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Schedule of Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 am *(in English)*
Misa en Español todos los Domingos: 1:30 pm

Weekdays

Weekdays: 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm **Monday:** 6:30 - 7:00 pm
(no Monday reconciliation during June, July or August)

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Welcome to our Church

The Church of Saint Michael
February 6, 2022
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please remember in your prayers those who have died: Ed Wieczorek

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish: May Lee, Special Intention, Lucy Pintos

Weekly Memorial
Altar Bread & Wine: Special Intention

Readings for the week
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday
Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or
15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11
Monday
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday
1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday
1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday
1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday
1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday
1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 5, 2022
10am Mary Brodo
5pm Ed Matteson, Christopher Hogan

Sunday, February 6, 2022
7am For All Deceased Parishioners
9:30am Ronald E. Costanzo, Annette Bertolino
11:30am Gustave Andico, James Fiorello
1:30pm Special Intention

Monday, February 7, 2022
10am Chet Togno, Louise McClosky

Tuesday, February 8, 2022
10am Chet Togno

Wednesday, February 9, 2022
10am Frances Soccio

Thursday, February 10, 2022
10am Louise Ambrosino

Friday, February 11, 2022
10am Emelio Rea Jr., Special Intention

Saturday, February 12, 2022
10am Special Intention
5pm Joyce Benvenuto, Ed Matteson

Sunday, February 13, 2022
7am Gus Andico
9:30am Dominic & Nunziatta Togno, Ed Matteson
11:30am Chet Togno, Edward Flannery III
1:30pm Special Intention

TITHING – GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
ST. MICHAEL'S HAS BEEN A TITHING PARISH SINCE 1988.

Sunday, January 30, 2022 ..... $5,727.00
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From Fr. Mike

From the diary of 102 old man:
When I think about my life and all that I have accomplished in over 100 years, I realize there are some realities that I cannot, but honestly admit. God has given me the gift of a "golden tongue" and when I have spoken some have said it was like the angels were speaking. But in the end I realize that words, like people fade and ultimately, I must be true to only one person, and that is myself.
Again, as I approach the end of my life, I realize that even if I made the noise of a loud crashing cymbal, even if I could tell the future and understand all the mysteries of life and death, but I don't have myself, then I am nothing. If I were generous to the poor and even in my death donated my body for scientific research, but don't have myself, I gained nothing. For as I approach my final stage of growing and pass from this life to next, I must be honest with myself and admit that:
I have often been impatient and sometimes even unkind. At times I was really jealous and once in a while even arrogant. I usually put myself and my needs before others and was not afraid of being rude. I looked out for number one and what interested me. I was quick to be angry and have been told I could hold a grudge. Doing wrong did not ever upset me, and telling the truth was always just an option. Most things really aggravated me. Believing was hard for me, hoping seemed to be foolish, and when all was said and done, I really had little endurance or patience. But now I come to end of my life and see how there is faith, hope and love but none of these did I acquire or even seek to possess. So in the end, I only have what I cultivated, and that is: me, myself and I.
I missed the boat and spent way too much time focusing on the things that really did not matter. For when you chase away your faith and condemn God for all the things that are wrong in your life; when you do not give room for hope, then life is only something to be endured. And when your heart and your life has no room for Love, you should have died when you were young, for your life truly has been wasted.
My dear family and friends, learn the valuable lesson that I have learned living over 100 years on this earth: Learn to be patient with one another, for kindness multiplies your friends. Do not be jealous of others or think too highly of yourselves, for you never know the road which other people truly have to endure. Seek the interests of others, be quick to forgive rather than fight. Do not brood over your own injuries but bandage the wounds of others with your kindness and concern. Never rejoice in doing things wrongly, for this shortcut never leads to anything positive or healthy, but always rejoice in the truth, even when they crucify you for it. Bear with the faults of others and they will overlook yours. Believe in that which most people cannot, for God will give you the strength to endure in times of hardships. And hope beyond hope, for things to be better and not easier.
So as you come to the end of your lives, you will have faith, hope and love and the greatest of these will be your love; your love for God, your love for others and your love for yourself. As I close my eyes to this world, I have no one to hold my hand or mourn at my grave. But that was my decision and I hope you do not make the same. I pray that the hard lessons that I have learned in my loneliness and solitude will allow just one person to see how although in the eyes of the world I was a rich and successful man, but I forgot one important thing: that was the love of the man who was not accepted in his own town, a man of suffering and pain and because of that knows our suffering and crosses. Have faith in Him, trust in Him, hope in Him. So that at the end of your lives you will sing of your salvation.
You may ask yourselves how I learned these lessons in spite of myself, well last night I had a visitor in my room and in the gentleness of His heart and the kindness of His Spirit, a little boy from Nazareth came and opened my heart to the real truth of life and death. Don't wait 100 years to learn what I learned, start today, begin this moment and learn to love, practice having faith and never give up on hope.

