

# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 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 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.

#### **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 considered for publication in the bulletin 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 faith should contact the parish office. New classes begin each Fall.

#### **Liturgical Reflection**



In the celebration of the Mass the chief ways in which Christ is present in his Church emerge clearly one after the other. First, Christ is present in the very assembly of the faithful who has gathered in his name. Next, he is present in his word, sacred scripture, proclaimed and broken open. Also, he is present in the person of the ordained minister. Finally, and above all, Christ is present in the Eucharistic elements of his very Body and Blood. In a way that is completely unique, the whole and entire Christ, God and man, is substantially and permanently present in the Blessed Sacrament.

#### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS For February 17-24

TODAY - SUNDAY, February 17 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. + Bill Sagaities (Anniv. Rem.) - by Gary & Vikki Nocek

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

11:30 a.m. + Louis Lanzendorfer (90th Birthday Rem.) - by his family

MONDAY, February 18 - Presidents' Day

No Morning Mass

**TUESDAY, February 19** 

7:45 a.m. + Constance McCann - by Paul & Jean Plummer

WEDNESDAY, February 20

7:45 a.m. + Marjorie Stiffler - by David Frank

THURSDAY, February 21 - St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Dr. of the Church

8:30 a.m. Holy Trinity Catholic School

+ Bill Sagaities (Anniv. Rem.) - his family

FRIDAY, February 22 - The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

7:45 a.m. + Joe Burger- by Bob & Louise Irwin

SATURDAY, February 23 - St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

10:00 a.m. + Funeral Mass for Peggy George

5:00 p.m. + Dora Gonzales (Month's Mind)

- by Brian & Diane Hayes & family

SUNDAY, February 24 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. + Ted Michelone - by the family

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

11:30 a.m. + Sam Dougherty - by Mark & Jo DeLozier

#### **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.

#### LAST CHANCE!

We have become the "talk of the town" for having the best soup (and dessert) makers. Don't believe it? Come to our last "Free Soup Saturdays" here at St. Michael parish **THIS SATURDAY**, **Feb. 23**. **from 11 AM - 1 PM**. The other remaining Free Soup Saturdays and locations are:

March 2 & 9 at St. John's Reformed Church

March 16 & 23 at Hollidaysburg Church of the Brethren

#### ARISE SEASON II

We have received a great response for the ARISE - Season II small group sessions, with several new participants, and are looking forward to learn how we can "Change Our Hearts" this Lent. **Did you forget to sign-up for one of our small group ARISE Sessions?** We still

have some room in some of our groups. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Balconi at kathybalconi1@gmail.com or (585)730-0757. Most small groups will begin meeting starting

the week of March 3.



#### **FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL**

Don't look very far when you hear today's gospel speak of poverty, hunger, sorrow or exclusion. These things happen in families. Children feel "insulted" when they are constantly criticized. Spouses "hunger" for affection. Grandparents feel "excluded" by divorce and custody decisions. Parents "weep" because they feel alienated from their children.

#### INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Jeremiah 17:5-8** In the last years before the crushing defeat of Jerusalem and the exile of many of its citizens to Babylon, Jeremiah watched the people destroying themselves through materialism and unfaithfulness to God. Here he sets before them a clear choice.

**1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20** In last week's reading from first Corinthians, we heard the oldest written record of the Church's core tradition about Christ's resurrection. Today's passage follows directly from that, as Paul addresses concerns about our own resurrection.

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 and 1 Corinthians 15:45 - 49 Gospel: Luke 6:27 - 38

#### LITURGY APPOINTMENTS FOR 2/18 - 2/24

**SACRISTAN** (2/17 - 2/23/19): K. Lashinsky

SCRIP (2/24/19): as scheduled

COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (2/24/19): the McCloskey Family

# February 23 - February 24 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 23 - 5:00 PM

Readers: M. Dodson (1) & J. Mielnik (2)
Altar Servers: R. Edwards & A. Edwards

E. Min.: C. Storm

Gift Bearers: The N. Bauman family

Sunday, February 24 - 8:30 AM

Readers: B. Stevens (1) & L. Michelone (2)

Altar Servers: S. Blescia & A. Elder

E. Min.: K. Balconi

Gift Bearers: The Leister family

Sunday, February 24 - 10:00 AM

Readers: A. Baranik (1) & A. McClain (2)

Altar Servers: I. Long & G. Long

E. Min.: L. Craiq

Gift Bearers: The Nosek family

Sunday, February 24 - 11:30 AM

**Readers:** D. Stoehr (1) & D. Sault (2) **Altar Servers:** G. Georgiana & B. Ventura

E. Min.: L. Malone

Gift Bearers: The Neatrour family

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#### MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Parishioner **Peggy George** died recently (1/31/19). Our deepest sympathy to her family and friends especially her grandson Zach. May God grant Peggy eternal rest and bring comfort to all who mourn.

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Blessed are those who know how to detach themselves from their possessions and their power so as to put them at the service of the needy," Pope John Paul II

### OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Please note that the parish office will be closed tomorrow, **Monday**, **Feb. 18.** Normal office ours will resume on Tuesday.

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HOST COFFEE & DONUT SOCIAL

The Coffee & Donut social time after the 8:30 AM and 10 AM Masses are extremely popular with parishioners. The social relies solely on volunteers to host; without them, there can be no social. While volunteer sign-up sheets for hosting have been available downstairs in the church hall since Nov. 19, there are currently hosts only through March 10.

Since the social is held after both the 8:30 and 10:00 AM Masses, it is important that we have a balance of volunteers to host from parishioners who consistently attend either Mass. Unfortunately, that is not the case. Historically, most of the volunteers who host regularly attend the 10:00 Mass. At the same time, more people who attend the 8:30 AM Mass participate in the social, but very few volunteer to host.

