



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
 By Appointment
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SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
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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**.”*



NATIVITY: 2677 Delsea Dr, Franklinville **SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA:** 700 N Delsea Dr, Clayton

PARISH OFFICE: 49 W North St, Clayton, NJ 08312-1114 **PHONE:** 856-881-9155 **FAX:** 856-881-9166

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>

Mass INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 25TH **JAMES**

4:00p (N) People of the Parish

SUNDAY, JULY 26TH **17TH SUNDAY OT**

8:00a (N) Tony & Betty Governale
10:45a (N) Joseph Austin, Sr *by The O'Hara Family*

MONDAY, JULY 27TH

9:00a (N) Holy Souls in Purgatory *by The Wright Family*

TUESDAY, JULY 28TH

9:00a (N) Intentions of Samantha Wright – Birthday
by The Wright Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29TH **MARTHA**

9:00a (N) Linda Morris *by Terry & Carolyn*

THURSDAY, JULY 30TH **PETER CHRYSOLOGUS**

9:00a (N) Helen Bottyansky *by Daughter, Ronnie*

FRIDAY, JULY 31ST **IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA**

No Mass

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST **ALPHONSUS LIGUORI**

4:00p (N) Justin Starpoli *by The Carder Family*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND **18TH SUNDAY IN OT**

8:00a (N) Louis Przelomic *by Rocky & Susan Costa*
10:45a (N) People of the Parish

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



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Brenda Adams, George Bromwell,
 Rob Christian, Margaret Cloak,
 Devon Cowell, 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


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.



E-MAIL SCAMS



Once again, you may have received an e-mail from Fr. Larry asking you to purchase gift cards. It is a scam! **Don't open any links it these e-mails may contain! Delete them!**

- If Fr. Larry sends you an e-mail, it will be from the Parish e-mail address or via the website. (If the e-mail address looks unfamiliar and strange ... in other words, not PSMA.Pastor@gmail.com or PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com ... **Delete it!**)
- Fr. Larry will never solicit you for anything via e-mail. (If the e-mail is asking you for anything ... **Delete it!**)
- If there is a cause Fr. Larry is endorsing on behalf of himself, the Parish, or the Diocese, he will contact you via phone, make an announcement during the announcements at the end of Mass, or speak to you face-to-face.
- If you receive an e-mail from Fr. Larry asking you to do anything which requires you to purchase anything ... **Delete it!**

Thank you! ... *Fr. Larry*

STEWARDSHIP FAITH

“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose.”
~ Rom 8:28 ~

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? **Stewardship** faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God’s plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.



- Monday:** Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
- Friday:** Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
- Sunday:** Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

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!



Due to COVID, the summer, and several other factors, beginning **July 20th**, the Parish Office will be open **10:00a until 2:00p Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday** and from **10:00a to 12:30p on Thursday**. **If you are unable to come during these hours, please call the Office 856-881-9155 to schedule an appointment.** Thank you for your understanding.

Trusting in God’s mercy, we are called to see God at work, to be thankful, and to respond with our entire life. In our polarized society, it is important to look for God everywhere and to expect that many of those different from us are doing the Lord’s work. We are called to respect and to reverence all peoples ... even when we disagree.


From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

As I've gotten older, I've learned that by simply observing what is in and around a person's home, I can usually discover what they truly value. If every corner is filled with things, the person values inanimate objects ... things. If the walls and tabletops are full of pictures of family and friends, the person values relationships. If there are healthy green plants about (maybe even fresh flowers), the person values growth and life. If the space is uncluttered, the person values simplicity and silence. The Gospel for this weekend, the 17th Sunday / Week in Ordinary Time, speaks to the value of the kingdom of heaven. How might that be captured in a person's home? Well, maybe by a crucifix on the wall or a piece of religious art or a statue. But I think more importantly, we might know the kingdom of heaven is present when God is present ... manifested in the "treasures" of God ... hospitality and kindness ... joy and love ... wisdom and understanding. These expressions of the divine presence are no less real than the furniture, decorations, and things about the house.

All three comparisons in the Gospel point to the incomparable value of the kingdom of heaven. But God's kingdom is not fully revealed by images such as earthly treasure, priceless gems, an abundance of sumptuous seafood, or the things we have about the house. The kingdom of heaven is fully revealed in people who possess "a heart so wise and understanding" (as described by the First Reading) ... that they know what is right and judge justly. Discipleship means searching for this treasure of incomparable value and giving all we have to become part of it. As disciples, we should continually seek those things that we want more than anything else.

The treasure we go out to seek isn't some thing in some place ... it is nothing less than the very presence of God that is breaking in upon us now but is only fully realized in the future. Now here is where the Gospel should surprise us ... the kingdom of heaven isn't some object or realm that we can identify physically ... instead it is the gift of divine presence God gives us (like where Solomon asks for wisdom in the First Reading). God's presence to us is a free, unexpected, and invaluable gift.

