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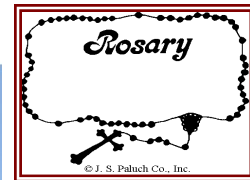
The Rev. Charles B. Weiser, Pastor
"Equipping For Growth and Service"

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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
September 18th, 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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Turn to the LORD for mercy;
To our God, who is generous in forgiving.

- *Isaiah 55:7b*

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The celebration of St. Michael's 125th Anniversary gives us reason to stop and think, to pause and use our imaginations.

We think of our past. We try to imagine the sorts of people who went before us. Our beginnings include Irish immigrant clergy and laity, a Philadelphia magnate, and a canonized saint.

Our past includes those touched by many wars and seasons of financial chaos.

Our numbers have grown and shrunk and grown again.

We have in hand our present, not without its troubles and successes.

We think, too, of those who might follow. The Church that gave birth to our parish was showing tremendous growth, increasing self confidence, outstanding talent and institutions that were multiplying and becoming strong, and people of great generosity.

Our Church now is weakening, its institutions often closing and too many times unfocused.

We have the challenge to become in this place and time strong in the love of Christ and His Church, to show His face in worship and effective service to one another and the poor.

Bringing ourselves as close as we can to what God calls us to be is the most sure way to honor those who came before us, and to respect those who follow us.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th, 2011

**8:00 AM IN LOVING MEMORY OF VIRGINIA HEALY ADAMS
r/o Robert W. Adams**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th, 2011

8:00 AM BUONO FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st, 2011

**8:00 AM DONALD FENNELL
r/o Jurcisin family**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd, 2011

**8:00 AM REV. LEWIS A. HAYES
4th Pastor of St. Michael's Church**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2011

**8:00 AM JOHN W. JURCISIN
r/o family**



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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.

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 Sanctuary Candle on St. Joseph's side will be lit this week in loving memory of Catherine Moran, requested by Bob and Carol Moran

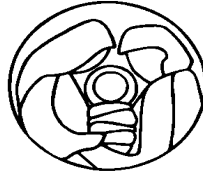
The Sanctuary Candle on the Blessed Mother's side will be lit this week in loving memory of our beloved Mother, we miss you, but you are always in our hearts, requested by your children and grandchildren

DIRECTION

Isaiah tells us something that we already know, and yet seem to forget every now and then. He tells us, essentially, that God is God and we are not. When we're confused and troubled and can't figure everything out, it might be wise to recall Isaiah speaking on the Lord's behalf and explaining that God—who is on a much more, well, Godly wavelength than we are—moves in ways we can't even imagine.

Saint Paul, by comparison, has everything figured out. Kind of. At least he understands his calling in life—to magnify Christ in everything he does. That should give all of us the direction we need. Jesus gives us direction, too, explaining to us once again in the parable of the workers in the vineyard that the last will be first, and the first, last.

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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.

Fall Campaign Preview...

It Starts at Home is a wakeup call for us to recognize the serious generational shift away from Christianity and that it is up to leaders, couples, parents and grandparents to respond with clear biblical strategies for spiritual formation in the home.

The **HomeLife Personal Appraisal and Personal Plan** present the opportunity for individuals to assess where they stand in their most personal relationships and to determine what small, positive changes be implemented during the next 120 days to take their families. *A new section for single people has been added.*

St. Michaels has many events and classes on tap for the fall season so watch future bulletins for details or visit www.stmichaels-westend.com.

Global Leadership Summit, August 11-12, hosted by the Willow Creek Association was attended by Deacon Somma and Kelly Lamb at a Premiere Satellite Site in Ocean Grove, NJ. Tens of thousands of people from around the world attended the 2 day summit in person and via satellite.

The GLS exists to transform Christian leaders around the world with an injection of vision, skill development and inspiration for the sake of the local church.

Here are 3 exercises adapted for the family from those used by business organizations. The goal is to help frantic, over committed families to take stock of their situation and reassess the direction they are heading.

What is your current level of commitment? Draw a vertical line intersected by 3 horizontal lines. Label the top line: dangerously overcommitted, the middle line: appropriately committed, the bottom line: under committed. Plot a point on the diagram that indicates what your level of commitment is. If your point fell close to or above “dangerously over committed”, consider dropping some activities before your burn out. A more manageable and healthy level of commitment plots just above the middle line.

What is your plan for dealing with over commitment? Draw a horizontal line. Write “keep” on the left end and “lose” on the right. List all your commitments from most important to least along the line. Consider dropping those commitments closest to the right end.

What are you about? Draw a circle and write the numbers 1-5 inside it. Identify 5 adjectives that describe you or your family’s core values. Access your commitments against your core values. If there is a match keep the activity. If a match doesn’t exist consider dropping the activity.



