ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 PO Box 103

 St. Michael, Pennsylvania 15951

 Rev. Brian L. Warchola, Administrator MASSES:



(814) 495-9640 Saturday 4:00 pm

 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

Secretary: Michele Panick 10:30 am

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 Office Hours:

PHONES: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

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Fax: (814) 495-9424 Confessions:

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Parish Website Sunday 7:30 am to 7:45 am

www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com 10:00 am to 10:15 am

Secretaries’ E-mail Anytime Requested

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YEAR: 2017 NUMBER: 39

SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

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

 Preparation classes are necessary.

MARRIAGE: Plan 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.

Twenty - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time , September 24, 2017

  **The Seven Dolors of The Sorrowful Mother**

MASS INTENTIONS: (September 25 – October 1, 2017)

Monday 8:00 AM Mario DiMarino Sr. req. by Nedra Dressick

Tuesday 8:00 AM Catherine Bodziak req. by Bernardine Franciscan Sisters

Wednesday 8:00 AM Most Holy Trinity, South Fork & St. Benedict’s, Johnstown

 12:05 PM St. Benedict’s, Johnstown

Thursday 8:00 AM Frank Oshaben req. by Robert Oshaben Family

Friday 8:00 AM Ann Blazosky req. by Pauline Minor & Family

Saturday 4:00 PM Evelyn Shay req. by Cathy & Joe Faher & Family

Sunday 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM Mary Lou Yourich req. by Grandchildren-Elizabeth & Ian Dobbins

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, September 30 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Sherry Dipko Joe & Cathy Faher

Minister of the Host: Karen Myers

Ministers of the Cup: Helen Slonac & Alice Podrebarac

Altar Servers: Caden Roberts

Cantor: Susan Blazosky

Greeter: Shirley Walls

Sunday, October 1 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Amy Spinos Nick & Pauline Minor

Minister of the Host: Walter Christ

Ministers of the Cup: Eric Tedjeske & Robert Grattan

Altar Servers: Quinn & Eva Spangler

Cantor: Susan Yanzetich

Greeter: Pauline Minor

Sunday, October 110:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Carole Kakabar Dobbins Family

Minister of the Host: Dave Knobloch

Ministers of the Cup: Joan Oshaben & Michael Barton

Altar Servers: Ericka Frombach & Alexia Steele

Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Greeter: REACH Students

Sunday, October 1 Collection Counters

 John Bizzarri, Rod Kundrod,

 Mary Ann DeRosa, Phyllis Slonac



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, 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, Pearl Litzinger, Patrick Munro, Fran Baldassarre, Corey Lybarger, Kristen Sinosky Long, Helen Ranieri, Cresta Micik, Basil Costantino, Madison McCrory, Laura, Joe Yoder, Dolores Yanzetich, Sandy Krug, Wanda Gramling, Merna Smay, Muriel “Jean” Wiesheier, Heidi Allison, Agnes Plummer, Jennifer Hagans, Mary McCall, Sean, Holly, Shane, Patrick O’Donnell, Owen Taylor, Keith Hoyer, Gail Faher, Marjorie (Latshaw) Feldman, Derrick Varnish, Daniel Koshute, Vincent Koshute, Karen Lovrich, Melissa Cordek, Michelle Elliott, Shannon Meyers, Heather Romanow, Mackston Barrick, Connor Thomas, Erin, Pat, Mary Agnes Nastase, Mary Ann Bertolino, Dick Wilson, Dan Pauley, Peggy Mulvehill, Jane Plummer, Izzy Bihun, Sharon Poldiak 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.



LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION

Adults $3,301.00

Loose $ 325.25

Youth $ 33.50

Monthly $ 210.00

Maintenance Fund $ 30.00

Candles $ 32.00

Religious Ed. Fund $ 95.00

Hurricane Harvey Relief $ 1775.00

Total $ 5,801.75

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

*September 24, 2017* Mt. 20:1-16a

Today Jesus is saying to us: “Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard.” Family, where “the last will be first,” is the “vineyard” entrusted to us in today’s gospel. Successful families are constructed by “laborers” who work hard on family relationships and not by couch potatoes.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Albert Andrykovitch whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, September 22nd by Fr. Brian Warchola. May he know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of his family and friends.



