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, Th, F Noon

 Wed. 6:00 PM

 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 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

 Fourth Sunday of Lent

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 March 14th, 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 Saint Joseph

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (March 15 – March 21, 2021)

Monday, Mar. 15 Noon Agnes Plummer req. by Jessica Gressick & family

Tuesday, Mar. 16 Noon Stanley Pinkas req. by Tony Pinkas & family

Wednesday, Mar. 17 6:00 PM Meg Scott req. by Sondre Harteis & family

Thursday, Mar. 18 Noon Helen Bowen req. by Sara Zybura

Friday, Mar. 19 Noon Carol Horner req. by John Slivenik

Saturday, Mar. 20 4:00 PM Tom Vandzura req. by 4:00 PM Choir

Sunday, Mar. 21 8:00 AM People of the Parish

 10:30 AM Robert Wilson req. by Mary Ann Murin & family

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, March 20 4:00 PM

Lector: Sandy Bambino

Minister of the Host: Babe Richards

Altar Server: Alex Bambino

Cantor: David Zajdel

Sunday, March 21 8:00 AM

Lector: Cathy Faher

Minister of the Host: Sally Kolar

Altar Server: Eva Spangler

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Sunday, March 21 10:30 AM

Lector: James Lashinsky

Minister of the Host: Mike Steele

Altar Server: Kirstyn Vitez

Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Sunday, March 21 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:* 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, Dolores Mucko, Elliana, Ashlee, Helen Soohy, Carol K. Fabrizio, Peggy Carpenter, Dave Seder, Rosalie Ambrose, Pearl Borlie, Joe (Runk) Slonac, Diane Neri, Sharon Poldiak, Patty Gdula 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 $3,159.00

Loose $ 122.00

Youth $ 30.00

Monthly $1,552.00

Candles $ 64.00

Maintenance Fund $ 255.00

Easter Offering $ 70.00

Easter Flowers $ 120.00

Catholic Relief Services $ 10.00

Black & Indian $ 20.00

Holy Land $ 15.00

Holy Thurs./Food Pantry $ 25.00

Mandeville Diocese $ 15.00

Total $5,457.00

We sincerely thank and

ask God’s blessing upon

all who have care and

 concern for our parish.

During the week of March 14th, 2021

the Sanctuary Candle will burn as a

95th birthday (March 17th) remembrance for

Mildred Rose Bakale

requested by Susan, Dolores, and Evan Yanzetich



EASTER IS COMING! ~ Our beautiful celebration of our Lord Jesus’ Resurrection is only three weeks away. As of today, we must continue to follow the Bishop’s pandemic rules which include maintaining safe distancing in church. This cuts our seating capacity in half. Given the large number of people who rightfully wish to celebrate Mass on Easter, this will create a problem, I fear. One possible solution would be to “live stream” one or both Easter Sunday morning Masses into the upstairs of the church hall. I have no idea how to do this. If you could help with this, please call the parish office ASAP.



MAY HE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Jason Plummer whose funeral Mass was on Monday, March 8th, 2021. May he know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of all his family and friends.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ~ There will be a Pastoral Council Meeting this Sunday, March 14th in the Church following the 10:30 AM Mass.

THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION ~ This week we take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [*www.usccb.org/catholic-relief*](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief)*.*

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

THANK YOU! ~ Thank you for helping us during this very difficult time. Your kindness and concern for our family means a great deal to us. We appreciate all the love and support you have extended to us during this period of sadness. God Bless, Karen Myers.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE ~ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The Church encourages voluntary fasting on other days of Lent. Fasting refers to only one full meal, with two small meals and no eating otherwise during the day. Those who have reached their 18th birthday and not yet their 59th birthday are obliged to fast. Abstinence refers to not eating meat at all during the day. All those who have reached their 14th birthday are obliged to abstain.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS ~ We will be having an evening Mass on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM through March 31st for Lent. This is a wonderful opportunity to attend a daily Mass to help us in our Lenten journey. There will be NO Noon Mass on Wednesdays during Lent.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS ~ We will pray the Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent at 6:00 PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS BOOKLETS ~ Stations of the Cross Booklets are available on Fridays for anyone to take home and bring back with you every Friday. Please one per family.

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS ~ Msgr. will be hearing confessions every Friday following the Stations of the Cross until 7:00 PM in addition to the regularly scheduled confessions on Saturday & Sunday.



EASTER FLOWERS ~ To offer an Easter flower for a living (In Honor Of) or a deceased (In Memory Of) member of your family, please do so by legibly signing the Easter Flower envelope in your packet. The normal offering is $10. Please return the envelopes on or before March 28th.

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS & LENTEN FOLDERS ~ Anyone wanting a Little Black Book, or a Lenten Folder can either call the Parish office or stop in at the office during Parish office hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

HYMNALS ~ During Lent we need to resume using our parish hymnals. In order to prevent the transmission of the COVID Virus and other germs, we ask you to do the following:

Take a hymnal from the box at the church entrances (one per family please) and use it for Mass. Then take it home with you, put your name on it, and bring it with you to church every time you come to Mass. Treat it like the Missals we used in “the old days.” Since you are the only one using it, that should prevent transmission of the virus, etc. to others.

PRECIOUS LIFE ~ 8th Annual Spring Breakfast with guest speaker Melissa Ohden, an abortion survivor. Saturday, March 20th at 9:00 AM at Anthony’s Restaurant, 725 Scalp Avenue, Johnstown. Tickets are a $10 donation and may be purchased by calling the office 814-269-4391. A free-will offering will be taken. Thank you!

