

December 24, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Advent

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

301 SPRUCE STREET, HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA 16648



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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 begin in the Fall.

The Blessing of the Christmas Manger or Nativity Scene mentions that "our need for a Savior was great." And so, Jesus was sent to bring "joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love" into our lives.

Our need for a Savior hasn't diminished. We still need the joy and peace that come from being grateful, the justice that comes from being compassionate, the mercy that comes from being forgiven, and the love that comes from being cherished.

May you, and your family and friends, be blessed this Christmas season and throughout the New Year with "joy and peace, justice, mercy and love." And then, may you and your family and friends, be a blessing for others.

You will be remembered in my prayer, especially during the Eucharist, with gratitude. Thank you for your many kindnesses to me and your involvement in the life of St. Michael Parish

*May the
Miracle of
Christmas
fill your heart
with joy.*

- Msgr. Stan Carson

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS for December 24 - December 31

TODAY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

8:30 a.m. + William & Elda Drass family - by Elda Brown
 10:00 a.m. + Joyce Waryck - by Margaret Horell
 11:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

CHRISTMAS EVE - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

4:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish
 6:00 p.m. For Our Children & Teenagers
 10:00 p.m. + For Our Deceased Relatives & Friends

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 *The Nativity of the Lord; Christmas*

8:30 a.m. For the Sick and Elderly
 10:00 a.m. For Friends and Benefactors

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26 *St. Stephen, The First Martyr*

7:45 a.m. Zack Gray (1st yr. Anniv. Rem.) - by Linda Biss

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27 *St. John, Apostle & Evangelist*

7:45 a.m. + Ernie Tomassetti - by Helen Tomassetti & Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28 *The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

7:45 a.m. + Craig Wimbush - from friends

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29 *St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr*

7:45 a.m. + Jean Sommer - by Ken & Kate Hofer

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

2:30 p.m. Wedding of Adam Bettwy & Katie Lishinsky
 5:00 p.m. + Jeane McDowell - by Steve & Lucy DiLeo

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

8:30 a.m. + Anna Fanelli - by her daughter Patti Geesey
 10:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
 11:30 a.m. + Mark Burger - by friends

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS SCHEDULES

Christmas Eve - TONIGHT - Sunday, Dec. 24

4:00 PM

6:00 PM *(Children's Liturgy; music by our Children's Choir before Mass)*

10:00 PM *(Christmas Carols & Music will begin at 9:30 p.m.)*

Christmas Day - Monday, Dec. 25

8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

New Year's Day - Monday, Jan. 1

8:30 AM *

* Please note that this year New Year Day (Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God) is not a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be no vigil Mass on Sunday, Dec. 31st. The Mass for the day will be said at 8:30 a.m.

A CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSING



Lord, we ask your blessing upon this tree. May its ever-greenness be a sign in our lives of the hope of the Christmas season, its glittering ornaments a sign of the joy of the Christmas season, and the gifts beneath it a sign of the love of the Christmas season. We ask this through the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Reprinted from the booklet published by the Family Life Office entitled "HOLIDAY SPIRITUALITY IN THE HOME—Thanksgiving to Epiphany".

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

There is no H.T.C. School Mass this week.

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16 Today's passage refers to the "Ark of God" which was a wooden chest overlaid by gold, where the stone tablets of the 10 Commandments were kept. King David, rich and comfortable in his palace, felt the Ark deserved to be housed in similar splendor. God will tell David that a physical building is not as important as the "house" (that is, the dynasty) of David. Christians have seen this prophecy fulfilled in Christ, who was born of the House of David.

Second Reading: Romans 16: 25-27 Our second Scripture reading is the conclusion of Paul's long letter to the Romans. It is one sentence, and it is very much like a toast offered to God. In effect, Paul is saying that it all comes down to this: We should give thanks to God that salvation is available to *all people* through faith in Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

SACRISTAN (12/24 - 12/30/17): K. Lashinsky

SCRIP (12/31/17): *No Scrip being sold this weekend*

COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (12/31/17): *No Coffee & Donuts Social*

December 30 - 31

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Saturday, December 30, 5:00 PM

