



St. Mary
312 Clark St.
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Mass Schedule at St. Mary:
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 and 10:00 AM.
Daily and Holy Days: See inside

Confessions:
Saturday: 2:30 to 3:30 PM
Wednesday: 5:30 PM
Thursday: 4:00 PM before
the First Friday of the month

Office Phone Number and Hours:
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**St. Mary & St. Michael
Parishes
One Body in Christ**

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**Easter Sunday
of the Resurrection
of the Lord**

Cycle B
March 31, 2024

Baptism & Marriage:
Call the church office to
schedule an appointment.
2 weeks notice requested for
Baptism. 9 months notice
required for Marriage.

Christian Initiation:
Interested in becoming a
member of the Catholic faith?
Contact Deacon Allan F. Duman
aduman@dioceseaj.org

Bereavement Facilitator:
Debbi 912-713-5412

**Director of Faith Formation
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**Hollidaysburg Catholic Youth Group
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Fairview Campus 814-381-7011
Eldorado Campus 814-942-7835

Bishop Guifoye Academy
Website: bishopguifoyleacademy.org



St. Michael
The Archangel Parish
301 Spruce St.
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Mass Schedule at St. Michael:
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 and 11:30 AM.
Daily and Holy Days: See inside

Confessions:
Saturdays at 1:00 to 2:00 PM

Office Phone Number and Hours:
Office: 814-695-0912
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Sandy Harteis - Traditional Choir

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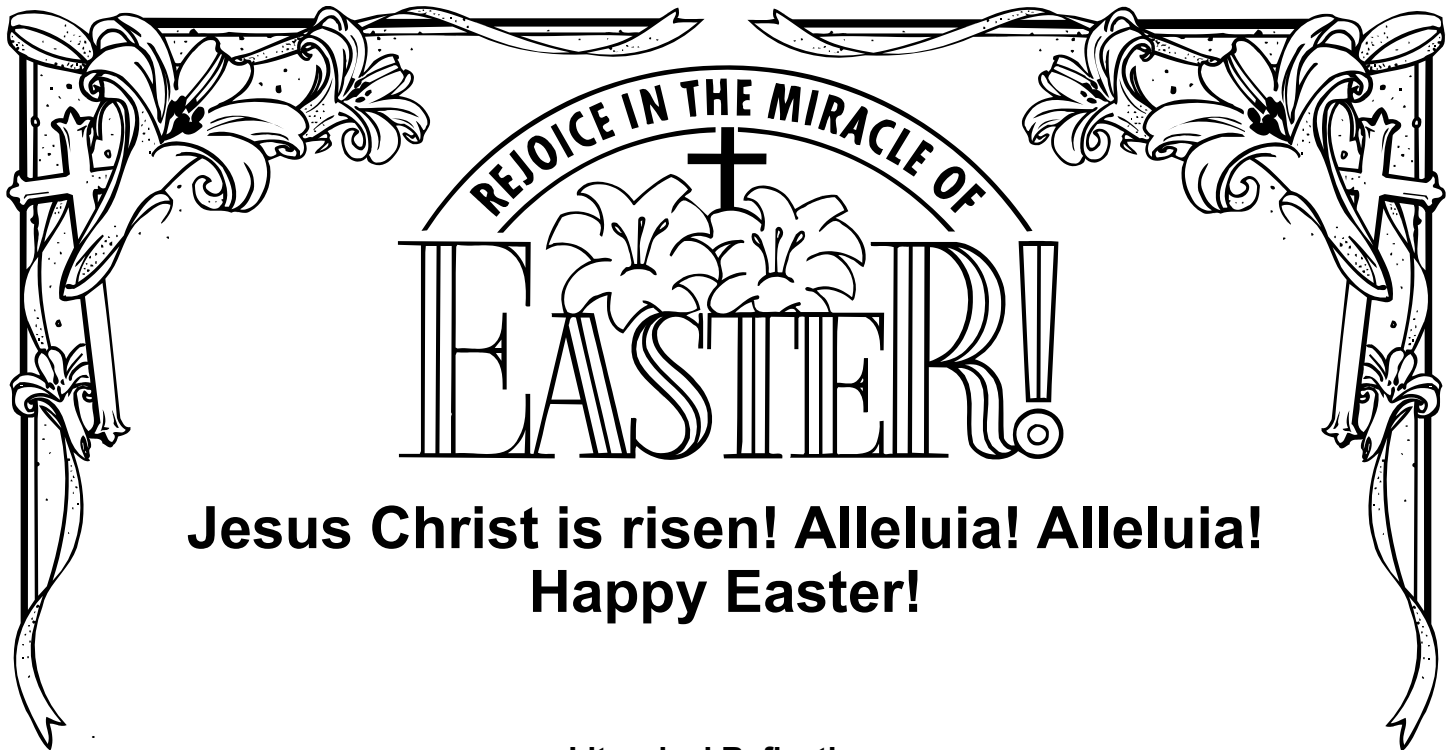
St. Michael's Pastoral Council:
saintmichaelpcc@gmail.com

