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 ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 751 Locust Street

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

(814) 495-9640 Saturday 4:00 pm



 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

Secretary: Michele Panick 10:30 am

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Secretaries’ E-mail By Appointment

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 YEAR: 2019 NUMBER: 46

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 November 17, 2019

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 rectory 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 Tuesdays.



 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

 November 17, 2019

Month of The Holy Souls in Purgatory

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (November 18 – November 24, 2019)

Monday 8:00 AM Glenn M. Hoffman req. by Wife Romana

Tuesday 8:00 AM Marianne Bodenschatz req. by Debbie Conway

Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 8:00 AM Albert & Clara Long req. by Carl & Pam Freidhoff

Friday 8:00 AM Edith Stravinsky req. by cousin, Betty Gelles

Saturday 4:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday 8:00 AM Jane Plummer req. by Don & Marie Jo Plummer, children &

 grandchildren

Sunday 10:30 AM William Wilson req. by Mary Ann Murin & Family

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, November 23 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Anthony Bambino Rod Kundrod Family

Minister of the Host: Helen Slonac Minister of the Cup: Theresa Carlson & Karen Myers

Altar Servers: Carson & Dylan Kundrod

Cantor: Susan Blazosky

Greeter: Darlene Marshall

Sunday, November 24 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Amy Spinos Don & Marie Jo Plummer

Minister of the Host: Robert Grattan Family

Minister of the Cup: Walter Christ & Paul Kundrod

Altar Servers: Ana Spangler & Natalie Stohon

Cantor: Sharon Dibble

Greeter: Pete Parisi

Sunday, November 2410:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Carole Kakabar Rick Roberts Family

Minister of the Host: Edie Knobloch

Minister of the Cup: Dave Knobloch & Michael Steele

Altar Servers: Shannan Elgin & Adalynne Webb

Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Greeter: Wendy Blough

Sunday, November 24 Collection Counters

 Christine Smay, Sara Zybura

 Debbie Dupnock

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, 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, Kristen Sinosky Long, Helen Ranieri, Cresta Micik, Basil Costantino, Madison McCrory, Laura, Joe Yoder, Dolores Yanzetich, Sandy Krug, Wanda Gramling, Merna Smay, Agnes Plummer, Jennifer Hagans, Shawn, Holly, Shane, Spencer, Owen Taylor, Keith & Dawnetta Hoyer, Derrick Varnish, Vincent Koshute, Melissa Cordek, 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, Danika Faith, Alina Rusnak, Marcia Costlow, Gary Smay, Elizabeth Howell, Helen Bowen, Walter Bodziak, Rhonda, Dan Strinkoski, Anne Robinson, Marlene McCrory, Sharon Poldiak, Carter Bobak, Vince Arena, Mike Morris, Sarah Kelt, Patty Yanzetich Caldwell, Colton Snyder, Betty Delaney, Nancy Edmiston, Elizabeth Stoker Thomas, Albert Sracic, Joseph Ropecka, Bill Krajewski, Leonard Oshaben, Florence Smith, Michael Chalan Jr., Adam, Bill Gideos, Janice Dipyatic, John Poldiak Jr., Gerald Delaney, Lily Maloney, Adam Wingard, Scott, Lisa, Rosalie Ambrose, John Patrick 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 $3,786.00

 Loose $ 234.00

Youth $ 35.09

Monthly $ 708.00

Candles $ 39.00

Maintenance $ 10.00

 Catholic Charities $ 40.00

 Christmas Flowers $ 80.00

 All Saints $ 25.00

 All Souls $ 67.00

 Total $5,024.09

We sincerely thank and ask

 God’s blessing upon all

who have care and

 concern for our

parish.

*Stewardship Reflections…*

Jesus urges us to persevere through trial and tribulation. True joy born of hope in Christ transcends circumstance and transforms our encounters, so we can live in joyful gratitude. How can we as stewards bring hope to those in the world that are in need of our Spirit? Take some time this week to think about how you can share the love and joy of God in the midst of the people and activities that you are a part of.

End-of-the-Year Charitable Giving

Ease your tax burden while benefitting St. Michael Parish

In a year when the investment markets have helped to grow investment portfolios, please consider the benefits of charitable giving to St. Michael Parish.

Here are two important ways to help your parish:

1. Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA:

If you are over age 70 ½, you may transfer, tax-free, up to $100,000 from your IRAs to St. Michael. The gift can satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) each year but does not count as income to you! This can be a great way to make a gift to St. Michael and enjoy the tax benefits. When the transfer is processed directly to St. Michael, you do not pay taxes on the distribution. The requirements are relatively simple. The charitable distribution must be:

* A distribution from a traditional IRA
* Paid directly from the IRA trustee/custodian to St. Michael-Contact your IRA Trustee or Custodian for paperwork to process this distribution directly to St. Michael.
* The IRA owner must be age 70 ½ or older
* Must be completed now to qualify for 2019 tax benefits for the donor
* If you’ve already taken your RMD for this year, keep this gifting strategy in mind for next year!
1. Donation of Appreciated Stock or Mutual Funds:

If you have shares of stock or mutual funds that have grown in value over the years, or low basis stock, consider gifting the shares to St. Michael, rather than giving cash. At the time of the donation you get a tax deduction equal to the fair market value of the stock and avoid paying the capital gains on the shares donated.

