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 of Easter

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 May 5th, 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 of Easter

May 5th, 2024

The Month of The Blessed Virgin Mary

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (May 7 – May 12, 2024)

Monday, May 6 No Mass

Tuesday, May 7 9:00 AM +Jim “Homer” Kakabar req. by Mr. & Mrs. James Susko

Wednesday, May 8 6:30 PM Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Michael Parish

 *The Ascension of the Lord*

Thursday, May 9 9:00 AM Joseph Hudak req. by Hudak Family

Friday, May 10 9:00 AM +Harry Noon req. by Carol, Susan & Paul

Saturday, May 11 4:00 PM +Christina Farley

Sunday, May 12 8:00 AM Mother’s Day Intentions

 10:30 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Michael Parish

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, May 11 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Amy Spinos Cheryl & Deborah Macy

Minister of the Host: Babe Richards

Choir Minister: Susan Blazosky

Altar Servers: Bella Bambino & Natalie Stohon

Cantor: David Zajdel

Sunday, May 12 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Pauline Minor Bob & Ellen Grattan

Minister of the Host: Marie Bernard

Choir Minister: Eric Tedjeske

Altar Servers: Arnold Bernard

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Sunday, May 12 10:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Dorothy Stroz Janet Higgins & Laura Docherty

Minister of the Host: Robert Oshaben

Choir Minister: Jennifer Steele

Altar Servers: Alexis Henderson & Makenzee Steele

Cantor: Elizabeth Dobbins

Monday, May 13 Collection Counters

 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, Daniel Deighan, Anne Robinson, Mary Fyock, Helen Soohy, Mildred Andrykovitch, Katie, Dolores Yanzetich, Nick Ripper, Michael Kiel, John Patterson, Joanne Hufford, Martha Auguscik, Bev Progar, Rev. Fr. Joseph Fleming, Mckenna, Jeff Zalar 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 May 5th, 2024

the Sanctuary Candle will burn in honor of

the First Holy Communicants

and the Our Lady of Grace Candle will burn for the

Health & Well-Being of Jean Pavlik

requested by Helen Slonac & Family

will



LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION

Regular Offertory $4,221.25

Maintenance $ 395.00

Mother’s Day $ 110.00

Father’s Day $ 50.00

Ascension Thursday $ 35.00

Cemetery Maintenance $ 125.00

Catholic Home Missions $ 677.00

Diocesan Collections $ 20.00

Total $5,633.25

We sincerely thank and ask

God’s blessing upon all who

 care and have concern

for our parish.

May 5th

Today’s gospel challenges us to “love one another as I have loved you.” Jesus is our model and he asks us to “lay down our life” (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

 I call you friends



Today’s Gospel passage chosen from the last discourse of Jesus is the continuation of last Sunday’s gospel. We had the image of the vine and branches last Sunday to describe the intimate association between Jesus and his followers that was necessary if the disciples had to produce fruit for eternal life. Jesus urges his followers to abide in his love and to love one another. This love for neighbor must have as its model and exemplar Christ’s love for his disciples, which made him, lay down his life for them. The disciples are not Christ’s servants but his intimate friends and associates in his work. Jesus after washing the feet of the disciples reflected for them the significance of this gesture. All are invited to practice this act of charity if one wants to become a friend of Jesus.

ASCENSION THURSDAY ~ Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses here at St. Michael are Wednesday (May 8th) evening at 6:30 PM and Thursday (May 9th) morning at 9:00 AM. There will be NO 9:00 AM Mass on Wednesday May 8th. Liturgical Assignments can be found on the next to the last page of the bulletin.

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

EASTER STUDY GROUP ~ The last Easter Study Group class will be this Tuesday, May 7th following the 9:00 AM Mass – approximately 9:30 AM. The group will be viewing Bishop Barron’s Videos on Catholicism. Everyone is welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ Will be holding their meeting this Wednesday after the Ascension of the Lord Vigil Mass in the Church Hall. There will be NO meeting on Thursday, May 16th.

CEMETERY ENVELOPES ~ In your packet of envelopes, for May 26th, you will find an envelope for Cemetery Maintenance with the three cemeteries: Corpus Christi, St. Joseph, and St. Michael. You are to circle or underline the cemetery you would like your donation to go towards. If nothing is specified, the donation will be split between the three cemeteries.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL ~ Thank you for your generous support of last week’s Catholic Home Missions Appeal. To date as a parish, we raised $726.00 to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it’s not too late to give! More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home~missions](http://www.usccb.org/home~missions). #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds for the collection—see usccb.igivecatholictogether.org.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Lois Barton whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, April 27th. May she know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of all her family and friends.



