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**ST. MICHAEL
CHURCH**

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OFFICE HOURS

**Monday – Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm
1 pm to 4:30 pm CLOSED FRIDAY**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Lisette Bricco lisette.bricco@dor.org
In Newark office every other Monday & Wednesday

CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST

DAILY MASS

Monday 10:00 am at Senior Living Centers

Consult bulletin for locations

Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am (in the chapel)

Friday, Liturgy of the Word, with Communion

Consult bulletin for changes

WEEKEND MASSES

Sunday: 8:15 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Wednesday, 7:00-8:00 pm

Sunday, 9:30-10:15 am or by appointment

HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 pm



My Dear People,

April showers bring May flowers. We all know this children's expression which carries truth for those of us in the Northern Hemisphere and in temperate climates. Little by little, spring awakens the sleeping earth, and what appears dead soon comes to life. In upstate New York, spring is often not very beautiful, sometimes more like winter's last gasp- cold and muddy. April seldom feels like spring for us, and so we might need to repeat this little rhyme to remind ourselves of the inevitability of blossoms.

May has now dawned, and it will not be too long when all of a sudden, there are actually flowers, and buds, and the thin, delicate coating of green in the bushes and trees along the road. We who know what a long winter feels like, really almost like half of the year for us, appreciate the realization and sensation that life has returned. Grey and brown are not the only colors on our horizon.

You don't need to be a farmer or a horticulturist to know that rains and less pleasant weather are needed for the life and health of the land, and that a rhythm of growth and death and rebirth is part of the normal cycle. What we easily ignore is how much our spiritual life and our relationship with God needs 'rain' to be able to grow, develop and flourish. When it rains, very rarely can the sun come out, it is cloudy. God knows that what we need is not an endless supply of spiritually sunny days in order to make progress. No doubt, we would prefer that, but happily God is ultimately in charge of our spiritual development, not us. He alone knows the destination and how to get there.

As spring does begin, albeit cautiously, to make its way into our view, it would be splendid if normal life could also begin to resume and we could go back to the way we want things to be. You know as well as I do that this is not going to be the case. Flowers may begin to bloom and the weight of a northern New York winter may be lifted, but the complications from Covid-19 will not disappear immediately along with it. Life is easier when things are green and warm, but we still have to bear this Cross for the time being.

This is where we remember that our spiritual life needs 'bad weather' to be able to grow. We need to be in situations which force us to put our trust in God and turn to him more insistently and intensely. When things go well, (and this is true for all of us), we can easily take God, or any of His blessings, for granted. We can go on autopilot, and begin to 'vegetate'. Trials and challenges shake us up, often (or ought to) humble us, and make our dependence on the Providence and care of our heavenly Father our first line of defense.

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ALL MASSES ARE SUSPENDED

The priests are saying Mass every day, privately, for the Mass intention. They are remembering each and every one of you in their prayers.



Father Tedesche and Father Walter will be having their Sunday homilies recorded every week until we are back to public Masses. You can find them at 10:00 am each Sunday posted on our website and Facebook page.



Eucharistic Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled as follows:

Sundays at:

St. Michael, Newark ~9 am-Noon

St. Michael, Lyons (SJW) ~9 am-11 am

St. John, Clyde (SJW) ~11am-2 pm

Tuesdays at:

Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity,
Wolcott ~ 6-8 pm

To protect yourself and others, please wear a face mask

Confessions will be heard at St. Michael, Newark & St. John, Clyde Sunday from 11am until 12 noon in the sacristies.

Confessions will also be heard at Wolcott, St. Margaret Mary Tuesday from 7 pm until 8 pm in the crying room.