After much consideration of the above facts, it has been decided that the coffee & donut social will be cancelled for those Sundays when no one has volunteered to host. If you have questions, or would like to host, please call Dale Culp, Coordinator, at 696-8327 or text her at 207-5678.

#### **ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASSES**

The 8 week class Christian Prayer and Spirituality is being offered at two locations. Deacon Michael Russo will be teaching Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM beginning **March 5th** at St. Patrick School, Johnstown. Sr. Marilyn Welch, CCW will be teaching Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM beginning **March 13th** at St. Catherine of Siena, Duncansville. The 10 week class Church History is being offered at Most Holy Trinity, Huntingdon beginning Tuesday, **March 5th** from 6:30-8:30 PM. This class is being taught by Deacon Donald Gibboney. Classes may be taken for ongoing formation credit. Registration and book fees, registration forms, and class information are available online at www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry/ or by contacting Marybeth at (814) 361-2000. All are welcome to attend.

#### **EXPOSITION OF SACRED RELICS**

Christ the King Parish in Houtzdale welcomes you to a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on **Monday, February 25 at 6:00 PM**. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Teresa of Avila, St. Francis of Assisi, and also a piece of a veil which belonged to Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Call 378-7653 for more info.

#### AREA PRO-LIFE EVENTS

The Huntingdon County Citizens Concerned for Human Life invite you two upcoming events featuring Nate & Holly Fugate who have a mission to equip pro-life people with a gracious, intelligent approach to defending the pre-born through everyday conversations within their spheres of influence.

- A Pro-Life Dinner will be held at 6 PM on Friday, March 1st at Dunnings Creek Church of the Brethren, 195 Church Rd., New Paris. Visit www.BedfordCountyProlife.org/dinner or call 276-3638 or 652-6755. Cost is \$20 and reservations must be made by Feb. 22.
- A Pro-Life Seminar, will be held March 2nd at the Community Chapel of Heston just south of McConnellstown. Call 658-3419 or 460-6385 or visit: www.centralpaprolife.org/2019hseminar to register. This free event will begin at 9:45 AM with a free lunch afterwards. (Donations appreciated)

#### JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH DAY

All students in grades 6-8, you won't want to miss **Junior High Youth Day 2019. Sunday, March 17th,** at Bishop Carroll High School, Ebensburg, featuring keynotes by Chris Rodgers. Through music, humor and faith sharing, Chris is able to help young people have a great day and a real faith connection. The day will consist of uplifting messages, challenging games, and Liturgy with Bishop Mark. There will be lots of faith, fun and friendship for all. To register, contact your parish Director of Religious Education/ Youth Ministry or Catholic Elementary School Principal. **Deadline to register is March 6th**.

# ST. MICHAEL PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION



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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR**

#### PRE K - 9TH GRADE

TODAY no class

Feb. 24Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)10:00 AMMarch 3Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)10:00 AMMarch 10Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)10:00 AM

#### ALL 2nd Grade Students (Religious Ed & HTCS)

March 1 Retreat: Reconciliation (Church Hall) 6:00 PM
March 9 Celebration of Reconciliation (Church) 10:00 AM

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

March 3 Session: "Communion with God" 12:30 PM - 2 PM March 6 Service Hours Due

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

Feb. 24 Session: "Witness, Word, Worship & Community Service"

(Activity Building) 12:30 PM - 2 PM

March 6 Service Hours Due

March 10 Religious Ed (Activity Bldg.; only BG students are exempt) 12:30 PM

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

March 6 All Service Hours and Confirmation Paperwork Due March 10 Religious Ed (Activity Bldg.; only BG students are exempt) 12:30 PM

Students in 9 - 12 grade are invited to an **Adoration with Bishop Mark** on **Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30 PM** at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Bellefonte. Light refreshments will be served following the event. (*Please note that this is the last Adoration with Bishop Mark and students must attend at least one Adoration with Bishop Mark prior to confirmation.) Registration is required.* 

#### HELLO DOLLY

Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School Drama Club will present the musical, "Hello, Dolly" on **Friday, March 1** and on **Saturday, March 2 at 7:30 PM** at the Mishler Theatre.

## **QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS**

Every Monday: Prayer Group (in the Church) 2 PM SCRIP: sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday Masses in the Church Hall Feb. 18 Parish office closed

Feb. 20 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (Rectory Mtg Rm) 7 PM Feb. 23 Free Soup Saturday (HERE in the Church Hall) 11 AM - 1 PM

Mar. 1 Reconciliation Retreat for all 2nd grade students 6 PM

Mar. 3 Men's Club Pancake Breakfast (Church hall)

#### after the 8:30 & 10 AM Masses

Mar. 5 Ladies Guild Meeting (at Outback Steakhouse - Altoona)Mar. 6 Ash Wednesday

Mass: 7 AM - 8:30 AM (HTCS) - 6:30 PM Prayer Service with Ash Distribution - Noon & 3 PM

Mar. 7 Ministerium Lenten Lunch (at the 1st United Methodist Church) NOON
Mar. 7 Cemetery Committee Meeting 1 PM

Mar. 8 Stations of the Cross (church) 5:30 PM
Mar. 9 2nd Grade Celebration of Reconciliation (church) 10 AM

Mar. 10 Daylight Savings Time begins

Mar. 10Men's Club Meeting (Church hall)7 PMMar. 13Lenten Evening Mass6:30 PM

Mar. 14 Ministerium Lenten Lunch (at the 1st United Methodist Church) NOON

- Our parish is hosting the lunch; Msgr. will be the guest speaker

Mar. 15 Stations of the Cross (Church) 5:30 PM
Mar. 20 Lenten Evening Mass 6:30 PM
Mar. 20 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (Rectory Mtg Rm) after Mass



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# PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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