PASTOR’S DEATH ~ Please pray for the soul of the late Fr. Charles Bodziak, who died last week and who was the Pastor of St. Michael Parish. May he be granted eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please also pray for the consolation of all his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

 Ascension Thursday Liturgical Assignments

 Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, May 8th, 6:30 PM Thursday, May 9th, 9:00 AM

Lector: Anthony Bambino Lector: Pauline Minor

Minister of the Host: Susan Wieczorek Minister of the Host: Pauline Minor

Choir Minister: Bill Myers Choir Minister: Ellen Grattan

Altar Servers: Bella & Adam Bambino Altar Servers: Karen Myers

Cantor: Susan Yanzetich Cantor: Theresa Arena

Offertory Procession: Knights of Columbus & Ladies Court Offertory Procession: Ushers



MOTHER’S DAY BRUNCH ~ All mothers and daughters of the parish are invited to a Mother’s Day Brunch on Sunday, May 12th sponsored by the Holy Name Society. They will be paying for, preparing and serving the meal in the church hall immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass. Sunday morning help is needed in the preparation, serving of the meal and the clean up after. (This is a good way for male REACH students to earn service hours. Contact the Religious Education Office at 814-495-4873 to volunteer.)

MOTHER’S DAY MASS INTENTIONS ~ Envelopes for Mother’s Day Mass Intentions are in your packet of envelopes. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during the month of May in remembrance of all mothers, both living and deceased. Extra envelopes can be found at the entrances of the church.

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE REQUESTS ~ Lay Ministry schedule requests are currently being taken for the Summer Schedule which covers June through September 2024. If you have a request for dates you are not available (vacation) or for dates that you are only available, please contact Suzi Blazosky at 814-244-3329 (number change) or email Suziblaz@outlook.com by Sunday, May 19th. And please contact Suzi with your holy day preferences. Lay ministers are being sought for all Masses and all ministries – Cantors, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Collection Counters.

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.

 MAY 2024 PARISH TICKET WINNERS

UNSOLD TICKETS/NOT RETURNED TICKETS ~ If the winning number is a ticket that was not sold or returned, the money will be split with the number above the winning number and the number below the winning number. If the number above or below the winning number was not returned, we will go above or below that number.

Day Date Amount Number Winner

Wednesday May 1 $75 880 Ticket Not Sold

 $37.50 881 Sharon Paterson

 879 Ticket Not Sold

 $37.50 878 Charles Frear

Thursday May 2 $75 686 Ticket Not Sold

 $37.50 687 Joan Oshaben

 $37.50 685 Larry Kush



 Religious Education And Christian Helping

May 5, 2024

** Our First Holy Communion class received their Sacrament of First Holy Communion today, Sunday, May 5, 2024, at our 10:30 AM Mass.

Our students that will be receiving their Sacrament are:

 Case Christ, Sadie Hershberger, Rachael Hribar, Wynston Hritz, Brielle Raptosh,

Eva Shirk, Madelyn Vogel, Matthew Wantiez and Leyna Webb.

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EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS ~ Two Education Scholarships of $500 each for Graduating High School Seniors in the Class of 2023-2024. These 2 scholarships are being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Prince Gallitzin Council 2275.

 Applicants for the 2 scholarships will come from these Churches: St. Michael, St. Michael, St. John the Baptist, Summerhill, St. Bartholomew, Wilmore, Most Holy Trinity, South Fork, and Immaculate Conception, New Germany. Applications were sent to this year’s Seniors, but if you did not receive one, please check at the Religious Education or Parish Office. Submitted applications must be postmarked by May 15, 2024.

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Vacation Bible Camp 2024: Save the Date! June 17—21 at New Germany Grove from 9 AM to Noon.

 Youth volunteers are needed to help with VBC.

Registration forms will be available in a few weeks. Watch the bulletin for more details. Mark your calendars!

MOTHER’S DAY CARNATIONS FOR BIRTHRIGHT ~ REACH students will be handing out carnations before each Mass on Mother's Day weekend to the women of the parish.  REACH funds will make a donation to Birthright for their Pro-Life efforts. Birthright is an interdenominational pregnancy support service that enables women who are facing an unintended pregnancy to choose life for their unborn babies by providing emotional and material support. Birthright helps women in these situations find medical care, clothing, food, even housing. For thousands of women, Birthright is hope. Hope that they, and their unborn children, are not alone. Since 1980, over 5,000 babies have been born in our area under the auspices of Birthright.