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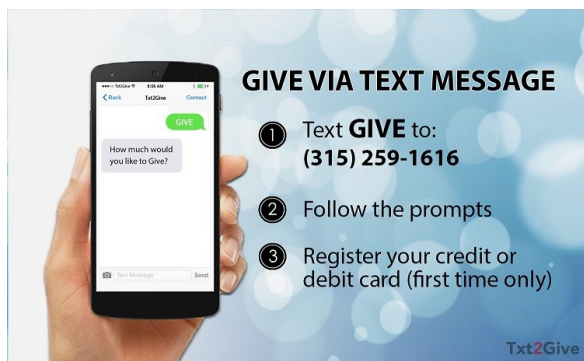
#2. Check or Money Order. Check or Money Order should be made payable to St. Michael Church and mailed to 401 S. Main St., Newark, NY 14513. Meme Field: note purpose. (i.e. your envelope number or write Sunday offering if you don't know it)

#4. Parish Website.

1. stmichaelsnewark.org

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ST. MICHAEL'S FINANCIAL GIVING

Weekly Offertory

APRIL 19 \$3721.00 EASTER \$735.00

As always, thank you for your support & generosity.

A statement from the Business Office regarding the Security of Txt2Give Online Giving.

Our parish is using "Txt2Give" to manage text gifts for donations. Txt2Give's team has extensive experience developing software that handles electronic payments. Bank-level encryption is used when transmitting credit card data to a secure processor, and sensitive credit card information *never* enters Txt2Give. It's transmitted directly from the mobile device to the payment processor. Txt2Give is the same platform used by the Diocese of Rochester for CMA gifts. The Diocese vetted this platform with its legal counsel and auditors for security, PCI compliance*, and compatibility with its payment processor before implementing and endorsing it for use in the parishes. If you have questions regarding Text2Give, please contact our Finance Director, Mary Capone at 585-281-7440.

***PCI compliance standards require merchants and other businesses to handle credit card information in a secure manner that helps reduce the likelihood that cardholders would have sensitive financial account information stolen.**

Fr. Walter's letter continued....

If rainy days without the light of the sun are needed for the blossoming of our spiritual life, we are, however, not just plants who have no heart or mind. It is not a question of mindlessly submitting to exterior circumstances with a resigned stoicism. For this growth to take place, we have to actively and intentionally cultivate the above dispositions. In other words, we have to pray more, and open our hearts to a *supernatural* outlook on things; supernatural in the way God sees things, for our ultimate salvation and spiritual growth. God wants our faith, hope and love for Him to grow. He wants us to detach from sin and any obstacles which keep us from Him. He wants to be truly "number one" in our hearts and lives.

To allow the problems that we experience from the Covid-19 epidemic to help us come closer to God, and not destroy our happiness and well being, there has to be a special prayer we make in addition to praying for those sick, without jobs, and for its end. We have to pray daily that God will use this situation for our good and for the spiritual good of the world. All trials carry within them the seed of deeper conversion and greater trust in God's power and love. Many, many people in the world have forgotten God and live as if He did not exist. They don't honor Him, obey Him, or love Him. This is not good. The insecurity that we are now facing can go two ways: it can make them go farther from God, or begin to turn to Him. Our prayers can be the instrument of healing. Not just healing from this sickness, but the healing of hearts to turn to Jesus in a time when human fragility is clear.

The awakening of new life and of flowers in May is one of the reasons that this month is dedicated to Mary. She is the most beautiful flower of God which blossomed in the long winter of sin which held the human race in darkness until Christ came. There is no life without motherhood, and what life there is needs mothers to nurture and protect it. There is no spiritual life without the maternal care of Mary, who guards and protects the life of Jesus, the life of grace, within us.

The rains of troubles and challenges may continue to fall, even if the cold rains of April have given way to the gentle advent of spring. These 'rains' can be the very means God uses, for us personally and for our world, to make true faith in Him blossom more deeply and more strongly. We pray therefore that Our Immaculate Mother, Mary most holy, cultivate this trust and hope in God in each of us. She is at the right hand of her risen and divine Son. She is also at our side in every need. All hell fears her, but we should not. She is the Mother of fair love. It is only fair then that we love her!

Fr Walter

Pray the Rosary together! Every Saturday at 9 AM

Leave your prayer requests on the FaceBook page for St. Katharine Drexel Parish or email your prayer requests to Elena who will post them on FaceBook:

elena.cambio@dor.org

We can pray for our intentions together each week, placing our trust in our Blessed Mother.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.



