# St. Michael Parish

Mass Schedule – St. Michael Saturday (Vigil) 4:30 p.m. Sunday 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Holy Day 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Mass Schedule - St. Margaret Sunday 9:00 a.m. Holy Day (Vigil) 6:30 p.m.

Week Day Mass ScheduleMondayNo MassTuesday, Wednesday & Friday9:00 a.m.Thursday6:30 p.m.1st Saturday Only9:00 a.m.Please refer to inside bulletin for any changes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. St. Michael's

Baptism: Make arrangements at church office.

Marriages: Make arrangements with Pastor at least six months prior.

Church Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.-12 and 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.



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St. Margaret Mission

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# **Catholic Community of Northern Mercer County**

# **TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5- WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Relatives and Friends of Tom & Shirley Patton (Tom & Shirley Patton)

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6-WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Frank & Freda Consiglio (Joe & Ann Marie Fry)

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7-WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Larry Eheman (Anniv.)Family

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8-NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Edward & Margaret Miloser (Susan & Wayne)

#### **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

4:30 P.M. Saint Michael Church: George Stubert (Sharon & Jerry Seiple)

#### SUNDAY, September 10:

- 7:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: For the People of the Parish
  9:00 A.M. Saint Margaret Mission:
  - Special Intention: Tom Patton's 90th Birthday
- 11:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Mary Banic Woodley (Robert & Deborah Woodley)

# <u>REST IN PEACE</u>

Please pray for the souls of Mary Jane Reinhart and Dolores Taylor who died this week. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

# STEWARDSHIP

Twenty-first Sunday Ordinary Time \$13,795.41

> CSA Pledged: \$130,525 Paid: \$100,065

Thank you for your generosity to the parish!

**St. Michael Church**: In memory of Rose Gessler(\$100). **St. Michael School:** In memory of John Ceremuga (\$90): In memory of Pam Cianci (\$100).

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sept. 4, 2023: Labor Day. Church is closed.
- Sept. 5, 2023: Franciscan H.S. Fraternity prays the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 P.M. in the Church.
- Sept. 6, 2023: Confession from 8:00 P.M. -8:30 P.M.
- Sept. 16, 2023: Shamrock Scramble

## <u>HELP PREGNANT WOMEN!</u>



"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you ..." ~ Jeremiah 1:5

Thousands of pregnant women in Pennsylvania could lose vital services, if the Governor goes forward with his plan to wipe out the Pregnancy & Parenting Support Services program, which is administered by Real Alternatives. Please act now to prevent this from happening!

□ Call the Governor's office at 717-787-2500 and let him know you stand with pregnant women and want Real Alternatives' contract to be renewed.

□ Go to www.paprolife.org to send an immediate message to your state Representative and state Senator respectfully asking them to ensure that Real Alternatives' contract is preserved.

□ Share our posts on Real Alternatives on Facebook, Twitter, Insta-gram, and LinkedIn.

 $\Box$  Pray that the Governor's decision will be reversed and pregnant women will receive the help they need.





4800 Jonestown Road, Ste. 102, Harrisburg, PA 17109 www.paprolife.org

## <u>A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON</u>

As the academic year is gearing up for everyone, and the summer recess has come to an end, it is also that time to begin thinking about RCIA. RCIA, or rather OCIA as the acronym has been changed, is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. The new acronym stands for Order of Christian Initiation for Adults. Truly, it doesn't matter what you call it, what matters is that it is the process for those who wish to come into the Catholic Church through either Baptism or through a Profession of Faith (for those already Baptized in a non-Catholic tradition) and then the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist which follow. I will be handling this process for those who wish to enter the Church this coming Easter. Running the RCIA was something I had done since my first year of priesthood and is something that I find a lot of joy in doing. What I love about the process is that you get to walk with men and women who are hungry to come into the true faith, which, as the Book of Jude says, was "once for all handed over to the saints". RCIA is not a class someone signs up for and a course that needs to be completed. Rather, RCIA is a time of feeding that hunger for the True Faith through participating in the life of the Church, in a maturing life of prayer, with study of the Word of God, and coming to greater clarity about the pillars of this Faith. At the heart of the RCIA process is the Sunday Liturgy. If someone is wanting to come into the Church and to one day partake of the Eucharist and find God in this faith Christ has handed on to us, then that person cannot honestly engage that process without a devotion to Sunday Mass. It is there that the rubber meets the road; it is in the Sunday Liturgy that the people experience Church! It is not some textbook, nor keeping up with the latest chatter on Catholic social media, but the Liturgy. The Liturgy is the greatest act that we do, and someone who desires to come into the Church needs to be engaged in the Liturgy. Therefore, the weekly Sunday Liturgy is the only true *requirement* for the RCIA process.

