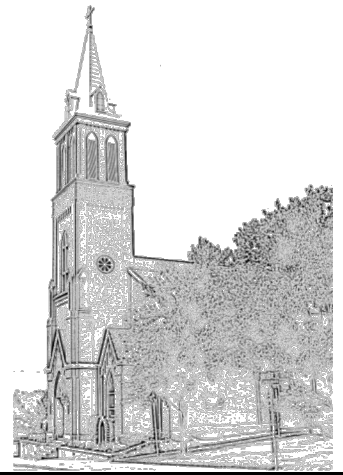


March 18, 2018



# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 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 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.  
During Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. prior to the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

## 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

Lent has us focus on the cross where both death and life are found. Jesus obediently accepted death on a cross so that sins might be forgiven and our relationship with God be restored. The Preface at the Funeral Mass prays, "For even though by our own fault we perish, yet by your compassion and your grace, when seized by death according to our sins, we are redeemed through Christ's great victory..." Sin causes us to lose our life in the Lord. We seek life through the Lord's victory on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Redemption is ours, both for the living and dead, in the salvific death of the Lord.

*Roman Missal, Preface V, For The Dead.*

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## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

for March 18 - 25

### TODAY, SUNDAY, March 18 *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

8:30 a.m. + **Mary E. Glass** (*Anniv. Rem.*) - by *Dee Barkley & Family*

10:00 a.m. + **Ed Prostko, Sr.** (*Birthday Remembrance*)  
- by *his daughter, Nancy Spielvogel*

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

### MONDAY, March 19 *St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

7:45 a.m. + **Mitzi Frank** (*1 yr. Anniv. Rem.*) - by *Steve & Janice Frank*

### TUESDAY, March 20

7:45 a.m. + **Joyce Waryck** - by *Bonnie Fox*

### WEDNESDAY, March 21

7:45 a.m. + **Paul Boland** - by *the Baker Family*

6:30 p.m. **Physical & Spiritual Needs of Betty Nale**  
- by *her children*

### THURSDAY, March 22

8:30 a.m. HTC School Mass

### FRIDAY, March 23 *St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop*

7:45 a.m. + **Mark Burger** - by *Ethel & Nancy Cassidy*

### SATURDAY, March 24 *Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr*

5:00 p.m. + **Barb Michelone** - by *her children*

### SUNDAY, March 25 *Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

8:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. + **Louis J. Cala** - by *his family*

11:30 a.m. + **Rita Burger** (*Birthday Remembrance*) - by *her family*

## INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

The prophet Jeremiah ministered at a difficult time in Jewish history. Jerusalem, their beloved capitol, had been destroyed, and most of the people taken captive to far-off Babylon. In this gloomy setting, Jeremiah expresses the conviction that the Lord will raise up a new leader from the line of David to restore and rebuild their homeland.

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9**

The Letter to the Hebrews was written to a Christian community that had become dispirited and whose faith was faltering. Jesus is presented in today's passage as a model of suffering and a source of strength in time of need. (This passage is also part of the second reading on Good Friday.)

## THIS WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

**SACRISTAN** (3/18/18 - 3/24/18): P. Gildea

**SCRIP** (3/25/18): B. Nosek

**COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL** (3/25/18): J. Burger

### March 24 - March 30

#### Saturday, February 24, 5:00 PM

**Readers:** M. Dodson (1) & J. Mielnik (2)  
**Altar Servers:** N. Nale & Z. Yingling  
**E. Min.:** L. Savino  
**Gift Bearers:** Family B. Irwin

#### Sunday, February 25, 8:30 AM

**Readers:** B. Stevens (1) & P. Yakymac (2)  
**Altar Servers:** S. Blescia & M. Hemminger  
**E. Min.:** C. Feathers  
**Gift Bearers:** The Blescia family

#### Sunday, February 25, 10:00 AM

**Readers:** D. Lanzel (1) & M. Culp (2)  
**Altar Servers:** S. Manna & Z. Manna  
**E. Min.:** D. Garrity  
**Gift Bearers:** The Barazotto Family

#### Sunday, February 25, 11:30 AM

**Readers:** D. Sault (1) & R. Wagner (2)  
**Altar Servers:** J. Gardner & M. Gardner  
**E. Min.:** D. Stoehr  
**Gift Bearers:** D. Boland

## MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of parishioner **Robert Keech** (3/9/18). May God grant Bob eternal rest and bring comfort to his family & friends, especially to his wife; Mary Ann, his children; Tim & Becky, his grandchildren and also to his sister and his brother Ray.