BINGO! ~ Bishop Carroll Catholic High School 814-472-7500. Sunday March 21, 1:00 PM. Prizes: Instant Lottery Tickets & more. Doors open at Noon. Admission $25. Call Bishop Carroll for Tickets.

CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR ~ Saturday, March 27, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Huge Bake Sale & Foods to Go – Haluski, Halupki, Soups, Gobs, Cinnamon Rolls & an Egg Hunt @ 1:30 PM at Bishop Carroll High School 814-472-7500.

MEN’S TURKEY DINNER ~ The Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel, Loretto, Annual Men’s Turkey Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 21st as a drive-thru dinner. Simply stay in your vehicle ~ multiple lines for faster service! 11 AM – 3 PM or sold out. Turkey dinner with all the trimmings - $12.00.



 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE COMMITMENT WEEKEND

Today is Commitment Sunday for the Catholic Ministries Drive –

BE A DISCIPLE OF HOPE!

Your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on Diocesan ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity.

During Lent, and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties – and one of those holy duties is to support the Church. We are challenged to open our eyes and see those in our midst that bring hope to life through their time and talent in serving the community through the 14 ministries supported by the Catholic Ministries Drive. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries!

If you didn’t bring your Commitment Card to Mass this weekend, please bring it next weekend or you may make an online gift at [www.dioceseaj.org/giving](http://www.dioceseaj.org/giving). All gifts received beyond our parish target amount will be used to purchase and install new gas furnaces for the Church, Hall, and Rectory.

St Michael Parish Goal is: $27,192.



March 19, 2021 is the *Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

According to the gospels, Joseph was a skilled craftsman and a descendant of King David. Joseph, learning of Mary’s pregnancy with a child that was not his, and under penalty of the law she would be put to death, decided to quietly dissolve the marriage “as he was a righteous man.” Told in his dreams by an angel of God that he was to “take Mary as his wife and take her child as his own. Joseph did as the angel commanded him, he took her as his wife.” (Matthew 1:19-25)

On this special day of the Church year many parishes will offer a banquet of blessings called the Saint Joseph Table. If your parish does not celebrate this tradition, or is not celebrating this year, consider making an offering of food to your local food bank or parish collection. 2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, *Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center,* 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.



 St. Patrick’s Day, March 17th



 Religious Education And Christian Helping

 March 14, 2021

Religious Education News

Home Lesson Packet #6 has been distributed to all students in Grades K—11.

 For those that missed scheduled pick-up times, lessons can be picked-up in the Big Blue Tote outside the Parish Office door marked: "Religious Education Pick-Ups & Drop Offs".  It can be accessed anytime at your convenience 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. Completed lessons can also be placed in the tote and will be given to each grade’s catechist.

Junior High Virtual Youth Day 2021 is scheduled for Sunday, March 21st.

Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 can attend from home via ZOOM. Look for information in this week’s Lesson Packet #6. Registration forms are due back to the Religious Education by March 16th.

First Reconciliation ~ Congratulations to our Second-Grade students who

received their Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on

 Saturday, March 6th.

 Members of the class that celebrated are:

 Aubrey Baxter, Kobe Baxter-Delsignore,

 Baylee Hill, Connor Linden,

 Devin Marra and Eli Tokarsky.

Please remember these children in your prayers as they will continue

 to prepare for the reception of their

First Holy Communion scheduled for May 1, 2021.

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 Sunday, March 14 Mass ~ 8:00 & 10:30 AM

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

 Catholic Ministries Drive Commitment Sunday

 Catholic Relief Services Collection

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Pastoral Council Meeting / Church / After 10:30 AM Mass

 Girl Scouts Meeting 1 – 2:30 PM / 4 – 5:30 PM

 Daylight Savings Time Begins



 Monday, March 15 Mass ~ Noon

 NO Sunday Choir Practice

 Tuesday, March 16 Mass ~ Noon

 Boy Scouts / 7:30 - 9:00 PM

 Wednesday, March 17 Mass ~ 6:00 PM

 Thursday, March 18 Mass ~ Noon

 NO Saturday Choir Practice

 Friday, March 19 Mass ~ Noon

 Stations of the Cross / 6:00 PM

 Abstinence from Meat

 Confessions after Stations of the Cross until 7:00 PM

 Saturday, March 20 Mass / 4:00 PM

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

 Katie Owens / Evan Link Nuptials / 1:30 PM

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 March 28 Palm Sunday

 March 29 Chrism Mass / Altoona Cathedral / 11:00 AM

 April 1 Holy Thursday Mass / 7:00 PM

 Adoration till 11:00 PM

 Holy Thursday/Food Pantry Collection

 April 2 Good Friday Celebration of the Lord’s Passion/ 1:00 PM

 Stations of the Cross / 6:00 PM

LOCAL FISH FRY ~ The St. Michael Fire Department is holding their Lenten Fish Fries each Friday during Lent. Meals are by Take out only or local delivery. Fried Fish, Baked Fish or Shrimp Dinners are available. Sides include your choice of Mac & Cheese, French Fies, or Pierogies. Dinners also include a roll and cole slaw. Meals begin at 11 AM thru 6 PM.

FISH FRY ~ Take out only! No need to get out of your car! Immaculate Conception Parish in Summerhill, PA. On the following dates ONLY: March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th and Good Friday, April 2nd from 4 – 6:30 PM at the New Germany Grove Hall, 1635 New Germany Road. Drive through only – NO phone orders! Adult size only, cost for each dinner is $10. All Dinners include: Choice of: Baked or Fried Fish, Baked Potato only (NO French Fries), Mac & Cheese, Haluski, Green Beans, Cole Slaw; and cake of the week. There will be no fish sandwiches. Thank you for your continued support!