

September 20, 2020

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# 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.

## 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.  
*Outside on the rectory porch*

## 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

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading: Isaiah 55: 6-9** The prophetic words in today's reading were spoken during the Israelites' exile in Babylon. Earlier, the prophet had proclaimed that God was looking mercifully upon them and would soon free them. In today's reading, the prophet points out that they now have a window of opportunity and should take advantage of God's willingness to forgive.

**Second Reading: Philippians 1: 20-24, 27** For the next four weeks, our second reading will be taken from Paul's letter to the Philippians. When Paul wrote this letter, he was in prison for preaching the Gospel, and he faced the possibility of execution. A person in those circumstances tends to think long thoughts about death, and death is what Paul is wrestling with in today's passage.

**Next Sunday's Readings: Ezekiel 18:25-28 and Philippians 2:1-11; Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32**

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

## September 19 - 27

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	Time	Location	Intention	Requested by
Saturday, 9/19	4:00 PM	St. Mary	+ Adam Lawruk	by Greg & Shari Figurelli
	5:00 PM	St. Michael	+ Florence Foltin (Anniversary Rem.)	by son; Patrick, daughters Connie, Betty & Carol
Sunday, 9/20	8:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Richard Catina	by Genevieve Catina
	8:30 AM	St. Michael	+ Bernie Frederick (Birthday Rem.)	by Shirley
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Dr. George Biesinger	by John & Beverly Buterbaugh
	10:00 AM	St. Michael	+ Ed McClain	by Joan Luciano
	11:30 AM	St. Michael	<b>For the people of St. Mary &amp; St. Michael Parishes</b>	
Monday, 9/21	7:45 AM	St. Michael	+ Howard M. Wilt (Birthday Rem.)	by the family
Tuesday, 9/22	7:45 AM	St. Michael	+ Robert "Jim" Gildea	by his brother Bill and sisters, Pat & Donna
Wednesday, 9/23	6:30 PM	St. Mary	Special Intention	by donor
Thursday, 9/24	7:45 AM	St. Michael	+ Ellen Ottaway (Anniversary Rem.)	by Mark & Jo DeLozier
Friday, 9/25	7:45 AM	St. Michael	+ Leona George	by her family
Saturday, 9/26	4:00 PM	St. Mary	+ Jack Hallberg	by his wife Carol
	5:00 PM	St. Michael	+ Jennifer Hatajik	by Walter & Connie Tomassetti
Sunday, 9/27	8:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Dorotheann Simendinger	by the Mary's Day Committee
	8:30 AM	St. Michael	+ Richard Barkley, Sr.	by his family
	10:00 AM	St. Mary	+ Bruno & Lena DeGol	by the family
	10:00 AM	St. Michael	+ Lori Irwin - Kozlowski	by her parents; Bob & Louise Irwin
	11:30 AM	St. Michael	<b>For the people of St. Mary &amp; St. Michael Parishes</b>	

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA PARISH CHICKEN BBQ

**Sunday, October 11  
10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

at the Knights of Columbus Hall Hollidaysburg  
(324 Bedford Street)

**\$10.00 Take-out only**



Meal includes the Knight's famous barbecue chicken along with baked beans, apple sauce, and a dinner roll.

**Proceeds will benefit our parish Youth Group!**

Purchase your tickets starting THIS WEEK at the parish office during normal office hours. We have a limited number of tickets, so buy yours early!



## LITURGY APPOINTMENTS

**WEEKDAY SACRISTAN** (9/20-9/26): *K. Lashinsky*  
September 26 & 27 - The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass	Reader	Extraordinary Min.	Sacristan	Min. of Hospitality
5 PM (9/26)	available	D. Straub (primary) L. Savino (secondary) S. Teske (tertiary)	R. DeHaven	L. Michelone available available
8:30 AM (9/27)	B. Stevens	C. Feathers (primary) R. Holzer (secondary) K. Balconi (tertiary)	R. & C. Burger-Leister	A. Carvalho S. Frank M. Icenroad
10 AM (9/27)	D. Lanzel	M.J. Lanzel (primary) A. Jordan (secondary) M. DeRose (tertiary)	R. Pompa	M. Culp J. Harteis J. Dodson
11:30 AM (9/27)	D. Stoehr	B. Codd (primary) G. Harrington (secondary) E. Pope (tertiary)	A. Weyant	P. Claycomb available available

## ANNUAL BLUE MASS

*Blue Mass*



**The Proclaim! TV Mass**  
Sunday, September 27th  
11:00 AM on WATM ABC 23

TO HONOR THE WORK OF ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

The Proclaim! TV Mass on September 27th honors the work of public safety personnel, including firefighters, law enforcement officials, and emergency medical services personnel. The term "Blue Mass" refers to the color of the uniforms worn by many in these professions, and dates to 1934. In the wake of events of September 11, 2001, the Blue Mass recognized the sacrifice of police, firefighters, and EMS personnel, and to remember those who have given their lives in service to their communities. During the current pandemic, along with earnest efforts to end racism and maintain civil tranquility, the Blue Mass solemnizes our gratitude for First Responders who unhesitatingly provide solace to the stricken and calm and safety to our communities.

