



DECEMBER 10, 2023 | 2nd Sunday of Advent

THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

REV. MICHAEL J. GOYETTE, 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: 9 AM at St. Catherine
Tuesday: 9 AM at Nativity
Wednesday: 9 AM at Nativity
Thursday: 9 AM at St. Catherine
***Friday:** 7 PM at Nativity *
***Sat.:** 7 AM at St Catherine *
(* When Fr Goyette is Here)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 PM at Nativity
Sunday: 8 AM at St. Catherine
10 AM at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7 PM at St. Catherine
Holy Day: 9 AM & 7 PM at Nativity

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 7:45 PM Nativity
Saturday: 7:45 AM St. Catherine
and 3:15 PM Nativity
***Sunday:** 7:20 AM St. Catherine
(* When Fr Goyette is Here)

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Thursday: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM; **Tuesday:** 4:15 PM-7:15 PM
(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>



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 9th

7:00 AM-SC **Living Intention Kristine Lim** by Carina Lim

4:00 PM-N **Margaret Postorivo** by *Susanne Hess*

Sunday, December 10th 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM-SC **People of the Parish**

10:00 AM-N **Peter Duca** by *Tony & Barbie Brown*

Monday, December 11th

9:00 AM-SC **Elijah McConnell (Hoffman)** by
St Michael Parish

Tuesday, December 12th

9:00 AM-N **Michael Lim** by *Carina Lim*

Wednesday, December 13th

9:00 AM-N **Loving Support Deacon John Luko** by
Dan & Karen Seniff

Thursday, December 14th

9:00 AM-SC **Joseph Vazquez** by *St Michael Parish*

Friday, December 15th

7:00 PM-N **Living Intention Carlito Lim** by *Carina Lim*

Saturday, December 16th

7:00 AM-SC **Manuel Lim** by *Carina Lim*

4:00 PM-N **Joseph Vazquez Jr.** by
Sally and Ron Bonner

Sunday, December 17th 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM-SC **Paul Garfola** by *Rocky and Susan Costa*

10:00 AM-N **People of the Parish**

Mass Location: N = Nativity | SC = St. Catherine

**Father Goyette will be presiding at the 10 AM Mass
at All Saints Cemetery on December 19th.**



SANCTUARY CANDLE AT NATIVITY

is being lit

Kelli Cross

Requested by Bunny Fugaro

STEWARDSHIP LIFESTYLE

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - MARK 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a **Stewardship** lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?



Harriet Bajewicz, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mimi Hall, Don & Matt Healy, Rosemary McBride, Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Barbara Stroh, Kathryn Tanner, Karen J. Viola, and Joanna Walczak, Glenn Harris

If you have a family member whom 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, 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**,
& **Kurt Reinhold**, US Navy

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

PARISH EVENTS

2024 is right around the corner. We now have a lot of groups meeting in our Parish. Please call the Parish Office to reserve space on the calendar if you are planning a meeting.

DECEMBER

- 9: Father Goyette’s Installation as our Pastor with Bishop Dennis Sullivan, 4 PM Mass, Nativity Church
- 12: PREP Grades 3 & 4, 6 PM St. Catherine’s Basement
- 12: Parish Council, 7:15 PM Adoration, then meeting in SCB
- 19: PREP Grades 5 & 6, 6 PM St. Catherine’s Basement
- 19: Mass 10 AM, All Saints Cemetery - Newfield
- 20: Knights of Columbus, 7:30 PM SCB, Adoration at 7:15 PM
- 21: RCIA for Kids, 6:30 PM at Nativity Conf. Center
- 25: Feast of the Nativity

JANUARY

- 4: RCIA for Kids, 6:30 PM at Nativity Conf. Center
- 5: PREP Grades 7 & 8, 6 PM St. Catherine’s Basement
- 24: Grief Support, 7:00 PM at Nativity Conf. Center
- Every Monday—Book Club, 7 PM Nativity Conf. Ctr.
- Every Tuesday after the 9 AM Mass—Novena to the Miraculous Medal
- Rosary after the daily Mass (Mon-Thur.)