Jesus Christ is risen!

Parishioner Registration: If you would like to join the parish, please contact either 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.

Bulletin Deadline: The deadline to have information considered for publication in the bulletin is noon Tuesday prior to the weekend of the announcement. Send the information to gmollish@volunteerdia.org or either church office

All Hail Him! All Hail Him!



Liturgical Reflection

The Lord Jesus died on the cross, was buried in the tomb, and rose gloriously on the third day! God has acted in mercy towards his people. We are now people of the new covenant which has been sealed by the Blood of the Lamb. As we stand today to renew our baptismal promises, we commit ourselves to be instruments of God's mercy and compassion. If we confess the Crucified to be the Risen Lord, then we must live lives more fully centered in mercy. Jesus Christ is risen! Alleluia! Our Easter joy is seen in our acts of mercy to others!

2016, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648

MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. MARY AND ST. MICHAEL PARISHES

DATE	DAY	TIME	PARISH	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
3/30	SAT	8:30 PM	St. Michael †	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD SUNDAY, MARCH 31st.					
		7:30 AM	St. Mary	For Our Children, Teenagers and Young Adults	
		7:30 AM	St. Michael	For Our Children, Teenagers and Young Adults	
3/31	SUN	10:00 AM	St. Mary	For Our Friends and Benefactors	
		10:00 AM	St. Michael	For Our Friends and Benefactors	
		11:30 AM	St. Michael	For Our Beloved Dead	
4/1	MON	7:45 AM	St. Michael †	Anne Marie McClain & Bernadette Melville	Their Family
4/2	TUES	7:45 AM	St. Michael †	Mary DeLozier	Lorraine Gustin
4/3	WED	6:30 PM	St. Mary †	Roberta Alderisio	Carla & Pat Firment
4/4	THURS	7:45 AM	St. Michael †	Catherine Wolf	Dan & Linda Fochler
4/5	FRI	7:45 AM	St. Mary †	John Little	Kasey & Tom Prokop
		4:00 PM	St. Mary †	Gail Sloan	Joanna & Chris Lawson
4/6	SAT	5:00 PM	St. Michael †	Danny Urban	Judy Bernhart
		7:30 AM	St. Mary †	David Malone	Ed & Karen Malone
		7:30 AM	St. Michael †	Guy & Joan Luciano	Daughter; Anita Carvalho
4/7	SUN	10:00 AM	St. Mary †	Charlotte Schaffer	The Family
		10:00 AM	St. Michael †	Adam Woomer	His Parents
		11:30 AM	St. Michael	The People of the Parishes	Pastor

Stewardship of Time and Talent - Liturgical Appointment Schedule

	READER * 2 Needed	EMHC * 3 or 4 Needed	ALTAR SERVER 2 Needed	HOSPITALITY 3 needed	SACRISTAN 1 Needed	AUDIO/VIDEO 3 Needed
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Easter Vigil Saturday, March 30th

St. Michael 8:30 PM	Pat Gildea (1) Marty Culp (2) Debbie Chapman (3) Debbie Sault (4) David Madden (5) Barb Aubrey (6) Claudia Montero (7) Lisa Michelone (8)		Rylee Swander Camron Swander Carter Jordan NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Gregory Olsavick Debbi Chapman Linda Wanko	NOT FILLED	Greyson Swander Tim Surkovick Michael Elder NOT FILLED
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Easter Sunday, March 31st

