ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 751 Locust Street

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 St. Michael, Pennsylvania 15951

 Rev. Msgr. David A. Lockard, Administrator MASSES:

(814) 495-9640 Saturday 4:00 pm



 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

Secretary & Bookkeeper: 10:30 am

 Michele Panick Daily Mass: M,T,W,Th,F Noon

 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

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Parish Website Sunday 10:00 am to 10:15 am

[www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.co](http://www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.co)m By Appointment

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St. Michael Catholic Church/St. Michael, PA

 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 February 7th, 2021

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 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 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.



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 Month of The Holy Family

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (February 8 – February 14, 2021)

Monday, Feb. 8 Noon Charlene Kusher req. by Matilda Blozevich

Tuesday, Feb. 9 Noon Kevin Smay req. by Bob Casti

Wednesday, Feb. 10 Noon Mary Sivec req. by Robert & Joan Oshaben & Family

Thursday, Feb. 11 Noon George & Elizabeth Freidhoff req. by Carl & Pam Freidhoff

Friday, Feb. 12 Noon For the Family of Vada Sloan req. by Friends of the Family

Saturday, Feb. 13 4:00 PM Anna Podrebarac req. by Helen Petkosh Family

Sunday, Feb. 14 8:00 AM Michael Hudak req. by Children

 10:30 AM People of the Parish

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, February 13 4:00 PM



Lector: Sandy Bambino

Minister of the Host: Mike Barton

Altar Server: Ana Spangler

Cantor: Amy Spangler

Sunday, February 14 8:00 AM

Lector: Joe Faher

Minister of the Host: Pauline Minor

Altar Server: Griffin Christ

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Sunday, February 14 10:30 AM

Lector: Scouts

Minister of the Host: Susan Blazosky

Altar Server: Scouts

Cantor: Elizabeth Dobbins

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, Dylon Wills, Missy, Joanne (Kolar) Hufford, Christine Flanagan, Ayden Alan Grata, Mary Lou Offman, Mary Zangaglia, Natalie Zerby, Valencia Tursi, Homer Locher, Brayden Schofield, Michelle Kasper, Diane Kingera, Ted Paluch, Pearl Litzinger, Patrick Munro, Fran Baldassarre, Kristen Sinosky Long, 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, Mackston Barrick, Connor Thomas, Erin, Pat, Mary Agnes Nastase, Mary Ann Bertolino, Dick Wilson, Izzy Bihun, Dorothy Kaminsky, Patricia Oshaben, Ashlee Madison, Susan Yanzetich, Mike, Alina Rusnak, Gary Smay, Elizabeth Howell, Walter Bodziak, Rhonda, Anne Robinson, Carter Bobak, Vince Arena, Mike Morris, Sarah Kelt, Patty Yanzetich Caldwell, Colton Snyder, Nancy Edmiston, Leonard Oshaben, Adam, Janice Dipyatic, Lily Maloney, Scott, Lisa, Audrey Costlow, Cathy Sossong, Rosanne Krug, Becky Kakabar, Howard Delaney, Ed Myers, Dolores Mucko, Elliana, Ashlee, Helen Soohy, Carol K. Fabrizio, Peggy Carpenter, Janet Minor, Dave Seder, Rosalie Ambrose, Pearl Borlie, Joe (Runk) Slonac 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 $3,136.00

Loose $ 125.00

Youth $ 26.00

Monthly $ 910.00

Initial Offering $ 10.00

Candles $ 65.00

Maintenance Fund $ 150.00

Christmas Offering (2020) $ 2.00

Immaculate Concep.(2020) $ 1.00

Solemnity of Mary $ 21.00

Easter Flowers $ 10.00

Black & Indian $ 10.00

Mandeville Diocese $ 5.00

Total $4,471.00

We sincerely thank and

ask God’s blessing upon

all who have care and

 concern for our parish.

*February 7, 2021 Mark 1:29-39*

*In today’s gospel Jesus went to the “house of Andrew and Simon” to relax but discovered that “Simon’s mother-in-law was very ill. Like Jesus, we come home to relax but are confronted with problems. Take a tip from Andrew and Simon who “told Jesus about it at once.”*



During the week of February 7th, 2021

The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Josh Faher

requested by Mom and Dad

and

The Our Lady of Grace Candle will burn

for the health and well-being of

Cody McCoy

requested by Helen Slonac

CANDLEMAS CANDLES ~ Blessed Candlemas candles are available in the back of the Church for those who want them. We ask an offering of three dollars for the boxed candles and an offering of five dollars for the glass candles to help cover expenses.

BLESSING OF THROATS ~ The traditional blessing of throats in honor of St. Blaise will be given during the weekend Masses of February 6th/7th. However, because of the COVID – 19 pandemic, the blessing will be given to the entire congregation at the same time, following the Universal Prayers (Prayers of the Faithful).

