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 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: Michele Panick 10:30 am

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Secretaries’ E-mail Anytime Requested

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 YEAR: 2019 NUMBER: 36

 SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY FOR OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

 September 8, 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.

 Twenty–Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

 September 8, 2019

The Seven Dolors of The Sorrowful Mother

**MASS INTENTIONS**: (September 9 – September 15, 2019)

Monday 8:00 AM Rose & Fern Danel req. by Family

Tuesday 8:00 AM Ed Yauneridge req. by Jane & Ken Byer

Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 8:00 AM Claudia McCloskey req. by Jim & Doris Duncan

Friday 8:00 AM Anna Fornadel req. by Millie Andrykovitch

Saturday 4:00 PM Rose Marie Myers req. by Ed & Karen Myers

Sunday 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM Terry McClemens req. by mother, Helen McClemens

LITURGICIAL APPOINTMENTS:

Saturday, September 14 4:00 PM Offertory Procession

Lector: Anthony Bambino Ed & Karen Myers

Minister of the Host: Alice Podrebarac

Minister of the Cup: Karen Myers & Babe Richards

Altar Servers: Brooke & Chase Williamson

Cantor: Amanda Williamson

Greeter: Joanne Thomas

Sunday, September 15 8:00 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Joseph Faher Jake & Mary Lou Stiffler

Minister of the Host: Beth Kundrod

Minister of the Cup: Walter Christ & Marie Bernard

Altar Servers: Andrew Martin & Bryce Macy

Cantor: Susan Yanzetich

Greeter: Deborah Macy

Sunday, September 1510:30 AM Offertory Procession

Lector: Carole Kakabar Terry McClemens Family

Minister of the Host: Jennifer Steele

Minister of the Cup: Michael Barton & Sharon Paterson

Altar Servers: Alexis & Jackson Henderson

Cantor: Elizabeth Dobbins

Greeter: Sara Wieczorek

Sunday, September 15 Collection Counters

 Robert Casti, Camillus Long

 Sharon Paterson

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, 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, 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, Erica Mitzelfeld, 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, Theressa Stravinsky, Janice Dipyatic, Martha, John Poldiak Jr., Gerald Delaney, Lily Maloney, Adam Wingard 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 $3,304.00

 Loose $ 203.00

 Youth $ 29.00

 Monthly $1,225.00

 Religious Education Fund $ 20.00

 Candles $ 20.00

 Maintenance $ 75.00

 Catholic Register $ 5.00

 Total $4,881.00

We sincerely thank and ask God’s

 blessing upon all who have care

and concern for our parish.

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September 8, 2019 Luke 14: 25-33

*Today’s gospel speaks about a king and a builder who failed to plan properly; one met with ridicule and the other met defeat. Don’t fall in the important relation-ships in your life. Commit yourself to them. Don’t leave it to chance. What specific steps can you take to enhance those relationships? When we fail to plan, we plan to fail.*



We are asking that each parish 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 8th. The tickets start on October 1, 2019 and continue for the whole month of October. Winning numbers will be determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery Evening Pick Three Drawing. The tickets have been mailed out. 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 check payable to St. Michael Church. The money raised from the sale of these tickets will help to build up our Parish Treasury. We apologize if anyone has been missed.

 *Parish and Finance Council Members*

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 this time, should call Suzi Blazosky at 495-5287 or e-mail her at sublazosky@gmail.com. Deadline is September 22nd, 2019.

R.C.I.A. ~ Are you 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 495-5287 or e-mail her at sublazosky@gmail.com.

ORGAN CONCERT ~ There will be a free organ concert at Mount Carmel Church, 1100 8th Ave., Altoona, on Monday, September 9th at 7 PM. This concert will feature Dr. Carol Williams as guest organist. Dr. Williams demonstrates incredible skill and ability on our new hybrid pipe organ. This concert is sponsored by Viscount North America, the builders of our pipe organ. All are welcome to attend.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS ~ The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Friday September 13th, at 6:30 PM in the Gardens at Mount Assisi (in case of inclement weather, will be at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.) The Choir will be announced at a later date and the sermon will be delivered by Deacon Rick Golden. We would like to extend a cordial welcome to all.



Catholic Ministries Drive $26,768.00

Raised: $ 9,175.50

Balance: $17,592.50

Number of responses: 69

Thank you to all parishioners who have responded to the *2019 Catholic Ministries Drive.* Please join them in supporting our Parish and a select group of ministries that provide outreach to the poor, family life, youth and seminarians. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, you may give online at [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org).



The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory

 of all those killed in the

September 11th terrorist attacks

during the week of September 8th, 2019.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES ~ The 2019 Church Directories are in! Those that had their picture taken or submitted for the Directory can pick up your copy at the back of the Church.

