



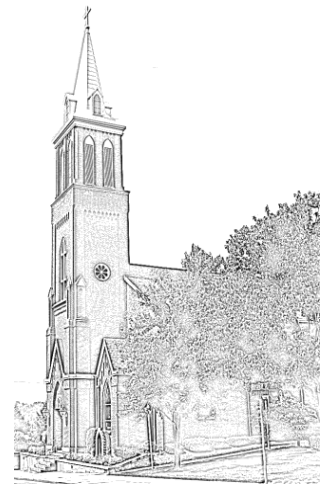
February 7, 2021

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Saturdays at 1 p.m. & Sundays at 7:30 a.m.
Inside the church hall; please use Montgomery stairwell entrance

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed: Weekends, Holy Days and Holidays

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

Interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith?
Contact the parish office. Classes normally begin in the Fall.

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 The Book of Job is a long parable which grapples with why bad things happen to good people. This question was especially crucial to people of that time because they didn't believe in life after death, and therefore one received reward or punishment in this life. Job has lost his children, his property, and his health, and he lives at the city dump. In this passage, he gives an understandably pessimistic evaluation of life.

1 Corinthians 9:16 -19, 22-23 Paul's enemies frequently criticized him for the least little thing. At a time when most teachers received compensation from those they instructed, Paul was criticized because he refused financial support from the community. Because of this, they discredited him as not being a legitimate apostle. Today we hear his response.

Next Sunday's Readings: Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46 and 1 Corinthians 10:31 –11:1; Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

MASSES THIS WEEK FOR ST. MICHAEL & ST. MARY PARISHES

February 6 - 14

For your convenience we have, and will continue, to list the Masses for both St. Michael & St. Mary Parishes. Please feel free to attend either church for Mass and events. If you use church envelopes for your offertory, you may place it in the St. Mary collection and they will send your offertory gift to us.

* **PLEASE NOTE:** As of Jan. 2, 2021 ALL weekend Masses at St. Michael will be said in the parish Activity Building.
ALL weekday Masses at St. Michael will be said at St. Mary Church (312 Clark St. - Hollidaysburg)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Saturday, 2/6	4:00 PM	St. Mary	+ Jaclyn Marie Locktosh	by Mom & Dad
	5:00 PM	St. Michael *	+ Joyce Waryck	by Bonnie Fox
Sunday, 2/7	8:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Susan, Anna & Alex DePaolis	by Terry & Connie Curfman
	8:30 AM	St. Michael *	+ Elda Drass (Anniv. Remembrance)	by Elda Brown
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Lena Degol	by her family
	10:00 AM	St. Michael *	+ Joe Veckov	by Anne Musser & family
	11:30 AM	St. Michael *	For the people of St. Mary & St. Michael Parishes	
Monday, 2/8	7:45 AM	St. Mary *	+ William Christian Baronner	by his sister; Patricia Baronner-Yeatts
Tuesday, 2/9	7:45 AM	St. Mary *	+ Leona George	by her family
Wed., 2/10	6:30 PM	St. Mary	+ Sheila Buterbaugh, Nathan S. & Paul C.	by the family
Thursday, 2/11	7:45 AM	St. Mary *	+ Gordon DeLozier (Birthday Remembrance)	by Mark & Jo DeLozier
Friday, 2/12	7:45 AM	St. Mary *	+ Edgar "Pork" & Esther Burkhart	by their son, Thomas Burkhart
Saturday, 2/13	4:00 PM	St. Mary	+ Living & Deceased members of the Blodgett & Papciak Family	by the family
	5:00 PM	St. Michael *	+ Lori Irwin-Kozlowski	by her parents Bob & Louise
Sunday, 2/14	8:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Ron Schlecht	by Rich & Carol Langguth
	8:30 AM	St. Michael *	+ Phil Baker	by Bob & Annette Scholl
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	Physical & Spiritual Wellness of Fr. Alan by Blodgett & Papciak Families	
	10:00 AM	St. Michael *	+ Sam Wilt	by his wife Ginger
	11:30 AM	St. Michael *	For the people of St. Mary & St. Michael Parishes	