St. Mary 7:30 AM	Claudia Montero (1) Craig Mauk (2)	Kay Benton (H) Barb Aubrey (C) Jodie Feath (C)	Adam Musselman	Jodie Feath Ray Gregorchik Jim Zimmerman		
St. Michael 7:30 AM	Michael Schlechter (1) Sue Painter (2)	Michael Schlechter (Main) Bob Anthony(C) Anita Carvalho (Choirloft) Julia Burke	NOT FILLED	Anita Carvalho NOT FILLED	Roy & Cate Burger- Leister	Emilee Elder Ben Gervinski
St. Mary 10:00 AM	Mike Metzgar (1) Beverly Buterbaugh (2)	Sharon King (H) Dee Popp (C) James Popp (C) Diane Stephens (Choir)	Avalyn Plowman	Dottie Gonsman Kathy Moran Michael Moran		
St. Michael 10:00 AM	NOT FILLED (1) Anna McClain (2)	Marty Culp (Main) Debbie Chapman (C) NOT FILLED (C) Rita Pompa (Choirloft)	Marco Swope Aiden Wilk	Debbie Chapman Rebecca Culp	Rita Pompa	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
St. Michael 11:30 AM	Jeff Johnson (1) Francine Boland (2)	Eva Pope (Main) Lisa Georgiana(C) Ginny Harrington (C) Kimberly Merritts (Choirloft)	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Mel & Patty Link	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (March 31st - April 6th): Anita Carvalho

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Saturday, April 6th

St. Mary 4:00 PM	Carol Hallberg (1) John Heslop (2)	Carol Hallberg (H) Richard Books (C) Michael Mollish (C)	Meagan James	Shari Figurelli Michael Johnston Chris Johnston		
St. Michael 5:00 PM	Carole Swope (1) Julia Burke (2)	Lawrence Savino (Main) Daniel Klingbeil Lisa Michelone Dan Klingbeil (Choirloft)	Marco Swope	NOT FILLED Lisa Michelone	Alan Curtis	Michael Waibel NOT FILLED

Sunday, April 7th

St. Mary 7:30 AM	Shawn Sullivan (1) Jo Ann Propcheck (2)	Terry Curfman (H) Shawn Sullivan (C) Connie Curfman (C)	Vinnie Pietrolungo	Jodie Feath Ray Gregorchik Jim Zimmerman		
St. Michael 7:30 AM	Vernon Litzinger (1) Mary Ann Litzinger (2)	Maryanne Burger (Main) Bob Anthony Rich Holzer Anita Carvalho (Choirloft)	NOT FILLED	Anita Carvalho NOT FILLED	Scott Claar	NOT FILLED Emilee Elder
St. Mary 10:00 AM	Beverly Buterbaugh (1) Jeff Muriceak (2)	James Popp (H) Diane Stephens (C) Beverly Buterbaugh (C) Dee Popp (Choir)	Avalyn Plowman	John McIntyre Michael Moran Kathy Moran		
St. Michael 10:00 AM	Mass1 Children (1) Mass2 Children (2)	Rebecca Culp (Main) Talena Swander Andrea Wilk Debbie Chapman (Choirloft)	Aiden Wilk NOT FILLED	Mass1 Children Mass2 Children	Marty Culp	NOT FILLED Greyson Swander
St. Michael 11:30 AM	Claudia Anderson (1) Lisa Georgiana (2)	Ginny Harrington (Main) Lisa Georgiana Andy Weyant NOT FILLED (Choirloft)	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Andy Weyant	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (April 7th - April 13th): Peggy Claycomb

Saint Mary Parish Stewardship of Treasure	
March 24th	Source
\$7764.00	Adult Collection
289.00	Loose Collection
775.00	Maintenance Fund
70.00	Votive Candles
30.00	Cath. Home Mission
75.00	Holy Land
10.00	Ash Wednesday
585.00	Easter Offering
100.00	Christmas
75.00	Holy Thursday
115.00	Easter Memorials
20.00	American Rescue
Thank You For Your Generosity And Faithful Stewardship	

St Mary
Adoration Chapel
712 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Eucharistic



Adoration

Open Mon-Thur 7a-Midnight
Now, **Open on Friday!**
7:00 am until 5:00 pm

Stop in and see  the LIBRARY, too!




Saturday, April 6, 2024
Holy Trinity-Eldorado Gym
Doors open at 5:30pm
Dinner is at 6:00pm
Horse Races start at 7:00pm


Tickets are \$40.00 per person and include: food, drinks and ownership of one horse, jockey or trainer.
Receive \$15.00 in family fundraising credit for each ticket sold under the student's name.
Stay after the races for an "after hours" get-together!

