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

Bookkeeper: Kathy Kalicky Daily Mass See Bulletin

DRE: Laurie Sloan Holy Days See Bulletin

Maintenance: Rodney Turgeon

 Office Hours:

PHONES: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Rectory / Office: (814) 495-9640 Monday, Tues., Thurs., Friday

Fax: (814) 495-9424 Confessions:

Rel. Education: (814) 495-4873 Saturday 3:30 pm to 3:45 pm

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

saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com

 YEAR: 2018 NUMBER: 17

 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 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 Tuesdays.



 Fifth Sunday of Easter

 April 29, 2018

 **Month of The Holy Eucharist**

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (April 30 – May 6, 2018)

Monday 8:00 AM Mildred Beesoick req. by Ron & Donna Bongenicht

Tuesday 8:00 AM Frank Oshaben req. by Neal & Mary Kay Sivec

Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 8:00 AM Samuel Stumpo req. by Dave & Sue Vella

Friday 8:00 AM Shirley Frieko req. by St. Michael Funeral Committee

Saturday 4:00 PM Carl Tokarsky req. by Nancy Letzkus & Robert Kudlawiec

Sunday 8:00 AM Marie Faher req. by The Shappek Family

Sunday 10:30 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 2:00 PM First Holy Communion

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, May 5 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Sherry Dipko Carl Tokarsky Family

Minister of the Host: Babe Richards

Ministers of the Cup: Theresa Carlson & Vince Arena

Altar Servers: Brooke & Chase Williamson

Cantor: Amanda Williamson

Greeter: Darlene Marshall

Sunday, May 6 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Peter Bernard Joe & Cathy Faher

Minister of the Host: Tracy Yakicic

Ministers of the Cup: Pauline Minor & Ellen Grattan

Altar Servers: Andrew Martin & Brian Bernard

Cantor: Sharon Dibble

Greeter: Lori George

Sunday, May 610:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Michael Caddy George & Janet Minor

Minister of the Host: Michael Barton

Ministers of the Cup: Greg Stiffler & Sharon Paterson

Altar Servers: Haidyn & Amilyah Koch

Cantor: Ian Wieczorek

Greeter REACH Students

Sunday, May 6 Collection Counters

 Debbie Dupnock, Sharon Paterson

 Sara Zybura



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, Mary Lou Offman, 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, Agnes Plummer, Jennifer Hagans, Mary McCall, Sean, Holly, Shane, Owen Taylor, Keith & Dawnetta Hoyer, Derrick Varnish, Daniel Koshute, Vincent Koshute, Karen Lovrich, Melissa Cordek, Michelle Elliott, Heather Romanow, Mackston Barrick, Connor Thomas, Erin, Pat, Mary Agnes Nastase, Mary Ann Bertolino, Dick Wilson, Izzy Bihun, Erica Mitzelfeld, Heidi Allison, Dorothy Kaminsky, Ed Ripper Sr., Bob Debias, Patricia Oshaben, Craig Kraber, Ashlee Madison, Marlene McCrory, Bob Casti, Susan Yanzetich, Mike, Mary Sivec, Danika Faith, Stacy Jarvis, Alina Rusnak, Fern Swartzentruver, Marcia Costlow, Gary Smay, Tammy Webb, Elizabeth Howell, Charles Smith, Mary Ann Cover, Jane Plummer 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 $4,451.00

Loose $ 189.00

Youth $ 33.50

Monthly $ 140.00

Candles $ 22.00

Maintenance Fund $ 437.00

Total $5,272.50

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

*April 29, 2018 John 15:1-8*

*Like the vine grower in today’s gospel, parents must “prune and cleanse” the branches in their family if their children are going to be rooted. Discipline, limits, and setting goals are a necessary part of parenting so our children will grow and “bear fruit.”*



We are asking that each parish household sell or buy one ticket for $10.00 and return the money and ticket stub as soon as possible. The tickets start on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 and continue for the whole month of May. If you are unable to sell or don’t want the ticket, PLEASE don’t throw them away, but return them as soon as possible as we always have people looking for extras. If paying by check, please make check payable to St. Michael Church. The money raised from the sale of these tickets will help to build up our Parish Treasury. All the tickets that were in the back of the Church have been mailed out, but some have not been returned. Please do so as soon as possible!!!

 *Parish and Finance Council Members*

 Anyone wanting more tickets, please call the office!

ASSISI/ROME PILGIMAGE INFORMATION NIGHT ~ Join us for a special “Information Night” and presentation for our Assisi/Rome Pilgrimage. There is still time to register for this trip that will take place from October 1 – 10, 2018. The information night is open to everyone. There will be a slide presentation and questions about the trip are welcome. Monday, May 21st at St. Benedict Church, Johnstown – John Paul II building at 7:00 PM. Contact Deacon Michael for additional information: michael.russo@atlanticbb.net or (814) 288-3036.

