October 13, 2019 | 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel

Clayton & Franklinville

Rev. Lawrence E Polansky, Pastor

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**."*

"None but this foreigner has returned to give thanks to God."
~ Lk 17:11-19 ~

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Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: 9a at Saint Catherine
Tuesday: 9a at Nativity
Wednesday: 9a at Nativity
Thursday: 7p at Saint Catherine
Friday: 9a at Saint Catherine
Saturday: 9a at Nativity

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4p at Nativity
Sunday: 8a at Saint Catherine
10:45a at Nativity

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Vigil: 7p at Saint Catherine
Holy Day: 9a & 7p at Nativity
(Please confirm with Mass Intention Schedule.)

Reconciliation

Thursday immediately following the 7p Mass at Saint Catherine

Saturday 3-3:30p at Nativity

or by appointment.

Please call the Parish Office.

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Office Hours: **Monday** 12 - 4p; **Tuesday & Wednesday** 8a - 4:30p; **Thursday** 8a - 12 noon; ***Closed on Friday***

Sacrament Preparation or Letters of Eligibility: ***Please contact the Parish Office.***
New Parishioners: ***Welcome!*** Please stop by the Parish Office, take a look at our website, or call to register

Please visit our new website at https://www.psma-nj.com

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

9:00a ***No Intention***
4:00p **Frances Cesanek** *by Her Loving Husband, Jim*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH — **28TH SUNDAY IN OT**

8:00a **Dante Napoli** *by Carin Haabak & Family*
10:45a **The People of the Parish**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH — **CALLISTUS I**

9:00a ***No Intention***

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH — **TERESA OF JESUS**

9:00a **Danielle Bonner** *by Mom & Dad*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH — **MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE**

9:00a **Holy Souls in Purgatory** *by the Wright Family*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH — **IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH**

7:00p **Royce Curran** *by His Wife & Loving Family*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH — **LUKE**

9:00a **Christine Cerbie** *by Diane & Louis Lucarelli & Family*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH — **NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS**

9:00a **Harry Clyde Lippincott** *by Fr. Larry*
4:00p **The People of the Parish**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH — **29TH SUNDAY IN OT**

8:00a **Margaret Hoffman** *by Betsy & Michael Gambino*
10:45a **Deceased Members of KoC Council 6890**

SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you've been thinking about having the Sanctuary Candles burn in the memory of your loved one, envelopes are available in the Gathering Spaces of both the Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena for your intentions and offering of $10. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions at 856-881-9155.

For the week of
October 13th through October 19th,
the Sanctuary Candle in Nativity
Burns in Memory of
Elizabeth Ringkamp
Requested by Antoinette & Jim

OUR MILITARY HERO PRAYER LIST

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, please 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**, Specialist **Bryan Jenkins**, 1st Sgt **Shane W. McLaughlin**, MAJ **Eric Miller**, CPT **Graham Miller**

US Navy

AWR **Daniel Carr**, MA2 **Joshua Colbert**, LS2 **Alex Hirst**, EM2 **William Little**

US Marine Corps

Gy Sgt **Brad Davis,** Cpl **Nate McAllister,** CPT **James V. Tumolo**

LT JG **Dominic J. Tumolo,** US Navy; US Army Medic

Brenda Adams, George Bromwell, Rob Christian, Margaret Cloak, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mary Alyce Hagelstein, Matt Healy, Ernest Henry, Ginny Hoffman, Lorraine Kreiner, Pauline LoCicero, Steven Lord, John Henry Mathiesen, Rosemary McBride, Gerry McCloskay, Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Jack Nelson, Michele Resavage, Bob & Barbara Stroh, Kathryn Tanner, Karen J. Viola, & Susan Webster

THANKFUL STEWARDSHIP

"Has none but this foreigner returned
to give thanks to God?"

~ Lk 17:18 ~

Most of us live "easy" lives. We have food, shelter and clothing. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't ***Stewardship*** be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you.

THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

"Keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus, who himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" (Acts 20:35)

As individuals, we may not feel that we can make much of a difference in this world. However, working together as a community of faith, we may be able to make a world of difference in the life of someone right here in Clayton or Franklin Township. **Donations of pasta sauce, canned fruit, canned vegetables, tuna, canned chicken and, especially, soups of all kinds would be very welcome at this time.** In addition, a monetary donation or gift card placed in an envelope marked "*For the Food Pantry*" and dropped into the collection basket at mass or delivered to the Rectory Office would also be greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY WHICH DOES MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Do you want to brush up on your knowledge of the Church's teachings? Do you want a closer walk with Jesus? Do you want to find answers to your questions about God? Explore answers to these questions at our adult catechism class on Sunday from 9 -10a in the basement of Saint Catherine of Siena Church. Classes begin November 3rd. Please contact Bernadette Fiocco at ionabern@comcast.net or the Parish Office for more information.

Share Your Faith

If you like to talk about the traditions of our Church and the memories you have growing up in a Catholic neighborhood, parish or family, then join our discussion group – ***Share Your Faith***. This group offers a warm connection to our parish community as we explore questions about faith and current events, in addition to our Catholic traditions. Meetings are held at 7p on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the O'Meara Conference Center in Franklinville. Please contact Bernadette Fiocco at ionabern@comcast.net or the Parish Office.

Stewardship in Action

Weekend of 10/05 & 10/06

Ordinary Income ……. $4,538.25
Online Giving ……. $320

Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!

Got music?

Our Saint Michael the Archangel Music Ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, and inspiration for our liturgies and festive parish celebrations through the musical gift, generosity, and commitment of our members. If you can carry a tune, want to learn, and have a desire to sing with us, please see Sally Bonner, Music Director, after Mass or call her at 856-243-2036 or 609-805-8183.

Bereavement Ministry

Members of the Bereavement Ministry try to be the compassionate Heart and Hands of Jesus to those in our Parish community who are in mourning. We meet every other month during which time we pray for the deceased, have Masses offered for them, send remembrance cards to the families, and give prayer shawls made by the Knit & Crochet Ministry. We also help to plan the All Souls' Mass and attend Funeral Masses if we are able. The gift of listening is powerful. Support is not determined by how much we know or say, but by how much we genuinely care. Those involved find that in supporting others, our own faith is nourished and deepened. We ask that you prayerfully consider joining our ministry.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Liturgical Ministries cover a myriad of opportunities to serve the Church. Perhaps consider becoming a Lector and proclaiming the Word of God for everyone to hear. Serving the Body and Blood our Jesus Christ is a rewarding and humbling experience since we all know that none of us is worthy of this opportunity. Greeting and welcoming our fellow parishioners and potential new members of our parish is another opportunity to be Christ for others. Assisting with seating and "crowd-control" during Mass or another special church occasion is another way to give a little bit of time to the Church. How about becoming an Altar Server? Serving at the altar can be a family affair, with Mom & Dad and the children assisting. None of these ministries require a lot of time and they are all a very rewarding experience.

There are other little, behind-the-scenes activities that would also greatly assist. Perhaps helping to change the altar linens when they need to be changed during the seasons of the Church year or cleaning the altar linens or linens used during Mass periodically don't require a whole lot of time.

Think about how rewarding any of these things can be to give some Time or Talent back to God for all that He has given you.

Come talk to us at the Ministry Fair on the weekend of October 19th & 20th, if you think you may have a calling. We look forward to seeing you!

Sharing is something that is learned. In some families, children grow up alone or with only one sibling. The natural give-and-take coming from interacting with others is much more limiting for them. These children often have their own bedroom, own TV, own video games, own cell phones, etc. So much is given to them that they never really learn sharing, never really learn the natural give-and-take, so essential to grow into healthy relationships with others. In other families, less is more. The children don't have their own everything. Early on they learn to share, to give-and-take, to say thank you. Having said all that, sharing is fundamental to healthy relationships.

