

August 18, 2019 | 20<sup>th</sup> 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**.”*



### SUMMER DAILY MASS SCHEDULE (Through Labor Day)

**Monday:** 9a at Saint Catherine of Siena

**Tuesday:** 9a at Nativity

**Wednesday:** 9a at Nativity

**Thursday:** No Mass until 09/05

**Friday:** 9a at Nativity

**Saturday:** 9a at Saint Catherine of Siena

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 4p at Nativity

**Sunday:** 8a at Saint Catherine of Siena  
10:45a at Nativity

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

**Vigil:** 7p evening before at Saint Catherine

**Holy Day:** 9a at Nativity  
7p at Nativity

(Please confirm with the Mass Intention Schedule.)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday:** 9:30 – 10a at Saint Catherine of Siena  
3 – 3:30p at Nativity  
or by appointment.

Please call the Parish Office.

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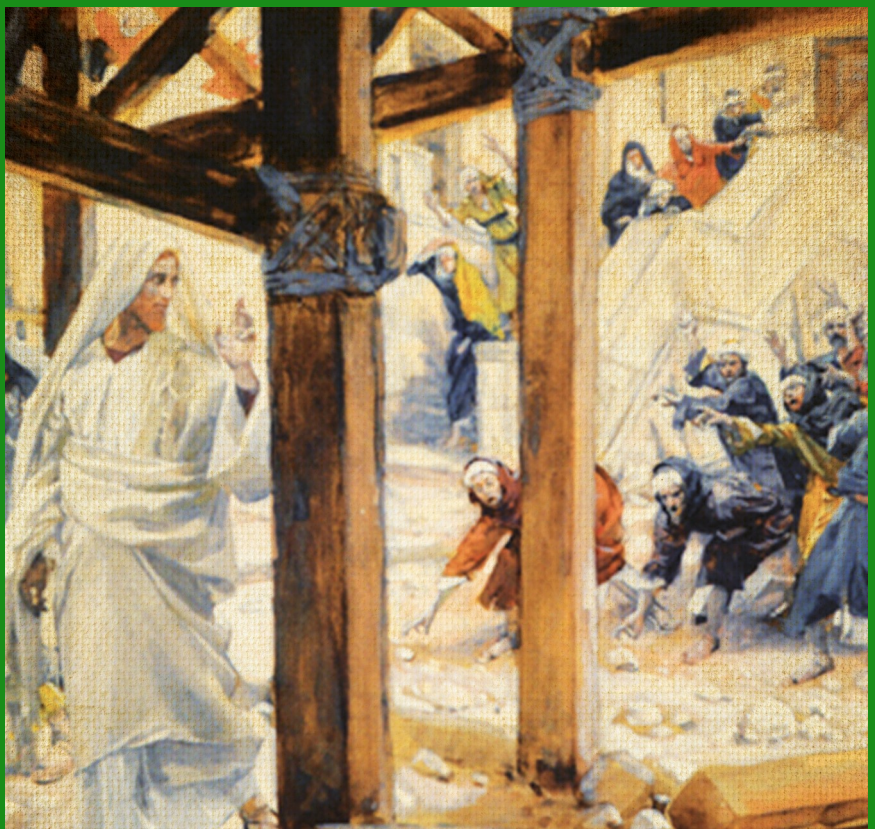
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## 20<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time

*“There is a baptism with which I must be baptized,  
and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!” ~ Lk 12:50*

**NATIVITY:** 2677 Delsea Dr, Franklinville **SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA:** 700 N Delsea Dr, Clayton

**PARISH OFFICE:** 49 W North St, Clayton, NJ 08312-1114 **PHONE:** 856-881-9155 **FAX:** 856-881-9166

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday 12 - 4p; Tuesday & Wednesday 8a - 4:30p; Thursday 8a - 12 noon; **CLOSED ON FRIDAY**

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION:** Please contact the Parish Office.

**NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome!** Please stop by the Parish Office or call to register.  
Parishioners requesting sponsor eligibility certificates for Baptism or Confirmation need to visit the Parish Office.

