ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

751 Locust Street

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St. Michael, Pennsylvania 15951

Rev. Msgr. David A. Lockard, Administrator MASSES:

(814) 495-9640 Saturday 4:00 pm

 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

Secretary & Bookkeeper: 10:30 am

Michele Panick Daily Mass: M, T, W, Th, F

DRE: Laurie Sloan 9:00 am

Maintenance: Holy Days: See Bulletin

PHONES: Office Hours:

Rectory / Office: (814) 495-9640 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Fax: (814) 495-9424 Monday, Tues., Thurs., Friday

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

Parish Website Confessions:

[www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com](http://www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com) Saturday 3:30 pm to 3:45 pm

Secretaries’ E-mail Sunday 7:30 am to 7:45 am

[saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com](mailto:saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com) 10:00 am to 10:15 am

Facebook page: By Appointment

St. Michael Catholic Church/St. Michael, PA

Fifth Sunday of Lent

SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

March 26th, 2023

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.

SACRAMENTAL Parish registration and active Mass participation for Baptism is

POLICY: encouraged and is required for Marriage.

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 26th, 2023

Month of St. Joseph

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (March 27 – April 2, 2023)

Monday, March 27 9:00 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory req. by People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 28 9:00 AM Phyllis Christ req. by Rodney Kundrod

Wednesday, March 29 6:30 PM Mary Ann Daniels req. by Kathleen & Joe Quealy

Thursday, March 30 9:00 AM Agnes Plummer req. by Steve & Judi Pastva

Friday, March 31 9:00 AM Albert & Clara Long req. by Carl & Pam Freidhoff

Saturday, April 1 4:00 PM Jason Plummer req. by Parents

Sunday, April 2 8:00 AM Michael Cononie Jr. req. by Mike & Lucia Ann Brezovec

10:30 AM People of the Parish

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, April 1 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Amy Spinos & Madison Kundrod Jason Plummer Family

Minister of the Host: Helen Slonac

Choir Minister: Susan Blazosky

Altar Server: Kaylee Roberts & Natalie Stohon

Cantor: Amanda Williamson

Greeter: Karen Myers

Sunday, April 2 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Joseph Faher & Terri Leach Mike & Lucia Ann Brezovec

Minister of the Host: Pauline Minor

Choir Minister: Marie Bernard

Altar Server: Michael Kresic

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Greeter: Deborah Macy

Sunday, April 2 10:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Jim Lashinsky & Carole Kakabar Robert & Joan Oshaben

Minister of the Host: Robert Oshaben

Choir Minister: Haidyn Koch

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Description automatically generatedAltar Server: Cameron Vitez

Cantor: Louis McCloskey

Greeter: Wendy Blough

Sunday, April 2 Collection Counters

Sara Zybura, Chris Smay

Mary Ann DeRosa

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:* Allen C. Rosemas, Patricia Murphy, Dwight Fyock, Dylon Wills, Missy, Joanne (Kolar) Hufford, Christine Flanagan, Ayden Alan Grata, Mary Lou Offman, Brayden Schofield, Michelle Kasper, Diane Kingera, Ted Paluch, Pearl Litzinger, Patrick Munro, Fran Baldassarre, Kristen Sinosky Long, Cresta Micik, Basil Costantino, Laura, Joe Yoder, Dolores Yanzetich, Sandy Krug, Wanda Gramling, Jennifer Hagans, Shawn, Holly, Shane, Spencer, Owen Taylor, Derrick Varnish, Vincent Koshute, Michelle Elliott, Heather Romanow, Connor Thomas, Erin, Pat, Mary Agnes Nastase, Dick Wilson, Dorothy Kaminsky, Ashlee Madison, Susan Yanzetich, Alina Rusnak, Gary Smay, Elizabeth Howell, Walter Bodziak, Rhonda, Carter Bobak, Mike Morris, Patty Yanzetich Caldwell, Colton Snyder, Leonard Oshaben, Adam, Lily Maloney, Scott, Lisa, Audrey Costlow, Rosanne Krug, Becky Kakabar, Elliana, Ashlee, Helen Soohy, Carol K. Fabrizio, Peggy Carpenter, Dave Seder, Pearl Borlie, Joe (Runk) Slonac, Lori Gramling, Ruth Ferchalk, Ernie Martinage, Mildred Andrykovitch, Colin Wingard, Betty Duray, Jim Fisher, Bill Gideos, Corrine Onder, Anne Robinson, Joseph Litzinger, Rosalie Ambrose, Rebecca Brunberg, Gardner Stoker, Barbara Reighard, Danielle Pearson, Kim Morgan, Vivian Michaels Tsakeris, Jim Lambert, Devin Yochimowitz, Fr. Charles Bodziak, David Brown, Margaret Kowalski, John Patterson 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.)*

