St. Michael's Church

October 12, 2025 | Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

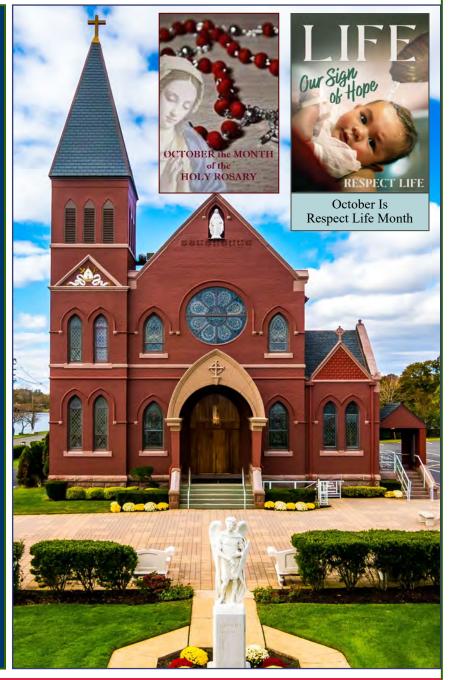
Couples who wish to marry at the parish should contact the Parish Office for a Marriage Request Form, and for further information. The bride or groom, or their parents/grandparents must be registered parishioners for at least eighteen months prior to the proposed wedding date to make arrangements. There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



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, Maintenace Coordinator

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 732-483-0360 ext. 1



Saturday, October 11

5:30 PM Special Intention

† Judith Cherry

8:00 AM † Miriam McLain Graniero Family People of the Parish 4:00 PM † Dolores Jackson Dennis Jackson **Delehanty Family** † Patsy Delehanty

Joe & Joan Richter † Dotty O'Hara 7:00 PM † Linda Toelken Vicki & Tom Hoagland Vicki & Tom Hoagland

Sunday, October 12

7:00 AM † Charles Murrin Theresa † Jim Simonelli Joe Ferraina 8:30 AM † Miriam McLain Graniero Family

Happy & Healthy Marriage: Marty & Marianne McGann

His Family

Donna

Viriginia Gizzi

Her daughter, Linda

Tom Viggiano

Graniero Family

Rene & Jack Brignola

Caroline Sheppard and Kevin Bloodgood

10:00 AM † Andrew Bertorelli

Special Intention: Children's Rosary

12:00 PM † Louis Vincelli

† Rev. Russell Abata

Health & Blessings: Perry DiMaggio (100th Birthday)

4:00 PM † Thomas F. Letson, Jr. **Daughter Rosanne Letson** † Anne Gourney Claire

People of the Parish

7:00 PM † Matthew Matero

Monday, October 13

8:00 AM † Rita Cittadino Christopher M. Cittadino & Children **Pro-Life Cause** Friends of Sylvia Marsico 7:00 PM † Deborah Kish Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Nagy

† Betty Mellone

Tuesday, October 14

8:00 AM † Maria Fortin † Miriam McLain Wednesday, October 15

8:00 AM † Leigh Ann Basaman

† Kathleen Pangaro

Michaele McKenna & Patricia Micale

Carroll Family

Thursday, October 16

8:00 AM † Emilia & Julius Simonelli Family

† Yolanda Cole

Cole & Farmer Family

Friday, October 17

8:00 AM † Charles J. Mazza

Maslo, Mazza & McGuire **Families**

† Deceased Members of the

Cattelona Family

Family

Grandchildren

Saturday, October 18

8:00 AM James Weeden

People of the Parish

4:00 PM † Robert Kornfeld

† Margaret Riebesell

5:30 PM † Thomas & Jeraldine Traxler

† Michael & Joseph Fornino **Special Intention**

7:00 PM † Lou Vincelli

† Matthew Matero

Pingitore Family

Anthony & Joseph Peronti

Janice, Fred, Kathleen, &

Michael & Rita Russomanno

and Family

Isabel Carr

Joe & Carmel Mirarchi

Uncle Malcome, Aunt Maryann, & Owen

Sunday, October 19

7:00 AM † Linda McDonough

† Chuck James

8:30 AM † Charlotte DeVita

† Carol Orlovsky

10:00 AM † Frank Frankel

† William & Rose Marie Scharle Kevin & Maryann Rogers

12:00 PM † Carol Mitchell Swanson

† Hunne Greca

4:00 PM † James Simonelli † Louis Vincelli

7:00 PM† Linda Brockriede

Thayer Family

Eileen Wolff Family

Ed & Laura Mogila &

Family

Joe & Diane Alessi

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph G. Greca Mr. & Mrs. Joseph G. Greca

Rosanne Letson

Rosanne Letson

Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Nagy

People of the Parish

The Center Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in loving memory of Charles Murrin, requested by Theresa.