¿Seguimos a Jesucristo con Convicción?

Pedro en la primera lectura de hoy habló a la gente reunida ese día de Pentecostés que él tenía absoluta certeza que Jesús era (y todavía en nuestro tiempo es) Señor y Mesías. A la pregunta de la gente de qué deben hacer, Pedro les predicaba de la necesidad de arrepentirse y bautizarse en el nombre de Jesucristo. Así iban a recibir el Espíritu Santo.

La mayoría de nosotros fuimos bautizados cuando éramos niños y no pensamos en el don maravilloso que recibimos por medio del sacramento de Bautismo. El Espíritu Santo empezó a habitar dentro de nosotros, animándonos, ayudándonos, santificándonos e inspirándonos a actuar en el nombre de Jesucristo. El reto para nosotros es seguir a Jesucristo fielmente a pesar de las dificultades y sufrimientos de la vida. Él no nos pide hacer cosas que son demasiado difíciles; Él nos pide ser fiel a una actitud de amor hacia otras personas. Él debe estar en nuestras vidas diariamente; tenemos que estar en contacto con Él compartiendo nuestras alegrías, preocupaciones, éxitos, fracasos, esperanzas, planes, amistad... Llegaremos a conocerlo más y más profundamente, poniendo nuestra confianza en Él. Verdaderamente llegaremos a conocerlo, amarlo y entregar nuestras vidas a Él.

Pero lo que Él había prometido a los que estaban conociéndolo diariamente como las ovejas que reconocieron su voz y lo seguían en la parábola de hoy fue una VIDA ABUNDANTE. ¡Qué regalo más grande no podemos recibir! ¿Y usted, de qué manera da vida usted a los demás por su presencia, sus acciones, sus oraciones?

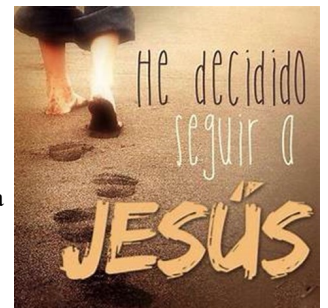
En este tiempo cuando muchos de nosotros tenemos que quedarnos en casa, sería bueno abrir la Biblia y leer un trozo cada día y reflexionar sobre el trozo, preguntándose: "¿qué está pidiéndome Dios por medio de este trozo? ¿Cómo va a responder usted a Dios con sus acciones? O quizás tiene un libro espiritual en casa que no ha leído; tome tiempo ahora y léalo. O puede caminar afuera encontrando a Dios en la naturaleza. Dios está aquí y le invita a conocerlo mejor.

Cada día es posible encontrar la Misa por la televisión o por el internet. Los domingos P. Jesús tiene la Misa por YouTube (se encuentra el enlace en el Facebook de la parroquia). También a las 2:00 pm los domingos P. Jorge Ramírez tiene Misa por medio de Facebook de la Parroquia Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Community (no necesita tener una cuenta personal de Facebook para Misa).
Hna. Kay

Comunión Espiritual

(cuando no puede recibir sacramentalmente)

Jesús mío, creo firmemente que estás en el santísimo Sacramento del altar. Te amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo tenerte en mi alma. Ya que ahora no puedo recibirte sacramentalmente, ven por lo menos espiritualmente a mi corazón. Como si ya hubieses venido, te abrazo y me uno todo a ti; no permitas que jamás me aparte de ti.



Did you know that St. Michael Church has a Prayer Network?

If you would like to join others in praying for special intentions that people request, you can be added to our email network or our phone network. Please contact June Sherman, by email at june.sherman@dor.org, if you would like your name added to either one. In the email to June, please include your phone number, your email address and which network you would like to be added to.

Stay Strong! Stay Safe! Stay Home!

Youth Groups and Sacramental preparation are canceled until further notice.