During the week of March 26th, 2023

the Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Nancy Galosi

requested by Family

will

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LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION

Regular Offertory $3,304.50

Maintenance $ 45.00

Easter Flowers $ 175.00

Easter Offering $ 40.00

Catholic Relief $ 687.00

Holy Thursday $ 15.00

Total $4,266.50

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*March 26th John 11:1-45*

*Our families can become wrapped up chasing things we perceive will make us happy. Jesus’ words to Lazarus, He says to us: “Come out” from what entombs you. In this fifth week of Lent “untie” yourself and be free from unnecessary possessions.*

[](http://www.churchart.com/subscriber/viewimages.aspx?keywords=In%20Sympathy&entry_date=1/1/0001&image_type=,cl#no)MAY HE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of John Leppado whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, March 23rd, 2023. May he know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of all his family and friends.



FOREST HILLS FOOD PANTRY ~ The Forest Hills Food Pantry will be collected on Sunday, April 2nd due to the Second Sunday being Easter Sunday. The collection will return to the second Sunday for the month of May.

HOLY WEEK CONFESSIONS ~ Msgr. will be available for confessions these dates & times during Holy Week: Monday, April 3rd after the 9 AM Mass & 6:30 PM, Tuesday, April 4th after the 9 AM Mass & 6:30 PM, Wednesday, April 5th at 9:30 AM & after the 6:30 PM Mass (approx. 7:00 PM), Good Friday, April 7th, at 4 PM. For the remainder of Lent, Confessions will continue on Fridays after the Stations of the Cross and as always one-half hour before all weekend Masses. There will be no scheduled confessions on Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday.

RICE BOWLS & LENTEN FOLDERS ~ Will be collected during the days of the Tridium & Easter: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday & Easter Sunday. There will be a box at the back of the Church marked “Rice Bowls” for you to drop your Rice Bowls in. Please make sure that your name, amount, and envelope number, if possible, is on the Rice Bowl. The Coin Lenten Folders can be put into the regular offertory collection basket at any Mass. Please have your name, amount & envelope number on the folder.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ~ Will be having their monthly meeting next Sunday, April 2nd instead of Easter Sunday, April 9th.

COFFEE & DONUTS ~ The Holy Name Society will be serving coffee & donuts on Sunday, April 2nd instead of Easter Sunday, April 9th.

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 April 2nd. Extra envelopes can be found at the entrances of the Church.

CEMETERY CLEAN UP ~ Spring Cleanup! Please have everything removed from the graves at

St. Michael cemetery by Friday, March 31st. Anything left will be disposed of.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES ~ Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ’s love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information on how to give.

ANNUAL SPRING TEA ~ To be held at St. Bartholomew’s Church, Wilmore, Sunday, April 23rd at 1 PM. Church Service followed by refreshments in the hall. Reservations by April 16th by calling Margy Blaisdell at 814-495-7020.

STUFFED PORK CHOP DINNER ~ The Church of the Transfiguration will be offering a delicious Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner Take out & Eat in on Sunday, March 26th from 10 AM – 2 PM at the school hall on 219 Third St., Conemaugh. Cost is only $13 each.