Readers: J. Burke (1) & M. Dodson (2)
Altar Servers: A. Carey & Z. Yingling
E. Min.: *available*, L. Savino & D. Straub
Gift Bearers: B. Irwin Family

Sunday, December 31, 8:30 AM

Readers: B. Anthony (1) & P. Yakymac (2)
Altar Servers: S. Blescia & C. Montagnese
E. Min.: K. Balconi, J. Frank & P. Gildea
Gift Bearers: The Blescia Family

Sunday, December 31, 10:00 AM

Readers: M. Schlechter (1) & M. Culp (2)
Altar Servers: B. Dodson & Z. Dodson
E. Min.: C. Brown, M. DeRose & B. Farnan
Gift Bearers: The K. Olsavick Family

Sunday, December 31, 11:30 AM

Readers: D. Stoehr (1) & R. Wagner (2)
Altar Servers: J. Roberts & B. Ventura
E. Min.: L. Georgiana, R. Walter & B. Codd
Gift Bearers: The D. Boland Family

~~~~~ OUR GIFTS TO GOD ~~~~~

Thank you for your generosity!

Sunday Offering (12/17/17) Inc. 11:30 Mass donations from 12/10/17
\$15,318.78

Sunday Envelopes: \$14,785.00
 Loose Cash: \$533.78

2017 Catholic Ministries Drive (C.M.D.) Goal: \$46,613.00

Parish Total Received (as of 12/15/17): \$46,280.50
 Under Goal: (\$332.50)

Catholic Charities Collection (received as of 12/10/17): \$1,976.00
 Share in the Care Collection (received as of 12/10/17): \$867.00

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed  
**Tomorrow, Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 25 & 26.**

# 2017 Christmas Memorials

Thank you to all made a donation to our Christmas Memorials. Donations will be used to help defray the cost of our Advent and Christmas decorations, flowers, music, candles etc.



*All loved ones listed below will be remembered at Mass.*

*Pease keep them, their family and friends, and all who grieve, in your prayers*

**RITA ANN SMITH**  
by Gary & Michelle Anderson

**CATHERINE C. BAKER**

**CATHERINE, ED, JOHN,  
HANA, & LINDA BAKER**  
by Patty Baker

**GRANDPARENTS,  
AUNTS & UNCLES**  
by Patty Baker

**JOE, DELLA, & SISTER  
KATHLEEN LEAP**  
by Patty Baker

**WILLIAM & MARIE  
BAKER**  
by Patty Baker

**WILLIAM & MARIE  
BAKER**

**EDWARD  
& JOHN BAKER**

**RAYMOND &  
MARGARETTA WILKER**  
by Tom Baker

**FOR THE DECEASED  
OF THE BALCONI -  
SCHMIDT FAMILIES**  
by Tim & Kathy Balconi

**FOR THE DECEASED OF  
THE HOGAN - WISNER  
FAMILIES**  
by Tim & Kathy Balconi

**DECEASED MEMBERS  
OF THE BETAR FAMILY**  
by Donald & Jeanette Betar



**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE McCLOSKEY FAMILY**  
by Donald & Jeanette Betar

**IN MEMORY OF THE  
DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE BETTWY FAMILY**  
by Joseph & Jean Bettwy

**IN MEMORY OF THE  
DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE TREESE FAMILY**  
by Joseph & Jean Bettwy

**EDWIN W. BLAKE SR.**  
by Nancy Blake & Family

**ELIZABETH ISABELLA  
BENDER**  
by Nancy R. Blake & Family

**FRANCIS X. BENDER, SR.**  
by Nancy Blake & Family

**SUMMER ELIZABETH  
BLOCHER**  
by her Grandparents:  
Jim & Therese Blocher

**MICHAEL & JOSEPHINE  
BODENSKI**  
by Denis & Rosemarie Bodenski

**SABATINO & REGINA  
PICCIONI**  
by Denis & Rosemarie Bodenski

**LAWRENCE BOLAND**  
by the Virginia Boland & Family

**HUSBAND:  
WALTER (ED) BROWN**  
by Carol & family

**MOM & DAD:  
ANTHONY & HELEN BILIN-  
SKI**  
by Carol & family

**ELDA & WILLIAM DRASS  
& FAMILY**  
by Elda Brown & Family

**RAYMOND R. BROWN**  
by Elda Brown & Family

**MARK BURGER**  
by Jeannie & Cameron Burger

**RITA BURGER**  
by Jeannie & Cameron Burger

