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Bulletin Deadline:

In writing or email to the Parish Office 2 weeks before the requested date. stmichael.assistant@gmail.com

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PRAYER CHAIN

St. Catherine prayer requests, please call 371-6750.
St. Michael prayer requests, please call 375-1156 or 603-2493.
All requests should be renewed monthly if needed.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Catherine of Siena 118 S. State St. Mass of Anticipation: 4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass: 8 and 10 a.m. Daily Mass at 7 a.m., M-F

St. Michael the Archangel 15 Robinson St.

Sunday Mass: 7 and 9 a.m.
Daily Mass: M-F 8 a.m.
(Please check bulletin for any changes)

RECONCILIATION

St. Catherine - Saturday: 3-4 p.m. St. Michael - Wednesday: 7:15-7:45 a.m. Anytime by appointment.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

St. Catherine: 5:15 p.m., Vigil
7 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
St. Michael: 8 a.m. and 5:15 p.m.
Please check bulletin for Mass times on
Christmas and New Year's Day

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Mission Statement

We, the Roman Catholic Community of DuBois, accept our mission to celebrate God's unconditional love of humanity through our practice and growth in community, Word, worship, and service.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, December 9, 2019

C - 7:00 a.m. Richard E. Chapman (Tim & Jackie Andrulonis)

M - 8:00 a.m. Shirley Karesky (Kerry & Marilyn Kinter)

TUESDAY, December 10, 2019

C - 7:00 a.m. James Swisher (Anna Toney & Family) M - 8:00 a.m. Albert "Chuck" Huddy (Mary Jean)

WEDNESDAY, December 11, 2019

C - 7:00 a.m. DuBois Catholic Community M - 8:00 a.m. Paul Renosky (Tillie Renosky) THURSDAY, December 12, 2019

C - 7:00 a.m. delaTorre Family

M - 8:00 a.m. Irene & Joseph Zinzella (Carol Java & Family)

FRIDAY, December 13, 2019

C - 7:00 a.m. Elaine Byrnes (John Horten & Family)

M - 8:00 a.m. James Jacob (Steve & Carla Cunningham & Family)

Saturday, December 14, 2019

C - 4:30 p.m. Frances (Chickie) and Martin Nairn (Mike & Donna Skehan)

SUNDAY, December 15, 2019

M - 7:00 a.m. George Hauck, Jr. (Wife & Family)

C - 8:00 a.m. Lana Postlethwait (Husband)

M - 9:00 a.m. Sam Skraba & Deceased Members of Family (Family)

C - 10:00 a.m. Dean & Brent Bittner (Bittner Family)

Lectio Divina

Beginning on Sunday, December 8, at 11:30 a.m., in the library at the DuBois Central Catholic School, Stan and Sheri Lang will be leading a group for adults using the ancient form of Scripture meditation called Lectio Divina (divine reading). During Advent we will be meditating together on the Advent Sunday Gospel readings. All are welcome. Come with a Bible if you have one; if not, there will be some extra ones available to use. Enter the building through the far right hand high school door. If you can't come every week, you are still welcome to come when you can. Call Sheri @ 590-7803 if you have any questions.

Candle Intentions for the week of December 8, 2019

Blessed Mother

(M) Guido Martini by Mark & Connie Gornati Sanctuary

(M) James Jacob by Steve & Carla Cunningham & Family

St. Joseph

(C) Fr. Robert Reilly by Maurice Simmons



Scripture Sharing

The Sisters of Mercy from the Rural House of Mercy invite anyone who desires to explore and enter into the Scriptures, particularly the Gospels, to gather with them in the social hall of St. Michael Church on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:45 am for an hour of Scripture Sharing. The reading for this month's gathering this Tuesday, December 10, will be Matthew 2:1-23.

St. Michael's Memorials Sept., 1 - Nov., 30, 2019

Martha McCullough by Doris Makufka



Advent Penance Services

Sunday, Dec., 15, SS. Cosmas & Damian, Punxsy., 3 p.m. Monday, Dec., 16, Assumption, Sykesville, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec., 17, Immaculate Conception, Brook., 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec., 19, St. Tobias, Brockway, 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec., 22. St. Catherine, DuBois, 3 p.m.

