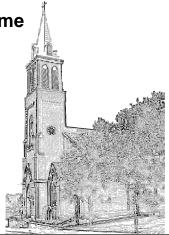
October 8, 2017

The Twenty - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH



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MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ST. MICHAEL FAITH COMMUNITY

Extending a rich parish heritage built upon the pioneering traditions of the first settlers of the Southern Allegheny mountains, St. Michael the Archangel Parish embraces as its mission the use of all available resources, both spiritual and temporal, to minister to the needs of the people of Hollidaysburg and its surrounding areas. We do this in a fashion which reflects the teachings and example of Jesus Christ, while promoting a tradition of liturgical excellence, strong support for Catholic education in all its varieties, and enlightened social outreach to the community at large, in union with both the Diocesan and Universal Church.

MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Daily & Holy Days: *See inside the Bulletin*

CONFESSIONS

Regularly on Saturdays: 1:00 p.m. and Sundays: 7:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MARRIAGES & BAPTISMS

Call the church office to schedule an appointment. Nine month advance notice is normally required for marriage.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline to have information printed in the bulletin announcements is 4:00 p.m. Tuesday prior to the weekend of the announcement. Mail or email the information to the church office.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

If you would like to join the parish, please contact the rectory/church office. Please remember to notify us if you move or will be moving out of the parish. Registration, the practice of stewardship, and regular participation in the Sacraments indicate that a person is an active member of the parish and is eligible to act as a godparent or sponsor. As a Church community seeking to be faith-filled disciples and good stewards, the sacrifice of our time, talent and treasure is essential for the common good.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the parish office. New classes will begin soon.

Liturgical Reflection:



Order of Celebrating Matrimony Following the Prayer after Communion, the bride may wish to take a flower before the image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a popular local custom in the Diocese. Assisted by her husband, the bride goes before the image of Our Lady and prays for Mary's aid in her new marriage. As Mary was the mother of God and Saint Joseph was the spouse of the Virgin Mary, this new bride prays to be a holy wife and that God bless her marriage with children so she may love them as deeply as Mary loved her family. Following the placement of the flower before the image of God's mother, the bride and groom may give flowers to their mothers.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS for October 9 - 15

MONDAY, October 9 St. Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs; St John Leonardi, Priest; Columbus Day 7:45 a.m. + Nancy Starkey - by her sister Cathy Schwartz **TUESDAY, October 10** 7:45 a.m. + Lori Irwin-Kozlowski - by her parents WEDNESDAY, October 11 St. John XXIII, Pope 7:45 a.m. + Nicholas Bilotto - by his wife Theresa **THURSDAY, October 12** Holy Trinity Catholic School Mass 8:30 a.m. FRIDAY, October 13 7:45 a.m. + Harry Kirkham (Birthday Rem.) - by Sharle & family SATURDAY, October 14 St Callistus I, Pope & Martyr 5:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish SUNDAY, October 15 The Twenty - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 a.m. + Theresa Malone - by St. Michael Parish Ladies Guild

10:00 a.m. + Bernadette Melville (Anniv. Rem.) - by her Family

11:30 a.m. + Robert DeLozier (Anniv. Rem.)

-by Harold & Kathy DeLozier

PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish office will be closed Monday and Friday this week. Office hours will be Tuesday - Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM

PEACE & JUSTICE COMMITTEE



Our parish Peace and Justice Committee will be > meeting THIS, Tuesday, October 10 at 6:30 PM in the rectory downstairs meeting room. We will be discussing our upcoming holiday outreach

programs as well as other programs. Everyone is welcome to attend and become involved with this group. If you enjoy helping others, this is the committee for you! Please come and bring your ideas. If you have any questions, please call or email the parish office.

DISASTER RELIEF



Bishop Mark was pleased with parishioners response to his request to help victims of Hurricane Harvey. Sadly the need to help continues with the recent earthquake in Mexico and the hurricane devastation in Puerto Rico. **DISASTER** Bishop Mark is urging everyone to please pray for those affected by the storms and earthquakes. He is also asking that everyone offers some financial support. A special collection for Disaster Relief will be collected next weekend, October 14/15. Please use the attached envelope for your donation and return it in the collection

basket or to the church office next week. All money will then be given to Catholic Charitries, USA which is already in and helping the affected areas. Please be as generous as possible, but remember that every little bit helps.

