



THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE
Monday: 9a at Nativity
Tuesday: 9a at Nativity
Wednesday: 9a at Nativity
Thursday: 9a at Nativity

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday: 4p at Nativity
Sunday: 8a at Nativity
 10:45a at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE
Vigil: 7p at Nativity
Holy Day: 9a & 7p at Nativity
(Please confirm with Mass Intention Schedule.)

RECONCILIATION
Due to COVID-19, by Appointment
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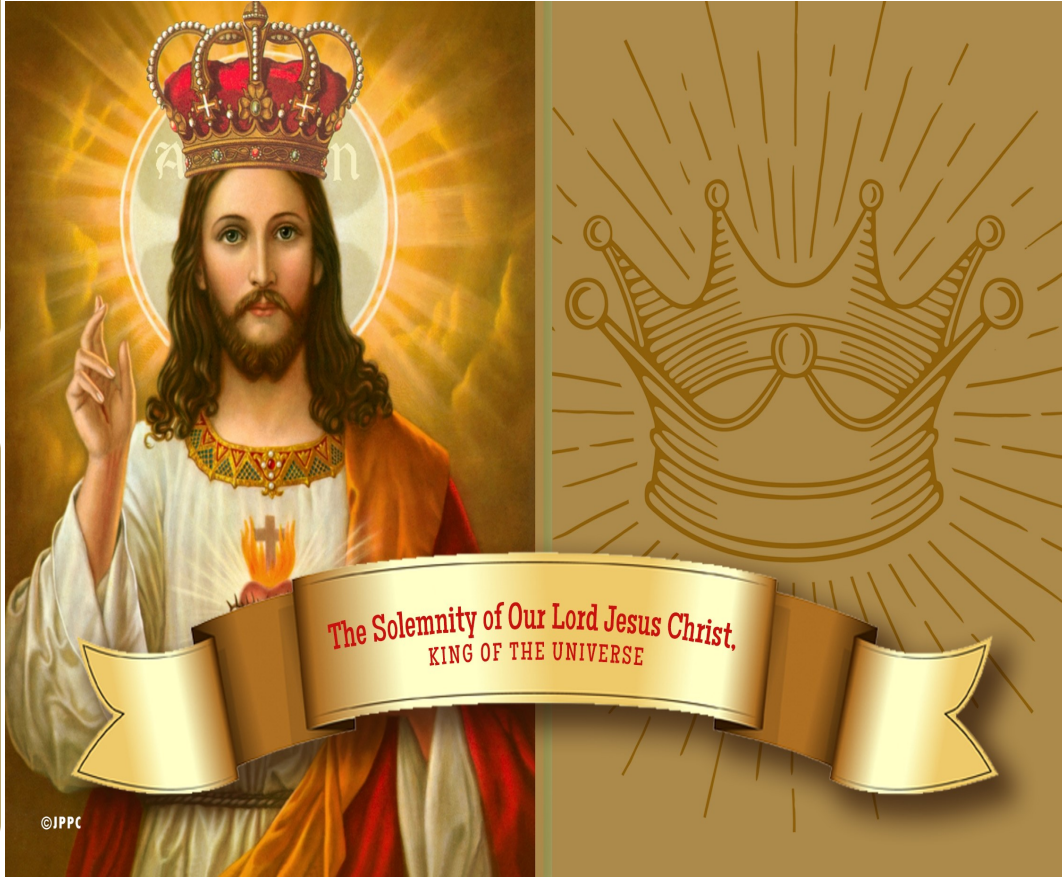
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

*“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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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday: 10:00a-2:00p **Thursday:** 10:00a-12:30p *(or by appointment, please call the Office)*

SACRAMENT PREPARATION OR LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY: *Please contact the Parish Office.*

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please take a look at our website or call to register

Please visit our website at <https://www.psmaj-nj.com>

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST
PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

4:00p (N) Deceased Members of KoC Council 6890

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8:00a (N) People of the Parish
10:45a (N) Karen MacNamara *by The Wright Family*

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD
BL MIGUEL AUSTIN PRO

9:00a (N) Philip Assante *by The Seniff Family*

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
ANDREW DUNG-LAC & COMPANIONS

9:00a (N) William J. Schnatterer, Sr.
by The Saint Michael the Archangel Regional School Family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH
CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

9:00a (N) Eileen Szewczak *by Dennis & Anne Ellena*

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH
THANKSGIVING DAY

9:00a (N) The People of the Parish

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

No Mass

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ON SATURDAY

4:00p (N) Deceased Members of the Seniff Family
by The Seniff Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00a (N) Ginny Hoffman *by Fr. Larry*
10:45a (N) The People of the Parish

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.

