

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

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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

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Welcome to our Church

The Church of Saint Michael
September 17, 2023
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Please remember in your prayers those who have died.

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish: May Lee, Special Intention, Lucy Pintos, Karlene Yaple, Joseph Conklin, Marysia Hancock, Bev Couter, Kathy Conklin, Special Intention, Carmen Pina, Paula DiElsi, Avila De La Rama, Roseann Lehmann, Louis DiBernard, Tim Paternostro, Margie Kern, John Matits, Elsie DeFeo

Weekly Memorial

Altar Bread and Wine is in memory of:
Terry Castaldi

Readings for the week

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Sir 27:30—28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Monday

1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday

1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday

1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

Friday

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 16, 2023

10am For All Deceased Parishioners

5pm Eugene & Regina Trapp, Robert Franzino

Sunday, September 17, 2023

7am Richie DiRenzo, Eleanor Sylvester,
Louis & Alice Esposito

9:30am Raymond J. DeFalco

11:30am Fr. Tom Trapasso

1:30pm Special Intention

Monday, September 18, 2023

10am John Bauer

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

10am Gail Tardive

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

10am Rose DeSantis

Thursday, September 21, 2023

10am Roberta Audino and Camille Paparella

Friday, September 22, 2023

10am Theresa Donnarumma

Saturday, September 23, 2023

10am Tom McColgan

5pm Josephine & Emelio Rea, Joseph Vendola

Sunday, September 24, 2023

7am Thomasina Grogan, Anna Mary Smith

9:30am Ronald E. Costanzo

11:30am Gail Tardive

1:30pm Special Intention

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING -
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Sunday, September 10, 2023 \$5,101.00

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From Fr. Mike

Some positive thoughts from the late Andy Rooney I would like to share with you as we prepare to begin the faith formation year:

I've learned. That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

I've learned. That when you're in love, it shows.

I've learned. That just one person saying to me, 'You've made my day!' makes my day.

I've learned. That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

I've learned. That being kind is more important than being right.

I've learned. That you should never say no to a gift from a child.

I've learned. That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in any other way.

I've learned. That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

I've learned. That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

I've learned. That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

I've learned. That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

I've learned. That money doesn't buy class.

I've learned. That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

I've learned.... That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

I've learned. That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

I've learned.... That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

I've learned. That love, not time, heals all wounds.

I've learned. That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

I've learned. That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

I've learned. That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

I've learned. That life is tough, but I'm tougher.

I've learned.... That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

I've learned. That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

I've learned.... That I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.

I've learned... That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

I've learned. That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

I've learned.... That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, you're hooked for life.

I've learned.... That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

I've learned. That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.



Octoberfest & 1st Annual Smoke-off

Thursday, September 28th at 6:30pm

5 competitors

All you can eat!

Brisket & Ribs

\$10 per person - \$5 for kids under 12

RSVP with payment to Parish Office by September 21st

Adoration Chapel

If you're looking for an hour of peace and silence, come spend it with Jesus. Contact:

Andrea 201-874-8769 or Marie 732-885-7972

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GOLD and SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1973 or 1998? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 60+, 50th or 25th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Sweeney will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held:

Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 3:00pm.

Arrangements can be made by contacting your parish office. **The deadline to register is Wednesday, October 11, 2023.** You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. *Congratulations on this joyous occasion!*

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Registration is now closed so that we can make preparations for the start of class sessions.

If you missed the registration period, please contact the office for assistance: 973-347-0032 ext. 2320

Class Start Dates: for *registered* children/teens

Confirmation II and NET orientation meeting on Sunday, Sept. 17 after the 11:30 am Mass in the Church hall for candidates and parents. Calendars will be distributed at this session.

Levels 1-6 New Beginnings and OSPRE: Sunday, Sept. 24 starting with the 9:30 am Mass.

Confirmation I (Level 7): Sunday, Sept. 24 starting with the 9:30 am Mass.

Catechetical Sunday

Today is Catechetical Sunday, the day the Church sets aside to recognize those who have accepted the Church's call to serve as catechists. This day is also an opportunity to reflect on the role that each of us has, by virtue of Baptism, to hand on the faith and to give witness to the Gospel in word and action.



A special blessing and commissioning of catechists will take place at the end of each Mass this weekend. Please pray for these dedicated men and women who have made the commitment this year to share the Good News with our youngest parishioners!

2023-2024 Parish Catechists and Aides

Catechists

Joanne Dates
Tina DeLuca
Lucy Pintos
Dolores Tardive
Cathy DeVito
Samantha Rigatti
Dolores Bollinger
Linda Persico
Cathy Garrison
Rick Rodin
Russ Raffay

Marie Raffay
Lucille Pearce
Mike Santoiemma
Magda Campson
Miriam Parraga

Aides

Martha Spyker
Carmen Montealegre
Juana Catalina
Jackey Quinones
Norma Gomez

RCIA

Emma and Jim Stanski
John Meyer
Art Lopez
Valerie Nichols

Jane Junker
Russ and Marie Raffay

Food Pantry

The food pantry is in need of toilet paper, paper towels, deodorant and razor blades. Thank you for your generosity.



VIGESIMOCUARTO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Domingo

Sir 27:30—28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Lunes

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Vigésimo Cuarto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
17 de septiembre de 2023

“Perdona el agravio a tu prójimo y entonces, cuando ores, serán absueltos tus pecados. Si un hombre mantiene su enojo contra otro, ¿cómo pretende que el Señor lo sane? No tiene piedad de un hombre semejante a él y se atreve a implorar por sus pecados!... no prestes atención a sus faltas ... ‘Señor, ¿cuántas veces tendré que perdonar a mi hermano las ofensas que me haga?’”

Recitamos El Padre Nuestro y mencionamos que recibiremos el perdón sólo cuando perdonemos a los que nos ofenden. La lecturas de Eclesiástico dan la pauta. No sólo debemos perdonar, sino que debemos descubrir formas de iniciar esa acción.

Uno de los grandes poderes que poseemos es el poder de perdonar. Podemos hacerlo, o escoger no otorgar este don cuando alguien nos lo pide. Podemos ofrecerlo cuando se pide, cuando nos damos cuenta de cuán generoso y misericordioso nuestros Dios es con nosotros. El adagio de “perdonar y olvidar” es lindo, pero difícil. Un maravilloso monje me enseñó: ‘perdonar y recordar sin amargura.’



VIGESIMOCUARTO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Primera Lectura: Sirac 27:30—28:7

Sirac aconseja a todos a perdonar las faltas de su prójimo. Sólo al perdonar las faltas de otro puede una persona esperar ser perdonada por sus faltas.

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 14:7-9

Pablo recalca que ninguna es su propio amo, tenemos responsabilidad para con el Señor, y le pertenecemos en ambas vida y muerte.

Evangelio: San Mateo 18:21-35

Esta narrativa señala la diferencia entre piedad y justicia. Cuando Pedro pregunta cuán a menudo debe perdonar a alguien que comete una falta contra él, Jesús le responde: “...no te digo hasta siete veces, sino hasta setenta veces siete.” Jesús narra la historia del rey que tuvo piedad de su oficial perdonándole todas sus deudas, pero este mismo oficial no tuvo piedad de su propio siervo.

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