FAITH FORMATION

Gr. K-7 Family Session today, 2/6.
9:30 am Mass followed by brief session in Church before coffee Sunday refreshments.
(This is not an 'optional' session—please make sure you check off your participation on the sheets at the back of church before Mass)

Confirmation II (sophomores):

- Retreat 3/5. Information will be sent to you via email. Contact us if you have any questions.

Middle School Confirmation (gr. 8 and 9)

- Sponsor Paperwork: due 1/30/22. Please hand in blue info form AND signed Sponsor form TOGETHER).

NET group

- Next session 2/6, regular time and place
- Please hand completed service forms and signed Mass sheets for January.

Confirmation II and Middle School Confirmation: please see important email sent 1/17/22 with regard to change in dates for Candidate-Sponsor meeting!

Levels K-7
"Souper-Bowl' Food Pantry Project: bring to class a can of soup on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 13. Let's see which class can collect the most cans for the Food Pantry this year! Two years ago we collected 100 cans of soup!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry meetings are Mondays at 7pm.
If you have any questions, please email me at **youth.ministry@stmichaelnetcong.org**
-Nicole

Tax Donation Information

St. Michael Chuch will not be sending out 2021 tax statements.
If you need a copy of your donations, **please email office.admin@stmichaelnetcong.org** with your name, address and envelope number.

QUINTO DOMINTO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO
Domingo
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QUINTO DOMINTO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Primera Lectura: Issaías 6:1-2a, 3-8
Isaías cuenta la impresión que sintió la primera vez que vió al Señor rodeado de ángeles. Empezó a sentir desesperación porque era un hombre de labios impuros, hasta que un angel los tocó con una brasa y los purificó. Entonces el Señor preguntó a quién debía enviar, a lo que Isaías respondió: "Aquí estoy yo, envíame a mí".

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 15:1-11
Pablo les recuerda a los corintios que Cristo murió para liberarnos de nuestros pecados. Los alienta a recordar la importancia de la muerte y resurrección de Jesús. Admite que al principio no creyó, pero por eso está muy agradecido de ser llamado apóstol y predicar en nombre de Cristo.

Evangelio: San Lucas 5:1-11
Lucas cuenta que Jesús había predicado a una multitud. Luego se unió a Pedro, quien no había pescado nada en todo el día. Le dijo a Pedro que tirara una vez más su red, y al hacerlo, agarró un gran número de peces. Al ver esto, Pedro y sus acompañantes, Juan y Santiago, inmediatamente abandonaron sus redes para seguir a Jesús.

KID'S KORNER

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Gospel Today

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 5: 1-11

After fishing & failing, Jesus said to Simon Peter, James and John, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch". They obeyed Jesus and caught enough to fill 2 boats. Then they left everything and followed Jesus.

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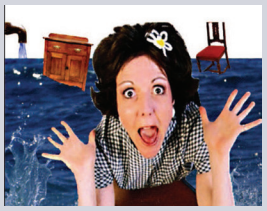
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