ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 751 Locust Street

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 St. Michael, Pennsylvania 15951

Rev. Brian L. Warchola, Administrator MASSES:



(814) 266-9718 / Ext. 507 Saturday 4:00 pm

 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

Secretary: Susan Poldiak 10:30 am

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YEAR: 2017 NUMBER: 14

SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

BAPTISM: By Appointment. Reserve at least one month in advance.

 Preparation classes are necessary.

MARRIAGE: Make arrangements 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



 April 2, 2017

**Month of the Holy Eucharist**

MASS INTENTIONS: (April 3 – April 9, 2017)

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 8:00 AM Joseph Zibura req. by St. Joseph Cemetery Members

Wednesday 9:00 AM Agnes Horvath req. by Pat Minor & family

Thursday 8:00 AM Carl Tokarsky req. by Ron & Marcia Costlow

Friday 9:00 AM Sick and Shut – Ins req. by St. Michael Funeral Committee

Saturday 4:00 PM Mary A. Elersic req. by John & Patti Papcun

Sunday 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM Kristan Deighan req. by Family of Rick and Nancy Wessel

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, April 8 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Devon Michaels & Anthony Bambino John & Bonnie Bizzarri

Minister of the Host: Susan Blazosky

Ministers of the Cup: Vince Arena & Mary Partsch

Altar Servers: Mykala Drobnick, Ana Spangler, Adam & Alex Bambino

Cantor: Amy Spangler

Greeter: Shirley Walls and Mary Ann Spangler

Sunday, April 9 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Cathy & Joseph Faher Nick & Pauline Minor

Minister of the Host: Sally Kolar

Ministers of the Cup: Pauline Minor & Betty Long

Altar Servers: Griffin & Kaden Christ, Andrew Martin & Nathan Kundrod

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Greeter: Pete Parisi and Carol Hautz

Sunday, April 910:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Carole Kakabar & Michael Caddy Wessel Family

Minister of the Host: Dave Knobloch

Ministers of the Cup: Edie Knobloch & Michael Barton

Altar Servers: Eric & Shannan Elgin, Colby Rearick &

 Brooke Williamson

Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Greeter: Volunteers

Sunday, April 9 Collection Counters

 John Bizzarri, Rod Kundrod,

 Mary Ann DeRosa, Phyllis Slonac

Weare placing names of the sick in the bulletin for prayer providing they give permission. Although we remember all sick and shut-ins at every Mass, we would like our parish family to be aware of the need for special prayer intentions because of a most serious illness or hospital stay. *May the* *Divine Physician send healing grace for those for* *whom we pray:* Josephine Koshute, 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, Nicholas “Hop” Kolar, Pearl Litzinger, Patrick Munro, Fran Baldassarre, Corey Lybarger, Kristen Sinosky Long, Helen Ranieri, Cresta Micik, Loretta Panick, Basil Costantino, Madison McCrory, Laura, Maria, Joe Yoder, Dolores Yanzetich, Sandy Krug, Wanda Gramling, Merna Smay, Muriel “Jean” Wiesheier, Heidi Allison, Melinda Jerome, Agnes Plummer, Jennifer Hagans, Katie Ansell, Mary McCall, Sean, Holly, Shane, Melisa Ruddek, Patrick O’Donnell, Owen Taylor, Keith Hoyer, Gail Faher, Marjorie (Latshaw) Feldman, Jayden Scott Beam, Derrick Varnish, Karen Myers, Mark Baloga, Daniel Koshute, Vincent Koshute, Karen Lovrich, Melissa Cordek, Darlene Marshall, Tammy Webb, 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 $2,888.00

Loose $ 115.00

Youth $ 45.00

Monthly $ 10.00

Maintenance Fund $ 484.00

Candles $ 9.00

Catholic Relief Services $ 724.00

Flowers $ 36.00

Total $4,311.00

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

*John 11: 1-45*

*Our families can become wrapped up chasing things we perceive will make us happy. In Jesus’ words to Lazarus, He says to us: “Come out” from what entombs you. In this fifth week of Lent, “untie” yourself and be free from unnecessary possessions.*

We are asking that each parishioner(s) sell or buy the ticket(s) for $10.00 each and return the money and ticket stub as soon as possible, but no later than April 30th. The tickets start on May 1, 2017 and continue for the whole month of May. Winning numbers will be determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery Evening Pick Three Drawing: Seventy-five dollars weekday; One hundred dollars weekends; and, One hundred-fifty dollars for May 14th Mother’s Day and One hundred-fifty dollars May 29th Memorial Day! 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. 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. The tickets are available this weekend, Apil 1st & 2nd.

*Parish and Finance Council Members*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ~ On Friday evenings during Lent at 6:00 p.m., we will pray the Stations of the Cross. Lent invites us to meditate on the Passion of Christ.

EASTER FLOWERS ~ If you would like to purchase an Easter flower for a living (In Honor Of) or

a deceased (In Memory Of) member of your family, please do so by using the Easter Flower envelope in your packet. The normal offering is $10.00. Please return the envelopes on, or before, April 3rd. Extra envelopes can be found at the church entrances.

