, March 26. Prayers and best wishes for our Confirmandi, their sponsors, and their families. Gratitude to Mr. Connelly (our Director of Religious Education) and to all of our CCD catechists, teachers aides, volunteers, musicians, and altar servers.



### Our 2025-26 Confirmandi and Their Confirmation Names

Benjamin Arce <i>Sebastian</i>	Guliana Flammia <i>Carmen</i>	Isabella Pereira <i>Cecilia</i>
Gina Borgersen <i>Francis</i>	Matheus Freitas <i>Michael</i>	Amani Pisani <i>Astra</i>
Marco Burgos <i>Mark</i>	Liliana Gaudious-Stump <i>Faith</i>	Anna Rodrigues <i>Mary</i>
Max Careri <i>Lawrence</i>	Lucas Lima <i>Francis</i>	Callen Schaubert <i>Carlo</i>
Kennedy Careri <i>Joan</i>	Landon Mass <i>Paul</i>	Nicholas Schleichert <i>Sebastian</i>
Joao Miguel De Oliveira <i>Michael</i>	Nicholas Mazza <i>Robert</i>	James Sciacca <i>Francis</i>
John Dzwonczyk <i>Michael</i>	Kellan Miller <i>Michael</i>	Jorge Silverio <i>Michael</i>
Emerson Ernish <i>Joan</i>	Madigan Miller <i>Joan</i>	Bryce Threatt <i>Patrick</i>
Alivia Evans <i>Catherine of Sienna</i>	Francesca Muscillo <i>Elizabeth</i>	Ryan Trainor <i>Francis</i>
Gianna Evans <i>Marie</i>	Gavino Napolitano <i>Matthew</i>	



# Children's Rosary

Please join us for a Children's Rosary on Sunday, April 12 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Michael's Church.

All are invited to participate and pray with us. Rosaries and prayer books will be available.

No prior knowledge of the Rosary is needed.

Any questions, call or text Renee Mazza at (732) 829-4548



## SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

### THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

**"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."  
Matthew 12:28**

All sessions will be held in the St. Michael's Lower Church

Thursdays April 16 through May 28

Morning Session: 9:00 am -10:30 am

Evening Session: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Please call Rene and Jack at 732-222-3164 to reserve a seat and a study guide.

Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., invites law enforcement personnel of all faiths who live or serve in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties to ...



## The Diocese of Trenton's BLUE MASS & Luncheon

24<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Law Enforcement



TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026 • 10:30 AM

Principal Celebrant: Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.

ST. ROBERT BELLARMIN CO-CATHEDRAL  
61 GEORGIA ROAD, FREEHOLD



Luncheon donation: \$20 per person • No charge for immediate families

For information and to order tickets online, go to [bluemass.org](http://bluemass.org) or scan the QR code  
Questions? Write to [detcomm@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:detcomm@dioceseoftrenton.org)

Mass will be livestreamed on [youtube.com/trentondiocese](http://youtube.com/trentondiocese)

## Sensory Friendly Masses



April 26 | 2 p.m.  
St. Rose Belmar

May 31 | 2 p.m.  
Holy Innocents Neptune

June 14 | 2 p.m.  
St. Benedict Holmdel

Fellowship and refreshments to follow. These services are inclusive to the **Special Needs Community**.

For more information, please contact [NorMonHIS@gmail.com](mailto:NorMonHIS@gmail.com)



**RUMMAGE SALE!**  
 Church of St. Leo the Great  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 10**  
 6:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
 6:00-8:00 AM Early Bird Special \$10  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 11**  
 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
 Housewares • Clothing • Toys • Books • And More!  
**COME FIND A TREASURE!**  
 Sponsored by the Ignite Youth Group

**St. Michael's Rosary Altar Society**  
**2026**  
**LENT MADNESS**  
**SAINT VS. SAINT**  
*BRACKET CHALLENGE WINNERS*  
**81 Participants**

