ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 751 Locust Street

 PO Box 103

 St. Michael, Pennsylvania 15951

 Rev. Fr. Jerzy Auguscik, OFM Conv. MASSES:

Administrator Saturday 4:00 pm

814-495-9640 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

 10:30 am

 Secretary & Bookkeeper: Daily Mass: Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

 Michele Panick 9:00 am

DRE: Laurie Sloan No Mass on Monday

 PHONES: Holy Days: See Bulletin

 Rectory / Office: (814) 495-9640 Office Hours:

 Fax: (814) 495-9424 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

 Monday, Tues., Thurs., Friday

Rel. Education: (814) 495-4873 Closed Wednesdays

Parish Website Confessions:

[www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com](http://www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com) Saturday 3:15 pm

Secretaries’ E-mail Sunday 7:15 am

saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com 9:45 am

Facebook page: By Appointment

St. Michael Catholic Church/St. Michael, PA

 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 February 11th, 2024

BAPTISM: By Appointment. Reserve at least one month in advance.

MARRIAGE: Plan at least nine months in advance.

 Preparation sessions are necessary.

FUNERALS: Arrangements are made in conjunction with the funeral home.

REGISTRATION Those new to the area, newlyweds, and single adults, (even if

 and registered before with their families) are asked to register by calling

MEMBERSHIP: the Parish Office. Every parishioner must be registered. This is a condition for admission to our Program and reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, First Penance, First Eucharist, and Matrimony; also, for testimonial letters or sponsorship of Baptism and Confirmation outside the Parish.

VISITATION: We are concerned and want to be advised when someone is ill at home or in the hospital. Call the office to have the shut-in placed on our monthly Holy Communion calls or seriously ill prayer list.

POLICY: encouraged and is required for Marriage.

BULLETIN ARTICLES: Articles are due to the Parish Office by Noon on Tuesday

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11th, 2024

The Month of The Holy Family

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (February 13 – February 18, 2024)

Monday, February 12 No Mass

Tuesday, February 13 9:00 AM +Michael Hudak Sr. req. by Children

Ash Wed., February 14 9:00 AM +Loretta Panick req. by Tony & Michele Panick & Family

 6:00 PM Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Michael Parish

Thursday, February 15 9:00 AM +Joanne Single req. by Ida Spaid

Friday, February 16 9:00 AM +Clara & Albert Long req. by Carl & Pam Freidhoff

Saturday, February 17 4:00 PM +Frank & Valencia Tursi req. by sister, Ramona Hoffman

Sunday, February 18 8:00 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Michael Parish

 10:30 AM +Frank & Natalie Scimonelli req. by Angela & William Myers

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, February 17 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Sandy Bambino Cheryl & Deborah Macy

Minister of the Host: Babe Richards

Choir Minister: Susan Blazosky

Altar Server: Ana Spangler & Bella Bambino

Cantor: Amy Spangler

Sunday, February 18 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Arnold Bernard Richard & Carol Hautz

Minister of the Host: Marie Bernard

Choir Minister: Eric Tedjeske

Altar Server: Michael Kresic

Cantor: Sharon Dibble

Sunday, February 18 10:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Michael Barton Angela & Bill Myers

Minister of the Host: Bill Myers

Choir Minister: Jennifer Steele

Altar Server: Cameron Vitez & Landon Fisher

Cantor: Alexis Henderson

Monday, February 19 Collection Counters

 George & Pauline Minor

 Dorothy Stroz

Weare placing names of the sick in the bulletin for prayer providing they give permission. *May the* *Divine Physician send healing grace for those for* *whom we pray:* Colin Wingard, Christine Sherry, Fr. Charles Bodziak, Daniel Deighan, Anne Robinson, Mary Fyock, Helen Soohy, Mildred Andrykovitch, Katie, Dolores Yanzetich and all of the sick of our parish, the homebound, those in nursing homes, those who care for them, and those in the military along with their families. *(Please call the Rectory to have your name removed from the list when no longer seriously ill. Thank You.)*

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 1:40-45

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today’s gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. “If you will, you can make me clean.” Jesus knew this when He said, “I do will it.” Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in “good times and bad,” even when we don’t feel like it.

 Be made clean!

This Sunday’s first reading from the Book of Leviticus gives just a few of the horrible rules established by the Mosaic community to protect itself from leprosy. In ancient times leprosy was believed to be deforming, incurable and contagious. Lepers had to wear ragged clothes, and they had to cover their mouths with one hand and call out “Unclean, unclean” as they walked. Anyone who came into any contact whatsoever with a leper was unclean like the leper. Jesus did not see the unclean leper, or his disease. He was not concerned with the strict prohibitions of Jewish society. Jesus did not see a leper at all; he saw a human soul in desperate need – so we may beg you Lord make our souls clean again!

