



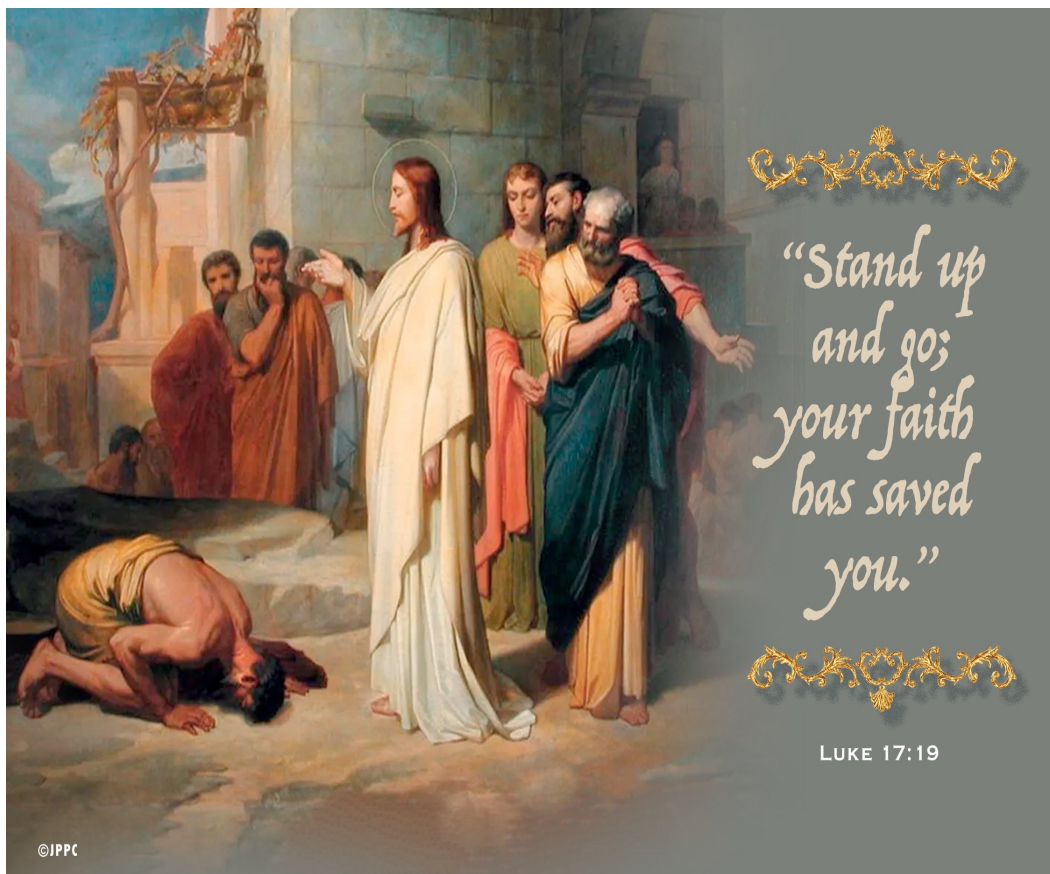
October 9, 2022 | 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**."*



DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 9a at Saint Catherine

Tuesday: 9a at Nativity

Wednesday: 9a at Nativity

Thursday: 9a at Saint Catherine

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4p at Nativity

Sunday: 8a at Saint Catherine

10a at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7p at Saint Catherine

Holy Day: 9a & 7p at Nativity

*(Please confirm with
Mass Intention Schedule.)*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:30p at Nativity
(or by appointment)

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday: 10:00a-2:00p; Thursday: 10:00a-12:00 noon
(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment any time outside of these hours.)

FOR SACRAMENT PREPARATION OR FOR 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>
or on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/PSMAinDoC>

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH****4:00p The People of the Parish****SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9TH****8:00a Grace Pio** by Her Loving Husband, Joe**10:00a Louis Picciano** by Kevin & Irene Cassidy**MONDAY, OCTOBER 10TH – COLUMBUS DAY****9:00a Lynda Bancroft** by Dave & Debbie Piccirillo**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH – POPE JOHN XXIII****9:00a Paul Garofalo** by Rocky & Susan Costa**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH****9:00a Souls of the Faithful Departed** by Larry Pietrafitta**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13TH****9:00a Anne Marie Polansky** by Dan & Karen Seniff**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH – POPE CALLISTUS I****9:00a No Parish Mass****SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH – TERESA OF AVILA****4:00p William & Joseph Hanna** by Don & Mary Ellen Healy**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH – 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****8:00a The People of the Parish****10:00a Bl. Jerzy Popieluszko** by Joe & Vicki Nichols**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.

GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP

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

~ Luke 17:18 ~

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing and money. 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 this be the other way around for Christian **Stewards**? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

PRAY for the SICK

Please pray for the sick & those that care for them

Harriet Bajewicz, George Bromwell,
Nicholas & Rob Christian, Margaret Cloak,
Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower,
Judy Dutton, Anne Ellena, Don & Matt Healy,
Lorraine Kreiner, Pat Luko, Rosemary McBride,
Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Larry Niedzialek,
Bob & Barbara Stroh, Kathryn Tanner, and Karen J. Viola

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,
& PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman & EM2 William Little

US Air Force

AB Jacob R Custis

US Marine Corps

WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister, & CPT James V. Tumolo

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

**Monday, October 10th**

The Parish Office will be **CLOSED**
in observance of
Columbus Day
a Diocesan Holiday

It will reopen on Tuesday, October 11th at 10a.

