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St. Mary & St. Michael
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19th Sunday
In Ordinary Time
August 9, 2026

Mass Schedule

Saturday:
Vigil - 4:00 PM - St. Mary

Sunday:
7:30 AM and 10:00 AM - St. Mary
10:00 AM and 11:30 AM - St. Michael

Daily and Holy Days: See inside

Confessions:
Saturday: 1:00 PM - St. Michael
Wednesday: 5:30 PM - St. Mary
Thursday before the First Friday
of the month: 4:00 PM - St. Mary

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

Joint Parish website: www.stmichael-hldg-pa.org (Bulletins are available on the website)
Bulletin Announcements: email to parish or mringkamp@dioceseaj.org (Deadline is Noon Tuesday)

Parish Office Phone Number & Hours
814-695-0912 (St. Michael)
Mon. to Fri. 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (St. Michael)
Closed Holy Days and Holidays

Marriage & Baptism:
Call the church office to schedule an appointment.
A notice of **9 months** is required for marriage
and a notice of **at least 1 month** is required for Baptism.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR ST. MARY AND ST. MICHAEL PARISHES Saturday, August 8th to Sunday, August 16th				
DAY	TIME	PARISH	INTENTION	
SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	✠	Lois J. Mielnik (anniversary remembrance)
SUN	7:30 AM	St. Mary	✠	Jodi L. Giarth
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	✠	Matthew Clingerman
SUN	10:00 AM	St. Michael	✠	Mary Ann Keech
	11:30 AM	St. Michael		People of the Parish
MON	7:45 AM	St. Michael	✠	Debbie Consiglio
TUES	7:45 AM	St. Michael	✠	Anna Marie Westrick
WED	6:30 PM	St. Mary	✠	Ralph Mielnik (anniversary remembrance)
THUR	7:45 AM	St. Michael	✠	Denise Madden
FRI	7:45 AM	St. Mary	✠	Judith Crawford
Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary				
SAT	8:30 AM	St. Michael	✠	Fritz and Hana Baker
	4:00 PM	St. Mary	✠	Howard E. Estep, Jr.
SUN	7:30 AM	St. Mary	✠	Dr. Cesar Montero
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	✠	Cory DelBiondo
SUN	10:00 AM	St. Michael	✠	Terry Claycomb
	11:30 AM	St. Michael		People of the Parish

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated on August 15th and is a holy day of obligation. However, since the holy day this year falls on a Saturday *the precept to attend Mass is abrogated. The solemnity is still celebrated and Catholics are encouraged to go to Mass. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, August 15th at 8:30 a.m. at St. Michael.*

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Coming this fall.....Adult Faith Formation

Starting date	Time	Topic	Location
Sunday, September 13	8:45-9:45 a.m.	A Biblical Walk Through the Mass (5 Sessions)	St. Michael Convent
Tuesday, September 15	11a.m. ~ 12 noon Weekly Sessions	Sunday Connection- Mass Notes on readings for the coming week. You gain understanding of the Biblical Context, draw out the big ideas and learn how you can apply the Scriptures to your life.	St. Mary School
Tuesday, September 15	1:30 ~ 2:30 p.m.	A Biblical Walk Through the Mass (5 Sessions)	St. Mary-Meeting Room
Tuesday, September 15	6:30-7:30 p.m. Weekly Sessions	Sunday Connection- Mass Notes on readings for the coming week. You gain understanding of the Biblical Context, draw out the big ideas and learn how you can apply the Scriptures to your life.	St. Mary School
Tuesday, October 20	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Catholic Social Justice Teachings (8sessions)	St. Mary~ Meeting Room
Sunday, October 25	8:45-9:45 a.m.	Catholic Social Justice Teachings (8 sessions)	St. Michael Convent

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

All Pre-K (3-4 year olds) through Post Confirmation students should **register on FlockNote (https://stmarystmichael.flocknote.com/signup/267587) for Faith Formation Sessions. Students attending Catholic school who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this year or will be Confirmed this year should also register. The fee is \$30 per student** (no fee for Pre-K) **make checks payable to St. Michael.** Sessions begin Sept. 13th at 8:45 am. Class locations and more details are on the Faith Formation page of the website.