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>FEB. 13/14</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>E.M.H.C.</u>	<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>	<u>Tech</u>
Sat. 5 PM	L. Michelone (1) B. Stevens (2)	available(P) R. Holzer (S)	A. Curtis	available available	available
Sun. 8:30 AM	P. Gildea (1) B. Anthony (2)	M. Icenroad (P) B. Codd (S)	S/D Claar	R. Baker T. Baker A. Carvalho	R. Frank
Sun. 10 AM	A. Lewis (1) D. Culp (2)	A. Jordan (P) R. Pompa (S)	M/D Culp	M. Culp R. Culp T. Wilt	J. Elder
Sun. 11:30 AM	D. Sault(1) D. Stoehr(2)	D. Stoehr (P) G. Harrington (S)	A. Weyant	P. Claycomb available	G. Hayes

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Twin Parish ^{(1/31/21):} **\$73.00**

Ash Wednesday ^{(1/31/21):} **\$20.00**

Minority Groups ^{(1/31/21):} **\$20.00**

PARISH PAINTING PROJECT UPDATE

This week the airducts were cleaned and sanitized. Light fixtures were cleaned and rehung. Painting of the ceiling has been delayed to this coming week. The television brackets were rehung and the screens on the organ and piano replaced. A sample of the trim work around the windows has been painted and will be reviewed by the painting committee before the painting of the walls begin. Thank you to all who have generously donated to this project. As expected little unforeseen expenses keep popping up and your donations greatly help compensate for some of these expenses.

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS

Every family is invited to pick-up a "Little Black Book" at the entrances to the activity building this weekend. The book provides quick daily seven minute readings and reflections, and can be a great aid to your Lenten prayer time.

BLESSED CANDLES

This past Tuesday, February 2nd was the Feast of our Lord's Presentation in the Temple, and the traditional day to bless candles since Jesus is God's revealing Light. An assortment of blessed votive candles, for home use, are available in the church activity building and in the parish office. The suggested donation is \$5 per candle.

SCOUT SUNDAY - February 7

Scout Sunday commemorates Scouting's birthday and honors a Scout's duty to God. Today at the 11:30 AM Mass we are happy to welcome all former and current scouts, especially the scouts of Cub Scout Pack 331 - Hollidaysburg.

MEN'S CLUB

Our parish Men's Club will be meeting **NEXT SUNDAY** in the Church Hall at **7 PM**. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

MONTH OF LOVE

As we mark February as the month of LOVE there are so many things we can do not only for the ones we LOVE but for ALL. Here are a few ideas:

- ♥ Close the door of hatred and open your heart to love all people of the world.
- ♥ Call an elderly person. Laugh, tell stories or just listen to them.
- ♥ Talk to the person in front and behind you at the grocery store— don't forget the check-out person!
- ♥ Pray and ask Jesus to fill your heart with LOVE just as He loves us.



Your Parish Youth Group

St. Michael the Archangel/St. Mary's Parishes

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QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

- ROSARY:** Every day after the 7:45 AM weekday Mass
and every Thursday afternoon at 4:30 PM (at St. Mary's Church)
- Feb. 9** Parish Council Meeting **6:30 PM**
 - Feb. 13** Youth Group Meeting (Church hall) **10:00 AM**
 - Feb. 14** Men's Club meeting (Church hall) **7:00 PM**
 - Feb. 15** Parish Office closed
 - Feb. 17** **ASH WEDNESDAY** (Masses will be said at St. Mary's Church)
..... **7:45 AM - 12:15 PM - 6:30 PM**
 - Feb. 19** Stations of the Cross (at St. Mary's) **6:30 PM**
 - Feb. 23** Parish Finance Council Meeting **6:30 PM**
 - Feb. 26** Stations of the Cross (at St. Mary's) **6:30 PM**

MANDEVILLE LENTEN COLLECTION

Beyond Jamaica's world-class beach resorts live a people who endure deep poverty, yet thrive in great hope – a hope found in the love of Christ. As a witness for Christ, you can advance the hope of the people within the Diocese of Mandeville through a Lenten offering on Ash Wednesday. Your gift will make a direct impact as it helps spread the message of Jesus in Mandeville as well as in your heart.

INDEPENDENT CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

The Independent Catholic Foundation recently sent out their Winter newsletter. (If you did not receive one, extra copies are available in the church office, at the Activity Building entrance and online at www.icfdaj.org, click on the "resources" tab.) The foundation is dedicated to providing long-term income to parishes, schools, cemeteries and ministries throughout the diocese.

CHURCH HISTORY ZOOM CLASS

Church History: The story of diversity, multiple developments, and pluralism. In this 8-week Zoom online class, Deacon Don Gibboney gives an overview of Church history focusing upon Christianity in Europe from apostolic times to the present. Classes are Wednesdays from 6:00-8:30 PM beginning **February 24th**. Registration fee is \$45. To register please contact the Office of Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or mheinze@dioceseaj.org. All are welcome!