MINISTRY NEEDS

We are in need of several more Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for all Masses. All must be in good standing with the church. Readers can be in 9th grade and older, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must be confirmed. New members for both ministries are needed. Have you ever thought about being an Altar Server? Youth in fourth grade and above are eligible to serve. Servers are to be active members of the parish and full participants in the celebration of the Eucharist. Please give prayerful consideration to being involved in any of these ministries. If interested, or for more information contact the Parish office 695-0912, stmichaelhburg@dioceseaj.org or sign-up on the sheet posted at the church entrance (near the stairs to the church hall and choir loft.)

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 5: 1-7 Today's reading begins with Isaiah singing a song to the people. He uses this song as a parable so that he can speak to them about God's disappointment. God has lavished his loving care upon them...and their response was sin.

Philippians 4: 6-9 We continue our series of readings from Paul's letter to the Christian community of Philippi in northeastern Greece. Of all the communities founded by Paul. Philippi was his favorite. While he was in prison, he wrote them a letter of gratitude and encouragement. In today's passage, we will hear Paul present a list of classical Greek virtues, and remind the people that he not only taught these virtues, but he lived them.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

SACRISTAN (10/8 - 10/14/17): P. Gildea COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (10/15/17): The J. Burger Family SCRIP (10/15/17): A. Pick

October 14 - October 15 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 14, 5:00 PM

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Readers:	M. Dodson (1) & J. Mielnik (2)
Altar Servers:	R. Edwards & A. Edwards
E. Min.:	J. Bookhamer, D. Straub & L. Savino
Gift Bearers:	The Byrne Family
Sunday, October 15	<u>, 8:30 AM</u>
Readers:	B. Stevens (1) & P. Yakymac (2)
Altar Servers:	W. Tyndall, N. Tyndall & C. Tyndall
E. Min.:	R. Stellabotte, P. Gildea & L. Michelone
Gift Bearers:	M. Icenroad
Sunday, October 15	<u>, 10:00 AM</u>
Readers:	D. Garrity (1) & D. Lanzel (2)
Altar Servers:	S. Manna & Z. Manna
E. Min.:	M. Culp, D. Culp & M. Lanzel
Gift Bearers:	The Neatrour Family
Sunday, October 15	<u>, 11:30 AM</u>
Readers:	K. Stanko (1) & D. Stoehr (2)
Altar Servers:	J. Roberts & B. Ventura
E. Min.:	V. Estrada, L. Malone & L. Georgiana

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The Garrity Family

Thank you for your generosity!			
Sunday Offering (10/1/17)	\$10,273.52		
Sunday Envelopes:	\$9,754.	77	
Loose Cash:	\$518.75	5	
2017 Catholic Ministries Driv	ve (C.M.D.) Goal:	\$46,613.00	
Parish Total Received (co	rrected as of 9/30/17):	\$38,516.50	
Under Goal:		(\$8,096.50)	
Retired Priest Medical Collect	ction: (as of 10/1/17)	\$1,800.00	
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### PRAY THE ROSARY IN OCTOBER



Gift Bearers:

You are invited to join with other parishioners praying the rosary, in the church, every Saturday & Sunday in October twenty minutes before the 5 PM and 8:30 AM Masses. You are also invited to join in praying the rosary every week day after the 7:45 a.m. Masses.

# **CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP**



#### Seeking seekers this Fall

Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked "what do you want?" They said "Rabbi" (which means teacher in Hebrew) "Where are you staying?" Jesus said, "Come and See". They went and saw the place where Jesus was staying. The time was four o'clock in the afternoon. They stayed with him the rest of the day. - John 1: 38-41

They spent time with him and fell in love! They spent the rest of their lives devoted to Him. Want to do the same? Get to know Our Lord deeper by spending your time with Him!

This fall, we invite you to enrich your relationship with Jesus by learning and experiencing several prayer forms.

Come to a brief inquirers gathering on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at either 4:00 PM or 7:00 PM at the Parish Rectory to learn more about the Contemplative Prayer Group.

The actual sessions will start Sunday, Nov. 5, at 2:00 PM for 7 consecutive weeks, weather permitting.

Six spiritual prayer forms from our Catholic Tradition will be introduced. This will provide space to experience God's presence alone and in a group setting: Breath ~ Holy Spirit, Body ~ Of Christ, Lectio Divina ~ Sacred Reading, Icons, Imagery ~ the kingdom of God is like..., and Centering Prayer ~ Matthew 6:6.