This week, the Sanctuary Candle in Nativity Burns for the Health & Well-Being of Felicia Tarnecki



Brenda Adams, George Bromwell, Rob Christian, Margaret Cloak, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mary Alyce Hagelstein, Matt Healy, Ernest Henry, Sherry Jeffries, 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

If you have a family member who 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 PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com. Thank you!



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 & 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



Monday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

STEWARDSHIP GIVING

“...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for Me.”
~ Mt 25:40 ~

Most of us are generous when it’s convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means Stewardship giving of one’s time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it’s not convenient; when it’s not on our schedule, but on the other person’s schedule.



“God loves a Cheerful Giver”
~ 2 Corinthians 9:7 ~

Would you like to donate to our parish food pantry during this holiday season? Nonperishable items may be placed in the shopping cart located in the Gathering Space of Nativity Church or, if you prefer, you may bring them directly to the pantry at the O’Meara Conference Center **from 10:15 to 11:30a on Wednesday mornings**. Since we cannot allow you inside the pantry at this time, there will be a bench outside the entrance on which you may leave your donations. We will periodically come outside and retrieve the items, but feel free to honk your horn before driving away if you wish to alert us of your presence.

Don’t know what to give? The best idea is to give what you would like to receive! The only necessity is that the items be nonperishable. Here are some suggestions: **1 or 2 pound bags or boxes of rice, canned yams/sweet potatoes, gravy, stuffing (such as Stove Top), pasta, canned fruit, applesauce, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, tuna, canned chicken, pancake mix, cereal, and, especially, SOUPS OF ALL KINDS.**

*Prefer not to shop?
Monetary donations are always welcome.*

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

Ordinary Income

October 2019 \$19,020.25
October 2020 \$14,730.00

Difference (↓ 23%)



November 22, 2020 | Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 | 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 | Mt 25:31-46

*Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE*

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today, we acknowledge and celebrate Christ the King. It’s hard to put this royal image together with today’s Gospel passage, where Jesus is not asking to be treated like a king, but rather instructing us to perform merciful deeds for the least of his brothers and sisters. Yet it is the perfect follow-on to the previous three Sundays’ Scriptures, where Jesus tells us what it means to live a life of holiness, preparation, and faithful investment in the Kingdom. Now we see what awaits those of us who turn over our lives to him, seeing the face of Jesus in the least among us - the poor, the imprisoned, the thirsty, the stranger. “Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.”

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I confess that judgment day readings scare me a little. Some days I behave more like a “goat” than a “sheep.” Side note: After a deep dive into the Internet (did you know that sheep have 54 chromosomes and goats have 60?), I’ve concluded that Jesus isn’t talking about farm animals here. He’s talking about us humans and the choices we make or don’t make through sins of omission. The list seems endless if I focus on all the things I *could* be doing to help others each and every day. Yet, rather than getting caught up in fear or guilt, today’s readings encourage me, and remind me, that Jesus has told us what we need to do to be counted as “sheep” on the last day.

ACTIONS

- Choose one corporal work of mercy today and act on it. What does it look like to “visit the sick”? Donate blood; make food for someone who isn’t feeling well; check in on an elderly neighbor.

- Do you know some “sheep” - people who radiate faith and kindness to others? Just as you might network with a professional in your field, invite that person out for coffee. Ask them about their faith and how it inspires them in their daily lives.