MAY HE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Patrick O’Donnell whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, September 23rd by Fr. Brian Warchola. May he know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of his children, and all of his family and friends.

TREASURY TICKETS ~ Tickets start on October 1, 2017 and continue for the whole month of October. Winning numbers will be determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery Evening Pick Three Drawing. If you are unable to sell or don’t want the ticket(s), PLEASE don’t throw them away, but return them as soon as possible as we always have people looking for extras. The money raised from the sale of these tickets will help to build up our Parish Treasury.

 *Parish and Finance Council Members*

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ~ Will hold its Annual Dinner and Liturgy Sunday, October 15, 2017 at St. Francis University in Loretto. This year the Society celebrates 400 years of Vincentian Charism. For information concerning the event or reservations contact the Society at 814-943-1981. The Liturgy and Dinner is open to all Vincentians, volunteers and friends of the Society. Deadline for reservations is Friday, October 6, 2017.

**FAMILY MARIAN CELEBRATION - MASS AND ROSARY**…Will be held Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 3 PM, at St. Benedict’s Church, Johnstown, PA. The theme is “Observation of the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima, Portugal”. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to the three shepherd children in Fatima from May to October 1917. The message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance of sin, prayer (especially the rosary) and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Bishop Mark will be the principal celebrant and will give the homily. This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

**THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL** ~ A special celebration to be hosted by Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Vocations Endowment Committee. The affair will be held at the St. Michael the Archangel Basilica in Loretto, Pa. on October 8, 2017, in conjunction with Columbus Day. Bishop Bartchak will celebrated Mass. Immediately following Mass, a dinner will be held in the Community Hall. Knights, along with their family members, friends and all parishioners are invited to this social celebration. Cost is $15 for adults and $7.50 for children 12 years old and younger. **Reservations must be made in advance! No money transactions will be made at the door the evening of the banquet.** Anyone wishing to attend should submit their names along with a check to:William Stasko, CPA, 8 Entrance Drive, Johnstown, PA 15905. In order to prepare name tags in advance, names should be submitted singly rather than as Mr. and Mrs. The deadline for reservations is **September 30th.**

***Stewardship Reflections*** The vineyard owner in today’s Gospel asks, “Am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?” We are likewise free. Is a generous return to the Lord, in thanksgiving for his many blessings, among the choices we have made?

 Catholic Ministries Drive $23,811.00

 Raised: $14,595.00

 Balance: $ 9,216.00

 Number of Responses: 90

Thank you to all who have participated in the Catholic Ministries Drive. Please join them in supporting our Parish and our Diocesan ministries. If you do not have a pledge card, you may send your gift (made payable to the “Catholic Ministries Drive”) directly to the parish office. Thank you for your generous response!



The Sanctuary Candle will burn for Retired and Current Priests

during the week of September 24, 2017

Your text here

DONATIONS FOR THE DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS ~ We will be taking donations of tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, dish liquid, soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.… on September 30th and October 1st for the Carmelite nuns in Loretto. The sisters do not eat meat, so any food donations would have to be non-perishable and meatless. Your donations can be dropped off in the Bridal Room. Thank-you for your support.

HURRICANE HARVEY COLLECTION ~ Thank you to everyone who donated to this special collection. $1,775.00 was donated!

2017 DIOCESAN PRIESTS’MEDICAL & RETIREMENT COLLECTION ~Today’s special collection benefits our diocesan priests’ medical care and retirement needs. Please consider a generous gift as an expression of gratitude to our senior priests who are no longer supported by a parish yet who continue to serve us in many pastoral ministries. If you forgot to bring the special collection envelope, please bring it with you next weekend or consider donation online at [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org). Thank-you!

SPAGHETTI DINNER TICKETS ~ Spaghetti Dinner Tickets for our October 8th fundraiser will be on sale in the Bridal Room this weekend after all Masses. Tickets are $8 for Adults, $5 for children 5-12, and children under 5- free. Take outs available and walk-ins welcome!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING ~ The Holy Name Society will be holding their meeting next Sunday, October 1st after the 8:00 AM Mass in the Hall.

