ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 751 Locust Street

 PO Box 103

 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

DRE: Laurie Sloan 9:00 am

Maintenance: Rodney Turgeon Holy Days: See Bulletin

PHONES: Office Hours:

 Rectory / Office: (814) 495-9640 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Fax: (814) 495-9424 Monday, Tues., Thurs., Friday

Rel. Education: (814) 495-4873 Closed Wednesdays

Parish Website Confessions:

[www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com](http://www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com) Saturday 3:30 pm to 3:45 pm

Secretaries’ E-mail Sunday 7:30 am to 7:45 am

saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com 10:00 am to 10:15 am

Facebook page: By Appointment

St. Michael Catholic Church/St. Michael, PA

 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 September 12th, 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

 and registered before with their families) are asked to register by calling

Membership: the Parish Office. 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 Seven Dolors of The Sorrowful Mother

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (September 13 - September 19, 2021)

Monday, Sept. 13 9:00 AM John Progar req. by Clara Garanich

Tuesday, Sept. 14 9:00 AM Mary Alice Colosimo req. by Nick & Pauline Minor

Wednesday, Sept. 15 9:00 AM John Chulick req. by Irene & Steve Chulick

Thursday, Sept. 16 9:00 AM Ann Marie Swelfer req. by Chuck & Brenda Polacek

Friday, Sept. 17 9:00 AM Thomas Andrew Kovach req. by Mary Jean Brown

Saturday, Sept. 18 4:00 PM Pauline Leipchak req. by Aunt Elizabeth Sracic

Sunday, Sept. 19 8:00 AM People of the Parish

 10:30 AM Frank Oshaben req. by Joan & Robert Oshaben

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, September 18 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Anthony Bambino Pauline Leipchak Family

Minister of the Host: Michael Barton

Choir Minister: Susan Blazosky

Altar Server: Caden & Kaylee Roberts

Cantor: David Zajdel

Greeter: Mary Ann Spangler

Sunday, September 19 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Terri Leach Bob & Ellen Grattan

Minister of the Host: Pauline Minor

Choir Minister: Eric Tedjeske

Altar Server: Bryce Macy

Cantor: Anita Lorek

Greeter: Pauline Minor

Sunday, September 19 10:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Carole Kakabar Robert & Joan Oshaben

Minister of the Host: Jennifer Steele

Choir Minister: Michael Steele

Altar Server: Haidyn Koch

Cantor: Louis McCloskey

Greeter: Wendy Blough

Monday, September 20 Collection Counters

 George & Pauline Minor

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, Ashlee Madison, Susan Yanzetich, Alina Rusnak, Gary Smay, Elizabeth Howell, Walter Bodziak, Rhonda, Anne Robinson, Carter Bobak, 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, Dolores Mucko, Elliana, Ashlee, Helen Soohy, Carol K. Fabrizio, Peggy Carpenter, Dave Seder, Rosalie Ambrose, Pearl Borlie, Joe (Runk) Slonac, Patty Gdula, Judy Barr, Ric Szelong, Lori Gramling, Babe Richards, Ruth Ferchalk, Morgan Divita 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

Regular Offertory $5,044.00

Maintenance $ 25.00

Holy Days $ 10.00

Diocesan Collections $ 60.00

Total $5,139.00

We sincerely thank

and ask God’s blessing

 upon all who have care

 and concern for

our parish.

September 12, 2021 Mark 8:27-35

If we want to be happy at home, we must commit (“lose ourselves”) to our family. If we try to be independent from others (“save ourselves”), we end up lonely and alone. Happiness is found in commitments. The gospel is true: We save our life by losing it!

During the week of September 12th, 2021

the Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

all those killed in the September 11th terrorist attacks

and

the Our Lady of Grace Candle will burn in honor of

all First Responders: Police, law enforcement, public safety, firefighters and EMT’s



ST. MICHAEL BLUE MASS ~ We will be having a Blue Mass honoring all first responders (police, law enforcement, public safety, firefighters and EMTs) for their service at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday, September 12th. A small luncheon will follow for first responders and their families in the Church Hall.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND ~ In your packet of envelopes there is an envelope for our Religious Education Fund – dated September 12th. All money collected will go into our Higher Education Account. Any student completing their Senior (12th) year of Religious Education requirements is eligible for a $300 scholarship. Envelopes can be turned in any weekend of September.

