



February 9, 2020
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
**ST. MICHAEL
THE ARCHANGEL
PARISH**

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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.
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? Please contact the parish office. Classes generally begin each Fall.

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - World Marriage Day

Isaiah 58: 7-10 The Jewish people had just returned from exile in Babylon. They were poor. The prophet in today's reading reminds them of the religious practice that pleases God most of all, and he encourages them to share the little they have with one another.

1 Corinthians 2: 1-5 In this reading, Paul continues to address the problem of factions in Corinth. One group followed a Christian named Apollos, an eloquent preacher who came there after Paul had left. Some criticized Paul because his oratory didn't compare to that of Apollos. In today's passage, Paul defends his preaching style.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Sirach 15:15-20 and 1Corinthians 2:6-10; Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS for Feb. 8 - 16

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday, Feb. 8	5:00 p.m.	+ Linda Babiak	by Mary Melville
Sunday, Feb. 9	8:30 a.m.	+ Elda Drass <i>(Anniv. Rem.)</i>	by Elda Brown
	10:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parish	
	11:30 a.m.	+ Angeline Mangiacarne	by her daughter Joan Conroy and family
Monday, Feb. 10	7:45 a.m.	+ Bob Cobler	by Sam DeYulius
Tuesday, Feb. 11	7:45 a.m.	+ Gordon DeLozier	by Mark & Jo DeLozier
	6:30 p.m.	♥ Mass for Married Couples	
Wednesday, Feb. 12	7:45 a.m.	+ Joe Burger	by the Brenneman family
Thursday, Feb. 13	7:45 a.m.	+ Jesse Ehredt	by the Sutch Family
	<i>(Please note the Mass time: there is NO School Mass this week)</i>		
Friday, Feb. 14	7:45 a.m.	+ Lori Irwin-Kozlowski	by her parents; Bob & Louise Irwin
Saturday, Feb. 15	5:00 p.m.	+ Deceased Members of the Walter Kocoloski Family	by Helen Tomasetti and family
Sunday, Feb. 16	8:30 a.m.	+ Genevieve Sharbaugh	by Dee Barkley and family
	10:00 a.m.	+ Chris Weyant	by Dr. & Mrs. Richard Gonsman
	11:30 a.m.	+ Louis Lanzendorfer <i>(Birthday Rem.)</i>	by his family

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Please note that there will be no Holy Trinity School Mass this week. All morning Masses this week will be at 7:45 AM

2020 FREE SOUP SATURDAYS - ST. MICHAEL PARISH TO HOST SOON!

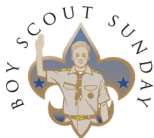
St. Michael parish will once again host the Free Soup Saturdays. Our dates to host this year are: **Feb. 22, 29 & March 7 from 11 AM - 1 PM**. MANY volunteers are needed to make and donate soup, provide desserts, set up, and serve each week. If you can help in any way, please **call Rita and leave a message at 693-1819**. This is a wonderful outreach, to our community and much appreciated, especially in the cold Winter months. Everyone is welcome to help especially confirmation students.

ST. MICHAEL'S MEN'S CLUB MEETING

The monthly St. Michael's Men's Club meeting will be held **TODAY Sunday, February 9 at 7:00 PM** in the church hall. All men of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

WELCOME SCOUTS!

Today we are happy to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting. The Scout Law says that a "Scout is Reverent" and Scouts of all ages promise to do their "Duty to God". These values strengthen youth character in their family, community and faith. We are proud of the scouts in our parish.



THIS Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 6:30 PM

VALENTINE MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

All are invited to a Valentine Mass for married couples which will be held in the church.

This is a wonderful way to enrich your marriage and renew your vows.

All married couples are invited to join us.

Catered hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served in the church hall following the Mass.



LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

WEEKLY SACRISTAN (2/9 - 2/15/20): N. Levine

SCRIP (2/16/20): as scheduled

COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (2/16/20): may be canceled if no one volunteers

ASSIGNMENTS FOR MASSES:

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 15 - 5:00 PM

Readers: C. Swope (1) & M. Dodson (2)
Altar Servers: A. Bryson & M. Swope
E. Min.: D. Straub
Gift Bearers: The Sutch family
Weekend Sacristan: L. Michelone

Sunday, February 16 - 8:30 AM

Readers: L. Gehret (1) & B. Stevens (2)
Altar Servers: A. Elder & B. Gervinski
E. Min.: P. Gildea
Gift Bearer: The D. Adams Family
Weekend Sacristan: S. & D. Claar

Sunday, February 16 - 10:00 AM

Readers: D. Lancel (1) & G. Sweeney (2)
Altar Servers: **available & available**
E. Min.: B. Craig
Gift Bearers: The B. Henry Family
Weekend Sacristan: MJ. Lancel

Sunday, February 16 - 11:30 AM

Readers: D. Sault (1) & **available**
Altar Servers: G. Hayes & J. Hayes
E. Min.: D. Stoehr
Gift Bearers: The Pope family
Weekend Sacristan: M. & C. Keller

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Thank you for your generosity!

Sunday Offering (2/2/2020): \$8,464.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$8,141.00

Sunday Loose Collection: \$323.00

PLEASE NOTE: Due to a lack of available volunteer hosts, the coffee and donut social for **NEXT SUNDAY, Feb. 16** will be **canceled** unless someone volunteers today. Other dates that may be canceled are: **April 5 and April 19**. Please contact Dale Culp if you are willing to volunteer to host. Call or text her at 207-5678. Sign-up sheets are usually available in the church hall as well after the 8:30 and 10 AM Masses.