Program led by local facilitator, Judith Griffith (*Shalem Institute, Washington DC - class member of the Transforming Community Program*) All are invited, "Come and See."

#### **HEALING MASS**

There will be a Healing Mass on **Monday, Oct. 23 at 7:00 PM** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Bill Kiel, from the Diocese of Greensburg, 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, please call 814-941-3832.

### PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

Join in thousands of cities and towns across America praying the Rosary on the 100th Anniversary of the "Miracle of the Sun" at Fatima on **Saturday, October 14, 2016 at NOON Heritage Plaza, 11th Ave. & 14th Street, Altoona, PA** www.anf.org

#### **MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theatre to see "Miracle of Christmas", on **Wednesday, December 13, 2017.** Price includes: transportation, performance and family style meal at Hershey Farm Restaurant (price varies based on participation) Call Ron Harella for information 696-3295.

### **FATIMA DEVOTIONS**

All are invited to celebrate the Fatima Devotions on **Friday**, **October 13 at 6:30 PM** at the Basilica of St. Michael. The sermon will be delivered by Bishop Mark Bartchak.

### **HOSTS FOR COFFEE & DONUTS**

Beginning **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **Oct. 8**, **2017**, a sign-up sheet for hosting the Sunday coffee & donuts social for <u>2018</u> will be available in the church hall. Volunteers are especially needed for Sundays in January, February and March 2018. If you have questions about what is involved in hosting this popular ministry, please call Dale Culp, the coordinator, at 696-8327 or send an email to her at <u>theculps1@atlanticbb.net</u>.



# St. Michael's Religious Education and Faith Formation News

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR**

#### <u> PRE K - 9TH GRADE</u>

PRE N-	9TH GRADE			
TODAY	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM		
Oct. 15	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM		
Oct. 22	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM		
Oct. 29	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM		
2nd GR	ADE			
Oct. 19	1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting with Msgr.			
	(Activity Building)	6:30 PM		
Oct. 22	Make-up:1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting with M	lsgr.		
	(Activity Building) * Please note corrected time -	> 1:00 PM		
"YEAR OF INVITATION" (9th Grade)				
Oct. 15	Session: THE CREED (Activity Building)	12:30 PM		
Oct. 22	SHYCON (@ St. Francis Univ.)	11:30 AM		
"YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade)				
TODAY	Religious Education (Activity Building)	12:30 PM		
Oct. 22	SHYCON (@ St. Francis Univ.)	11:30 AM		
Oct. 29	Session: Scripture (Activity Building)	12:30 PM		
"YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade)				
TODAY	Religious Education (Activity Building)	12:30 PM		
Oct. 22	SHYCON (@ St. Francis Univ.)	11:30 AM		

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All are invited to our annual St. Michael Parish Fall Social & Wagon Ride

at Diamond Lane Farm & Carriage in Roaring Spring

#### Sunday, Oct. 29 at 1:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy an afternoon of food, wagon rides, games and fun! Roast marshmallows and hot dogs by the campfire. Signup sheets will be available in the church hall after all Masses beginning NEXT WEEKEND, or you may call the parish office, or call Rita @ 693-1819.

**Cost is only \$5 per family.** Bring your family, friends, and a dish to share.

# QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Monday:Prayer Group (in the Church)2 PMSCRIP:sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Masses & before the 11:30 AM MassROSARY:Every day after the 7:45 AM Mass,

In October: 20 min before the Weekend 5 PM and 8:30 AM Masses.

- **TODAY**Men's Club Meeting (Parish Hall)**7:00 PM**
- Oct. 10 Peace & Justice Committee Meeting (Rectory Mtg Rm) 6:30 PM
- Oct. 19 Rosary recited with the HTCS students (Church) 1:30 PM
- Oct. 25 Contemplative Prayer Grp Info. Meeting (Rectory) 4 PM & 7 PM
- Oct. 29 Parish Fall Social (Diamond Lane Roaring Spring) 1:00 PM

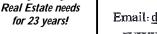
### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Children will reject many parental values as they grow up and develop their own identity. Like the landowner in today's gospel, parents may feel disappointed or rejected after investing so much of themselves. Today Jesus advises parents to make rejection "the cornerstone" of a new and richer relationship with your developing children.



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