Seventh Sunday of Easter

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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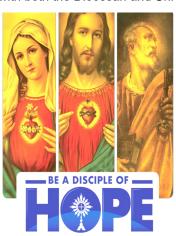
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MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ST. MICHAEL FAITH COMMUNITY

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.



2021 Catholic Ministry Drive

Providing 100% of the revenue for 14 vital ministries!

Our parish goal is \$48,839.00

Return your donation and/or pledge directly to the CMD or to the parish office.



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.

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

May 15 - 23

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.

DATE	DAY	TIME	PARISH		INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
05/15	CAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	Ŷ	Bruno & Lena DeGol	the family
05/15	SAT	5:00 PM	St. Michael	Ť	Lori Ray (Anniv. Remembrance)	Jeanne Evans & family
		8:00 AM	St. Mary	Ť	Daniel Bimle	
		8:30 AM	St. Michael	Ť	Annemaire McClain	her family
05/16	SUN	10:00 AM	St. Mary		Rev. Mr. Brian P. Norris - Ad Multos Annos "to man	y years"
		10:00 AM	St. Michael	Ť	Pat Tarlton-Luddy	Patricia Baronner-Yeatts
		11:30 AM	St. Michael		The People of the Parishes	Pastor
05/17	MON	7:45 AM	St. Michael	Ť	Eleanor M. Ollinger (Birthday Remembrance)	her daughter Susan Lamertina
05/18	TUES	7:45 AM	St. Michael	Ť	Leona George	her family
05/19	WED	6:30 PM	St. Mary	Ŷ	John Ruscitto II	Rick & Cammy Pulcino
05/20	THURS	7:45 AM	St. Michael	Ť	Stephen Swope	Dan, Vicki & Maeve Lawruk
05/21	FRI	7:45 AM	St. Mary	Ŷ	Mary Ann Gregorchik	Eric & Michelle Stiffler & kids
05/22 SAT	CAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	Ť	Jack Hallberg	His wife, Carol
	SAI	5:00 PM	St. Michael	Ŷ	Bob Korhan	Judy Haberstroh-Kawtoski
		8:00 AM	St. Mary	Ť	Mary Helen Owcarz Zabinski	by the donor
		8:30 AM	St. Michael	Ŷ	Tim Veller (Anniv. Remembrance)	His mom; Connie
05/23	SUN	10:00 AM	St. Mary		Pat Madden	his family
		10:00 AM	St. Michael	t	Mark Burger (Birthday Remembrance)	His family
		11:30 AM	St. Michael		The People of the Parishes	Pastor

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS (May 22 & 23 - Pentecost Sunday) Weekday Sacristan for 5/16 - 5/22: A. Carvalho E.M.H.C. **Date** Reader Sacristan Hospitality Tech Server Sat 5:00 PM C. Swope (1) R. Holzer (P) L. Michelone available available D. Bonetti 5/22 J. Burke (2) D. Straub (S) P. Chapin available available Sun. 8:30 AM R/C Leister R Baker M. Litzinger (1) M. Schlechter(P) availahle available 5/23 V. Litzinger (2) available (S) T. Baker available available A. Carvalho Sun. 10 AM D. Lanzel (1) B. Farnan (P) A. Weyant M. Culp available available 5/23 D. Culp (2) R. Pompa (S) J. Harteis available available J. Dodson Sun. 11:30 AM G. Harrington (P) D. Sault (1) available P. Claycomb available available E. Pope (S) available 5/23 D. Stoehr (2) available available

INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 Luke recounts the reason and process that went into the selection of Matthias as a replacement for Judas. The setting is the upper room, traditionally associated with the Last Supper, with about 120 persons present. This will be the setting for the Spirit's descent on Pentecost. Today's reading shows how both divine and human elements are integral to any good Christian decision making.

1 John 4:11-16 God is love. God shared that love completely with us by sending Jesus. God initiates love of us and invites us to love one another in the same manner. In this way, God establishes intimacy with us and we with God. The concrete sign of this intimacy is the gift of the Spirit that has been given to us all.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (May 22/23)

Acts 2:1-11 and Galatians 5:16-25 Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:12-15



OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Offering for 5/9/21 Envelope Coll.: \$9,234.00 Loose Coll.: \$135.00 On-Line Giving \$5,097.35 (for the month of Ap Votive Candles: \$75.00 \$195.00 Maintenance: Catholic Home Mis: \$50.00 Catholic Comm.: \$20.00 Catholic Relief \$70.00 Good Friday: \$20.00 Twin Parish: \$175.00 Easter: \$20.00 Ascension: \$192.00

PARISH OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, May 22 from 2:30-4:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 23 from 12:30-2:00 p.m.

With generous donations from parishioners and hard work from our painting committee, pastoral council and finance council we are happy to show off how beautiful our church is! From the ceiling work, painting and cleaning everything, and a new sound system, we are thrilled with the outcome! So thrilled, that we are hosting an open house. **Bring your family and friends!** Tours and information about all that was done will be explained, videos, historical information, photo displays and light refreshments. Come join us!

