



**St. Mary**  
**312 Clark St.**  
**Hollidaysburg, PA 16648**  
**814-695-0622**

**St. Mary & St. Michael  
 Parishes**  
***One Body in Christ***

**Pastor**  
**Very Reverend Alan E. Thomas, VG**  
 814-695-0912 or Email  
 athomas@dioceseaj.org

**Rev. Justin P. Treon Parochial Vicar**  
 jtreon@dioceseaj.org

**Deacon Charles R. Ahearn**  
 cahearn@dioceseaj.org

**Deacon Allan F. Duman**  
 aduman@dioceseaj.org



**St. Michael the Archangel Parish**  
**301 Spruce St.**  
**Hollidaysburg, PA 16648**  
**814-695-0912**

**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Cycle A*  
**October 22, 2023**

**Mass Schedule at St. Mary:**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
 Sunday: 7:30 and 10:00 AM.  
 Daily and Holy Days: See inside

**Confessions:**

Saturday: 2:30 to 3:30 PM  
 Wednesday: 5:30 PM  
 Thursday: 4:00 PM before  
 the First Friday of the month

**Office Phone Number and Hours:**

Office: 814-695-0622  
 Mon. to Thurs. 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**Administrative Assistant:**

Ethel Cunningham 814-695-0622

**Parish website:**

www.stmary-hldg-pa.org

**Parish Email:**

stmaryhburg@dioceseaj.org

**Director of Music:**

Ms. Anna Podoletz

**Cemetery:**

Carol 814-695-9798

**Facility Managers:**

Greg & Shari Figurelli

**Bulletin Publisher:**

George Mollish

**Baptism & Marriage:**

Call the church office to  
 schedule an appointment.  
 2 weeks notice requested for  
 Baptism. 9 months notice  
 required for Marriage.

**Christian Initiation:**

Interested in becoming a  
 member of the Catholic faith?  
 Contact Deacon Allan F. Duman  
 aduman@dioceseaj.org

**Bereavement Facilitator:**

Debbi 912-713-5412

**Director of Faith Formation  
 for both parishes:**

Sue Teske 814-695-0912  
 or 814-934-2180

**Hollidaysburg Catholic Youth Group**

**Director:**

Tim Baranik 814-207-7008

**Holy Trinity Elem. Catholic School:**

Fairview Campus 814-381-7011  
 Eldorado Campus 814-942-7835

**Holy Trinity Elementary  
 Catholic School**

Website: www.holytrinitycatholic.school

**Mass Schedule at St. Michael:**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM  
 Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 and 11:30 AM.  
 Daily and Holy Days: See inside

**Confessions:**

Saturdays at 1:00 to 2:00 PM

**Office Phone Number and Hours:**

Office: 814-695-0912  
 Mon. to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

**Parish Administrator:**

Janet Klingbeil 814-695-0912  
 or 814-207-1479

**Building Supervisor:**

J. Terry Wilt

**Parish website:**

www.stmichael-hldg-pa.org

**Parish Email:**

stmichaelhburg@dioceseaj.org

**Music Coordinator:**

Lisa Surkovich - Contemporary Choir  
 Sandy Harteis - Traditional Choir

**Greenlawn Cemetery:**

greenlawncemeteryhburg@gmail.com

**St. Michael's Pastoral Council:**

saintmichaelpcc@gmail.com

**Parishioner Registration:** If you would like to join the parish, please contact either 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.

**Bulletin Deadline:** The deadline to have information considered for publication in the bulletin is noon Tuesday prior to the weekend of the announcement. Send the information to gmollish@volunteerdaj.org. or either church office

## Great Allegheny Passage

### Bike Trail

Deal, PA to Cumberland, Maryland  
31.9 Miles



**TODAY**  
**Sunday,**  
**October 22nd**



## Daughters in CHRIST Fellowship

All women of the parishes are welcome!  
It is our desire for women to grow in their faith in Christ, to support each other, and strengthen intimate friendships with spiritual encouragement with other women.

For more information, please contact:  
Diane Madden 814-695-0395

## The St. Michael Men's Club famous Pancake and Sausage Breakfast is Back!

Come and enjoy an all you can eat pancake and sausage breakfast **TODAY Sunday, October 22nd** after both the **7:30 AM and 10:00 AM Mass**, in the St. Michael church hall.













Meal includes coffee, tea, juice (apple or orange) or water. After surveying some children of the parish, we've added a special treat - a pancake toppings bar featuring strawberries, blueberries, chocolate chips and whip cream!

