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

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 23, 2025

Mass Schedule

Saturday: Vigil - 4:00 PM - St. Mary

Sunday:

7:30 AM and 10:00 AM - St. Mary 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM - St. Michael

Daily and Holy Days: See inside

Confessions:

Saturday: 1:00 PM - St. Michael Wednesday: 5:30 PM - St. Mary Thursday before the First Friday of the month: 4:00 PM - St. Mary



St. Michael the Archangel Parish 301 Spruce Street Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Parish Email:

stmichaelhburg@dioceseaj.org

Music Coordinator:

Lisa Surkovich - Contemporary Choir Sandy Harteis - Traditional Choir

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Bulletin Publisher: George Mollish gmollish@volunteerdaj.org Parish Administrative Assistant: Melissa Ringkamp mringkamp@dioceseaj.org Parish Business Manager: Lisa Julian LJulian@dioceseaj.org Bereavement Facilitator: Debbi Chapman 912-713-5412 Director of Faith Formation: Sue Teske 814-695-0912 or 814-934-2180 Christian Initiation (OCIA): Interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith? Contact Deacon Allan F. Duman aduman@dioceseaj.org Joint Parish Website: www.stmichael-hldg-pa.org Parish Office Phone Number & Hours: 814-695-0912 Mon. to Fri. 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (St. Michael) Closed Holy Days and Holidays

Marriage & Baptism:

Call the church office to schedule an appointment. A notice of 9 months is required for marriage and a notice of at least 1 month is required for Baptism.

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom"

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	MASS INTENTIONS FOR ST. MARY AND ST. MICHAEL PARISHES Saturday, Nov. 22nd to Sunday, Nov. 30th					
DAY	TIME	PARISH		INTENTION		
SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	Ŷ	Jim McCabe (Anniversary Remembrance)		
	7:30 AM	St. Mary	t	Sally Mollish		
SUN	10:00 AM	St. Mary	t	Terry Musselman		
	10:00 AM	St. Michael	Ŷ	Ruth, Andy & Stephen Swope		
	11:30 AM	St. Michael		People of the Parish		
MON	7:45 AM	St. Michael	Ŷ	Guy & Joan Luciano		
TUES	7:45 AM	St. Michael	Ŷ	"In Thanksgiving"		
WED	6:30 PM	St. Mary	Ŷ	Mary Ann Nedimyer		
Giv	ve Thanks Fo	or Your Many B	les	sings - Happy Thanksgiving		
THUR	9:00 AM	St. Michael		Lois Mielnik		
FRI	7:45 AM	St. Mary	Ŷ	Bob Magdelinic		
SAT	4:00 PM	St. Mary	f	Joe Judy		
	7:30 AM	St. Mary	Ť	Mary Lou Farabaugh		
SUN	10:00 AM	St. Mary	t	Ronald A. Petak		
	10:00 AM	St. Michael	t	Philip Cooley		
	11:30 AM	St. Michael		People of the Parish		

GOD'S GIFT OF FORGIVENESS

Come to the Lord and experience the extraordinary grace of his forgiveness!

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE SUNDAY, DEC. 7th - 4:00 PM AT ST. MARY

Let them turn to the Lord to find mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving

Isaiah 55:7b



All are welcome!

he Friar's Nook Gift Shop Get your Holly Jolly on and start your Christmas shopping at The Friar's Nook Gift Shop "Small Business Saturday Sale!" Save 20% off the ENTIRE store Nov. 29th including nativities, flags, home décor, cards, gifts, and much more! The Friar's Nook Gift Shop is located on the campus of St. Bernardine Monastery at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg and the shop hours are 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Questions, please call 814-695-3802 or message us on Facebook at "The Friar's Nook Gift Shop" (CLOSED THANKSGIVING AND BLACK FRIDAY – 11/27-11/28).



Bishop Bartchak is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-30's) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood.

