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

 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 November 19th, 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.

POLICY: encouraged and is required for Marriage.

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

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19th, 2023

Bible Sunday

Month of The Holy Souls in Purgatory

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (November 21 – November 26, 2023)

Monday, November 20 No Mass

Tuesday, November 21 9:00 AM +Philip Hillegas req. by Reba Vasa

Wed., November 22 9:00 AM +Ed Hudak req. by Paul & Susan Snyder

Thursday, November 23 9:00 AM +Stephen Yanzetich, Sr. & Michael Bidelman req. by Susan

Friday, November 24 9:00 AM +Bill Kostan req. by Wm. & Debra Cooper

Saturday, November 25 4:00 PM Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Michael Parish

Sunday, November 26 8:00 AM +Catherine Tedjeske req. by Joe & Fran Pachella

 10:30 AM +Mary Lou Yourich req. by husband, Andy, Children &

 Grandchildren

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, November 25 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Susan Poldiak Bryan & Amy Spangler

Minister of the Host: Babe Richards Family

Choir Minister: Karen Myers

Altar Server: Chase Williamson & Natalie Stohon

Cantor: Amanda Williamson

Greeter: Darlene Marshall

Sunday, November 26 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Arnold Bernard Catherine Tedjeske

Minister of the Host: Marie Bernard Family

Choir Minister: Terri Leach

Altar Server: Arnold Bernard

Cantor: Joseph Faher

Greeter: Pauline Minor

Sunday, November 26 10:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: James Lashinsky Mary Lou Yourich

Minister of the Host: Bill Myers Family

Choir Minister: Michael Steele

Altar Server: Cameron Vitez & Alexis Henderson

Cantor: Louis McCloskey

Greeter: Wendy Bough

Sunday, November 26 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:* 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, Christine Sherry, Agnes Zibura, Mary Ann Murin 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 November 19th, 2023

the Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Mary Ann Bertolino

requested by Helen Slonac & Family

and the Our Lady of Grace Candle will burn in memory of

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Regular Offertory $4,475.75

Maintenance $ 15.00

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November 19th

As the man in today’s gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has “entrusted” our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.

 Determination

Today’s gospel invites us to reflect carefully and honestly on the talents, skills, and qualities that are part of each of us, and how we help multiply life’s goodness by using those talents fully. We should be wary of all the weak excuses we can be tempted to use when we doubt our abilities or find the task challenging. Why? Because the talents and gifts are to be promoted and nurtured or else, they get wasted. And just remember it’s the story of the “tortoise and the hare” -that by the God’s grace, slow and steady eventually wins the race….

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION ~ Thank you to all who so generously donated to the Forest Hills Food Pantry. The total money collected was $700.00 and an assortment of non-perishable items.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ~ There will be a second collection this weekend - November 18th & 19th - for Catholic Charities. Your support is appreciated and makes a difference year-round to help struggling individuals and families: stay in their homes, keep their heat & utilities running, afford basic necessities. Use the envelope provided in your packet or give online at [www.dioceseaj.org/giving](http://www.dioceseaj.org/giving). Thank you for your generosity.

ADVENT “LITTLE BLUE BOOKS” ~ December 3rd is the beginning of the Advent Season. The parish is providing the “Little Blue Book” free of charge to all parishioners. This booklet is available at the side entrance and on the table at the back of the Church.

COMBINED CHOIR DAY CHANGES ~ Christmas Combined Choir dates for November–Tuesday, November 21st, & Wednesday, November 29th at 7 PM. December dates to be announced.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS ~ Next weekend-November 25th & 26th, Christmas Ornaments will be available at both church entrances. Please take one ornament per household/family and decorate them for the Church’s 2023 Family Christmas tree. Decorated ornaments need to be returned to the church no later than December 17th. Boxes will be available to place the decorated ornaments in.

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.

Thursday, November 23rd

Thanksgiving Day Mass / 9:00 AM

with Youth Participation

Liturgical Assignments



Lector: Natalie Stohon & Ana Spangler

Minister of the Host: Pauline Minor

Choir Minister: Eric Tedjeske

Altar Server: Bella Bambino

Cantor: Susan Yanzetich

Greeter: Karen Myers

Offertory Procession: Natalie & Knox Layman

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 As of November 12th, the St. Michael #iGiveCatholic Campaign

has received $5,215.00!

Thank you for your generosity!

* Last day to donate online is November 28th.
* St. Michael Catholic Church will retain 100% of all donations we receive.
* Our goal is $21,345.00 and all funds received will be used to replace the carpeting

in the church.

* To donate online log into iGiveCatholic.org and search for our parish name or you can

log in directly at:

<https://aj.igivecatholic.org/organizations/saint-michael-roman-catholic-church>

* You can donate offline using the envelope provided or you can use any envelope with #iGiveCatholic written on the outside. You can also mail your donation to our parish office.

 \*\* Please put your Church envelope number on the envelope if possible!\*\*

2023 Catholic Ministries Drive

CMD Goal: $26,178.00

Raised: $14,865.00

Balance: $11,313.00

Thank you to all parishioners who have responded to the *2023 Catholic Ministries Drive.* Please join them in supporting our Parish and a select group of ministries that provide outreach to the poor, family life, youth, and seminarians. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, you may give online at [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org).



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA ~ Save the date for Wreaths Across America – December 16th, 2023. Please consider donating to one of the sponsored cemeteries. If donating online at WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA our GROUP ID: PA 0640 and the Location ID: St. Michael Cemetery, St. Michael, LOCATION ID: PAMCCC, St. Bartholomew Cemetery, Wilmore LOCATION ID: PAST BC, St. Mary’s Cemetery, New Germany, LOCATION ID: PAST MY. Donations may also be put in the church’s collection: Make checks payable to WREATHS ACROSS “Wreaths”. Last day for check or cash donations is Monday, November 20th & online donation is Tuesday, November 28th.

