



June 7, 2020

Most Holy Trinity Sunday

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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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

No Public Masses at this time.

Please see inside the Bulletin for ways to view Mass online.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 1 PM & Sundays at 7:30 AM

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

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Exodus 34:4b-6,8-9 When Moses saw the Israelite people worshipping the golden calf, he angrily threw down and broke the tablets containing the Commandments. Later, God instructed him to cut two new tablets. This passage begins at that point and offsets the mistaken notion that the Old Testament always presents a stern and angry God.

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 This passage is the ending of Paul's second letter to the Corinthians. The Church chose this passage for Trinity Sunday because it mentions all three persons of the Trinity. The passage also contains a familiar greeting we hear at the beginning of Mass.

Next Sunday's Readings: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a and 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Gospel: John 6:51-58

Mass Intentions this week for St. Mary & St. Michael Parishes

June 6 - 14

Fr. Alan will be saying Mass privately each day for the following Mass intentions.
Public Masses resume Saturday June, 13.

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Saturday 6/6	+ Michael & Greg Sheehan	by the Blazewicz family
	+ Jeane McDowell (Anniv. Rem.)	by the Dean McDowell family
Sunday 6/7 - The Most Holy Trinity		
	+ Jim Leamer	by John & Barb Leamer
	+ Mark Burger (Anniversary Rem.)	by his family
	+ Robert Hammond	by Mike & Ruth DeHaas
	+ Ruth & Andy Swope	by Dan, Vicki & Maeve Lawruk
	For the people of St. Mary & St. Michael Parishes	
Monday 6/8	+ Dora Dodson-Berkheimer	by her son Joe Dodson
Tuesday 6/9	+ John & Joan Winkbauer	by Tom Burkhart family
Wednesday 6/10	+ Maryann Altaffer	by Brian & Joyce McCord
Thursday 6/11	+ Jeremiah Hill	by friends
Friday 6/12	+ Richard Gildea	by The Jack Gildea Family
Saturday 6/13		
5:00 PM	+ Joe Boland (Anniv. Rem.)	by wife Carol & children
Sunday 6/14 - Corpus Christi		
8:30 AM	+ Lori Irwin-Kozlowski	by her parents Bob & Louise Irwin
10:00 AM	+ Ruth & Andy Swope	by Dan, Vicki & Maeve Lawruk
11:30 AM	For the graduates of St. Mary & St. Michael Parishes	



Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Our Trinitarian God is passionately relational. As the Father is intimately connected to the Son and the Spirit is in close relationship with the Father and the Son, so the baptized enjoy a deep and life-giving relationship with our Triune God. At baptism we entered into relationship with God and with each other. God has revealed the redeeming gift of his mercy. From the core of the Trinity comes divine mercy. And we share that compassionate mercy with others. We are called to celebrate God's mercy to us with others, and we do so in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

PUBLIC MASSES RESUME NEXT WEEKEND JUNE 13 & 14

Beginning **THIS Saturday, June 13**, all Masses in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese will once again be public. Masses here at St. Michael and at St. Mary's will be celebrated at the normal times and in the normal locations. We will have to observe the six-foot rule of nonmembers of the same household, hand sanitizing, and (if able) the wearing of nose and mouth coverings. If we run out of space for people in the church itself, we will use the church hall where people can watch Mass and receive Holy Communion. (We are asking that you do not sit in the choir loft.) For those uncomfortable with coming into the enclosed space of the church, we'll continue to video record the Mass and have it on our parish website, and we will distribute Holy Communion after each Mass for the time being. (See times and schedule on next page.)

Parishioners who have volunteered to help serve as Ministers of Hospitality will assist you in finding a place to sit, and will help with traffic flow for communion and for exiting the church. We will use a modified procedure for distributing Holy Communion. This will help us observe the six-foot rule and avoid inadvertent contact. We will also change the way we exit from Mass. We would like all those who are physically able to use the front entrance of the church, keeping a distance from others who are exiting. The side entrance will be reserved for the physically challenged. When they have exited at the end of Mass, we will distribute Holy Communion at the side door of the church. Please use care in the parking lot since we will likely have people walking to and from the side door for Holy Communion. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Thank you for your generosity!

Sunday Offering (5/31/2020):	\$3,518.00
On-Line Giving (5/1 - 5/14/20):	\$2,271.74
Ascension Offering (5/31/2020):	\$25.00
Peter Pence Collection (5/31/2020):	\$10.00
Twin Parish in Jamaica (5/31/2020):	\$20.00
Maintenance (5/24/2020):	\$305.00
Catholic Communication (5/31/2020):	\$25.00
Catholic Ministries Drive (as of 4/30/2020):	
Target Goal:	\$48,361.00
Received to Date	\$20,865.00
Under Goal by \$27,496.00	

Thank you for your weekly support to our parish, our mission collections and the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your financial support is vital and continues to be so especially during the COVID-19 crisis.

You may continue to mail in your weekly offering, donate through on-line giving, or place your donation in the mail slot at St. Mary Rectory (312 Clark St. - just be sure to mark that it is for St. Michael Parish).

The diocese has set-up a parish on-line giving account for every parish in the diocese. If you would like to give this way just visit: <https://www.dioceseaj.org/giving/> to setup an account. Our parish will receive a report on all donations and money collected will be forwarded to us. The diocese will not be recording the gift or donor information in their database. We and the diocese just want to be able to give you options for your giving. Just look for "St. Michael, Hollidaysburg (054)" under the "Select a parish to receive your gift". Contact the parish office if you have any questions.