RCIA CLASSES

Tuesday 6 PM | St. Catherine’s Church

Faith Explained

- 12/12 CH 1 The God Who Is Love
- 12/19 CH 2 The Divine Unveiling

Even though the Thanksgiving Holiday is over, every day is a day for giving thanks. Thank you to everyone for their financial support, food donations, and time helping with our Thanksgiving Baskets. We were able to provide 26 families with a complete Thanksgiving dinner due to your generosity and kindness.

Adopt A Seminarian for Christmas

Each year, St. Michael The Archangel Parish sends Christmas gifts, cards, and goodies to our Seminararians who are studying for the priesthood in our diocese. They appreciate our kindness and our thoughtfulness.

This year, beginning December 9/10, after the regular Parish Giving Tree Program, we will be using our Parish Giving Trees to hang tags with Seminarian gift suggestions. Tags will include Healthy Snacks, Sweet Treats, WaWa Gift Cards, and Prayer for a Seminarian Commitment.

If you would like to adopt a Seminarian this year, kindly take a tag and bring back your donation the following weekend.

There will be collection boxes at each church through Saturday, December 23rd.

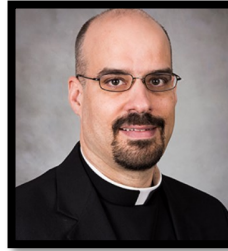
Gifts will be delivered to the Seminararians by Father Josh and Father Adam at their annual Christmas get-together with Bishop Sullivan at the end of December.

Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity and support.



Congratulations Father Goyette

We are honored to have you installed as our pastor! May your time at the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel be blessed with spiritual growth, fruitful stewardship and fond memories. We will keep you in our prayers, help you serve God and our community.



“I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things.”
— St. Teresa of Calcutta

Pray for Priestly Vocations

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bless the Diocese of Camden with an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We pray that young men from our parishes and families will hear your call and be both generous and courageous in their response. May more young men serve you as priests who teach the faith, preach the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and make you present among us through their ministry. Encourage them to embrace the joy-filled and fulfilling life of a diocesan priest. May parents support priestly vocations in their families by prayer and good example. We entrust these prayers through Mary Immaculate, our patroness, hopeful that you will bless our diocese with more priests in the near future, who live and reign forever and ever. AMEN.

CHURCH OFFERING

Total Mass Offering for Nov. 25th/26th — \$4711

Total Mass Offering for Dec. 2nd/3rd — \$5327

MASS ATTENDANCE

Nov. 25th: Sat. 4 PM Nativity — 123

Nov. 26th: Sun. 8 AM St Catherine — 94

Nov. 26th: Sun. 10 AM Nativity — 176

Total Attendance — 393

Dec. 2nd: Sat. 4 PM Nativity — 123

Dec. 3rd: Sun. 8 AM St Catherine — 92

Dec. 3rd: Sun. 10 AM Nativity — 198

Total Attendance — 413



We are in need of volunteers for parish maintenance work. Specifically, we are looking for anyone who can help with power washing, painting, general

carpentry (like hanging curtain rods or putting some cabinets together), IT support, plumbing, or help to organize/clean out the Rectory garage and Nativity sheds. Please call the Rectory (856-881-9155) if you can volunteer your time and talent for some small parish projects.



Help Nourish Our Community

"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 need "holiday" type items such as **stuffing, cranberry sauce, canned sweet potatoes/yams, gravy, applesauce, canned fruit, cake or brownie mixes, cookies, crackers, etc.** Of course, we continue to need such items as **instant potatoes, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, tuna, canned chicken, rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, soups and broths.** No time for shopping? Monetary donations are always welcome.

