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 ST. MICHAEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

 751 Locust Street

 PO Box 103

 St. Michael, Pennsylvania 15951

 Rev. Brian L. Warchola, Administrator MASSES:

(814) 495-9640 Saturday 4:00 pm



 Sunday Morning 8:00 am

Secretary: Michele Panick 10:30 am

Bookkeeper: Kathy Kalicky Daily Mass See Bulletin

DRE: Laurie Sloan Holy Days See Bulletin

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 Office Hours:

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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 7:30 am to 7:45 am

www.saintmichaelchurch.weebly.com 10:00 am to 10:15 am

Secretaries’ E-mail Anytime Requested

saintmichaelsecretaries@yahoo.com

 YEAR: 2019 NUMBER: 13

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

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.

 Fourth Sunday of Lent

 March 31, 2019

 **Month of St. Joseph**

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (April 1 – April 7, 2019)

Monday 8:00 AM Robert Sivec req. by Dan & Shelley DeLuca

Tuesday 8:00 AM Wayne C. Cook req. by Barb & John Havrilla

Wednesday 6:00 PM Ann Blazosky req. by Mr. & Mrs. James Susko

Thursday 8:00 AM For Catholics to return to the Church

First Friday 8:00 AM John L. Podrebarac req. by Tony & Sue Caputo

Saturday 4:00 PM Rose Ropecka req. by sister, Sally Platt

Sunday 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM Arleen Diamond req. by Helen Varney

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, April 6 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Donald Dipko Bambino Family

Minister of the Host: Helen Slonac

Choir Minister: George Minor

Altar Servers: Carson & Dylan Kundrod

Cantor: Susan Blazosky

Greeter: Darlene Marshall

Sunday, April 7 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: David Knepper Holy Name Society

Minister of the Host: Marie Bernard

Choir Minister: Tracy Yakicic

Altar Servers: Andrew Martin & Michael Kresic

Cantor: Susan Yanzetich

Greeter: Pauline Minor

Sunday, April 710:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Michael Barton John & Michelle Vitez

Minister of the Host: Dave Knobloch

Choir Minister: Susan Wieczorek

Altar Servers: Landon & Zach Fisher

Cantor: Amy Dobbins

Greeter: REACH Students

Sunday, April 7 Collection Counters

 John Bizzarri, Sara Zybura

 Christine Smay

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, Lori Facciani, Dylon Wills, Missy, Joanne (Kolar) Hufford, Christine Flanagan, Ayden Alan Grata, Mary Lou Offman, 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, 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, Muriel “Jean” Wiesheier, Agnes Plummer, Jennifer Hagans, Shawn, Holly, Shane, Spencer, Owen Taylor, Keith & Dawnetta Hoyer, Derrick Varnish, Daniel Koshute, Vincent Koshute, Melissa Cordek, Michelle Elliott, Heather Romanow, Mackston Barrick, Connor Thomas, Erin, Pat, Mary Agnes Nastase, Mary Ann Bertolino, Dick Wilson, Izzy Bihun, Erica Mitzelfeld, Dorothy Kaminsky, Ed Ripper Sr., Patricia Oshaben, Ashlee Madison, Susan Yanzetich, Mike, Mary Sivec, Danika Faith, Alina Rusnak, Marcia Costlow, Gary Smay, Elizabeth Howell, Helen Bowen, Bill Gideos, James Macy, Walter Bodziak, Rhonda, Dan Strinkoski, Anne Robinson, Marlene McCrory, Sharon Poldiak, Carter Bobak, Vince Arena, Mike Morris, Sarah Kelt, Mildred Andrykovitch, Patty Yanzetich Caldwell, Mary Secriskey, Owen Croyle, Colton Snyder, Betty Delaney, Nancy Edmiston, Elizabeth Stoker Thomas, Albert Sracic, Dale Bourdess, Dana Bolvin, Arthur Byers, Joseph Ropecka, Bill Krajewski 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 $3,493.00

 Loose $ 305.75

 Youth $ 43.75

 Monthly $ 65.00

 Candles $ 61.50

 Maintenance $ 504.00

 Catholic Relief Services $ 15.00

 Holy Land $ 20.00

 Catholic Home Missions $ 5.00

 Easter Flowers $ 165.00

 Total $4,678.00

We sincerely thank and ask God’s

blessing upon all who have care

and concern for our parish.

*March 31, 2019 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32*

*We may feel like the Prodigal Son, but the Gospel wants us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?*



 EASTER FLOWERS ~ Anyone wanting Easter flowers for a living (In Honor Of) or a deceased (In Memory Of) member of your family, please do so by signing the Easter Flower envelope in your packet. The normal offering is $10. Please return the envelopes on or before April 7th. Extra envelopes can be found at the church entrances.

THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION ~ This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus in disguise. This second collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and 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).

STAY INFORMED AND ENGAGED IN DIOCESAN NEWS ~ The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown has launched an on-line newspaper *Proclaim!:* *The Good News of Altoona-Johnstown* featuring diocesan news, information, and commentary-including happenings at parishes and schools. Visit the site at proclaim.dioceseaj.org and sign up for regular e-mail updates delivered to your inbox. Beginning soon, monthly editions of *The Catholic Register* will be available here at the parish.