**MR & MRS EDGAR  
(PORK) BURKHART**  
by the Family

**MY WIFE: RITA BURGER**  
by Joe Burger

**MY SON: MARK BURGER**  
by Joe Burger

**ANGELO & MARGARET  
CALA**  
by Joan A. Cala & Family

**ANTHONY & ANN  
LAUKIAVICH**  
by Joan A. Cala & Family

**LOUIS J. CALA**  
by Joan A. Cala & Family

**BOYD & MADALENE  
CALVERT**  
by Dave & Colleen Calvert

**MARGE & GIL GINNICK**  
by Dave & Colleen Calvert

**HELEN & JOSEPH CARSON**

**MARILYN PIETROLUNGO**  
- by Cliff & Nancy Cashman

**ALL THE DECEASED  
MEMBERS OF THE PIE-  
TROLUNGO  
& CASHMAN FAMILIES**  
- by Cliff & Nancy Cashman

**JOYCE & BARBIE PETERS**  
by Richard & Sharon Chorik

**STEVE & CATHERINE  
CHORIK**  
by Richard & Sharon Chorik

**GEORGE & DANNY SMOL-  
KO**  
by Richard & Sharon Chorik

**DECEASED FAMILY &  
FRIENDS**  
by Scott & Deb Claar

**PATRICIA CLaar**  
by Scott & Deb Claar

**MRS. GRACE MIELNIK  
& FAMILY**  
by Charlotte Claar, Niece

**CINDY McDONALD**  
by Peggy Claycomb

**JACK & HELEN RICHARDS**  
by Peggy Claycomb

**TERRY CLAYCOMB**  
by his wife & Kerrie, Ron,  
Colin & Madisyn

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE COAKLEY FAMILY**  
by Lauren & Tom Coakley

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE SQUASHIC FAMILY**  
by Lauren & Tom Coakley

**WIFE: ROSEMARY COBLER**  
by her husband: Robert Coblér

**HENRY MANGIACARNE**  
by his daughter, Joan Conroy

**RALPH CONROY**  
by his wife, Joan Conroy

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE CORLE FAMILY**  
by Ann & Perry Corle

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE JEFFREYS FAMILY**  
by Ann & Perry Corle

**MATTHEW SNEDDEN**

by Marie & the Craig family

**MATTHEW CULP**

by Marty, Dale, & Rebecca Culp

**TINE, THELMA, ANN,  
JANICE, & JIM BAREFIELD**

by Dale, Marty & Rebecca Culp

**ABORTED CHILDREN**

by Alan & Kim Curtis

**DEL & AUDREY SHEFTALL**

by Alan & Kim Curtis & Family

**MELVIN & MARGARET  
CURTIS**

by Alan & Kim Curtis & Family

**DON, MIKE & LEONA  
COOPER**

by Joyce (Cooper) Davis

**BOB DeLOZIER**

**ROBERT & DONNA  
DeLOZIER**

**ELLEN OTTAWAY**

by a friend

**JEAN SOMMER**

by a friend

**BROTHER:**

**MARK BURGER**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**FATHER:**

**GORDON DeLOZIER**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**GRANDPARENTS:  
CHARLES & MARY  
BURGER**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**GRANDPARENTS: LEVI &  
MARGUERITE DeLOZIER**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**GRANDPARENTS:  
NICHOLAS & MARY  
HORVATH**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**GRANDPARENTS: VICTOR &  
PLACEDE LITTLE**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**MOTHER: RITA BURGER**

by Mark & Jo DeLozier & Family

**FOR THE DECEASED**

**MEMBERS OF THE  
STEVE & CHERYL  
DESPOT FAMILY**

by Steve & Cheryl Despot

**FRANK & GLADYS DIBERT**

by Mr & Mrs David Dibert

**FRANK & MARGARET  
GRAUPENSERGER**

by Mr & Mrs David Dibert

**ANN REILLY**

by Ron, Sandy & Andrew

**GERMAINE VIGNE**

by Ron, Sandy & Andrew

**CHARLES A. DOBBINS**

by the Dobbins Family

**MOTHER: MARY &  
BROTHER: RICHARD  
DeLOZIER**

by Joe & Lucie Dodson

**PARENTS: ROY & DORA  
DODSON-BERKHEIMER**

by Joe & Lucie Dodson

**CRAIG WIMBUSH**

by Kirk J. Dodson

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE BGHS CLASS of 1976**

by Kirk J. Dodson

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE DODSON & KIRK  