ARISE! SEASON IV BEGINS MARCH 1st

Join a small group TODAY, even if you haven't participated before!

Create a new heart and a generous spirit this Lent by joining one of our **ARISE Together in Christ** small groups. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to make new friends, strengthen your faith, and form a deeper relationship with Christ and others through prayer and the Scriptures. **Join us by signing up TODAY!** Small groups will begin meeting the first week of March. There are a variety of groups, times, locations, and leaders. More details are on our parish website under the "Arise" tab or you can contact Kathy Balconi (*Parish Arise Coordinator*) by calling/texting Kathy at 585-730-0757 or email: kathybalconi1@gmail.com *All materials and supplies for ARISE will be provided.*

THANK YOU!

- Thank you to the parishioners who collected and especially to those who donated to the Citizens Concerned for Human Life's March for Life fundraiser. Our parishioners donated **\$360.00** to assist in paying for the 2 buses that traveled from our area to join thousands of marchers in Washington DC. The marchers were encouraged by the numbers who participated in the march this year and ask you to continue to pray for an end to this tragic chapter in our country's history.
- Thank you to all who volunteer at our parish. Sharing of your time, talent, and treasures is not only being a good steward, but is vital to the life of our parish family. Recently we have noticed parishioners helping out by: fixing kneelers that needed some attention, cleaning a spill that others did not notice, attending to a fellow parishioner who felt ill during Mass, straightening the missals before and after Masses, giving their time to help count the collection, helping a parishioner to their car, picking up and disposing of litter on the church grounds, sharing their talent as an organist or vocalist, giving their time to teach our children, assisting with the liturgy, serving others coffee & donuts, fixing and replacing lighting issues in the church, talking with someone who needed some spiritual guidance and prayer, and making and serving pancakes to the students of Holy Trinity for Catholic Schools week... **and so much more!** Some actions were big and timely others were small and quick, but all actions were and are greatly appreciated. Just like a family, when all members work together it strengthens and grows, the same happens to our parish family. **Thank you for all you do for our parish and the parish family!**

QUEEN ESTHER - LIVE ON STAGE

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish in Duncansville is sponsoring a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theatres to see: Queen Esther - live on stage. **Tuesday, June 9, 2020** the cost is \$125.00 and includes: transportation, the performance, and a family style meal at Hershey Farm Restaurant. First come first serve until sold out. The bus will depart Martin's Food Plaza, Duncansville at 6:30 AM. Call Ron 935-4804 or Darlene 934-1759 to reserve your spot.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

Deacon Rick Golden will offer a scripture class "Unlocking The Mystery Of The Bible." It will be held at St. Michael's school cafeteria in **Loretto**. The 8 week course will start Monday, **February 24 at 6:00 PM**. Workbooks and materials are \$25.00 (not mandatory) but material alone is \$10.00 (suggested) and couples may share. Please call the Basilica rectory to register at 472-8551 or the Deacon's home at 495-9673. *The facility is handicap accessible.*



February 7-14
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at 695-0912 or 934-2180 email: Steske@dioceseaj.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

PRE K - 9TH GRADE

TODAY	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	10:00 AM
Feb. 16	No Class - President's Day weekend	
Feb. 23	Religious Ed. Classes (<i>pre K - 9th grade</i>)	10:00 AM

2nd Grade

Feb. 21	Reconciliation Retreat (<i>Church hall</i>)	6:00 PM
Feb. 29	First Reconciliation (<i>Church</i>)	10:00 AM

"YEAR OF INVITATION" (9th Grade)

Feb. 26	Service hours due	
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"YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade)

TODAY	Religious Ed. (<i>for ALL but BGHS students; Activ. Bldg</i>)	12:30 PM
Feb. 26	Service hours due	

"YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade)

TODAY	Religious Ed. (<i>for ALL but BGHS students; Activ. Bldg</i>)	12:30 PM
Feb. 26	Service hours due	
Mar. 1	Session: "Morality" (<i>Activity Building</i>)	12:30 PM



JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH DAY

**"Building Up the Kingdom of God:
GOD's work, OUR hands!"**

All students in grades 6-8: you won't want to miss **Junior High Youth Day 2020. Sunday, March 15**, at Bishop Carroll High School, Ebensburg. 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 our parish Director of Religious Education: Sue Teske. *Deadline to register is March 6.*

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Who are the *hungry*, the *oppressed*, the *homeless*, and the *naked* in your midst? How can you uncover your gifts so you can become a "light of the world" for them? As Christian stewards, we view our resources of time, talent, and treasure as gifts from God. We don't possess or own these resources, but we are entrusted with them to nurture their growth and use them wisely. Disciples and stewards allow their love of Jesus Christ to shine through their words and deeds so God may be revealed to others.

QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Monday: Prayer Group (*in the Church*) **1:00 PM**
SCRIP: sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday Masses in the Church Hall

TODAY	Relay for Life T-shirt orders due	
TODAY	Men's Club	7:00 PM
Feb. 11	Valentine's Day Mass for Married Couples	6:30 PM
Feb. 17	Parish Office Closed	
Feb. 19	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	7:00 PM
Feb. 21	Reconciliation Retreat for 2nd Grade (<i>Church hall</i>)	6:00 PM
Feb. 22	Free Soup Saturday at St Michael Parish	11 AM - 1 PM

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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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