NEW LOOK FOR OUR BULLETIN

The councils of St. Mary & St. Michael Parish have agreed to combine resources between our two parishes where it makes the most financial sense. Beginning with the June bulletin we will be producing a combined bulletin. You are invited to attend events and Masses at either parish. If you use church envelopes for your offertory, you may place it in either collection and your offertory gift will be given to the parish listed on the envelope. If you have a business and are interested in advertising in the new combined bulletin, call Janet at 814-695-0912 for more information.

MASS FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

Remember your loved ones on Sunday, May 30, 2020 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 AM on WATM ABC 23 and will be rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Atlantic Broadband channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. Deadline to register is May 24, 2021. Sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office.

NEW MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP



Calling all Men Join us on Saturday mornings at 7:15 STARTS JUNE 5 AM in St. Michael's church basement. 301 Spruce Street, Hollidaysburg for 60 minutes of fellowship. Scripture study, faith sharing, prayer and a cup or two of coffee. We seek God's direction for our lives and seek to know His will for us. We are committed men who recognize our need for each other and for God's help.

We gather in Christ's presence in an atmosphere of trust, equality and anonymity to share personal feelings and experiences. We unconditionally accept one another and prayerfully support one another. We feel encouraged by The Holy Spirit to share with one another the ups and downs we experience in our day to day lives. We welcome all as our brothers regardless of denomination or how far you are on your faith journey. We plan on meeting on the first and third Saturday of each month. Our first meeting will be June 5th. So, bring your Bible and your hunger for God and join us, as we prepare for eternity. "Come and see" John 1:46 Contact: Stu Sibold 814-935-5035 email swsibold@gmail.com Dave Madden 814-414-2123 email coachdave1251@gmail.com



MEMORIAL DAY MASS

The morning Mass on Monday, May 31 will be said at 9:00 AM at the New St. Mary Cemetery. All are invited to attend and are asked to bring a lawn chair.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Students who will be juniors or seniors at accredited college or university this fall may apply for an opportunity to receive one of three \$500 grants from the Adelaide Heverly Welge Scholarship Endowment. Please visit the "Grants" page of the Independent Catholic Foundation website, www.icfdaj.org to download, complete and sign the application, which should be emailed to grants@icfdaj.org no later than 12:00 p.m., Friday, June 11th. Award recipients will be notified in July.

QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

ROSARY: Every day after the 7:45 AM weekday Mass

TODAY Baccalaureate (at Hick's United Methodist Ch) 7:00 PM May 20 Cemetery Committee Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room) 1:00 PM May 22 Open House 2:30 - 4:00 PM May 23 Open House 12:30 - 2:00 PM

May 23 Pentecost

May 31 Memorial Day (Mass at New St. Mary Cemetery) 9:00 AM June 6 Sunday Mass w/ Anointing of the Sick (St. Mary) 2:00 PM

FAMILIES & THE GOSPEL

(John 17:11-19) Jesus was worried about His disciples and He turned to prayer. No matter how much time we spent trying to "guard and protect" our children, each day they become less dependent on us and we must let go and let God. Prayer and parenting go together.

ST. JOSEPH, PATRON OF THE DYING, PRAY FOR US

Pope Francis wrote Patris Corde against the backdrop of the global Pandemic. He writes that amid the crisis, "our lives were woven together and sustained by ordinary people, people often overlooked. People who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines, or on the latest television show, yet in these very days, are surely shaping the events of our history. Each of us can discover in Joseph-the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence-an intercessor, and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear or are in the shadows, can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

According to tradition, Joseph died sometime before the beginning of Jesus' public life. Because he died in the loving presence of Jesus and Mary, he is also invoked as the Patron of a Happy Death. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1014)

"O glorious St. Joseph,

I entreat you as my special patron at the hour of my death. Help me to live each day in God's grace,

that I may always be spiritually prepared for death. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for me. Amen."

Pope Francis Apostolic Letter, Patris Corde, December 8, 2020, 6. 2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.



SUNDAY MASS WITH THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

On Sunday, June 6, Fr. Alan will have a Sunday Mass at St. Mary Church at 2:00 PM. Those who are in danger because of sickness or age are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Sick during that Mass. You must have received your First Holy Communion to receive the sacrament.

DRIVE THRU FOOD COLLECTION

Saturday, May 22 from 9 AM - 4 PM

Hollidaysburg Jr. High school parking lot on Hewitt St The Hollidaysburg Area Womans Club will be collecting nonperishable food items to benefit the American Rescue Workers, Blair Sr. Services, the Tiger Backpack program and the Gloria Gates Memorial Foundation. Please help fee our neighbors in need





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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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ST. MICHAEL MASS ONLINE

With much gratitude to Fr. Alan and volunteers, we will continue to have video recordings of the Sunday Mass EVERY SUNDAY on our parish website and the parish Facebook page. Fr. Alan will also continue to record the daily Reading/Gospel and his daily Homily.

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