

# Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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## Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 2014

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### Mass Intentions

Sun. Sep. 21st	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II Class
8:00 a.m.	† Rocco Mecca - M/M Charles Aronica Family
10:15 a.m.	Pro Populo
Mon. Sep. 22nd	St. Thomas of Villanova, Bp & Confessor, III Class
7:45 a.m.	Fr. Joseph DeGuzman, FSSP - Mitchell Family
Tues. Sep. 23rd	St. Linus, Pope & Martyr, III Class
7:45 a.m.	† Louis Guzek - Niece
Wed. Sep. 24th	Ember Wednesday, II Class
7:45 p.m.	William Skuba - Sica Family
Thu. Sep. 25th	Feria, IV Class
7:45 a.m.	Christine Dow - Frank Leo
Fri. Sep. 26th	Ember Friday, II Class
6:00 p.m.	† Joseph E. Quinn - Robert S. McHale
Sat. Sep. 27th	Ember Saturday, II Class
9:00 a.m.	† Robert Kreis - Robert S. McHale
Sun. Sep. 28th	Dedication of Cathedral, I Class
8:00 a.m.	† Andrew Toth - M/M Gene DeAngelis
10:15 a.m.	Pro Populo

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00 am

High Mass: 10:15 am

#### Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am

Friday: 6:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am

### **CONFESSIONS**

Monday-Saturday

One half hour before Mass

Sunday: 7:15-7:50

& 9:15-10:05

### **DEVOTIONS**

#### **Exposition-Benediction**

Friday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am

#### **DAILY ROSARY**

Monday-Thursday — After Mass

Friday-Sunday — Before Mass

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon-Friday 9 am-4 pm

**THURSDAY - CLOSED**

Saturday - 10 am-Noon

# Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## **INTROIT**

*Ps. 85: 1, 2-3*

Incline Your ear, O Lord and answer me; save Your servant, O my God, who trusts in You. Have pity on me, O Lord, for to You I call all the day. *Ps. 85:4.* Gladden the soul of Your servant, for to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. *V.* Glory be.

## **COLLECT**

May Your abiding mercy, O Lord, cleanse and strengthen Your Church, and, since without You she cannot exist in safety, let her be ever guided by Your grace. Through our Lord.

## **EPISTLE**

*Gal. 5: 25-26; 6: 1-10*

Brethren: If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk. Let us not become desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, even if a person is caught doing something wrong, you who are spiritual instruct such a one in a spirit of meekness, considering yourself, lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks himself to be something, whereas he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let everyone test his own work, and so he will have glory in himself only, and not in comparison with another. For each one will bear his own burden. And let him who is instructed in the word share all good things with his teacher. Be not deceived, God is not mocked. For what a man sows in the flesh, from the flesh also will reap corruption. But he who sows in the spirit, from the spirit will reap life everlasting. And in doing good let us not grow tired; for in due time we shall reap if we do not relax. Therefore, while we have time, let us do good to all men, but especially to those who are of the household of faith.

## **GRADUAL**

*Ps. 91: 2-3*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing to Your name, Most High. *V.* To proclaim Your kindness at dawn and Your faithfulness throughout the night.

## **ALLELUIA**

*Ps. 94: 3*

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* For the Lord is a great God, and a great King over all the earth. Alleluia.

## **GOSPEL**

*Luke 7: 11-16*

At that time, Jesus went to a town called Naim; and His disciples and a large crowd went with Him. And as He drew near the gate of the town, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large gathering from the town was with her. And the Lord, seeing her, had compassion on her, and said to her, "Do not weep." And He went up and touched the stretcher; and the bearers stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And he who was dead, sat up, and began to speak. And He gave him to his mother. But fear seized upon all, and they began to glorify God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us," and "God has visited His people."

## **OFFERTORY**

*Ps. 39: 2-4*

I have waited, waited for the Lord, and He stooped toward me, and heard my cry. And He put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

## **SECRET**

May Your sacrament, O Lord, always keep us and guard us from the assaults of the devil. Through our Lord.

## **COMMUNION**

*John 6: 52*

The bread that I will give is My Flesh for the life of the world.

## **POSTCOMMUNION**

May the working of the heavenly gift, O Lord, so possess us, mind and body, that the action of the sacrament, rather than our senses, may continually prevail in us. Through our Lord.

## Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, *Divine Intimacy*

In the Mass of today there is a dominant thought, so often repeated in the liturgy and so dear to our hearts: Jesus is our life. Whatever good there is in us is the fruit of His grace, by which we remain steadfast in good and live in the Spirit; by His grace we rise from sin, and eating His flesh, we nourish His life within us. Without Jesus we would abide in death; without Him we could never live the glorious life of the Spirit described by St. Paul in today's Epistle.

It would be well to glean a few thoughts from this. "Let us not be made desirous of vainglory, provoking one another. For if any man think himself to be something, whereas he is nothing, he deceives himself." True humility is presented here as the basis of fraternal charity; anyone who is proud carries about with him a hotbed of discord for, preferring himself to others, he will often be provocative, envious, haughty, and disdainful of those whom he considers his inferiors.

"If a man be overtaken in any fault, you, who are spiritual, instruct such a one in the spirit of meekness." One who wishes to scale the heights must never be critical of him whose way is not so high, nor be scandalized at the faults of another. If duty requires us to admonish anyone, we should do so with sweetness and kindness. This sweetness is another fruit of humility, because when we correct others, we should always take heed to ourselves "lest thou also be tempted."