HEALING MASS ~ There will be a Healing Mass on Monday, May 14, at 7:00 PM, at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Bill Kiel, from the Diocese of Greensburg, will be the main celebrant. All are welcome, especially those in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual healing, and those who support and care for them as well. Music for the Mass will be led by the Cathedral Charismatic Prayer Group Music Ministry. For more information, please call 814-941-3832.

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES ~ Lay ministry schedules for the summer months of June through September are now being made up. Anyone who would like to serve as an Altar Server, Reader, Cantor, Greeter or any current minister who has scheduling preferences at this time, should call Suzi Blazosky at 495-5287 or e-mail her at sublazosky@gmail.com no later than Sunday, May 20th.

PRAYER CARDS ~ On display in the Bridal Room there are Divine Mercy Prayer cards (no charge) and

8 X 10 pictures of The Divine Mercy for the suggested price of 50 cents each. Everyone welcome!

*STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS*...

As branches of the vine that is Jesus Christ, we disciples are called to bear His fruit. We do this according to today’s second reading, by believing in Jesus and in loving one another.



Thank you to all parishioners who have responded to the *2018 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).

Catholic Ministries Drive $24,043.00

Raised: $ 5,255.00

Balance: $18,788.00

Number of responses: 45



The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Our Mom Elvida Bovino

requested by

Daughters Louise Neff and Joyce Suckenik

during the week of April 29, 2018

CHICKEN & HAM DINNER FUNDRAISER ~ The Saint Michael Chicken & Ham Dinner Fundraiser will be held TODAY from 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM. Tickets will be sold at the door for $8.00 for adults, $5.00 for children 5-12, and children under 5 are free. Take outs will be available.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL ~ Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds programs, such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training, to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at [*www.usccb.org/home-missions*](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions)*.*

FIRST FRIDAY ~ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be First Friday, May 4th with adoration from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Sign up sheets can be found at the entrances of the Church.

BAPTISM ~ On Sunday, April 22nd, we celebrated the glorious baptism of Nico James Spinos, son of Gino and Amy (Carlson) Spinos by Father Brian Warchola. He became a new creation in Christ in the waters of Holy Baptism. Now joined to us by the gifts of faith, hope and charity, we warmly welcome him into our St. Michael Parish Family.

MOTHER’S DAY BRUNCH ~ All mothers and daughters of the parish are invited to a Mother’s Day Brunch on Sunday, May 13th 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 a.m. Mass. Sunday morning help is needed in the preparation, serving of the meal and the clean up after. Please call Pete Parisi at 487-5351. (This is good way for male REACH students to earn service hours. Contact the Religious Education Office at 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.

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.

NOMINATIONS FOR SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please fill out the form and return via collection basket or mail to the rectory no later than May 16, 2018. NOMINEES must be an active member in good standing who has received the Sacrament of Confirmation and is at least 18 years of age. Those considered for nomination should have a real desire to serve the parish family with full use of their time, talent and have the ability to relate well to people, to work well on a team and listen without personal prejudice to the needs of others for the good of all. The Parish will then vote for those people that were nominated.

I NOMINATE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE PARISH COUNCIL OF SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH.

PROPOSER’S NAME \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 [Unsigned nominations will not be accepted.] [Please do not hesitate to submit your own name if you feel called to do so.]

2018 DIOCESAN SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

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

- Camp “Z” is a week-long summer camp for youth grades 4-9 Campers can look forward to lively Liturgies, inspirational music, prayer experiences, evangelization sessions, campfires, games, skits, a live concert and lots more!

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

- Camp “T” campers will experience much the same –but even MORE!! We take the fun, faith and excitement to a higher level! 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)693-1401.

*Angel Fund 2018*

*Consider giving a gift now that will enrich the life of a young camper in the Summer of 2017!*

*Camp Zacchaeus Grades 4-9*

*and Camp Timothy Grades 10-12(and newly graduated seniors 2018)*

We are looking for people, groups, parishes or organizations to sponsor a child to attend

Camp Zacchaeus 2018 or Camp Timothy 2018 through the *Angel Fund*.

We will accept full or partial sponsorships of any amount to help cover the cost of camp—(100 percent of the funds collected through Angel Fund donations are dispersed to needy campers)! If you are interested in sponsoring a child, or for more information, please contact Francine Swope at the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office (814)317-2646 or mail your contribution directly to Camp Zacchaeus or Camp Timothy Angel Fund, 933 S. Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648. Become an Angel Fund sponsor and help send a child to camp to experience a wonderful faith-filled week in the great outdoors!



Religious Education And Christian Helping

 April 29, 2018

 First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion



Our Second-Grade class is preparing to receive their Sacrament of

First Reconciliation, Saturday, May 5 at 10:00 A.M.

