Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2018



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

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 the fishermen abandoned their nets and followed the Lord. Faithful Christians follow Christ by having total love for God and neighbor. In every celebration for the dead, the Church attaches great importance to the reading of the word of God. The readings proclaim the paschal mystery, convey hope of being gathered together again in God's kingdom, and encourage the witness to the Christian life on the part of the living. As we continue on our pilgrimage of life, we seek God's mercy and love. May our dead know peace in Christ, and may we be comforted in that same peace.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS for January 21 - 28

TODAY, 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

MONDAY, JANUARY 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:45 a.m. + Joan Hoover - Porter (Month's Mind) - by her sister

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23 St. Marianne Cope, Virgin; St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr

7:45 a.m. + Dru (Wilt) Baronner (Anniv. Rem.)

- by her brothers & sisters

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:45 a.m. + Bernie Fredrick (2 yr. Anniv. Rem.) – by his wife Shirley

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops

7:45 a.m. + Lori Irwin-Kozlowski (1 yr. Anniversary Rem.)

- by her parents, Bob & Louise

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder

5:00 p.m. + Ted Michelone - by Greg & Lisa Michelone

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

National Catholic Schools Week begins

8:30 a.m. + Wilson & Helen Smith - by Richard & Marcia Smith

10:00 a.m. + Mary Ann Collins - by Pete & Gerry Pontzer

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

PARISH SURVEY

Members of our parish's advisory councils, Parish Council and Finance Council, received copies of the results of last November's Parish Survey. Gratitude is extended to the 128 individuals who participated in the survey. Parish Council members will now review and interpret the results and eventually determine how best to respond to the commendations and recommendations.

FLU SEASON DIRECTIVES

Because of the seriousness of this flu season, Bishop Bartchak has asked that the Precious Blood of the Lord not be offered at Mass temporarily. It is the belief of the Catholic Church that the whole Body of Christ is present under either form of consecrated bread and wine. Also, the exchange of the sign of peace should avoid bodily contact. A reverent nod with eye contact and a smile will be the temporary practice. Reception of Holy Communion on the hand is encouraged; however, reception on the tongue may not be denied. These norms are in effect throughout the winter months or until the flu season is over.

NURSING HOME AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Msgr. Carson currently celebrates Mass at the Lutheran Home on the 2nd Thursday of the month and at Homewood in Martinsburg on the 3rd Thursday of the month. He also normally makes Holy Communion visits to parishioners once a month at several local nursing and personal care homes. A few parishioners are also on a monthly Communion Visit list. If you or a family member would like to be added to the list, please call the parish office at 695-0912.

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 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10

The Book of Jonah is only two pages long and tells a parable about a man called by God to preach repentance to the pagan city of Nineveh. Jonah's first response was to sail as fast as he could in the other direction. After his adventures with a large fish, God called him a second time. Today's passage picks it up from there.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

In this section of the first letter to the Corinthians, Paul responds to written questions they had sent to him. Some questions had to do with how we, who believe in the next life, should relate to the things of this life. Paul expected that Jesus would return in glory soon, so he gives some advice which we hear in this reading.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

SACRISTAN (1/21/18 - 1/27/18): S. Heist

SCRIP (1/28/18): J. Hartkorn

COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (1/28/18): The Nocek family

January 27-28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 27, 5:00 PM

Readers: M. Dodson (1) & L. Michelone (2)

Altar Servers: N. Nale & C. Reachard

E. Min.: J. Bookhamer Gift Bearers: D. Boland

Sunday, January 28, 8:30 AM

Readers: G. Luciano (1) & P. Gildea (2)
Altar Servers: C. Tyndall, W. Tyndall & N. Tyndall

E. Min.: B. Codd

Gift Bearers: The R. Baronner Family

Sunday, January 28, 10:00 AM

Readers: D. Culp (1) & M. Culp (2) Altar Servers: S. Manna & Z. Manna

E. Min.: L. Craig

Gift Bearers: The Nosek Family

Sunday, January 28, 11:30 AM

Readers: J. Plummer (1) & L. Georgiana (2) **Altar Servers:** D. Georgiana & G. Georgiana

E. Min.: G. Harrington

Gift Bearers: The Wilkinson Family

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PEACE & JUSTICE MEETING

Our Parish Peace & Justice Committee will be meeting **Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 7 PM** in the Rectory basement. We will be discussing our recent activities and discuss upcoming events including a Lenten Food Drive on March 3 - 4. All members are encouraged to attend and new members (and new ideas) are always welcomed.