"And in doing good, let us not fail; for in due time we shall reap, not failing." We must not allow ourselves to be discouraged by difficulties in the spiritual life, even when we do not succeed in overcoming them. God does not ask us to succeed but to continually renew our efforts, although the results may not be apparent. "In due time," that is, when God wills and in the way that pleases Him, we shall reap the fruit, provided we "fail not."

The thought that Jesus is *our Life* shines forth even more in the Gospel. The Master meets the sad funeral procession of a young man. His mother is walking beside the bier, weeping. "And the Lord, seeing her,

had compassion on her, and said to her: Weep not. And He came near and touched the bier... And He said: Young man, I say to thee, arise... And He gave him to his mother." Jesus is our Savior who sympathizes with us in our trials and uses His divine omnipotence to alleviate them. Today we see Him work a miracle in order to console a widowed mother; He restores her dead son to life. This was an expression of the delicacy of His love for us; but how many others, less visible perhaps but no less full of love and life, have surged from His heart! "The Gospel speaks of three who were dead and who were visibly restored to life by Our Lord," St. Augustine tells us, "but He has restored thousands invisibly." When writing these words, the Saint must have recalled with ineffable gratitude the much greater miracle Jesus had wrought for him, making him rise from the death of sin.

St. Augustine and many other saints have been restored to life. If the saints who led lives of innocence attract us so much, those who were brought back from sin have still greater power to encourage us in our struggles. It may be a laborious task for us to overcome pride, sensuality, and all the other passions, but it was no easier for them. They too knew our temptations, struggles and falls; if they overcame them, why cannot we do the same?

Thanks be to God, it is not always a question of having to rise from a life of serious sin, but there is always occasion for a resurrection from our little daily infidelities; if they are not corrected, our fervor in the spiritual life will gradually weaken. In this regard, we need to rise every day, indeed every hour; yet so many times we lack the strength for it. But if we beseech Jesus, *our Life*, He will touch us with His grace as He once touched the bier of the young man of Naim; He will give us fresh vigor and will put us back again, full of courage, on the way to perfection. The resurrection of the young man was implored by his mother's tears; let ours be implored every day by the tears of our hearts, by our compunction, humility, and trust.

**SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH** extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners in the parish.

**CCD REGISTRATION FORMS** are now available in the vestibule of the Church. These should be completed by parents whose children are to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation next year. Classes will begin in **October**. Please submit the registration form by Monday September 29th. The age for First Communion is **seven** and for Confirmation **twelve** and up.

**WE ARE NOW TAKING MASS INTENTIONS** for the 2015 year. Please submit your stipend at the time of your Mass request.

**FIRST FRIDAY** is October 3rd. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5:00 p.m. and ends with Benediction at 5:40 p.m.

**FIRST SATURDAY** is October 4th. Our Lady of Fatima requests that we pray the Rosary, meditate for 15 minutes on the Mysteries, and make sacramental confession and Communion in reparation for sins and blasphemies against Her Immaculate Heart.

**VACATION LEAVE:** Fr. Zepeda will be on vacation leave from September 27th to October 7th.

**COLLECTION:** September 14 - \$2,165.00

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th** there will be a pot luck in honor of our Patron, Saint Michael, after the 10:15 a.m. Mass. This year there will only be a low Mass for the feast of St. Michael, which will be September 29th at 7:45 a.m.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th** we are planning to have our Annual Rosary Procession for the month of the Holy Rosary. **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26th**, we will have a procession of the Blessed Sacrament for the Feast of Christ the King. Please make a special effort to join in these processions as they are a public witness to our faith.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested that a special collection be taken up in all parishes the weekend of September 27-28 to support the innocent victims of the violence in the Middle East. God bless you for your continued generosity.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:** Prayerfully consider your response to the Diocesan Appeal and please be generous. Make sure you mark your donation to the appeal with our parish code 060. In the words of Bishop Bambera, "The gifts that so many provide for the Annual Appeal give us a wonderful opportunity to participate in the work of the Gospel."

Please prayerfully consider your response... May God reward you.

**ATTENTION ALTAR BOYS:**

No Altar practice the first week of October.

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY**  
**AFTER PENTECOST**

**September 21st**  
**8:00 a.m. Mass**

**ACI** Joseph Schneider  
**AC2** Patrick Schneider

**TEAM C**

**MC** Robert Seeley  
**TH** Dominic Gardner  
**AC1** Timothy Emig  
**AC2** Francis LaFata  
**C** Brian LaFata  
**S1** Brendan Seeley  
**S2** Michael Gardner  
**S3** Jack Gardner  
**S4** Stephen LaFata

**WEEK ONE**

**Monday** Joseph Schneider  
**7:45 a.m.** Patrick Schneider

**Tuesday** Collin Chidester  
**7:45 a.m.** Andrew Chidester

**Wednesday** Andrew Pheasant  
**7:45 a.m.**

**Thursday** John Skuba  
**7:45 a.m.** Joseph Skuba

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY**  
**AFTER PENTECOST**

**September 28th**  
**8:00 a.m. Mass**

**ACI** Stephen LaFata  
**AC2** Francis LaFata

**TEAM D**

**MC** John Gillenkirk  
**TH** Matthew Gillenkirk  
**AC1** Joseph Schneider  
**AC2** Patrick Schneider  
**C** Collin Chidester  
**S1** John Skuba  
**S2** Joseph Skuba  
**S3** Joseph Seeley  
**S4** Brendan Seeley