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

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

PREP —Parish Religious Education Program

The Advent season is upon us! Each in-person class will be discussing the meaning and activities of Advent. We are teaching the corporal works of mercy with our service projects. The students have gathered food pantry items and they will begin gathering toiletry items for Volunteers of America, who are providing shelter, clothing and meals for homeless women and children in our local community. We are also writing Christmas cards to bring our seminarians and homebound parishioners a little joy and prayers. Donated toiletry items may be dropped off at the PREP Office (side door of Monsignor O'Meara Conference Center) during office hours, Monday 10 AM - 12 PM and Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 PM. Or bring them to PREP class on Tuesday evenings, 6 - 7 PM at St. Catherine's basement. Please do not leave these toiletry donations in the back of the Church. We appreciate the support of our families in helping students learn and fulfill a work of mercy!

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest



St. Catherine of Siena Council 6890 is sponsoring the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. Contest rules, poster paper, and entry forms will be provided at Nativity and St. Catherine Churches. There is a \$25 prize for the winner of each age category (ages 5-7, 8-10 and 11-14). Submission deadline is Dec. 11th.



St. Michael the Archangel Parish will be helping those in need with our **Giving Tree**. The trees will be assembled on Thanksgiving weekend and hung with ornaments indicating the gifts needed.

When you choose an ornament, please return it attached to the unwrapped gift so we can identify the person associated with the gift. Donations of wrapping paper, gift bags and boxes are greatly appreciated. Gifts can be placed under the tree at each church. **The latest drop-off for gifts is Sun., Dec. 10th, 12 PM at Nativity Church.** They will be sorted, packed, and distributed on Sat., Dec. 16th. If you know a person or family in need of assistance, please contact Kim Darminio at 856-694-2581.

Thank you for supporting the Parish mission to serve our community!

Christmas and New Years Mass Schedule

Confession

Mon. Dec. 18: 6-7 PM Church of the Nativity

Fri. Dec. 22: 6-7 PM Church of the Nativity

Sat. Dec. 23: 9-10 AM St. Catherine Church

Sat. Dec. 23: 3-4 PM Church of the Nativity

Sat. Dec. 23: 6-7 PM Church of the Nativity

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sat. Dec. 23: 4 PM Church of the Nativity

Sun. Dec. 24: 8 AM St. Catherine Church

Sun. Dec. 24: 10 AM Church of the Nativity

Note: You must attend one Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent and one Mass for Christmas. This means that you must attend two Masses between Sat., Dec. 23rd and Mon., Dec. 25th

Nativity of the Lord — Christmas

Sun. Dec. 24: 4 PM Church of the Nativity

Sun. Dec. 24: 7 PM St. Catherine Church

Midnight - St. Catherine Church

Mon. Dec. 25: 8 AM St. Catherine Church

Mon. Dec. 25: 10 AM Church of the Nativity

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sat. Dec. 30: 4 PM Church of the Nativity

Sun. Dec. 31: 8 AM St. Catherine Church

Sun. Dec. 31: 10 AM Church of the Nativity

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

No New Year's Eve Mass

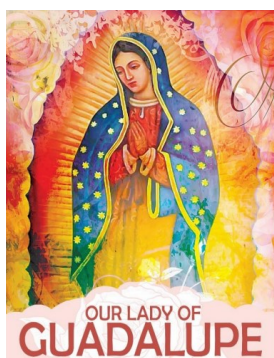
Mon. Jan. 1: 8 AM St. Catherine Church

Mon. Jan. 1: 10 AM Church of the Nativity

Note: Because Jan. 1, 2024 falls on a Monday, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. You do not have to attend Mass that day (but it is a great way to start the new year.)

Christmas flower envelopes have been mailed. A list of names will be published in the Christmas bulletin.

This week's second collection is for the retired religious.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast

Dec. 12, 2023 at the 6 PM Mass

St Lawrence Church,
135 N. White Horse Pike, Lindenwold, NJ. All are welcome to join our choir at 5:30 PM for the Marian Concert. The Students of Faith Formation Program will have a mini presentation of the beautiful story of the Virgin of Guadalupe & St. Juan Diego within the Mass.