Advent Week 2, Peace

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become thebest-version-of ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

Purple - The Candle of Peace

During this second week of Advent, we reflect on our lives and work on becoming better-versions-of-ourselves in preparation for Jesus' coming.

| St. Catherine Date/Time | Servers | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Sat., December 14, 4:30 p.m. | Sarah Kelsey, Gweneth Vida | Mary Ann Nicholls | Linda Miceli, Jim Scerbo, Kristen Vida |
| Sun., December 15, 8:00 a.m. | Olivia & Owen Helm | Chuck Meier | Gary Bojalad, Bob Spicher, Debora Kruise |
| Sun., December 15, 10:00 a.m. | Madison & Rachel Miller | Stephen Boland | Brad & Cheryl LaBue, Kathy Graham |
| St. Michael Date/Time | Servers | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers |
| Sun., December 15, 7:00 a.m. | Rick Chapman | Rick Chapman | Megan Posteraro, Mark McCloskey, Rick Chapman |
| Sun., December 15, 9:00 a.m. | Kourtney Zatsick | Tom Herzing | Ken Straub, Cheryl Johnson, Tom Herzing |

St. Catherine November 24, 2019

Offertory - \$8,142.00, Monthly \$120.00, Vigil \$3.00, Human Development \$2,119.00

| | WEEKLY | YTD |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Needed: | \$10,700.00 | \$224,700.00 |
| Received: | \$8,142.00 | \$207,778.34 |
| Difference: | (\$2,558.00) | (\$16,921.66) |

No. Env. Mailed: 493~ No. Env. 208 St. Michael November 24, 2019

Offertory - \$5,578.50, Maint. \$62.50, Candles \$167.00, Cemetery \$217.11, All Saints \$73.00, All Souls, \$36.00, Human Development \$\$1,581.08, World Mission \$110.00

| | WEEKLY | עוץ |
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| Needed: | \$6,250.00 | \$131,250.00 |
| Received: | \$5,578.50 | \$109,966.93 |
| Difference: | (\$671.50) | (\$21,283.07) |
| | | All Saints \$73.00 |
| | | (\$21,210.07) |

No. Env. Mailed: 366 ~ No. Env. 212

St. Catherine December 1, 2019

Offertory - \$7,365.83, Monthly \$103.00, Vigil \$3,00, Utilities \$116.00

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| Needed: | \$10,700.00 | \$235,400.00 |
| Received: | \$7,365.83 | \$215,144.17 |
| Difference: | (\$3,334.17) | (\$20,255.83) |

No. Env. Mailed: 493~ No. Env. 161 St. Michael December 1, 2019

Offertory - \$4,359.00, Maint. \$481.00, Candles \$97.00, Cemetery \$60.00, Human Development \$73.00

| | WEEKLY | YTD |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Needed: | \$6,250.00 | \$137,500.00 |
| Received: | \$4,359.00 | \$114,325.93 |
| Difference: | (\$1,891.00) | (\$23,174.07) |

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St. Michael's Rosary Society

The St. Michael's Infant of Prague Rosary Society is hosting **Consoling the Heart of Jesus**, a ten week retreat featuring Father Michael Gaitley. The introductory session will be held on December 11, at St. Michael's (6:45-8:15 p.m.) with additional dates to follow in February and March. Cost: \$15.00 for members and 30.00 for nonmembers. For more information call: 375-0323

2nd Sunday of Advent Our Need to Change

Reading 1 Isaiah 11:1-10 (The rule of Emmanuel)
Reading 2 Romans 15:4-9 (Prayer of encouragement)

Matthew 3:1-12 (John the Bastiet)

Gospel Matthew 3:1-12 (John the Baptist) **Key:** This is the one [John the Baptist] or

This is the one [John the Baptist] of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." (Matthew 3:3)

Adults: What do you need to change so that others can learn from watching you that Christ

walks among us?

Children: What could you do so that others will see

in you what it means to follow Jesus?

Opłatki

The Polish Christmas tradition of Opłatki (Christmas Wafer), is a beautiful and important one. The Breaking of Bread is a sign of charity, unity and fellowship. The wafer is blessed by the eldest family member, offering a prayer for God's grace and blessing for health, happiness, and forgiveness. The Opłatki are distributed to all the family members. Then each person shares their Opłatki with every other person present, wishing them a Merry Christmas, (Wesolych Świąt Bożego Narodzenia). Often a piece of the Opłatki is mailed to absent family. While all of the wafers are made for human consumption, the pink wafer included is for the animals in the home. After all, the animals near the manger were there at His birth. The Opłatki wafers are available at St. Michael's Church in front of St. Joseph's altar. The cost is \$2. Please use the envelopes that are marked "Opłatki".

Faith Formation

Classes will resume this Sunday, December 8, at 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. at DuBois Central Catholic. Confessions will be held for the Christmas Season during class time, beginning with grade 10.

St. Michael Angel Tree

Reminder: All Angel Tree gifts must be returned by this Sunday, December 8. We are asking that you only use a gift bag for your gift and place the angel tag on the outside. Monetary donations would be appreciated for poinsettias that volunteers deliver to elderly in Nursing Homes and "shut-ins" from both parishes. Please place your envelope marked "St. Michael Angel Tree." in the collection basket at either parish. Any questions? Call Jackie at 771-1363. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Catherine Jesse Tree

Reminder: All Jesse Tree gifts must be returned by this Sunday, December 8. Thanks so much for your generous response to this ministry.

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