**1st Prize, Brian Sheerin**  
**2nd Prize, Jenn Pereira**  
**3rd Prize, Joyce Maslo**

A Note from the Rosary Altar Society.  
*Proceeds from this Event were used to purchase new runners to Adorn the High Altar and Side Altars this Eastertide. Thank you for participating.*  
**Alleluia, Christ is Risen!**  
*\*\*Bracket Sheet Point Scores Available in the Rear of the Church*  
**Info: Call or Text Rose McVey, 201-232-3891**

Scoring determined by the selections made by the Participants in the Challenge

**2026 LENT MADNESS SAINT vs. SAINT**

INFO: Rose McVey  
 Text 201-232-3891  
 rosetmcvey@optimum.net

Our Patron  
**St. Michael the Archangel**  
 Wins the Crown vs.  
**St. Francis of Assisi**  
 2026 Jubilee Saint

Round of 32    Round of 16    Round of 8    Round of 4

St. Anthony 62	St. Anthony 62	Anthony 39	23 St. Anthony
St. Augustine 17	Bernadette 55	Thomas 25	Round of 4
St. Bernadette 55	St. Thomas 48	Elizabeth 44	28 St. Michael
St. Cecilia 24	St. Michael 70	St. Michael 70	20 St. Francis
St. Carlo Acutis 31	St. John Bosco 9	Michael 55	St. Michael the Archangel
St. Thomas 48	St. Gianna 14	St. Michael 33	The Heavenly Crown
Elizabeth Seton 44	Mother Teresa 65	St. Michael	
St. Catherine 35	Mary Magdalene 52		
St. Michael 70	Teresa of Avila 27		
St. John Bosco 9	St. Joseph 57		
St. Gianna 14	Pope John Paul II 22		
Mother Teresa 65			
Mary Magdalene 52			
Teresa of Avila 27			
St. Joseph 57			
Pope John Paul II 22			

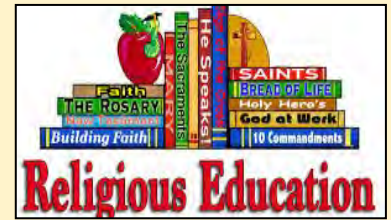
Round of 8    Round of 16    Round of 32

St. Francis 49	St. Francis 61	St. Francis 63
St. Francis 49	St. Clare 48	Fulton Sheen 16
St. Francis 49	Juan Diego 54	St. Clare 47
St. Francis 49	St. Juan Diego 14	St. Faustina 32
St. Francis 49	Joan of Arc 43	St. Juan Diego 54
St. Francis 49	Joachim & Anne 56	St. Damien 25
St. Francis 49	St. Monica 31	St. Joan of Arc 42
St. Francis 49	St. Monica 60	St. Therese 37
St. Francis 49	St. Lucy 25	St. Zelle Martin 23
St. Francis 49	Padre Pio 52	Joachim & Anne 56
St. Francis 49		St. Kateri 19
St. Francis 49		St. Monica 60
St. Francis 49		St. Lucy 57
St. Francis 49		Maria Goretti 22
St. Francis 49		Maximilian Kolbe 26
St. Francis 49		St. Padre Pio 53

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

- First Holy Communion: May 2, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
- Crowning of Mary: Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
- CCD classes continue through and including April 28 except no classes on Tuesday, March 31 and Tuesday, April 7 for the Easter Recess.



**PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

† Ronald Lubischer r/o Joyce Lubischer

YEARLY MASS INTENTIONS

April 2026

† Susan Whitman r/o Lex and Janet Tucci

May 2026

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



**Bus Trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City**

When: Tuesday, April 21, 2026

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.**

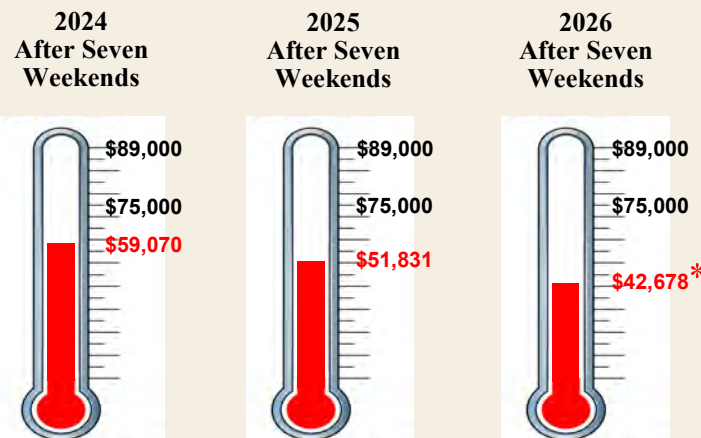


For more information and to make a reservation call Peter at 732-801-6886

*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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2026