**Donation of \$5 for adult meals, and \$3 for children.**

Takeouts are also available.

We encourage everyone from both parishes to join us!

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. MARY AND ST. MICHAEL PARISHES

DATE	DAY	TIME	PARISH	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
10/21	SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	✠ Helen Curran	Greg & Shari Figurelli
		5:00 PM	St. Michael	✠ Adam Woomer	His parents
10/22	SUN	7:30 AM	St. Mary	✠ Sally Gordon	Susan & Wally Painter
		7:30 AM	St. Michael	✠ Joe Veller	Wife, Connie
		10:00 AM	St. Mary	✠ Ruth Kelley	Marie Prurok
		10:00 AM	St. Michael	✠ Rodger & Dorothy Barnard	Their children & family
		11:30 AM	St. Michael	The People St. Mary & St. Michael	Pastor
10/23	MON	7:45 AM	St. Michael	✠ Adrian Thomas	Gary & Vikki Nocek
10/24	TUES	7:45 AM	St. Michael	✠ Louis Fanelli, Sr.	His daughter, Patti Geesey
10/25	WED	6:30 PM	St. Mary	✠ Dorothy & Walter Smith	Sandi & Mike
10/26	THURS	7:45 AM	St. Michael	✠ Lori Irwin Kozlowski	Her parents; Bob & Louise Irwin
10/27	FRI	7:45 AM	St. Mary	✠ Shirley Adams	Jeffrey & Joan Muriceak
10/28	SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	✠ Ann Prugar	Cindy Steele & Family
		5:00 PM	St. Michael	✠ Ralph Mielnik	His family
10/29	SUN	7:30 AM	St. Mary	✠ Murray & Manning Families	Kathleen McKenna
		7:30 AM	St. Michael	✠ Barbara McCready	Paul & Paula Fochler and family
		10:00 AM	St. Mary	✠ Ray Boslet	Family
<div><div></div><div>Little Lamb's Ministry</div><div></div></div>					
10/29	SUN	10:00 AM	St. Michael	✠ Dru (Wilt) Baronner & Barbara Wilt	Their family
10/29	SUN	11:30 AM	St. Michael	The People St. Mary & St. Michael	Pastor

### Stewardship of Time and Talent - Liturgical Appointment Schedule

	READER * 2 Needed	EMHC * 3 Or 4 Needed	ALTAR SERVER 2 Needed	HOSPITALITY 3 needed	SACRISTAN 1 Needed	AUDIO TECH 3 Needed
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#### Saturday, October 21st

<b>St. Mary 4:00 PM</b>	Joseph Hurd (1) Joline Luciano (2)	Carol Hallberg (Main) Greg Figurelli Michael Mollish	Shari Figurelli	Chris Johnston Michael Johnston Rick Pulcino		
<b>St. Michael 5:00 PM</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b> (1) Lisa Michelone (2)	Lisa Michelone (H) Paula Kustenbauder (H) Dan Klingbeil (C) Julia Burke (C)	Rylee Swander <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Lisa Michelone Dan Klingbeil	Lisa Michelone	Michael Waibel <b>NOT FILLED</b>

#### Sunday, October 22nd

<b>St. Mary 7:30 AM</b>	Jo Ann Propcheck (1) Claudia Montero (2)	Terry Curfman (Main) Connie Curfman Rachel Sleeth	Adam Musselman	Ray Gregorchik Jim Zimmerman <b>NOT FILLED</b>		
<b>St. Michael 7:30 AM</b>	Bob Anthony(1) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (2)	Mike Fiore (H) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (H) Bob Anthony (C) Kathy Balconi (C)	Terry Wilt <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Anita Carvalho Steve Frank	Jo Delozier	Emilee Elder <b>NOT FILLED</b>
<b>St. Mary 10:00 AM</b>	Dottie Gonsman (1) David Madden (2)	James Popp (Main) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (Choirloft) Beverly Buterbaugh Diane Stephens	Avalyn Plowman	Jodie Feath John McIntyre Kathy Moran		
<b>St. Michael 10:00 AM</b>	Anna McClain (1) Jeff Johnson (2)	Andrea Wilk (H) Rita Pompa (H) Marty Culp (C) Rebecca Culp (C)	Aiden Wilk Terry Wilt	<b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Rita Pompa	Leigh Ann Craig <b>NOT FILLED</b>
<b>St. Michael 11:30 AM</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b> (1) Debbie Sault (2)	Eva Pope (H) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (H) Ginny Harrington (C) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (C)	Dean & Jacob Pochak	<b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Mel & Patty Link	Harold Delozier <b>NOT FILLED</b>