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus shares much with the ten lepers. They ask Jesus to take pity on them and He heals them. But only the Samaritan leper returns to Jesus, glorifies God, and gives thanks. This leper understands the give-and-take of healthy relationships. He reveals himself as someone who knew he needed healing, but also as someone compelled to return to his Healer, throw himself at His feet, and further the fledgling relationship begun with the healing. For this action he received even more than physical healing. He hears Jesus declare to him, *"your faith has saved you."* **This is faith**. Knowing who we are before God, gratefully coming to God, and ever deepening our relationship with God. And for this we should always give thanks.

The ten lepers exemplify aspects of our own relationships with God: acknowledgment of need *("Have pity on us!"*), obedience (*"'Go …' As they were going"*), and reception of Divine Mercy (*"they were cleansed"*). The Samaritan leper demonstrates another aspect of this relationship. Only when he returns to glorify God and to thank Jesus, does Jesus reveal that he has, in fact, been saved. For us, as for the Samaritan leper, salvation is revealed and experienced in the mutual sharing of an ever-deepening relationship.

Salvation, worship, and thanksgiving cement a give-and-take relationship with God. God freely offers us salvation. Worship and thanksgiving manifest within the community our acknowledgment and reception of salvation. Worship and thanksgiving are our ***yes*** to God's gifts to us. They are our response in faith to a God who shares so much with us that we come to share everlasting life in God's eternal glory.

This is what happens on our journey to Jerusalem with Jesus. On the way, each one of us is cleansed – saved. This is one reason why the little things of our everyday lives – those things which happen to us along the journey – are so important. They are manifestations of God's acting on our behalf, healing us, and saving us. We want to seize them and give thanks. In this divine-human give-and-take, we learn that gratitude is an expression of faith. It is a deepening of our relationship with God and with one another.

One challenge of this weekend's Gospel is to see God's promise of salvation unfolding in the everyday events of our lives. Faithful service to others is a response to seeing God in the ordinary events of each day. Gratitude – acknowledging God's actions on our behalf – is an all-enveloping context for living our lives. When gratitude is put on as a way of living, then faith and worship, too, become a way of living. Rather than being relegated to an hour or so on Saturday evening or Sunday, worship becomes a part of all the little actions which make up each of our days. For that, we should give thanks!

May Saint Michael the Archangel defend, guide, protect, and intercede for us always!

~ Fr. Larry

KoC Soccer Challenge

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the **2019 KoC Soccer Challenge**. The local competition will be sponsored by KoC Council 6890 on **Saturday, October 19th at 1p** on the Saint Michael the Archangel Regional School soccer fields (51 W North St, Clayton). In the event of inclement weather, our **rain date** is set for *Saturday, October 26th at 1p*.

Please register for this event by contacting Marc Mignano at agahigs1@msn.com with the subject line "**KOCSC**." Please include your name, your child's name, child's grade & age, and your parish.

***** Proof of age is required at the time of the competition. *****

Do you know someone who is trying to conceive? Let them know of this special Mass in honor of Saint Gerard Majella, the patron saint of mothers, babies and those trying to conceive. This Mass is also for those who are expecting a child, or adopting a child.

The Mass to Celebrate New Life in honor of Saint Gerard will take place on Wednesday, October 16th, at 7p at Saint Bridget Parish in Glassboro. If you know of anyone who is trying to conceive, or who is trying to adopt, please encourage them to attend. Pregnant moms and babies born in the in the last year will receive a special blessing. Babies and children are most welcome at this Mass!

Those attending will be able to venerate a relic of Saint Gerard and receive a blessed medal and a prayer card. If you haven't had the chance to attend one of these special Masses, please put this on your calendar. Saint Gerard is known as a "wonder-worker" for the abundance of miracles attributed to him. Come and ask!

For directions and / or more information, please call Mary Ann at 609-707 -1725 or Saint Bridget's parish office at 856-881-2753.