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

SUNDAY CHOIR PRACTICE ~ Due to scheduling conflicts, Sunday’s Choir will be practicing on Wednesdays, beginning this Wednesday, September 15th until further notice.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ~ There will be a Pastoral Council Meeting next Sunday, September 19th in the Church Hall, Room #2 after the 10:30 AM Mass.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS ~ There will be a Special Second Collection the weekend of September 18th & 19th for the Haiti Earthquake victims. Please make your checks payable to St. Michael Church and put it in a plain envelope marked “Haiti Victims”. Please add your name and envelope number for credit. We will forward one check to the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese to be given to Catholic Relief Services.

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES ~ Lay ministry schedules for the months of October through January are now being made up. Anyone who would like to serve as an Altar Server, Reader, Cantor, Greeter, or any current minister who has scheduling preferences at his time, should call Suzi Blazosky at 814-495-5287 or email her at sublazosky@gmail.com . Deadline is September 19th, 2021.

R.C.I.A ~ Are you interested, or do you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic? Are you a Catholic who would like to grow in faith understanding or has not been confirmed for one reason or another? The R.C.I.A. program will commence in October. For more information, please call Suzi Blazosky at 814-495-5287 or email sublazosky@gmail.com.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS ~ The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating Fatima Devotions on Monday, September 13th in the gardens at Mount Assisi at 6:30 PM. (in case of inclement weather, they will be held at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.)

40 HOURS DEVOTION ~ A devotional prayer centered around Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at Our Lady of the Alleghenies Church in Lilly (608 Main St.) on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday – September 12th, 13th, and 14th. A Devotional Service will begin each evening at 7:00 PM with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during the day. Everyone is welcome to attend!

RELICS OF ST. PADRE PIO ~ The Windber Catholic Parishes invites you to venerate three Relics of St. Padre Pio. The relics will be at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Windber on Tuesday, September 14th, 9 AM to 8 PM. We will have our traditional Noon Novena Mass in honor of St. Anthony of Padua and St. Padre Pio. At 6 PM, we will have a Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio. The Church will be open the entire day for veneration. Also, confessions will be heard from 9 – 11:30 AM and from 1 – 5:30 PM. Quoting St. Padre Pio, “Stay with me, Lord, for you are my light and without you I am in darkness.”

PA MARCH FOR LIFE ~ Free Bus Trip! Monday, September 27th. PA State Capitol, Harrisburg, PA 11 AM: Rally, 12 Noon: March. Call 814-269-1470 for LOCAL BUS Reservations/Details. For more info: PAMarchForLife.org.



CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY ~ Fridays in the Basilica of St. Michael, Loretto at 3 PM. – Please join us as we gather to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary for our country, world, and religious freedom.

SPECIAL MASS AND BANQUET ~ Once again it is time to hold our special celebration for Columbus Day in conjunction with a time of prayer. The affair will be held at the St. Michael Basilica in Loretto on October 17th. Bishop Bartchak will celebrate Mass at 2 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. Cost of the dinner is $15 for adults and $7.50 for children 12 yrs. old and younger. Reservations must be made in advance. No money transactions will be made at he door the evening of the banquet. Those wishing ot attend should submit their names along with a check to: William Stasko, CPA, 8 Entrance Dr., Johnstown, PA 15905. In order to prepare name tags in advance, names should be submitted singly, rather that as Mr. & Mrs. THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS OCTOBER 9.

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE PRAYER BREAKFAST ~ Saturday, October 23rd, New Germany Grove Hall

9 AM – 12 Noon. Hosted by the Citizens Concerned for Human Life, Cambria-Somerset Chapter.

An Urgent Request to Everyone in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

In a matter of 72 hours (August 14-16), the Caribbean country of Haiti was struck by a 7.1 magnitude earthquake that destroyed countless homes, churches, and schools, and flooding by Tropical Storm Grace impeded rescue efforts.

I am asking everyone in our diocese young and old to contribute to a special second collection for Haiti that is to be taken up at all the Masses on the weekend of September 18-19. Online donations are also encouraged through the GIVING section of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown website. All proceeds will be given to Catholic relief Services for immediate distribution.

Please be generous in responding to our neighbors in their time of need. Please be a Good Samaritan!

Thank you for your prayers and financial donations for our brothers and sisters in Haiti.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev. Mark L. Bartchak

Please make checks payable to St. Michael Church. Put your donation in a plain envelope marked “Haiti Victims” with your name & envelope number on it & place in the second collection basket at Masses on September 18 & 19.