SCOUT SUNDAY ~ On February 14th during the 10:30 AM Mass, the parish will celebrate Scout Sunday to honor Girl and Boy Scouts. Any scouts from the parish or members of our parish troops are asked to wear their uniforms to Mass on the 14th. Scouts will be seated with their families and are asked to participate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the Scout Oath and Law. Scouts will also be participating in various ministries during the Mass.

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION ~ Next weekend is our Second Sunday Food Collection. Please bring in non-perishable food items or toiletries with you. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

ASH WEDNESDAY ~ Masses for Ash Wednesday, February 17th, will be 12:00 NOON and 6:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS ~ Beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 17th through March 31st, we will be adding an evening Mass at 6:00 PM for Lent. This is a wonderful opportunity to attend a daily Mass to help us in our Lenten journey.

LENTEN “LITTLE BLACK BOOK” ~ Once again, the parish is providing the “Little Black Book” free of charge to all parishioners. The “Little Black Book” can be found at the side entrance of the Church and on the table at the back of the Church.

LENTEN FOLDERS ~ Lenten folders are available at the church entrances. Your contribution will be added to your Easter Collection and will be a financial help to the parish in the area of our children’s Religious Education and the scholarship that is offered to our Senior Class Religious Education Class.

HAM & CHICKEN TAKE-OUT DINNER ~ Boy Scout Troop #2251 is holding a Take-Out Ham and Chicken Dinner on March 6th, from 5:00 – 6:30 PM. The dinner includes Ham, Chicken, Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Roll, and Cake. Adults - $12 & Children - $8. Dinners may be picked up in the back parking lot behind the St. Michael Catholic Church Hall. Tickets are being presold, but a limited number of walkup tickets will be sold on the day of the dinner. To preorder tickets, please call Mrs. Amy Dobbins at 487-4569 or email dobbins400@comcast.net. Thank you in advance for your support of the troop.

 Religious Education And Christian Helping

 February 7, 2021

 Religious Education News

Home Lesson Packet #5 ~ Distribution of CCD Lesson packet #5 is taking place in the Parish Hall for all Grades K—11 students. Our Grades 6—11 catechists will have packets available to pick-up on Sunday, February 7th from 9—10 AM. Completed lessons from previous lesson packets should be returned at this time.

 For those that missed a scheduled pick-up, an alternate pick-up option is available. There is a Big Blue Tote outside the Parish Office door marked: "Religious Education Pick-Ups & Drop Offs".  It can be accessed anytime to make it easier to Pick-up missed lessons and also Drop-off the completed ones.  Look for your "Family Name" on the name tag attached to the bag.

You can stop anytime at your convenience even after office hours.  Completed lessons can also be placed in the tote and will be given to each grade’s catechist.

10th Grade Gifts of the Holy Spirit Retreat: Our 10th grade confirmation candidates will participate in a virtual Gifts of the Holy Spirit Retreat provided through the diocese. This retreat will begin on February 28th via Zoom and home assignments. Information and registration forms were provided with Lesson Packet #4. Candidates registration form needs to be returned to Sr. Suzanne Thibault, C.A. by February 10th to be considered for participation in this virtual retreat.

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 FEBRUARY 2021 PARISH TICKET WINNERS

UNSOLD TICKETS/NOT RETURNED TICKETS ~ If the winning number is a ticket that was not sold or returned, the money will be split with the number above the winning number and the number below the winning number. If the number above or below the winning number was not returned, we will go above or below that number.

Day Date Amount Number Winner

Monday February 1, 2021 $75 868 Christine Baxter

Tuesday February 2, 2021 $75 716 Lisa Jennings

Wednesday February 3, 2021 $75 301 Terry Mikula

Thursday February 4, 2021 $75 080 Cara Ferrante

 Sunday, February 7 Mass ~ 8:00 & 10:30 AM

 Confessions / 10:00 – 10:15 AM / St. Paul Room

 Blessing of Throats

 Girl Scouts / 4 – 5:30 PM

 Monday, February 8 Mass ~ Noon

 NO Sunday Choir Practice

 Tuesday, February 9 Mass ~ Noon

 Boy Scouts / 7:30 - 9:00 PM

 Citizens Concerned for Human Life Meeting / 7:00 PM

 Wednesday, February 10 Mass ~ Noon

 Thursday, February 11 Mass ~ Noon

 NO Saturday Choir Practice

 Friday, February 12 Mass ~ Noon

 Saturday, February 13 Mass / 4:00 PM

 Confessions / 3:30 – 3:45 / St. Paul Room

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Liam Joseph Marks Baptism

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 February 14 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Scout Sunday

 Valentine’s Day

 February 15 President’s Day / Offices Closed

 February 17 Ash Wednesday / Mandeville Collection

 February 20 & 21 Black & Indian US Mission Collection

 February 21 Molly Catherine Brandle Baptism

CHURCH HISTORY ZOOM CLASS ~ Chruch History: The story of diversity, multiple developments, and pluralism. In this 8 – week Zoom online class, Deacon Don Gibboney gives an overview of Chruch history focusing upon Christianity in Europe from apostolic times to the present. Classes are Wednesdays from 6:00 – 8:30 PM beginning February 24th. Registration fee is $45. To register please contact the Office of Lay Ecclesial Ministry at 814-361-2000 or mheinze@dioceseaj.org. All are welcome!

