

Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

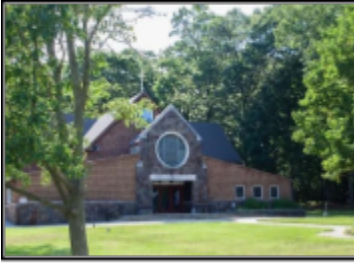
*"To bear witness to God the Father,
to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ,
and to be guided by the Holy Spirit."*

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Clayton/Franklinville, NJ

Rev. Michael J. Goyette, Pastor



Church of the Nativity
2677 Delsea Drive
Franklinville, NJ 08322



Saint Catherine of Siena
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Clayton, NJ 08312



PARISH OFFICE

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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM; Tuesday: 5:00 – 7:00 PM

(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment any time outside of these hours.)

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS! Contact the Parish Office for registration or to receive information regarding sacramental preparation and eligibility.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 8 AM at St. Catherine

Sunday: 10:30 AM at Nativity (Live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube every couple of weeks.)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. & Thurs.: 9 AM at St. Catherine

Tue. & Wed. 9 AM at Nativity

Friday: 7 PM at Nativity

Saturday: 7 AM at St Catherine

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7 PM at St. Catherine

Holy Day: 9 AM & 7 PM at Nativity

CONFESSION

Friday: 7:50-8:20 PM at Nativity*

Saturday: 7:50-8:20 AM at St. Catherine*

Saturday: 3:30-3:45 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 7:20 – 7:50 AM at St. Catherine*

Sun. after most 10 AM Mass at Nativity

Or by appointment, call the Parish Office

* When Fr Goyette is here



Saturday, December 7th

7:00 AM-SC Virginia Moore r/b Karen Emig

4:00 PM-N Matthew Reluga r/b Joanne & Matt Moss

Sunday, December 8th

8:00 AM-SC People of the Parish

10:30 AM-N Sam Downs r/b Pat & Nick Christian

Monday, December 9th

9:00 AM-SC Dcn Clarence "CJ" Achee

r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel

7:00 PM- NC People of the Parish

Tuesday, December 10th

9:00 AM- N Dot Myers r/b Michael & Betsy Gambino

Wednesday, December 11th

9:00 AM-N Rev Monsignor William P Brennan

r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel

Thursday, December 12th

9:00 AM-SC Susan Davis r/b Dcn Kevin & Mary Laughlin

Friday, December 13th

7:00 PM -N Dcn Jack Werner

r/b Dcn Kevin & Mary Laughlin

Saturday, December 14th

7:00 AM-SC John Murphy r/b Joan Murphy

4:00 PM-N Reynolds Smith III r/b Joanne & Matt Moss

Sunday, December 15th

8:00 AM-SC Ginny & Bud Hoffman

r/b Rocky & Susan Costa

10:30 AM-N People of the Parish

Mass Location: N = Nativity | SC = St. Catherine



Sanctuary Candle
Is being lit

Nativity Church
Reynolds Smith III

Requested By Joanne & Matt Moss

St Catherine's
In Memory of
Robert Sandelier

Requested by His Children



Harriet Bajewicz, Betty Briles, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Jim Cesanek, Joanne Ciquero, John Contrevo Sr., Joseph Dietterick, Melissa DuBeau, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mark Fitzpatrick, Anthony & Luca Garbarino, Amedeo Giambuzzi, Don & Matt Healy, Chrysi, Lopes, Dcn John Luko Jr. Rosemary McBride, Jennifer Mignano, Miller & Joann Mills, Eileen Mulholland, Thomas Myers Jr., Bob Sandelier, Karen Simpson and Karen J. Viola

If you have a family member whom you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing

Pray for Our Military Heroes

PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com.

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

Please keep our brave service people in your prayers, especially those suffering from the effects of war.

US Army

CPL Austin Arledge, SSG Bryan Jenkins,

1LT Tyler Keyworth

Com. Sgt Major Shane McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller, CPT Graham Miller, and PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman, EM2 William Little, and Kurt Reinhold, US Navy

US Air Force

SrA Jacob R Custis, MSgt, George Ruczynski Jr.

US Marine Corps

WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mon. – Thurs. 8-9 AM
Eucharistic Adoration
before morning Mass.

Every Monday 6-7 PM
Adoration at Nativity

ROSARY

Mon. – Thurs. Rosary after
morning Mass and
after all weekend Masses.

Every Tuesday after the
9 AM Mass—Novena
to the Miraculous Medal.

PARISH EVENTS

DECEMBER

9- Immaculate Conception - Holy Day of Obligation -

9a Mass - NC and 7p Mass - NC

6PM - 650P Adoration - NC

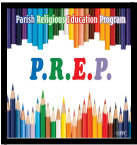
10- Choir Rehearsal 7PM - NCC

11- Grief Support 7PM - NCC

12- Parish Office Christmas Party 12 - 2 (Office Closed)

Please call the Parish Office to reserve space on the calendar if you are planning a meeting.