We HIGHLY ENCOURAGE Kentucky Derby dress attire!
So grab your fascinators and derby hats!
For more information, and to purchase tickets, scan the QR code.



Pray The Rosary

Every Thursday 6:00 PM
at St. Michael Church




WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
To Support the Hollidaysburg
American Rescue Workers


Next Week's
Requested Donations:
Canned Meats
Toothbrushes

Collection bins are at the church entrances

Garvey Manor

Confraternity of the Brown Scapular. This faith-filled group meets on the first Saturday of each month in the Chapel at Garvey Manor. We begin the rosary at 9:30 AM and attend the 10:00 AM Mass, followed by spiritual reflection led by Sister Jacinta under the loving protection of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the Hall.

Membership is open to any Catholic who would find it spiritually beneficial to be united with others in pursuit of holiness. If interested call Sister Jacinta (814) 695-5571.



Spring Schedule

All are welcome!

Tuesday, April 2nd - 7 PM Fr. David Dodd, TOR
Teaching: Prophecy Practicum
Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, April 16th - 7 PM Night of Worship
Witness Talk - Christine McCullough

*Saturday, April 20th
Dr. Edward Sri at Mt. Aloysius
Holy Spirit Ministry is leading music
All are welcome!
*pre-registration is required if you wish to attend.

Tuesday, May 7th - 7 PM
Healing Mass
Fr. Brad Baldwin, TOR, main celebrant
Praise & Worship prior to mass
Prayer ministry following mass

Tuesday, May 21st - 7 PM
Night of Worship - Fr. David Dodd, TOR
Teaching: Healing Practicum

**All Nights of Worship are held at
St. Michael Church
unless otherwise noted ***

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Proudly Presents

DR. EDWARD SRI

FOR A 2-DAY EVENT CELEBRATING THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Mount Aloysius College
Athletic Convocation and Wellness Center
7373 Admiral Peary Hwy, Cresson, PA 16630

REGISTER TODAY

There is no cost for attendance, but registration is required

2 WAYS TO REGISTER:

Online (Recommended)

WWW.DIOCESEAJ.ORG

By Mail

Forms available at each parish in the diocese

To register online and learn more, scan here:



DAY 1

FOR HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE AND YOUNG ADULT AUDIENCE
*THOSE UNDER 18 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR ADULT

Friday, April 19th
7-9:30 PM

DAY 2

GENERAL AUDIENCE

Saturday, April 20th
9 AM-12:30 PM

REGISTRATION CLOSING APRIL 8TH

There is no cost for attendance, but a free will offering will be taken at the event to benefit Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Altoona Johnstown to assist their efforts to care for the needs of those in our communities.

DOUBLE FEATURE WITH JASON EVERT

PURIFIED AND GENDER
AND THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY

THE CONFERENCE CENTER
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, JOHNSTOWN
450 SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD
JOHNSTOWN, PA 15904

CHASTITY PROJECT

ONE DAY - TWO TALKS \$25
FREE RESOURCES FOR EVERY ATTENDEE!

<p>PURIFIED A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT FOR FAMILIES (AGES 13+)</p> <p>MONDAY April 8, 2024 6:00 - 7:30 PM</p> <p>The innocence of the family is under attack like never before. Come and discover how to protect and heal yours. This chastity presentation is for teens, parents and adults.</p>	<p>GENDER & THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY (AGES 13+)</p> <p>MONDAY April 8, 2024 7:45 - 8:30 PM</p> <p>What's the meaning of sex, gender, and the human body? The truth of masculinity and femininity are being questioned like never before. Discover how your body as a man or woman reveals your identity and calling.</p>
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Break 7:30-7:45 PM
Sacrament of Reconciliation & Eucharistic Adoration 8:30-9:00 PM

Tickets: chastity.com/purified
Info: omos@dioceseaj.org or 814.535.7646

Sponsored by The Catholic Deanery of Johnstown and UPJ Catholic Campus Ministry

Deacon Michael L. Russo
Director of the Permanent Diaconate
(814) 288-3036 Deacon Michael's E-mail:
Michael.Russo@atlanticbb.net



20th Annual Pro-Life Dinner
Pennwood Bible Church
440 Hospital Dr, Everett near Bedford Hospital

Friday April 26, 2024
Dinner at 6:00 p.m. ~ Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

Real "Choosing Life" Experiences
Recounted by Bedford County Residents

This year, instead of bringing in an outside speaker, we are going to let local residents share their stories and choices made through all stages of pregnancy. We've invited a panel of speakers, including some local pastors, who will tell informative and inspirational experiences that you don't want to miss.