FAMILIES**

by Kirk J. Dodson

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE OWENS & TITZ  
FAMILIES**

by Maureen R. Dodson

**JULIA SHOENFELT**

by Maureen R. Dodson

**MY FATHER:**

**JOHN E. OWENS, SR**

by Maureen R. Dodson

**MY GRANDPARENTS: DO-  
RA & ROY**

**BERKHEIMER**

by Kirk J. Dodson

**MY GRANDPARENTS:  
MARY & JOHN DeLOZIER**

by Kirk J. Dodson

**MY SISTER:**

**KAREN E. STORM**

by Maureen R. Dodson

**THE DOMBROSKY FAMILY**

by Dennis Dombrosky

**THE SOLARCZYK FAMILY**

by Dennis Dombrosky

**CHICK & ANN FEDESCO**

by the Elder Family

**BOB & TAMMIE REFFNER**

by Chris Feathers

**KENNETH R. & RALPH G.**

**FEATHERS**

by Chris Feathers

**RALPH & ANN G.**

**FEATHERS**

by Chris Feathers

**AUNT MARLENE BERKEY**

by Harry & Dani Felty

**BERNIE FREDERICK**

by Harry & Dani Felty

**MOTHER:**

**LORY EDMUNDSON**

by Harry & Dani Felty

**UNCLE PAT & PATTY**

**CUMMINGS**

by Harry & Dani Felty

**DUANE FRANK**

by Jack & Jennie Frank

**GRAHMM & MABEL LIND-  
SEY**

by Jack & Jennie Frank

**RALPH A. & MARY FRANK**

by Jack & Jennie Frank

**AUGUST & ELLA**

**FRANCOWIC**

by the Steve Frank Family

**FRANK, STOFKA, &  
CRAMER FAMILIES**

by Lee & Kristin Cramer

**JOHN J. & LOUISE M.**

**STOFKA**

by Steve & Janice Frank

**MITZI L. FRANK**

by Steve & Janice Frank

**MITZI L. FRANK**

by Scott & Hagen Frank

**RALPH A. & MARY FRANK**

by the Steve Frank Family

**RALPH E. & MARY L. FRANK**

by Steve & Janice Frank

**ULIANELLI, SHEPHERD, &  
STIFFLER FAMILIES**

by the Steve Frank Family

**GEORGE & FRANCES  
FREGONE**

by Rose Ann Fregone

**MARIA & SALVATORE**

**ANZALONE**

by Rose Ann Fregone

**MICHAEL J.**

**FRIEDENBERGER**

by Susan Friedenberger

**DORIS & CLAYTON RICKENS**

by John & Yvonne Gentry & Family

**PAULINE & BILL GENTRY**

by John & Yvonne Gentry & Family

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

**ROBERT J. SR., GENEVIEVE**

**& MATTHEW GILDEA;**

**BRINT BLACK & ERNIE**

**AYERS FAMILIES**

by Pat & Donna Gildea

**FOR THE PHYSICAL &**

**SPIRITUAL WELFARE OF**

**THE GILDEA FAMILY**

**MEMBERS**

by Patricia M. Gildea

**MAX GRIFFITH**

by Judith Griffith

**BILL WILSON**

by Hayer Family

**ANDREW HINES**

by Mom, Dad & Matthew

**EDNA M. KANE**

by her daughter, Catherine Hines

**WALTER KANE**

by his niece Catherine Hines

**DON IMLER**

by his wife, Pauline

**JOSEPH BOLAND**

by Bob & Louise Irwin

**LORI IRWIN - KOZLOWSKI**

by Bob & Louise Irwin



**KEN JONES**

by Cora Jones

**ROSA BUCCERI**

by Cora Jones

**SALVATORE BUCCERI**

by Cora Jones

**BERNARD & WANDA  
KAZINSKI**

**HERB & DOROTHY SCHIRF**

**EDWARD, MARGARET &  
JOSEPH MOORE**

by Bob & Mary Ann Keech

**RICHARD & MARGARET  
KEECH**

by Bob & Mary Ann Keech

**THE KEEFER FAMILY  
MEMBERS**

by the Keefer Family

**IN HONOR OF OUR  
BLESSED MOTHER**

by James & Janis Kinney

**MR & MRS CECIL POWELL**

**HARRY R. KIRKHAM**

by his wife; Sharle & children;  
Greg, Sandy & Joel

**HOWARD & LETA WILT**

by their children

**LUCY KOONTZ**

by Alexander & Jonathan

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE DUFFY - KORHAN  
FAMILIES**

by Rosemary & Bob Korhan

**MARY DIVEGLIA**

by Rich, Paula,  
Alyssa & Noah Kustenbauder

**MARY DIVEGLIA**

by Friends at Valley View

**MAUREEN**

**KUSTENBAUDER**

by Rich, Paula, Alyssa & Noah

**FAMILY & FRIENDS**

**VINCENT & EMMA  
NEDZINSKI**