St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (October 22nd to October 28th): Ginny Harrington

**\*The Deacon will be the ordinary minister of communion and read the Universal prayers, if he is present.**

### Stewardship of Time and Talent - Liturgical Appointment Schedule

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#### Saturday, October 28th

<b>St. Mary 4:00 PM</b>	Jeff Muriceak (1) Jo Ann Propcheck (2)	Michael Mollish (Main) Richard Books Meagan James	Grace Muriceak	Chris Johnston Michael Johnston Rick Pulcino		
<b>St. Michael 5:00 PM</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b> (1) Lisa Michelone (2)	Larry Savino (H) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (H) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (C) Talena Swander (C)	Rylee Swander <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Lisa Michelone <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Lisa Michelone	<b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>

#### Sunday, October 29th

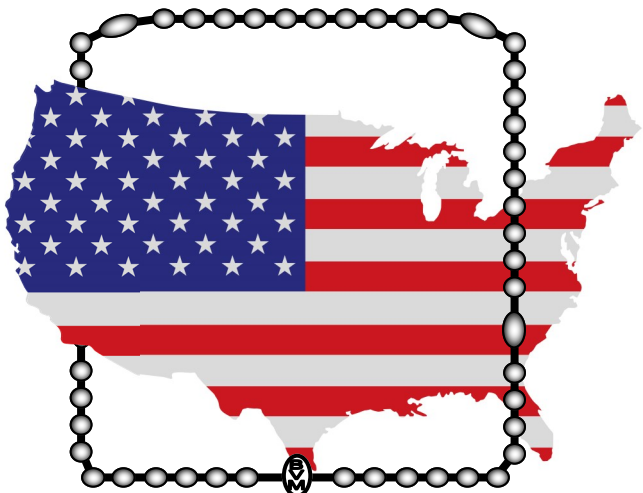
<b>St. Mary 7:30 AM</b>	Connie Curfman (1) Craig Mauk (2)	Rachel Sleeth (Main) Barb Aubrey Shawn Sullivan	Vinnie Pietrolungo	Ray Gregorchik Jim Zimmerman <b>NOT FILLED</b>		
<b>St. Michael 7:30 AM</b>	Sue Painter(1) Bob Anthony (2)	Maryanne Burger (H) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (H) Julia Burke (C) Paula Kustenbauder (C)	<b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Anita Carvalho <b>NOT FILLED</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	Emilee Elder <b>NOT FILLED</b>
<b>St. Mary 10:00 AM</b>	Francine Boland (1) Beverly Buterbaugh (2)	James Popp (Main) Sharon King (Choirloft) David Madden Diane Stephens	Shealyn Riley	Jodie Feath Kathy Moran Dottie Gonsman		
<b>St. Michael 10:00 AM</b>	Greg Sweeney (1) Andrea Wilk (2)	Barry Craig (H) Greg Olsavick (H) Debbie Chapman (C) Rita Pompa (C)	Aiden Wilk <b>NOT FILLED</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b> Greg Olsavick	Rita Pompa	Leigh Ann Craig <b>NOT FILLED</b>
<b>St. Michael 11:30 AM</b>	Jeff Johnson (1) Debbie Sault (2)	Eva Pope (H) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (H) Ginny Harrington (C) <b>NOT FILLED</b> (C)	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Mel & Patty Link	<b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>

St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (October 29th to November 4th): Anita Carvalho

**\*Please log on to Ministry Scheduler Pro for the most updated schedule**



# PATRIOTIC ROSARY



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH AT 2:00 PM**

**ST. MICHAEL CHURCH**

## Remember Your Loved Ones

during a live televised Mass celebrated by Bishop Mark on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 11:00 AM on WATM ABC 23.

All deceased spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at the Mass.

All persons throughout the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, who have lost a spouse through death, 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. **The last day to register is Tuesday, October 24th.**

The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the Catholic Ministries Drive.

**Let us pray for our Faithful Departed**

**Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord.**

## St. Patrick School

731 Patrick Lane, Newry  
will be holding a Cash Bash  
November 18th, 2023.  
Doors open at 5:30 PM  
A chance to win up to \$2000!  
\$100 ticket includes admission for  
two adults with dinner and drinks,  
plus chances to win CASH!  
Contact 814-695-3819 for tickets.  
Must be at least 21 to attend.

