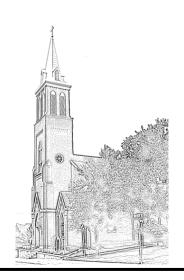


January 12, 2020 Baptism of the Lord

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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

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 Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 This section of the Book of Isaiah contains the words of a prophet who spoke to God's people exiled in Babylon. Four different times, the prophet speaks about a mysterious servant who will one day deliver the Israelites and make them great again. Christians have traditionally identified Jesus as this servant.

Acts of the Apostles10:34-38 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. This passage presents Peter reflecting about the remarkable effect this experience had upon him personally.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 and 1Corinthians 1:1-3; Gospel: John 1:29-34

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS for JANUARY 12 - 19 DATE INTENTION **REQUESTED BY** TIME Sunday, Jan. 12 8:30 a.m. + Jennifer Hatajik by Patti Geesey 10:00 a.m. + Marie Thalhauser (Anniv. Remembrance) by the Thalhauser family 11:30 a.m. + Betty Nale by Pat & Donna Gildea Monday, Jan. 13 7:45 a.m. + Jim Madden (Anniversary Remembrance) by Denise Madden and family Tuesday, Jan. 14 7:45 a.m. + Anita Jubas by her husband; John and daughter; Maren Wednesday, Jan. 15 7:45 a.m. + Rev. Anthony Legarski by the Baker family Thursday, Jan. 16 7:45 a.m. + Lou Calla (Anniversary Remembrance) by his wife Joan Friday, Jan. 17 7:45 a.m. + Agnes Denning (Anniversary Remembrance) and Bernadette Melville by the family Saturday, Jan. 18 5:00 p.m. + Lori Irwin-Kozlowski by Carol Boland & family Sunday, Jan. 19 8:30 a.m. + Ted Michelone by his children

For the People of the Parish

+ Rita Burger (Anniversary Remembrance)



Today concludes the Christmas celebration. With the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan, a mystery is again revealed. God is present in the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Another revelation is made. This Jesus is indeed God's beloved Son and the Father is well pleased. With the Baptism of the Lord, all baptisms are confirmed. We have entered into the waters of rebirth. We stand with the Beloved Son of God.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TOMORROW!

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

We greatly appreciate the volunteers at St. Michael parish and are calling on you again to help us take down and store the Christmas decorations. Come join us after the morning rosary (around 8:30 a.m.) **TOMORROW, Monday, Jan. 13**. With a lot of helpers it shouldn't take more than 30 minutes. Thanks!

FLU SEASON DIRECTIVES

Beginning TODAY!

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.

MORNING MASSES THIS WEEK

Please note that there is no school Mass this week. The morning Mass THIS Thursday will be at 7:45 AM.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING - TODAY

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Michael Men's Club will be held **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **January 12**, **at 7:00 PM** in the church hall. All men of the parish are encouraged and invited to attend. New Year - New Faces - New Ideas: Come join us!

MONDAY PRAYER GROUP

This Monday marks the 98th birthday of Helen Hamburger the founder of the St. Michael Prayer Group. You are invited to help celebrate her birthday as the Monday Prayer Group will be moving this week 's prayer meeting to the chapel at Garvey Manor. Come join them at 1:00 PM, TOMORROW, Monday Jan. 13.

LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

WEEKDAY SACRISTAN (1/12 - 1/18/20): K. Lashinsky

SCRIP (1/19/20): T. Swander

COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (1/19/20): P. Diaz

ASSIGNMENTS FOR WEEKEND MASSES:

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 18 - 5:00 PM

by her family

Readers: L. Gehret (1) & M. Dodson (2)

Altar Servers: D. Kordish & W. Kordish

E. Min.: L. Savino

Gift Bearers: The D. Boland Family **Weekend Sacristan:** R. DeHaven

Sunday, January 19 - 8:30 AM

Readers: P. Gildea (1) & L. Michelone (2)

Altar Servers: A. Elder & B. Gervinski

E. Min.: B. Anthony
Gift Bearer: M. Icenroad

Weekend Sacristans: R. & A. Scholl

Sunday, January 19 - 10:00 AM

Readers: D. Lanzel (1) & A. Lewis (2)
Altar Servers: J. Lehman & L. Lehman

E. Min.: M. Lanzel

Gift Bearers: The A. Collins Family **Weekend Sacristan:** M. Lanzel

Sunday, January 19 - 11:30 AM

Readers: D. Stoehr (1) & D. Sault (2)

Altar Servers: G. Hayes & J. Hayes

E. Min.: L. Malone

Gift Bearers: The G. Gardner Family **Weekend Sacristans:** M. & C. Keller

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 \$316.20

BAPTISMS

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Since we normally do not have baptisms during Lent, we are reminding parents that if you want to have your child baptized before the Lenten season begins, to please call the church office soon to schedule a date.

ENJOY A DONUT & COFFEE AFTER MASS

Hosts are needed!

All are invited to meet in the church hall (basement of the church) after the 8:30 AM & 10 AM Masses for coffee (or juice) and donuts.

Volunteers are needed to host this popular social time. Sign-up sheets are available in the church hall following the 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM Masses each Sunday, or you may contact coordinator, Dale Culp at 696-8327 or text: 814-207-5678. Weekends that have no volunteers will result in canceling the social time for that weekend.