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND RESCHEDULED ~ Since there is uncertainty concerning overseas travel, Fr. Dave Peles & Deacon Michael Russo from St. Benedict’s Church, Johnstown, have rescheduled their pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The new dates are April 25 to May 4, 2022.

Our Holy Land Experience will:

Bring the Bible to life Energize the call to ministry

Inspire passionate faith and Christian living Enhance knowledge and understanding of the

Enrich your understanding of the Gospel contemporary culture and issues.

We are able to open the reservations to more pilgrims since we rescheduled our date. For a copy of the brochure & more information, please contact Deacon Michael Russo: 288-3036 or michael.russo@atlanticbb.net

Minutes of St. Michael Catholic Church Parish Council Meeting

January 3, 2021

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Monsignor Lockard; Parish Administrator, James Lashinsky; Council President, Paul Kundrod, Rodney Turgeon, Michele Panick, Mary Ann Spangler, Amy Spangler, & Amy Dobbins.

Absent: Laurie Sloan, Peter Parisi, & John Bizzarri.

Jim Lashinsky called the meeting to order at 11:25 AM. Amy Spangler led the council in an opening prayer. The minutes from the November 22, 2020 meeting were approved as submitted.

REPORTS:

MONSIGNOR:

CONSULTANT:

Monsignor Lockard gave the council an update on the Deanery Pastoral Council

Meeting. St. Michael Church belongs to the Johnstown Deanery, which is under the direction of Father Begley. A consultant’s services are available to assist parishes with evangelization. A leadership team will be organized to work in conjunction with the consultant to develop a plan for evangelization. The team will meet biweekly. The fee for the consultant is $20.00 per hour with an average schedule of 2-4 hours per week. The term of the contract will not exceed three months. Amy Dobbins made a motion to hire John Livingston as the consultant for St. Michael Church to assist the leadership team with evangelization. The motion was unanimously approved.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS:

Monsignor felt that the Christmas Eve Masses were well attended. The Christmas Day Mass was less crowded. Also, there were ten people that attended the Parish Advent Confession with Monsignor and Father Nale. Looking forward to the Lenten season, it is likely that another confession time will be scheduled with Monsignor and a visiting priest.

CEMETERY EXPANSION:

Monsignor has been in contact with Dan Partsch, St. Michael Church Cemetery Caretaker. Mr. Partsch made a request for the church to acquire additional land for the cemetery to give more mowing room for grass cutting. The council discussed the possibility of expanding the size of the cemetery and the amount of land that would be available for purchase. It was decided to have Monsignor call Mr. Partsch and inform him that the council is in favor of cemetery expansion.

MAINTENANCE:

Rod Turgeon discussed the winter upkeep of the church grounds. Also, gas lines will be coming to the backyard of the parish grounds this week. With the capability of gas heat eventually the church furnaces will be converted to gas. Mr. Turgeon made a request for a roof to wrap around the building over the CCD sidewalks to prevent water accumulation and ice.

FINANCE:

Michele Panick presented a report of the current balances of all parish accounts as of December 30. 2020. The council reviewed the report.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Due to the absence of the DRE, Monsignor reported on religious education. Currently, the parish is continuing the homeschool model for religious education. Although the parish would like to offer face to face instruction, especially for the sacramental classes, the parish needs to follow diocesan guidelines for face to face classes.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY:

No report was available at this time.

BOY SCOUTS:

Amy Dobbins discussed that the troop has been holding virtual Zoom meetings for merit badges with the scouts due to the increased Covid-19 cases locally.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

Monsignor expressed the need for a new member on the Parish Council. He would like to appoint Susan Blazosky to the position due to her service as the Parish representative on the Pastoral Deanery Committee and also her working with the Leadership Team. The council unanimously approved to appoint Susan Blazosky to the St. Michael Parish Council.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of St. Michael Church Parish Council is scheduled for March 7, 2021 immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass. Amy Dobbins volunteered as prayer leader for the meeting. With no new business to discuss, Amy Spangler led the council in a closing prayer. Jim Lashinsky adjourned the meeting at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

 Amy Dobbins