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Sunday Offering** (9/6/20): **\$8,232.00**

*Envelope: \$6,591.00 Loose Collection: \$95.00*

**Twin Parish in Jamaica** (9/6/20): **\$205.00**

**Catholic Relief** (9/6/20): **\$42.53**

**Maintenance** (9/6/20): **\$255.00**

**Retired Priests Medical** (9/6/20): **\$55.00**

**Mission Coop** (9/6/20): **\$1788.00**

**Proclaim** (9/6/20): **\$41.00**

**World Mission** (9/6/20): **\$10.00**

**Sunday Offering** (9/13/20): **\$5,395.50**

*Envelope: \$5,142.00 Loose Collection: \$253.50*

**Twin Parish in Jamaica** (9/13/20): **\$200.00**

**Assumption** (9/13/20): **\$30.00**

**Maintenance** (9/13/20): **\$161.00**

**Ascension** (9/13/20): **\$20.00**

**Retired Priests Medical** (9/13/20): **\$55.00**

**Mission Coop** (9/13/20): **\$140.00**

**Proclaim** (9/13/20): **\$72.00**

**World Mission** (9/13/20): **\$5.00**

**All Saints** (9/13/20): **\$5.00**

## THANKS!

- Many thanks to **Fr. Alan, Tyke Dodson** and our youth group director; **Tim Baranik** for organizing the Youth Group Bike Ride last weekend. Students from St. Michael & St. Mary Parish enjoyed a fun 8 mile trail ride.
- Thank you to directors; **Tom Kunkle** and **Julie Hanlon**, and the **members of our choirs** for sharing their musical gifts with us once again! Welcome back!
- On you way in and/or out of church look at the front steps of the church (and the back steps of the church). They have been recently coated and look great! Thanks to **Terry Wilt** and **Mike Icenroad** for arranging to have the work completed.
- Thanks to **Diane & Rick Bunn** for their hard work in keeping the flowers around the church and rectory looking great all summer. Thanks also to **Fr. Alan, Mike Icenroad, Alan Curtis, Terry Wilt** and **Tyke Dodson** for cutting the grass around the church and school grounds. Because of their volunteer time we have been able to save quite a bit on lawn care costs.
- Thanks to **Mel Link, Dave Lanzel, Mike Icenroad and Terry Wilt** for their recent work on running a conduit to connect internet service from the rectory and church.
- As we mark the first day of Religious Education we want to thank all students, parents and our volunteer teachers and helpers for their willingness and flexibility to ensure that our students receive the best catholic education and support from their parish. Thanks also to our director of religious education; **Sue Teske** for all her hard work!

## U.S. CONSTITUTION



Constitution Week is the commemoration of America's most important document. It is celebrated annually during the week of September 17-23. The United States Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties, freedoms and inalienable rights. This celebration of the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution. The aims of the Constitution Week celebration are to:

- ★ Emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
- ★ Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- ★ Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.



Constitution Week is a great time to learn more about this important document and celebrate the freedoms it gave us. Please offer prayers for our country and for those who protect us.

## RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS MEDICAL COLLECTION

Please remember what these men created, inspired and supported over the years. Our priests were ordained to spend their lives concerned for your soul, not their retirement. This annual collection is a great testimony to the many parishioners like you who care about priests who once cared about you. For many years, parishes have relied on our retired priests to celebrate Mass and the sacraments. Our senior priests do this willingly as they faithfully serve our Church. The Retired Priests Medical and Retirement Aid Collection helps to defray the cost of nursing home care, prescription drugs, and healthcare. Please by your donation, show your appreciation and gratitude for their years of priestly ministry. Envelopes for this collection are in your bimonthly envelope packet. If you do not receive envelopes and would like to, please contact the parish office.

## ST. MICHAEL PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

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

### Classes (on-line) begin today!

Please remember to keep our parish youth  
(and their parents and teachers) in your prayers as they  
begin a new year of Religious Education and Faith Formation.

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Our generous Father has given us gifts independently of those He has given to others. May we give generously and not compare our giving to another person. The Bible contains a profound message about the stewardship of material creation: God created the world, but entrusts it to human beings. Caring for and cultivating the world involves the following: Joyful appreciation for the God-given beauty and wonder of nature; Protection and preservation of the environment, which would be the stewardship of ecological concern; Respect for human life; Development of this world through noble effort, physical labor, the trades and professions, the arts and sciences.

We call such effort "work". Work is a fulfilling human vocation. The Second Vatican Council points out that through work, we build up not only our world but the Kingdom of God, already present among us. Work is a partnership with God, our share in a divine human collaboration in creation. How are you collaborating?

## FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

September 20, 2020: Today Jesus is saying to us: "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Family, where "the last will be first," is the "vineyard" entrusted to us in today's gospel. Successful families are constructed by "laborers," who work hard on family relationships, and not by couch potatoes. Reprinted with permission: *A Family Perspective* by Bud Ozar

## HOLY COMMUNION OUTSIDE OF MASS

Holy Communion will continue to be distributed outside of Mass at the church side door. **Monday - Friday around 8:15 AM and after all weekend Masses.** Communicants are asked to be prepared spiritually, if possible wear a facial mask as you approach, and keep social distancing if you do not reside in the same household. You're under no obligation to come for Communion, so please be reasonable in protecting your own health and the health of others.

## HOLY WATER

No touch Holy Water fonts are available at the church entrances. Place fingers below spout and remove rapidly. Water will continue to flow as long as your fingers remain in place. Do not touch the top of the dispenser, if you do not receive water just move your fingers closer to the spout.

## BLESSING OF ANIMALS



In commemoration of the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi the Blessing of Animals will take place at St. Mary parish on **Sunday, October 4th at 2:00 PM** in the alley between the social hall and rectory. Bring your pets of all species, or a picture of your pet, to receive the blessing.

## QUICK LOOK AT UPCOMING EVENTS

**WEEKDAYS** Church open for private prayer ..... **7 AM - 4 PM**

**EVERY THURSDAY** Rosary

(at St. Catherine Parish outdoor shrine; rain location is in our church) ..... **6:00 PM**

**Oct. 4** Blessing of Animals (St. Mary Parking lot) ..... **2:00 PM**

**Oct. 6** Parish Finance Council Meeting ..... **6:30 PM**

**Oct. 13** Parish Pastoral Council Meeting ..... **6:30 PM**

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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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