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION ~ This weekend is our Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection. Please bring non-perishable food items or toiletries with you. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING ~ Will be held this Sunday, February 11th in the Church Hall after the 8:00 AM Mass.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY HALUSKI MAKING ~ On Tuesday, February 13th - $5 a pound. You can place your order on the sign-up sheets found at the entrances of the Church. Orders can be picked up on Tuesday, February 13th from 11 AM - 1 PM, Ash Wednesday, February 14th after all Masses, Friday, February 16th after the Stations of the Cross, and after all Masses the weekend of February 17th & 18th.

HOLY FAMILY CANDLE ~ In addition to the Sanctuary and the Our Lady of Grace candles, the Holy Family Candle is now available to light. Please call the office during office hours to request the Holy Family Candle.

CANDLEMAS CANDLES ~ Blessed candles (two to a box) or one glass candle is available in the back of the Church for those who want them. We ask an offering of $3.00 per box or $5.00 per glass candle to help cover expenses.

BLACK & INDIAN COLLECTION ~ Next week, our parish will take a second collection for the 140th annual National Black & Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American & Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Envelopes can be found in your packet.



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE ~ Please pray for the eternal rest of Joanne Single and James Fisher, whose funeral Masses were celebrated here in the month of January 2024.

Ash Wednesday Lay Ministry Assignments

February 14, 2024

 9:00 AM 6:00 PM

Reader: Pauline Minor Reader: Donald Dipko

Minister of the Host: Ellen Grattan Minister of the Host: Michael Barton

Choir Minister: Dorothy Stroz Choir Minister: Sally Kolar

Altar Servers: Karen Myers Altar Servers: Chase Williamson & Adam Bambino

Cantor: Theresa Arena Cantor: Susan Yanzetich

Offertory Procession: Tony & Michele Panick Offertory Procession: Bryan & Amy Spangler

LENT ~ Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, falls on February 14th this year. Blessed ashes will be distributed during a 9:00 AM and a 6:00 PM Mass that day. Plan now to attend. Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence – no meat, no eating between meals and only one “big meal”.

ASH WEDNESDAY MANDEVILLE COLLECITON ~ On Ash Wednesday, we will take up a special collection for those living within the Diocese of Mandeville, Jamaica – one of the poorest regions in the Americas. As we begin the Season of Lent, may our generosity be a reflection of God’s own generosity to us. This diocese has been adopted by our diocese for special support. The envelope can be found in your packet.

LENTEN “LITTLE BLACK BOOK” ~ Once again, the parish is providing the Lenten “Little Black Book” free of charge to all parishioners. The “Little Black Book” can be found at the entrances of the Church.

WORD AMONG US ~ The Word Among Us Daily Meditations booklet for February 14th – March 31st is available for anyone wanting one. The booklets can be found at the entrances of the Church.

CRS RICE BOWLS ~ Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls can be found at the entrances of the Church. Your Rice Bowl donations will support the Catholic Relief Services in Uganda, El Salvador & Indonesia. Rice Bowls can be returned anytime during the Triduum.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ~ We will pray the Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent at 6:30 PM starting this Friday, February 16th.



EASTER FLOWERS ~ If you would like to donate towards an Easter flower for a living (In Honor Of) or a deceased (In Memory Of) member of your family, please do so by using the Easter Flower envelope in your packet. The normal offering is $10.00. Please return the envelopes on or before March 24th. Extra envelopes can be found at the entrances of the Church.

LENTEN REFLECTION CLASSES ~ Lenten Reflection classes are now being formed for Tuesday mornings during Lent following the 9 AM Mass, starting Tuesday, February 20th.

HOUSE BLESSING ~ Fr. Jerzy will be doing House Blessings until Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Anyone wanting to have their house blessed, please call the office during office hours to arrange an appointment.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION ~ Are you in need of Spiritual Direction? Anyone wanting Spiritual Direction (Spiritual Counseling) is to call the Parish Office at 814-495-9640.



“Pilgrim Icon” of St. Joseph

Coming to St. Michael

 Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, the “Pilgrim Icon” of

St. Joseph will be at our parish church on Tuesday, February 27th.

We will hold a prayer service including the Holy Rosary. Please bring a rosary.

The service will be in the church, beginning at 6:30 PM.

 Plan now to attend.