In Him we live and move and have our being. Acts 17:28

Come join us for an evening of good food and fellowship celebrating Life!

Adults \$20 - Students \$15 - 4 & under free
RSVP Pam 814-652-6755 by 4/19/24
Checks should be made payable to Bedford County CCHL
Mail checks to: Pam Lucas; 262 Zion Rd; Everett, PA 15537

Be a 2024 Sponsor of our "Save the Babies" Projects!
Platinum/\$250, Gold/\$100, Silver/\$50, Bronze/\$25
Sponsorship Form at: www.BedfordCountyProLife.org/sponsor

Sponsored by Bedford County Citizens Concerned for Human Life
www.BedfordCountyProLife.org

SGOC License # 2024-1

Knights of Columbus

Saturday April 13, 2024
East Freedom Fire Hall
139 Municipal Street
East Freedom, PA 16637

Doors open at 5:30 PM
Small Games/Basket Raffles start at 5:30 PM
Dinner at 6:00 PM

Music after the Drawing until 11 PM
Last Ticket Pulled Wins \$600!!

\$40 Per Ticket

Includes 2 Dinners, Beverages and 1 Entry in the Drawing
MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND

ONLY 200 TICKETS SOLD
Cash and Prizes valued at over \$2,500!!

For tickets see any Knight or call: 1-203-450-1961 or 814-695-4752 and leave a message

Spring Fling
at St. Bernardine Monastery Join us as a vendor for our Spring Fling outdoor craft event Saturday, May 18th!

Homemade crafts of all varieties as well as food vendors welcome! Please contact us for more info at Facebook: The Friar's Nook Gift Shop

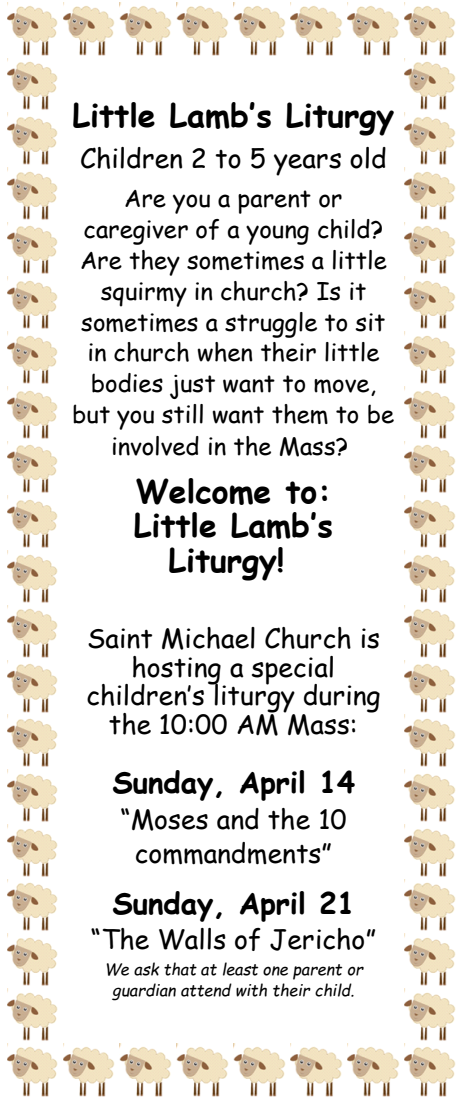
Email: Kellie@thefranciscanfriars.org
Phone: 814-695-3802

Thank you!
Many thanks to all the students who took part in our annual Silhouette Stations of the Cross held on March 15 at St. Michael church. They all did an awesome job! Please plan to join us next year for this very moving experience.