COFFEE AND DONUTS ~ The Holy Name Society will be having coffee and donuts next Sunday, October 1st after the 8:00 AM Mass in the hall. All are Welcome!

APPLEBEE’S DINING TO DONATE: ~ This provides an opportunity for us to raise funds and host a fun night at Applebee’s, all while earning 15% of purchases. Applebee’s will donate 15% of your total sales (excluding tax & tip) from the flyers collected during our fundraiser date & time – NOVEMBER 5, 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM at the Johnstown Applebee’s. Flyers will be given out here at St. Michael’s prior to our November 5th dining date. (Last weekend in October). You can give as many flyers out to family & friends. Flyers are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking lot. Doing so will result in a voided event. Present flyers to your server and St. Michael’s will earn 15% of your total bill.

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN ~ Sunday, October 1 (Respect Life Sunday). Please come and stand with us at the Life Chain to show your support against abortion. Carrolltown Life Chain-1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. You can pick up signs in front of St. Benedict Church by the red light on Rt. 219. Johnstown Life Chain-1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. You can pick up signs on Broad St. in front of former St. Columba Church.



Religious Education And Christian Helping

September 24, 2017

SHYCON 2017

 Attention-All High School Students in Grades 9—12, SHYCON 2017 is scheduled for Sunday, October 22, 2017 at the Stokes Center, at Saint Francis University in Loretto.

 Our keynote speaker for SHYCON 2017 is ValLimar Jansen. Her style of sharing her faith through acting and storytelling is amazing! She will help our youth appreciate their call and their faith! Check her out on YOUTUBE! This year’s theme in “CALLED TO BE A DISCIPLE.” The day’s activities will help youth understand what it means to be a disciple of Jesus and their mission as a follower. It will make them think about, “What a Disciple looks like,” “How they are called and invited to be a disciple.”

 Registration forms are available and will be giving to students in RE class. The $20 registration fee will come from REACH Youth Ministry funds for students attending.

Registration forms are due back to our RE Office by Sunday, October 8, 2017.

Parents, we need your encouragement to get our youth to participate in this event!

CALLED TO Be Disciples! How will you answer??



How can you be a part of SHYCON 2017 ?

There is a fee for us to participate in this project.

Our goal is to pack 30,000 meals!!

*This year during SHYCON, we will once again participate and have the chance to pack meals for the hungry. All groups will be packing individual meals with the supplies provided on site that will be boxed and delivered to those in need by the organization Rise Against Hunger. There is a fee for us to articipate in this project. Last year we had froups attending SHYCON that made a donation to offset this project.*

*We are looking for individuals, groups or businesses that would like to participate in*

*SHYCON with us by helping us to purchase the kits needed for our youth to pack these meals for the hungry. We are hoping this year that more groups will consider collecting at the parish level and donating those funds for the project.*

For more information, or to make a donation, contact Francine Swope in the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office at (814) 317-2646 or by email at fswope@dioceseaj.org

WPA Road Clean-up – Saturday, October 7, 2017 – The Fall WPA Road Clean- up for REACH students and parent chaperones is scheduled for Saturday, October 7, 2017 at 10:00 AM. The cleanup will last approximately 1-½ hours (10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) and then lunch will be provided following the clean-up with our project being complete by 12:30 p.m. for pick up.

Adult / Student Permission / Liability forms are available at the church entrances and during RE classes.

PARTICIPATION IS NOT PERMITTED WITHOUT RETURNED FORMS.

Volunteer Safety is of primary importance!

1. Proper clothing should be worn -- i.e., tennis shoes -- NO FLIP FLOPS/SANDALS!

Long pants/long-sleeve shirts may also be appropriate.

Safety Vests and gloves will be provided.

1. Please be sure to indicate any allergies on the Waiver/Consent Form.

 11th Grade Confirmation Class ~ Important Dates for Upcoming Requirements

*Fall Confirmation Session 11 A ~ The Rite of Confirmation: Sunday, October 8, 2017*

 All 11th Grade students will be attending their Fall Session 11A from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall to fulfill this session requirement.