**IN MEMORY OF**

**CLARA & JOSEPH MAZZEI**

by Dan, Vicki, and Maeve Lawruk

**IN MEMORY OF  
RUTH & ANDY SWOPE**

by Dan, Vicki, and Maeve Lawruk

**ANGELINE LEAP**

by John & Mary Leap

**CHARLES DURBIN**

by John & Mary Leap

**ETHEL DURBIN**

by John & Mary Leap

**JOHN LEAP**

by John & Mary Leap

**CHARLES & DIANE  
WITMYER**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**DENNIS FITCH**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**GEORGE & ELEANOR  
FITCH**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**JAMES & MARTHA  
SHOEMAKER**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**PETER & GLADYS AMIS**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**WALLACE & MARY ALICE  
POTTER**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**WILLIAM & LUCY KETTL**

by the Fitch & Levine families

**CAMILLE LEVISH**

by Dennis and Judith Brown-Levish

**HELEN GLASSBERG**

by Dennis and Judith Brown-Levish

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE LIEBAL FAMILY**

by Helen & Chris Liebal

**JOHN & LOUISE LOW**

by Bob & Darlene Low

**MARIAN WOJCIK**

by Bob & Darlene Low

**STEVE & EDNA KOSTICK**

by Bob & Darlene Low

**LUCIANO & GEORGIANA  
FAMILIES**

by Guy & Joan Luciano

**BOB DAVIDSON & BOBI**

by Guy & Joan Luciano

**JOYCE WARYCK**

by the Pat Tarlton family

**JUNE ROSE JOHNSTON**

by the Smithmyer - Tarlton -  
Johnston Families

**GLENN J. NOCEK**

by Greg & Karen Macionsky & Sons

**STEVE & ANN  
MACIONSKY**

by Greg & Karen Macionsky & Sons

**JAMES J. MADDEN**

by Denise & Family

**M. RICHARD WILT**

by Brothers & Sisters

**MONSIGNOR FABER  
MALLOY & MONSIGNOR**

**JOHN CULLINAN**

by Edwin & Karen Malone

**DENNY & DWIGHT  
DECOSKEY**

by Edwin & Karen Malone

**MALONE & GRANT  
FAMILY**

by Edwin & Karen Malone

**RAY & THERESA MALONE**

by Ray & Libby Malone

**ROSE ANNA MADDEN  
HARSHBERGER**

by Ray & Libby Malone

**BOB & JANE ROSEBERRY**

by Dr. & Mrs. Frank McClain

**FRANK & MINNIE  
McCLAIN**

by Dr. & Mrs. Frank McClain

**TOM ROSEBERRY**  
by Dr. & Mrs. Frank McClain

**RICHARD McCOY**  
by the family

**ROGER S. MEINTEL**

by his wife: Nancy & his children:  
Debbie, Jeff & family

**GENEVIEVE STANLEY**

by Barb, Don,  
Holly & Hannah Mercer

**DANIEL & DOLORES  
KUBITSKY**

by Donna Messner

**BARB & TED MICHELONE**

by Lisa & Greg Michelone

**DAVE & JEANIE MASON**

by Lisa & Greg Michelone

**MAXINE KETTERER**

by Lisa & Greg Michelone

**PAUL & GRACE MIELNIK**

by their son, Larry

**PAUL & ROY BECKER**

by Larry Mielnik

**SUSAN MIELNIK**

by Ken Mielnik

**THOMAS MIELNIK**

by his brother, Larry

**EDDY MILLER**

by his wife: Donna Miller

**HELEN REGER**

by Susan, Ralph & Drew

**DEBORAH (BRANNAN)  
MONTLER**

by Michael & Christine Montler

**DONALD J. CLAR**

by Michael & Christine Montler

**GARY D. RODGERS**

by Michael & Christine Montler

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE MINERD &**

**MORINGIELLO FAMILY**

by Dan & Cynthia Moringiello

**RUTH WALTER**

by Jacki Mowery

**TOM & MARIE**

**HAZENSTAB**

by Larry & Mary Ann Nedimyer

**JOHN NEDIMYER**

by Larry & Mary Ann Nedimyer

**CONNIE PERRETTA**

by Gary & Vikki Nocek & Family

**GLENN J. NOCEK**

by Gary & Vikki Nocek & Family

**JOHN & NELLIE WALTER**

by Charles & Mary Noonan

**THOMAS & ANNA**

**NOONAN**

by Charles & Mary Noonan

**ARTHUR (JOE) OLLINGER**

by the Ollinger Family

**ELEANOR OLLINGER**

by the Ollinger Family