To submit names, please complete a pew card or visit ajvocations.org/calledbyname. Names you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Bartchak, invitations to discernment events, and support from the Diocese Vocations Team.

Thank you for your participation in this important campaign.







Back by popular demand and in conjunction with our Nativity Festival, the Altoona Community Band will present a free concert showcasing their (and perhaps your) favorite Christmas music both religious and secular. The band is comprised of 40 musicians (16 to 86 year olds) from the Blair County area including many parishioners from St. Mary and St. Michael Parishes.

Stewardship of Time and Talent - Liturgical Appointment Schedule							
	READER * 3 Needed	EMHC * 3 or 4 Needed	ALTAR SERVER 2 Needed	HOSPITALITY 3 needed	SACRISTAN 1 Needed	AUDIO/VIDEO 3 Needed	
November 22nd							
St. Mary 4:00 PM	Mike Sosnowski (1) Alicia Sosnowski (2) Lisa Michelone (3)	Carol Hallberg (H) Rich Holzer (C) Richard Books (C) Michael Mollish (Choir)	Shari Figurelli	Shirley Books Michael Johnston Chris Johnston	Michael Mollish		

November 23rd

St. Mary 7:30 AM			Vinnie Pietrolungo	Ray Gregorchik Roy Leister Dave Shrift	Jo Delozier	
St. Mary 10:00 AM	Jeff Muriceak (1) Claudia Montero (2) Deacon Chuck Ahearn (3)	James Popp (H) Deacon Chuck Ahearn (C) Diane Stephens (C) John McIntyre (Choir)	Grace Muriceak	Lisa Julian Mark King Sharon King	NOT FILLED	
St. Michael 10:00 AM	Marty Culp (1) Paul Dennis (2) Mike Metzgar (3)	Alicia Lombardo-Jordan (Main) Mark Krepich (C) Brian Sweeney (C) Marty Culp (Choirloft)	Carter Jordan	Mary Jo Lanzel Gregory Olsavick	Marty Culp	Emilee Elder John Elder
St. Michael 11:30 AM	Jeff Johnson (1) Barb Aubrey (2) Debbie Sault (3)	Barb Aubrey (Main) Kimberly Merritts (C) Donna Sipes (C) Bill Farnan (Choirloft)	Terry Wilt	Susan Wells NOT FILLED	Mel & Patty Link	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (November 23rd - November 29th): Gina Zabinsky

November 27th

St. Michael 9:00 AM	Lisa Michelone (1) NOT FILLED (2)	Marty Culp (H) Sue Teske (C) Lisa Michelone (C)	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
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*The Deacon will be the ordinary minister of communion and read the Universal prayers, if he is present.

November 29th

	St. Mary 4:00 PM	Lisa Michelone (1) Bruno Felus (2) Joseph Hurd (3)	Maryanne Litzinger (H) Rich Holzer (C) Paula Kustenbauder (C) Lisa Michelone (Choir)	Vernon Litzinger	Shari Figurelli Rick Pulcino NOT FILLED	Shari Figurelli	
				November 30th			
	St. Mary 7:30 AM	Ramona Shrift (1) Shawn Sullivan (2) Becky Stevens (3)	Kay Benton (H) Jeff Boley (C) Kathy Balconi (C) Shawn Sullivan (Choir)	Ella Diaz	Tim Balconi Jodie Feath Jim Zimmerman	Connie Curfman	
St. Mary 10:00 AM Beverly Buterbaugh (1) David Madden (2) Deacon Chuck Ahearn (3) David Madden (H) Deacon Chuck Ahearn (C) Beverly Buterbaugh (C) Sharon King (Choir)		Shealyn Riley	Dottie Gonsman Mark King Diane Madden	NOT FILLED			
St. Michael 10:00 AM Bethany Helsel (1) Greg Sweeney (2) Annette Lewis (3) Talena Swander (Main) Marty Culp Mark Krepich Rebecca Culp (Choirloft)		Aiden Wilk	Mary Jo Lanzel NOT FILLED	Cate Burger-Leister	Camron Swander Greyson Swander		
St. Michael 11:30 AM Francine Boland (1) Lisa Georgiana (2) NOT FILLED (3) Ginny Harrington (Main) Kimberly Merritts (C) Donna Sipes (C) NOT FILLED (Choirloft)		NOT FILLED	Susan Wells NOT FILLED	Andy Weyant	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED		