*To get the process started, please contact Pam Seasoltz, Director of Stewardship and Development, at 814.695.557 or* *pseasoltz@dioceseaj.org**.*

*Remember:* Plan early to process your donation in order to receive a tax deduction for 2019!

Thank you!



The Sanctuary Candle will burn for a

safe trip to and from NCYC

during the week of November 17, 2019.



BAPTISM ~ On Saturday, November 9, 2019, we celebrated the glorious baptism of Faith Olivia Vogel, daughter of Erik Vogel and Laura (McCloskey) Vogel by Fr. Brian Warchola. She became a new creation in Christ in the waters of Holy Baptism. Now joined to us by the gifts of faith, hope and charity, we warmly welcome her into our St. Michael Parish Family.



MAY SHE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Patricia Grata whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, November 11th by Msgr. Lockard. May she know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of all her family and friends.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Gloria Weyandt whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, November 16th by Msgr. Lockard. May she know the eternal peace and happiness promised by our Savior, Lord Jesus. Please pray for the consolation of all her family and friends.

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION ~ Thank you to all who so generously donated to the Forest Hills Food Pantry. The total money collected was $544.00 and an assortment of non-perishable items.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ~ For 79 years, Catholic Charities has helped our neighbors throughout Central Pennsylvania regardless of faith or background. 100% of contributions received through this weekend’s second collection will directly help your neighbors in need. Please return your Catholic Charities envelope or make your gift online at [www.catholiccharitiesaj.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesaj.org). Thank you for helping Catholic Charities of Altoona-Johnstown to reduce poverty in communities throughout our diocese.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ~ Meeting is this Sunday, November 17th after the 8:00 AM Mass.

COFFEE AND DONUTS ~ There will be coffee and donuts in the church hall after the 8:00 & 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday, November 17th.

ADVENT “LITTLE BLUE BOOK” ~ December 1st is the beginning of the Advent Season. The parish is providing the Little Blue Book free of charge to all parishioners. This booklet is available at the side entrance and on the table at the back of the Church this weekend.



SALVATION ARMY TREASURES FOR CHILDREN PROJECT ~ Our parish will again participate in the Salvation Army Treasures for Children Project. The tags will be displayed along the walls of the Church and will be available on Thanksgiving – November 28th. More details and information to follow.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS ~ Advent Confessions will be here at St. Michael Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 PM. Other priests will be present to assist Msgr. Lockard. Mark your calendars now. We will combine with Most Holy Trinity, South Fork & St. Bartholomew, Wilmore.

COMBINED CHRISTMAS CHOIR ~ Rehearsal dates are November 19 & 26 at 7 PM. December dates TBA. Watch bulletin for changes and further details.



 Religious Education And Christian Helping

 November 17, 2019

Fall Confirmation Sessions

*Grade 10 ~ Fall Session 10 A ~*

*Scripture—Reflecting on and Living the Word: Sunday, November 17, 2019*

All 10th Grade students will be attending their Fall Session 10A from 9 to 10:20 a.m. in the Saint Paul Room 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.*

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Two students and two chaperones, representing our Saint Michael Parish will be a part of many journeying to Indianapolis, Indiana for the 2019 NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) this week, November 20th thru the 24th. The National Catholic Youth Conference invites participants to encounter Christ, experience church, and be empowered for discipleship—coming together to pray, learn, and grow in their faith.

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Children’s Thanksgiving Liturgy *~* There will be a special Children’s Thanksgiving Liturgy on Thursday, November 21st at 3:30 p.m. for our K—5 students. Parents, older siblings and any other parishioners are also invited to attend! We will be collecting non-perishable food items or monetary donations to be donated to the Forest Hills Food Pantry.

This Thanksgiving Liturgy will take place during our regularly scheduled class time. All students will be dismissed from the church at the end of Mass.





*8th Grade Cookie Bake ~* Next Sunday, November 24th, our 8th grade class will be participating in a "Cookie Bake" for their class service project, starting during their morning class time and extending through lunch with a pizza party. They will be baking and decorating cookies that will be included in the fruit baskets taken to our homebound parish members.

