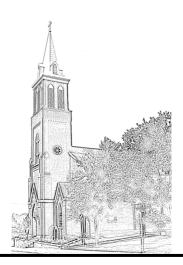


# November 10, 2019

The Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH 301 SPRUCE STREET, HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA 16648



### PARISH STAFF

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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.

### 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**

**First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14** The two books of Maccabees describe a period of persecution suffered by the Jews about 150 years before Christ. At that time, they were a nation subject to Syria whose king tried to force them to abandon their religious customs. Today's passage describes the resistance of one family, whose bravery became legendary.

**Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2: 16, 3:5** The two letters to the Thessalonians were addressed to a Christian community founded by Paul early in his missionary travels. Thessalonica was located in the northern portion of modern-day Greece. Early Christians believed that Jesus would return soon; these letters address how they ought to live as they await that coming.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Malachi 3: 19-20 and 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12; Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

### **DAILY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS for November 10 - 17**

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Sunday, Nov. 10	8:30 a.m.	+ Capt. Joseph Gildea	by the Robert J. Gildea Sr. Family
	10:00 a.m.	+ For the People of the Parish	
	11:30 a.m.	+ Florence Foltin	by Paul & Nancy Piatek
Monday, Nov. 11	7:45 a.m.	Living & Deceased Veterans	by Steve & Janice Frank
Tuesday, Nov. 12	7:45 a.m.	For the Physical & Spiritual Wellness of Fr. Leo Lynch	by the Burger family
Wednesday, Nov. 13	7:45 a.m.	+ Stephen Swope (Birthday Remembrance)	by his family
Thursday, Nov. 14	8:30 a.m.	HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL MASS	
Friday, Nov. 15	7:45 a.m.	+ The Deceased members of the Ballash & Shultz Families	by Victor & Joan Ballash
Saturday, Nov. 16	5:00 p.m.	+ Ernie Tomassetti	by Wally & Connie Tomassetti
Sunday, Nov. 17	8:30 a.m.	+ The Deceased members of the Stofka & Frank Families	by Steve & Janice Frank
	10:00 a.m.	+ Vincent & Emma Nedzinski	by Dave & Mary Jo Lanzel & family
	11:30 a.m.	+ For the People of the Parish	



# WELCOME FR. RON MROZINSKI

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Please welcome **Fr. Ron Mrozinski** who will speak at all the Mases this weekend on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic Ministry.



### MAY HE REST IN PEACE

This week our faith family and our local community lost a beloved priest and friend. **Rev. Anthony Legarski** died unexpectantly this past Tuesday (Nov. 5). He was the parish priest for St. Mary's in Hollidaysburg since 2005. Please remember Fr. Tony in your prayers as well as his family, friends and his parish family at St. Mary's Parish. Viewing for Fr. Legarski will be at St. Mary's Church this **Wednesday, Nov. 13 from 6 - 8 PM** and on **Thursday, Nov. 14 from 2 - 4 PM and 6 - 8 PM**. Mass of Christian Burial will be at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, Nov. 15 at 10 AM**; interment will be in Somerset at 2 PM.

### MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Tammy Drass** who died unexpectantly this past week (11/5/19). Please pray for her and her family and friends, especially her husband Michael and their daughter Ashlynd. May God grant Tammy eternal rest.

# CONGRATULATIONS THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Last Sunday (Nov. 3) we welcomed **Elias J. Veckov**, infant son of Zachary & Breana, into our faith family through the Sacrament of Baptism. Congratulations to Elias, his parents and family. May he continue to grow in his faith and love of our Lord.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

In observance of Veterans Day, the rectory office will be closed TOMORROW, Monday, Nov. 11.

### LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

SACRISTAN (11/10 - 11/16/19): K. Lashinsky SCRIP (11/17/19): as scheduled COFFEE/DONUT SOCIAL (11/17/19): J. Burger

#### **ASSIGNMENTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturday, November 16 - 5:00 PM - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Readers:	Tenth Grade Confirmation Students	
Altar Servers:	R. Edwards & A. Edwards	
E. Min.:	J. Bookhamer, D. Straub & S. Teske	
Gift Bearers:	Tenth Grade Confirmation Students	

Sunday, November 17 - 8:30 AM - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Readers: B Anthony (1) & Gebret (2)

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Altar Servers:	S. Blescia & A. Elder
E. Min.:	C. Feathers, R. Holzer & M. Schlechter
Gift Bearers:	The G. Michelone Family