CONFESSION TIMES

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation
is available again**

Confessions at St. Michael will be heard on the side porch between the rectory and church on
Saturdays at 1 PM & Sundays at 7:30 AM.

(Confessions at St. Mary: **Saturdays at 3 PM**)

You may also call the rectory office to schedule a time to meet with Fr. Alan.

HOLY COMMUNION OUTSIDE OF MASS

Holy Communion will continue to be distributed outside of Mass at the church side door. Communicants are asked to be prepared spiritually, if possible wear a facial mask, and keep social distancing if you do not reside in the same household. (See complete times and schedule on next page.) We will continue to distribute Communion this way even once public Mass begins on June 13. For those who do not feel comfortable being in the church just yet, and would rather a household member or an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion bring you Communion to your home, please contact the parish office for arrangements. You're under no obligation to come for Communion, so please be reasonable in protecting your own health and the health of others.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For the reopening of the church we will need the help of many volunteers. Please read over the specific needs listed below to discern where and how you may be able to help:

Ministers of Hospitality: We will need multiple Ministers of Hospitality at all weekend Masses. They will be trained to help assist in seating people in compliance with the six-foot rule and keep people spaced apart during Holy Communion. They'll also distribute bulletins at the end of Mass. If you had previously been an usher, and you're willing to take the risk of coming to weekend Masses, then we could really use your help. Obviously new volunteers will also be needed. There will be a training session for ministers of hospitality **THIS Saturday, June 13, at 10:00 am** at St. Michael's Church.

Volunteers to help clean pews: We need multiple volunteers to help clean the church between weekend Masses. Pews will need to be sprayed and wiped down, door handles cleaned and so on. Please contact the parish office if you would be willing to perform this work of charity. Be sure to let us know which Mass you will normally be attending.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: We will also need a sufficient number of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. We'll need help at Mass itself. Communion will be under the form of bread only, but it's helpful to have a second minister at Mass. It will also be helpful if ministers of Holy Communion can be available to help distribute Communion after Mass. More importantly, though, we're going to need people who are willing to take Holy Communion to the sick, the fearful, the homebound, and anyone who is unable to come to the church. If you have family members in these conditions, perhaps you'd be willing to volunteer. A training session for all who choose to continue as ministers of Holy Communion as well as those who would like to take on this ministry will be **THIS Saturday, June 13, at 11:00 am** at St. Michael's Church. If you'd like to participate in this important work but these times don't work for you, give the parish office a call to arrange for a private training session.

QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

DAILY Church open for private prayer 7 AM - 7 PM

Starting June 1st - Communion Distribution (no Mass)

(Side door of St. Michael Church)

Monday - Friday approx. 8:15 AM
Saturday 6 PM
Sunday 9:30 AM, 11 AM & 12:30 PM

(Parking lot side door of St. Mary Church)

Monday - Friday 7 PM
Saturday 5PM
Sunday 9 AM & 11 AM

June 13 Minister of Hospitality Training Session (at St. Michael Church) 10 AM

June 13 Ministers of Holy Communion Training Session (at St. Michael Church) 11 AM

June 13 Restoration of normal Mass times at both churches.

Communion distribution after Mass will continue for those unable to attend Mass (see times listed above).

ST. Michael Masses:

Daily: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri. 7 :45 AM

Weekend: Saturday 5 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

ST. Mary Masses:

Daily: Wednesday 6:30 PM

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."

- 2 Corinthians 13:13

MASSES FROM ST. MICHAEL CHURCH ARE ONLINE

We will continue to have video recordings of the Sunday Mass **EVERY SUNDAY** on our parish website and the parish facebook page.

VISIT OUR WEBPAGE
www.stmichael-hldg-pa.org

FIND US ON FACEBOOK
"St. Michael the Archangel Church Hollidaysburg"

Currently there are no public Masses here at St. Michael.

Public Masses will resume June 13th.

Audio recordings of the daily & weekend Gospel and Fr. Alan's Homilies are available on our parish website.

HELP!

We really could really use some Clorox wipes or Clorox spray for the church. If you are shopping and see some, please consider picking up some for us.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." (Jn 3:16) May we, as Christian disciples and stewards, always give of ourselves as a grateful response for his perfect gift.

Living as a Christian at this time in history we are reminded daily that we can greet everyone with the peace of Christ through our prayer, a kind word of encouragement, or a simple donation of food, time, or money. If even one other person can see the face of God in us then we are bringing to them the belief in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, and that they indeed can have eternal life through the saving act of Jesus Christ.

HOLY TRINITY FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- Depending on the ages of family members, research symbols of the Trinity and create something for the centerpiece of your family table, or something for your family altar, such as a small banner or poster. It can be as little as a 4 x 6 photograph or something to use every year as a backdrop or wall hanging.
- Think of different foods to serve that can reflect the symbolism of the Trinity. One example is clover leaf rolls. These rolls are formed with three balls of dough put into one hole of the muffin tin for each roll. They are easy to make. Use your favorite roll recipe (you can even buy frozen bread or roll dough), or search on the Internet for one of many examples.
- *The Directory on Popular Piety* explains some of the pious exercises related to the devotion of the Holy or Blessed Trinity. Three very simple prayers are the Sign of the Cross, *Gloria Patri* (Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, etc.) and the *Trisagion* (meaning "thrice holy"): "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us." This is just one version, there are many others.

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