



July 5, 2020 | 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**THE PARISH OF
SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**
CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

SUMMER SCHEDULE
(THROUGH LABOR DAY 09/07)

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
Saturday 3-3:30p at Nativity
or by appointment.
Please call the Parish Office.

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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: 9:00a-12noon, 1:00-4:30p **Thursday:** 10:00a-12:30p (or by appointment)

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.pdma-nj.com>

Mass INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 4TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

4:00p (N) People of the Parish

SUNDAY, JULY 5TH 14TH SUNDAY OT

8:00a (N) Rev. Francis P. Gaffney

10:45a (N) Ann T. Boyle *by S M R S*

MONDAY, JULY 6TH MARIA GORETTI

9:00a (N) *No Parish Intention*

TUESDAY, JULY 7TH

9:00a (N) William J. Morris, Sr. *by Elaine & Bill Morris*

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH

9:00a (N) Thomas Austin, Sr. *by Kevin & Kathy O'Hara*

THURSDAY, JULY 9TH

9:00a (N) *No Parish Intention*

FRIDAY, JULY 10TH

No Mass

SATURDAY, JULY 11TH BENEDICT

4:00p (N) Leshek Koziol *by Pawel & Kathy Walczak*

SUNDAY, JULY 12TH 15TH SUNDAY IN OT

8:00a (N) People of the Parish

10:45a (N) Edward Zytynski *by Fran Carder & Fr. Larry*



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 Saint Catherine of Siena
burns in Memory of*

*Former Members of
West Catholic – Girls*



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



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,
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

J E S U S

I Trust In You

Become a PSMA Ambassador!



We need your help! We need individuals at each Mass to help us to guide parishioners to their

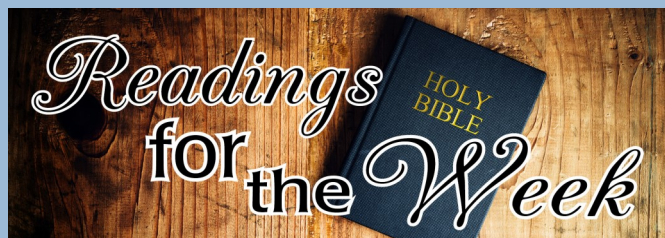
seats, to social-distance, to guide during Holy Communion and with exiting the church afterwards, and to help disinfect in between Masses. If you have a few moments, would you please consider helping us? Please see Fr. Larry or call the Parish Office.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

- *Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?*
- *Were you Baptized but need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and / or Confirmation)?*
- *Do want to brush up on the Faith?*

If you know of someone who would like to become Catholic, need to make First Penance & First Eucharist and / or Confirmation, or if you want to just brush up on the Faith, please contact the Office or speak to Fr. Larry. We'd be delighted to talk about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). It's a wonderful process for spiritual growth, learning about the Sacraments, Spirituality, and Discipleship.



Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9

**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)

If you would like to contribute nonperishable groceries to the Pantry, you may place your donations in the Pantry shopping cart which is 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 10:15-11:30A 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.

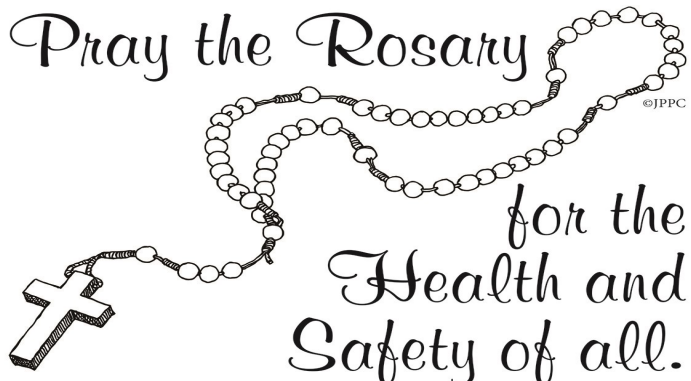
Items needed include, but are not limited to, **pasta sauce, pasta, mac & cheese, Chef Boyardee, canned fruit, applesauce, canned tomatoes, canned vegetables, boxes or packets of instant potatoes, tuna, canned chicken, cereal, bags or boxes of rice, peanut butter and jelly. Non-food items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet tissue, and soap are also welcome.**

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity!

GOOD STEWARDSHIP

“For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”
~ Mt 11:30 ~

When we think of being good *Stewards*, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not “owners” of anything, we are merely “*Stewards*” of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.



Dear Parishioners,

In the past few years we have dealt as a nation with much destruction coming from tornadoes, hurricanes, fires, flooding, and civil unrest. In the case of natural disasters, the damage done can only be predicted for a tiny bit of time before they occur, and sometimes they catch us totally by surprise. For most natural disasters, there are warning systems in place, and when the sirens go off, we panic and seek shelter. The context of this weekend's Gospel is Jesus' judgment and prediction of destruction of towns where He has ministered. In this case, more than sirens, Jesus' warning gives us a whole lifetime to prepare for judgment.

What are the things hidden from the wise but revealed to little ones? The previous verses of Scripture, which were omitted for this weekend's Gospel, indicate that "*these things*" are the destruction resulting from being unfaithful to God's "*gracious will*." Jesus "*reproaches the towns where most of His mighty deed had been done, since they had not repented*" (Mt 11:20). The "*little ones*" are those who, having received Jesus' revelation about the Father, remain faithful and enter into God's reign of peace (First Reading). In this Gospel, Jesus is the messianic Savior judging those who are unfaithful or faithful. The faithful, having come to Jesus and taken His yoke upon themselves, live in God's peace now. These faithful ones need have no fear of Jesus' judgment.