Please visit our website at [www.parishofstmichaelthearchangel.com](http://www.parishofstmichaelthearchangel.com)

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>**

9:00a **No Intention**  
 4:00p **The People of the Parish**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>** 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN OT

8:00a **Beatrice Aliberti** *by Her Loving Husband*  
 10:45a **Mary Austin** *by Agnes Mucha*

**MONDAY, AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>** JOHN EUDES

9:00a **Christine Cerbie** *by Deborah Fitzpatrick & Family*

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>** BERNARD

9:00a **Deacon Matthew Hanrahan**  
*by Deacon John & Pat Luko*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>** PIUS X

9:00a **A Special Intention**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup>** QUEENSHIP BVM

7:00p **No Mass** *(7p Mass Resumes 09/05)*

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>** ROSE OF LIMA

9:00a **For the Intentions of Oliva Wright**  
**on Her Birthday** *by the Wright Family*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>** BARTHOLOMEW

9:00a **No Intention**  
 4:00p **Stella Bassano** *by Rocky & Susan Costa*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup>** 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN OT

8:00a **The People of the Parish**  
 10:45a **Midge Goldyn** *by Antoinette & Jim Ranniello*



## 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.

*For the week of August 18<sup>th</sup> through August 24<sup>th</sup>,*

*the Sanctuary Candle in Nativity  
 Burns in Loving Memory of  
 Nancy Ashby*

*and*

*the Sanctuary Candle in Saint Catherine of Siena  
 Burns in Loving Memory for  
 Beatrice Aliberti*



## STEWARDSHIP STANCE

*"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth?  
 No, I tell you, but rather division."  
 Lk 12:51*

Living a **Stewardship** lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world, we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

## Stewardship in Action

Ordinary Income – Weekend of August 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> ..... \$4,022.00  
 Online Giving – Weekend of August 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> ..... \$ 485.00

*Thank you for your generosity to our Parish!*



Brenda Adams,  
 George Bromwell, Rob Christian,  
 Margaret Cloak, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek,  
 Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton,  
 Mary Alyce Hagelstein, Matt Healy,  
 Ernest Henry, Ginny Hoffman, Lorraine Kreiner,  
 Pauline LoCicero, Steven Lord, Rosemary McBride,  
 Gerry McCloskey, Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Jack Nelson,  
 Michele Resavage, Bob & Barbara Stroh,  
 Kathryn Tanner, Karen J. Viola,  
 & Susan Webster

*If you have a family member who you would like to see added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Parish Office 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,  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt Shane W. McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller,  
 CPT Graham Miller

### US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, MA2 Joshua Colbert, LS2 Alex Hirst,  
 EM2 William Little

### US Marine Corps

Gy Sgt Brad Davis, Cpl Nate McAllister, CPT James V. Tumolo

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



*Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic?*

*Do you know of someone who has been thinking about it?*

RCIA at the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel is now forming the 2019-2020 Class. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or you haven't received all of your Sacraments ... if you need the Sacrament of Baptism ... or if you were baptized in another Christian tradition ... or if you were baptized Catholic and are in need of the Sacrament(s) of Eucharist and / or Confirmation ... RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for you. Please contact Bernadette Fiocco, 267-346-3012 or ionabern@comcast.net or call the Parish Office at 856-881-9155 or e-mail PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com. We look forward to helping you on your spiritual journey!




**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**



We are now accepting registrations for the Parish Religious Education Program for the 2019-2020 academic year. We have classes for Pre-K3 & Pre-K4 through eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) grade. You can find forms in the back of both churches at the Parish Office on online at [www.parishofstmichaelthearchangel.com](http://www.parishofstmichaelthearchangel.com).

You may place your registration forms in the collection basket at any Mass (clearly marked PREP / Religious Ed) or at the Parish Office during normal hours. If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Education Office at [religioussmap@gmail.com](mailto:religioussmap@gmail.com). Cash or check payment is due in full at the time of registration. Checks can be made payable to the Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel.

Tuition for PREP is \$125 for one (1) child, \$175 for two (2) children, and \$215 for three (3) or more children. **There is a \$50 late fee for registrations received after July 31<sup>st</sup>** (and there will be a late fee of **\$75** for registrations received after August 31<sup>st</sup>).