**Live TV Mass From
St. John Gualbert Cathedral,
Johnstown, PA.**
is broadcast each Sunday at
11:00 AM on WATM ABC TV 23,
Johnstown,
and on Cornerstone TV
Faith and Family Channel of
Pittsburgh.

The Mass is then rebroadcast on
Faith and Family TV at
6:00 PM each Wednesday and
4:00 PM each Thursday.

Stewardship of Time and Talent - Liturgical Appointment Schedule

	READER * 3 Needed	EMHC * 3 or 4 Needed	ALTAR SERVER 2 Needed	HOSPITALITY 3 needed	SACRISTAN 1 Needed	AUDIO/VIDEO 3 Needed
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Saturday, Aug. 15th

St. Michael 8:30 AM	NOT FILLED (1) NOT FILLED (2) NOT FILLED (3)	NOT FILLED (Host) (Main) NOT FILLED (Cup) NOT FILLED (Cup)	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
St. Mary 4:00 PM	Bruno Felus (1) Joseph Hurd (2) Deacon Allan Duman (3)	Lawrence Savino (H) Deacon Allan Duman (C) Richard Books (C) NOT FILLED (Choir)	Shawn Sullivan	Shirley Books Chris Johnston Donna Sult	NOT FILLED	

Sunday, Aug. 16th

St. Mary 7:30 AM	Claudia Montero (1) John Heslop (2) Deacon Allan Duman (3)	Connie Curfman (H) Deacon Allan Duman (C) Jeff Boley (C) Ramona Shrift (Choir)	Michael Schlechter	Jodie Feath Susan Henry Jim Zimmerman	Vinnie Petrolungo	
St. Mary 10:00 AM	Beverly Buterbaugh (1) David Madden (2) Dcn. Chuck Ahearn (3)	David Madden (H) Deacon Chuck Ahearn (C) John McIntyre (C) NOT FILLED (Choir)	Shealyn Riley	Rodney Feather Lisa Julian Diane Madden	NOT FILLED	
St. Michael 10:00 AM	Bethany Helsel (1) Mark Krepich (2) Deacon Allan Duman (3)	Greg Sweeney (Host) (Main) Deacon Allan Duman (C) Debbi Chapman (C) Marty Culp (Choirloft)	Sawyer Gibney	Greg Olsavick Roy Leister	Cate Burger-Leister	Emily Elder Leigh Ann Craig
St. Michael 11:30 AM	Lisa Georgiana (1) Francine Boland (2) Deacon Allan Duman (3)	Lisa Georgiana (Host) (Main) Deacon Allan Duman (C) Donna Sipes (C) NOT FILLED (Choirloft)	Andrew Foster	Susan Wells NOT FILLED	Mel & Patty Link	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (Aug.16th - Aug. 22nd): Marcia Smith						

*The Deacon will be the ordinary minister of communion and read the Universal prayers, if he is present.



FISHERS OF MEN APPEAL
Please Support our Future Priests

To support our new seminarians - and our efforts to reach young men - the diocese truly needs your financial support. Bishop Bartchak has asked all Catholics to consider a generous gift.

Please make your donation online at ajvocations.org/give or use the special appeal envelope that was mailed to your home or those available in the church. Thank you!

DIOCESAN FAMILY CONFERENCE
Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026
Bishop Carroll Catholic High School, Ebensburg

Registration booklets are available at the church entrances. You may also register for the conference and obtain more detailed information on the Diocese's website: www.dioceseaj.org/diocesan-family-conference-2026/.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Stewardship spirituality invites us to surrender control of our lives to God in grateful recognition that all that we have is a gift from Him. While today's readings remind us that, of course, God is always in control of His creation and His creatures, they illustrate what amazing things can happen when we fully permit God to take charge of our lives – in other words, what can happen when we embrace the stewardship way of life.