NC - Nativity Church / NCC - Conference Center / SCB - St Catherine Basement



Parish Religious Education Program Calendar DECEMBER

Dec. 1 - NO CLASS

Dec. 8 - 915AM In Person Class

Dec. 15 - 915AM In Person Class/Confessions

Dec. 22 - 915AM In Person Class

Dec. 29 - NO CLASS

Please be sure to check weekly email for updates and reminders

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Calendar DECEMBER

Dec. 1 - NO CLASS

Dec. 8 - 915AM In Person Class

Dec. 15 - 915AM In Person Class/Confessions

Dec. 22 - 915AM In Person Class

Dec. 29 - NO CLASS



Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th - Christmas Eve

4PM Mass - Nativity Church

7PM Mass - St Catherine's Church

Midnight Mass - St Catherine's Church

December 25th - Christmas Day

8AM Mass - St Catherine's Church

1030AM Mass - Nativity Church

Merry Christmas from Fr. Michael Goyette and the Parish Staff

Christmas Stars to Fold!

Looking for something new to add to your tree this Christmas? Come learn the ancient art of origami and fold beautiful stars to display! Participants ages 12-102 are welcome. Classes are free, and the paper will be supplied, so just bring yourself and a friend. Kindly RSVP so that adequate materials can be prepared, at jmrishel@gmail.com (Jean Rishel).

Jean has taught children and adults the art of paperfolding for more than 20 years. It's easy, engaging, and highly addictive. Come and create some pretty stars for display this Christmas!

Where: St. Catherine's Church Basement

When: 7-8:30 PM

Dates: Wednesday, Dec 11th



We ask that all gifts are brought back to church by noon on Sunday, December 8th.

If you have any questions or know someone who could use our assistance, please contact Jessica Bromwell at 856-905-7504 or Kim Darminio at 856-694-2581.

If you would like to volunteer to organize the gifts for distribution, please call or text Jessica.



The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday December 24th and Wednesday December 25th for the Christmas Holiday. We will reopen on Thursday December 26th at 10 AM! Merry Christmas!

MINISTRY NEWS

If you can spare some of your talent and time for any of the following routine parish maintenance activities, please call the parish office at 856-881-9155. We will contact you to discuss your interest in various small projects, such as:

- Power washing
 - Small painting and carpentry projects
 - Plumbing Projects
 - Light Welding
 - Streaming the parish 10:30 am mass once a month.
- Training and instructions will be provided



Random Minutiae by Father Goyette



Grief Support will meet on 12/11. Meetings will resume twice a month in January.



Caregiver Support will not meet for the month of December.



The Knights of Columbus, along with food pantry volunteers, distributed Thanksgiving food bags and turkeys to the food pantry customers the Sunday afternoon before Thanksgiving. Father Michael Goyette greeted the volunteers and food pantry customers too.

We are looking for more men to join us at the St. Catherine of Siena Knights of Columbus.



“Adopt-A-Seminarian” Project at St. Michael’s

Each Advent, St Michael The Archangel Parish implements the Adopt a Seminarian project using our Parish Giving Tree. We collect healthy snacks, sweet treats, WaWa Gift Cards and weekly Prayer Commitments for those young men from our diocese who are studying for the priesthood at Christmas. All donations and gifts are delivered to the Bishop’s residence and distributed to the men at their annual Christmas Party with Bishop Sullivan. This year, beginning the weekend of December 8 and December 15th, “Seminarian Ornaments” will be available on the Giving Trees in Nativity and St Catherine’s Churches. Please take an ornament home and return it with your gift by Saturday, December 21st. Collection boxes will be available. If you choose to give the “Gift of a Prayer Commitment”, your ornament will have two parts. We ask that you fill out your information part, and return it to Fr. Goyette, place it in the collection basket, or return it to the Rectory Office. You will be notified, through your contact information, with the name of your Seminarian. Please keep him in your prayers throughout the year. Thank you for all that you do for our Seminararians. May God bless you for all your support and God bless St Michael’s.



STEWARDSHIP



Parish of St Michael the Archangel Food Pantry

"God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

The Christmas season is here! There is so much to do in so little time! As you are making that mad dash through your favorite grocery store, please consider buying an item or two for our Parish Food Pantry. Currently, we are in need of such things as instant potatoes, ramen noodles, tuna, canned chicken, rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, soups of all kinds (including condensed tomato and chicken noodle), mac & cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, and applesauce. Non-food items such as toothpaste, tooth brushes, soap, deodorant, and bathroom tissue are also needed. For Christmas, extras such as cookies, crackers, and cake or fudge mixes are appreciated. No time for shopping? Monetary donations are always welcome. Your nonperishable food donations may be left in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena churches, or they may be delivered directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center from 10:15 to 11:30 on Wednesday mornings. Thank you for your continuing generosity and thank you for being a "cheerful giver."