The cast: Jesus-Will Kordish; Roman Soldiers - Caden Frye & Louie Pollock; Pontius Pilate, Simon, John, and Joseph of Arimathea- Marco Swope; Mary-Rylee Swander; Veronica-Greta Burke; Weeping Women-Grace Muriceak, and Sage Capone; Overhead Lights-Nate Grabill; Lighting & Technical-Claire Muriceak; Vocalist/Cantor-LP Koelle

Station Readers: Greta Burke. Lily Grosser, Rylee Swander, Ellie Bettwy, Drew Kordish, Avalyn Plowman and Sage Capone

Upcoming Events This Week at St. Mary and St. Michael Parishes		
Pray the Rosary Every day after the 7:45 AM weekday Mass		
April 1 - Parish Office Closed		
April 2	7:00 PM	Holy Spirit Ministries (St. Michael Church)
April 4	6:00 PM	Rosary St. Michael (St. Michael Church)
April 5	8:30 - 6	Adoration (St. Mary Church)
	6:00 PM	Prayer Pal Social (Legion Park Social Hall)
April 7	8:45 AM	Faith Formation Classes
	10:00 AM	Rite of Sending (11th Gr) - (St. Michael Church)
	11:00 AM	Confirmation Reflection for Candidates and Sponsors - (St. Michael Activity Building)
April 8	St. Michael Parish Office Closed	
	5:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry (St. Michael School)
April 9	7:00 PM	Confirmation Mass (Cathedral - Altoona)
April 10	9:30 AM	Bereavement Gathering (St. Michael Convent Bldg.)
	11:30 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry (St. Michael School)



Little Lamb's Liturgy

Children 2 to 5 years old

Are you a parent or caregiver of a young child? Are they sometimes a little squirmy in church? Is it sometimes a struggle to sit in church when their little bodies just want to move, but you still want them to be involved in the Mass?

Welcome to: Little Lamb's Liturgy!

Saint Michael Church is hosting a special children's liturgy during the 10:00 AM Mass:

Sunday, April 14
"Moses and the 10 commandments"

Sunday, April 21
"The Walls of Jericho"
We ask that at least one parent or guardian attend with their child.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, April 5
at St. Mary Church
8:30 AM to 6:00 PM



Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

"So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?" MT 26:40

Sign-up for adoration time:

<https://stmarystmichael.flocknote.com/signup/160040>

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BISHOP GUIFLOYLE ACADEMY

Our Catholic schools, Holy Trinity and Bishop Guilfoyle, are now a unified PreK- Grade 12 school, known as Bishop Guilfoyle Academy. Offering PreK through Grade 5 at St. Therese (Fairview campus) and at St. Rose of Lima (Eldorado campus), and junior and senior high school (Grades 6-12) at the Pleasant Valley campus.

NEW for fall 2024.... BG Academy is adding a **Hollidaysburg Early Childhood Campus** here at St. Michael parish. It will offer PreK & Kindergarten, growing to Grade 5, full-day, Monday through Friday. Before and after school program is available.

The promise is a supportive, faith-filled and virtues-based environment, honoring each child's unique strengths, interests, and learning styles that fosters a sense of belonging and empowerment.

Scholarships Available! Call us for a tour!

PreK – Grade 5 (942.7835).
Grades 6-12 (944.4014).

Visit us at:

bishopguilfoyleacademy.org

Bereavement Gatherings



Our parishes are offering support to anyone dealing with a loss. The program is designed to acknowledge the pain and the loss, while offering positive ideas for coping. Consider joining us.

The gatherings are held twice monthly in the St. Michael convent building (*the house between the church and the school*).

Upcoming scheduled Bereavement Gatherings will be:

April 10: 9:30 AM - 11 AM
April 23: 6:30 PM - 8 PM

Our gatherings are Christian based. All denominations are welcome!

For more information call/text Debbi Chapman at 912-713-5412



Knit. Crochet. Sew. Pray

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets four times a month in the school at St. Michael parish.

They meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:00 PM and the second and fourth Wed. of each month at 11:30 AM.

The group knits and crochets prayer shawls, but also sews prayer shawls, lap blankets and baptismal garments.

As they are meeting four times a month, they are kindly asking for donations of yarn to make prayer shawls, baby blankets, and lap blankets.