HOLY THURSDAY

*“If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”*

Father Warchola will be following the beautiful example set by Jesus on Holy Thursday, April

13th at the 7:00 PM Mass. We are asking for volunteers from the different groups in the parish,

i.e. Holy Name, Martha’s Group, choirs, etc. or any parishioner. Anyone interested in

volunteering can call the rectory office at 495-9640. Please leave your name and a phone

number. We will get back to you with the details.

SAVE THE DATE ~ On Wednesday, April 12th we will be holding a covered dish to commemorate the Lord’s Last Supper at 6:00 pm. The church will be supplying the main dishes and the beverages. Sign up sheets can be found in the back and side of the Church.

*Liturgical Reflection...*Saint Paul states, “Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her” (Ephesians 5:25). Giving himself over on the cross out of love for us, Christ is the supreme model of self-giving love. “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one. This is the great mystery, and I mean in reference to Christ and the Church” (Ephesians 5:31-32). Married life is intimately tied to the cross of Christ. Where there is sacrifice and self-giving, there is Christ and there is love (Catechism of the Catholic Church Number 1623).201 7, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown , Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg , Pennsylvania 16648

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The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Steve Faher

 Requested by Cathy and Joe Faher

 during the week of April 2, 2017.

**OUTDOOR STATIONS** Fr. Brian Warchola will be making the Outdoor Stations at 6:00 pm on Good Friday, April 14th, weather permitting or not. Anyone is welcome to join Father. The Church will also be open at this time for those who cannot make the stations.

**CHOIR PRACTICES** ~ Practice for Sunday Choir will be held on Mondays at 7:00 PM.

The Saturday Night Choir will be singing the Easter Vigil this year. Practice for the weekly Saturday Liturgy is on Thursday’s from 5:30 to 6:00 PM: 6:00 PM will be the practice for the Easter Vigil.

COMBINED PENANCE SERVICE ~ Father Warchola of St. Michael Parish and Father Nale of St. Bartholomew and Most Holy Trinity Parishes will be having a combined Penance Service at Most Holy Trinity Church in South Fork this Monday, April 3rd beginning at 6:30 PM. Other local Penance Services are: Sunday, April 2nd at Holy Name Church in Ebensburg, at 2:30 PM; Thursday, April 6th at St. John Gualbert Cathedral, Johnstown at 6:30 PM; and, Monday, April 10th at St. Benedict Church in Geistown at 5:00 PM.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING ~ Sunday, April 2nd after 8:00 AM Mass.

COFFEE & DONUTS ~ Sunday, April 2nd after the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses.

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.

BUS TRIP TO SIGHT AND SOUND ~ Spectacular Epic, “Jonah” on Friday, May 19th escorted by Msgr. Michael Becker: Cost of $125 includes bus, show and buffet dinner. Please call Jim at 241-1641.

BISHOP’S NIGHT FOR VOCATIONS-The Serra Club of Cambria County invites you to the Bishop’s Night for Vocation dinner on Friday, April 21, 2017 at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School., 728 Ben Franklin Highway, Ebensburg, Pa. A social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner follows at 6:30 pm. The event is sponsored jointly by the Serra Club and the Diocesan Vocation Office. Guest speaker is Reverend Stephen P. DeLacy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Philadelphia. For tickets please call Margorie Lechene at 814-255-9797 or 814-255-6563.

PRAYER CARDS—St. Benedict Gift Shop, Geistown, has closed and much of the inventory was not sold. Fr. Brian Warchola has collected all of the prayer cards that remain which include many card of our favorite Catholic saints. They will be displayed for anyone to purchase in the bridal room across from the restroom. The cost is 25 cents per card or five for $1.00; the money will go back to St. Benedict Church.



Religious Education And Christian Helping

April 2, 2017



Our REACH Youth Ministry will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt for Pre K– Grade 5 students next Sunday, April 9th immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Passion Sunday Liturgy. Any Pre K—Grade 5 students wishing to participate in our hunt can assemble in the middle parking lot between the church and church hall. Treats bags will be given even if weather does not permit a hunt.

*REACH student volunteers should report to the church hall at 10:30 a.m. to help prepare for the event during the 10:30 a.m. Mass.*



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Rite of Sending ~ Our 11th grade Confirmation class along with their Sponsors will attend the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday, April 2, 2017. The candidates will celebrate their “Rite of Sending” as our parish “sends them off” to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation. The Members of the 2017 Confirmation Class are: Adam Bambino, Brian Bernard, Sarah Deibert, Eric Elgin, Abigail Jordan, Sidney Kakaber, Evan Kundrod, Victoria Russic, Abigail Swanson, Carter Vitez and Kourtney Walls.

Confirmation ~ Our 11th Grade Confirmation class will receive their Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 20, 2017. A 7:00 PM Mass will be celebrated at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

*Confirmation Practice will be held on Wednesday evening April 19th at 6:30 PM.*

Practice and ceremony times for Confirmandi and Sponsors:

*Confirmation practice will be held on Wednesday, March 30th, at 6:15 p.m. at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral for all candidates and their sponsors.* We will meet for line-up in the basement of the Zion Lutheran Church (Behind Saint John’s). Use the back door of the Zion Church.

