ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rev. Brian L. Warchola, Administrator MASSES:



(814) 266-9718 / Ext. 507 Saturday 4:00 pm

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YEAR: 2017 NUMBER: 10

SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

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

 Preparation classes are necessary.

MARRIAGE: Make arrangements at least nine months in advance.

 Preparation sessions are necessary.

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

 Eulogies should be given at the funeral home at the time of the wake service or at the luncheon.

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

 and before with their families) are asked to register by calling the Parish Office.

MEMBERSHIP: 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 rectory to have the shut-in placed on our monthly Holy Communion calls or seriously ill prayer list.

SACRAMENTAL Requires parish registration and active Mass participation for Baptism

POLICY: and Marriage.

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

March 5, 2017

**Month of Saint Joseph**

MASS INTENTIONS: (March 6 – March 12, 2017)

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 8:00 AM Helen Varner req. by Gene & Ethel Krupa

Wednesday 9:00 AM Rose Hudak req. by Husband Mike & family

Thursday 8:00 AM Wayne C. Cook req. by Mr. & Mrs. Joe McCloskey

 Friday 9:00 AM Steve Domen req. by Paul & Susan Snyder

Saturday 4:00 PM Nora Ripper req. by Saturday Night Choir

Sunday 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM Gary Richard Lamer req. by Parents Gary & Sharon Lamer

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, March 11 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Devon Michaels Jeff & Carrie Schofield

Minister of the Host: Susan Blazosky

Choir Minister: Karen Myers

Altar Servers: Garrett Kundrod & Carson Kundrod

Cantor: Amy Spangler

Greeter: Mary Ann Spangler

Sunday, March 12 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Cathy Faher Dick & Carol Hautz

Minister of the Host: Ellen Grattan

Choir Minister: Betty Long

Altar Servers: Andrew Martin & Nathan Kundrod

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Greeter: Pete Parisi

Sunday, March 1210:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Michael Barton Gary & Sharon Lamer

Minister of the Host: Susan Wieczorek

Choir Minister: Greg Stiffler

Altar Servers: Luke Docherty & Nicholas Caddy

Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Greeter: Mary Ann Oravis

Sunday, March 12 Collection Counters

 Tom Paterson, Sharon Paterson

 Robert Casti, Sara Zybura

Weare placing names of the sick in the bulletin for prayer providing they give permission. Although we remember all sick and shut-ins at every Mass, we would like our parish family to be aware of the need for special prayer intentions because of a most serious illness or hospital stay. *May the* *Divine Physician send healing grace for those for* *whom we pray:* Josephine Koshute, Allen C. Rosemas, Patricia Murphy, Bernice Myers, Dwight Fyock, Lori Facciani, Dylon Wills, Dawn Hagen, Debbie Dibert, Missy, Joanne (Kolar) Hufford, Christine Flanagan, Ayden Alan Grata, Remy Beaver, Mary Lou Offman, Marian Chuckalovcak, Arlene Diamond, Mary Zangaglia, Dorothy Rosemas, Natalie Zerby, Patricia Grata, Michael Wadsworth, Valencia & Frank Tursi, Homer Locher, Brayden Schofield, Michelle Kasper, Diane Kingera, Allison Krischer, Ted Paluch, Brandt Hutzel, Nicholas “Hop” Kolar, Pearl Litzinger, Patrick Munro, Fran Baldassarre, Corey Lybarger, Kristen Sinosky Long, Helen Ranieri, Cresta Micik, Loretta Panick, Basil Costantino, Madison McCrory, Laura, Maria, Joe Yoder, Dolores Yanzetich, Sandy Krug, Wanda Gramling, Merna Smay, Muriel “Jean” Wiesheier, Heidi Allison, Melinda Jerome, Agnes Plummer, Jennifer Hagans, Katie Ansell, Mary McCall, Suzie Thomas, Sean, Holly, Shane, Melisa Ruddek, Patrick O’Donnell, Owen Taylor, Keith Hoyer, Gail Faher, Marjorie (Latshaw) Feldman, Jayden Scott Beam, Derrick Varnish, Karen Myers, Mark Baloga, Daniel Koshute, Vincent Koshute, Kevin Lovrich, Melissa Cordek 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.)