Please contact: Sue: 814-693-9534 or Kathy: 814-312-7048

April meeting dates:

April 8, 22 at 5 PM
& April 10 & 24 at 11:30 AM

Saint Michael Parish Stewardship of Treasure

March 17th	Source
7,088.00	Adult Collection
234.00	Loose Collection
85.00	Votive Candles
93.00	Maintenance Fund
35.00	Greenlawn Cemetery
20.00	Catholic Home Mission
60.00	Catholic Relief Services
150.00	Easter memorials
320.00	Easter
145.00	Good Friday
122.00	Twin Parish
165.00	Holy Thursday
25.00	Black & Indian

Thank You For Your Generosity and Faithful Stewardship

Stewardship Reflection

Today, we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ! This event is the greatest event in our Catholic faith. It is through the resurrection that Christ defeated sin and death and opened for us the gates to eternal life. All of God's promises are fulfilled through this glorious event. We have been preparing for 40 long days, through prayer and penance, so that we might be better prepared to receive Christ this day, and to better prepare our hearts to one day rise with Christ in eternal life. Today, we do not fast, but rather, celebrate and rejoice because of our great and merciful God!

The meaning and joy of Easter is not just a "one-day" affair, but is an essential element of our Catholic faith. We are called to live out the joy of Easter all year long.

Let us celebrate this glorious day with prayer and feasting, for Christ is risen! And let us strive to carry this Easter joy with us all year long by the way we live our lives and how we respond to Christ each day.

Happy Easter!

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

March 30 & 31, 2024
Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Vigil (Cycle B)

First Reading: (Because of the number of readings for the Easter Vigil, no introduction has been provided.)

Epistle: Romans 6:3-11

In a previous section of his letter to the Romans, Paul taught that we sinners are reconciled to God through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Now Paul notes that we experience this dying and rising when, in the immersion form of baptism, we are symbolically "buried" in the water and emerge to new life.

Easter (Cycle B)

First Reading: Acts 10: 34, 37-43

The Apostle Peter was originally skeptical about preaching the Gospel to non-Jews. But one day, the Holy Spirit summoned him to preach to a Gentile -the pagan army officer Cornelius and his household. Today's passage is a portion of Peter's sermon, which summarizes the life and ministry of Jesus.

Second Reading: Col. 3: 1-4

The letter to the Colossians depicts Christ as the only mediator between God and the world. A previous passage of the letter presented baptism as the way we are united with Christ. The author will today remind us of the heights to which Christ has raised us, and then call upon us to live up to this.

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 (44B); 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel John 20:19-31

FREE SOUP SATURDAYS

Our parishes joined together this year to host 5 of the Free Soup Saturdays for the Hollidaysburg Ministerium.

We are thrilled to let you know that the 5 Saturdays were an overwhelming success thanks to so many of our parishioners!

Every week we had:

- Well over 100 in attendance!
- 8-9 different delicious soups made and donated by parishioners of both parishes.
- An amazing display of desserts donated again by parishioners of both parishes.
- 20-25 volunteers to help with setting up, dipping the soup, making coffee, and serving the soup.
- High school students who came to help with bussing the tables and cleaning up.
- Greeters to welcome everyone to our great church halls!

Your participation is truly appreciated and we thank you for working together to make these events so successful. We are stronger together! We were also able to donate all the donations, \$1,212.00, that we collected to the American Rescue Workers.

WHO SHOULD HAVE A PRAYER SHAWL?

*If you have lost a love one and need a hug from God,
Then you need a prayer shawl.*

*If you are sick and need a hug from God,
Then you need a prayer shawl.*

*If you are stressed or worried and need a hug from God,
Then you need a prayer shawl.*

*If members of your family have left the church
and need a hug from God,
Then you need a prayer shawl.*

*If you are having problems with your spouse or kids
and need a hug from God,
Then you need a prayer shawl.*



Each prayer shawl, lap robe, or blanket is started with a prayer asking God to comfort those who will receive it.

Our blanket ladder is located in the back of each church.

Please take one of our homemade prayer shawl, lap robe, or blanket for yourself or give to someone in need.

Made with love and in prayer
by our Prayer Shawl/Sewing Ministry.



Beautiful Eucharist

Nothing will transform your life quite like a personal encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist. When we encounter Jesus, he changes us in powerful and unexpected ways. He heals us, brings us peace and clarity, models how to relate with others, and teaches us the lessons we need to learn to navigate the everyday situations of our lives. In the Eucharist we meet with the same Jesus who healed the blind, forgave sins, and rose from the dead. Are you ready to discover how he can transform your life too? Beautiful Eucharist is a stunning collection of life-changing reflections about Jesus truly present in the Eucharist and wonderfully present in our lives.

There are a limited number of these books for free in the church. We are also hosting a book discussion gathering to talk about the book on Tuesday, starting April 16 at 1:00 PM in the St. Mary Social Hall Meeting Room. Come join us!

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