*The Confirmation Ceremony will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 31st.* Candidates and Sponsors need to return again to the basement of The Zion Lutheran Church by 6:00 p.m. Bishop Mark will be there to meet with and address the Confirmation Class before we line up and process into the Cathedral for the Confirmation Mass.

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*Religious Education Class Schedule*

*Sunday, 6—12: Classes are not scheduled for the weeks of April 9th (Passion Sunday), and April 16th (Easter Sunday). Classes will resume on Sunday, April 23rd.*

*Thursday, K—5: Class will not be held on Thursday, April 13th (Holy Thursday). K—5 classes will resume on Thursday, April 20th.*

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"Living” Stations of the Cross ~ In preparation for our Good Friday presentation of "Living” Stations of the Cross, ALL participating REACH students will meet in the Parish Hall for practice sessions on Good Friday, April 14th ~ starting at 10:00 a.m. in the church, for final preparations and stay through until our "Living Stations” presentation.

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** The National Catholic Youth Conference is a powerful, biennial, three-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers (of high school age) and their adult chaperones. The 2017 National Catholic Youth Conference is November 16-18, back in Indianapolis, with the theme *Called/Llamados*.

Who Can Attend NCYC?

Any high school aged member of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown aged 16 or over and their adult chaperones (with proper clearances) are invited to attend the pilgrimage to NCYC. Young people must register through their parish or Catholic High Schools.

*Saint Michael Parish is planning to attend NCYC 2017!*

We are offering this trip opportunity to REACH students that will be age 16 or over in the fall of 2017 and also any adult chaperones. The diocese has extended the deadline date for registration to April 15th. Once attendees are registered, there are also possible scholarship opportunities to apply for and more information will follow from the diocese. Many additional “NCYC fundraisers” will be scheduled to raise funds towards the remaining cost of the trip. Please visit: [www.ncyc.info](http://www.ncyc.info) for more information including promotional videos. NCYC Registration forms are available in the RE Office.

 *All registrations, along with an initial registration deposit fee of $100.00 is due in the RE Office no later than April 12, 2017 to hold a reservation for this trip. Registrations and deposits will then be sent to the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese Office by the registration deadline to confirm our group.*



*First Holy Communion* *~ Our Second Grade class is preparing to receive their Sacrament of First Holy Communion on*

*Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 2:00 PM.*

 Sunday, April 2 Religious Education / Grades 6 - 12 / 9:00—10:20 AM

 Rite of Sending / Confirmation Class / 10:30 AM Mass

 Holy Name Society Meeting after 8:00 AM Mass

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

 Monday, April 3 No Mass

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM / Church

 Combined Penance Service, Most Holy Trinity, South Fork / 6:30 pm

 Tuesday, April 4 Mass / 8:00 AM / Fr. Joseph Nale

 Wednesday, April 5 Mass / 9:00 AM / Fr. Brian Warchola

 Thursday, April 6 Mass / 8:00 AM / Fr. Joseph Nale

 Religious Education / Grades K - 5 / 3:30—4:30 PM / Hall

 Saturday Choir Practice / 5:30 PM / Church

 Friday, April 7 Mass / 9:00 AM / Fr. Brian Warchola

 Stations of the Cross / 6:00 PM / Church

 Combined Easter Choir / 7-8:00 PM

 Saturday, April 8 Second Sunday Food Collection

 Sunday, April 9 Religious Education / Grades 6 - 12 / 9:00—10:20 AM / Hall

 Second Sunday Food Collection

 Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 AM Mass

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 Monday, April 3 Combined Penance Service-Most Holy Trinity, South Fork, 6:30 pm

 Wednesday, April 12 Covered Dish commemorating the Lord’s Last Supper (Not a Seder Meal)

 6:00 pm / Sign up sheets in back of the Church.

 Holy Thursday, April 13 Food Pantry Collection

 Good Friday April 14 Holy Land Collection

 Living Stations / 12:00 pm

 The Passion of the Lord / 1:30 pm

 Outdoor Stations / 6:00 PM

SPRING TEA ~ All women of the parish are invited to attend the Annual Spring Tea to be held by the St. Anne’s Society of St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in Wilmore, PA on Sunday, April 30th. Rosary and Benediction begin at 2:00 PM with the tea to follow in the Church Hall. Please RSVP Ann Pershing at 495-9298 or Margy Blaisdell at 495-7020 by Sunday, April 23rd.

SPAGHETTI DINNER ~ All you can eat spaghetti dinner & basket party held at St. Francis Church Hall, 120 Barron Ave., Johnstown on Saturday, April 22nd from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm. to benefit Resurrection Parish Mission Trip to Webster Springs, WV. Cost is $8 adults, $5 for kids (4-12), 3 & under eat free.

*This printed in a Texas newspaper: The oldest cowboy in Texas died this week at the age of 106. On his birthday he was asked his secret to longevity and he said that for the past 50 years he has sprinkled a little gunpowder on his cereal each morning. He left behind 8 children, 21 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and a 15-foot hole in the crematorium*.