PARISH MISSION ~ The Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel, Loretto will hold their fourth annual Lenten Mission in Honor of Our Lady of Loretto March 31-April 5. Fr. Michael Caridi, St. Anne Parish, Pitts., PA is the Mission Director. The Mission opens Sunday March 31 at 7 PM with Prayers, homily & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Bishop Mark Bartchak presiding. Mass with mission prayers and homily will be offered at 7 PM Monday through Friday. Confessions are offered at 6 PM Monday through Friday. Eucharistic Adoration offered at 6 PM Monday – Friday. Prayer intentions may be sent to: Fr. John D. Byrnes, Rector, PO Box 10, Loretto, PA 15940.

HEALING MASS ~ will be on Monday, April 8, at 7 PM, at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Jonathan St. Andre TOR, will be the main celebrant. All are welcome, especially those in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual healing, and those who support and care for them as well. For more information call 814-941-3832.

CCW OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENRICHMENT ~ April 12-13: What the “people of the Passion” teach us about Jesus Today. As we journey through Lent to Holy Week, this retreat offers the opportunity to reflect on 7 people who witnessed the death of Jesus. Retreat begins on Friday at 7 PM; ends on Saturday at 3 PM and will include presentations on the theme, guided prayer opportunities and time for quiet personal reflection. Donation: $40/per person or $60/married couple. Includes overnight accommodation, meals and all materials. Pre-registration with donation is required by April 8. To register, get directions, or for more information, call 814-886-4098.

BUS TRIP ~ Wednesday, August 7th. Sight and Sound “Jesus” includes lunch at Shady Maples. $139 adult/$99 child. For more info or reservations Debbie Poborsky 814-495-3158(home), 814-525-5035(cell). Send payment to: 807 Ragers Hill Rd, South Fork, PA 15956.

ST. MICHAEL, ST. JOSEPH, & CORPUS CHRISTI CEMETERIES ~ Spring Cleanup! Please have everything removed from the graves NO later than April 6th, 2019. Anything left will be disposed of.



2019 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE ~ St. Michael’s Parish Goal is $26,768.00.

*Stewardship Reflections…*

The Father gives us an abundance of gifts much like the prodigal son in today’s parable. It is up to us to use our time, abilities, and finances wisely so as to not squander our eternal inheritance!

The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of

Carl Tokarsky requested by

Loving wife Hermina, children & grandchildren

and The Our Lady of Grace Candle will burn in memory of

Matthew & Anna Rus and Joseph Rus requested by Family

during the week of March 31, 2019.





MAY SHE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Lois Jane Bukosky whose Memorial Mass was celebrated on Thursday, March 28th, 2019 by Fr. Brian Warchola. 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 HE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of John Vandzura whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, March 29th, 2019 by Fr. Brian Warchola. 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.



MAY SHE REST IN PEACE ~ In your charity, please pray for the eternal rest of Marianne Bodenschatz whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, March 30th, 2019 by Fr. Brian Warchola. 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.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ~ Will hold their monthly meeting on Sunday, April 7th after the 8:00 AM Mass.

COMBINED CHOIR ~ Combined Choir Rehearsal for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday will be on Friday April 5 & 12 following Stations at 7 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to join in preparing for this most sacred time of the liturgical year.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS ~ Lenten Confessions will be here on Thursday, April 4th at 6:00 PM. A few priests will be here to assist Fr. Brian.

FIRST FRIDAY ~ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with adoration will be this Friday, April 5th from 8:30 AM till 3:00 PM. A sign- up sheet can be found at the entrances of the church.



SAVE THE DATE ~ On Wednesday, April 17th after the 6:00 PM Mass we will be holding a covered dish to commemorate the Lord’s Last Supper. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the back of the church.

VOX NOVA ~ A choral ensemble from Mount Aloysius College, Cresson will present the Scriptural Stations of the Cross here on Friday, April 12th at 6:00 PM. Vox Nova empowers our Lenten reflection on these moments in song, augmenting the impact of each Station. A free will donation is requested.

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

 Religious Education And Christian Helping

 March 24, 2019

 Upcoming Confirmation Sessions

Grade 10 ~ Session 10 B ~ *Witness: Word, Worship, Community & Service*

Sunday, March 31, 2019

All 10th Grade students will attend this Session from 9 to 10:20 a.m.

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*Saint Michael Parish is planning to attend NCYC 2019!*

 *November 21—23, 2019*

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is the largest Catholic youth gathering in the U.S. with over 20,000 young people, clergy and religious, and adult chaperones attending from all over the country.