*\* If the students miss this scheduled session, they are required to attend another*

*parishes scheduled session to fulfill these requirements.*

11th Grade Discipleship Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, November 4th at Saint Francis University. This “FIREstarters Retreat” will be held at the Campus Ministry Center (next to Cafe' Gubbio) in Saint Francis Hall. The retreat will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 5:00 p.m., which includes a 4:30 p.m. Mass. Lunch will be provided and the $25 cost per student will be paid from our REACH Youth Ministry funds. Parents should have students arrive at 8:45 a.m. and pick-up again at 5:00 p.m. Parents also are invited to return and attend the 4:00 p.m. Mass held at the Immaculate Conception Chapel. "Application for Participation" forms will be provided to the 11th Grade students and permission is required for the students to attend. These forms need returned to the RE Office by October 11th and forwarded to St. Francis to hold our group reservation.

\* If students are not able to make this scheduled retreat date, they are required to attend another parish's Discipleship Retreat to fulfill this requirement. Alternate dates are available throughout the diocese. Inquire in the Religious Education Office.

Our Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown has posted the schedule for Confirmation Masses being celebrated by Bishop Mark L. Bartchak in the Easter season of 2018. Our Saint Michael Parish Confirmation Mass is scheduled for *Thursday, April 5, 2018* at 7:00p.m. and will be held at

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

11th Grade Confirmation candidates: With the April 5, 2018 Confirmation date set, keep in mind that as a candidate, you are required to secure at least 25 community service hours for the 11th Grade year by March 1, 2018 to be eligible to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Community service hours can be acquired within our church through our REACH Youth Ministry Projects or from outside our church community by submitting an individual Service form for each service signed by an adult overseeing that service.

 Sunday, September 24 Religious Education Class for Jr./Sr. High / 9:00 AM – 10:20 AM

 Retired Priests Medical Collection

 Monday, September 25 Mass / 8:00 AM

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Martha’s Group / 6:00 PM / Hall

 Tuesday, September 26 Mass / 8:00 AM

 Wednesday, September 27 No Mass

 8:00 AM Mass / Most Holy Trinity, South Fork

 8:00 AM & 12:05 PM Mass / St. Benedict’s, Johnstown

 Thursday, September 28 Mass / 8:00 AM

 Religious Education Class for Elementary Grades K-5 / 3:30-4:30

 Friday, September 29 Mass / 8:00 AM

 Saturday September 30 Donations for Carmelite Nuns Due in Bridal Room

 UPCOMING EVENT

 October 1 Donations for Carmelite Nuns Due in the Bridal Room

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

 Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 AM Mass / Hall

 October 6 First Friday / Expostion of the Blessed Sacrament

 October 7 & 8 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 October 8 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser / 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM / Hall

CHICKEN BBQ DINNER ~ St. Demetrius Parish in Gallitzin will hold its annual Chicken BBQ Dinner & Mini-Bazaar Sunday Sept. 24th, in the parish Activity Center in Gallitzin. Dinners for Adults: $10, Children 6-12: $6, Children aged 5 and under: free. Take outs: $10. Flea market, baked goods, games & baskets. Dinner served from 11 AM -?

BASKET PARTY ~ Join Holy Family Parish at 509 Caldwell Ave., Portage for a Basket Party on Sunday, October 8 in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 1 PM. No ticket will be sold after 2:15 PM. Drawings start at 2:30 PM. $5 donation will get you 25 basket chances and a door prize chance. Seating is Limited. To purchase chances in advance, please call Barb at 814-736-3367.

BIRTHRIGHT BASKET PARTY ~ At Ace’s on Chestnut Street–Sunday, October 15, 2017 from 11 AM to 2:00 PM. Drawing @ 1 PM. Over 100 great baskets. $10 includes spaghetti dinner and 25 basket chances. Please call Mary Kay @ 535-8231 for tickets. Advance sale only Thank you for your support of Birthright’s prolife work!

PUMPKIN SPICE AND EVERYTHING NICE TEA ~ The sisters of Beta Epsilon Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamba Society International are hosting a Pumpkin Spice & Everything Nice Tea on Sunday, October 22nd, in our church hall. Adults are $20 and children 12 and under are $15. Basket chances will also be available. All proceeds from this event will be used to support our chapter projects, which directly benefit students in our local schools. For tickets, please call Amy Dobbins at 487-4569 or Suzi Blazosky at 495-5287.