ALTAR CRUCIFIX

On or near a church's altar is to be a cross with the image of Christ crucified upon it to call to mind for the faithful the saving Passion of the Lord. The cross currently on our altar is a replica of an icon which is in the style of classical Celtic/Irish sacred art. The symbols of the four Evangelists surround the cross.

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.

ST. MICHAEL'S ANNUAL VALENTINE MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Our annual Valentine Mass for married couples will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the church. This is a wonderful way to enrich your marriage and renew your vows. All married couples are invited to join us. Refreshments, appetizers and desserts will be served in the church hall following the Mass. If you would like to help our Celebration Committee with the social after Mass please call Rita at 693-1819.

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.

Jan. 27 & Feb. 3 Feb. 10 & 17 Feb. 24 & March 3 March 10, 17 & 24 at St. John Reformed Church

at St. Mary Church

at Hlbg. Church of the Brethren at First Presbyterian Church

DAY OF PRAYER

The anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade is January 22, 1973. On Monday, January 22, 2018 all dioceses in the United States of America will observe a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Please join in praying the following:



God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone have the power to impart the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with, you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

LOST AND FOUND

There is a tan Lost & Found box under the table at the church main entrance. Please take a look in there if you can not find your gloves, glasses, rosaries etc... that may have been left behind in the church. Valuable items are generally taken to the parish office.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 28th to February 3rd



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To celebrate Catholic Schools Week, **Holy Trinity Catholic Schools are** having an all campus Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, February 2 at 9:30 am. Everyone is invited to attend.



St. Michael's Religious Education and Faith Formation News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

PRE K - 9TH GRADE
TODAY Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade) 10:00 AM Jan. 28 Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade) 10:00 AM Feb. 4 Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade) 10:00 AM Feb. 11 Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade) 10:00 AM

2nd GRADE

Parents, of students in second grade who are preparing to receive their first communion, are reminded that THIS Thursday, Jan 25 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a parent meeting with Msgr. Carson in the Activity building. (Large building attached to the school.) If you can not attend the Thursday night meeting, it will be repeated on Sunday, Jan. 28 at 1:00 p.m.

Feb. 9 Reconciliation Retreat (Church Hall) 5:30 PM Feb. 17 Celebration of Reconciliation (Church) 10:00 AM

YEAR OF INVITATION" (9th Grade)

March 4 Session: Communion with God (Activ. Bldg.) 12:30 AM - 2 PM

"YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade)

Feb. 11 Religious Education (Activ. Bldg.) 12:30 PM Feb. 25 Session: Witness, Word, Worship & Community Service (Activ. Bldg.) 12:30 AM - 2 PM

"YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade)

Session: Morality (Activ. Bldg.) Feb. 4 12:30 PM (ALL Confirmation paperwork is due at this Session)

Feb. 11 12:30 PM Religious Education (Activ. Bldg.)

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

It must have been difficult for Zebedee to watch his sons walk away and follow Jesus. It was the end of 'Zebedee & Sons Fishing, Inc.' Our children are never ours. They are only on loan to us. We raise them to let them go.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

All three readings today speak of repenting; the act of changing our hearts and minds for the better. If we find ourselves "giving-in" to the dominant secular culture that often contradicts values of the Judeo-Christian tradition, we can "repent" by making a conscious decision to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ, no matter what the cost

BIBLES FOR USE IN THE CHURCH

There are Bibles on our church's windowsills for those who would like to use them for reading, personal prayer, and meditation. You are asked to leave them in church and return them to the windowsill so that others might use them. There is a Brief Introduction to Biblical Meditation inserted in the front cover of each bible.

IN THE HOSPITAL?

If you or a family member are admitted to the hospital or a rehabilitation facility and would like a visit from Msgr. Carson, please contact the parish office.

QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Monday: Prayer Group (in the Church)

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

2nd Grade parent meeting with Msgr. Carson (First Eucharist) 1/25 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

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