YOU'RE INVITED

**WHAT:** PSMA Feast Day Social


**WHEN:** September 28<sup>th</sup> from 7-11p

**WHERE:** SMARS Gym

Tickets are available in the Rectory for our Fall Social being held on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 7-11p in the Saint Michael the Archangel Regional School Gym. Catering by Villa Deli. BYOB. Tickets are \$25 per person.



*A Eucharistic Adoration Evening of Hope and Healing*



**Music • Mediation • Prayer • Healing • Hope**


**Location:** Our Lady of Lourdes RC Church  
Mary Mother of Mercy Parish  
500 Greentree Road, Glassboro NJ 08028

**Date:** Friday, September 6, 2019 **Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Contact:** Kathy Woodside, 609-828-1105  
email: [LTSDANZ@Verizon.net](mailto:LTSDANZ@Verizon.net)


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FOOD PANTRY

*“Keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus, who himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” (Acts 20:35)*

Although most food drives are conducted during the winter, assisting those who need a helping hand is a year-round endeavor. As we go through the summer months, *please* keep our parish food pantry in mind. Any and all nonperishable food items are welcome, but, currently, we could especially use **ramen noodles, applesauce, cereal, crackers and canned vegetables (including canned potatoes)**. Also, **toothpaste and toothbrushes** are always welcome.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

Pope Saint John Paul II said, *“I place much of my hope for the future of marriage in Worldwide Marriage Encounter.”* Worldwide Marriage Encounter is being supported by Bishop Sullivan for support of Catholic married couples.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

HOT, HOT, HOT! Don't take a summer vacation from caring for your marriage. Bring a breath of fresh air to your relationship. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** are October 25-27 & December 13-15, 2019. Please call 609-741-8012 for information or email [applications@wwme-southjersey.org](mailto:applications@wwme-southjersey.org). Please visit our website: [wwme-southjersey.org](http://wwme-southjersey.org).

## NEW JERSEY INDEPENDENT VICTIMS COMPENSATION PROGRAM

The Diocese of Camden – along with the other Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey – has established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest of the Diocese.

The IVCP is independently administered by experienced victim compensation experts Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Birós.

The IVCP will handle the submission, evaluation and resolution of individual claims, and operates independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution. The administrators of the IVCP have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established Protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be independently determined by the IVCP administrators. All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially.

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to [www.njdiocesessivcp.com](http://www.njdiocesessivcp.com) and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim.

Bishop Sullivan strongly encourages anyone who was sexually victimized by a priest of the Diocese to participate in the IVCP, and has asked that anyone who knows of someone who was abused to contact them so that they are aware of the IVCP and can participate in it.

## HOLY HOURS ACROSS THE DIOCESE



There is no greater way to begin to live our Baptismal call as Missionary Disciples than through community prayer, where we implore God to continue to make us instruments of the Holy Spirit so the work we do across the Camden Diocese bears much fruit – both now and into the future.

With that in mind, we are hosting a number of Holy Hours scheduled across South Jersey this summer. This is the first of our planned quarterly prayer events.

Feel free to attend for as long or as brief a time as you are able. Invite someone to join you! It is a great opportunity for others to “come and see!”

### Wednesday, August 21

6:30 – 7:30 PM

Followed by Fellowship

Deanery #3 (PSMA is part of this Deanery)

#### **Incaration Parish**

340 Main Street  
Mantua, NJ 08051

### Wednesday, August 28

6:30 – 7:30 PM

Followed by Fellowship

Deanery #1

#### **Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish**

Saint John Church  
809 Park Avenue  
Collingswood, NJ 08108

## CHICKEN BBQ & FAMILY FUN DAY!

### OUR LADY OF THE LAKES CHURCH

19 Malaga Road,  
Collings Lakes, NJ 08094  
Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 11a - 4:30p  
(Rain or Shine)

### Basket Auction, Super 50/50

Chicken platters include ½ BBQ'd chicken,  
corn on the cob, baked beans, watermelon, roll  
(sides subject to change)  
\$11.00 each

Also available for purchase:

Sausage & Peppers, pulled pork, hamburgers,  
hotdogs, cheese fries, nachos w/ cheese, homemade goodies.