![MC900436063[1]]()Eucharistic Adoration Day for Teens in Grades 9—12

 High school students in grades 9—12 are invited to attend a Eucharistic Adoration with Bishop Mark Bartchak. This will be hosted here at our Saint Michael Parish on Saturday, December 14, 2019. The day will begin at 10:00 AM in the church with Praise and Worship Music and Eucharistic Adoration celebrated by Bishop Mark with an opportunity for reconciliation. This event is open to all teens throughout the Altoona-Johnstown diocese as part of their Confirmation Process. A social gathering will be held afterwards for fellowship with Bishop Mark.

*Teens must pre-register by November 24th.*

*Registration forms are available in our RE Office.*

*As part of the new Diocesan Confirmation Revisions, all students in the 3-year confirmation preparation process, (Grades 9, 10 and 11), are required to attend a Eucharistic Adoration Day with*

*Bishop Mark Bartchak at least 1 time within their 3-year process.*

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REACH Basket Social ~ Our REACH Youth Ministry will sponsor their annual REACH Basket Social on Sunday, December 8th this year!

We are asking our Religious Education families to help with the Project:

Each Religious Education class, Grades K—12 are asked to sponsor a basket to be chanced off at this social as a classroom service project. Over these next few weeks, students in each grade will pick a theme for their basket. Each class will also decide if they are collecting money or purchased items. We ask that each student then bring their donation in by the beginning of November so that each class has ample time for their class to assemble their class basket by Thursday, November 21st for K—5and Sunday, November 24th for 6—12 in time for the social.

(There is no RE Class scheduled for Thursday, November 28th or Sunday, December 1st)!

 When sending your donations, please be sure to mark the envelope or bag “Basket Social” and also include your “Child's Name” and “Grade” to ensure that the correct grade receives them. Donation envelopes can be dropped in the weekend collection basket at Masses or bagged items can be placed in the Bridal Room or brought to the Religious Education Office or Rectory Office.

*Our basket social fundraiser helps pay for numerous activities like food provided at various service projects, our 8th grade Cookie Bake and Homebound Fruit Baskets, K—5 Outing to Chuck E Cheese, the Easter Egg Hunt treats, Mother's Day carnations and Father's Day Gifts. REACH funds also cover the cost of our confirmation retreat expenses along with SHYCON and Junior High Youth Day to help assure students can attend.*



Saint Michael Parishioners can help too! We are in need of any new or unused items you may have for use in assembling extra baskets for the event. This also includes empty baskets or containers you may have too. You can also help by assembling a basket alone, or several people together can combine resources for a completed basket. Any help with this is greatly appreciated! Any donated items or baskets can be left in the Bride’s Room of the church or dropped off at the Parish or Religious Education Offices. Please make items “REACH Basket Social”.



 Sunday, November 17 High School Religious Ed. / 9:00 – 10:20 AM

 10th Grade Confirmation Session / 9:00 – 10:20 AM

 Holy Name Meeting / After 8:00 AM Mass

 Coffee & Donuts / Church Hall / After 8:00 & 10:30 AM Masses

 Monday, November 18 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, November 19 Combined Christmas Choir / 7:00 PM

 Boy Scouts / 7:30 PM

 Wednesday, November 20 No Mass

 Thursday, November 21 K—5 Religious Ed. / Thanksgiving Liturgy / 3:30 – 4:30 PM

 Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

 Girl Scout Service Unit Meeting / 6:30 PM

 NCYC

 Friday, November 22 NCYC

 Saturday, November 23 NCYC

 UPCOMING EVENTS



 November 28 Thanksgiving Day

 November 27, 28 & 29 Parish Officces Closed / Thanksgiving Holiday

 December 6 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Adoration

 December 7 & 8 Retirement Fund for Religious / Second Collection

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 December 8 Holy Name Meeting & Coffee & Donuts

 Parish Council Meeting

 REACH Basket Social



TURKEY BINGO ~ Holy Family Parish, 509 Caldwell Ave., Portage will hold a Turkey Bingo on Monday, November 18th in the Parish Hall at 7 PM. 25 Turkeys and two $25 Stager Store Gift Certificates will be given as prizes. Admission is $5 per person which includes a door prize chance. 17 years old and younger are free. Bingo cards are 3 for 50 cents per game. Several Specials will be played at $1 each, “Winner Taking Half.” Rip off’s, food and refreshments will be available.

POSITION OPENING ~ Position: Maintenance/General Laborer at Transfiguration Parish in Conemaugh. Status: Part-time. Hours per week: 25. Work schedule: Mon – Fri 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM. In addition to general knowledge of mechanical, electrical and plumbing repairs, the candidates must be available for snow removal and salt application according to mass schedule including weekends. If interested they can contact the rectory @ 814-535-2250, apply on Indeed or email resume to lmcevoy@dioceseaj.org.

CHRISTMAS NUT ROLLS ~ Most Holy Trinity Church, South Fork, is taking orders for Christmas Nut Rolls for $9.00 each. Orders due by Nov. 27th and pick up on Friday, December 6th, 9 – Noon or after weekend Masses. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the back of the church.