**Parish Goal = \$89,000**



\*This \$42,678 figure is approximately 48% of our parish goal. It was received through and including the seventh weekend of the campaign (tallied as of March 27) from 151 pledgers or check-writing contributors (and many unidentified, unquantified cash contributors) all of whom comprise approximately 7.6% of the 1,972 registered households of the parish. **Thank you!** The Diocese sent a Diocesan-wide mailing during the week of February 12 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.



The three “thermometers” above compare our parish’s 2024 vs. 2025 vs. 2026 results-to-date in the Annual Catholic Appeal. The thermometers indicate a good start and that there is work ahead of us. This year’s total after seven weekends is behind the pace of the two previous years. Thank you for your support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. **Together we can do great things!**

## *Easter Flowers 2026*

### **In Memory/Honor of**

### **Requested By**

The Albano Family	Agnes & Paul D'Angelo
The D'Angelo Family & Adelene LaRosa	Agnes & Paul D'Angelo
John Anthony Kmecz	Family
Antoinette M. Hyz	Daughter
Angela Valenti	Husband William
Sam & Sarah Valenti	Son William
Helen Murphy	Daughter
Scott I. Opatosky	Mom & Richard Ferrante
Members of the Hoagland Family	Tom & Vicki Hoagland
Members of the Serritella Family	Tom & Vicki Hoagland
Steven Maslo	Maslo Family
Elizabeth Carr	Janice & Fred Carr
James Carr	Janice & Fred Carr
Thomas Traxler	Janice & Fred Carr
Jeraldine Traxler	Janice & Fred Carr
Janice Brintnall	Janice & Fred Carr
Clarke Brintnall	Janice & Fred Carr
Deceased Members of the Maher Family	Becky Welter
Deceased Members of the Welter Family	Becky Welter
Katherine Millar	Robert & Letticia Farrell
Hanley & McDonald Families	Jack & Cathy Hanley McDonald
Nicole Margiloff	The Margiloff Family
Peter & Rita Calabro	The Margiloff Family
Rudolfo Simon	Editha Simon



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### **In Memory/Honor of**

### **Requested By**

Dominic & Ann Scaglione	Paul & Carmel Smith
Diana Feldman	Paul & Carmel Smith
Ted Smith	Paul & Carmel Smith
Michael Wrubel	Wife Maria & Family
Pamela Gatta	Aunt Maria (Beep Boo)
Robert Andreasi	Susan Andreasi
Robert Andreasi	The Mazza Family
Thomas L. Siciliano	Mother in Law Mary Cretello
James & Irene Cattnach	Gregory & Teresa Cattnach
Thomas & Anna Dougherty	Teresa & Gregory Cattnach
Angelo & Grace Inverso	Joe & Judy Pawlak
Joseph & Leona Pawlak	Joe & Judy Pawlak
Thomas E. Calise	Mr. & Mrs. William Beuther
Florence Mazzacco	Her Daughters Mary Jo, Julie & Cheryl
Marietta A. Colosi	Karen Costagliola
Fred P. West, Jr.	Kathi, Meredith & Courtney
Joan Easu Tave	Kathi & Jackie
Scott F. Tave	Aunt Kathi
Ralph T. Apicelli	Kathi West
Deceased Members of the Ferri Family	Don & Donna Ferri
Deceased Members of the Sconza Family	Don & Donna Ferri
David & Andrew Bertorelli	Family
William Kellam & Kathy K. Ross	Wife & Mother Bianca Kellam
Heimbold & Boehles Families Living & Deceased	J.E. Boehles