POLISH LENTEN DEVOTIONS ~ Queen of Angels Parish in Central City will be praying the Polish Lenten devotions known as Gorzkie Zale, or Bitter Lamentations. These devotions sung in English are composed of a 3 week cycle of meditations on the passion of Christ and form a rich part of the Polish liturgical tradition. The devotions begin at 3 PM and are celebrated at the parish’s Sacred Heart site (738 Sunshine Ave., Central City). Each week there will be a different speaker: March 26th – Marie Joseph, April 2 – Dr. Gregory Sweeney. Following the devotions on April 2nd there will be a spaghetti dinner in the parish hall open to all. Everyone welcome.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-35) ~ The Greater Johnstown Young Adult Group presents: Theology on Tap! Events are free of charge with food/drink available for purchase. Meetings include prayer, a guest speaker, group discussion, and fellowship. We will meet the last Wednesday of every month from 6-8 PM beginning March 29th at the Boulevard Grill located at 165 Southmont Blvd, Johnstown in their Atrium room upstairs. Our first speaker will be Rev. Matthew Baum. All young adults aged 18-35 are welcome! Bring a friend! For more information contact Geoffrey Stumpo at 814-659-7415 or [geoffstumpo@gmail.com](mailto:geoffstumpo@gmail.com). Space is limited so please RSVP. If you can’t attend, please pray for us. Thank you to all KOC All Saints Assembly 954 for their sponsorship.

CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR ~ Bishop Carroll Catholic High School. Sat. April 1st from 9 AM – 3 PM. 60 crafters & vendors. Easter Bunny visit 11 AM - 1:30 PM. Easter Egg hunt at 1:30 PM.

SPRING BREAKFAST ~ The 10th annual PRECIOUS LIFE Spring Breakfast is rapidly approaching. This year’s breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 1st at 9 AM at Anthony’s Restaurant in Johnstown. Keynote speaker will be Steventhen Holland. Tickets are $10 donation and may be purchased by visiting our website at preciouslifeinc.com or call the Johnstown Precious Life office at 814-269-4391. A free-will offering will be taken.

HISTORIC PARISH BUS TRIP ~ Fr Aron Maghsoudi will be offering a bus trip to visit historic churches in Cleveland Ohio on Sunday, April 23rd. Beginning with Mass at St. Stephen’s (German), there will be tours of St. Elizabeth (Hungarian), St. Casimir (Polish), and Our Lady of Lourdes (Bohemian/Czech). Following Church tours there will be a performance by the Tamburitzan Folk ensemble. Dinner at Marie’s. Priced at $125 per person, trip includes transportation, dinner, and the show. Expected to return by 8:00/9:00 PM. To register please call the Boswell parish office 814-629-5551 by April 15th. All are welcome.

DIOCESE SPONSORING MEN’S CONFERENCE ~ An inspiring Catholic priest and a nationally recognized author will headline the 2023 Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown men’s conference STRENGTH IN CHRIST – Be Not Afraid. The conference is scheduled for April 29th from 9 AM till 3:30 PM at Mount Aloysius College in Cresson. Speakers will be Fr. Joe Freedy, a priest of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, and Gary Zimak, a Catholic evangelist and author who is recognized as the leading speaker on the topic of overcoming anxiety. Bishop Mark will celebrate Mass at 4 PM. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated, and lunch will be provided Registration is required by April 14th. The cost is $20 per person, $10 for college and high school students. Register online at dioceseaj.org or pick up a registration form from our bulletin boards here at St. Michael.

ST. MICHAEL PARISH EXTENDED CONFESSION SCHEDULE

~ Monday, April 3 – 9:30 AM & 6:30 PM

~ Tuesday, April 4 – 9:30 AM & 6:30 PM

~ Wednesday, April 5 – 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM (After 6:30 PM Mass)

~ Good Friday, April 7 – 4:00 PM

NO Confessions on Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday.

