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 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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DRE: Laurie Sloan Holy Days See Bulletin

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 Office Hours:

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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

saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com

 YEAR: 2018 NUMBER: 38

 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.

 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

 September 23, 2018

 **Month of The Seven Dolors of The Sorrowful Mother**

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (September 24 – September 30, 2018)

Monday 8:00 AM Kristan Deighan req. by Dale & Rebecca Wicks

Tuesday 8:00 AM Levia Kuhar req. by Kathy & Rick Wilson

Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 8:00 AM Ann Blazosky req. by John & Valerie Margo

Friday 8:00 AM Agnes Bertolino req. by Susan May & Val Hudson

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

Sunday 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM First Responders

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, September 29 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Susan Poldiak Cathy & Joe Faher

Minister of the Host: Karen Myers

Ministers of the Cup: Mary Partsch & Alice Podrebarac

Altar Servers: Alex Bambino & Dylan Kundrod

Cantor: Amy Spangler

Greeter: Joanne Thomas

Sunday, September 30 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Pauline Minor Don & Marie Jo Plummer

Minister of the Host: Robert Grattan

Ministers of the Cup: Eric Tedjeske & Paul Kundrod

Altar Servers: Elizabeth & Ian Dobbins

Cantor: David Knepper

Greeter: Pete Parisi

Sunday, September 3010:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Carole Kakabar James Fisher Family

Minister of the Host: Sharon Paterson

Ministers of the Cup: Michael Barton & Babe Richards

Altar Servers: Shannan Elgin & Adalynne Webb

Cantor: Susan Blazosky

Greeter: REACH Students

Sunday, September 30 Collection Counters

 John Bizzarri, Camillus Long

 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, Shawn, Holly, Shane, Spencer, 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, Dorothy Kaminsky, Ed Ripper Sr., Patricia Oshaben, Craig Kraber, Ashlee Madison, Susan Yanzetich, Mike, Mary Sivec, Danika Faith, Stacy Jarvis, Alina Rusnak, Fern Swartzentruver, Marcia Costlow, Gary Smay, Elizabeth Howell, Charles Smith, Mary Ann Cover, Helen Bowen, Bill Gideos, James Macy, Walter Bodziak, Rhonda, Dan Strinkoski, Anne Robinson, Marlene McCrory, Sharon Poldiak, Carter Bobak 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 $4,020.00

Loose $ 265.00

Youth $ 21.50

Monthly $ 135.00

Candles $ 37.00

Maintenance Fund $ 40.00

Catholic Register $ 5.00

Religious Ed. Fund $ 270.00

Retired Priests Medical $ 10.00

Missionary Co-Op $ 10.00

Total $4,813.50

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

*September 23, 2018 Mark 9:30-37*

*Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question “What are you arguing about?” Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.*

TREASURY TICKETS ~ 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. Somehow, if you did not receive a ticket and would like one, or if you need more than 1 ticket, please call the office. We apologize if anyone has been missed.

 *Parish and Finance Council Members*

FAMILY MARIAN CELEBRATION ~ Mass and Rosary will be held Sunday, September 30, 2018 at 3:00 PM at St. Benedict’s Church, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown, PA. The theme for this year’s celebration is “Mary, Mother of the Church.” Please join Bishop Mark, along with the clergy, children, and religious organizations in honoring our Blessed Mother. This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS (Missa Votiva Pro Remissione Peccatorum) ~ A Solemn High Mass Offered for the Remission of Sins on Monday, Sept. 24 at Queen of Peace Church, Patton. The Mass will begin at 7 PM with a Penitential Procession, followed by a Latin Mass with Sermon, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Please come and pray with us…For the healing of victims, for perfect contrition of the abusers, in atonement for the sacrileges committed against Almighty God. [www.queenofpeacepatton.org / Parish Office: 674-8983.]

HEALING MASS ~ On Monday, October 8, 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 Prayer Group Music Ministry. For more information, please call 814-941-3832.

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN ~ Will be held Sunday, October 7th (Respect for Life Sunday). Carrolltown Life Chain-1:30-3:00 PM. Pick up signs in front of St. Benedict Church by the red light on Rt. 219. Johnstown Life Chain-1:00-2:00 pm. Pick up signs on Broad St. in front of the former St. Columba Church. After Carrolltown Life Chain, light refreshments will be served in the St. Benedict Church Hall. Also the 10th grade Confraternity of Christian Doctrine class will be collecting donations for the Gabriel Project, a pro-life Catholic Outreach Ministry. This ministry is dedicated to helping troubled pregnant moms and care for their babies. Donations of diapers, wipes, onesies, baby clothes, blankets, money or anything for infants that you can give will be welcomed!