MOM’S HOUSE COLLECTION ~ Mom’s House provides safe, secure, and totally free child care to low-income single parents wishing to continue their education. Clients also receive counseling, tutoring and advocacy support. Mom’s House offers a practical alternative to the despair of abortion and the tragedy of welfare. The Knights of Columbus will be collecting for Mom’s House using an envelope attached to next weekend’s bulletin and collected the weekend of February 24th & 25th. Please put your name, amount & envelope number on the Mom’s House envelope. All money’s collected will be given to the local Mom’s House in Johnstown.

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FISH BUFFET ~ All Fridays in Lent, beginning Feb. 16th thru Good Friday, Mar. 29th. New Germany Grove Hall, New Germany from 4-6:30 PM. Dine-in or Drive Thru Take Out Line. Adults $15, Children 6-11, $7.50. No Phone Orders.

THE TAMBURITZANS ~ Saturday, February 17th at 3 PM at Richland High School. Let The Tamburitzans transport you on a journey through the rich tapestry of world culture in their newest show, “Reflection.” To purchase tickets, please visit <https://TamburitzansJohnstown2024.eventbrite.com>

BINGO! ~ Bishop Carroll Catholic High School, Sunday, March 3rd at 1 PM. Doors open at noon. Cash & Instant Lottery ticket prizes. Admission $25. Tickets available from BC students, at the BC Main office, or at the Door. 814-472-7500 ext. 101.



 Religious Education And Christian Helping

February 11, 2024

Sacrament Of First Penance And Reconciliation

2nd Grade Retreat & Sacrament Celebration



There will be a Penance & Reconciliation Retreat held this Sunday, February 11, 2024, for all 2nd grade students and their parents. The Retreat will begin at 11:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall and will conclude in our church with the Celebration of the Sacrament of First Penance & Reconciliation for our 2nd grade children. This celebration will end at approximately 3 p.m.



We will share a covered dish luncheon together in the parish hall to begin the retreat. After lunch, our students and parents will participate in retreat activities as preparation for these students to receive their sacrament of First Penance and Reconciliation. Following the retreat portion of the afternoon, the group will join Fr. Jerzy in the church and our 2nd grade children will receive their Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation for the First time.

 Please keep these children in your prayers as they prepare for their sacrament.

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 Junior High Youth Day ~ Sunday, March 17, 2024 ~ Grades 6, 7 & 8

All our Saint Michael students in grades 6th, 7th and 8th will participate in JHYD as their CCD class for Sunday, March 17th. JHYD will begin at 11:00 AM and last until 3:30 PM. Our day will begin with a celebration of Mass with Bishop Mark Bartchak, followed by lunch. After lunch, we will set out on a journey to the Cross with Jesus.

Information and registration papers will be sent home with students. A completed registration/permission form is required and is due back to the RE Office by Wednesday, March 1st so we can register our Saint Michael Group.

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LENTEN FISH FRY ~ The St. Michael Fire Department is hosting their annual Lenten Fish Fries-Every Friday during lent thru Good Friday-Feb. 16th, 23rd, March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th. Fried or Baked Fish Dinners. Takeout only & local delivery. Hours are 11 AM – 6 PM. Please phone 814-495-4111.

 Sunday, February 11 Mass ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

 Confessions / 7:15 AM & 9:45 AM / Confessional

 HS Religious Education / Hall / 9:00 – 10:15 AM

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Holy Name Society Meeting / Hall / After 8:00 AM Mass

 2nd Grade Reconciliation Retreat & First Reconciliation / Hall / 11:45–3:00 PM

 Monday, February 12 No Mass

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, February 13 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 Boy Scouts Meeting / Hall / 7:30 PM

 Holy Name Society Haluski Making & Sale / Hall / 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM



 Ash Wednesday, February 14 Mass ~ 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM

 Confessions / One- half hour before Masses

 Mandeville Diocese Collection

 Distribution of Ashes at Rose of Sharon Nursing Home / 10:15 AM

 Distribution of Ashes at FH Nursing Home / 11:00 AM

 Haluski Sale / Hall / After each Mass

 Thursday, February 15 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 K – 5 Religious Education / Hall / 3:30 – 4:30 PM

 Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

 Knights of Columbus Meeting / Hall / 6:00 PM

 Friday, February 16 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 Mass at FH Nursing Home / 10:15 AM

 Stations of the Cross / 6:30 PM

 Haluski Sale / Hall / After Stations of the Cross

 Saturday, February 17 Mass ~ 4:00 PM

 Confessions / 3:15 PM / Confessional

 Black & Indian Mission Second Collection

 Haluski Sale / Hall / After Mass

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 February 18 Black & Indian Mission Second Collection

 Haluski Sale

 February 24 & 25 Knights of Columbus Mom’s House Collection

 February 27 St. Joseph Icon Devotion