

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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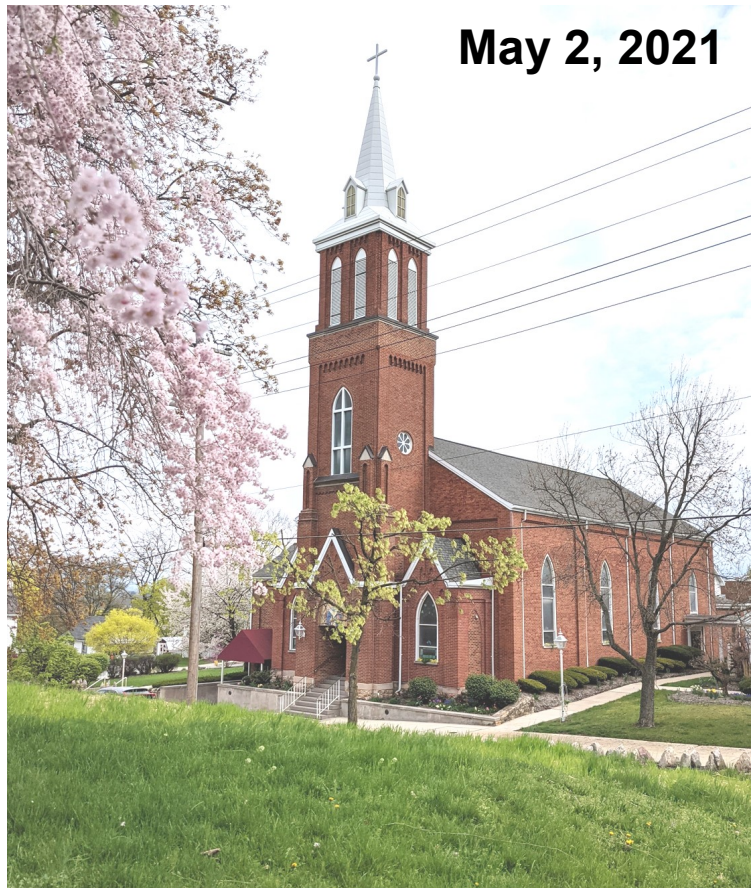
## MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ST. MICHAEL FAITH COMMUNITY

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.

## JOIN WITH OTHERS PRAYING THE ROSARY

### MAY DEVOTIONS

In honor of Mary, Our Blessed Mother, recitation of the rosary will be held in the Church, **every Saturday & Sunday in May twenty minutes before the 5 PM and 8:30 AM Masses.** You are also invited to join in praying the rosary Monday and Tuesday after the 7:45 AM Masses, and on Thursday afternoons at 4:30 PM.



## 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 1 - May 9**

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
05/01	SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	† Andrew Edelblute	Mom & dad
		5:00 PM	St. Michael	† Joseph Saad, Sr	Larry & Barb Savino
05/02	SUN	8:00 AM	St. Mary	† Ron Schlecht	Rick & Maria Mitchell
		8:30 AM	St. Michael	† Bobbi Murray (Birthday Rem.)	Joan Luciano
		10:00 AM	St. Mary	† John Ruscitto, Sr.	Rick and Tammy Pulcino
		10:00 AM	St. Michael	† Catherine Starr	Dr. Donald & Jeanette Betar
		11:30 AM	St. Michael	The People of the Parishes	Pastor
05/03	MON	7:45 AM	St. Michael	† Joseph Sadd, Sr	Paul & Jeanne Puskar
05/04	TUES	7:45 AM	St. Michael	† Carmen Pequignot (Anniv. Rem.)	Mark & Jo Delozier
05/05	WED	6:30 PM	St. Mary	Intentions of Matthew & Andrew McMullen	
05/06	THURS	7:45 AM	St. Michael	† Suzanne O'Leary	her nieces & nephews
05/07	FRI	7:45 AM	St. Mary	† Michael McClain Jr. & Bernadette Melville	the family
05/08	SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	♥ ALL MOTHERS LIVING & DECEASED	
		5:00 PM	St. Michael	† Carol Jeffreys-Scott	Jeanne Evans & family
05/09	SUN	8:00 AM	St. Mary	♥ ALL MOTHERS LIVING & DECEASED	
		8:30 AM	St. Michael	† Dorothy Liebal (Birthday Remembrance)	her daughters Helen & Chris
		10:00 AM	St. Mary	♥ ALL MOTHERS LIVING & DECEASED	
		10:00 AM	St. Michael	† Mary DeLozier (Anniv. Rem.)	her daughter; Lucie Dodson
		11:30 AM	St. Michael	The People of the Parishes	Pastor

## NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

May 8 & 9 - Sixth Sunday of Easter - Mother's Day  
Weekday Sacristan for 5/2 - 5/8: R. Shrift

Date	Reader	E.M.H.C.	Sacristan	Hospitality	Tech	Server
Sat. 5:00 PM 5/8	B. Stevens (1) J. Burke (2)	L. Savino (P) D. Straub (S)	L. Michelone	D. Bonetti P. Chapin	available available	available available
Sun. 8:30 AM 5/9	B. Anthony (1) P. Gildea (2)	M. Fiore (P) P. Gildea (S)	S/D Claar	R. Baker T. Baker S. Frank	available available	available available
Sun. 10 AM 5/9	G. Sweeney (1) C. Swope (2)	C. Brown (P) A. Jordan (S)	R. Pompa	G. Olsavick L. Georgiana J. Dodson	available available	M. Swope available
Sun. 11:30 AM 5/9	D. Stoehr(1) D. Sault (2)	G. Harrington (P) E. Pope(S)	A. Weyant	P. Claycomb available	available available	available available

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## INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Acts 9: 26-31** Earlier in the book of Acts, we hear of Saul (later known as Paul) persecuting Christians in Jerusalem. When he went to Damascus to do more of the same, he experienced a dramatic conversion. It was several years before he returned to Jerusalem, the site of the earlier persecutions. His first visit to Jerusalem as a Christian is described in today's reading.

**1 John 3: 18-24** During this Easter season, we are reading from the first letter of John. In today's passage, the author is dealing with some members of the community who have defected. They seem to have believed that as long as you have faith in Jesus, it doesn't matter what you do in daily life. The author directly refutes that position.

### NEXT WEEKS READINGS:

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 & 1 John 4:7-10, Gospel: John 15:9-17

## WITH OUR SYMPATHY

Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Carole Mock** who died Friday, April 23 and who's funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, April 29. Please keep her in your prayers and her daughters; Tammy, Tawnia and Tina, her sisters and grandchildren and all who knew and loved her. May God grant Carole eternal rest and bring comfort to all who mourn.

## PRECIOUS LIFE, INC.'S ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

**NEXT WEEKEND, May 8 & 9** we will have baby bottles at the church entrances. Parishioners are invited to take a baby bottle home with them after Mass on Mother's Day, fill it with change for the next six weeks and return the baby bottle on Father's Day. This fun fundraiser helps support Precious Life's primary mission, to extend the love of Christ, in tangible ways, to pregnant women in crisis. Last year Precious Life raised over \$82,000! Precious life is a Christian ministry dedicated to providing positive alternatives to abortion. They provide free pregnancy testing, confidential counseling, material support and housing to young women in need.



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Grant Bryson  
Tessa Cafeo  
Jordan Carter  
Gretchen Corey  
Alex Dively  
Madelyn Hayer  
Chloe Jabbour  
Owen Jancula  
Meredith McCloskey  
Bryce Nicholson  
Joey Zimmerman

## St. Mary Parish

Miles Forsyth  
Marien Gates  
Avalyn Plowman  
Nicholas Seymour  
JJ Shuta  
Charles Varljin  
Logan Wesner

*Many thanks to the  
catechists and parents  
for preparing our  
children for the Sacrament.*