 

 Religious Education And Christian Helping

November 19, 2023



Thanksgiving Day Youth Liturgy ~ This year, we will celebrate our Youth Thanksgiving Liturgy on Thanksgiving Day, November 23rd, at 9:00 AM. Fr. Jerzy would like our youth, grades K—12 to come and participate as altar servers, cantor, lectors for the readings and universal prayer intentions, or ushers and gift bearers for the offertory procession.

Parents, please contact our Religious Education Office at 814-495-4873 to let us know that your child is willing to participate. We will assign them and get the appropriate information for a reading, prayer intention, gift bearer, etc. as needed. Thank You in advance for your consideration on this.

We will be collecting non-perishable food items and monetary gifts at this Thanksgiving liturgy to be donated to the Forest Hills Food Pantry.



Eucharistic Adoration Day for Teens in Grades 9—12

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 High school students in grades 9—12 are invited to attend a Eucharistic Adoration with Bishop Mark Bartchak. This will be hosted at our Saint Michael Parish on Saturday, December 16, 2023. The day will begin at 10:00 AM in the church with Praise and Worship Music and Eucharistic Adoration celebrated by Bishop Mark with an opportunity for reconciliation.

This event is open to all teens throughout the Altoona-Johnstown diocese as part of their Confirmation Process.

A social gathering will be held afterwards for fellowship with Bishop Mark.

*Teens must pre-register by December 3rd*

*Registration forms are available in the Religious Education Office.*

*All students in the 3-year confirmation preparation process, (Grades 9, 10 and 11), are required to attend a Eucharistic Adoration Day with*

*Bishop Mark Bartchak at least 1 time within their 3-year process.*

 “Advent in Action” ~ Our Grade 6—12 students are invited to our upcoming “Advent in Action” gathering on Saturday, December 9th, from 11 am to 2 pm.

 Advent is all about preparing for Christmas day, so we would like to give our students an opportunity to prepare by helping us decorate our social hall and engage in the *Spirit of Christmas*, while taking time to give back to others by participating in service projects, such as making greeting cards or preparing gifts for our homebound parishioners.

Lunch and holiday treats will be provided. Students may bring friends or family. Feel free to come for the entire time or some of it. This is our time to chip in and fill the halls of our Religious Education home with fun energy, spend time together outside of a formal class setting, and gain some service hours as well.

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St. Michael Church Youth Choir



Join St. Michael Catholic Church Youth Choir! Students in 2nd to 12th grade are invited to sing with

us on Sunday, January 7th at the 10:30 AM Mass. Practices begin on November 26th. Please see

the letter sent home with your child from CCD for all details.

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 SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE PROGRAM

 *We have tags available for both children and senior citizens.*

 *The guidelines are as follows:*

Tags include first name, sex, age, Pajama sizes, and gift ideas for a child or a senior citizen. When shopping please

consider fulfilling as much of the wish list as you see fit.

The tags will be displayed along the walls of the church. After you've chosen a tag,

please fill in the information on the form that can be found on the windowsill.

Return your UNWRAPPED gift(s) with the tag(s) attached to the St. Michael Catholic Church St. Paul Room or Bridal Room by Sunday, December 3rd so that we can check them off and have them picked up by the Salvation Army in time for distribution to the families.

If you wish, you may provide an "extra" gift(s) of your choice to be used for those tags that are not chosen at all. Gifts and larger clothing for ages 11-13 are particularly hard to fill.

As always, thank you so much for your generosity! Our parish has one of the

longest running and best participation rates in the region! God bless.

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CHRISTMAS NUTROLL ~ Most Holy Trinity, South Fork. Nut roll order form can be found on the table at the back of the church. Each roll is $12 each. Order by December 1st or call Rita @ 814-495-5169 & leave a message. Pick up is Friday, December 8th from 9 AM – Noon or after weekend Masses.

THEOLOGY ON TAP ~ Fr. Malachi Van Tassell TOR on November 29th from 6 – 8 PM at the Boulevard Grill, 165 Southmont Boulevard in the speakeasy room with buffet food & a cash bar. For more info contact Geoffrey Stumpo at 814-659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS ~ Beginning on Wednesday, November 29th & on each Wednesday of Advent. 30 registrants for a 10 AM class. $20 per class or $60 for the 4-week series. If needed, we will add an evening class. All classes held at St. Bernardine Monastery, 768 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg. To register, send payment to Franciscan Friars, TOR, PO Box 139, Hollidaysburg, 16648 or call 814-695-3802.



 Sunday, November 19 Mass ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

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

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

 Catholic Charities Second Collection

 Kevin Sloan Webb Baptism / After 10:30 AM Mass

 Monday, November 20 No Mass

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, November 21 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 Boy Scouts Meeting / Hall / 7:30 PM

 Combined Christmas Choir / 7:00 PM

 Wednesday, November 22 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Day Mass~ 9:00 AM

 With Youth Participation

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 Parish Offices Closed

 Friday, November 24 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Confessions / 8:30 AM

 Parish Offices Closed

 Saturday, November 25 Mass ~ 4:00 PM

 Confessions / 3:15 PM / Confessional

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 November 26 Youth Choir Practice

 November 27 Parish Council Meeting

 December 1 First Friday Communion Calls

 Adoration, Benediction & Chaplet of Divine Mercy