St. Michael Weekday Sacristan (November 30th - December 6th): Ramona Shrift



l oly **Rosary Church in Juniata, Altoona** will be celebrating our 125th Anniversary on 12/02/2026. We are looking for old photos and thoughtful memories of years gone by. Once a month, beginning in January 2026, we will be posting photos and thoughtful memories in our bulletin as well as on Facebook. Please email photos to holyrosaryaltoona@dioceseaj.org and put "125th Memories" in the subject line.

If you would like us to return your photos, be sure to have your name and address on the back. Please identify as many people in the photos as possible. Thank You!

The 125th Anniversary Committee

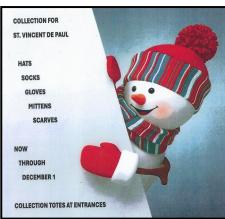


This is a Catholic Pro-Life Ministry dedicated to helping moms and babies in the Altoona area with supplies of diapers, wipes, and other baby items, as needed.

The current needs are:

- **Nursing Pillows**
- Winter Clothes **Boys & Girls** 6 Months to 4T
- Infant Swaddles
- **★** Sleep Sacks

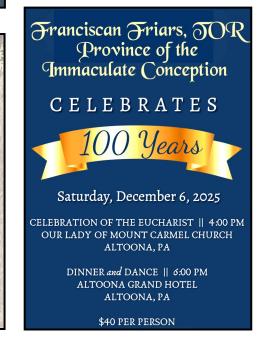
Any mom needing assistance should call 814-440-1021













Wednesday, Nov. 26th at 7:00 PM at Hollidaysburg Church of the Brethren, 1028 Penn St., Hollidaysburg.

Service

Marlys Hershberger, Interim Pastor of Hollidaysburg Church of the Brethren will be the host and preach for the service. All are welcome!



Fourth Tuesday of the Month Tuesday, Nov. 25th and Dec. 23rd 1:30-3:30 PM at St. Michael's Church Basement.



Immaculate Conception Masses Monday December 8th

- 7:45 AM St. Michael
- ↑ 12:00 Noon St. Mary
- ☆ 6:30 PM St. Mary

CHRISTMAS MASSES Christmas Eve

- 4:00 PM St. Mary
- 4:00 PM St. Michael
- ₽ 10:00 PM. St. Michael

Christmas Day - 8:30 AM St. Michael Christmas Day - 10:30 AM St. Mary

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To Support the Hollidaysburg American Rescue Workers **Next Week's** Requested Donations:

Soup **Canned Vegetables**

Collection bins are at the church entrances

We are deeply thankful to our volunteers, donors, and prayer supporters whose generosity and dedication bring comfort, dignity, and hope to those in need.

Thank you for last week's donation of \$20.00.

omen's Club Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 2:00 PM. Next meeting Tuesday, Nov. 25th.

All meetings are at Diane Madden's home, 504 Hickory St.. Hollidaysburg. 814-502-8052

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meets on the second and fourth

Monday of each month (following the first full week of the month) at 5:00 PM and the second and fourth Wed. of each month (following the first full week) at 11:30 AM in the Convent building at St. Michael.

Next meeting Monday, Nov. 24th.

If you or someone you know would benefit from the gift of a shawl or, if you want more info about the group, please contact: Kathy 814-312-7048

The Legion of Mary meets at 1:00 PM on Wednesdays in the Library of the Adoration Chapel building (Convent) at St. Mary.