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND ~ In your packet of envelopes there is an envelope for our Religious Education Fund which will be taken up as a second collection this weekend. 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.

ST. MICHAEL BLUE MASS ~ We will be having a Blue Mass honoring all first responders (police, law enforcement, public safety, firefighters and EMT’s and their families) for their service at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, September 29th. A small luncheon will follow for first responders and their families in the Church Hall.

PARISH SAFETY PREPAREDNESS AWARENESS WORKSHOP ~ In honor of the feast day of St. Michael the Archangel, Sunday, September 29th, the diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites parish ministry representatives of hospitality, ushers and any interested parishioner to a safety preparedness awareness workshop. A panel of law enforcement, security and emergency personnel will provide information on how to assess possible risks of attacks and create a plan to do the best to protect parishioners in the event the church is threatened or targeted for an attack. Sunday, September 29th, 1 – 3:00 PM. Bishop Carroll Catholic High School Cafeteria, 728 Benjamin Franklin Hwy., Ebensburg. Mass will be celebrated at 3 PM. RSVP’s are appreciated, please contact Cindy O’Connor at 814-317-2621 or via email: coconnor@dioceseaj.org

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER ~ As of this date, the money raised from the 118 churches in the Blair, Cambria and Bedford Counties is over $111,100.00 for the ministry of Precious Life! St. Michael Church helped us by raising $524.18! Thank-you!

*Stewardship Reflections…*

Christian Stewards view their possessions as gifts that are meant to build God’s kingdom here on earth. We are challenged to use our resources to reach out to others and build God’s kingdom of love, justice and peace. We are urged to be intentional about our faith and not let habitual relationships or ways of living hold us back from being a faithful Christian.



 Religious Education And Christian Helping

 September 8, 2019

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.

Your generosity and participation is greatly appreciated.

Thanks to all the following 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 3 days of the festival:

Carson, Dylan & Karen Kundrod ~ Anna Stigers, Alyssa & Linda Caddy ~ Libby, Ian & Amy Dobbins ~ Babe Richards ~ Adalynne Webb ~ Andrew & Ann Marie Martin ~ Griffin Christ ~ Amilyah, Haidyn & Rayna Koch ~ Terra Smay ~ Mary Ann & Eric Tedjeske ~ Alexia & Jen Steele ~ Terri Leach ~

Janet Minor ~ Sally Kolar ~ Brycen, Colby & Josh Rearick ~ Alexis, Jackson & Heather Henderson ~ Kimmy & Alex Deighan ~ Nancy Wessel ~ Eva, Ana & Amy Spangler ~ Colton, Nate & Jen Cornell ~ Brooke, Chase & Amanda Williamson ~ Mckenzie Webb ~ RiLynn Swinger ~ Hailey Hampton ~

Alexia, Makenzee, Jen & Mike Steele ~ Alex & Tony Bambino ~ Kirstyn & Michelle Vitez ~

Taylor Burda ~ Landon, Zach & Heidi Fisher ~ Taylor Vranich

Religious Education Registration is now taking place for our 2019—2020 Religious Education Year. Families need to pre-register students each year so that all information is updated. New Family Registration packets were available for pick up and have now been mailed out to all registered families in the parish with school aged children, grades K—12.

When you receive your envelope, please fill out the forms and return them so our class enrollment lists can be completed. Forms can be returned by mail, by dropping in the weekend collection basket, or by dropping off at the Parish or Religious Education Offices.

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 K—5 begins Thursday, September 19th from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Grades 6—12 begins on Sunday, September 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

\*In order for your K—5 students to ride the bus from school, a bus permission postcard must be returned to the school by Monday, September 9th.

*9th Grade Parent Orientation ~ Orientation for parents of our 9th grade students beginning their*

*3-year confirmation process is scheduled for Sunday, September 22nd beginning at 9:10 a.m.*

Attendance *of at least 1 parent is required.*

*This orientation will take place in the upstairs of the Parish Hall while students are in their classroom for their first class of this new Religious Education year. You will be provided with information for the newly revised confirmation process guidelines and requirements for Sacramental prep from the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown and the opportunity for any questions along with a schedule for our 2019—2020 Religious Education Year.*

ANY PARISH MEMBERS CURRENTLY VOLUNTEERING OR NEW VOLUNTEERS INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING WITH YOUTH UNDER THE AGE OF 18 for PARISH FUNCTIONS / COMMITTEES MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

DIOCESE of ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN OFFICE OF CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION

Our Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown requirements are that all volunteers be registered with VIRTUS Online and complete the Youth Protection Awareness Training and The Mandated Reporting Training along with the required paperwork. These trainings are both free of charge and available online by going to the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown website at [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org) and clicking on the Youth Protection Tab. Instructions, paperwork and links to register for these trainings are all available there. All information and paperwork can also be picked up in the Parish Office or the Religious Education Office.