October: Month of the Rosary

A Few Good Reasons For Praying The Rosary

- 1. Those who recite the Blessed Mother's Rosary faithfully are her beloved children, and thus strengthen their bond as brothers and sisters of her son, Jesus Christ. The Rosary enables us to know our Blessed Mother better. By getting to know Mary better, we in turn get to know Jesus better.
- 2. The repetition of the prayers within the Rosary leads one into restful contemplation related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells.
- 3. The rhythm of the Rosary's prayers, coupled with the fact that many Catholics have been reciting them since early childhood, makes the Rosary a familiar touchstone in a world that often feels unfamiliar and chaotic indeed.
- 4. Through the promises of the Blessed Mother, praying the Rosary offers us her special protection and graces.
- 5. The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish. It lifts the hearts of men and women above the temptations and vanities of this world and to the desire of things eternal.
- 6. The Rosary is a forceful sword and shield against evil and Satan. It can overcome vice, deliver from sin, and dispel heresy. The Rosary serves as a spiritual weapon that every soldier for Christ and His Church needs in order to fight successfully in the spiritual battle that comprises much of our earthly sojourn.
- 7. Saint John Paul II wrote in 2002, "The Rosary is a prayer loved by countless saints and encouraged by the bishops of the Church for centuries. Simple yet profound, it brings forth a harvest of holiness. The Rosary has accompanied *me* in moments of joy *and* in moments of difficulty. To it I have entrusted any number of concerns; in it I have always found comfort....*The Rosary is my favorite prayer*. The Mysteries of the Rosary put us in living communion with Jesus through we might say the heart of his Mother...Thus the simple prayer of the Rosary marks the rhythm of human life."
- 8. Whoever prays the Rosary devoutly will never be overwhelmed by discouragement or despair. Prayed together with the family, the Rosary creates a locus of stability and peace in the home.
- 9. The Rosary helps us to obtain the many graces that we desperately need to make it through the narrow gate that leads to Heaven.
- 10. When we pray the Rosary we can offer it up and ask the Blessed Mother to intercede for our intentions, whether it be for the conversion of souls, for the faithful departed in Purgatory, for an end to abortion, or for a particular need of a family member or friend (or of a stranger in need) or for a personal need.
- 11. The perceived inconvenience of praying the Rosary ("It takes a long time") is a misperception. It can at first seem lengthy or tedious or burdensome but it grows lighter and more rewarding with every recitation. Make a commitment to pray the Rosary every day and keep it.
- 12. Pray the Rosary because Pope Pius IX said, "Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world." Pray the Rosary because St. Francis de Sales (great master of spirituality) wrote, "The greatest method of prayer is praying the Rosary."
- 13. Pope Pius XI is famous for saying, "If you desire peace in your hearts, in your homes, and in your country, assemble each evening to recite the Rosary. Let not even one day pass without saying it, no matter how burdened you may be with many cares and labors."
- 14. Pray the Rosary because Our Lady of Fatima said, "Pray the Rosary daily."



Second Collection Next Weekend October 18 and 19 World Mission Sunday

Next weekend, every parish across the globe will join together for the only worldwide collection mandated by Canon Law—World Mission Sunday. Your generosity



supports the Pope's missions in more than 1,124 territories where the Church is young or struggling.

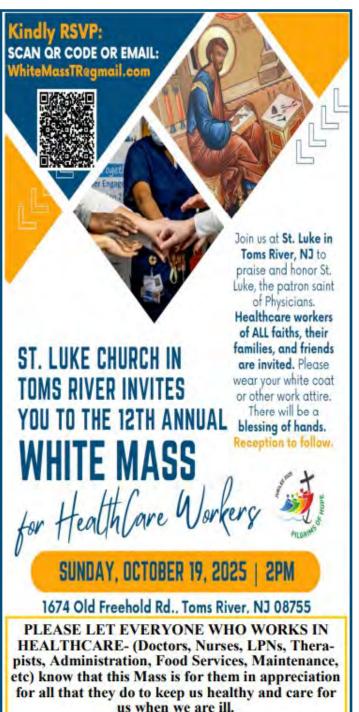
This year's theme—
"Missionaries of Hope
Among the Peoples"—
is a call to embody the
love of God, poured
into our hearts by the

Holy Spirit (cf. Rom 5:5). Your offering provides hope where despair too often dominates—through the building of churches, formation of seminarians and religious sisters, healthcare clinics, and Catholic schools.

Thank you for responding with faith, love, and generosity. As Pope Francis told us, "Each of us is a mission on this earth" (Evangelii Gaudium, 273). Together, we share in that mission by ensuring that no one is excluded from the invitation to encounter Christ.

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





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.



HELP SAVE LIVES IN MONMOUTH COUNTY!

Protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide witness of prayer, fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach.

Take part in 40 Days for Life in Monmouth County

Vigil Location: Planned Parenthood at 69 E. Newman Springs Road,

Shrewsbury, NJ 07702.

Vigil Hours: Monday through Friday 8 am to 6 pm.

Saturday / Sunday - at will.

Local Contact: monmouth4life@hotmail.com

Learn More... 40daysforlife.com/shrewsbury.

Check our Resources for Educational Information, Prayer and Pregnancy Resources.

Come and Bring a Friend... or 2... or 3!

40 Days For Life/Shrewsbury is a peaceful, prayerful witness. There is no shouting, foul language or graphic signs. As always, stay on the sidewalk or public right of way. Do not go on private property, black driveway or park in Planned Parenthood lot.

Please follow current COVID-19 Protocols.



October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

Renew your devotion to the Blessed Mother and the mysteries of the Rosary

Join the St. Michael's Rosary Altar Society

New Member Registration after all Masses Oct. 11 and Oct. 12

All New Members entered into Drawing for 24" Our Lady of Fatima Statue

Welcoming New Members
Information Meeting
Monday, November 3rd
7pm in the Lower Church

Prayer and Service through Our Lady's Rosary

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Would you like to become a Catholic? Or perhaps you have been baptized yet never received First Holy Communion or made your Confirmation? Or, been baptized and received your First Holy Communion but not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

The Order of tion of Adults begin in the fall. ested in attend-to complete ments, please Connelly (our



Christian Initia-(OCIA) classes If you are intering these classes your Sacracontact Kevin Director of Re-

ligious Education) at 732-483-0360 ext. 1 or Emily at the parish office.

P.S. "<u>O</u>CIA" and "<u>Order</u> of Christian Initiation for Adults" is the fairly new name for religious instruction that many of us knew (until recently) as "<u>R</u>CIA" and the "<u>Rite</u> of Christian Initiation for Adults."



All Souls Day

Save the Date; Candlelight Mass

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (also known as All Souls' Day) is November 2, which falls on a Sunday this year. At that evening's 7:00 p.m. Mass we will celebrate a Candlelight Mass of Remembrance, a St. Michael's tradition. Please save the date. All are invited and welcome. Additional information will be in next Sunday's bulletin and posted on the parish website.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

† Ronald Lubischer † Manuel Ribeiro † Rosa Gracinda Rocha r/o Tony and Natalina

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



The next Baptism preparation class for parents is scheduled for Saturday, October 25 at 10:15 a.m. in the Lower Church. Please

call the parish office to register in advance.

Weekend Collection & Attendance

Thank You!

Saturday, October 4, 2025

4:00 PM Mass	\$1,564.00	149 people
5:30 PM Mass	\$1,083.00	107 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$626.00	71 people

Sunday, October 5, 2025

7:00 AM Mass	\$1,923.00	92 people
8:30 AM Mass	\$1,967.00	134 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,576.00	207 people
12:00 PM Mass	\$1,169.00	126 people
4:00 PM Mass	\$1,198.00	138 people
7:00 PM Mass	\$960.00	173 people

Mailed-in Envelopes for the October 5 collection and for previous Sunday collections: **\$665.00**

This Week's Total: \$12,731.00

Same Week's Total Last Year: \$14,376.00



Bus Trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City

When: Tuesday, October 21, 2025

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







The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 13th in observance of the Columbus Day holiday. The parish office will reopen on Tuesday, Octo-

ber 14. Mass will be celebrated at the usual Monday 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. times on Columbus Day, October 13 with Confessions heard at the usual Monday times after the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 9:00 a.m. and after the 7:00 p.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.

On the Calendar at St. Michael's Church



(See Page 6 for details)

Fall Bible Study; 2 Samuel	Commenced Thursday, September 25, 2025
Rosary Altar Society New Member Registration	October 11 and 12, 2025 (After all Masses)
Columbus Day; Parish Office Closed	Monday, October 13, 2025
All Saints Day	Saturday, November 1, 2025
All Souls Day	Sunday, November 2, 2025
Rosary Altar Society New Member Information Meeting	Monday, November 3, 2025 7:00 p.m. (in the Lower Church)