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](mailto:saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com) 9:45 am

Facebook page: By Appointment

St. Michael Catholic Church/St. Michael, PA

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

October 1st, 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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1st, 2023

Respect Life Sunday

Month of The Holy Rosary

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (October 3 – October 8, 2023)

Monday, October 2 No Mass

Tuesday, October 3 9:00 AM +Ann Volcjak req. by John Slivenik

Wed., October 4 9:00 AM +Ed Hudak req. by Kristen Hudak

Thursday, October 5 9:00 AM +Pauline Leipchack req. by Husband & Sons

Friday, October 6 9:00 AM +Albert & Clara Long req. by Carl & Pam Freidhoff

Saturday, October 7 4:00 PM +Bill Kostan req. by Brian Kostan

Sunday, October 8 8:00 AM +Hermine Brickweg req. by Sondre Harteis & Family

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

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, October 7 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Sandy Bambino Bill Kostan Family

Minister of the Host: Alice Podrebarac

Choir Minister: Michael Barton

Altar Server: Bella Bambino

Cantor: Susan Blazosky

Greeter: Darlene Marshall

Sunday, October 8 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Peter Bernard Richard & Carol Hautz

Minister of the Host: Cathy Faher

Choir Minister: Ellen Grattan

Altar Server: Kaden Christ

Cantor: Joseph Faher

Greeter: Carol Hautz

Sunday, October 8 10:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Jacob Stiffler Richard & Nancy Wessel

Minister of the Host: Amanda Williamson

Choir Minister: Jennifer Steele

A person carrying a basket of grapes on his head

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Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Greeter: REACH Students

Monday, October 9 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:* 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, 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, 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, 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, Margaret Kowalski, John Patterson, Linda Miko, Trey Sinosky, Paul Slonac Jr., Sharon Poldiak, Kathy McClemens 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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During the week of October 1st, 2023

the Sanctuary Candle will burn for the

Sick & Homebound of St. Michael Parish

will

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION

Regular Offertory $4,529.00

Maintenance $ 351.00

Holy Days $ 10.00

Religious Ed. $ 30.00

Retired Priests Med. $ 808.00

Total $5,728.00

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October 1st

In today’s gospel Jesus asked, “What is your opinion?” Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact? An opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel comfortable doing something. Don’t argue over or become divided by “your opinion.”

Religion at the service

A green pen with a blue tip

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Christianity is a way of living in a family, or a society. Christianity is a way of relating to those who are around us. As Christians we try to live the values of the Way, the Truth and the Life, Jesus left us as a spiritual inheritance That is to listen to the Holy Spirit and do exactly what may come from His Precepts. In doing the opposite way it may turn into self-serving and self-righteous attitudes which can easily become one’s so-called private religion, which has nothing to offer to others. Instead, we are to serve others, and following the example of Jesus’ obedience, we walk together as a community of obedient faith.

ADORATION, BENEDICTION & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY ~ There will be Adoration here at St. Michael Parish on Friday, October 6th, after the 9:00 AM Mass and continuing until 3:00 PM at which time there will be Benediction & Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are invited to sit and pray quietly in the presence of Jesus.

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.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ~ Will be holding their monthly meeting next Sunday, October 8th in the Church Hall after the 8:00 AM Mass. Anyone interested in the Holy Name Society please join us.

COFFEE & DONUTS ~ The Holy Name Society will be serving coffee & donuts in the Church Hall next Sunday, October 8th after the 8:00 AM Mass.

PARISH OFFICES ~ Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, October 9th for the Columbus Day Holiday.

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES ~ Fall Lay Ministry schedules can be found on the wall inside the front doors.

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*The St. Michael Stewardship Team* (previously known as *The St. Michael Leadership Team*) would like to determine the needs of our parish in order to enhance our spiritual life. A parish survey will be distributed over the weekend of September 30th – October 1st. All parishioners are encouraged to participate! Your feedback will help guide future projects and bring to light areas of interest in our community.

Paper surveys will be made available and collected in the church. Digital surveys will also be available using a QR code, which will be posted in the church and in the weekend bulletin. \*Please note that *The Stewardship Team* recommends using the digital version if possible.

Any questions or comments for *The St. Michael Stewardship Team* can be directed to Kelsey Deighan-Lafferty in the parish office at 814-495-4873.

TRANSITUS OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI FROM DEATH UNTO LIFE ~ Join St. John Vianney Parish Community (Mundy’s Corner) 3513 William Penn Ave., Johnstown. This half hour Liturgy is an intimate part of the Franciscan Heritage that serves our Parish. The Commemoration begins at 7 PM on October 3rd. All are Welcome!

SPEAKER ~ Brenda Garcia, a faithful Catholic & Hollywood stunt woman, will speak at Holy Name Church, Ebensburg on Tuesday evening, October 3rd at 7 PM. She has appeared in movies and has also worked on many TV series. Open to all, free of charge & no registration needed. A free will offering will be taken.

ALL DAY ADORATIONS ~ St Benedict Church, Carrolltown will honor Our Lady of the Rosary on Friday, October 13th (Anniversary of Fatima Apparitions). Immediately following the 8 AM Mass the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and the Rosary prayed. A Rosary will be said at the bottom of each hour, including 4:30 PM when Fr. Michael Gabler will lead final Rosary, Litany to Our Lady of Loretto, Benediction & Reposition.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS ~ The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Friday, October 13th at 6:30 PM at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Malachi VanTassell, T.O.R.