LEGION OF MARY ~ Is holding its *Annual Rosary Devotion with Mary, on Sunday, October 14th at 3:00 PM* at St. Nicholas Roman Catholic Church, Nicktown. All are invited to attend. Students from local grade schools and high schools are encouraged to participate in the “Living Rosary.” If any student is interested in participating, please contact Monica Ludwig (814-948-8776) or Mary Ellen Zunich (814-948-7928). Practice dates will be on Tuesday, September 25th & Tuesday, October 2nd from 6 – 6:45 PM.

*Stewardship Reflections…*

Faith *with* work is alive! We Christian stewards collaborate with God in the work of creation and cooperate with Him in the work of redemption. Let us be the true and faithful servant leaders Jesus has called us to be.

Catholic Ministries Drive $24,043.00

Raised: $11,555.00

Balance: $12,488.00

Number of responses: 86

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).





 The Sanctuary Candle will burn in

memory of Ed Yauneridge

requested by Mom & Dad

during the week of September 23, 2018.

DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS ~ Once again we will be taking donations for the Nuns in Loretto, PA. These religious nuns have dedicated their lives to prayer and meditation, and they rely solely on donations from others. The feast day for St. Therese is October 1, and I thought it would be wonderful again if St. Michael Parish could take up a collection for the sisters in thanksgiving for their prayers for us. I continue to thank all of you for all the donations you make throughout the year.

For the sisters, we will be taking the donations on the weekend of September 29th and 30th. The suggested donations could include tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, dish liquid soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.… 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.

 *Fr. Brian*

IMPORTANT MESSAGE! ~ Thanks be to God, our St. Michael Parish is growing. I want to continue to thank everyone for their faithfulness and dedicated service to the parish. Recently we have had more and more individuals stopping at the rectory and office looking for handouts, giving every possible story you can think of for why they need financial assistance. We all know we help with donations to the food pantry and other people who need our help. In the same breath, we realize that many people could have ulterior “reasons” for asking for money. St. Michael Parish has worked with Catholic Charities for some time to refer people who are looking for assistance. This is the safest and most prudent way to handle these situations, because Catholic Charities is trained to help those who truly need help. We have also decided to install a buzzer system to let people in the office. This allows office staff to be safeguarded, so we can refer individuals to Catholic Charities.

FR. BRIAN’S MESSAGE ~ Recently, I have been asked about what is allowed on tombstones at a Catholic cemetery. Know that I am obliged to follow the guidelines set by the diocese and approved by the bishop, with all due respect to all members of the parish. As stated directly from the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown:

This is a Catholic Cemetery. To keep its distinctly religious nature, only Christian symbols are permitted on the memorials. Scenes depicting a decedent’s occupation, hobbies, interests, fraternal associations, and so on, are not permitted. The depiction of animals as found in Sacred Scripture is appropriate only if the Scripture verse is used with it to show that it is of a religious nature. Therefore, the Management requests a printed diagram showing the design and specifications for each memorial and inscription for advance approval.



ST. MICHAEL BLUE MASS ~ We will be having a Blue Mass honoring all first responders (police, law enforcement, public safety, firefighters and EMT’s and their families) for their service at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, September 30th. A small luncheon will follow in the Church Hall. All are invited.

2018 DIOCESAN PRIESTS’ MEDICAL & RETIREMENT COLLECTION ~ Next weekend, all parishes in our diocese will take up a special second collection to support our diocesan priests’ medical and retirement needs. Donations will help subsidize current priests’ medical care as well as the medical and living expenses of our senior priests. Once a priest achieves senior status, he no longer depends upon a parish for basic needs even though he continues to celebrate Masses and perform other pastoral ministries. Your generous support allows assessment for priests’ medical care and retirement needs to a minimum. Thank-you!



 Please consider joining a group or leading a small group. We believe

 that ARISE will be a rewarding experience for all involved. Sign-up sheets are available

at the entrances of the Church.

OUR SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are getting ready to create a new photo directory and we need you to help make it complete! Our directory will showcase our families, provide contact information, and become a useful resource to keep us connected. By participating, you will receive a printed version of the new directory. Photographs create priceless family treasures and are great gifts. Signup sheets are available this weekend.