If you are someone interested, or if you know someone, who is just at least thinking about entering the Church, about beginning a life in this faith that Our Lord handed onto the saints, then please have them email me. Who can go through RCIA? Anyone who is unbaptized or baptized in a non-Catholic tradition (Protestant). Baptized Adult Catholics who have not received their Confirmation, can also reach out to me and we can get you Confirmed. Any children over the age of 8 can also go through an amended process and receive their Sacraments, too, at the Easter Vigil.

There is not a formal 'start date', and I would meet with people individually and based on their needs and speak to them where they are at. I would bring the group together from time to time before Easter, but week to week, it would be conversations about the faith, learning how to pray, answering questions, and preparing to enter this Great Mystery of God's Love for His children! If someone is going to go through the process, though, this year, I would like for them to begin by mid-October. Again, if you are someone or know someone who is at the very least interested, please have them reach out to me via email, the address is on the front of the bulletin.

Speaking of the bulletin, we are looking to create a simpler, more streamlined bulletin when our current contract ends at the end of September. I want to make something that is more customizable, something where we can be flexible week to week, and ultimately to only give you the essentials each week. There are a lot of pages in the bulletin, and some weeks we need that, others not, but we're locked into that template (that's just how bulletin printing companies do it to lock in the cheapest cost). So, a lot of that is back office talk, but just a heads up that it'll be a little bit of trial and error, but we will be making and customizing our own bulletin starting in October.

Love,

Fr. Brandon

# FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Faith Formation Office is open for the new year! Office hours are 9:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. If for any reason you need to contact the office after hours, please call Teia Barger at 724-718-2061.

#### **Scheduled Faith Formation Classes:**

September 10, 2023~ Opening day for Faith Formation! Kindergarten through 10<sup>th</sup> Grade: Students and parents will all meet in the church at 8:45 A.M. for Prayer, registration, introductions, and orientation. Students will be dismissed from the church to classes with their catechists and aides. Classes will end at 10:45 A.M.

#### Faith Formation Meetings or Events:

# Next Faith Experience Opportunities for 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students:

**September 5, 2023, at 3:00 P.M.-** Come to the church to join the Franciscans in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet for our Church & the world. This is every Tuesday at 3:00 P.M. all year round. It only takes about 15 minutes. It will always be available throughout the year so students can take advantage of this opportunity on any Tuesdays that fall on an early dismissal day or on a vacation day throughout the school year.

October 6, 2023, from 3:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. – First Friday Holy Hours- Please be sure to sign in on the Student Sign-in sheet not the Adult Sign-in Sheet.

#### **THOUGHTS TO PONDER**

Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in the way. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me."

#### **THOUGHTS FOR PARENTS**

"You duped me, O Lord, and I let myself be duped... everyone mocks me." (Jeremiah 20:7) Sometimes a parent may feel that society (even experts) give conflicting parenting advice. (Should I spank or not? When should a child get a cell phone?...) Children also fear their peers mocking them. When in doubt turn to your best instincts and prayer.

# **SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWS**



Registration is STILL open for the 2023-2024 School Year! Call for information: 724-588-7050 or scan to visit our website.



#### Tuition will be just \$10 a day for all students: PreK3 and PreK4 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade! This is <u>less</u> <u>than</u> HALF of tuition for the 2022-2023 school year!

\*\*SMS partners with all area public school districts to provide busing for our students!\*\*

#### **School Supplies**

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR PROFOUUND GENEROSITY!!

School supplies have been pouring in from you from our Amazon wish list and from the slips of supplies in the Gathering Space! The students will be so blessed by your magnanimity (awesome virtue!)! Please help us get the last of the supplies listed in the Gathering Space by the start of school: September 5.

<u>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/19D9L2EMIAYSG?</u> <u>ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_un\_un\_q6gctEasRnYk8</u> (This list can also be found on our school's website (<u>www.saintmichael1.org</u> – on a scrolling banner along the top). Thank you again so much in advance for your generosity!

#### THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you also to all of the volunteers who, this summer, weeded around the school and Lateran Hall, stripped and waxed the floors, ripped up carpet, cleaned, and moved the sun, the earth, the stars, and so much furniture! We can't wait to open our doors to students on September 5 and look forward to opening the school's and Lateran Hall's doors for all of you, our parishioners, to walk through and marvel at the work done to create beautiful spaces!

#### **First Day of School**

Our first day of school will be Tuesday, September 5! Please keep our teachers, students, and families in your prayers as we embark on a new and exciting year!

#### Save the Date!

Our Shamrock Scramble will take place on Saturday, September 16, at Pine Hill Golf Course. Start rounding up your team! Check out our website for all the details!

# <u>ST. MICHAEL FORTY CLUB</u> <u>109 Chances to Win Prizes totaling</u> <u>\$26,150</u>

The 2023-2024 tickets are available now! Ticket cost is \$100. There are 3 weekly winners for \$100, \$100 & \$50. There are 8 winning numbers drawn at Christmas and Easter week for \$500, \$250, \$125, \$75 (2 each prize). One SPECIAL drawing in October for people that have fully paid for their ticket. The final drawing is May 26, 2024 with 57 winners for a total cash prize of \$13,400. Only 600 tickets sold. Tickets still available. Please contact any seller listed below to purchase tickets :

Wes Bates @ 724 699-6255 Natalie Higbee @724-699-9021 Mark Holian @ 724-932-5937 Fran Krachkowski @ 724-588-3749 Roseanne McConnell @ 724-588-3254 Judy McKay @ 724-456-5654 Charles Stepp @724-588-2127

# 40 CLUB WINNERS AUGUST 23

\$100-Brian & Kathy Oros; \$100-Cody McLaird; \$50-Hal Hart.

# **SIDE BY SIDE RAFFLE**

This year's annual raffle to benefit St. Michael School is underway! The grand prize is a 2023 Polaris Ranger Crew XP 1000 Northstar Edition Ultimate Side by Side Utility vehicle OR \$20,000 cash. Tickets are \$20 or 3 for \$50 and the drawing is February 10, 2024.

We have a great opportunity to raise significant funds to benefit St. Michael School and Catholic Education. Last year was a huge success and with everyone's help we can do it again! We invite everyone to help by purchasing tickets, selling tickets to friends and family, volunteering to sell at an event in the community and or by overall promoting the Side By Side Raffle.

Tickets will be available this weekend after all Masses in the Gathering Space, as well as in the church and school offices. Please watch Flocknote for ways to volunteer to help or call Trichelle Eddy 724-456-7555 to volunteer.

# **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

If you would like to receive offertory envelopes please contact the office. The next quarterly set will be mailed in early October with envelopes that are dated beginning in November. Envelopes are not required to be credited for your gifts. Donors are credited with donations regardless whether the printed envelope is used. The deadline for changes for the next set is September. 10, 2023.



# <u>GOOD SHEPHERD</u> <u>SEPTEMBER REQUESTS</u>

The September requests are Pasta, Rice, or Dry Grains. Please drop off your donations directly at the Good Shepherd Food Pantry at 35 S. Water Street, Greenville. Gift cards

to Walmart and Sparkle Market are always welcome.

ST. MICHAEL PARISH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2023			
DATE/TIME	READER	CANTOR	ACCOMPANISTS
9/09 at 4:30 PM	Tyler Smart	Mary Smart	Lisa Demarest
9/10 at 7 AM	Bea DeCiancio	N/A	N/A
9/10 at 9 AM St. Margaret's	Mark Holian	Lisa Demarest	Sharen Seiple
9/10 at 11 AM	Susan Wallace	Bruce Turcic	Lisa Demarest

# ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 9-10

- Sat 4:30pm Kyle Barger, Maggie Leskovac, Mason McEwen
- Sun 9am John Graham, Gabe Graham, Avery Waite
- Sun 11am Ava Murcko, Sophia Murcko, Lily Thomas

# **ADULT BIBLE STUDY SERIES**

"Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life" is a video study in a total of 10 sessions. We will do 5 in the fall and 5 after Christmas. Study will be offered in person and via Zoom.