Sunday, November 17 - 10:00 AM - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readers:	A. McClain (1) & D. Lanzel (2)
Altar Servers:	C. Reachard & M. Swope
E. Min.:	B. Farnan, D. Garrity & R. Pompa
Gift Bearers:	The Nosek Family

 Sunday, November 17 - 11:30 AM
 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

 Readers:
 L. Georgiana (1) & D. Sault (2)

 Altar Servers:
 J. Gardner & G. Georgiana

 E. Min.:
 G. Harrington, L. Malone & R. Walter

 Gift Bearers:
 The Neatrour Family

#### ≈≈≈≈≈ OUR GIFTS TO GOD ≈≈≈≈≈ Thank you for your generosity! Sunday Offering (10/20/19): \$8,139.50

 Sunday Envelopes:
 \$7,514.00

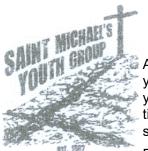
 Sunday Loose Collection:
 \$625.50

 2019 Catholic Ministries Drive (C.M.D.) Goal: \$51,858.00
 Received to date: (as of 9/31/19)
 \$38,586.00

 Under Goal:
 (\$13,272.00)
 World Mission Collection: (to date)
 \$616.00

### BOOK OF THE DECEASED

At the front of the church near the Paschal candle, you will find our **Book of the Deceased**. Please feel free to add the names of your deceased loved ones to have them remembered at Mass for the month of November.

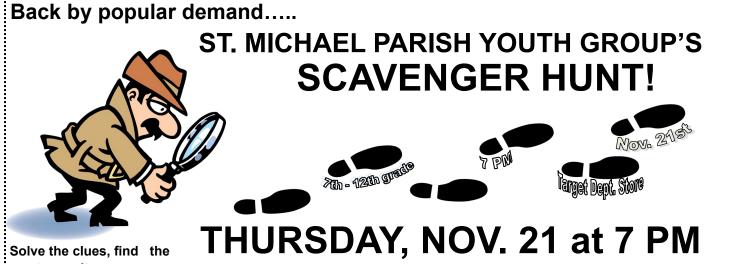


# JOIN OUR PARISH YOUTH GROUP!

All students in our parish in grades 7th - 12th are invited and encouraged to join our parish youth group! It doesn't matter what school you go to or if you have never participated in the youth group, all are welcome! The group meets several times throughout the year, sometimes to work on a service project for the church or community, sometimes for prayer and sometimes (well, actually always...) for fun and fellowship!

Parents are invited to help, we just ask that you talk to the Youth Group Director first to obtain proper clearances. (Which we will help you obtain.)

Any questions about the Youth Group or about any of the upcoming activities, please contact our Youth Group Director, **Tim Baranik at 814-207-7008** 



mystery items... our parish Youth Group will be "on the hunt".

At the Target Department Store in Altoona

Youth Group members will be split-up into teams of 3 or 4 students and converge on our local Target Department Store to find a list of items in the store...many will be products, some may not be. At least one person on your team will need to have a phone with a camera. We will have a team for every student who wants to participate. **Meet and make new friends in our Youth Group**.

Prizes will be awarded for various categories including first team to complete their list. There will be ground rules that MUST be followed. Teams not following rules will be disqualified. Starbuck's Hot Chocolate will be served afterwards with homemade cookies supplied by parents and the Youth Group. 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders... let's make this a super fun night! We are expecting an awesome turnout! Parents should text or call Tim Baranik @ 814-207-7008 to RSVP, or if there are any questions.

Please note: You must RSVP to attend and provide your own transportation to and from the store. Participants MUST have a completed permission form permission form, which may be download from our parish web page: https://stmichael-hldg-pa.org/youth-group

# NURSING HOME CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND "MINUTE TO WIN IT" CHRISTMAS PARTY



Calling all musicians! We're looking to put together another Youth Group Christmas program this year to go to local nursing homes to spread some cheer. We received many compliments from

our program last year! We will also have the rest of Youth Group join along to assist the musicians with some Christmas carols. Afterwards we will all meet back at the Activity Building for an awesome Minute to Win it Christmas Party. We're looking at Saturday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> (early evening) for this event. Please save the date. If your son/daughter in grade 7-12 plays an instrument, please call or text Tim @ 814-207-7008. Students are welcome to invite a guest to participate.



For the instrument players only: We are looking to have our first rehearsal/meeting on Sunday evening, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>.



We are grateful for all veterans who have served our country and pray for St. Michael the Archangel's protection for them and for all our current military men and women.