AREA COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES DURING LENT

~ March 28 ~ Saint Mary Parish, Nanty Glo – 6:30 PM

~ March 30 ~ Saint John Gualbert Cathedral – 6:00 PM

(Diocesan Penance Service with Bishop Mark presiding)

~ April 3 ~ Saint Benedict Parish, Johnstown – 5:00 PM

~ April 5 ~ Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish, Lilly – 6:00 PM



Religious Education And Christian Helping

March 26, 2023

Junior High Youth Day Attendees

A group of people posing for a photo

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Our Saint Michael youth had a great day at Bishop Carroll High School last Sunday for Junior High Youth Day. Pictured left to right: Jackson Henderson, Sabrina Macy, Esme Vranich, Kaylee Roberts,

Andrew Raptosh, Cara Vranich, Bryce Macy, Maria Stiffler, Ellie Shaw, Noah Eppley, Carson Myers

and Blake Shilcosky. Special thanks go out to our chaperones, Nancy Wessel, Diane Skoner,

Kathy McClemens and Kelsey Deighan.

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Religious Education Class Schedule

Sunday, 6—12: Religious Education Classes are not scheduled for the weeks of April 2nd (Passion Sunday), and April 9th (Easter Sunday). Classes will resume on Sunday, April 16th, April 23rd, and April 30th will be our last Sunday class.

Thursday, Pre-K—5: Class will not be held on Thursday, April 6th (Holy Thursday).

Pre-K—5 classes will resume on Thursday, April 13th, April 20th, and our last Thursday class April 27th.

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*Confirmation* ~ Our 11th Grade Confirmation class is preparing to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 13th, 2023. A 7:00 PM Mass will be celebrated at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

*Confirmation Practice will be held on Wednesday evening, April 12th at 6:30 PM.*

*First Holy Communion* ~ Our First Holy Communion class is preparing to receive their Sacrament of First Holy Communion on

Sunday, May 7, 2023, at 2:00 PM.

2023 DIOCESAN SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Registration for our diocesan summer camps, Camp Zacchaeus and Camp Timothy are currently being accepted. Registration brochures were distributed in Religious Education classes and are also available in the Religious Education Office.

- Camp “Z” is a week-long summer camp for youth grades 4-9 Campers can look forward

Camp Z Special! Register by April 1 for a $10 discount per camper!

- Camp “T” is for youth in grades 10-12 as well as graduating high school seniors.

Scholarship money is available to eligible applicants for both camps. For more information or to receive a brochure for either camp, contact our Religious Education Office at 495-4873 or Francine Swope, Diocesan Youth Ministry at (814)317-2646.

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Sunday, March 26 Mass ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Confessions / 7:30 – 7:45 AM & 10:00 - 10:15 AM / Confessional

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

Monday, March 27 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

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Tuesday, March 28 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

Boy Scout Meeting / Hall / 7:30 PM

Finance Council Meeting /Hall Rm 2 / 4:00 PM

Wednesday, March 29 Mass ~ 6:30 PM

Thursday, March 30 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

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

Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

Cemetery Committee Meeting / Hall Rm 2 / 6:30 PM

Friday, March 31 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

Stations of the Cross / 6:30 PM

Confessions Following Stations of the Cross / Confessional

Combined Choir Practice / 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Saturday, April 1 Mass ~ 4:00 PM

Confessions / 3:30 – 3:45 PM / Confessional

Forest Hills Food Pantry Collection (Changed from April 8)

UPCOMING EVENTS



April 2 Forest Hills Food Pantry Collection (Changed from April 9)

Holy Name Society Meeting & Coffee & Donuts (Changed from April 9)

April 3-5 Extra Confession Times

April 3 Chrism Mass / Altoona

SAINT MICHAEL FIRE DEPARTMENT FISH FRY ~ Held every Friday during Lent through Good Friday from 11 AM–6 PM. Meals will be takeout and local delivery and are Fried or Baked Fish or Shrimp Dinners with choice of sides. Adult Fish dinners - $13, Shrimp dinners - $14. Call 814-495-4111.

FISH FRY ~ Immaculate Conception, Summerhill. Fish Fries held on Fridays during Lent through Good Friday from 4-6:30 PM at New Germany Grove Hall. Dine-in now open. Adults-$15, Children: 6-11 – $7.50 & under 6 – Free. Choice of Baked or Fried Fish, & sides. Fish Sandwich Meal - $8. Cost for take-out dinner is $14.