FREE SOUP SATURDAYS



Come and enjoy THE BEST SOUP IN TOWN at "Free Soup Saturdays." Area churches will be offering free hot soup, bread & butter (or a sandwich), beverage and dessert, from January 4 - March 21 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Free will offerings will be accepted to help defray

costs at each location. Our church is one of the churches involved. Please watch the bulletin to learn how you can help us when it is our turn to host.

Jan. 18 & 25 St. Mary Catholic Church
Feb. 1, 8 & 15 First Presbyterian Church

Feb. 22, 29 & March 7 HERE at St. Michael Catholic Church

March 14 & 21 St. John's Reformed Church

TONY MELENDEZ IN CONCERT!

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

World renowned Catholic Musician and Speaker Tony Melendez will be performing a concert at **7:00 PM** at Holy Name Church, Ebensburg, PA. Tony was born with no arms, but learned to play the guitar with his feet from a young age. In 1987 in Los Angeles, CA, he famously performed in front of Pope John Paul II. The concert is free, but a free will offering will be taken for the parish and then for Tony. Visit Tony's website: https://www.tonymelendez.com/



LOCAL RESPECT LIFE MARCH

The 33rd annual Respect Life March will be held on **Sunday**, **January 19** in Tyrone. Sponsored by the Saint Gregory Council #1218 Knights of Columbus, the event will begin at **Noon** at Saint Matthew Parish in Tyrone. Participants will then walk a little more than one mile to the grave of Baby Agnes Doe. All are invited to this pro-life event. A hot lunch will be provided afterwards. For more information, contact Peter Kreckel at 814.935.5436 or email him at: pharmcanoe@aol.com

JOIN THE MARCH IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Citizens Concerned for Human Life will be will be sponsoring buses for March for Life in Washington, D.C. on **Friday, January 24.** The cost is just \$15 per person; \$10 for students. Participants are asked to bring their lunch with them and money for dinner. If you are interested in going on the March, please call Roxann Blazewicz at 695-8008.

DONATIONS ARE NEEDED

Citizens Concerned for Human Life will be collecting donations at all Masses NEXT weekend, Jan. 18-19. Donations will be used to help defray the cost of buses going to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. Please help support them financially and through your prayers.

****** Pray for the Unborn *******

ST. MICHAEL PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

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Any questions call our D.R.E., Sue Teske at 695-0912 or 934-2180 email: Steske@dioceseaj.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

PRE K - 9TH GRADE

TODAY	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM
Jan. 19	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM
Jan. 26	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM
Feb. 2	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM

2nd Grade

Jan. 23	Parent Meeting with Fr. Alan (Activity Bidg.)	6:30 PW
*	Please note there will be no repeat meeting on	1/26/20
Feb. 21	Reconciliation Retreat (Church hall)	6:00 PM
Feb. 29	First Reconciliation Retreat (Church)	10:00 AM

"YEAR OF INVITATION" (9th Grade)

Feb. 2 Session: "Prayer" (Activity Building) 12:30 PM

"YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade)

TODAY Religious Ed.(for ALL but BGHS students; Activ. Bldg) 12:30 PM
Jan. 26 Session: Witness, Word, Worship, Community Service
(Activity. Bldg) 12:30 PM

"YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade)

TODAY Religious Ed. (for ALL but BGHS students; Activ. Bldg) 12:30 PM

Arise Season Four Diocesan Convocation



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explores the themes of Reconciliation and the
transforming power of Forgiveness.

Join fellow Catholics at one of two Arise Convocations this January to explore these themes and seek helpful ways to draw others to return to the Church.

All are welcome! This gathering replaces the January training sessions for Parish Coordinators and Small Group Facilitators, and will be helpful for anyone participating in a small faith-sharing group.

A free-will offering will be taken up. Please register for one of the sessions so we may plan for your participation.

Saturday, January 25

9:00 am - 11:00 am Our Lady of the Alleghenies Church 608 Main Street, Lilly Cambria County

- Doors open 30 minutes prior to Opening Prayer
- Peter Ascosi
- Brief overview of Arise Season 4

Sunday, January 26

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm St. Matthew Church 1105 Cameron Ave., Tyrone Blair County

To Register: visit www.dioceseaj.org, click on the white Arise circle at upper right. From the Arise web page, click on the event link.

QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Monday: Prayer Group (in the Church) 1:00 PM *

* PLEASE NOTE: This week the group will be meeting at the chapel
in Garvey Manor at 1:00 PM on Monday, Jan. 13

SCRIP: sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday Masses in the Church Hall

TODAY Men's Club Meeting (Church hall)

7:00 PM

Jan. 14 Arise Team Meeting (Church Hall)

7:00 PM

7:00 PM

Jan. 15 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room) 7:00 PM

Jan. 16 Parish Finance Council Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room)
 7:00 PM
 Jan. 19 Respect Life March in Tyrone Noon

Jan. 23 Parent Meeting with Fr. Alan (Activity Bldg.) 6:30 PM

Jan. 23 Peace & Justice Committee Meeting (Rectory Mtg. Rm) 7:00 PM





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