 Immediately following their Reconciliation, they will have a practice for their First Holy Communion that is scheduled for Sunday, May 6 at 2:00 PM.

Members of this year’s class are Nicloletta Brezovec, Wyatt Drobnick, Noah Eppley,

Rayna Koch, Jesse Richards, Kaylee Roberts, Blake Shilcosky, Brayden Smith, Taylor Snyder, Maria Stiffler, Natalie Stohon, Logan Tokarsky, Jacyln Yauneridge and Michael Zeigler.

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ~ Although the Mass on May 6th at 2:00 PM is for our 1st Holy Communion Class, it also is an extra Mass for the 5th Sunday of Easter to accommodate the extra people who will attend the 1st Holy Communion celebration. This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation and anyone may attend. It is not a special Mass just for the Communicants.

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Upcoming REACH Service Projects

Mother’s Day Carnations ~ Help pass out carnations at all masses May 12 & 13.

Mother’s Day Brunch ~ Male REACH students are needed to help our Holy Name men with the meal on May 13th.

If interested in helping, contact the Religious Education Office at 495-4873.

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REACH Youth Ministry is planning an outing to an Altoona Curve baseball game on Sunday, May 20th for an afternoon game! We will meet at the church and depart for Altoona at 11:45 AM. When we arrive, we will have a picnic style lunch on the third base line from 1—3 PM and the game starts at 2:00 PM. The plan is to return to the church by approximately 5 PM.

 Our REACH Youth Ministry funds will pay for our REACH students to attend. They can also invite a friend out to the game, and guests will pay only $20 for the game ticket and picnic food. We still have a few spots available for those still interested.

The Deadline for tickets is next Friday, May 4th to reserve your spot.

Call the Religious Education Office at 495-4873 with any questions.

CALICO QUILTERS OF NEW GERMANY ~ Will hold their annual quilt show and pie social on Sunday, April 29th from 6 – 8 PM at the New Germany Grove Hall. Doors open at 5:30. Many pieced and hand quilted items will be displayed. Chinese auction and door prize drawing will begin at 7:30. Admission is $3.00 and includes pie and beverage. Proceeds benefit local charities.

SWISS STEAK DINNER ~ Thursday, May 17th, from 4 - 6 PM at the First United Methodist Church, 500 Maple St., South Fork. $10 for adults, $5 for children ages 5 – 12. Take-outs are available. Sponsored by South Fork Lions Club.



GOLF TOURNAMENT ~ The Carmelite Community of the Word sisters will hold our 14th Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, June 8 at Scotch Valley Country Club. This event has proven to be a fun day for all, and includes a Shotgun start at 12:00 noon. Golf, Lunch, Course Refreshments, Dinner, Prizes and a Live Auction. Dinner is served at 5:00 PM. Take advantage of our *Early “Birdie” Special!* If you register before May 20, the cost is $115 per golfer; $425 per foursome. After May 20, the cost is $125 per golfer; $475 per foursome. Cost to attend dinner only is $25 per person. Final deadline for Registration is May 31. To register, or for more information, contact Sr. Jane Miller at 814-886-4098 or email at jmseashell@msn.com.

MAY DAYS ~ At the Basilica of St. Michael – May 26th & 27th at Our Lady of Loretto Hall – Live entertainment, baskets, flea market, silent auction, food, and beverages. Come join the fun and drop by for a while! Saturday, 4 PM – 8:30 PM and Sunday, 11 AM – 4 PM. Baked Ziti Dinner starts at 11 AM on Sunday. Proceeds from the weekend festival benefit Our Lady of Loretto Hall and Tomorrow’s Hope (a shelter for Veterans with medical challenges.) Please see our website [www.basilicasm-loretto.org](http://www.basilicasm-loretto.org) for more information.

 Sunday, April 29 Last Religious Education Classes / 6 – 12 / 9:00 – 10:20 AM

 Parish Council Nominations

 Catholic Home Missions Appeal – Second Collection

 Chicken & Ham Dinner Fundraiser / 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

 Monday, April 30 Sunday Choir Practice /7:00 PM

 Tuesday, May 1

 Wednesday, May 2 No Mass

 Thursday, May 3 K – 5 Last Religious Education Classes / 3:30-4:30 PM

 Saturday Choir Practice / 5:30 PM

 Friday, May 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Adoration / 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

 Saturday, May 5 2nd Graders First Reconciliation & Practice / 10:00 AM

 UPCOMING EVENT

 May 6 First Holy Communion / May Crowning / 2nd Graders

 May 10 Ascension Thursday – Holy Day of Obligation

 May 12 & 13 Catholic Communications Appeal – Second Collection

 May 13 Mother’s Day Brunch

 May 20 REACH YM Altoona Curve Game / 2:00 PM