Step Two: In addition, the PENNSYLVANIA CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICE LAW also requires all Pennsylvania clearances to be obtained for anyone working with our parish children. These clearances are free of charge for all volunteers. All helpers, volunteers and any other adults who wish to help chaperone or mentor our children in any way are required to have and will need these clearances. These links are also included within the instructions under the Youth Protection Icon on the diocesan website listed above. Please contact the Religious Education Office at 495-4873 or the Parish Office at 495-9640 for information and assistance obtaining these clearances.

Once completed, our Parish is then required to have copies of all of these clearances, certificates and paperwork on file in our Parish Office and the Diocesan Youth Protection Office. Your swiftness to complete the clearance process will help assure that we have an adequate number of compliant volunteers able to help with our youth when needed and aid in maintaining a Safe Environment for all of our Parish Children.

TEEN VOLUNTEERS AGES 14 TO 17 / DIOCESE OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN

The following safeguards and guidelines must be followed for minor volunteers (14 to 17 years of age) to be a volunteer with parish youth programming and activities within our Saint Michael Parish.

Minor volunteers (non-paid) ages 14-17, do not need their PA clearances, but must review and sign a youth code of conduct with parent/guardian approval and signature; and fill out Youth Protection paperwork. Students need to create an account on VIRTUS Online ([www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org)) and complete the Youth Protection Awareness Training.

Detailed information and paperwork for Teen volunteers can be picked up in the Religious Education Office or the Parish Office.

*Questions regarding any of the above information can be directed to Laurie Sloan in the Religious Education office at 495-4873.*

 Sunday, September 8 Religious Education Collection / Second Collection

 Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

 Hall Rental

 Monday, September 9 Martha’s Group / 6:00 PM

 Sunday Choir Practice / 7:00 PM

 Tuesday, September 10 Boy Scouts / 7:30 PM

 Wednesday, September 11 No Mass

 Thursday, September 12 Saturday Choir Practice / 4:30 PM

 Friday, September 13

 Saturday, September 14

 UPCOMING EVENTS

 September 19 Elementary Religious Education Class

 Septermber 22 High School Religious Education Class

 September 28 & 29 Retired Priests Medical Collection / Second Collection

 September 29 First Responders Mass & Luncheon

QUARTER AUCTION ~ Join the Sisters of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society-Beta Epsilon Chapter for a fun filled afternoon on September 8th. Held at St. Michael Church Hall, St. Michael. Doors open at noon, with the auction beginning at 1:00 PM. Vendors from direct sales companies will also be on site. All proceeds will be used for

projects that benefit students in local schools, including Forest Hills. Tickets are $6.00, which includes lunch and an auction paddle. For tickets, call Amy 487-4569 or Suzi 242-3329.

ARE YOU READY FOR SOULCORE? ~ We will be having a Soulcore workshop at the Holy Name School Gym, 205 W. Horner St., Ebensburg on Saturday, September 14th from 1:00-2:30 PM. Open to anyone 18 years of age and older. If anyone is interested, please register by calling Holy Name Parish office at 814-472-7244. There will be a suggested $10 donation for the instructor, if you are able to do so.

WINE TASTING EVENT ~ Join Catholic Charities on Friday, September 13th from 5:30-7:00 PM at The Holiday Inn in Johnstown for their Wines of Italy tasting and pairing event. This will be an extraordinary evening of wine, food and fun, all while supporting families in your community. A wine expert will share six specially selected and spectacular wines from Italy, carefully paired with delicious small bites. Tickets are $50 per person, and all proceeds will go towards funding services for those in need in your community. Tickets are available by calling 814-944-9388 or can be purchased online at: <https://www.catholiccharitiesaf.org/index.php?option=com_eventbooking&viewevent&id=10&catid=1&Itemid=563>

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST ~ Queen of Angels Parish in Central City will be hosting an All You Can Eat Breakfast on Sept. 15th from 8:30-11:00 AM at their St. John Site (162 Wheeler St.). Price is $8 for adults, $4 for children ages 8 to 4, children under 4-free. All are welcome. Proceeds benefit parish religious education activities.

ROAST BEEF DINNER ~ Thursday, September 19, 4-7 PM, Most Holy Trinity Church Hall, 550 Main St., South Fork. Adults-$11, Children-12 & under-$6. Tickets sold at the door. Dine-In or Take-out.