CHURCH OFFERING

Total Mass Offering for Nov 23rd/24th - \$5183

Last Year's Total Mass Offering - \$4711

Human Development - \$7.00

Total Mass Offering for Nov 30th/Dec 1st - \$4886

Last Year's Total Mass Offering - \$5327

MASS COUNT

Nov 23rd/24th : Sat. 4 PM Nativity - 146

Sun. 8 AM St. Catherine - 99

10:30 AM Nativity - 241

Total Attendance - 486

Last Year's Total Attendance - 393

Nov 30th/Dec 1st: Sat. 4 PM Nativity - 113

Sun. 8 AM St. Catherine - 82

10:30 AM Nativity - 212

Total Attendance - 407

Last Year's Total Attendance - 413



2nd Sunday of Advent Live Stewardship

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." (PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10)

During the Christmas shopping season, it is easy to get caught up in the frenzy of buying gifts. But, is that "gift" truly an expression of your love for the other person. Or, are you just fulfilling your "obligation" to give them something? To live Stewardship and grow in friendship with someone, you need to spend time with them and learn what is of value to them. Maybe this year, buy less "stuff" and spend more time with those you love.



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Abby's Angels would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

We are very grateful for all of your support and May God Bless You!

**With Love,
Abby**



OBITUARY

Denise Korba-Hennessey of Franklinville, passed away on Tuesday, November 19, 2024. Beloved wife of Robert J. Hennessey. Devoted mother of Kristl Hennessey-Wilson, Kelli Hennessey and adopted son Frank R. Reim. Dear sister of Paul (Maria) Korba and Joan (Nicholas) Post. Loving grandmother of Kenny, Ryan and the late Brandon. Born in Bayonne, N.J. Denise graduated from Bayonne High School in 1970 and from Jersey City State College in 1974 with a bachelor's degree. Besides raising her family, Denise worked at VWR Scientific Products and Fisher Scientific International in Swedesboro, N.J. as a customer service representative prior to retirement. Relatives and friends were invited to a visitation on Tuesday and Memorial Service November 26th at the Bell-Hennessey Funeral Home, Williamstown. Should family and friends wish, please donate online http://give2.chop.edu/give/241805/#!/donation/checkout?c_src=25AF-eMainNav to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, PA 38105. This would be greatly appreciated.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Second Reading: Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel: Luke 3: 1- 6

Reflections for the Second Sunday in Advent

The second Sunday of Advent gives us the opportunity to prepare our hearts in faithful waiting, celebrate the birth of Jesus, and ready ourselves for his second coming.


It's a beautiful chance to reflect on the ways prophecy has been fulfilled and to ponder what the future (promised to us through prophecies) will bring.

Psalms 46:10-11 says: Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."

During this second week of Advent, we pause to remember who God is and what He has done for us. When our lives are hurried, we only have the chance to focus on our to-do lists. Making space in our schedules for prayer and meditation helps us to better see God at work in our lives and in our world.

As we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Jesus' arrival as a gift to all humanity, let's stir up in our hearts and homes a sense of anticipation. May God's spirit transform the days leading up to Christmas into a time of holy anticipation; preparing our hearts, as we faithfully await the chance to celebrate the arrival of our king.

AROUND THE DIOCESE



All Saints in Millville invites you to their annual "Follow the Star" experience. This free event will feature 500 Nativity sets on display for one weekend December 14/15, 2024 at the All Saints Parish Hall, 621 Dock Street in Millville.

Surround yourself with the beauty and splendor of artists from around the world. Learn what the people of Greccio, Italy experienced as they saw the first Nativity display in 1223 thanks to St. Francis of Assisi.

Bring your family and friends and find the true Spirit of Christmas.

Saturday, December 14 - 12:00 noon to 8:00pm
Sunday, December 15 - 9:00am to 4:30pm

ADVENT CONCERT

A MUSICAL RECITAL BY
LOCAL PARISH CHOIRS,
MUSICAL GROUPS, SOLOISTS

All persons interested in participating may send name and # of music selections to the email lynette.hansen@parish174@gmail.com by October 27th.

DECEMBER 14, 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM | FREE ENTRY
FOOD WILL BE SOLD

MORG MUIRO HALL
410 S. 8TH STREET
VINELAND, NJ 08360

O COME, LET US ADORE HIM

AN EVENING OF SCRIPTURE & SONGS IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

PRESENTED BY THE MUSIC MINISTRY OF
OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH AND FEATURING OUR
ADULT CHOIR, FOLK GROUP,
CHILDREN'S CHOIR, AND INSTRUMENTALISTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 AT 7PM

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH, ST. MARY'S CHURCH
32 CARROLL AVE.
WILLIAMSTOWN, NJ



REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call
1-800-964-6588