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

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 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: 2017 NUMBER: 40

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 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time , October 1, 2017

  **The Holy Rosary**

MASS INTENTIONS: (October 2 – October 8, 2017)

Monday 8:00 AM Carl Tokarsky req. by John & Joan Hromack & Family

Tuesday 8:00 AM John Tom Plummer req. by Ed & Michael Hudak Sr.

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

 12:05 PM St. Benedict’s, Johnstown

Thursday 8:00 AM Albert & Katherine Demko req. by Carl & Pam Freidhoff

First Friday 8:00 AM Sick & Shut-Ins req. by St. Michael Funeral Committee

Saturday 4:00 PM Andy Peretin req. by Shirley Walls

Sunday 8:00 AM Marie Faher req. by Irene Danel

Sunday 10:30 AM People of the Parish

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, October 7 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Devon Michaels Shirley Walls

Minister of the Host: Theresa Carlson

Ministers of the Cup: Babe Richards & Susan Blazosky

Altar Servers: Victoria Russic & Elisabeth Zajdel

Cantor: David Zajdel

Greeter: Phyllis Slonac

Sunday, October 8 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Terri Leach Joseph & Cathy Faher

Minister of the Host: Paul Kundrod

Ministers of the Cup: Marie Jo Plummer & Beth Kundrod

Altar Servers: Griffen Christ & Kaden Christ

Cantor: Sharon Dibble

Greeter: Betty Long

Sunday, October 810:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Jacob Stiffler Vitez Family

Minister of the Host: Robert Oshaben

Ministers of the Cup: Greg Stiffler & Amanda Williamson

Altar Servers: Haidyn & Amilyah Koch

Cantor: Ian Wieczorek

Greeter: REACH Students

Sunday, October 8 Collection Counters

 Debbie Dupnock, Camillus Long,

 Mary Ann Davis, 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, 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, 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 $3,046.00

Loose $ 225.00

Youth $ 48.25

Monthly $ 120.00

Maintenance Fund $ 430.00

Candles $ 13.00

Religious Ed. Fund $ 130.00

Hurricane Harvey Relief $ 145.00

Retired Priests Med. $ 799.00

Total $ 4,956.25

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

*October 1, 2017* Mt. 21:28-32

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.”



MAY SHE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Rose Ropecka whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, September 26th by Fr. Brian Warchola. May she know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of her 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.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** ~ 2010 12th Ave., Altoona, is commemorating the Centennial of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima by holding Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction for 2 hours on October 13th. Holy Hours are from 6-8 PM. Each holy hour will start with praying of the Rosary for Peace in the World as Our Lady originally requested and the time in between will be spent in quiet meditation. All are Welcome!

**HEALING MASS** ~ Monday, October 23, 2017, 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.

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.

*Stewardship Reflections* ~

If we give ourselves to God and let him use our talents to humbly serve others instead of ourselves, we will be amazed at His results. Not only will our lives be changed, but so too will the lives of others.

 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 our Lay Ministries Volunteers

during the week of October 1, 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.

FALL CLERGY GATHERING ~ On Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, October 16-18, 2017 the priests and deacons of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese will gather with Bishop Mark Bartchak, J.C.D. at Seven Springs in Champion, PA. In order to make it possible for all active priests and deacons to attend this important meeting, here is the name and telephone number of the clergy available to provide emergency coverage. Johnstown/Cambria/Southern (West) Deaneries: Rev. Matthew Misurda ~ (814) 410-7251.

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!

FIRST FRIDAY ~ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be Friday October 6th from 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM. Sign-up sheets can be found in the back of the Church.

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

COFFEE AND DONUTS ~ Coffee and donuts, provided by The Holy Name Society, will be held Sunday, October 1st after the 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Mass in the hall. All are Welcome!

MARTHA’S GROUP ~ This month, Martha’s Group will meet on October 9th and October 23rd.

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.



Religious Education And Christian Helping

October 1, 2017

 SHYCON 2017

 Attention-All High School Students in Grades 9—12, SHYCON (Senior High Youth Conference) 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.” *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.*

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

Saint Michael Parish . . . .You can be a part of SHYCON 2017 !!!

Helping Hands RISE AGAINST HUNGER!!!



CALLED TO Be Disciples! How will you answer??

Please—Help us help others!!

*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. This way more than just the participants can participate in the Corporal Work of Mercy! We are hoping this year that more groups will consider collecting at the parish level and donating those funds for the project.*

Lend A Helping Hand!! Every Donation Helps!!

*Your monetary donation will help purchase kits for those that might otherwise go hungry!*

Make checks payable to:

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Helping Hands Project

933 S. Logan Boulevard

Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

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 4:00 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.

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Grade 9 ~ Confirmation Session 9*A ~ The Creed*

On Sunday, October 15, 2017 ~ All 9th Grade students will be attending their Fall Session 9A from 9 to 10:20 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.*

 Sunday, October 1 Religious Education Class for Jr./Sr. High / 9:00 AM – 10:20 AM

 Donations for Carmelite Nuns Due in Bridal Room

 Holy Name Society Meeting after 8:00 AM Mass

 Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Mass

 Monday, October 2 Mass / 8:00 AM

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, October 3 Mass / 8:00 AM

 Wednesday, October 4 No Mass

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

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

 Thursday, October 5 Mass / 8:00 AM

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

 Saturday Choir Practice / 5:30 PM

 Friday, October 6 Mass / 8:00 AM

 First Friday / Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

 Saturday October 7 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 WPA Road Clean-up / 10:00 AM

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 October 8 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

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

 Fall Confirmation Session / 11th Grade / 9 AM – 10:30 AM

 Shycon Registration Forms Due

 October 21 & 22 World Mission Sunday

 October 22 Shycon Gr. 9-12 / Loretto, PA

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 at 2:00 PM 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.

OPEN HOUSE ~ The Adams Twp. Vol Fire Co #2 in St. Michael will be holding an Open House to kick off Fire Prevention Week on Sunday October 8th from 1 PM – 4 PM. The event is open to the public. Please stop in to see our newest vehicle acquisition & equipment and visit with the firemen.