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



Our parish is in the process of preparing additional altar servers. Altar servers may be men and woman; and, boys and girls who have reached the 4th or 5th grade. The two servers at our weekend Masses may be a team of children, teens, and even a parent and child or grandparent and grandchild. Training for new servers will take place on

**Tuesday, March 20 at 2:30 PM** and repeated on **Saturday, March 24 at NOON**, and on **Sunday, March 25 at 12:30 PM**. The sessions will last about 45 to 60 minutes.

## ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

The Saint Joseph's Table is a tradition dating back to the Middle Ages when there was a severe drought in Sicily which resulted in a famine. The people prayed to God for rain, but they also prayed to St. Joseph to intercede with God on their behalf. They promised Saint Joseph that if God caused it to rain; they would hold a feast in Joseph's honor. The rains came, and the crops were planted. With the harvest, the people prepared the promised feast.

**A Saint Joseph's Table of breakfast food will be available in the parish rectory following the 7:45 A.M. Mass TOMORROW, on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, St. Joseph's Feastday.** The meal begins with the Litany of St. Joseph and a Blessing.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers and Gift Bearers are still needed for Holy Week & Easter. Please sign-up SOON for an available position on the sign-up sheet in the Church main entrance and not on-line, or you may contact the parish office.

## PLEASE NOTE

The offering of the Precious Blood to the faithful will be restored at the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper on March 29.

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

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Sunday Offering** (3/11/18) **\$7,646.52**  
Sunday Envelopes: \$7087.00  
Loose Cash: \$559.52

**Catholic Relief Collection:** (as of 3/11/18) **\$597.00**

**2018 Catholic Ministries Drive (C.M.D.) Goal: \$46,613.00**  
Parish Total Received: (as of 3/10/18) \$8,369.00  
Under Goal: (as of 3/10/18) (\$38,244.00)



## TODAY

**Legion of Mary 45th Annual Acies  
HERE at St Michael Church**

All parishioners are invited to attend the Legion of Mary's (Altoona - Johnstown Curia) 45th Annual Acies. Join them at **2:00 PM in the Church, TODAY - Sunday, March 18.** The Acies ceremony includes: Prayer, Rosary, Act of Consecration, Homily and Benediction. All are invited, you do not need to be a member of the Legion to attend.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

You are encouraged to join us in praying the Stations of the Cross at **5:30 PM** on Fridays of Lent. (You are also invited to say the stations at the church on your own any day from 8:30 a.m. - 4. p.m. Booklets are available on a stand near the first station.)

## LENTEEN EVENING MASS

Every Wednesday, during Lent,  
we will celebrate Mass at **6:30 PM**

(The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at 6 PM prior to the Mass.)

## PENANCE SERVICES & RECONCILIATION

To reconcile with God is the reason for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our regularly scheduled Confessions are on **Saturdays at 1:00 PM and Sundays at 7:30 AM**, During Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available on **Wednesday evenings at 6:00 P.M.** prior to the 6:30 PM Mass, and also during Holy Week on **Tuesday, March 27, at 7:00 AM, Noon and 5:00 PM.**

**St. Mary Parish** – Hollidaysburg will host a Penance Service on **Palm Sunday, March 25 at 4:00 PM.**

## FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

**John 12:20-33** Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in dying to our independence that we find interdependence with others.

## MANY THANKS!

- Thank you to our Peace & Justice Committee for hosting the Lenten Food Drive. Over 1220 pounds of food and \$140 in cash and giftcards was collected and distributed to families and friends of our parish in need and to the American Rescue Workers to restock their shelves. Thank you to all who donated and to those who helped!
- Thank you our Ladies Guild for hosting funeral luncheons at our church and to the parishioners who donate food (on a short notice) to the luncheons. It is much appreciated by the grieving families.