*Liturgical Reflection…*

The Church has revised the Order of Celebrating Matrimony (2016). This is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the beauty and meaning of the Sacramentof Marriage. Lent is our time to turn from sin and return to God. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Number 1609) it is stated that marriage help to overcome self-absorption, egoism, pursuit of one's own pleasures, and to open one self to the other, to mutual aid and to self-giving. Husbands and wives model Christian living in the Church. The love of man and woman models the love of Christ for his Church.

2017, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania16648

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION

Adults $3,251.00

Loose $ 192.00

Youth $ 44.50

Monthly $ 190.00

Maintenance Fund $ 464.00

Initial Offering $ 5.00

Candles $ 74.00

Mandeville $ 45.00

Black & Indian $ 30.00

Flowers $ 30.00

Total $ 4,325.50

We sincerely thank and ask God’s blessing upon all who have care and concern for our parish.



LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE ~ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The Church encourages voluntary fasting on other days of Lent. Fasting refers to only one full meal, with two small meals and no eating otherwise during the day. Abstinence refers to not eating meat at all during the day.

LENTEN “LITTLE BLACK BOOK” ~ Once again, the parish is providing the Little Black Book free of charge to all parishioners. This wonderful booklet, which contains the readings for Lent, as well as meditations on the readings, and many other interesting articles, will be available at the side exit and on a table at the back of the Church this weekend. The parish purchased these books for its parishioners because of your good stewardship.

PARISH PRAYER BANNER ~ Once again, our parish family will come together in prayer and petition as we share those needs on the small crosses we place on our Parish Prayer Banner. As you enter the church, please take a few extra minutes to write your personal prayer intentions on the back of the small crosses for Lent, then pin them to the banner.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ~ On Friday evenings during Lent at 6:00 p.m., we will pray the Stations of the Cross. Lent invites us to meditate on the Passion of Christ.

LENTEN FOLDERS ~ Lenten folders are still available at the church entrances. Your contribution will be added to your Easter Collection and will be a financial help to the parish in the area of our children’s Religious Education and the scholarship that is offered to our Senior Class Religious Education Class.

EASTER FLOWERS ~ If you would like to purchase 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, April 3rd. Extra envelopes can be found at the church entrances.

**SAINT FRANCIS UNIVERSITY** ~ His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York, will be our guest on Thursday, March 30, 2017.  While in Loretto, the Cardinal will celebrate an on-campus, public Mass at 4:00 p.m. in the Maurice Stokes Athletics Center.  The University is pleased to offer a limited number of Mass tickets on a first-come, first served basis.  Following Mass, a black-tie optional *Dinner with the Cardinal*will begin at 6:00 p.m. on campus in the John F. Kennedy Student Center.  Tickets are $250 each ($1,750 for table of eight).  Proceeds will benefit *The Rev. Gabriel J. Zeis, T.O.R. Endowment in Franciscan Studies and Roman Catholic Theology*.  You can reserve Mass and dinner tickets by visiting: [www.francis.edu/Cardinal-Dolan-Mass](http://www.francis.edu/Cardinal-Dolan-Mass).  The Mass will also be live-streamed for those who cannot attend by visiting the same website.  Please call (814) 472-3021 for more information.

BASILICA OF ST. MICHAEL the ARCHANGEL ~ is having their 55th Annual Men’s Dinner on Sunday, March19th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Roasted turkey dinner with all the trimmings and dessert. Will be held at Our Lady of Loretto Hall in Loretto. Adults-$10, take-outs-$11, children 10 and under-$6. Enjoy dinner along with a Basket Raffle!

FATHER BRIAN WARCHOLA S MESSAGE ~ I would like to thank everyone who contributed to this year’s Annual Catholic Appeal. Unfortunately, we did not make our goal; hence, we still owe $10,347.00 to the diocese. I just wanted to make our parishioners aware of this. God Bless!

*Fr. Brian L. Warchola*

The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Lois Jean Papcunik

requested by Matilda Blozevich

and

The Our Lady of Grace Candle will burn in memory of

Rose Hudak

requested by Husband Mike and Family

during the week of March 5, 2017.



**BLACK & INDIAN COLLECTION** ~ This weekend, our parish will take up the 134th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collectin helps build the Church in African American, Native American and 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!

**CHOIR PRACTICES** ~ Practice for Sunday Choir will be held on Mondays at 7:00 PM.

Practice for the Saturday Choir will be held on Thursdays at 5:30 PM.