### Watch the Eagles Game while you eat indoors in air-conditioned comfort!

Come out for good food and fun!  
Games for all ages, Children's Contests, and more!

For more information please call  
609-561-8313



# VITALity

Catholic Healthcare Services

*Celebrating Life to the Fullest*

### A Special Mass for Nonagenarians and Centenarians



We invite all Nonagenarians (90 years and beyond) and Centenarians (100 years and beyond) and their families, friends and caregivers to join us for a special Mass to recognize this milestone of life of 90 years and beyond. Mass will be followed by a light reception and fellowship.

**Sunday, September 15, 2019 at 3pm**  
**Annunciation Church (St. Joachim Parish)**  
**601 West Browning Road, Bellmawr, NJ**

To attend please RSVP by September 6<sup>th</sup>  
Anne Marie Pirillo at 856-583-6121  
or [annemarie.pirillo@camdendiocese.org](mailto:annemarie.pirillo@camdendiocese.org)



**Men's Spirituality Conference** (the Largest in South Jersey)  
**November 9, 2019**

Paul VI High School Conference Center  
For more information: [www.manupsouthjersey.com](http://www.manupsouthjersey.com)



*From the Pastor's Desk*

Most people naturally try to avoid fighting. We all want to live our lives in peace. We pray for peace in our world, in our communities, and in our homes. But what is peace? Jesus makes clear in this weekend's Gospel that peace is not the absence of strife. In fact, He suggests that being on fire to accomplish His mission will bring serious divisions. The issue here isn't to sow division, but rather to be faithful to the saving mission for which Jesus was sent. We have the deepest peace when we ourselves take up and are faithful to Jesus' saving mission. Even in the midst of strife, we can all know peace.

In this weekend's Gospel, fire is an image referring to divine judgment. Jesus is clearly stating that He has come to judge the people. His own faithfulness to this task and to His saving mission led to His great anguish and ultimately to His Passion and Death. So will we, His faithful disciples, be treated. Jesus' intent here is not primarily to condemn people, but to challenge them to right living according to the covenant established with God. So right living must be our intent. Being true to the mission and being committed to the mission means that we're going to face opposition sometimes. The critical question for Jesus' disciples is whether or not we are on fire enough to continue His saving mission ... no matter what the cost.

The pivotal point is that neither Jesus nor any of us choose division and strife. We choose to speak God's Word and to preach the values consistent with God's reign. Divisions occur simply by being faithful to God's message. This is the real shock value of the Gospel ... being a faithful disciple of Jesus will often instigate a clash of values, of principles, and of priorities. The judgment we ourselves must make each day – and many times each day – is whether or not we are faithful to the Gospel values and challenges Jesus has taught us.

Jesus' very message is divisive because it calls people to a radical way of living – self-giving for the good of others. We must make a decision to follow Him or not ... to share His Passion ("baptism") or not, to be self-giving as He is or not. We have the freedom to choose. We have free will. And the choice we make sometimes results in division, even within families, because all of us do not make the same choice to follow Jesus.

Jesus came to preach the Good News of radical fidelity to God. Paradoxically, being faithful to Jesus, even when this brings strife and division, is how we come to lasting peace. If we compromise the Gospel message in order to have peace now, we forfeit the everlasting peace which is promised to the faithful disciple. The choice is ours.

Realistically, most of us do not live our discipleship this dramatically nor are we faced with such consequential choices. We are hardly called like Jeremiah in the First Reading to announce to the Israelites that their beloved Jerusalem will fall into the hands of the Babylonians – nor are we thrown into a cistern ... into a well ... to die! Nor like Jesus will we be nailed to a cross because of our preaching and teaching. Nevertheless, we are called to be faithful to God's Word in the small, everyday things as well as at times when the more serious challenges come along.

We do not seek division, but we seek consistency in living Gospel values. The very way we live our lives is a way to preach the Gospel. Sometimes strife and division are signs of our faithful commitment. Gospel living is not always easy!

May Saint Michael the Archangel defend, guide, protect, and intercede for us always!

Fr. Larry