MEDIVAC

Making Economic Differences Involving Veterans And Community

- **Sunday, October 13th** – Got Music? ***The Traditional Choir*** will practice from 9-10a in Saint Catherine of Siena, Clayton.
- **Monday, October 14th** – ***Columbus Day*** **– Diocesan and Parish Offices ARE CLOSED**.
- **Wednesday, October 16th –** The ***KoC Council #6890*** will meet from 6:30-10p in the Saint Catherine of Siena Church Basement in Clayton.
- **Wednesday, October 16th** – Got Music? The ***Contemporary Choir*** will meet from 7-8:30p in Nativity Church, Franklinville.

Physicians, nurses and healthcare professionals, Please join us for the Diocese of Camden

WHITE MASS

Sunday, October 20, 2019
11:30 AM
St. Luke's Church
55 Warwick Road, Stratford, NJ
Celebrant: Reverend Vincent Guest
Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish

AS CARING FOR THE SICK IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION, THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY CATHOLIC MEDICAL GUILD OF THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN IN UNION WITH VITALITY CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE SERVICES OF THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN WOULD LIKE TO HONOR YOU AND INVITE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TO JOIN US.

A reception, sponsored by the SJCMG, will follow the Mass along with the presentation of the St. Luke's Awards for excellence in Catholic Healthcare in Southern New Jersey, and a speaker presentation on: "A Catholic Physician's Alternatives to Physician Assisted Suicide."

THIS YEAR'S ST. LUKE AWARDS RECIPIENTS ARE:
STAN CZARNECKI, MD
ROBERT LEONETTI, MD
REVEREND ROBERT MATYSIK
LISA PAPP, RN

We look forward to seeing you there.
To R.S.V.P. or for additional information, please contact Karen Fisher
856-583-6123 or
Karen.Fisher@CamdenDiocese.org

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MANUP SOUTH JERSEY

Men's Spirituality Conference (*the Largest in South Jersey*)
November 9, 2019
Paul VI High School Conference Center
For more information: www.manupsouthjersey.com

All Souls Day – Cemetery Visitation & Mass

We encourage our families to visit our cemeteries and mausoleums and pray for their dearly departed loved ones and all souls who have gone before us. All Souls Day Masses held in our chapel mausoleums are listed on our website at www.SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org. We are delighted to announce Bishop Sullivan will be the celebrant at the **10a Mass held at Calvary Cemetery & Mausoleum in Cherry Hill on Saturday, November 2nd**. All are welcome to attend. We join you in praying for the souls of all of those who have gone before us.

"I am the resurrection and the life.
Those who believe in me even if the die, will live."
(John 11:25)

HOUSE OF CHARITY BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

2019 APPEAL "YOU DID IT FOR ME"

"Whatsoever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me" (Matt. 25:40).

My Brothers & Sisters,

I would first like to extend my sincerest gratitude to all of those who have supported the ***2019 House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal***. We truly appreciate your generosity!

At this time, the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel has raised just over $33,000, which brings us to 41% of our overall parish goal. As you know, the ***House of Charity*** is instrumental in helping the various ministries within the Diocese of Camden and without our support, they will not receive the help that they need. If the ***House of Charity*** does not reach its diocesan-wide goal, it is highly probably that funding for some ministries will need to be decreased in the coming year.

If you have not yet donated to the ***House of Charity*** **Campaign**, I ask that you please prayerfully consider making a gift. Let us come together as a Catholic community to help those in need. I know that we at the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel can do our part to reach our parish goal. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you would like to speak through this further.

~ Fr. Larry

NEW JERSEY INDEPENDENT VICTIMS COMPENSATION PROGRAM

The Diocese of Camden – along with the other Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey – has established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest of the Diocese.

The IVCP is independently administered by experienced victim compensation experts Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Biros.

The IVCP will handles the submission, evaluation and resolution of individual claims, and operates independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution. The administrators of the IVCP have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established Protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be independently determined by the IVCP administrators. All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially.

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim.

Bishop Sullivan strongly encourages anyone who was sexually victimized by a priest of the Diocese to participate in the IVCP, and has asked that anyone who knows of someone who was abused to contact them so that they are aware of the IVCP and can participate in it.