We hope to celebrate this evening with all of you with visitors & pilgrims from all over the Diocese and beyond.

Parish Day of Reflection for Advent

Joyful Mysteries in Trying Times

Saturday, December 9, 8:30 AM — 3:30 PM

Presenter: Brother Mickey McGrath, OSFS

Christ Our Light Parish Center

402 N. Kings Highway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

Register on the parish website: www.ChristOurLight.net

or at <https://tinyurl.com/3fhbn87v>

Advent Mass – Cemetery Visitation



During the season of Advent, in preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Savior, we will hold special Masses in our chapel mausoleums. Please join us in preparation for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ. These Masses are listed on our website, SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org. **Keyword: Psalms** We, the staff of South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries, wish you a joyous Advent Season.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life.” John 3:16

Join us for an Advent Afternoon with the Catholic Grandparents Ministry

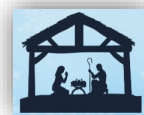
All grandparents are welcome to join us for an Advent celebration that will include some sweet treats and fun on **Monday, December 11, 1:30 – 3:00 PM at St John Neumann Parish, (conference room) 680 Town Bank Road, North Cape May.**

The Catholic Grandparents Ministry strives to build a community of support for grandparents and assist their efforts in passing on our faith to our families.

For more information about the association, visit <https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org>. If you would like to attend or have any questions please contact Mary Kay Dunne at 610-724-6535.

“Follow The Star”

A Unique Collection of Nativities from Around the World on Display.



All Saints, in Millville, along with The Knights of Columbus Council 1778, invite you to their first "Follow The Star" experience. This free event is open to the public. **Over 200 hundred different Nativity sets will be on display for one weekend, Dec 16/17, 2023, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 411 Cedar Street, in Millville.** Stroll through the aisles. Take in each scene. Travel back in time to that First Christmas. Surround yourself with the beauty and the splendor of artists from around the world. Learn what the people of Greccio, Italy experienced as they saw the first Nativity display in 1223 thanks to St. Francis of Assisi. Discover what miracle took place on that Christmas Day 800 years ago and find the Spirit of Christmas. Bring your family and friends. Don't forget your cameras.

- Saturday, December 16 – 12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM
- Sunday, December 17 – 12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM

Refreshments will be available for purchase. Any questions, please call All Saints Parish at 856-825-0021.



**Christmas Concert
Tri-County Symphonic Band**

DECEMBER 10, 2023 at 7 PM

DOORS OPEN AT 6:15 PM

St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish | St. John Church
809 Park Avenue Collingswood, NJ 08108

Tickets: \$15 per person • Kids under 12 Free
Call (856) 858-0298 to reserve & pick up



Join us for our Christmas Concert

Proclaim the Joyful Message

December 10, 2023 | 3:00 PM
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 500 Greentree Road, Glassboro

Mary, Mother of Mercy Choirs: Adult, Contemporary, and Youth featuring a Chamber Ensemble comprised of area musicians. Selections from Handel's Messiah, Mozart's Laudate Dominum, and Traditional to Modern Christmas Songs.

DIOCESE EVENTS

2023 USCCB Advent Calendar

- ◆ <https://www.usccb.org/resources/Advent-Calendar-2023%20English.pdf>
- ◆ <https://www.usccb.org/resources/Advent-Calendar-2023-Spanish.pdf>

Music Ministers Monthly Meet, Mingle, and Munch

- ◆ **December 11th**, 7 PM, Zoom, OneLicense, Copyright, etc. Q and A, Scheduling of 2024 Meetings. Please email michael.bedics@camdendiocese.org for the Zoom link.

Register to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

- ◆ **December 16th**, 8:00 AM — 12:00 PM, Cost: \$50, Incarnation Parish, Kernan Center, Classroom #8 240 Main Street Mantua, NJ 08051. All participants must be pre-registered. Pastor of the requesting minister's parish (or the administrator of a comparable diocesan agency or program) must sign the registration form. For more information, contact. Michael.Bedics@camdendiocese.org, 856-583-2865.