In our First Reading, from the First Book of Kings, Elijah the prophet is instructed to go outside and wait for the Lord. Elijah goes out and a series of spectacular phenomena occur – strong and heavy winds that crush rocks, followed by an earthquake, and then a fire. Yet, the Lord was not found in any of those. Rather, the Almighty was found in a "tiny whispering sound." It is all too easy to fail to recognize His presence and gifts in our lives - taking things like friends, family, material gifts, and even God Himself for granted.

When we embrace the stewardship way of life - letting go of a tight hold over our money, our time and our talents - our lives become a grand adventure, rooted firmly and gratefully in the God Who always cares for us.

EVENTS

The **HOLLIDAYSBURG KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** is holding a **chicken BBQ** to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Needs Department which provides support for those in need of rental assistance, utilities, etc. This will be a drive thru event at the Star Council Hall, 324 Bedford Street, Hollidaysburg from 11AM until 1 PM on **Sunday, October 11th**. Tickets are \$12/each and include 1/2 BBQ chicken, baked beans, applesauce and roll. **For tickets contact Matthew Gromiller (203) 450-1961 or see any Knight.**

THE LEGION OF MARY: *Do you have any religious items - small statues, crosses, medals, pictures, etc. that you would like to donate* to the Legion of Mary for use at the Birth of Mary Day, September 8, 2026 at St. Catherine of Siena Church/Shrine? *Containers are in the back of the churches during August for your donations.* Thank you!

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY LITURGY - Bishop Mark and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2026 (and their families) to attend the **Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy** on **Sun., Sept. 13 in Altoona at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament** or **Sun., Sept. 20 in Johnstown at St. John Gualbert Cathedral**. Both liturgies will begin at **2:00 pm**. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. **Reservations no later than Fri., Sept. 11.** Contact the parish office to register (814) 695 - 0912.

Phoenix Volunteer Fire Dept. Chicken BBQ - Sunday, August 23rd, 11:00 AM - ? Eat In or Take Out. Half Chicken, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Macaroni Salad, roll and butter - \$14/each. Hollidaysburg Phoenix Vol. Fire Dept., 206 Wayne Street, Hollidaysburg.

ARW BASKET PARTY -- The American Rescue Workers, Inc. Basket Party Fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd from 11 am - 3 pm at the Blair Regional YMCA. ***ARW is asking local businesses, churches and individuals to donate a gift basket for the event.*** If you would like to contribute or have questions, contact the ARW office: (814) 695-0762, email the Director, Chris Fuska: arwhollychris@gmail.com or text Chris Fuska: (814) 270-5130.

Fatima Devotions: The Franciscan Friars, TOR from Loretto invite you to participate in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on **Wed., August 13 at 6:30 pm** in the Gardens at Mount Assisi (in case of rain it will take place at Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University). Fr. David Dodd, TOR will be homilist and the choir from Our Lady Mother of Sorrows will lead the singing.

BG Class of 1986 is planning its **40th class reunion**. The date is set for November 13 & 14, 2026. All classmates and spouses are welcome. Please contact Reneé Francis-Luciano at (814) 329-0858 for further information.

MINISTRIES

ALPHA - *A Space for Grace* - starting Sept. 8, 2026 - St. John the Evangelist, Lakemont. See page 5 of bulletin or ALPHA page on website for more details and registration information.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT -- Regular gatherings are held in St. Michael convent building twice monthly: 2nd Wed. 9:30 to 11:00 AM and the 4th Tuesday 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Our gatherings are Christian based. All denominations are welcome! For more information call/text Debbi Chapman at 912-713-5412.