### 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.

## **VETERANS DAY - NOVEMBER 11**

We enjoy great freedoms in the United States. Let us never forget the men and women who have laid their lives on the line to defend and protect our precious liberties. The annual celebration of Veterans Day invites us to remember those killed in the line of duty, those still suffering the effects of their generous response in times of national need, and, of course, everyone who has retired from active duty. We cannot forget the sacrifices of so many. We sense an obligation to express our gratitude, and we certainly remember them in our prayers.





The Hollidaysburg Ministerium will once again be hosting an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Monday, Nov. 25 at 7 PM. This year it will be held at the Hollidaysburg Presbyterian

**Church.** All are invited to attend. Our church has been asked to donate three pies for the social after the service. If you would be willing to donate pies, please call our Parish office at 695-0912.

### **PRE-BLACK FRIDAY SALE**

Start off your Christmas shopping with a stop at The Friar's Nook Gift Shop Pre-Black Friday Sale **Nov. 16th to 23rd!** The entire store will be 20% off, with great savings on nativities, gifts, flags, cards, and much more! The shop is located at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg (on St. Bernardine Monastery campus), and the hours are Monday to Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Please call 814-695-3802 with any questions.



## CHORUS CONCERT

All are invited to come and experience the magic of Christmas through the vocal talents of the Cove Community Chorus as they present their Christmas chorus concert

entitled: *"The Best Christmas Ever!"* on **Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7:00 PM and on Sunday, November 24 at 2:00 PM** at the Spring Cove Middle School Auditorium. Tickets are \$8 each and are available at Music Emporium (Walmart plaza) and at the Hollidaysburg Thompson's Pharmacy. The choir is under the direction of our very own Music Coordinator, **Tom Kunkle!** 

### END OF THE YEAR CHARITABLE GIVING

Ease your tax burden while benefitting St. Michael Parish.

In a year when the investment markets have helped to grow investment portfolios, please consider the benefits of charitable giving to St. Michael Parish. Here are two important ways to help your parish: 1. Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA:

- If you are over age 70½, you may transfer, tax-free, up to \$100,000 from your IRAs to St. Michael Parish. The gift can satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) each year, but does not count as income to you! This can be a great way to make a gift to St. Michael Parish, and enjoy the tax benefits. When the transfer is processed directly to St. Michael Parish, you do not pay taxes on the distribution. The requirements are relatively simple. The charitable distribution must be:
  - A distribution from a traditional IRA
  - Paid directly from the IRA trustee/custodian to St. Michael Parish - Contact your IRA Trustee or Custodian for paperwork to process this distribution directly to St. Michael Parish.
  - The IRA owner must be age 701/2 or older
- Must be completed now to qualify for 2019 tax benefits for the donor

If you've already taken your RMD for this year, keep this gifting strategy in mind for next year!

2. Donation of Appreciated Stock or Mutual Funds:

If you have shares of stock or mutual funds that have grown in value over the years, or low basis stock, consider gifting the shares to St. Michael Parish, rather than giving cash. At the time of the donation you get a tax deduction equal to the fair market value of the stock, and avoid paying the capital gains on the shares donated.

To get the process started, please contact Pam Seasoltz, Director of Stewardship and Development, at 814.695.5577 or <u>pseasoltz@dioceseaj.org</u>

Remember: Plan early to process your donation in order to receive your tax deduction in 2019!

## GREENLAWN CEMETERY CLEANUP

The winter cleanup at Greenlawn Cemetery will be held THIS Saturday, November 16 at 10:00 AM. We will be removing the flags on veterans' graves and cleaning up any loose articles in the cemetery. if you want to save articles from your loved ones' graves, please remove them before Nov. 16. We will also be installing snow poles for easier locating of cemetery spaces during snow storms. If you would like to help, please meet us at the cemetery at 10 AM. (This is a great activity for Confirmation candidates or anyone who needs service hours!)

## PARISH HARVEST FOOD DRIVE Thank you!

Our generous parishioners donated 826 pounds of groceries and paper products, as well as \$825.00 in cash and gift cards which benefited the American Rescue Workers in Hollidaysburg as well as 3 families in our parish community. We are grateful for the generosity of our faith community and members of our Peace and Justice Committee who gave of their time: Cindy and Larry Kanski, Anna McClain, Jeannette & Samantha Betar, Ron Pighi, Yvonne Gentry, Sandy Wall, and Tim & Kathy Balconi In addition, 3 children volunteered to carry food to the vans. Thanks for your help Olivia & Sarah Hartkorn and Lauren Greeley!