## 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](mailto: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.

## GETTING THROUGH GRIEF WITH GOD

At some point in our lives, we all encounter grief, loss, and heartbreak. For some it may be the death of an aged parent whose long and full life is cause for celebration even in the midst of sadness. For others it may be the sudden or tragic death of a child or spouse, taken too soon and without warning. Every loss is significant for the one left facing the gaping void, the empty space where a loved one used to be. Regardless of the circumstances or context or season of life, we all grieve in the face of death, even if we don't show it outwardly. We need to grieve, and the best way to do that is through our reliance on God and with the support of those people closest to us. Part of the reason grief is such a difficult path to walk today is because our society doesn't handle death well. Unlike other cultures or even our own culture centuries ago, death and grief have been whitewashed. We want to pretend death doesn't exist, and push down grief when it rears its head. But that's unhealthy. The truth is that grief is natural and necessary and an integral part of healing and wholeness, and it's not something you "get over" in the three days allotted for a wake and funeral. It is a long, slow process, one that can bring unexpected graces if we are willing to open ourselves up to the possibility that God is at work in our lives, even—or maybe especially—in our suffering and sorrow. Although it can be difficult to recognize that reality when we are in the throes of immediate grief, that's where our faith comes in. The beliefs we have professed—in eternal life, in heaven, in salvation through Jesus Christ—will shore us up until we are able to steady ourselves emotionally and spiritually, and even after we do, our faith can provide a foundation of hope as we attempt to move forward. "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in Me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:26

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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 (HERE)

**TODAY** May Crowning (Church) **at the 10 AM Mass**  
**May 3** Open House planning Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room) **7 PM**  
**May 9** Mother's Day  
**May 11** Pastoral Council Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room) **6:30 PM**  
**May 12/13** Ascension of the Lord Masses  
Wednesday, Vigil Mass - **6:30 PM** (at St. Mary)  
Thursday - **7:00 AM** (at St. Michael)  
**8:30 AM** (HTCS Mass)  
**Noon** (St. Mary)  
**May 13 & 14** Parish Office Closed  
**May 15** Flower planting around church grounds **10:00 AM**  
**May 16** Baccalaureate (at Hick's United Methodist Ch) **7:00 PM**  
**May 20** Cemetery Committee Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room) **1:00 PM**  
**May 23** Pentecost

## OPEN HOUSE PLANNING MEETING

All are welcome to help with our parish open house being planned for later this month. Videos, church tours, displays, light snacks etc...are some of the ideas being discussed. We would welcome your input and help! Please attend the planning meeting **TOMORROW, Monday, May 3 at 7 PM** in the rectory basement meeting room. If you cannot attend the meeting but would still like to help contact Dave Lanzel or the parish office.

## FAMILIES & THE GOSPEL

May 2, 2021: Fifth Sunday of Easter (John 15:1-8) Like the vine grower in today's gospel, parents must "prune and cleanse" the branches in their family if their children are going to be rooted. Discipline, limits and setting goals are a necessary part of parenting so our children will grow and "bear fruit." *Reprinted with permission: A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar*

## WITH A FATHER'S HEART

*With a Father's Heart: that is how Joseph loved Jesus, whom all four Gospels refer to as "the son of Joseph". Matthew and Luke, the two evangelists who speak most of Joseph, tell us very little, yet enough for us to appreciate what sort of father he was, and the mission entrusted to him by God's providence.*

### **Saint Joseph, Model of Workers, Pray for Us.**

Pope Pius XII proposed Saint Joseph as Patron of Workers. **Each year the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1.** We know that Joseph was a carpenter (Mt 13:55) who was always ready to carry out God's will. In his Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde*, Pope Francis states, "there is a renewed need to appreciate the importance of dignified work, of which Saint Joseph is an exemplary model." *Patris Corde, December 8, 2020, 1. 2. 2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.*

## FATIMA DEVOTIONS IN LORETTO

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating a Mass for the Ascension of Lord with Fatima Devotions following immediately after on **May 13**, beginning at **6:00 PM** at the Immaculate Conception Chapel at Saint Francis University.

## OUTDOOR BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

The Hollidaysburg Ministerium and the Hollidaysburg Youth Ministerium is hosting an outdoor Baccalaureate Service for the class of 2021. This outdoor event will be on **Sunday, May 16 at 7:00 PM** (Rain or shine) **at the Hicks United Methodist Church in Duncansville.** Students from any school district, families, friends and community members are welcome and invited.

\*Please bring your own seating.

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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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