**HELEN PUSKAR**

by Paul &amp; Jeanne Puskar

**STEPHEN & MARIE****STROZAK**

by Paul &amp; Jeanne Puskar

**BOVINO & WARD****FAMILIES**

by Nancy, Ginnie &amp; Kevin

**PHILIP QUARRY**

by Nancy, Ginnie &amp; Kevin

**QUARRY & SMITH****FAMILIES**

by Nancy, Ginnie &amp; Kevin

**BEATRICE A. BURNS**

by Patti, Brittani &amp; Chris Raybuck

**JOHN F. BURNS**

by Patti, Brittani &amp; Chris Raybuck

**ADOLPH & VIRGINIA****RAYMOND**

by Paul &amp; Genny Raymond

**ANDREW, HELEN, & MARK****WASIL**

by Paul &amp; Genny Raymond

**DEAN L. RHODES, JR.**

by their Family

**LOUIS & AGNES****LANZENDORFER**

by their Family

**RAY RILEY**

by Nancy &amp; family

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## FREE SOUP SATURDAYS



St. Michael parish will once again host the Hollidaysburg Free Soup Saturdays. Our dates to host this year are: **January 6, 13 & 20. MANY volunteers are needed to make soup, provide desserts, set up and serve each week.** If

you can help in any way, please contact Janet via email at: [stmichaelchurchpa@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelchurchpa@gmail.com), or call **695-0912**. Please consider helping, even for just one of the weeks. Our church has quite a reputation for fantastic soup, and a large delicious amount of desserts. This is a wonderful outreach to our community, and much appreciated, especially in the cold month of January. Everyone is welcome to help especially confirmation students.

Here is the entire schedule and locations for the Soup Saturdays:

### 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

|                              |                              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Jan. 6, 13 &amp; 20</b>   | St. Michael Church           |
| <b>Jan. 27 &amp; Feb. 3</b>  | St. John Reformed Church     |
| <b>Feb. 10 &amp; 17</b>      | St. Mary Church              |
| <b>Feb. 24 &amp; March 3</b> | Hlbg. Church of the Brethren |
| <b>March 10, 17 &amp; 24</b> | First Presbyterian Church    |

## THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

The St. Michael Church's Legion of Mary (Our Lady of the Angels Praesidium) would like to assist the parishioners here at St. Michael with their prayers and rosaries for your special intentions (spiritual, physical, temporal needs etc...) All requests will be held in the strictest confidence! If a parishioner would like a visit, that can be arranged as well. For inquiries and concerns please call Pat Gildea at 814.695.2965 or Anne Musser at 814.515.8028.

Established in our parish in 1973. Our Lady of the Angels Praesidium of the Legion of Mary, meets **weekly** at the Gildea residence (1200 N. Juniata St., Hollidaysburg). The weekly meeting is a balanced program of prayer and service. In union with the Holy Spirit as He operates through Mary, Mother of the Church, and General of the Legion of Army. **The Legion needs your "Helping Hand" to keep our Praesidium active.** If you have an interest in the Legion of Mary, please see or call Pat Gildea at 814.695.2965. Date and time of the meetings will be decided by those interested in attending.

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## A NOTE OF THANKS AND REMINDER

"A sincere note of thanks to all those who participated in the Contemplative Prayer Group this fall. I enjoyed facilitating this series with you. I appreciated your faithfulness in attending. Please remember to complete your survey and return it to Janet in our church office, evaluations always help leaders improve for others. Christ's peace this Christmas!" - *Judith Griffith*