Message of the Week



Dear Parishioners,

Seeing can be a physical activity of the eyes or an inspired activity of the heart. We might see with our eyes the worried look of a parent caring for a sick child ... our inspired heart sees love and compassion pouring out. We might see with our eyes a student struggling to get through school ... our inspired heart sees potential for creativity and insight beyond book-learning. We might see with our eyes the run-down condition of a neighborhood ... our inspired heart sees the inner beauty of downtrodden people desiring a better life. We might see with our eyes the homeless ... our inspired heart sees hopelessness reaching out for understanding. We might see with our eyes they hungry, the thirsty, strangers, the naked, the ill, the imprisoned, the lonely, the abandoned, the elderly, the dying ... our inspired heart sees the Person of Christ the King in each of them crying out to be touched by the Person of Christ our King who dwells within each of us. This weekend's Gospel and the Solemnity invites us to draw on the strength of Christ who dwells within us to reach out to Christ in the other. This Gospel is about future judgment and it is even more about present discipleship.

So much about the Gospel this weekend speaks to us of Christ's glory and power ("*When the Son of Man comes in His glory,*" "*all the nations will be assembled before Him,*" "*the king will say*") and rightfully it should. However, there is a remarkable surprise in the Gospel. Christ is victorious, to be sure. He is King enthroned, to be sure. He judges all nations, to be sure. The surprise is that on this festival honoring Jesus Christ the King, both the Gospel and the First Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel speak about others who need our help and caring for them. We honor Christ the King by acknowledging that He is in the other and within us. No greater honor can we give our Savior King than to serve Him in one another. In a sense, then, our focus on each other is really a focus on Christ – for it is a measure of how much we imitate His care for others. It is a measure of how much we are His faithful disciples. He showed us by His very life how to care for others. We have to follow His example.

Christ the King *will* come "in His glory." It is not "*if*" He will come, but "*when*." There is an imperative in the immediacy of this "*when*." The Gospel claim is clear. Christ the King, arrayed in all His glory, is present *now* in the other. We must look beyond what we see with our eyes and see with the heart of Jesus Christ ... we must see others as He sees them. His throne is the person of the other ... He dwells within them. The "*when*" of His coming is now. The Kingdom of God is now. The judgment is now. In our care for others, here and now, Christ the King, reigns.

One of the best ways that we can begin to see the Christ in the other is by not judging the negative aspects of their persons first, but instead looking for the good in the other. This can be carried out in such a simple Christian practice as seeking always to compliment rather than to criticize another. Take care that we don't spread gossip or slander is another way. If we can do that, we build up the Body of Christ and bring honor to Christ our King who dwells in ourselves and in the other. By doing so, we'll see the face of Christ our King in everyone we meet. Perhaps the first and most important task of being good subjects of Christ the King is to live as He did – not simply by seeing with the eyes but seeing with hearts responding to the dignity of others, by responding to their need for healing, forgiveness, reconciliation, compassion, mercy, and love.

May Saint Michael the Archangel defend, guide, protect, and intercede for us always! May you and your families be well and safe! Have a great week!

~ Fr. Larry

THE 2021 MASS BOOK OPENS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020 AT 10:00A

We have revised our Mass times beginning in January while maintaining our policy regarding requests for Mass Intentions. Individuals may initially request ten (10) Masses, [eight (8) weekday and two (2) weekend]. Beginning January 4, 2021, individuals can request additional weekday Masses and after the weekends for the second half of the year open on April 25, 2021, an additional three (3) weekend Masses may be requested. Hopefully, this will accommodate requests such as an anniversary of a person's passing, a special birthday, or a similar intention which could be planned in advance. At the same time, we hoped this would also allow for more immediate requests which arise at a particular time for special prayers (i.e. for someone undergoing surgery, or when someone dies, or a similar life-event). We would also like to be able to offer families weekend Masses if their loved one passes later in the year.