### Saint Mary's Parish Stewardship of Treasure

Oct. 15th	Source
\$5270.00	Adult Collection
185.00	Loose Collection
145.00	Maintenance Fund
45.00	Candles
90.00	World Mission Sunday
2000.00	Ordinary Donation
123.31	Met Life
200.00	Donation Social Hall
85.00	All Saints
130.00	All Souls Day
200.00	Cemetery Fund
110.00	Cross Cath. Outreach

## Blessing Tree



If you are personally aware of a family that would benefit as a Blessing Tree gift recipient, please complete a Blessing Tree form showing the needs of each family. Please place your name on the form, as you are the contact and delivery person, and only the initials of the family that you are helping. Forms are currently available at all entrances at each church.

**This Sunday, October 22nd is  
the last day to submit forms**

Return forms via Blessing Tree Box at each entrance, submit to the office, or place in the collection basket.

### Contacts:

**Shari Figurelli 814-330-9421**

**Kathy Balconi 585-730-0757**

**Charlene Centar 814-696-0491**

## Our Lady of the Alleghenies

### Roman Catholic Parish in Lilly

### Basket Raffle

**Saturday, November 4th**

**10:00 AM to 5:30 PM**



**Baskets, 50/50,  
and food will  
be offered.  
All are welcome!**

## Christian Outreach Committee



**Call Dottie Gonsman at  
814-935-4408.**

# This Sunday, October 22nd

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Hearts on fire,  
feet on the move



"Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" Luke 24:13

This Year's Theme: "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move"

Pope Francis invites us to set our hearts ablaze with faith and put our faith into action, serving God's mission with joy, enthusiasm, and tireless dedication.

## Christmas Cards

Citizens Concerned for Human Life, Blair County Chapter, has Christmas cards for sale. Two beautiful designs are offered, one entitled "A Savior is Born," capturing Mary's emotions of love and tenderness as she gently holds her newborn Son, Jesus. The other card is entitled "Light of the World," and illustrates the Nativity scene in silhouette, against a nighttime Bethlehem backdrop. Packages of 11 cards are available for \$9. Your purchase helps support the pro-life work of CCHL in Blair County. To order, call Pat at 814-946-0681.

# HAPPY HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT THURSDAY, OCT. 26TH 6:00 TO 8:00 PM

PARISHIONERS, ART & MARY ANN CHAMBERLAIN  
AND THEIR FAMILY, WILL ONCE AGAIN  
BE GIVING OUT HOT DOGS AND HOT CHOCOLATE  
TO KIDS AND PARENTS



H DOGS  
O CHOCOLATE  
ST. MICHAEL'S PARKING LOT

Many thanks to the Chamberlain family  
for their generosity, community service  
and outreach!

HOLY  
TRINITY  
Catholic School



Basket Bingo



Featuring handbags from Dooney and Bourke, Coach, Vera Bradley,  
Kate Spade and much more!

Sunday, November 5, 2023  
Holy Trinity Bingo Hall-Eldorado site  
Doors open at 3:30pm  
Dinner served at 4:00pm  
Bingo starts at 5:00pm  
General Admission tickets are \$35.00  
Value Pack tickets are \$65.00

All tickets will be sold online. Don't forget to put the student's name on the order form to receive fundraising credit.

Receive \$5.00 fundraising for general admission ticket.

Receive \$10.00 for value pack admission ticket.

Click the link below or scan the QR code for tickets!

<https://stsgive.com/463D>

**Pray  
FOR THE DEAD**  
THEY REMAIN IN  
OUR HEARTS—ALWAYS!

Throughout the month of November  
we pray for all who have  
gone before us,  
especially those who have died  
since last All Souls Day.

Beginning next weekend at the front of the church 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.



Carmelite Community of the Word

## FALL AND ADVENT PROGRAMS AT CCW INCARNATION CENTER 394 BEM RD, GALLITZIN

**Harvest of Gratitude: Day of Prayer and Reflection:** November 10, 2023, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at CCW Incarnation Center. Spend time reflecting on the gifts of God that are present in each day. In this season of gratitude, focusing on the ordinary blessings in our lives takes us deeper into the mystery of God's bountiful love. Program and lunch provided for a Free Will Offering.