Photos will be taken in our church hall. Please check your calendar. Below are the scheduled photography dates and times:

Wednesday, October 10, 2018 2:00pm – 9:00pm (NEW DATE)

Thursday, October 11, 2018 2:00pm – 9:00pm

Friday, October 12, 2018 2:00pm – 9:00pm

Saturday, October 13, 2018 10:00am – 5:00pm (NEW DATE)

Each family receives a FREE 8x10 photograph and directory for participating! Plan one hour for check-in, photography and image viewing and selection. You will have the opportunity to purchase additional photographs for yourself, family and friends. Pets are welcome at your upcoming photography session. Friends and Family can also join us for a complimentary professional photography session even if they do not wish to be in our church directory. Military families, Veterans and their families and Seniors (Age 60 and over) are entitled to 20% off their portrait purchases.

Without you our directory will not be complete! 



Religious Education And Christian Helping

September 23, 2018



*9th Grade Parent Orientation ~ Orientation for parents of our 9th grade students beginning their 3-year confirmation process is scheduled for Sunday, September 23rd beginning at 9:10 a.m.* Attendance *of at least 1 parent is required.*

*This orientation will take place in the upstairs of the Parish Hall while students are in their classroom for their first class of this new Religious Education year. You will be provided with information for the newly revised confirmation process guidelines and requirements for Sacramental prep from the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown and the opportunity for any questions along with a schedule for our 2018—2019 Religious Education Year.*

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SHYCON 2018 ~ Attention-All High School Students in Grades 9—12, SHYCON 2018 is scheduled for Sunday, October 28, 2018 at the Stokes Center, at Saint Francis University in Loretto.

 Our keynote speaker for SHYCON 2018 is Paul J. Kim. Paul has a very special form of faith sharing and a message that really engages our youth! He will encourage them and ignite the fire of faith in them! Check him out on YOUTUBE!

This year’s theme is “STRONG AND COURAGEOUS.” It comes from Joshua 1:9. The message helps us to remember God is with us no matter what happens in our lives! Good or bad he will guide us through.

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 7, 2018.

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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 2018. Our Saint Michael Parish Confirmation Mass is scheduled for *Thursday, April 25, 2019* at 7:00p.m. and will be held at

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

11th Grade Confirmation candidates: With the April 25, 2019 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, 2019 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 23 High School Religious Education / 9 – 10:20 AM

 Girl Scouts Meeting / 4 – 5:30 PM

 Monday, September 24 Martha’s Group / 6:00 PM

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, September 25

 Wednesday, September 26 No Mass

 Thursday, September 27 K - 5 Religious Education / 3:30 – 4:30 PM

 Saturday Choir Practice / 5:30 PM

 Friday, September 28

 Saturday, September 29 Retired Priest Medical Collection / Second Collection

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 September 30 Retired Priest Medical Collection / Second Collection

 Mass for First Responders with small luncheon

 October 5 Exposition of Blessed Sacrament with Adoration

 October 7 Spaghetti Dinner

COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATION ~ Will be held at the St. Michael the Archangel Basilica in Loretto, PA on October 7. Rosary will be recited at 1:45 PM and Bishop Barchak will celebrate Mass at 2:00 PM. 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. The cost is $15 for adults and $7.50 for children 12 years and younger. Reservations must be made in advance! Those 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 29, 2018.

CHICKEN BBQ & MINI-BAZAAR ~ On Sunday, September 30th at St. Demetrius Parish in Gallitzin, in the parish Activity Center (rear 616 Church St.) in Gallitzin. Dinners: Adults $10; Children 6-12 $6; Children aged 5 and under-free. Take outs $10. A flea market will also be featured, as well as baked goods, games. & baskets. Dinner will be served from 11 AM until?

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALL SAINTS ASSEMBLY 954 ~ Is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, October 14 from 11:00 AM till 3:00 PM at the St. John Gualbert Cathedral Parish Hall, located at 110 Adams St. in Johnstown. Please join your local Knight of Columbus for an afternoon of catholic fellowship and dinner, and a Chinese Auction/basket party! Meals are $8 per person, with children under 5 free.

BRIDAL RESALE ~ The Bishop Carroll Lady Huskies soccer team is sponsoring a bridal resale event on Sun. Oct. 14 at 11 AM to 2 PM at the BC school cafeteria. Sell your new or like-new wedding decorations and supplies like centerpieces, fabric, ribbon, lights, vases, candles, flowers, dresses, shoes, tablecoverings, cookie trays etc.or buy your decorations and supplies at a fraction of the cost of new. Sellers can reserve a space for $20 which includes a 12 x 10 area with a table and 2 chairs. The admission fee for shoppers is $5. For more information or to reserve a space, contact Carol at kcschallfam@yahoo.com.