



Jesus
was transfigured
before them

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**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY
25
2024**

**SECOND
SUNDAY OF
LENT**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 27 Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 PM.
Feb. 27 Bible Study at 6:30 PM.
Feb, 28 Stations at 6:30 PM at St. Margaret.
Feb. 29 Men's Fellowship Group Meets
at 6 AM.
Mar. 1 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
begins after the School Mass.
Mar. 1 Fish Fry Dinners begin 4-6:30 PM.
Mar. 1 Stations at 7 PM at St. Michael.
Mar. 2 22:32 Men's Conference Event (Erie,
8:30 AM.)

STEWARDSHIP

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
\$9,534.22

CSA
Pledged: \$44,435
Paid: \$28,580

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

FISH FRY DINNERS

Fish Fry Dinners every Friday through March 22 from 4 to 6:30 PM at the K. of C. Hall. Adults \$15, Youth to age 12 -\$12. Eat in or take out. Call 724-588-9911 to place take out orders.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Edward Calior, brother of Marguerite Scullin. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Date / Mass	Lector	Cantor	Accompanist	Altar Servers
Mar 2 / 4:30 PM	Russ Lauffer	Bob Hutchinson	Sharen & Jerry Seiple	Krystal M, Mason M., and Lily T.
Mar. 3/ 8:00 AM	George Soros	N/A	N/A	Waylon W., John & Gabe G.
Mar. 3/ 11:00 AM	Joe Presto	Kloe Soros	Lisa Demarest	Callie, Tucker & Liza S.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekday Masses Tues- Fri 9AM /First Sat 9AM
Saint Michael Church

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Saint Gregory of Narek
Dennis Durkos, Sr. (Patty & Mike Kennedy)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Theresa Sunseri (Joan & Eddie Pickens)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Jim Micsky, Sr. (Dan & Susan Wallace)

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Martha McCrillis (Doug & Janet Scott)

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

Josephine Fitch (John & Nancy Moroco, Jr.)

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

4:30 PM Saint Michael Church
For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY MARCH 3

8:00 AM Saint Margaret Mission
Sophie Micsky (Jim & Cindy Micsky)

11:00 AM Saint Michael Church
Dennis Durkos, Sr. (Family)

40 CLUB WINNERS-FEBRUARY 14

\$100- Ray Olsen; \$100- Dennis
McGranahan; \$50- Jennifer Ohl.

SANCTUARY CANDLES INTENTION & DONOR

Feb 15-29 Isaiah John Perry (Don & Maureen
St. Margaret Shine)

Feb 15-29 Jason Gill (Don & Maureen Shine)
St. Margaret

Mar 1-15 Jennifer Kerr (Aunt Carole)

Mar 1-15 Dolores Wertz & Sister Mary Jo Dolecki
(Eugene & Suzanne Dolecki)

February 25 **Faith Formation** Class: From 8:45 A.M. to
10:45 A.M. 9th & 10th Grade Confirmation Only! This is
your last class prior to Confirmation!

11th & 12th Grade Youth Group in the Large Meeting
Room of the Church from 12:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M.
Please bring your Bowling Night permission slips with
you along with your red journaling booklet.

FORTY CANS FOR LENT

The Knights of Columbus is conducting its annual Len-
ten canned food drive for the Good Shepherd Center
foodbank, "Forty Cans for Forty Days". Please consider
donating to this worthy cause as the needs in our com-
munity have increased. You may drop off your donation
in the gathering space at St. Michael's Church or St.
Margaret's.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Session 2 of *No Greater Love; A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion* covers Jesus' arrest and trial before the Sanhedrin. McElhinny Hall opens before 6 AM with the video starting at 6:15 AM. Join us Thursday morning as we discuss these events and how they apply to our lives today.

22:32 MEN'S CONFERENCE

The eleventh annual Catholic Men's Conference in Erie is scheduled for Saturday, March 2. The name "22:32 Men" is based on the theme of Luke 22:32: "*But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.*" The conference will be held at St Jude Parish, Erie from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. The program consists of two amazing speakers and Mass with Bishop Persico. The cost is \$20 per adult with a group of 8 or more, otherwise \$25 (high school and college students free). For more information or to register, visit www.2232Men.com Car pool from St. Michael's north parking lot will leave at 7:00 AM.

A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON

With now being firmly rooted in our Lent, I hope that you are coming up against challenges in the spiritual life. No, I don't mean that I hope you're suffering or struggling just because, but I do hope that you are so intent on amplifying and becoming far more intentional in your life with Christ that you realize that it takes a lot! As we heard last week in the Gospel, Our Lord went out into the desert and was among wild beasts. You and I are among the wild beasts as well. There are beasts of sloth, gluttony, lust, laziness, addictions, anger, hatred, imprudence, and so many more! We are chased and devoured by wild beasts as if we were being hunted by a ravenous hungry pack of wolves. There is no outrunning that pack - they will catch up to you and want nothing more than to rip you to shreds - that part we can't assuage. The wolves, the beasts, are hungry and they will come after prey like they came after Christ. Like Christ, though, we don't need to be ripped to shreds by those furious fangs and jowls. Like Christ, they don't have to touch us! That is what The Father wants to do for us: shield us from those wild beasts. He will hold and protect if we simply realize those wolves are not our friends or companions but flee from them! Yes, as we run, like wolves, they'll come barreling after us, but that is ok. It's OK because we're running into Our Father's arms, and nothing can harm us there. So, flee!

Fleeing from the wild beasts into the Arms of Our Father happens through that deliberateness in the spiritual and liturgical life. I would welcome you and ask you to consider incorporating daily Mass into your life to the extent that it is possible. I recognize that the time of Mass may not be best for those who work first shift, but if you work outside of Greenville, those towns have churches, too. For those who are retired or work non-traditional hours, I invite you to incorporate daily Mass into your daily routine here. Regardless of where you can make it work, there is simply nothing as therapeutic for the soul and nothing more powerful in helping you flee wild beasts than The Liturgy - The Eucharist! Hands down, if you want to transform your spiritual life, The Mass has no equal. Maybe you pick a day a week you go, you go every other day, you go the eighteenth each month...whatever you are able and willing to give to God, do! If you do that, you will enrage those beasts! You will see quite quickly they were never your friend, but always your foe. They never wanted to be your pet but wanted you for supper - in eternity! Daily Mass will change everything for you! It will make the work of the spiritual life infinitely easier and infinitely more difficult! It's a beautiful paradox that only those who take the spiritual life seriously can ever understand. I invite you into a deeper lived paradox by inviting more intentionality into your life with The Trinity. Through more deliberate prayer, through meaningful fasting, through daily solitude with The Trinity, through letting go of old identities and hurts, and through Mass as often as possible beyond the Sunday obligation. Again, your spiritual life and your relationship will simultaneously become easier and harder - but that is the tension we are created for in this life - that is life in the arena!

Just a quick note on the side-by-side raffle. We sold 2,889 tickets which brought in (net of credit card fees) \$50,649! The winner took the side-by-side. Thank you to all who poured so much of their time and energy into making this another successful year! I am hugely appreciative of their devotion to SMS and for all of you that supported the school through your participation in the raffle!

Love,
Fr. Brandon