Scattered throughout this weekend's Gospel passage are a number of contrasts that present us with the choice to be faithful or not: hidden versus revealed ... wise and learned versus little ones ... no one knows versus reveals the Father ... labor and are burdened versus rest ... unknowing versus learn from Jesus ... yoke versus easy and light burden. The first term of each pair points to those who are unfaithful ... those who cannot hear Jesus' message of Good News calling them to repentance ... those who call upon themselves a judgment of death. The second term of each pair points to those who are faithful ... those who hear Jesus' message and change their lives ... those who receive a judgment of life. The rest that Jesus offers ... the easy and light burden ... is possible for the faithful because they need not fear Jesus' judgment. Jesus gives us shelter from every storm. He warns us of every destructive enemy. He yokes us to Himself and assures us of Life and peace. And because of God's gift of free will, it is our choice to make ... to accept or to reject ... to be faithful or unfaithful.

Faithful discipleship calls for a self-sacrificing love that knows no bounds when the good of the other is at stake. **No bounds** – *not even one's life*. Faithful discipleship requires of us no less than dying to ourselves. In other words, it is not all about "me" and how it affects my life. We must let go of all our own pretensions ... become meek and mild like Jesus – we need to become little ones – and we need to serve others. In everyday terms, this means that we always seek God's will in our lives. It means we are faithful to Jesus' call to repentance and conversion. "*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength AND you shall love your neighbor as yourself.*" This isn't always easy, because our natural human tendency is to seek our own good. But if we practice what He taught, we'd see that all lives matter and the reasons for the civil unrest in our country and the world would become moot. And so, just as Jesus came to do God's gracious will and brought salvation and peace (First Reading), so when we do God's will, we will be judged worthy of salvation and know peace.

The burden of living the Paschal Mystery is heavy when God is hidden. It is light when God is revealed. Life is bearable when we're in union with Jesus Christ. This is all we need to do ... be in union with Christ so we are in union with God. All we need to do is come to Him and He will give us rest. This is surely a gracious God with a gracious will for us!

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

Fr. Larry



Sexual abuse is a crime that must be reported, investigated and responded to so that victims are protected and those who commit abuse are removed from ministry.

A special toll-free number has been established to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, contact the Victims Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-964-6588.

THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN



I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The **Pledge of Allegiance** of the United States is an expression of allegiance to the flag of the United States and the republic of the United States of America. Such a pledge was first composed, with a text different from the one used at present, by Captain George Thatcher Balch, a Union Army Officer during the Civil War and later a teacher of patriotism in New York City schools. The form of the pledge used today was largely devised by Francis Bellamy in 1892, and formally adopted by Congress as the pledge in 1942. The official name of *The Pledge of Allegiance* was adopted in 1945. The most recent alteration of its wording came on Flag Day in 1954, when the words **"under God"** were added.

The United States Flag Code says the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag should be rendered by standing at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart. When not in uniform men should remove any non-religious headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Persons in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and render the military salute. Members of the Armed Forces not in uniform and veterans may render the military salute in the manner provided for persons in uniform.



In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus invites us to take His yoke upon our own shoulders and to work with Him to bring God's love into our world. In the Eucharist, we renew our commitment to live in His way and God gives us the gift of joy in our simple service to *"Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord."*

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.



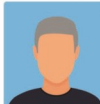
Something to consider ...

It's hard to explain to some teenagers how Christ's burden is "easy," His yoke "light." With the world so full of possible adventure, following Christ can seem restrictive and rule-bound. It can also be hard to explain to adults (who may feel that they are "wise and learned") that youth (the "little ones") have genuine wisdom to contribute. One antidote is a community that offers a place for real and honest reflection on Christian life – and a true partnership between youth and adults in the real work of Christian life. Consider investing in young people. Get involved with the youth. See how you might accompany one another in your daily and your spiritual lives.

THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS IS SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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PREVENTION RECOMMENDATIONS



THOSE WHO ARE AT A HIGHER RISK FOR COVID-19 (I.E., THOSE WHO ARE OLDER THAN 65 OR WHO HAVE UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS) ARE URGED NOT TO COME TO CHURCH FOR MASS.



THOSE WHO FEEL IN ANY WAY SICK OR WHO ARE WORRIED ABOUT ATTENDING MASS SHOULD NOT ENTER THE CHURCH.



IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT STATE POLICY, THE FAITHFUL (OVER 2 YEARS OLD) MUST WEAR CLOTH FACE COVERINGS WHEN IN PUBLIC, INCLUDING WHEN THEY COME TO CHURCH.



ATTENDEES SHOULD SANITIZE THEIR HANDS AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH VIA SANITIZER STATIONS.



ALL PRESENT AT MASS SHOULD SIT 6 FEET OR MORE AWAY FROM OTHERS. FAMILIES MAY SIT TOGETHER.



THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND MASS MAY BE ENCOURAGED TO SPEND TIME DAILY READING THE SCRIPTURES, PRAYING WITH THEIR FAMILIES, WATCHING A BROADCAST OR LIVESTREAMED MASS, AND MAKING AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION.



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!



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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.