**COLUMBUS
DAY**



Message of the Week



Dear Parishioners,

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

A PRAYER FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news
of the Incarnation of Christ, your Son,
with faith and trust.
Grant your protection
to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our Parish communities
places of welcome and assistance
for mothers in need.
Help us become instruments
of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church,
graciously help us build a culture of life
and a civilization of love,
together will all people of good will,
to the praise and glory
of God, the Creator and lover of life.
Amen.

WHY THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST IS REAL.

OCT
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7:00 PM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Father
Mark
Matthias**

Presented in English

Saint Joseph the Worker:
Saint Vincent Pallotti

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Life Begins At Conception

It is an error to claim, *"It's not a human, it's a fetus."*

That would be like saying, *"It's not a human, it's an infant,"* or, *"It's not a human, it's an adolescent."* These are category fallacies.

The proper answer to these assertions would be, *"Sure it's a fetus, sure it's an infant, and sure it's an adolescent. It's a human fetus, a human infant, and a human adolescent."* These are simply stages of development in the human life cycle.

A human starts as an embryo, becomes a fetus, is born an infant, develops into a child, grows into an adolescent, matures into adulthood, and eventually dies.

Scientifically and philosophically, there is no good reason to believe a human being is created at birth, because nothing is created at birth. At birth, a fetus simply changes location and changes its mode of acquiring food and dispensing waste, but at no point does the child become something entirely new or different.

Life begins at conception and proceeds through its stages until death. From the moment of conception, the unborn are human beings.



Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel Food Pantry

"God loves a cheerful giver."

~ 2 Corinthians 9:7 ~

Once again the holiday season is upon us. From Thanksgiving through Christmas, 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. At this time of year, we would like to add "holiday" type items such as **stuffing, cranberry sauce, canned sweet potatoes /yams, gravy, applesauce/canned fruit, cake / fudge mixes, cookies, crackers**, etc. to our usual bags of groceries. Of course, we continue to need such items as **instant potatoes, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, canned potatoes, tuna, canned chicken, rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, soups and broths**. Also, we would appreciate new or clean, gently-used, reusable shopping bags. No time for shopping? Monetary donations are always welcome.

Your nonperishable food donations may be left in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity Church and Saint Catherine of Siena Church, or they may be delivered directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center from 10:15 to 11:30a on Wednesday mornings.

***Thank you for your continuing generosity
and thank you for being a "cheerful giver."***

MASS FOR ALL SOULS Cemetery Visitation

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 will be held on Wednesday, November 2nd, at 10a in our chapel mausoleums located in Cherry Hill, Bellmawr, Vineland, Mays Landing and Newfield. A complete listing can be found on our website. We join you in praying for the souls of all of those who have gone before us.

Visit SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org to learn more or call us at 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375) and a member of our staff will gladly assist you.

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



SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
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Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1;

Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48;
Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6;
Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6;
Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7;
Lk 12:8-12

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;
2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

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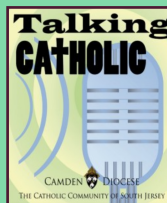
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**NEW JERSEY
CATHOLIC CONFERENCE**

In anticipation of the upcoming General Election, the New Jersey Catholic Conference is pleased to offer our newly updated Faithful Citizenship webpage <https://www.njcatholic.org/overview>, which includes guidance for forming consciences, candidate information, registration and voting information, parish resources, and advice on how to engage in civil and respectful public policy dialogue.

Our hope is that you will find value in these resources as you prepare to exercise your civic responsibility on Election Day, November 8, 2022.

Please check out our Faithful Citizen webpage for these resources and other election information.

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Attend the ManUp
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Spirituality Conference
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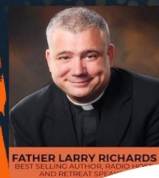
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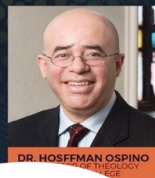
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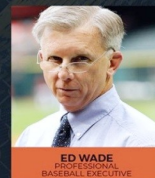
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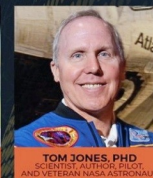
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October 9, 2022 | Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17 | 2 Tm 2:8-13 | Lk 17:11-19

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Back in 2018, a Christmastime video about gratitude went viral. A young Dad wakes up covered in wrapping paper to discover his similarly adorned wife and kids. He runs through the house, “un-wrapping” the electricity, running water, his shoes ... and a car! Today's Gospel reminded me of this, and of all the times the Lord has provided: whether it is something ordinary like food in the fridge or something extraordinary like the birth of our sons. But how often do I acknowledge that all these gifts come from God? I am guessing all 10 of the lepers in today's Gospel felt much gratitude and joy after they were healed. But only one, a foreigner no less, returned to Jesus to give thanks to God. Likewise, today's readings remind us to return to God with gratitude for all the blessings in our lives – both extraordinary and ordinary.



PRAY We quickly turn to God when things go wrong. Next time something good happens, turn to God with the same urgency and say a prayer of thanks.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Hearing the account in Kings today, I picture Naaman plunging into the Jordan – not just once but seven times! What if he'd stopped after one, or two, or four? We hear in the Gospel of 10 other lepers, all of whom raised their voices shouting “Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!” In both cases, those seeking healing showed faith in God, persevering against all odds. This perseverance also is evident in the second reading, where Saint Paul bears great suffering for the sake of the Gospel and the salvation of others. These readings challenge us to persevere in our faith – through prayer and our witness to others we encounter. God will not always answer our prayers the way we want or expect – at least not the first time. We need to jump back in like Naaman, trusting that God will give us what we need.