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<b>In Memory/Honor of</b>	<b>Requested By</b>
Maria Cruz Arce	Arce Family
Maximino Arce	Arce Family
Charles Piazza	The Piazza Family
Patricia Christensen	The Piazza Family
Mildred, William & Frank Gilligan	Arvanitis Family
Barbara McCarthy	Danielle & Jon Holobinko
Joseph & Dorothy McCarthy	Danielle & Jon Holobinko
Anne Salem	Marian Salem Lombardi
Richard Salem	Marian Salem Lombardi
Richard Salem, Jr.	Marian Salem Lombardi
Maria Spina	Marian Salem Lombardi
Nicholas Spina	Marian Salem Lombardi
The Brignola Family	Rene & Jack Brignola
The Moutenot Family	Rene & Jack Brignola
Patricia Savino	Robert & Claire Savino
James F. Simonelli "Pa"	Loving Grandchildren
James F. Simonelli "Sim"	Love Rosanna, Jenna & Cara
Notaro & Simonelli Families	Love Rosanna & Marie
Harold & Julia Bowman	Loving Children Michael, Joe & AnneMarie
Anthony & Regina Principe	Loving Children Joe & AnneMarie
Karen Gomes	Tony & Natalina Gomes
Manuel Ribeiro	Tony & Natalina Gomes
Rosemary Ellen Lloyd	Robin Verhose
Tom & Lynn Joyce	Michael & Linda Standley



**ON THE CALENDAR AT  
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH**



Annual Catholic Appeal 2026	<i>Commenced February 14-15; Ongoing</i>
Easter	<i>Sunday, April 5, 2026</i>
Easter Mass at Sunrise (church courtyard)	<i>Sunday, April 5, 2026 6:00 a.m.</i>
Divine Mercy Sunday	<i>Sunday, April 12, 2026 (See Page 3 for details)</i>
Children's Rosary	<i>Sunday, April 12, 2026 (after the 10:00 a.m. Mass) (See Page 5 for details)</i>
First Holy Communion	<i>Saturday, May 2, 2026 10:00 a.m.</i>
May Crowning of Mary	<i>Sunday, May 3, 2026 10:00 a.m.</i>
Second Annual CCD Communion Breakfast	<i>Sunday, May 17, 2026</i>

**Weekend Collection & Attendance**

***Thank You!***

**Saturday, March 28, 2026**

<b>4:00 PM Mass</b>	\$2,623.00	248 people
<b>5:30 PM Mass</b>	\$1,203.00	119 people
<b>7:00 PM Mass</b>	\$552.00	63 people

**Sunday, March 29, 2026**

<b>7:00 AM Mass</b>	\$1,116.00	88 people
<b>8:30 AM Mass</b>	\$2,046.00	187 people
<b>10:00 AM Mass</b>	\$3,024.00	192 people
<b>12:00 PM Mass</b>	\$2,570.00	244 people
<b>4:00 PM Mass</b>	\$1,412.00	221 people
<b>7:00 PM Mass</b>	\$1,265.00	236 people

Mailed-in Envelopes for the March 29 collection and for previous Sunday collections: **\$598.00**

**This Week's Total: \$16,409.00**  
**Same Week's Total Last Year: \$15,243.00**  
**Second Collection: Annual Catholic Appeal: \$2,035.00**

**DAILY MASS**

Mon – Sat: 8:00 AM | Mon: 7:00 PM  
 First Friday 12:15 p.m. 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.

On the Thursday evenings immediately preceding First Fridays, Confessions are heard (7:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.) during the monthly Holy Hour for Vocations.

**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 Religious Education Office.

**PARISH OFFICE**

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

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

Answering service phone coverage at all other times.

**PARISH STAFF**

Rev. John K. Butler, Pastor  
 Kevin Connelly, Director of Religious Ed.  
 Mary Valan, Parish Secretary  
 Emily Carroll, Assistant Parish Secretary  
 Lauren Walters, Acting Music Director  
 Larry Swenson, Maintenance Coordinator

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

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