**Pre-Registration is required by Nov. 6.**

**When You Pray:** This 4-week series will be offered on Mondays, Nov. 20, 27, Dec. 4, & 11, 2023, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at CCW Incarnation Center. It will also be offered on the same dates from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Basilica of St. Michael in Loretto. (Phone: 814-472-8551) Using a new series by Edward Sri, this program will explore our need and desire to develop a deeper and more meaningful relationship with God through a life of prayer. Cost: Free Will Offering. Text book - \$16 available for purchase at first class. **Pre-registration required by Nov. 13.**

**To register:** contact 814-886-4098 or email [CommunityofficeCCW@gmail.com](mailto:CommunityofficeCCW@gmail.com) or [srmarilynw@CCWCommunity.org](mailto:srmarilynw@CCWCommunity.org). Please provide name, address, phone and email. You may also mail your registration information to: Incarnation Center Retreats, 394 Bem Rd., Gallitzin, PA 16641.





**Tues., November 7th at 7:00 PM**

**Night of Worship**

Karen Wood, leader of Prayer Ministry at Our Mother of Sorrow, Johnstown; teaching "Healing & Deliverance Ministry"

The Holy Spirit Ministry meets semi-monthly on the first and third Tuesdays at St. Michael Parish for Nights of Worship, Adoration, Guest Speakers and More! Follow them on Facebook at: "Holy Spirit Ministry."

**Saint Michael's Parish  
Stewardship of Treasure**

Oct. 15th	Source
8139.00	Adult Collection
238.00	Loose Collection
75.00	Votive Candles
375.00	Maintenance
50.00	Faith Formation
1000.00	Rent, school
60.00	Retired Priest Medical
5.00	Greenlawn Cemetery
127.00	Twin Parish
153.00	World Mission

**Thank You For Your Generosity  
And Faithful Stewardship**

**Bereavement  
Support**

Our parishes are offering support to anyone dealing with a loss. Our program is designed to acknowledge the pain and the loss, while offering positive ideas for coping. Consider joining us.

**Bereavement Gatherings:**

are held monthly in the St. Michael convent building (the house between the church and the school).

**Next Bereavement Gathering:**

**Tuesday, Oct. 24th at 6:30 PM**

The topic is:

**"A Multitude of Feelings"**

**Journey Through Loss:**

is a six-week program for those who have lost a loved one through death. The next session is tentatively scheduled to begin January 10th and will meet weekly at the St. Michael convent building.

Both programs are Christian based. All denominations are welcome!

For more information call/text  
Debbi Chapman at 912-713-5412  
Mary Petrak at 814-502-6076

**Little Lamb's Liturgy**

Children 2 to 5 years old

Are you a parent or caregiver of a young child? Are they sometimes a little squirmy in church?

Is it sometimes a struggle to sit in church when their little bodies just want to move, but you still want them to be involved in the service?

Welcome to:

Little Lamb's Liturgy!

Saint Michael Church will be hosting a special children's liturgy during the 10:00 AM Mass

**Sunday,  
Oct. 29th**

**Jesus meets  
Zacchaeus!**



**The Commemoration of  
All the Faithful Departed**

**November 2nd**

7:45 AM - St. Michael Church

Noon - at the New St. Mary Cemetery

(cold/rain location will be the cemetery chapel)

**Scam Alert!**

As always, please do not respond to a text or email from anyone posing to be Fr. Alan or any other priest or parish staff member asking you to buy gift cards. Always look at the return phone number and or email address. When in doubt contact Fr. directly or any parish staff member. The only time we ask for gift cards is for Christian Outreach and even then we want the cards, not the numbers from the back of the cards. Thank you.

**Christian  
Outreach  
Committee**

**WEEKLY  
COLLECTIONS**

**To Support the Hollidaysburg**

**American Rescue Workers  
Next Week's**

**Requested Donations:  
Instant Mashed Potatoes  
Ramen Noodles  
Canned Veggies  
Body Wash**

**Collection bins are at the church entrances**

**"Then repay to Caesar  
what belongs to Caesar  
and to God what  
belongs to God"**

**Matthew 22:21**

# 8 Saints

St. Catherine, St. John, St. Joseph, St. Mary,  
St. Michael, St. Thomas More, St. Patrick & St. Rose

8 Saints is a pilot program to facilitate collaboration and resource sharing among the eight southern parishes of Blair County.

This will be accomplished by members sharing their many gifts, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, enabling them to more fully live out the call to evangelize the world about Jesus Christ.

St. Mary and St. Michael are part of this program. The programs and events of this collaboration will include current existing parish ministries.

St. Rose	St. John
<b>St. Michael</b>	<b>St. Mary</b>
St. Joseph	St. Catherine
St. Patrick	St. Thomas More

A team is planning a multi-parish youth group and a young catholic professionals group.