The Legion of Mary is a world-wide Catholic organization glorifying God through Mary. The priority of the Legion is to help with the spiritual and social welfare of individuals.

You are welcome to come see if the Legion of Mary is for you. We welcome active and auxiliary members. Please stop by or call Ginny for information 814-935-1820





the loss of a loved one.

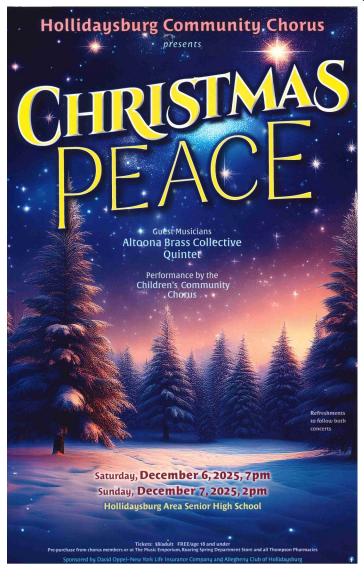


Bereavement SupportRegular gatherings are held in the St. Michael convent building twice monthly:

- 2nd Wed. 9:30 to 11:00 AM
- 4th Tuesday 6:30 to 8:00 PM Next meeting Tues., Nov. 25th.

Our gatherings are Christian based. All denominations are welcome! For more information call/text Debbi Chapman at 912-713-5412.





Christmas Cards 2025

elebrate the birth of Our Lord and the Giver of Life, and at the same time, help our fundraising efforts. Your purchase supports the pro-life work of the Blair County Chapter of Citizens Concerned for Human Life. To place an order or for more information, call

Roxann 814-695-8008



Nativity with Shepherds Adoring

This beautiful card depicts the visit of the shepherds in adoration of the New-Born King. Border is in gold foil. White envelopes included.

Actual size: 47/8" x 63/4"

\$5.00 per pkg. of 11 Verse: Come and behold Him born the King of Angels. May the love of the Infant Jesus in Whom all Life begins be yours this Christmas and always.

Cards will be sold after each Mass at St. Mary November 29 & 30 also December 6 & 7



Celebrating the true meaning of Christmas **DECEMBER 12-14, 2025**

St. Mary Parish Social Hall, Hollidaysburg, Pa.

Friday, 3PM-7PM | Saturday, Noon-7PM | Sunday 8:30AM-6PM

Volunteers are needed to bake cookies, serve as greeters and to help with set-up/clean-up. Please call Elsie at (814) 931-1398 or sign-up on the parish website.

Anyone who wishes to display a nativity, must complete a registration form. Registration forms are available in both churches and in St. Michael rectory office. Registration forms must be returned by 3:30 PM on Friday, Dec. 5th.

ORDER Chicken BB NOW!



SUNDAY DECEMBER 14, 2025 11 AM - 1 PM

\$12 DRIVE THRU ONLY!

Call: Bob Hazenstab 814-696-4206

Week at a Glance: Monday, Nov. 24th to Sunday, Nov. 30th						
P	Pray the rosary after the 7:45 AM week day Mass					
MON	Prayer Shawl St. Michael Convent 5:00 PM					
	Waiting Well Group Session St. Mary Meeting Room 1:00 PM					
TUFS	Game Time St. Michael Basement 1:30 PM					
TUES	Women's Club 504 Hickory St. Diane's House 2:00 PM					
	Bereavement Support St. Michael Convent 6:30 PM					
WED	Legion of Mary Adoration Chapel Library 1:00 PM					
	Right to Life Christmas Card Sale After Mass At St. Mary					
SAT and	Winter Clothing Collection for St. Vincent DePaul					
SUN	Gabriel Project Collection					
	American Rescue Workers Collection					
SUN	Waiting Well Group Session St. Michael Convent 8:45 AM					
SUN	NO Faith Formation Classes					



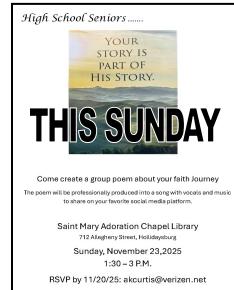
Your voice is needed at the St. Mary 4:00 PM Wednesday Christmas Eve Mass.