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**FINANCE MANAGER POSITION AVAILABLE** ~ The Franciscan Friars, TOR at St. Bernardine Monastery is seeking qualified candidates for a Finance Manager at our Hollidaysburg, PA location. The Finance Manager oversees and performs the financial functions of the organization. For full job description and benefit details, please visit, [www.thefranciscanfriars.org/jobs](http://www.thefranciscanfriars.org/jobs).

HEALING MASS ~ Holy Spirit Ministry will hold a special Healing Mass on Tuesday, May 7th at 7 PM at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg. Fr. Brad Baldwin TOR will be the main celebrant. Praise & worship will precede the Mass at 6:30 PM and prayer ministry will follow the Mass. If you are suffering physically, from an addiction, or hurting or struggling in any way - all are welcome!

FATIMA DEVOTIONS ~ The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R. invite you to celebrate the Fatima Devotions on Monday, May 13th at 6:30 PM at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. David Dodd, T.O.R.

Young Adult Group (18-39): 

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YOUNG ADULT GROUP(18-39) ~ Upcoming events include Theology on Tap at the Boulevard Grill on May 10th at 6pm; Theology on Tap at the Boulevard Grill on May 29th at 6pm with Fr. Timothy Harris T.O.R. speaking on Moral Theology; and Benediction and Board Games at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral on June 14th at 6pm. Young adults of all faiths aged 18-39 are welcome! For more information contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

ADORATION ~ St. Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona, hosts an hour of adoration with the recitation of the rosary every Thursday night from

6 – 7 PM to pray for our loved ones who have left the practice of the Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome, please join us.

**SPRING FLING AT ST. BERNARDINE MONASTERY** ~ Spring Fling at St. Bernardine Monastery Saturday, May 18th, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM! St. Bernardine Monastery and the Friar’s Nook Gift Shop is located at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg. The event will have craft vendors, food trucks, and children's activities, The blessing of the SSVDP Monastery Community Gardens will take place at 11:00 AM, the Rosary will take place at3:30, and Catholic Massat 4:00. Please bring a lawn chair if you are staying for Mass. This event is for all ages, and pets too! (Please ensure your pets do well in crowds and with other animals).

MASS FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS TO BE TELEVISED ~ Remember your loved ones on Sunday, May 26, 2024 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Breezeline channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. The last day to register is Wednesday, May 22, 2024. The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the Catholic Ministries Drive.

 Sunday, May 5 Mass ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

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

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

 First Holy Communion & May Crowning / 10:30 AM Mass

 Monday, May 6 No Mass

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, May 7 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Boy Scouts Meeting / Hall / 7:30 PM

 Easter Study Group / Hall / After 9:00 AM Mass

 Wednesday, May 8 Mass ~ 6:30 PM

 The Ascension of the Lord Vigil

 Knights of Columbus Meeting / Hall / After Vigil Mass

 Thursday, May 9 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 The Ascension of the Lord / (Holy Day of Obligation)

 Parish Offices Closed

 Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

 Friday, May 10 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Saturday, May 11 Mass ~ 4:00 PM

 Confessions / 3:15 PM / Confessional

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 UPCOMING EVENTS



 May 12 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Mother’s Day Banquet

 Cameron George Jones Baptism

 May 18 Michael Weinzierl / Julia Gully Nuptials

 May 19 Julian James Shugars Baptism

 End Alzheimer's Spaghetti Fundraiser

SPAGHETTI DINNER & BASKET PARTY ~ Sunday, May 19th, St. Michael Catholic Church Hall,

St. Michael. Tickets $15. Doors open at 11:30 AM, basket raffle announced at 1:30 PM. Sponsored by team “Blue Skies Over Purple Hearts” in Memory of Jane Plummer. All proceeds go to Alzheimer’s Association. To purchase tickets, call Janet Minor 814-241-5106 or Mary Ann Tedjeske 814-341-5463. \*Any Parishioner wanting to donate an assembled basket would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off assembled baskets in the Bridal Room no later than Friday, May 18th.



A LITTLE CHANGE…CHANGES LIVES! ~ PRECIOUS LIFE is running a Baby Bottle Campaign. Empty baby bottles can be found in the Bridal Room. Please take a bottle, fill it up with change and return it to the Bridal Room by Father’s Day, June 16th. PRECIOUS LIFE is a Christian ministry providing positive alternatives to abortion. For more information: facebook/www.preciouslifeinc.com.