Over the past year, there have been a number of open intentions during the week. Please note: **A weekday Mass offers the same graces for the person it is offered for as does a weekend Mass.**

- Anyone may request **any number** of Masses during the week. Weekday Masses may be requested for anytime in 2021.
- **As of December 1st**, weekend Masses (Saturday at 4p, Sunday at 8a and 10a) **are open through June 30, 2020.**
- Weekend Masses for the second-half of the year (July 4th through December 26th) will become available **Monday, April 19, 2021.** Individuals may request two (2) weekend Masses January 3rd through June 27th and three (3) weekend Masses July 4th through December 26th).
- Mass requests **will not be taken** via e-mail or over the telephone.
- A **\$15 stipend** is due for each Mass intention **at the time of the request.**
- Canon Law states that a Pastor / Administrator of a Parish *"is obliged to have one "Pro Populo" Mass (a Mass for the intentions of the people of his Parish) each Sunday and each Holy Day of Obligation."* The Mass for the **"People of the Parish"** is not a *filler* Mass because no one has taken the intention. It is required (Canon 534, Code of Canon Law, 1983). At the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel, this Mass is rotated through the weekend Masses.

In June 2021, if all the weekend Masses fill during the first half of the year, we will also begin to offer a multiple Mass intention (two individuals for one Mass) which will rotate through the weekend Masses (4:00p Vigil Mass, 8:00a Sunday Mass, 10a Sunday Mass.) Diocesan Policy allows for one (1) Mass a week to be a multi-intentioned Mass.

This policy is necessitated as a result of people who only request weekend Masses at the opening of the Mass Book each year. We are fortunate to have four (4) weekday and three (3) weekend Masses celebrated here each week, but 12 or more Masses requested per individual quickly fills the Book, especially the weekends. Hence, by mid-Spring to early-Summer, our weekend Mass Intentions were almost full. Thus, if Parishioners die mid-year to year-end, often there are no announced weekend Masses available for up to a year after their death and this is greatly upsetting to the surviving members of the family.

Before deciding on the above policy, a survey of Mass Book Intention policies of several parishes in the area was made. Bishop Sullivan and the Diocese of Camden issued guidelines regarding Mass intentions. Some Parishes only open their Mass Intentions a few months at a time. Some Parishes restrict the number of weekend and weekday requests that can be made in a given year. Many Parishes are struggling with the same issues that are being encountered here at the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel.

We are doing all that is humanly possible to be fair and to accommodate everyone and to hopefully ensure that all of the Masses celebrated in the Parish have intentions.

Thank you for your understanding and kind cooperation in these matters!

Beginning the weekend of **January 2 & 3, 2021**, our Mass Schedule will be changing.
Masses will be: 4:00p on Saturday
8:00a & **10:00a** on Sunday.

Please take note of the coming changes!



Please Note.....

If you handle any bulletins, literature, prayer cards, etc., please take whatever you touched home with you.

Doing so will decrease the spread of germs through contact. ©JPPC

Thank you

WEAR IT CORRECTLY

TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS



Completely cover the nose and mouth with the face covering. Be sure it fits snugly against the side of the face.



Nose & mouth are not covered.



Nose is not covered.



Mask is too loose.

Chance of Transmission	Asymptomatic COVID-19 Carrier	Uninfected Person
Very high		
High		
Medium		
Low		
Very low		
Virtually none		

6+ feet



DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

Coronavirus Prayer

Lord Jesus, you heal the sick.

We pray that the coronavirus that has affected so many in our world can be contained, controlled, and cured.

We lift up to your mercy all those affected, all those working hard to study and cure this illness, and all health care professionals and emergency management teams that are working day and night to keep us safe.

Help us, Lord, to trust in your merciful care.



Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.
Amen.



Please check out <https://www.camdendiocese.org/live-stream-mass/> for Parishes in the Diocese and sites throughout the country that are live-streaming the Mass. If you are unable to attend Mass, but would like to continue watch it, this is for you!

DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

BY SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

MY JESUS,

I BELIEVE YOU ARE PRESENT IN THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT.

I LOVE YOU ABOVE ALL THINGS AND I DESIRE TO RECEIVE YOU INTO MY SOUL.

SINCE I CANNOT NOW RECEIVE YOU SACRAMENTALLY,

COME AT LEAST SPIRITUALLY INTO MY HEART.

I EMBRACE YOU AS IF YOU WERE ALREADY THERE, AND UNITE MYSELF WHOLLY TO YOU.

NEVER PERMIT ME TO BE SEPARATED FROM YOU.

AMEN.