Join the choir in the celebration of Christmas.

Practice every Thursday at 7:00 PM

All voices are welcome!





The Men's Club of St. Mary and St. Michael parishes will meet this Sunday, November 23 at 7:00 PM in the St. Michael Cafeteria. Agenda items will be the next Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, Seminarian Fund Spaghetti Dinner and other upcoming projects.

All men of St. Mary and St. Michael Parish are welcome to attend - we could use a few extra helpers for our Pancake Breakfast! Contact the parish office if you would like to be added to our email notification list.

Blessing Tree

Return all gifts for the Blessing Tree to St. Mary's Social Hall by: 1:00 PM on this Sun., Nov. 23rd

Questions? Contact: Shari Figurelli 814-330-9421 Kathy Balconi 585-730-0757 Charlene Centar 814-696-0491

Thank You and **Merry Christmas!**

St. Mary & St. Michael Men's Club Invites you to an all you can eat

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast Sunday, Dec. 7

at St. Michael Church Hall 301 Spruce Street - Hollidaysburg



Meal includes coffee, tea, juice (apple or orange) or water. Try our pancake topping bar

Donation of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Takeouts are also available

Join us for the best pancakes in town!

FAITH FORMATION EVENTS No Faith Formation classes Sunday, November 30th

Reconciliation Retreat 5:00-7:00 PM Grade 2 in St. Michael cafeteria Friday, December 5th

First Reconciliation 10:00 AM Grade 2 at St. Michael Saturday, December 6th

Sunday, December 7th St. Nicholas Celebration

Newly Baptized Child of God

Congratulations Nina Sargeant.

We welcome your newly baptized daughter. Gia Armor Sargeant, into our faith community.



Your child is a gift to all of us. With you we celebrate the beginning of your child's faith journey.

	Saint Mary Parish Stewardship of Treasure				
Nov. 16th	Source				
\$5081.00	Adult Collection				
418.00	Loose Collection				
70.00	Maintenance Fund				
57.00	Candles				
205.00	Catholic Charities				
10.00	World Mission Sunday				
25.00	Memorials				
123.31	Met Life				
535.00	Hurricane Relief				
60.00	All Souls Day				
25.00	Assumption				
575.00	Christmas Memorials				
1000.00	Blessing Tree				
70.00	Cemetery Fund				
45.00	Military Services				
Thank Yo	Thank You For Your Generosity				

And Faithful Stewardship

E Z Money Lottery Winners

Laurie Lord, Ms. Evelyn Henry, Rita Luciano, Anthony Luciano, Arlene Gildea, John Stormer, Kira Lytle, Robert Crissman, and John Gentry

Advent Concert
After a 26-year journey in New York and New Jersey, Academy co-founder and music director Bob Long has returned to Altoona's Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament as director of music ministry.

Bob and Barb Bettwy will present an Advent concert at the Cathedral on Friday, Dec. 12th at 7:00 PM. If you would like to sing in the Festival Choir, please contact Bob at: Rlong@dioceseaj.org or 814 944-2044.

The Academy of Sacred Music Messiah Sing!

will take place on Friday, December 19th at 7:00 PM in the Church of the Brethren, 1028 Penn Street, Hollidaysburg. Singers are asked to bring a Messiah score. Some scores will be available to borrow. We encourage the public to attend.

No Rosary **Thursday, November 27th** at St. Michael Church

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St. Mary **Adoration Chapel**

The chapel is currently open Monday thru Thursday: 7AM - Midnight and Friday: 7 AM - 5 PM

> 712 Allegheny St Hollidaysburg PA

All are invited to spend time in the presence of Our Lord

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