



ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH

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MASS TIMES:

Sunday * 8:30 A.M. Spanish * 10:00 A.M. English

*4:00 P.M. Creole

1st Sundays: One Multicultural Mass at 10:00 A.M.

Weekdays (Tuesday, - Friday): *8:00 A.M

English (Parish Chapel)



Finance Council

Members

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Sacramentos:

Confesiones: Sabados, 4:00pm-4:30pm, En la Capilla

Bautismo: Llama a la casa parroquial para informaciones.

Matrimonio: Llama al Parroco lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio para los encuentros premaritrimoniales.

Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Saturdays, 4:00pm-4:30pm Parish Center Chapel.

Baptism: Pre-sacramental instructions required. Call rectory to register for class.

Marriage: Phone Pastor at least 6 months before desired date to set up schedule of marriage preparation.

OCTOBER 24, 2021



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{Weekday Masses are held in the Parish Center Chapel unless otherwise noted}

Sunday, October 24, 2021: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 AM** Spanish
- 10:00 AM** For the eternal repose of Mark Chambers, requested by the Chambers Family;
In Thanksgiving, requested by Sir and Lady Vitalis Nwaorie;
In Thanksgiving to the Lord for Benjamin Puca, who has a new job, requested by Flo Lundy
Thanking God for Claire on the reception of the St. Joseph Medal and asking God to Bless her as she continues to serve our Parish Community
- 4:00 PM** Creole

Tuesday, October 26, 2021: Weekday

- 8:00 AM** For the eternal repose of Father Julius Mnegwa

Wednesday, October 27, 2021: Weekday

- 8:00 AM** Special intention for Alijah Chambers, for a successful school year and blessings on his 11th birthday, requested by Marge and Michael Chambers

Thursday, October 28, 2021: Sts. Simon and Jude

- 8:00 AM** For the eternal repose of Father Robert Vargo

Friday, October 29, 2021: Weekday

- 8:00 AM** For the eternal repose of Monsignor Ralph

ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.
Tuesday thru Thursday (Office is closed on Friday)
9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

WHAT'S YOUR OFFERING TO GOD TODAY?

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name. Bring an offering and come to His courts (Psalm 96:8):

Today's psalm says, "The Lord had done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.

The Malta Food Pantry at

St. Justin — St. Michael Parish

Served 144 families this past weekend!

OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF

October 17, 2021

October 18, 2020

\$3,961.00

\$3,311.00

We are grateful for your contribution!



St. Justin-St. Michael Parish Sunday Collections

October 24: Mission Sunday and Weekly
October 31: Weekly

SANCTUARY LAMP

Is Lit for:

Minetta Plummer, asking for God's blessings and Guidance

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



Please pray for the sick of our parish, and especially for: Mamie Gage, Lucille Chambers, Annie Mears, Michael Mierez, Norman Nesbeth, Michael Tutler, Luz Santana, George Jackson, Beverline Goines, Rose Johnson, Peter Alcide, Janet Pivarsky, Aaron Greene, Antoinette Forbes, Salvius Nestor, LaJune Brown, Francisco Rivera, Dalvis Henriques, Concepcion Roman, Ruffin Davis, MaryAnn Carter, Ferdinand Anigbo, Perline Blake, Tio Blanks, Lloyd Francis, Jaya Emmanuel, Maria Francheshini, Tyler James, Mary-Ann George, June Young, Glenice Brooks, Outhone Ford, Gernett Goodison, Doloris Harper, Anthony Charles, Bernadette Pierre, Madeliene Nestor, J. Lorraine Tutler, Joey Arango, Verona Tai, Patricia Beckford, Hazel Smalls, Eliza Ferrier, Sylvia Williams, Ellen Dorosh, Mathew Nestor, Pearlina Williston, Ruth Williams, Carol Lightbody, Marla Joseph, Muriel McDonald, Phyllis Holland-Brown and Bertram Morgan

If you would like Fr. Kingsley to visit you, or your loved one in the hospital, at home, or hospice, call (860) 246-6897.



ST. JUSTIN—ST. MICHAEL PARISH 2021 ANNUAL COLLECTION CAMPAIGN STATISTICS AS OF 10/11/2021

Total # of Households:	388
Total # Pledged:	10
% of Participation:	2.58%
Total Amount Pledged	\$1,720.00
Total Amount Paid:	\$1,720.00
Average Pledge:	\$172.00
% of Pledges Collected:	100.00%

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our **Annual Collection**. If you have not had an opportunity to return your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcome and sincerely appreciated. Thank you!

JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR

Choir rehearsal is back in session and we are excited about growing our membership. We are inviting any and all who are interested in being a part of this dynamic ministry to come and join us on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. We would love to have you join us!