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 flowers on the main altar this weekend were donated in loving memory of Agnes C. Martin (Birthday Remembrance), requested by sons, Robert Martin and John Martin

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2011 AT 1:00 PM REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

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 deceased, 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
- Allison Lynam, r/o the Patella family
- Kathleen and Walter Weadock, r/o Margaret Cosentino
- Rose De Fazio (3rd Anniversary in heaven), r/o family
- Emma Galluccio, r/o family
- Russell Olivadotti, r/o Geraldine & Tamara Woolley
- Augie Vecchia, r/o Bob Murphy
- Catherine Brooks, r/o Nancy Murphy
- Charles Waterman, r/o Susan Mazzucco
- May Harrington, r/o Nancy Murphy
- Philip Eager, r/o L. Teti
- Patricia Perlsweig, r/o L. Teti
- John J. Foy, r/o cousin
- Rosemary Catherine Paziienza, r/o Ed Keegan Class of 1949
- Richard Wingert, r/o Lillian Teti
- Francois and Marie Blanquer, r/o Andre and Cheryl Blanquer
- Mark Spatola, r/o Andre and Cheryl Blanquer
- Jay Grassgreen, r/o Andre and Cheryl Blanquer
- Christian Schraft, r/o Andre and Cheryl Blanquer

Come join our 4th annual "American Needs Fatima" Public Rosary Rally

Join our "America Needs Fatima" group in a world wide Rosary rally taking place on October 15th at 12:00 Noon at Holy Cross Church, Corner of Rumson Road and Ward Avenue..

We will pray for forgiveness of our sins, peace in the world, the Catholic Church and its members, our leaders, the sick, dying, special graces for America as well as requested intentions.



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



PADUAN MNISTRY

Ministering to the Elderly

Do you know of an elderly Parishioner or a member of your family that would benefit from a visit from a Paduan Minister? If you do, please let us know. We have trained Ministers that will spend time with an elderly person – make them feel special and loved. We all need encouragement but perhaps it's especially important with an elderly person who is feeling lonely and abandoned.

Our Stephen and Paduan Ministers are available to visit the sick; the elderly; and bring Communion. Our Ministers will come to the home as well as make visits to the hospital and rehab center. Please contact us if you need us – 732-483-0360, Ext. 20.

Last week, your Stephen and Paduan Ministers made 18 communion calls, 6 visits and 6 telephone calls.

We pray that we have helped to bring God's love and peace to His people in need.

Moving?

Don't forget to contact the rectory office at 222-8080, Ext. 11 and give us your new address and phone number!

In the event you move and you do not give us your new address and telephone number, and the mail that we send you is returned, we will assume that you no longer wish to be registered here, and your name will be deleted from our computer registration program.

Mission Statement

The mission of St. Michaels 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.

AUTUMN

Besides the autumn poets sing,
A few prosaic days
A little this side of the snow
And that side of the haze.

HORRIFIED

People in general are equally horrified at hearing the Christian religion doubted and at seeing it practiced.

—Samuel Butler

The Church of St. Gregory the Great Presents Marcus Grodi:

**CATHOLIC AT HEART—CATHOLIC AT HOME?
THE CHALLENGE!**

Saturday, October 1, 2011

8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Followed by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 4PM

St. Gregory the Great Church

4620 Nottingham Way

Hamilton Square, NJ

All seats \$25 per person (box lunch included)

Marcus Grodi will talk about:

- ◆ **Why be Catholic? - A conversion story**
- ◆ **How to stay Catholic**
- ◆ **Keeping your family Catholic**

Marcus Grodi is an internationally known speaker and host of EWTN's "The Journey Home" program. He is also founder and president of the Coming Home Network—a non-profit Catholic lay apostolate aimed at helping our separated brethren, both clergy and laity, come home to the Catholic Church.

For more information go to www.stgregorythegreatchurch.org and click on Marcus Grodi, leave a message at (609) 587-1131 ext. 445 and your call will be returned, or send an email to MarcusGrodi@StGregorytheGreatChurch.org.



**End-of-Life
Issues**

**It's About the Kind of Care
You Want — and Deserve!**

**Hosted by
Barnabas Health Hospice and Palliative Care Center**

Join us for a seminar that includes a discussion about:

- End-of-life issues and the choices you will make regarding end-of-life care.
- Familiarity with Five Wishes and advanced planning.

**Wednesday, October 5
7:00 p.m.
St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church
Basement**

Refreshments will be served.

**BARNABAS HEALTH
Hospice and Palliative Care Center**

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