Register for Lector Training

- ◆ Both the Zoom meeting and ONE in-person session is required for certification
 - Zoom Training January 4, 2024; 6:30-8:30 PM
 - In-Person Training (**choose one**)
January 10, 2024, 6:30-8:30 PM, Saint Clare of Assisi Parish, Saint Joseph Church 140 Broad Street Swedesboro, NJ 08085
 - January 11, 2024, 6:30-8:30 PM, Saint Joseph Parish 126 44th Street Sea Isle City, NJ 08243

All participants must be pre-registered. Pastor of the requesting minister's parish (or the administrator of a comparable diocesan agency or program) must sign the registration form. For more information, contact. Michael.Bedics@camdendiocese.org, 856-583-2865.

Pastoral Associates Day 2024

- ◆ **January 23, 2024**, 8:30 AM—3:00 PM, Church of the Incarnation. A day of spiritual nourishment, fellowship and new ideas for those who serve in our Diocese. Special guest Dr. Hosffman Ospino, whose research explores the dialogue between faith and culture and its impact on Catholic theology and catechesis.

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call
1-800-964-6588

OBITUARY

Richard Michael Lavery

(August 05, 1951 - November 28, 2023)



Richard Michael Lavery of Murrells Inlet, SC passed away on Tuesday, November 28, 2023. Age 72. Husband of 43 years to Joann (nee Gougon) Lavery. Father of Stacy Dolby, Jason Dolby (Lisa), and Nicoletta Torres (Frank). Grandfather of Annamarie Galloway, Daniel Galloway, Tyler Dolby,

Aeden Dolby, Natalia Dolby, Frankie Torres, and Sofia Torres. Brother of Michael Lavery (Laura) and Douglas Lavery (Kathy). Son of the late Robert & Anna (nee Brady) Lavery. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews as well as many friends in Clayton and South Carolina.

Born in Philadelphia, PA and raised in Woodbury, NJ, Richard was a resident of Clayton from 1980 to 2014 when he retired to Murrells Inlet, SC. He was a 1969 graduate of Deptford High School and worked for 22 years pouring metal for Urban Casting in Blackwood. After Urban Casting closed, Richard was a Postal Worker in the USPS Philadelphia Distribution Center for 14 years until his retirement in 2014.

Richard was a member of Elks Lodge #2132 in Clayton as well as an associate member of Elks Lodge #2797 in Murrells Inlet, SC. He was also a member of the Surfside Beach Moose Lodge #2351 in Murrells Inlet. Richard was an avid fan of the Philadelphia Phillies, Eagles, and Flyers and had been a longtime Sunday Season ticket holder to the Phillies. Since moving to South Carolina, Richard has attended mass every Sunday for the last nine years at Saint Michael The Archangel Parish in Murrells Inlet, SC. He has enjoyed playing in two golf leagues and two bowling leagues there as well.

While in high school and later while attending Gloucester County College, Richard played both baseball and soccer. After transferring to Glassboro State College, he played on their varsity soccer team. Richard was instrumental in starting the Clayton Youth Soccer program around 1980 and coached for five years. He also started the soccer program in 1986 at Clayton High School, coaching that team for nine years. During that time, he also coached one year of baseball for Clayton High School. Richard continued coaching soccer with three years as the JV coach at West Deptford High School followed by twelve years as the JV coach at Glassboro High School. He also coached softball for five years during that same time with Glassboro High School.

Study Theology at Georgian Court University!

All programs can be completed remotely. Master of Arts or a Graduate Certificate in Theology, with concentrations in Pastoral Ministry or Mercy Spirituality. Not sure? Take one or two classes on a non-matriculating basis to see if our programs are right for you. Generous financial aid available. New semester begins January 16, 2024. There is still time to apply. Contact department chair Johann M. Vento for more information: jvento@georgian.edu. We look forward to getting to know you and talking about your interest in studying theology.