FOOD FOR THE SOUL -- A friendly group of Catholic parishioners committed to sharing our time, treasure, and talent with our Parish. Our group plans and makes meals for funerals, Valentine's Social, Penance Service meals for priests and deacons, Over 80's Celebration, St. Andrew's Social and Faith Formation breakfasts, among other events. Some members like to make a side dish or a dessert, others help in the kitchen (to prepare dishes and/or clean up), help by serving or decorating. It is all in what you want to do! ***We would love to have you join us!*** Please call the rectory office -- 814.695.0912 -- and leave your name and number. Thank you!

THE GABRIEL PROJECT -- Any mom needing assistance with baby supplies, please call: (814) 440 - 1021.

GAME TIME - FUN TUESDAY! Bring a friend for some free fun, fellowship and prizes! Fun Tuesdays are held on the 4th Tuesday of each Month from 1:30 - 3:30 PM in St. Michael church cafeteria. We play Bingo and Pinochle, but have other games and puzzles available. You can even bring your favorite to share!

THE LEGION OF MARY meets at 1:00 PM on Wednesdays in the Library of the Adoration Chapel (Convent) at St. Mary. We welcome active and auxiliary members. Please stop by or call Ginny for information 814-935-1820.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY -- Meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month (following the first full week of the month) at 5:00 PM and the second and fourth Wed. of each month at 11:30 AM in St. Michael Convent building. If you or someone you know would benefit from the gift of a shawl or, if you want more info about the group, please contact: Kathy 814-312-7048.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETINGS are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 2:00 PM at Diane Madden's home, 504 Hickory Street, Hollidaysburg. 814-502-8052.

Saint Mary Parish Stewardship of Treasure	
Aug 2	Source
\$8104	Adult Collection
475	Loose
125.50	Candles
336	Maintenance
220	Assumption
Thank You For Your Generosity and Faithful Stewardship	

Newly Baptized Child of God

Congratulations Adam and Erica (Stephens) Kimmerle. We welcome your newly baptized son, Austin John Kimmerle, into our faith community.



Your child is a gift to all of us. With you we celebrate the beginning of your child's faith journey.

WEEK AT A GLANCE Monday, Aug. 10th to Sunday, Aug. 16th		
Pray the rosary after the 7:45 AM weekday Mass		
MON	5 PM	Prayer Shawl - St. Michael Convent
TUES	2 PM	Women's Ministry Diane Madden's Home
WED	9:30 AM	Bereavement Ministry St. Michael Convent
WED	11:30 AM	Prayer Shawl - St. Michael Convent
WED	1:00 PM	Legion of Mary Adoration Chapel Library
THUR	6:00 PM	Rosary at St. Michael
SAT	8:30 AM	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Mass at St. Michael
SAT and SUN		American Rescue Workers and Gabriel Project collections

TRIVIA QUESTION

Within the liturgical calendar, celebrations are ranked in a hierarchy of importance. Understanding this hierarchy helps make sense of why some celebrations take precedence over others.

The celebrations are Feasts, Memorials and Solemnities.

- Which of these is the highest ranked celebration, the second ranked and the third ranked?
- Some holy days of obligation fall under which one of these celebrations?

Answers will be included in August 16 bulletin.

Christian Outreach Committee WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

To Support the Hollidaysburg American Rescue Workers
Next Week's Requested Donations:

Rice (Brown or White)

Rigatoni pasta

Collection bins are in the churches

We are deeply thankful to our volunteers, donors, and prayer supporters whose generosity and dedication bring comfort, dignity, and hope to those in need.

Saint Michael Parish Stewardship of Treasure

Aug 2	Source
\$5575	Adult Collection
96	Loose
25	Candles
25	Assumption
377	Maintenance
105	Twin Parish
1,000	Food for the Soul
100	Memorials

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(814) 695 - 0912

COMING SOON!
A SPACE FOR GRACE

ALPHA at St. John's, Lakemont, beginning TUESDAY, September 8, 2026, 6:00 PM

Scan the QR CODE or visit the ALPHA page on the parish website for details to register!