Family Ministry

Even though we have less experience with sheep and shepherds today in our society, we can still identify strongly with the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd and as the gate for the sheep. Psalm 23 remains a popular and favorite psalm for prayer. In the image of the Good Shepherd, we know ourselves to be protected and cared for by a loving God.

As your family gathers, ask what each person knows about sheep and shepherds. Recall that shepherds and sheep have a close relationship. Sheep will only follow their own shepherd; they recognize his voice and will not follow a stranger. The shepherd's job is to protect his sheep. In some ways, the relationship between the shepherd and his sheep is like that of a parent and child. Read together this Sunday's Gospel, John 10:1-10. Talk about how Jesus tells us that he is the gate for the sheep. The sheep enter the protection of the sheepfold through the gate. In Jesus we find protection and abundant life. Conclude by thanking Jesus for being our Good Shepherd and by praying today's psalm, Psalm 23.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice.” — Jn 10:2-4



To comply with government health regulations, Bishop Mattano has suspended all public Masses until further notice. The Parish Offices will not be physically accessible. However, our staff is still working, and all messages and emails will be promptly answered. St. Michael's Church in Newark and St. John's Church in Clyde will be open every day to personal prayer. Our parishes' bulletins are still being published and are available online and at the entrance of St. Michael's in Newark, St. John's in Clyde and St. Mary Magdalene's in Wolcott. By appointment, our priests are available for confessions and for pastoral visits in cases of necessity, especially regarding the anointing of the sick and the last sacraments. For more information, please visit any of our parishes' webpages or Facebook pages:

St. Michael, Newark

Phone: 315-331-6753

Webpage: www.stmichaelsnewark.org

Facebook page: St. Michael Church, Newark NY

St. Joseph the Worker

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: www.sainthoetheworker.org

Facebook page: St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Wayne County, New York

The Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: www.ccblessdtrinity.org

Facebook page: Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

If you know anyone or if you are seeking assistance for food, gas or utilities, please call our office number, 315-331-6753 and when prompted dial extension 104. Leave a brief message with your first and last name and phone number-repeat this information twice. Your call will be returned, as voicemails will be checked throughout the day.

We Are Here For You!

The Newark Food Cupboard at 301 E. Miller St., Newark, is open Monday-Friday from 10 till noon. They are there to help you if you are in need of food.

HELP is needed at the Free Lunch Program at the Newark Emmanuel United Methodist Church. It has grown from helping 30 people to 100. They are in need of 25-50 sandwiches, any kind, Tuesday-Friday. If you are able to provide sandwiches, please drop them off using the ramp entrance. The address is 301 E. Miller Street, Newark. Please contact Rev. Della Ludwig by phone or text 315-597-3494 or by email revdlludwig@gmail.com for more information. *Together we will get through this.*

Newark Free Lunch Program needs you!

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven

"... a time to be born..."

"...a time to love..."

"... a time to be healed..."

Please pray for the sick of our Parish.

Steven Sapp, Leigh Ann Henry, Nate Barnes, Claire Childs, Kim Zielinski, Michael Kowaleski, Gretchen Switzer Bouwens, Mary Santoro, Cathy Wilhelm, David Murphy, Darlene Fletcher, Marie Wemesfelder, ET Trunick, Donald Pieters, Marcia Palermo, Jean Condit, Jerry Sielawa, Georgette Eagley, Mary Gilligan, Fran DeVelder, Mary Talbo, Ann Straight, Ivana Ernst, Jared & Jacob Gajan, Gloria Viola, Betty Howlett, Michael George & Pearl Johnson

And please pray for our Parish friends. *Scott Weber, Richard Schweitz, Jr., Michael DePauw, Bonnie Crane, Tracy Diaz-Cruz, Barb Gallant, Ann Maliborski, Sherry Caughell, Tom DeYoung & Michael Bauer, Jr*

"... a time to die..."

Rosemary Camblin, mother of Patrick Camblin

Thomas Addona, brother of James Addona

"... and a time for peace."

In our world and for all people, military and civilian, who are in the midst of war. ***Ecclesiastes 3:11***



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