**COMBINED EASTER CHOIR** ~ After Stations from 7-8 beginning March 10th and continuing every week through April 7. None on Good Friday.

HOLY NAME MEETING ~ The Holy Name meeting will be held this Sunday, March 5th immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass.

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION ~ Next weekend is our Second Sunday Food Collection. Please bring in non-perishable food items, toiletries, etc. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

SPRING FORWARD ~ Next Saturday-March11th-Please remember to turn your clocks 1 hour ahead before going to bed!

*March 5th Matthew 4:1-11*

*In today's gospel Jesus cautions it is not enough to provide food for our children; "one does not live on bread alone..." Let Lent be a time when you are "led by the Spirit" to explore new ways to be a moral guide to your children.*



Religious Education And Christian Helping

March 5, 2017

 *REACH Service Projects*

*Time to Make The Hoagies ~* Sign-up to help with prep on Friday evening, March 10th or sign-up to help make hoagies the morning of March 11th.

REACH Spring Fundraiser—9”Hoagie & Gob Sale*:* Orders for our Spring Hoagie & Gob fundraiser are due in by this weekend, March 5th. Hoagies and Gobs will be available for your pick-up in the church hall next weekend, *March 11th and 12th.* Orders will be ready for student delivery pick-ups and Parishioner pick-ups starting at 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 11th or after any of the weekend masses.

Orders are due by March 5th. Make checks payable to "St. Michael REACH".

Order forms can be returned along with payment: 1) by placing in an envelope marked “REACH Fundraiser” and placing in the weekend collection baskets, or 2) place in the “Green Tub” outside the Rectory door, or 3) return orders to RE class or place by calling the RE Office at 495-4873 or the Rectory at 495-9640.

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** The National Catholic Youth Conference is a powerful, biennial, three-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers (of high school age) and their adult chaperones. The 2017 National Catholic Youth Conference is November 16-18, back in Indianapolis, with the theme *Called/Llamados*.

Who Can Attend NCYC?

Any high school aged member of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown aged 16 or over and their adult chaperones (with proper clearances) are invited to attend the pilgrimage to NCYC.

Young people must register through their parish or Catholic High Schools.

*Saint Michael Parish is planning to attend NCYC 2017!*

 We are offering this trip opportunity to REACH students that will be age 16 or over in the fall of 2017 and also adult chaperones. Fundraising for this trip will start with our annual Spring fundraiser. Anyone interested in this trip can use their own proceeds of this sale towards the $100.00 Registration Fee that is Due as their commitment to their reservation. A payment plan is offered after the initial deposit is made.

Many additional “NCYC fundraisers” will be scheduled to raise funds towards the remaining cost of the trip. Once attendees are registered, there are also possible scholarship opportunities to apply for and more information will follow from the diocese. Please visit: [www.ncyc.info](http://www.ncyc.info) for more information including promotional videos. NCYC Registration forms are available in the RE Office.

 *All registrations, along with an initial registration deposit fee of $100.00 is due in the RE Office no later than March 12, 2017 to hold a reservation for this trip. Registrations and deposits will then be sent to the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese Office by the registration deadline to confirm our group.*

Snow Tubing at Seven Springs Resort – Our REACH Youth Ministry is taking a trip to Seven Springs Resort for a Snow Tubing Session on Saturday, March 11, 2017. REACH students will get a Free Snow Tubing Trip along with a Pizza Party prior to tubing. The REACH students can also invite a guest to attend. Guests will only be responsible to pay their Snow Tubing admission cost of $25.00. REACH funds will cover the cost of the bus transportation and the pizza social for all in attendance.

We will meet for a Pizza Social here at our church hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. We will then board a bus from the church hall to Seven Spings for a Tubing Session from 8—10 p.m. and return again to the hall for pick-up at approximately 11 p.m. We are also in need of parent chaperones(with proper clearances)for this event. Both Parish Permission forms and Snow Tubing Liability forms have been sent home with our grade 6-12 students that are interested in attending. Any further questions can be directed to Missy Burkardt at 418-3560.

**Eucharistic Adoration Day with Bishop Mark Bartchak

**hosted here at Saint Michael Parish for all diocesan high school students in grades 9—12 on Saturday, April 1, 2017. The day will begin at 10:00 AM in the church with a Lenten reflection presented by our students and Eucharistic Adoration celebrated by Bishop Mark. A social gathering will be held afterwards in the Parish Hall for all participants with an opportunity for fellowship with Bishop Mark.

