

# St. Michael the Archangel

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Dear Parish Family,

As we announced last Sunday our Altar of our deceased loved ones was put away after the 8:30am Mass yesterday and saved for its future use. We had pictures of deceased loved ones displayed on that altar for the whole month of November and we prayed after every mass for the eternal repose of their souls.

I am wondering if you ever stopped by the altar to look one by one the photos that were there? Each time I stood before the altar as we prayed for them, I looked at each photo and wondered what was their lives like? I am sure they touched the lives of those who were left behind and their memories are enshrined and etched forever in their hearts. They will be cherished forever.

One thing I noticed in all of those photos is that they were smiling and looked happy. If their smiles were not so obvious, all you needed to do was look at their eyes. The eyes would say it! It led me to think how that how they were on earth is how they are in the presence of God! The smiles were just an indication of the future life that awaits for them in heaven and also what awaits for us as well!

I want to thank you for sharing those photos. It's a beautiful reminder that they are not really gone from us. They will always be with us and we will be reunited with them one day!

+May they Rest In Peace!

*Fr. Dwight*

P.S. Please join us tonight, Wednesday, December 1 for an hour of Adoration along with Praise and Worship. Afterwards we will have some food and light refreshments in the hall !