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

As stewards, we are called to be responsible caretakers of the time, talent, and treasure we have been blessed with on our earthly journey. We are asked to put God first in our lives and to give in a deeper way than we have been asked before. Many of us need to be reminded that the concept of Christian stewardship is not new. "Christ has no body on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He is to go about doing good; yours are the hands with which He is to bless people now.' - St. Theresa of Avila

### CHRISTMAS PARADE COLLECTION

The Hollidaysburg AMBUCS will be collecting non perishable food items during the Hollidaysburg Christmas parade on Sunday, November 24 at 2:00 PM All food items will be donated to the Hollidaysburg American Rescue Workers for distribution to those who are in need. Please be generous, as the need is great.

### SOUNDBOARD TECH NEEDED

Interested in learning what it takes to run a soundboard? We could still use a volunteer or two to be our sound tech especially for the 10:00 AM Mass. High school students through adults are welcome to learn. No experience needed; full training will be provided. If interested please call John at 696-8846.



### HANDEL'S MESSIAH

**CONCERT & SING ALONG** SING-ALONG The Academy of Sacred Music is sponsoring a Messiah Concert and Sing Along at the Hollidaysburg First Presbyterian

Church (601 Walnut Street Hollidaysburg, PA on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 2:00 PM. The concert will feature soloists: Julie Hanlon, soprano; Jan Wilson, mezzo-soprano; Richard Kennedy, tenor; James White, bass-baritone; Robert Long, conductor; and Asa Carns, organist. All are welcome to come listen and if you want to, sing along to some of the more well-known choir pieces. A free-will offering will be taken at the door. Bring your copy of Handel's Messiah, or share some of the limited copies available at the door.

# **ST. MICHAEL PARISH RELIGIOUS** EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

### "Stay with Us"

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

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

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TODAY	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM
Nov. 17	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM
Nov. 24	No class - Thanksgiving Weekend	
Dec. 1	Religious Ed. Classes (pre K - 9th grade)	10:00 AM
	<u>"YEAR OF INVITATION" (9th Grade)</u>	
TODAY	Session – The Creed (Activity. Bldg)	12:30 PM
	"YEAR OF FORMATION" (10th Grade	<u>)</u>
TODAY	Religious Ed. (for all but BGHS students; Activ. Bldg,	12:30 PM
Nov. 16	Retreat - Holy Spirit & Parables (Activity. Bldg	g) 9:30 AM
	Mass & Rite of Commitment	5:00 PM
	* all candidates and sponsors must attend	
Dec. 1	Session - Scripture (Activity. Bldg)	12:30 PM
	"YEAR OF REFLECTION" (11th Grade	<b>`</b>
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TODAY	Religious Ed. (for all but BGHS students; Activ. Bldg,	12:30 PM
Nov. 17	Session - Sacraments & the Paschal My	stery

(Activity. Bldg) 12:30 PM

### COMMUNION & GLUTEN SENSITIVITY

We understand that there may be parishioners who have found that they have a physical disorder related to gluten intolerance. The ordinary hosts distributed at Communion contain gluten. If you have found that you are gluten sensitive, we have special bread that is available that possess a very low gluten content and is prepared in a safe environment free of dairy, nuts, etc... These hosts are individually wrapped to prevent cross contamination. If you wish to receive the low gluten host, before Mass begins, we ask you to please remove one of the sealed hosts from the container on the table at the back of the church and place it (still sealed) in the paten. As you approach the altar, please make sure that you are in the priest's line to receive, so that he may give you the sealed consecrated low-gluten host.

### **PRO-LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Some parents from our parish youth group will be selling packs of Christmas Cards TODAY (Nov. 9 & 10) and NEXT WEEKEND (Nov. 16 & 17) after all Masses downstairs in the church hall. All Christmas card packs are only \$7 each and all proceeds go directly to Blair County Citizens Concerned for Human Life.

### QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Monday: Prayer Group (in the Church) 1 Pl	N
SCRIP: sold after the 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday Masses in the Church Hall	
TODAY Cross Catholic weekend	
TODAY Christmas Cards for Sale (Church hall) after all Masse	s
<b>TODAY</b> Men's Club Meeting (Church hall) <b>7:00 PM</b>	Λ
Nov. 11 Veteran's Day - Parish office closed	
Nov. 15 Funeral Mass for Fr. Legarski	
(at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament) 10 AN	Λ
Nov. 16 Greenlawn Cemetery Clean-up 10:00 AM	Λ
Nov. 16 & 17 Christmas Cards for Sale (Church hall) after Mas	S
Nov. 20 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (Rectory Meeting Room) 7 PM	Λ
Nov. 21Youth Group Scavenger Hunt7 PM	Λ
Nov. 23 & 24 Camel Tree	

