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SUNDAY
MAY
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2024

PENTECOST
SUNDAY

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 21 Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 PM.
May 21 Fine & Performing Arts at School,
Doors open at 6:00 PM.
Jun 7 Last day of School for 2023-2024.

Confessions on Wednesday's from 8-8:30 PM and
Saturdays from 3-4 PM.

STEWARDSHIP

Seventh Sunday of Easter
\$ 14,351.24

CSA

Pledged: \$89,905
Paid: \$67,427.50

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for St Michael School is open
for the 2024-2025 school year! PreK3, PreK4,
Kindergarten through 8th grade! Call
the school office to schedule a tour!

*THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROSITY YOU SHOW
TO OUR PARISH!*

St. Michael School Endowment: In memory of
Adelaide Giangiordano (\$250), In memory of Tom
Duda (\$50), In memory of Vincent Tofani (\$50).

Date / Mass	Lector	EMHC	Cantor	Accompanist	Altar Servers
May 25/4:30 PM	Amy Anderson	Sandy Ohl Pat Shaughnessy	Lily T.	Kathy Williams	Mason M. Maggie L.
May 26/8:00 AM	George Soros	Patti Hayes Patty Meehan			John & Gab. G., Avery W.
May 26/11:00 AM	Brenda DelMaramo	Alan & Nancy Carr	Susan Swartzbeck	Lisa Demarest	Ava & Sophie M.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekday Masses Tues- Fri 9AM /First Sat 9AM

Saint Michael Church

TUESDAY, MAY 21

Saint Christopher Magallanes

J. James Ruffing (Courtney Barker & Chase Bender)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

Saint Rita of Cascia

Frank D'Urso (Shirley)

THURSDAY, MAY 23

Tim & Rose McElhinny (Rao Family)

FRIDAY, MAY 24

Tim & Kathy Zgonc and Kate (Zgonc) Slack

(Mary & Emily Zgonc)

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

SATURDAY, MAY 25

4:30 PM *Saint Michael Church*

Norb & Mary Mechenbier (Family)

SUNDAY, MAY 26

***8:00 AM** *Saint Margaret Mission**

For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM *Saint Michael Church*

Robert Faber (Grandsons Sam & Luke Faber)

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the soul of Renate Toth who died this week.
May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed
rest in peace.

40 CLUB WINNERS – MAY 8

\$100–Nita Duell; \$100– Jack Kearney;

\$50–McKenna Lindley.

SANCTUARY CANDLES INTENTION & DONOR

May 16-31 Darla Prezioso (Mom)

May 16-31 Sean Morgan (Chris Pander)

June 1-15 Sr. Barbara Regan (Mary Jo
Lipani)

June 1-15 Dennis Driscoll (SMS Class of 1965)

GOOD SHEPHERD MAY REQUESTS

Good Shepherd Food Pantry request for this week
is cereal. The Pantry goes through a lot of cereal in
a week. Any and all donations are greatly
appreciated. Please put all donations in the
designated bin in the entry of the church.

WALDAMEER TICKETS

Planning a trip to Waldameer this
summer? Purchase your tickets through St
Michael PTO for only \$35, a \$17 discount from
the regular price. These are for any date in the
2024 season, no blackout dates. Email
pto@smike1.org to get your tickets.

SCHOOL NEWS

FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS SHOW

Join us as we showcase Kindergarten – 8th Grade artwork and performances on Tuesday, **May 21**, at 6:00pm in Lateran Hall! This show will be open to the public: invite your family, friends, and neighbors! Attendees will enter through the lunchroom doors of Lateran Hall to stroll through and admire the students' art in the art gallery. 6:30pm will begin the performance pieces of the show in the main body of the gym. Refreshments will also be served!

8th GRADE GRADUATION

All are invited to 8th Grader, Anna Ryckman's, Graduation from SMS on Friday, **June 7**, during the 9:00am Mass! Anna will be receiving her diploma and giving a graduation speech. Please come to cheer her on as she ends this very significant chapter in her life! Refreshments will be offered at Lateran Hall to celebrate this momentous day.

A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON

This weekend we close out the Easter Season after fifty days of celebrating the fact that the plan of The Father worked, that the Passion was worth it and that the doors of our Heavenly home are thrown open to us children! We began this journey way back on Ash Wednesday (Valentine's Day, which feels like a lifetime ago!) and went together through a journey to the desert, the mount of Transfiguration, The Temple, the edge of Light and darkness, and the precipice of life and death before our joyful entry into the Holy City to begin the Passion of Our Lord. We experienced an incredibly beautiful and rich Holy Week & Triduum (one of the most meaningful in my life) where many of us remained with Jesus as He activated The Father's plan to save us and win us back. Now, for seven weeks, we've celebrated that all that watching and waiting with Our Lord has actually brought something to fruition and that there is evidence of this victory! Now, at the close of this Easter Season, we receive the Holy Spirit, the last promise of Our Lord before He went Home to be with His Father and wait for us to come Home to be with them.

The Holy Spirit, I'd suggest, is probably the most underappreciated and misunderstood 'Person' in the life of the Church. Many may tend to be aware of obscure personal revelations written about on fringe blogs and introduce paranoia into their lives because of it, yet never spend even an hour with The Spirit of Truth. Many may voraciously keep up with Church intrigue and politics and personalities, yet, again, never even spend an hour contemplating the Grace of the Spirit. Many will slowly fall into complacency and apathy in their faith without self awareness - proudly thinking they are good Catholics and will talk incessantly about church life forty years ago as if it's somehow proving their active participation in the Church today, despite them coming to Mass and engaging the community a handful of times a year - yet they altar served in the 70's and has hours of stories about that...many disappear and then reappear when they want something, like being a Godparent, and keep throwing in your face how they went to school and were Confirmed here in the 90's... One could go on and on with how anemic faith, parish, and Church life has become for so many of our people over the years. All of this disorder in their relationship with the Church - from fear mongering to utter disengagement and everything in between - is a sign of not knowing or engaging the Holy Spirit.

The Lord sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost because the last thing He needed to assure those whom He loved and wanted saved (remember last week's Gospel) was to give them The Truth, The Mission, The Beauty, The Freedom, The Fire of the God so that their earthliness and brokenness would not triumph. He knew how fickle and distracted they'd get, but He also knew the tactics of the enemy and what he'd do to pull away The Father's children from the life of The Church - our only means of salvation - and from the road to go Home. I'd suggest that where there is distraction, fringe nonsense, chaos and division, apathy, lack of reception of the Sacraments, and unawareness of what it means to be Catholic and Christian...that is where The Holy Spirit is being checked into boards by our own disordered-ness and ignorance. This is, though, something we all do to some degree and at different times. We are all prey to the singular goal of the enemy, as well as our insufficiency, and we need The Spirit to continue igniting our minds, hearts, and souls; igniting our community and relationships so that, together, we may march forth into eternity. Without the Spirit, we are a mess and all over the place (but I went to school here in the 90's, so sign my form!) and we need to be a people - a Church - who knows, loves, worships, and adores The Holy Spirit who is the voice of the Church!

*Love,
Fr. Brandon*