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (March 18)** You are like a grain of wheat. Keeping your time, talent, and treasure to yourself yields no harvest. With God's grace we can die to ourselves and bear fruit for His kingdom. When you live for others, the evangelizing mission of Jesus Christ is revealed. Is God calling you to be charitable in a specific way today?

## EASTER MEMORIALS

Each memorial is a suggested \$10 donation. We ask that all memorial requests be turned in to the parish office by **THIS Tuesday, March 20 before 4:00 PM** so that we may print the memorials in the Easter bulletin. *Memorial donations to the Easter Memorials will be used to help defray the cost of the Easter Flowers, candles, music etc...*



Please print

Memorial for: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_



## 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**

**Mar. 25** No Class

**April 1** No Class

**April 8** Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade) **10:00 AM**

**April 15** Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade) **10:00 AM**

### 2nd GRADE

**Mar. 25** Eucharist Retreat (Church hall) **1:30 PM**

(Please note: This was originally scheduled for April 17 at 3:30 PM)

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

**April 15** Service Hour paperwork due by this date

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

**April 15** Religious Education (Activ. Bldg.) **12:30 PM**

**April 15** Service Hour paperwork due by this date

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

**April 8** Rite of Sending (w/ Sponsors) **11:30 AM MASS**

Reflection for Candidates & Sponsors (Activ. Bldg.) **12:30 PM**

**April 9** Confirmation Practice (at the Cathedral)

**April 10** Celebration of Confirmation (at the Cathedral)



## Don't Miss Our Parish Easter Egg Hunt!

Easter Sunday, April 1st – After the 10:00 AM Mass!

All Children Age 10 and Under  
Are Invited to Meet in the Church Side Yard

3 Age Groups:  
(3 and Under) (4-7) and (8-10)

**We need your Help....Lots of Eggs to find!!**

Hosted by our Parish Youth Group.

Youth Group members, or those in 7 –12 grade, who want to help with the Easter Egg Hunt, are invited to meet on **Wednesday March 28, at 6:30 PM** in the Parish Activity Building to help fill LOTS of eggs. Please come and help.

## QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Every Monday:</b>	Prayer Group (in the Church)	<b>2 PM</b>
<b>SCRIP:</b>	sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Masses in the Church Hall	
<b>TODAY</b>	Legion of Mary 45th Annual Acies (Church)	<b>2:00 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 19</b>	St. Joseph's Table Breakfast (Rectory)	<b>after the 7:45 AM Mass</b>
<b>Mar. 20</b>	Altar Server Training (Church)	<b>2:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 20</b>	Easter Memorials due (Parish Office)	<b>before 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 21</b>	Lenten Evening Mass	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 21</b>	Parish Council Meeting (Rectory Mtg Rm)	<b>after the Evening Mass</b>
<b>Mar. 22</b>	Holy Trinity School Open House (all school campuses)	<b>6 PM - 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 23</b>	Stations of the Cross	<b>5:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 24</b>	Altar Server Training (Church)	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Mar. 25</b>	Palm Sunday	
	* There is a basket at the church entrance if you have palms from last year and would like to have them properly disposed.	
<b>Mar. 25</b>	Altar Server Training (Church)	<b>12:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 25</b>	Penance Service (St. Mary Church - Hollidaysburg)	<b>4:00 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 26</b>	Last Supper Presentation (Church)	<b>8:00 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 27</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Church)	<b>7 AM, Noon &amp; 5 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 28</b>	Lenten Evening Mass	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar. 28</b>	Youth Group Egg Filling Meeting (Activity Building)	<b>6:30 PM</b>



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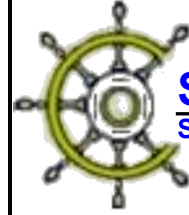
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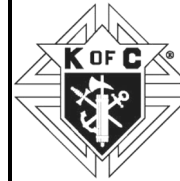
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