

January 14, 2018

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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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

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.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist points out Jesus, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" At every Mass the invitation to receive the Body and Blood of Christ begins with, "Behold the Lamb of God." When one of our members dies, the Church especially encourages the celebration of the Mass. The funeral liturgy is the central liturgical celebration of the Christian community for the deceased. As the deceased gathered weekly with the faith community in life, so in death the Christian is commemorated at the Sacred Mysteries, calling upon God's mercy.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

for January 14 – 21

TODAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 a.m. + Phillip Hahn - by Tim & Kathy Balconi

10:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. + Ralph Conroy (*Anniv. Rem.*) - by his wife Joan & family

MONDAY, JANUARY 15 *Martin Luther King, Jr. - Holiday*

7:45 a.m. + Agnes Denning & Bernadette Melville - by the family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

7:45 a.m. + Louis J. Cala (*Anniversary Rem.*) - by the family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 *St. Anthony, Abbot*

7:45 a.m. + Genevieve Campbell - by Bob & Louise Irwin

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins*

8:30 a.m. H.T.C. School Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

7:45 a.m. + Rita Burger (*Anniversary Rem.*) - by her family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 *St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr*

5:00 p.m. + Deceased Members of the Donato & Tomasseti Family - by Helen Tomasseti & Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Ecumenical Sunday*

8:30 a.m. + Nancy Starkey - by her sister Cathy Schwartz

10:00 a.m. + Elizabeth Petronie (*Anniv. Rem.*) - by Rich & Lynn Holzer

11:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish



PARISH RENEWAL:

ARISE Together in Christ

The diocesan-wide renewal process, **ARISE Together in Christ**, will begin this Fall over a six week period (called a Season); and then continue with six week sessions in Lent and Fall of two more years. The Gospel-themed process will include weekend Eucharist, small faith-sharing groups, personal prayer, and a Parish Mission. Eventually, our parish will form a team to implement the process. If you're interested in being a part of the team, please call or email the parish office. For those interested in attending one of the orientation sessions at St. Catherine of Sienna Parish in Duncansville on **Thursday, January 25**, at either **1:00 PM - 2:30 PM** or **6:30 PM - 8:00 PM**, please call or email the parish office by Wednesday of this week.

FLU SEASON DIRECTIVES

Bishop Mark has directed parishes in the Diocese to not distribute the Precious Blood in any form effective January 13-14. It is the belief of the Catholic Church that the whole Body of Christ is present under either form of consecrated bread and wine. The Bishop has also directed that the faithful should avoid bodily contact, such as shaking hands, during the Sign of Peace. A genuine nod of the head with eye contact with others at Mass will be the temporary practice. Bishop Bartchak's directives are the result of an advisory from public health officials that cases of the flu and similar contagious viruses remain a serious health concern at this time. During this flu season, reception of Holy Communion on the hand is encouraged; however, reception on the tongue may not be denied. The Bishop's directives will be followed throughout the winter months or until the flu season ends. The Diocese will announce when parishes may return to their regular practices.

BAPTISMS

Since we normally do not have baptisms during Lent, we are reminding parents that if you want to have your child baptized before the Lenten season begins, to please call the church office soon to schedule a date.

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19

Today's reading takes place 11 centuries before Christ at an Israelite shrine, which is referred to as a "temple" in the text. At the shrine was the "Ark of God", a wooden chest overlaid by gold in which the ten Commandments were kept. Eli was the high priest at the shrine. Samuel was a young man in Eli's service. We will hear how God called Samuel to be a prophetic leader of Israel.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

Today and for the next few Sundays, our second reading will be from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians. Corinth, a port city in ancient Greece, was noted for its widespread immorality. Anything and everything was thought permissible. Paul doesn't counter this attitude by putting down the human body as evil or of little worth. Rather, he does just the opposite.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

SACRISTAN (1/14/18 - 1/20/18): P. Claycomb

SCRIP (1/21/18): A. Waibel

COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (1/21/18): The Hemminger family

January 20 - 21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 20, 5:00 PM

Readers: M. Dodson (1) & L. Michelone (2)
Altar Servers: A. Edwards & R. Edwards
E. Min.: L. Savino
Gift Bearers: The Treese Family

Sunday, January 21, 8:30 AM

Readers: B. Anthony (1) & P. Yakymac (2)
Altar Servers: B. Gervinski & M. Hemminger
E. Min.: M. Schlechter
Gift Bearers: The D. Frank Family

Sunday, January 21, 10:00 AM

Readers: D. Garrity (1) & D. Lanzel (2)
Altar Servers: B. Dodson & Z. Dodson
E. Min.: B. Farnan
Gift Bearers: The Urban Family

Sunday, January 21, 11:30 AM

Readers: available (1), R. Wagner (2)
Altar Servers: G. Hayes & J. Hayes
E. Min.: R. Walter
Gift Bearers: The Pope Family

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

Thank you for your generosity!