*Teens must pre-register by March 19th.*

*Registration flyers will be given in RE Classes.*

*As part of the new Diocesan Confirmation Revisions, all students in the 3-year confirmation preparation process, (grades 9, 10 and 11), are required to attend a Eucharistic Adoration Day at least 1 time within their 3-year process.*

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*Junior High Youth Day ~ March 19, 2017 / Students in Grades 6, 7 & 8* can attend.

*Registration Deadline is Today—March 5th*

Call the RE Office at 495-4873 if interested and still need to register!

Parents, plans are being made for this year’s Junior High Youth Day 2017 and Registration Forms were distributed to all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students in their Religious Education Classes. JHYD is held at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM featuring Mass with Bishop Mark Bartchak. Bishop Mark has made it known that attending these youth events with our young people are among his favorite things to do as our Bishop.

Our *REACH funds will pay the $20 registration fee for their day* which includes a T-Shirt ~ Games ~ Food ~ Fun ~ Friendship! We are looking forward to another great diocesan youth event that will allow them to grow in their faith and spend a wonderful day with other youth from all over our Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. Our *Registration Deadline here is March 5th so o*ur parish forms can be forwarded to the Diocese by their March 10th deadline.

 Sunday, March 5 Hoagie / Gob Orders due today!

 Religious Education / Grades 6 - 12 / 9:00—10:20 AM / Hall

 Black & Indian US Mission Collection

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

 Coffee & Donuts / after 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Masse/Hall

 Monday, March 6 No Mass

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM / Church

 Tuesday, March 7 Mass / 8:00 AM / Fr. Joseph Nale

 Sacraments Class / Fr. Grimme / 6:30-8:30 PM / Hall

 Wednesday, March 8 Mass / 9:00 AM / Fr. Brian Warchola

 Thursday, March 9 Mass / 8:00 AM / Fr. Joseph Nale

 Religious Education / Grades K - 5 / 3:30—4:30 PM / Hall

 Saturday Choir Practice / 5:30 PM / Church

 Friday, March 10 Mass / 9:00 AM / Fr. Brian Warchola

 Stations of the Cross / 6:00 PM / Church

 Saturday, March 11 Hoagie / Gob pick-ups at 10:30 a.m. or after 4:00 PM Mass

 Sunday, March 12 Hoagie / Gob pick-ups after Masses

 Religious Education / Grades 6 - 12 / 9:00—10:20 AM / Hall

 Daylight Savings Time

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 Sunday, March 19 Junior High Youth Day / Bishop Carroll HS

SAINT PATRICK’S DAY PARTY ~ Resurrection Roman Catholic Church on Saturday, March 11, from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM featuring the Michael O’Brian Band. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Entrance fee is $5.00. Irish Food, Soda and Beer available for purchase. For reservations, please call Greg Babik at 322-6884 or Mary Beth at the Resurrection Parish Office at 539-5788 Ext 4. Please call early as seating is limited.

 Local Fish Fries

St. Michael Fire Hall, St. Michael/11:00 AM to 7:00 PM/Eat in or take out/495-4111

Holy Family Parish, Portage/4:00 PM to 6:00 PM/736-3146

St. Benedict’s Church, Geistown/Take-outs 2:30 PM to 7:00 PM/Eat-in 3:00 PM to 7:30 PM/ 266-9718 Ext. 226

Immaculate Conception, New Germany/4:00 PM to 7:00 PM/Eat in or take out/ 495-5241

Dunlo Fire Hall, Dunlo/4:00PM to 7:00 PM/Eat in or take out/ 487-7245

St. Gregory and St. Barnabas Church/ 536-6818

The Youth Ministry of Holy Name Parish in Ebensburg will be holding a Basket Social on Sunday, March 26th, 2017. Tickets are $5 for 25 chances. Desserts and teas will be served. Doors open at 1:00 pm with the auction starting promptly at 2:00 pm.

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| St Joseph Triduum -A triduum in honor of St Joseph will be held March 18-20 at St John Gualbert Cathedral, 117 Clinton Street, Johnstown. Mass and devotions will be held at 5pm Saturday, March 18 and 5pm, Sunday March 19 with confessions following mass. On Monday, March 20, Mass and devotions will begin at 7pm. Everyone is invited following the final liturgy to the St Joseph Table at the parish activity center  |