Any high school aged (Grade 10—12) Catholic member of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown aged 16 or over and their adult chaperones (with proper clearances). It is held in Indianapolis, Indiana. Large group sessions are held in Lucas Oil Stadium; Workshops and sessions are held in the Indianapolis Convention Center. Pre-registration to attend is required. A Payment plan is offered after the initial $100 deposit is paid. *We will plan several fundraisers to help subsidize the expenses.*

Initial Deposit of $100.00…………………………………………….….Due March 31, 2019

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Gardner’s Easter Candy Sale

 Our Saint Michael Parish is sponsoring a Gardener’s Easter Candy Fundraiser. All proceeds from this sale will be placed in our General Fund to be used towards expenditures for our Religious Education Program. A color brochure and order information is included in this bulletin. Extra brochures are also at the church entrances. All orders along with payment are due by March 31st. Orders will be delivered and available for pick-up on April 11th. Any questions can be directed to the Parish Office at 495-9640.

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Our Saint Michael Parish will be hosting Yee Haw VBS this summer along with Most Holy Trinity and Saint Bartholomew Parishes. Yee Haw will be held on July16, 17 & 18 from 6—8 p.m.

REACH students and adult volunteers are needed to help with prep ahead of VBS week and we will also need help the week of VBS.

 If you are interested in helping with VBS in any way, please contact the Parish Office at 495-9640 or the RE Office at 495-4873.

Prep dates and times will be posted in the bulletin for future meetings.

**K—5 Stations of the Cross ~ Thursday, April 11th ~ Our K—5 Students will join Fr. Brian in the Church on Thursday, April 11 for Stations of the Cross beginning at 4:00 p.m. Parents and parishioners are invited to join us in the church for these stations.

The K—5 students will be dismissed to their parents from the church at the conclusion for their rides home.

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Rite of Sending ~ Our 11th grade Confirmation class along with their Sponsors will attend the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, April 7, 2019. The candidates will celebrate their “Rite of Sending” as our parish “sends them off” to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation ~ Our 11th Grade Confirmation class will receive their Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 25, 2019. A 7:00 PM Mass will be celebrated at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

*Confirmation Practice will be held on Wednesday evening, April 24th at 6:30 PM.*



*First Holy Communion ~ Our Second Grade class is preparing to receive their Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, May 4th and*

*First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 5th.*

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Our REACH Youth Ministry will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt for Pre-K– Grade 5 students on Sunday, April 14th 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 will be given even if weather does not permit a hunt.



*There will be NO Religious Education classes held on April 14th for grades 6—12.. REACH student volunteers are needed for this project. We set up during the 10:30 a.m. mass, therefore any REACH students wishing to participate in this service project will need to attend an alternate mass, the 4:00 p.m. Saturday evening mass on April 13th or the 8:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Mass to fulfill their weekend mass obligation.*

*Student volunteers can arrive at the parish hall at 10:00 AM to help prepare for this event during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Call the RE Office to sign-up at 495-4873.*

 Sunday, March 31 Catholic Relief Services / Second Collection

 High School Religious Ed. / 9:00 – 10:20 AM

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

 Gardner’s Candy Orders Due

 Girl Scouts

 Monday, April 1 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, April 2 Boy Scouts / 7:30 – 9:00 PMPMPM

 Wednesday, April 3 Confessions / 5:30-5:45 PM

 Mass / 6:00 PM

 Thursday, April 4 K-5 Religious Ed. / 3:30 – 4:30 PM

 Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

 Lenten Confessions / 6:00 PM

 Friday, April 5 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Adoration / 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

 Stations of the Cross / 6:00 PM

 Combined Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Saturday, April 6 Boy Scouts / Hall / 9:00 AM



 UPCOMING EVENTS

 April 7 Holy Name Meeting

 11th Gr. Rite of Sending

 April 8 Martha’s Group

 April 11 K—5 Stations of the Cross / 4:00 PM

 Gardner’s Candy Delivery / Candy Pick-up

 April 12 Candy Pick-up

 Vox Nova Stations

 Local Fish Fries:

St. Michael Fire Department ~ 11 AM- 7 PM. Take outs or local delivery available. Phone 495-4111.

Immaculate Conception Parish ~ Dinners 4-7 PM. Take outs available until 6 PM. Call 495-4298.

Holy Family Parish ~ April 12 from 4-6 PM. Take outs available. 814-736-3146

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton ~ Serving from 11 AM – 6:30 PM. 814-467-7191.

CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR ~ Bishop Carroll Catholic High School. Saturday, April 13th, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. 70 + Crafters/Vendors. Fresh Made Foods, Huge Bake Sale, (Cinnamon Rolls by the Dozen Pre Order Sale), Kiddie Korner, Easter Egg Hunt at 1:30 and Easter Bunny Visit from 11-1:30 – Bring your Camera!

ADAMS TWP LIONS CLUB BASKET PARTY ~ Saturday, April 27th at St. Michael Firehall. Starts @ 7:00, Doors open @ 5:00, Admission is $8.00. Tickets can be purchased in advance. Phone: 487-4132 or 487-5988 or any Lion Member.

CARROLLIAN GALA ~ Saturday, April 27 at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School. Tickets are $50 each. Cocktails begin at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6:30. Silent and live auctions will take place all evening long, as well as the chance to win baskets and other prize opportunities. For more information, or to purchase ticket, please call 814-472-7500 extensions 104 or 105, or email jnagy@bishopcarroll.org.