Sunday Offering (1/7/17)	\$8,490.30
Sunday Envelopes:	\$8,016.00
Loose Cash:	\$474.30

MARCH FOR LIFE DONATIONS

Citizens Concerned for Human Life will be collecting donations **after all Masses TODAY, January 13 and 14**. Donations will be used to help defray the cost of buses going to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. on Friday, January 19th.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed
tomorrow, Monday, January 15

ECUMENICAL SERVICES

Once again, the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will partner with our brothers and sisters in the Lutheran and Orthodox faith traditions to sponsor two annual ecumenical services. The Diocese will host the first service; the Orthodox tradition will host the second. The gatherings are an opportunity for all to come together to celebrate our Christian unity. The following ecumenical services are scheduled:

January 21 - 2:00 p.m.

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona

January 28; 2:00 p.m.

Christ the Saviour Cathedral in Johnstown

LOCAL RESPECT LIFE MARCH

The 31st annual Respect Life March will be held on **Sunday, January 21** in Tyrone. Sponsored by the Saint Gregory Council #1218 Knights of Columbus, the event will begin at **Noon** at Saint Matthew Parish in Tyrone. Participants will then walk a little more than one mile to the grave of Baby Agnes Doe. All are invited to this pro-life event. A hot lunch will be provided afterwards. For more information, contact Peter Kreckel at 814.935.5436 or email: pharmcanoe@aol.com

PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE ROE VS WADE ANNIVERSARY

A Prayer Service will be held **THIS Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona**. Bishop Mark Bartchak will lead the prayer service for the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision of Roe vs. Wade (1973). There will be a blessing for the pilgrims attending the March For Life in Washington, D.C. the next day, Friday, January 19. All are welcome to participate in this prayer. All who have a respect for life from conception to natural death are welcome to join our brothers and sisters at the Altoona Cathedral.

MARCH ON THE MOUNTAIN

Saint Francis University in Loretto will sponsor the 5th annual "March on the Mountain" on **Monday, January, 22**. The Rosary will be prayed at 10:30 AM; the march around campus will happen at 11:00 AM. Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception Chapel at Noon. All are invited to any or all of the events to show support for the sanctity of human life. Bishop Mark will be in attendance.



FREE SOUP SATURDAYS

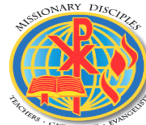
Last Week at St. Michael's!

Come and enjoy the best soups in town at the "Free Soup Saturdays." Area Hollidaysburg churches will be offering free hot soup, bread & butter (or a sandwich), beverage and dessert, **Now - March 24 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** Free will offerings will be accepted to help defray costs at each location.

THIS SATURDAY - Jan. 20 **HERE at St. Michael Church**
Jan. 27 & Feb. 3 at St. John Reformed Church
Feb. 10 & 17 at St. Mary Church
Feb. 24 & March 3 at Hlbg. Church of the Brethren
March 10, 17 & 24 at First Presbyterian Church

FREE THROW CONTEST

The Knights Of Columbus Star of the Sea Council 4245, will hold a basketball free throw contest on Saturday, Jan. 27th from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Church of St. Patrick's gym, Newry. The competition is for all boys and girls ages 10 to 14 as of January 1, 2018. Children ages 7 to 9 may compete but are not eligible to advance to the Knights of Columbus District Competition. Contact, Brother Knight Dennis Dombrowsky at 814 -695-1509 or by email at dinopapt@aol.com.



St. Michael's Religious Education and Faith Formation News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

PRE K - 9TH GRADE

TODAY	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	10:00 AM
Jan. 21	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	10:00 AM
Jan. 28	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	10:00 AM
Feb. 4	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	10:00 AM
Feb. 11	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	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)

March 4 Session: Communion with God (<i>Activ. Bldg.</i>)	12:30 AM - 2 PM
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"YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade)

TODAY Religious Education (<i>Activ. Bldg.</i>) * <u>Please note date correction</u>	12:30 PM
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"YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade)

TODAY Religious Education (<i>Activ. Bldg.</i>) * <u>Please note date correction</u>	12:30 PM
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FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

Jesus' question in today's gospel is still valid today: "What are you looking for?" What do you want from your spouse, children or parents? Families are populated with imperfect people. To expect perfection is unreal. To expect and accept imperfection is wisdom.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Like Samuel in today's first reading, we may not immediately realize that it is God who is calling us. However, when we do realize that God is calling us to be a servant of His, may we respond as Samuel did, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do Your will!"

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michael Men's Club will be held **tonight, Sunday, January 14, at 7:00 p.m.** in the church hall. All men of the parish are encouraged and invited to attend. New Year - New Faces - New Ideas: Come join us!

QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Monday:	Prayer Group (<i>in the Church</i>)	2 PM
SCRIP:	sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Masses & before the 11:30 AM Mass	
TODAY	Men's Club Meeting (<i>Church Hall</i>)	7:00 PM
1/15	Parish Office Closed	
1/17	Parish Council Meeting (<i>Rector's Meeting Room</i>)	7:00 PM
1/18	Finance Council Meeting (<i>Rector's Meeting Room</i>)	7:00 PM
1/20	Free Soup Saturday (HERE)	11 AM - 1 PM
1/25	2nd Grade parent meeting with Msgr. Carson (First Eucharist)	6:30 PM in the Activity Building
1/28	Make-up Session 2nd Grade parent meeting with Msgr.	1:00 PM in the Activity Building

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

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