**YOUTH GROUP:** Assist in an 8 parish-wide gathering of students experiencing spiritual, community, and social activities guided by our Catholic Faith. Please contact your DRE or Tim Baranik tbaranik24@gmail.com, St. Michael's/St. Mary's, or Debbie Terchanik, 814-695-1060, St. Catherine's.

**BLAZIN' ANGELS:** People between the ages of 19-39 years are invited to come together for social connection and spiritual education while supporting each other in living their Catholic Faith. Please contact Amber Yasolsky, amberryazz@gmail.com, St. John's or Mary Lee Madigan-Davis, 8saints1@gmail.com, St. John's.

**MONICA'S TEARS:** Following the example of St. Monica, we gather in Adoration of Our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour each week to pray for the return of our children and grandchildren to the practice of the Catholic Faith. Please contact: Peach Maschue, 814-943-7809, St. Rose.

**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD:** A religious formation for our youngest children. St. John's Atrium is for our 3- to 6-year-old children. CGS utilizes Montessori methods to continue the relationship our children already innately have with God. In a specially prepared environment called the Atrium, our children use materials designed to aid their meditation while the true teacher, The Holy Spirit, furthers their relationship. We read and ponder scripture from the Holy Bible; we engage with the liturgical seasons of the church; and we care for the environment God has blessed us with. Please contact: Iris Tatar, iristat38@gmail.com, St. John's.

**MOTHER TERESA MINISTRY:** A special call to all who would like to do more for our home restricted and care facility parishioners. This will be a coordinated effort to identify all those who would like regular visits and the Eucharist. The hope is that with 8 parishes participating, more volunteers are available to be part of this ministry to provide frequent and consistent companionship to those who would benefit from and appreciate this care. Please contact: Mary Susick, mdsusick@yahoo.com, St. John's.

**For more information please contact  
Claudia Anderson: 814-935-2755 or  
Mary Lee Madigan-Davis at 814-931-2651 or  
8Saints1@gmail.com**

## INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading: Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6** When today's passage from the book of Isaiah was written, the Jewish people had been held in exile by Babylon for more than 40 years. Cyrus, the king of neighboring Persia, was preparing to invade Babylon. The prophet sees Cyrus, a pagan king, as an instrument of God. Through this military victory, God will free his people and allow them to return home.

**Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5** Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians is the earliest of all New Testament writings, coming only about 20 years after the Resurrection of Jesus. Today's reading gives us the letter's opening words. In just five verses, we hear reference to God the Father, the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit, and also to faith, hope and love. It indicates how quickly these essentials of our faith became part of our Christian tradition.

Next Sunday's Readings:

**Exodus 22:20-26 and 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10  
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40**

## Upcoming Events at St. Mary and St. Michael's Parishes

**Pray the Rosary** Every day after the 7:45 AM weekday Mass

Oct 22	<b>Youth Group Bike Ride</b>	
	<b>PANCAKE BREAKFAST</b> (at St. Michael church hall after the 7:30 AM and 10 AM Masses)	
	<b>8:45 AM</b>	Faith Formation Classes (Pre K - 8th & 11th)
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting (St. Michael Activity Building)
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	SHYCON (St. Francis Univ.)
<b>Last Day to submit Blessing Tree recipient forms</b>		
Oct 24	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Bereavement Gathering
Oct 26	<b>6:00 PM</b>	ALPHA (St. Mary Social Hall)
	<b>6- 8 PM</b>	Trick or Treat Night (Be sure to come by St. Michael parking lot)
Oct 29	<b>8:45 AM</b>	Faith Formation Classes (Pre K - 11th)
	<b>10 AM</b>	Little Lamb Liturgy (During the Mass at St. Michael Church))
Oct 31 & Nov. 1	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Holy Day Vigil Mass (at St. Michael Church)
	<b>All Saints Day Holy Day Mass</b>	
	<b>7:45 AM</b>	at St. Michael Church
	<b>Noon</b>	at St. Mary Church
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	at St Mary Church



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**Contact Parishioner:**  
**Kathy Chabala, Owner**  
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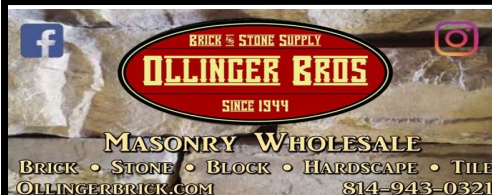
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