Want to rehear Monsignor's Homily? Misplaced your bulletin? On vacation? Don't miss what's going on!

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

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

#### PRE K - 9TH GRADE

TODAY No Religious Ed Classes

Dec. 31 No Religious Ed Classes

Jan. 7 Religious Ed. Classes (*pre K - 9th grade*) **10:00 AM**

Jan. 14 Religious Ed. Classes (*pre K - 9th grade*) **10:00 AM**

#### 2nd GRADE

Jan. 25 2nd Grade parent meeting with Msgr. Carson (First Eucharist)  
**6:30 PM in the Activity Building**

Jan. 28 Make-up Session 2nd Grade parent meeting with Msgr.  
**1:00 PM in the Activity Building**

#### "YEAR OF INVITATION" (9th Grade)

Jan. 6 **Retreat: Baptism** (*Activ. Bldg.*) - *Inc. Mass* **12:30 AM - 6 PM**  
*Sponsors/Parents must attend as well*

#### "YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade)

Jan. 7 Religious Education (*Activ. Bldg.*) \*Please note date correction **12:30 PM**

#### "YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade)

Jan. 7 Religious Education (*Activ. Bldg.*) \*Please note date correction **12:30 PM**

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (Dec 24)

"After Jesus it is the Blessed Virgin Mary who by her example teaches most perfectly the meaning of discipleship and stewardship in their fullest sense. All of their essential elements are found in her life: she was called and gifted by God; she responded generously, creatively, and prudently; she understood her divinely assigned role as 'handmaid' in terms of service and fidelity." (*Stewardship: A Disciple's Response, USCCB, 1992.*)

### Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord Christmas (Mon. Dec 25)

The lives of the lowly shepherds must certainly have been changed after hearing the joyous news from the angels and seeing the Jesus, the Christ Child lying in the manger. How has the coming of Jesus, the perfect Steward, changed your life?

## FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

### *Reflections on the Sunday Reading* **25 Luke 2:15-20**

**Q:** What do you call a family which began with an unmarried pregnant teen and had a twelve year old son who ran away from them and was eventually executed as a criminal?

**A:** HOLY! Two lessons: (1) No matter what is happening in your family, "The Lord is with You." (2) "Do not be afraid" for "nothing is impossible with God"

## QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

**Every Monday:** Prayer Group (*in the Church*) **2 PM**

**SCRIP:** sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Masses & before the 11:30 AM Mass

**PLEASE NOTE:SCRIP will NOT be sold Dec. 24 or 31**

**TODAY Christmas Eve Mass**

**4 PM - 6 PM** (*Children's Mass*) & **10 PM** (*preceded by carols at 9:30 PM*)

**12/25 Christmas Day Mass** **8:30 AM & 10 AM**

1/1 New Year's Day Mass **8:30 AM**

1/2 - 1/3 Parish Office Closed

1/6 Free Soup Saturday (HERE) **11 AM - 1 PM**

1/9 Ladies Guild Meeting (Marzoni's) **1 PM**

1/13 Free Soup Saturday (HERE) **11 AM - 1 PM**

1/15 Parish Office Closed

1/17 Parish Council Meeting (*Rectory Meeting Room*) **7:00 PM**


1/18 Finance Council Meeting (*Rectory Meeting Room*) **7:00 PM**

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