Isn't it a beautiful thing that God even asks us what we want ("*Ask something of Me and I will give it to you?*" ... First Reading). I think this demonstrates how much God cares for us. It confirms that God chooses to be involved in our affairs. It reveals God's abiding presence to us. This is the kingdom of heaven ... God's presence. We already have the wisdom we need to recognize the kingdom (the same wisdom Solomon asked for in the First Reading). It is a gift of the Holy Spirit first given to us in Baptism. God gives us the gift to understand. All we need to do is use it to seek God's loving presence within us and around us.

This "treasure" does have a cost. We must actively search for it, recognize it when we find it, and sort out all of the distractions that keep us from recognizing it. In the Gospel, the seekers go to all the obvious places to find the treasure. For us, the discovery of the kingdom is most often in our everyday circumstances. This may be something as simple as the smile of a person's grateful thanks or the sense of rightness that comes from being faithful to our daily prayer. It might be something harder and challenging... like admitting we've hurt someone. It might be demanding ... like committing time to help someone in need. The issue is to recognize that God chooses to be present to us and wants us to see that presence with all our hearts ... to be able do this all the time ... not just when we feel like it.

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

DIAPER DRIVE

FOR FAMILIES IN NEED ACROSS THE CAMDEN DIOCESE

Drop-off times & locations by county

ATLANTIC

Tuesdays; 9 AM - 3 PM
9 N. Georgia Ave., Atlantic City, NJ

CAMDEN

2nd & 4th Mondays of the Month
9 AM - 12 PM
1845 Haddon Ave., Camden, NJ

CAPE MAY

Thursdays; 9 AM - 3 PM
1304 Rt. 47 S, Unit C1,
Rio Grande, NJ

CUMBERLAND

2nd & 4th Fridays of the Month
8:30 AM - 12 PM
810 Montrose St., Vineland NJ

GLOUCESTER

Tuesdays; 8 AM - 1 PM
1200 N Delsea Dr., Suite 1
Westville NJ

SALEM

2nd & 4th Fridays of the Month
8:30 AM - 12 PM
114 State St. Penns Grove NJ



Help Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden support families and babies in need of diapers!

We are collecting diapers of all sizes, and we welcome you to drop off diapers during the days/times listed for each county in our Diocese.

We thank you for your generosity!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.CatholicCharitiesCamden.org/diaper-drive



We have a question for you ...

With the COVID-19 pandemic and reopening guidelines in place, we can't leave the Missalettes in the pews ...

- We can distribute them to families for you to use for the remainder of the year. They will be your copy. If they are left behind in the church, we will have to throw them away.
- You can also subscribe to a publication such as *The Word Among Us*, *Give Us This Day*, or *Magnificat*, for your own personal worship aid.
- We need to place our order for next year's missalettes shortly. Would you be interested in purchasing a family copy or two? They will cost \$5 per copy. (They actually cost more, but the parish will subsidize the difference.) You will need to take them with you after each Mass. If left behind, we will need to dispose of them.

The current missalettes will be made available on the tables as you leave church beginning the weekend of Saturday, July 11th & Sunday, July 12th.



Need help with your ELECTRIC BILLS?

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden has been awarded a grant from Atlantic City Electric Helping Hands and can financially assist those in need of assistance with their electric bills.

Contact Us!

If you use Atlantic City Electric and need help paying your bills, call your local Catholic Charities office:

Atlantic County
609-345-3448

Cape May County
609-886-2662

Camden County
856-342-4193

Cumberland County
856-691-1841

Gloucester County
856-845-9200

Salem County
856-299-1296



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:
catholiccharitiescamden.org/electric-bill-assistance



To Order Your Missalettes for the 2020 - 2021 Liturgical Year

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

We would like to order _____ copies of the 2020-2021 Missalette.

Each copy is \$5. Please cut out this form and submit in an envelope marked "Missalette." If using a check, please also indicating "Missalette" on your check. They will be made available for distribution a week or so prior to the 1st Sunday of Advent (11/29/2020). We'll let you know when and where you can pick them up. They will be yours and you'll need to bring them with you to Mass and take them with you afterward.

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 ...

The Holy Spirit is at work not just in our prayer but in all we do and all that happens in our lives. In the complexity of our living, we often do not see how all things are working for the good. Saint Paul, in this weekend's Second Reading, reminds us to trust that God is at work ... always.

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.



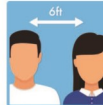
THOSE WHO FEEL IN ANY WAY SICK OR WHO ARE WORRIED ABOUT ATTENDING MASS SHOULD NOT ENTER THE CHURCH.



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!

PLEASE CHECK YOUR PEW BEFORE YOU LEAVE

Please remove everything you brought with you and any literature you may have picked up while here. ©JPC



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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.