ADULT ED ZOOM CLASS

Adult Religious Education nurtures the lifelong development of the whole person-body, mind, heart, and spirit. Deacon Michael Russo will be teaching the 8 week course Christian Prayer and Spirituality via Zoom beginning **Tuesday, March 2nd** from 6:30-8:30 PM. In this course participants will explore both traditional and contemporary expressions of Christian prayer and spirituality. The cost of this course which includes registration and material fee is \$55. Registration forms are available online at www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry/ or by calling Marybeth at (814) 361-2000. Deadline for class registration is February 22nd. All are welcome!

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Since there is uncertainty concerning overseas travel, we have rescheduled our pilgrimage to the Holy Land. **The new dates are April 25 to May 4, 2022.** If you have ever wondered what it would have been like to witness the Gospel events this is the pilgrimage for you. Imagine being in the boat with the disciples on the Sea of Galilee when Jesus calmed the storm. Picture yourself standing on the Mount of Olives, walking through the Garden of Gethsemane.

Our Holy Land Experience will: Bring the Bible to life, Inspire passionate faith and Christian living, Enrich your understanding of the Gospel, Energize the call to ministry, and Enhance knowledge and understanding of the contemporary culture and issues

Because the date has been rescheduled, we are able to open the reservations to more pilgrims. For a copy of the brochure and more information, please contact Deacon Michael Russo: 288-3036 or michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.

VALENTINES FOR THOSE IN OUR CARE FACILITIES

All students in grades 7-12 are invited to join us NEXT Saturday, February 13, for our first official Youth Group event of the year. We'll meet in the **Church hall of St. Michael's Church starting at 10 AM** to prepare valentines/treats for residents of Garvey Manor and St. Leonard's Nursing Homes. Students must wear masks at all times and will be assigned to a work station, where they must report and stay seated with their own kit to prepare valentines. Bring your artistic abilities and your creativity to help spread cheer to our seniors, most who have been in lock-down since March of 2020. Students will be treated to pizza/soft drinks as we finish-up around 12:30pm. **Parents please RSVP** if your student(s) can join us **by texting Tim Baranik @ 814-207-7008**. ... this is important so that we can prepare kits, set the room up, and order enough pizza.

We hope you'll encourage your students to get involved with our Youth Group - a combined parish youth group made up of students from St. Michael's and St. Mary's parishes in Hollidaysburg. Our parent advisory committee is planning and discussing a number of awesome activities this year including Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball, Kin-Ball, Campfires, Community Service Events, Spiritual Activities, Escape Rooms, Mountain Biking, and perhaps a bus trip. Of course, all of this is contingent on the pandemic, so let's all pray that our country can contain this horrible virus. We are also **seeking a parent or two from St. Mary's parish** to join our parent advisory committee. This is not a huge commitment as we meet 4-5 times throughout the year. Parents/chaperones on the advisory committee must submit child clearances, criminal background, and 2 trainings required by the Diocese. There is no cost to the parent volunteer, and we will happily guide you through the process. If you're a member of St. Mary's parish and would like to serve on this committee, please contact Tim.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Next Wednesday, February 17 is Ash Wednesday when the Church begins the forty day journey toward the Triduum (The Three Days) with the annual discipline of fasting, praying and giving alms. Ash Wednesday (February 17) and Good Friday (April 2) are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. **FASTING** refers to only one full meal, with two small meals and no eating otherwise for the day. **ABSTINENCE** refers to not eating meat at all during the day. All who have reached their 14th year are obliged to ABSTAIN. The Church directs the holy FAST to all those in their 18th year until their 60th year (Canon 1252). The ancient practice of fasting and abstaining can occur throughout other days in Lent. This is not obligatory and can take a variety of forms distinct from food.

Because of our current church remodeling project, Ash Wednesday Masses will all be celebrated at St. Mary's Church at the following times:

7:45 AM - 12:15 PM - 6:30 PM



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We are to be collaborators and cooperators in continuing the salvific action of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. All members of the Church have their own roles in carrying out her mission. All Catholics are called to give their generous support of time, money, prayers and personal service according to their circumstance, to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church. Jesus balanced His time of serving others with quiet prayer time. It is most important that Christian stewards include prayer and reflection among their daily routines. It is only through the strengthening of their relationship with God that they can continue to serve well.

(To Be A Christian Steward, A Summary of the USCCB Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, July 1993, Washington D.C.)

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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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