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MAINTENANCE FUND TICKETS ~ We are asking that each active parish household (and active adult children living in the household) sell or buy one ticket for $10.00 and return the money and ticket stub as soon as possible, but no later than September 26th. The tickets start on October 1, 2021 and continue the whole month of October. Winning numbers will be determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery Evening Pick Three Drawing. The October Maintenance Fund tickets are on the table at the back of the Church. They will be in the Church for the next 3 weeks. Tickets will no longer be mailed to Parishioners. If you are unable to sell or don’t want the ticket, PLEASE don’t throw it away, but return it as soon as possible as we always have people looking for extras. If paying by check, please make checks payable to St. Michael Church. The money raised from the sale of these tickets will help to build up St. Michael Maintenance Fund to purchase gas furnaces for the hall, and rectory.

PLEASE NOTE! If you did not purchase or sell your June and February 2021 tickets, you were not issued the October 2021 ticket. If you did not get a ticket and would like to purchase the October 2021 ticket, please call the office. We apologize if anyone has been accidentally missed. If you would like a ticket or if anyone is wanting extra tickets, please call the office during office hours. Thank you.

 *Parish and Finance Council Members*



Religious Education And Christian Helping

 September 12, 2021

For All the Parish Support at the Forest Hills Labor Day Festival

Our Saint Michael REACH Youth Ministry would like to thank all those who supported us at this year’s Forest Hills Labor Day Festival by purchasing any of our Apple Dumplings or Ice Cream Sundaes, and those who helped in any way.

Thanks to all our volunteers, those that helped prepare our booth spaces with all the supplies and also to take down after the festival was over. All the REACH students and parents that helped with any part of the prep and working shifts in our booths selling our Apple Dumplings and Ice Cream Sundaes during the festival. Your generosity and participation is greatly appreciated.

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Religious Education Registration

 Religious Education registration is taking place for our 2021 / 2022 CCD Year. New registration packets containing forms and information for our upcoming year have been mailed out to all registered families of our Saint Michael Parish with school aged children. Please complete and return the forms to register for our 2021 / 2022 Religious Education Year. In addition, parents of K—5 students also need to return the enclosed Bus Permission card to the Elementary School Office. Any questions, call the RE Office at 495-4873.

Religious Education Start Dates:

Grades 6—12 begins on Sunday, September 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

Grades K—5 begins Thursday, September 23rd from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Religious Education Teacher Needed ~ Your help is needed. We are looking for a Religious Education teacher for our Thursday K—5 Program. Contact the Parish Office at 814-495-9640 or the Religious Education Office at 814-495-4873 to inquire.

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PUMPKIN ROLLS ~ Most Holy Trinity, South Fork, Pumpkin Rolls, $15 each. If you wish to order, please sign the sheet at the entrances of the Church or call Rita at 814-495-5169 or Laurie at 814-495-9937 and leave a message. Orders are due by September 17th. Please include your phone number. Pickup is September 24th from 9 AM – 12 Noon or after the September 25th & 26th weekend masses at Most Holy Trinity, South Fork.

BBQ CHICKEN DINNER ~ St. Demetrius Church in Gallitzin will be holding their Famous BBQ Chicken Dinner on Sunday, Sept. 26th as a Take-Out Dinner only. Cost: $12/dinner will include their Delicious ½ BBQ Chicken, 2-Sides and Dessert. Dinners will be available from 11 AM until sold out. Basket raffle, theme games, and other small games of chance will be available as well. Location: Parish Activity Center at 714 Foster St. (enter below 616 Church St.).

 Sunday, September 12 Mass ~ 8:00 & 10:30 AM

 Confessions / 7:30 – 7:45 AM & 10:00 – 10:15 AM / In the Confessional

 Blue Mass / 10:30 AM Mass

 Luncheon for Responders & their Families / Hall / after 10:30 AM Mass

 Religious Education Fund Second Collection

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Girl Scouts / Hall / 1 - 2:30 PM & 4 - 5:30 PM

 Monday, September 13 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Leadership Team Meeting / Hall Rm #2 / 6:30 PM

 Tuesday, September 14 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Boy Scouts / Hall / 7:30 – 9:00 PM

 Citizens Concerned for Human Life Meeting / 7:00 PM



 Wednesday, September 15 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Scouts Service Unit Meeting / Hall / 6:30 PM

 Thursday, September 16 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

 Friday, September 17 Mass ~ 9:00 AM

 Saturday, September 18 Mass / 4:00 PM

 Confessions / 3:30 – 3:45 / In the Confessional

 Second Collection for Haiti Earthquake victims

 UPCOMING EVENTS



 September 19 Second Collection for Haiti Earthquake victims

 First Day of HS Religious Education

 Pastoral Council Meeting / Hall Rm #2 / After 10:30 AM Mass

 September 23 First Day of Elementary Religious Education

 September 25 Docherty / Gdula Nuptials