PARISH MISSION ~ Save the Date! St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford St., Johnstown will be hosting Fr. Frank DeSiano for their Parish Mission, “Renewed in the Eucharist”. This three night event will be held from 7 – 8:30 PM, October 22nd, 23rd, & 24th. Powerful talks, images, videos, & music for reflection. Open to all in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese, tickets are not required. Love offering will be taken. For more information contact Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or by email at [michael.russo@atlanticbb.net](mailto:michael.russo@atlanticbb.net).

MASS FOR WIDOWS & WIDOWERS ~ Sunday, October 29th – a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11 AM on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9 PM on Breezeline Channel 9. You can also view the Mass online at the Diocese Vimeo page at vimeo.com/user53173075. All spouses will be acknowledged & remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to please register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email [familylife@dioceseaj.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseaj.org). Give your name, address, phone number & the name of your spouse who has passed away. Last day to register is Tuesday, October 24th.

POLISH CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS ~ WITAMY! Tuesday October 17th at 6:30 PM, All Saints Parish Hall, 505 Center St., Boswell. The presenter will be Fr. Czeslaw Krysa. Refreshments included, & open to all. Participants are asked to register at the parish office 814-629-5551 or email Emily Marsh at [emarsh@dioceseaj.org](mailto:emarsh@dioceseaj.org).

 Religious Education And Christian Helping

October 1, 2023

Senior High Youth Conference ~ SHYCON 2023

A person's feet in a bowl

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Our Saint Michael students in grades 9, 10 and 11 will be attending SHYCON on Sunday, October 22, 2023, at Saint Francis University Stokes Center.

This theme for SHYCON 2023 is:

“*The Son of Man himself did not come*

*to be served but to serve.”*

Gathering of young people in grades 9—12 not only is an opportunity to grow in

their faith, but to see themselves as members of Christ’s body, the young church, on a bigger scale than just their parish.

The day will begin with a group check-in at 11:00 AM. Bishop Mark will be joining us as the celebrant of our Liturgy and this liturgy will fulfill our Sunday Mass attendance obligation.

Registration Forms will be given to the students in grades 9—11 in their RE classes.

Registration forms are due back by Sunday, October 1, 2023

\*During the three-year process of confirmation formation, candidates in grades 9, 10 and 11 are required to attend a minimum of one diocesan youth conference (SHYCON).

11th Grade Discipleship Retreat

Our 11th Grade Saint Michael Confirmation candidates will be attending a Regional In-Person 11th Grade Discipleship Retreat ~ Saturday. October 28th here at Saint Michael Parish, Saint Michael from 9:00 AM – 7:30 PM. The retreat will include our 4:00 PM Mass and Confessions.

This retreat is sponsored by our Diocese of Altoona -Johnstown with Saint Michael Parish as the host parish. The Facilitator will be Sr. Suzanne, Thibault, C.A. and Jeanne Thompson, our Diocesan Sacrament Preparation Coordinator.

The $25 cost of the retreat for our Saint Michael candidates will be paid from our REACH Youth Ministry Funds. Fees will cover supplies, facilitator stipend and simple foods and snacks and beverages for the day.

Everyone is asked to bring a brown bag lunch. The Retreat fee will include dinner for all candidates attending.

Candidates and Adults must arrive 20 minutes before the beginning of the retreat to allow time for attendance registration.

Retreat registration forms will be given to all 11th Grade candidates and are due in our Religious Education Office by Sunday, October 15th.

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Our Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown has posted the schedule for Confirmation Masses being celebrated by Bishop Mark L. Bartchak in the Easter season of 2024.

Our Saint Michael Parish Confirmation Mass is scheduled for *Thursday, April 4, 2024,*

at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

Sunday, October 1 Mass ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

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

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

Girl Scouts Meeting / Hall / 4:00 – 5:30 PM



Monday, October 2 No Mass

Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

Scouts / Hall / 6:30 PM

Tuesday, October 3 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

Confessions / 8:30 AM

Boy Scouts Meeting / Hall / 7:30 PM

Wednesday, October 4 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

Confessions / 8:30 AM

Thursday, October 5 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

Confessions / 8:30 AM

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

Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

Friday, October 6 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

Confessions / 8:30 AM

First Friday Communion Calls

First Friday Adoration / After 9:00 AM Mass

Benediction & Chaplet of Divine Mercy / 3:00 PM

Saturday, October 7 Mass ~ 4:00 PM

Confessions / 3:15 PM / Confessional



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 9 Parsh Offices Closed

October 11 Stewardship Meeting

October 14 Megan Kostan/Sean Yeckley Nuptials

BASKET PARTY ~ Holy Family Parish, Portage, on Sunday, October 1st at 2 PM. Doors open at 11:30 AM. Tickets are $5 for 25 chances & 1 door prize chance. Complimentary cake & coffee. Pre ticket Sales available in the Parish Hall before & after all weekend Masses.

FRANCISCAN CREATION FESTIVAL ~ Oct. 7th at 10 AM – 4 PM. St. Bernardine Monastery & the Friar’s Nook Gift shop located at 793 Monastery Rd., Hollidaysburg. Craft vendors, food trucks, activities & a petting zoo. Rosary will take place at 3 PM, Pet Blessing at 3:30 PM & Catholic Mass at 4 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for Mass.

BASKET RAFFLE ~ To benefit Trinity McCall, 3 yr. old daughter of Dylan & Kayla McCall, Granddaughter of Thomas & Marsha McCall and Tony & Cindy Maticic with multiple degenerative & terminal medical conditions. Sunday, October 8th at St. Bartholomew Church, Wilmore. (Location Change) Doors open at 1 PM, Drawing at 3 PM. Basket Tickets - $5/25 tickets.