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor's Weekly Reflection

The Israelites "departed in tears" (Jeremiah 31:9), but the Lord brought them back in joy. In the psalm, "they go forth weeping," but "come back rejoicing" (Psalm 126:6). Blind Bartimaeus went to the roadside seeking pity but left sighted with Jesus. Into times of pain and suffering our transformative God brings hope and joy. But the latter can't happen without the former. Two weeks ago we heard a rich man ask Jesus how he could inherit eternal life. Jesus told him that he must sell all he has and follow him. He declined. He walked away. Today we hear a blind man ask Jesus to give him the ability to see. A beggar, he has already thrown away his only possession: a cloak, which would have held all the coins he collected. Jesus tells him to go on his way, but instead he follows Jesus on the Way. Both men have faith in God and look to Jesus for help, but the prosperous man is unwilling to leave what he already has. His wealth weighs him down. The poor man immediately sacrifices what little he has to follow Jesus. His poverty had set him free. A contrast can be made with last Sunday's Gospel as well. Jesus ask virtually the same question to Bartimaeus (son of Timaeus) that he asked James and John (sons of Zebedee) a few verses before: "What do you wish/want me to do for you?" (Mark 10:36, 51). The apostles, not seeing what they were asking for, ask for glory, something Jesus is neither able nor willing to give; the blind man, seeing who Jesus truly is, asks to be made whole, exactly what Jesus can and will give. One last contrast: Bartimaeus's physical sight was impaired, but his spiritual sight was clear. Even before Jesus cured him he threw away his cloak - essential for his occupation - and immediately after he was cured he followed Jesus on the way. (Casey, Most Reverend Robert G. *Pastoral Patterns*. World Library Publication, 2021).

Reawakening Hope: The Mission of a Motherless Child By: Kingsley Chukwuemeka Ihejirika PhD



I am very excited to share with you all the news of the publication of my book: *Reawakening Hope: The Mission of a Motherless Child*. If there was anything you wished you knew about me, from growing up in a remote and poor Nigerian village, to my time as a student in Rome, and a priest here in the United States, this book comes in handy. Most importantly it dwells on my debilitating emotional struggles. Rising from the rubble of despair caused by the untimely death of my mother when I was only a 13 month old baby, to turning that adversity into an opportunity to care for women/widows like my mom and motherless babies like me. I hope that my story can be an inspiration to others facing similar struggles. You can grab a copy on Amazon or from Barnes and Noble. We are **planning a book signing/book launch during our Christmas Bazaar Event on Saturday, December 4**. Details will be posted on our Flyers and Website.

Amazon Link (will also be shared on our Facebook Page as a Post and under our Products located under the About Tab, and on our Instagram page)

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What's happening at St. Justin-St. Michael Parish

As of Sunday (May 22/23), Archbishop Blair has announced there is an obligation once again to participate at Mass. Given Governor Lamont's declaration that "remaining restrictions will be lifted, our churches can: Reopen to 100% capacity with no need for any specific social distancing. Both entrances are available to enter/exit the church. **Effective Wednesday, June 9, 2021**, for those who are vaccinated, wearing masks will now be optional while at Mass, at other liturgies, and at any indoor or outdoor events held at our churches. Those who remain unvaccinated should continue to wear masks, with particular attention being given to the safety of young, unvaccinated children. We no longer need to do temperature checks at the door. Pew barriers (ropes) that were previously used to comply with social distancing can be removed. Floor decals will remain in place for now.

Liturgical Guidelines: Congregational singing is once again allowed, but masks need to remain on during singing and throughout the liturgy. The Sign of the peace can be announced but only to be exchanged without touching. The COVID-19 procedures for distributing Holy Communion will remain in place for now: Both the Priest/ Deacon and those receiving are to wear masks. Communicants will receive the consecrated host in their hand, step to the side, lower their mask, consume the host, replace their mask, and return to their pew. Outdoor Masses continue to be an option and are allowed.

However, since the risk of infection still remains, the following individuals may decide not yet to attend church: those suffering from serious pre-existing conditions making them more susceptible to COVID-19; those who are ill or homebound or who are caregivers in close contact with someone who is; those who have tested positive for any contagious disease, including COVID-19; and those who are in quarantine due to exposure to any contagion, or who reside with someone who is quarantined.



ST JUSTIN—ST MICHAEL GIVING TREE

The Outreach Ministry at St. Justin-St. Michael will have the Giving Tree remain a permanent fixture in the church as a reminder that we all must continue to help the homeless. **We will continue to ask for donations of: Socks, Hats & Gloves, Washcloths, Deodorant, Toothpaste and Toothbrushes, Hand Sanitizer & Rain Ponchos. Thank you so much for what you continue to do for the least of our brothers and sisters. If you have any questions, you can speak with Cheryl Lawrence.**



BREAST CANCER LUNCHEON

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Join us on **Saturday, October 30 2021 from 1 PM — 3 PM in Jubilee Hall for our Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon.** We'll be discussing ways to help women be aware and vigilant about Breast Health Care, listen to Breast Cancer Survivor Testimonies, and learn more about Prostate Health Care for Men. Please register by calling the Parish Office: (860)246-6897



ST. JUSTIN-ST. MICHAEL PARISH BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday, November 7 at 10 AM: Multicultural Mass
Sunday, November 14 at 10 AM: Our Youth, the future of Black Catholicism
Sunday, November 21 at 10 AM: Nourish the Spirit, Nourish the Body
Sunday, November 28 at 10 AM: Racism in the Catholic Church

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