Dates/Times Tuesdays 6:30-8:00PM St Michael Church Large Meeting Room and Zoom

Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2023 Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2024

Study materials cost \$29.95 per person and includes workbook, book, Jesus Timeline Chart, Online Video Access (1 year), Online Workbook. Materials will be paid for by St Michael Parish

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 8, 2023. Register by joining the group in Flocknote or contact Deacon Frank.

# **TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

# SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

# **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Staff Sgt. Steven Mortimer, Army, Middle East CDR Kari (Szewczyk) Cummins, USN, Norfolk, VA Col. Raymond Millero, Jr., USAF, Las Vegas, NE MSgt. Matthew Mong, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ MSqt. Sara Knight Mong, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ Major Paul Ochs, Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, NM SSgt. Andrew L. Gilmore Major Dustin Knaus, Army, Vandenberg AF Base, CA Major Samuel Burns, Army, Kansas Staff Sqt. Jason Morgan, 101st Airborne, Ft Hood. TX Major James Stubert, US Army, Pentagon Specialist Shelby McElhinny, US Army Reserve, Fairview 2nd Lt Jeremy Fowler, Fort Bragg, NC ITC (SEL) David C. Thomas, USN, Naples, Italy Captain David Ochs, Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, NM Master Sgt. George Madrid, Japan Lieutenant Colonel David Zgonc, Los Angeles, CA 1st Lt Orrin C. Suich, Army, 82nd Airborne, Fort Bragg Capt. Sebastian Coburn, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, Japan Ensign Kiernan Coburn, USS John McCain, Everett, WA Ensign Xavier Coburn, Norfolk, VA Investigation Specialist Maison R. Millero, US Army, Military Police, Fort Drum, NY Carl S. Ditty, E7, Air Force, Spokane WA 2nd Lt. Daniel Walton, Fort Rucker, AL Petty Officer 2nd Class Jeffrey Allen, US Navy, San Diego Master Sqt. Douglas Kost, Air Force, San Antonio, TX Master Sqt. Jennifer Sloan Kost, Air Force San Antonio, TX A1C Ashley Curtician, USAF, Eielson AFB, Alaska Airman 1st Class Mason Nathanael Tyree, MacDill AFB, FL

#### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### September 3, 2023

"...Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself"

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Matthew 16:24

Please pray for the sick of our parish and for the families of our parishioners: Mary Jo Lipani, Paul Szallar, Marcy Beckman, Erik Kurelko, Larry Anderson, Jameson Stepp, Danielle Parks, Connor Pressler, Tricia Allen, Kimberly Hopf, Rita Stell, Patrick Calvin, Piper Farr, Kim Shellhamer, Antonia Patton, Kathy Boyer, Candace McKee, Stacey Moats, James Power, Debbie Dart, Kathy Hilton, Dana Edwards, Chuck North, Pete Leskovac, Kevin McCann, Carol Mick, Mercedes Zemeki, Jean Lesko, Mitchell Johnston, Tom Pektas, Tony Guy, Cindy Beagley, Deane DeCiancio, Peggy Mansfield, Theresa Rufener, Marsha Quarles, Janet Collins, Johanne Slattery, Matt & Lauren Urey, John Shelhamer, Jessica King, Daniel Santilli, Jerry Dull, Caiden McKee, Raylene Selnekovic, D. J. Sheridan, Ron Kuhn, John McElhinny, J. P. Morgan, Liz Kuhn, Lee Ann Soltis, Dennis Durkos, Gordon Frissora, Lynette Hendrickson, Tom Duda, Herb Fischer, Mike Jellots, Pat Bator, Sonya Stepp, John & LuAnn Miller, Rachel Lang, Irene Neustupa, Jack Kalchthaler, Kristi Kirkner, Jodi Lewis, Charles Gaus, George Johnston, Jim Micsky Sr., Jay Pacansky, Bill Kerpan, Donald Shine, Tim Edwards, Marion Krieder, Tom Kysor, Carol Moore, Steve Kenworthy, Paul Delgros, Patty Jo Uplinger, Carmel Longiotti, Chuck and Renata Toth, Bernard Barbarossa, Stephanie Smith, Mary Alice Walsh, Susan Reda, Jim Berger, Corrine Miller, Dawn DeTullio Rollins, Dave Sweeny, Nancy Micsky, Joe Korcinski, Janice Uzarski, Judy Leskovac, