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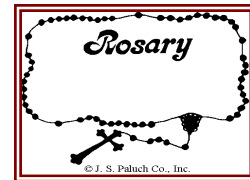
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**TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
August 28th, 2011**

Outreach & Education Center
The Living Room
6 West End Court
West End, Long Branch, NJ
(732) 483-0360

MUSIC MINISTRY



ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY



Paduan Ministry

*The Pathway to Heal
Christian growth and support
for divorced, separated and
widowed individuals*

"Celebrating Our 125th Year"

1886-2011

Mass is held Monday thru Friday at 8:00 AM

A Communion Service is held every Saturday at 9:00 AM

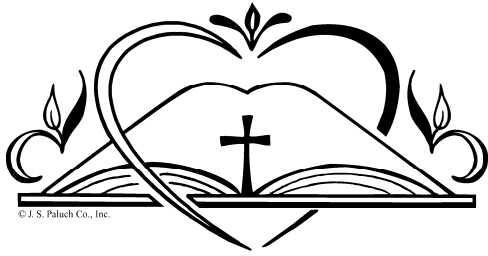
WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 AM and 12 Noon, 4:00, 7:30 PM

CONFESSIONS ARE HELD BETWEEN
12 MINUTES AND 5 MINUTES BEFORE EVERY MASS

WEDDINGS ARE HELD ON FRIDAYS BETWEEN 4 & 6 PM
AND ON SATURDAYS AT 11 AM OR 1:00 PM



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Be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
that you may discern what is the will of God,
what is good and pleasing and perfect.

- *Romans 12:2*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

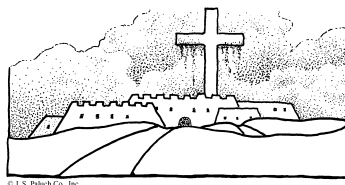
Psalm — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading — Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

Gospel — Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

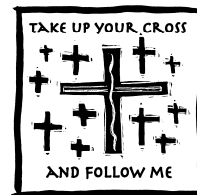
- Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mk 6:17-29
- Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday:** Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday:** Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday:** Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday:** Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20



THE CROSS OF JESUS

The perception of a cross changed dramatically after Jesus' crucifixion. Before that event, death on a cross was not only horrible, it was degrading. It was a penalty reserved only for the most wretched of criminals. The word "glory" would not have found its way into the same sentence containing the word "cross." But all that changed with Jesus. Over time, believers began to venerate and honor the cross. They painted, sculpted, and carved images of it. Many lost their own lives for their association with it. Today our reverence for and relationship with the cross recalls little of the contempt originally associated with it. As it has been through the ages, it is our perception of the cross that determines how we follow Jesus.

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PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Please pray for the sick and deceased members of our parish.
Pray for the clergy who serve our parish so well -
Fr. Weiser, Fr. Abata, Fr. Foley, Fr. Connor, Fr. Alex,
Fr. Angelito, Fr. Riedlinger, Fr. Di Palma and Deacon Eugene A. Somma.



MONDAY, AUGUST 29th, 2011

8:00 AM PETER AND PHILIP POOLE
r/o J.S. Cattnach, Jr.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30th, 2011

8:00 AM MARGOT KEALE (Healing Prayers)
r/o the Mango family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31st, 2011

8:00 AM JAMES TIERNEY
r/o Bruce and Madeline Jurcisin

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 2011

8:00 AM JOSEPH RAFFERTY
r/o wife, Peggy

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd, 2011

8:00 AM JOSEPHINE IADANZA
r/o husband, Gene

R.C.I.A

Want to be a Catholic? Been Baptized and never received First Holy Communion and Confirmation?

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) classes begin here at St Michael's September 11, 2011 at 9am in the Lower Church. Classes last about an hour and are held each Sunday at 9am. There is no fee for these classes. No pre-registration is necessary.

The Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation will be administered here at St. Michael's at the 2012 Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 7, 2012.

Should you have any questions, please call Deacon Somma @ 732-483-0360 ext. 12. Please note that those adults who only wish to receive confirmation, those classes begin during Lent 2012.



The hanging Sanctuary Light will be lit each week as a Memorial, and the name of your loved one will be printed in the weekly Bulletin.

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If you are interested in this special remembrance to honor a loved one, living or deceased, please call Jen at 732-222 -8080, Ext. 11.

The Center Sanctuary Candle and the Sanctuary Candle on the Blessed Mother's side have been lit this week in loving memory of John C. Manna, requested by family

The Sanctuary Candle on St. Joseph's side will be lit this week in loving memory of John Kehoe, requested by his daughters



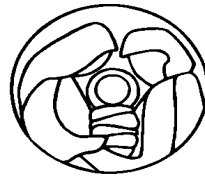
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ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Sunday, September 18th, St. Michael's will celebrate its 125th Anniversary at the 12:00 Noon Mass.

Bishop David O'Connell will be The chief celebrant.
A luncheon will immediately follow
And all parishioners are invited.

If you have any questions, please Call Debbie at 732-483-0360, Ext. 11.



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“Building Strong Families”

HomeLife

The mission of St. Michael’s HomeLife ministry is to encourage and empower parishioners to enrich the quality of family relationships and strengthen family values through the use of excellent resources that enable family life to flourish.

You Saved Lives!

Thank you to all the parishioners of St. Michaels who went the extra mile to donate blood in aid of the Central Jersey Blood Center. 28 people signed up and each donation helps 3 people which means that the lives of potentially 84 people were affected positively. Way to go!!

Darkness Too Visible

“Entertainment does not merely gratify taste, after all, but creates it,” reflected Meghan Cox Gurdon in a recent Wall Street Journal column describing the trend toward more graphic, less nourishing teen fiction. “If books show us the world, teen fiction can be like a hall of mirrors, constantly reflecting back hideously distorted portrayals of what life is. There are of course exceptions, but a careless young reader-or one who seeks depravity- will find himself surrounded by images not of joy or beauty but of damage, brutality and losses of the most horrendous kinds.”

Wall Street Journal
http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052702303657404576357622592697038.html?mod=WSJ_Books_LS_Books_6

Did the previous article cause concern? Are your children practicing alarming viewing or reading habits?

Visit the Home Life Center (inside the handicap entrance) where a collection of Virtue Cards can be found. Each card defines the virtue/value and lists children’s literature and family movies that demonstrate the virtue. The cards have selections for kids from toddler-teenagers.

Provide your kids with some uplifting reading material or make some popcorn and watch a great family movie before the end of summer.





ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS

Altar flowers can be donated as memorials. Your intentions will be printed in the weekly bulletin. If you are interested in these flowers as a way to remember that special birthday or anniversary, or to honor a loved one living

or deceased, please call Jen at St. Michael's Rectory at 732-222-8080, Ext. 11.

The altar flowers this weekend were donated in loving memory of Marie Welly, requested by family

It's Raffle Time!

St. Michael's is holding a 50/50 Raffle in conjunction with our 125th Anniversary Celebration.

Raffle tickets are now on sale before and after some Masses on the weekend.

Please stop by and take a chance!

Chances are \$5.00 each.

Half the proceeds from the sale of these raffle tickets will go to one winner. The winner will be drawn on Sunday, September 18th. Good luck!

PROPAGATION OF FAITH MASSES:

Walter & Veronica Skowrenski, r/o Skowrenski family
Neil A. Tantum, Sr. & Neil A. Tantum, Jr.,
r/o Helen Tantum

Frank Di Maggio, r/o family

Millie & Butch Celli, r/o daughter, Fran Ebert

John Francis Hoffmann, r/o Mom and Dad

John Liston, r/o Carroll Friscia

Dorothy Brady, r/o daughter, Dee Celli

Ronald Lubischer, r/o wife Joyce & children,

Ronnie & Randy

Parents, relatives, loved ones and friends, living and de-

ceased, of the Trigani & Drummond families

James A. Mazza, Jr., r/o family

John C. Manna, r/o family

John Henry Hoffman, beloved husband & father,
from wife

William F. Kiss, r/o wife and family

Jean Baldino, r/o Audrey and Bernie Boglioli

John Urban, r/o St. Michael's Staff

Ardolino family

Kathleen & Walter Weadock, r/o Margaret Cosentino

In loving memory of Elsie Roccamonte, r/o family

In loving memory of Kathy Kellam Ross

(4th Anniversary in heaven), with love from
Mom and Dad

Birthday Remembrance for George Ricciardelli,
r/o family

Kaye Videtto, r/o Dorothy O'Donnell

Birthday Remembrance for Margaret Hughes, r/o niece,
Yvonne Guire

Lucille R. Ilvento, r/o Paul Kiernan, Jr., and family

Lucille R. Ilvento, r/o Audrey and Bernie Boglioli

Nicholas Ott, r/o John Bransley and Vinny Smith

Joan Calt, r/o John and Susan Bransley

Lucille Ilvento, r/o John and Susan Bransley

David Scott, r/o the Mc Crae/Feroce family

Benjamin Santa Croce, r/o the Mc Crae/Feroce family

Anna Mueller Wood, r/o Sharon Mazza and

Bruce Crowell

Lucille Ilvento, r/o Dominick and Colleen Lanzano

William Paxton, r/o Gary and Jasey Giordano

Nick Ott, r/o Irene Gilman and family

Rose Buono, r/o Gert Hyneck

Helen Saks, r/o Mary Spiecker

Ann Sivak, r/o Mary Spiecker

Ann Sivak, r/o Sandra Sacks

Justine M. Russoniello, r/o Rose and James Kropke



**ATTENTION CCD PARENTS
2011/2012 SCHOOL YEAR**

I hope everyone is having a great, safe summer!!! CCD will be upon us before you know it.

Re-Registration for CCD for the 2011/2012 is now closed!! If you did not register you will be put on a waiting list and informed after CCD starts in September if there is a spot available. Any questions or concerns please call Patty at 732-483-0360 ext 10.

If you have registered, you will be receiving your welcome letter and calendar in the mail the first week of September.

Classes are still held at the Deal School on Roseld Ave. in Deal. CCD will start on Sunday, September 25th from 10-11 and on Tuesday, September 27th from 4-5.

HOME STUDY

If you have signed up for Home Study you will receive a separate letter for Home Study pickup which will be held on Sunday, October 9th from 10:30-11. Please mark this date on your calendar now since this is one of your home study obligations. If you have any questions or concerns about CCD or Home Study, please call Patty at -483-0360 Ext. 10 or my cell phone 908-347-7948 you can also text me or email at pchavez@stmichaels-westend.com.

If your child will be entering First Grade in the Fall it is now time to register for Religious Education classes starting in September. Please call Patty at 732-483-0360 ext.10 and I will mail you a form

Attention Parents of children ages 4 and 5

St. Michael's Preschool Sunday Program:
Our Preschool program will be held on Sunday mornings from 10am-11am during CCD at the Deal School. The children will take part in the Image of God Series "Who Am I ? There will be movies, crafts, bible stories and games. We still have a few spots left so if you are interested you can download the registration form on our website at www.stmichaels-westend.com or call Patty at 732-483-0360 ext 10. You won't want your child to miss out on the fun while they are learning so don't delay!!!!

Attention All CCD Teachers:

We will be holding our annual Teacher's Dinner Convention on Friday, September 16th in the lower church at 6:30 pm please watch you mail for details and mark this important night on you calendar now!!

NEW CHARLIE'S ANGELS PROGRAM

Come One Come All to our NEW Charlie's Angels program!!! Starting in September we will be going on a new Bible Adventure!!

Every week during the 11am Mass downstairs in the lower Church, kids from ages 3-6 (your child must be potty trained) will take a bible adventure through the gospel readings!!!

So don't forget to drop off your child before you go upstairs for Mass and we will take care of the rest.

For any questions or concerns or if you would like to volunteer to help, contact Patty at 483-0360 ext.10

ST. MICHAEL'S RESPECT LIFE

Now is the Time for a Culture of Life. 7 Actions to Do. Pray-Vote-Learn-Share-Witness-Advocate-Volunteer...with a Friend.

WITNESS: March for Life, Trenton Rally for Life, Pray at abortion facilities, Act and Speak up for pro-life issues, Volunteer for pastoral care.

If you want to learn more about Respect Life contact Raymond Patsky at 732-870-0427 rpr6@verizon.net

THE ROSARIAN PRAYER GROUP will remember your intentions at the 9AM Communion Service on Saturdays

Antonio Bevacqui, John J. Murray, Jr., Michael Meyer, Josephine Mosca, Olga De Sieno, Tiffany Patella Mc Cahill, Ed Keegan, Angelo Boniello, Mary Alterio, Anne Breen, Anthony Califano, Jr., John and Margaret Dwyer, Jason Komisar, Louise Saccaro, Dennis Ferri, Esterina Li-one, baby Adam Lenci, Joe Saker, Laura & baby, Lajla Layer, Louis Bevacqui, Hope Durkin, Tino Rodriguez, Baby Austin, Baby Lila Rose Mincielli, Doris La Corte, baby Makayla Basile, the Komisar family, Sal Mirabito, Jim Breen, Joan Brickley, Domenick Vincelli, baby Jack Richard, Tony Ceri, Baby Parker Shorie, John Friscia, Andrew Bertorelli, Nancy Vecchione, Patrick Joyce, Elizbieta Napierala, Charles A. Valentino, Jr., Joe Olivadoti, Sr., Charles Martino, Loretta Bubunko, A. Fred Maffeo, Paul Beutell, Ryan Fritz, Robert De Sarno, Amanda Johnson, Mary Sweeney, Jason Fazio, Al Keubler, Yvonne Lashley, Jen Arlea, Sonny La Morte, Lottie Colagouri, Adele Arslan, Abbagail Alexa Nick, Mike Schulz, Salvatore Nick, Angela Knox, James E. Kellam



Ten years ago the tragedy of the 9/11 attack on our country caused much suffering. Many of us were alone and numb from the senselessness of it all.

On the eve of the tenth anniversary, all are invited to come to Remember and to Pray for healing and for peace. There will be a SOLEMN BENEDICTION with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, September 10th, 2011 at 6:00 PM at San Alfonso Retreat House, located at 755 Ocean Avenue, Long Branch, across from St. Michael's Church.

FROM THE SISTERS OF MERCY

Thank you for your generosity! The Sisters of Mercy are truly grateful to everyone who purchased 50/50 raffle tickets last weekend.

The response from the people was wonderful. Raffle sales and donations totaled \$2,213.00. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit our retired and infirm Sisters.

The winning raffle tickets will be drawn at the Sister's Seventeenth Annual Golf Classic at the Navesink Country Club on September 12th. For reservations or more information about the Golf Classic please contact Linda Cavallo at 908 756 0994 Ext. 4006 or email lcavallo@mercymidatlantic.org.

Mission Statement

The mission of St. Michael's is to equip people for spiritual growth and service . We know that we are doing this when parishioners:

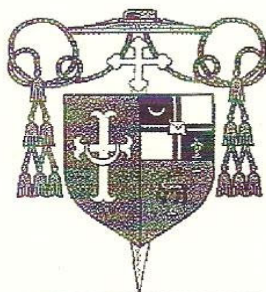
- Find in the weekend Mass a time to be nourished by Word and Sacrament and renew their commitment to bring the presence of Christ wherever they are.
- Develop a habit of regular prayer and a taste for reading the Bible.
- Come to an creative awareness that each of us has something to offer to others.
- Make a real commitment to support the life of the parish financially.
- Have a solid intention to see the parish have an impact in the lives of the poor and on the quality of life in the larger community.

The Holy Innocents Society is a Diocesan Society whose membership is dedicated to the spiritual welfare of Special Needs Children of all ages; Autistic, Blind, Emotionally or Physically Handicapped, Neurologically Impaired or Learning Challenged.

A staff of 12 conducts CCD classes in preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Liturgy, Bible Study, Music participation and the training of Altar Servers are offered.

September 10, 2011 is registration from 9:15 AM to 11:15 AM at St. Mark's CCD Center, Sea Girt.

For further information, you may call Frank Walsh at 732-449-1540 or Joan Mc Gurty at 732-859-4358 or come directly to St. Mark's at 215 Crescent Parkway and Third Avenue, in Sea Girt on any Saturday morning at 9:15 AM.



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August 12, 2011

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

As you know, I spent over 12 years as president of The Catholic University of America before becoming your bishop here in the Diocese of Trenton. I attended CUA myself and received my doctorate from there. So did Bishop Smith. During my time as president I had the joy of meeting many, many students from the Diocese of Trenton. Today, we are one of the largest "feeder dioceses" to the national university of the Catholic Church in our country. We are also one of its largest supporters in the annual CUA collection taken up through the country during early September. Last year broke all records!

When CUA was opened in 1889, Pope Leo XII gave approval to the Bishops of the United States with the hope that all the faithful throughout our country would give this national Catholic university their support so that it might grow and prosper. He wrote to the bishops, "We are justly confident that the American faithful in their liberality will not disappoint you in bringing to magnificent completion the work they have so generously begun (*Magni nobis*, March 7, 1889). The bishops made a commitment to Pope Leo that they would, indeed, encourage such support through an annual national collection which continues to the present day.

As your bishop, I encourage you to be generous and to give what you can if you can. People have asked me over the years, "Why should I give to CUA when my children are going to another school and I am paying their tuition?" CUA is the national Catholic university: it belongs to all of us as Catholics whether we go there or not much the same way the diocese belongs to all its Catholics regardless of what parish they attend. The bishops of the US committed themselves and their dioceses to support it for that reason. Its first president, Bishop John Keane, declared it to be a place where the entire country could see "the harmony between reason and revelation . . . [and] the genius of America." It is still such a place.

Please consider a gift this year. Last year's generous collection was a great source of pride for the diocese and support for the students we sent. This year, one of our students from Notre Dame High School was awarded a very competitive, full four-year scholarship. Another one will be awarded every year to a student from our diocese! CUA is an investment in our own young people and in building up the Church. Thanks for anything you can do!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Rev. David M. O'Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton

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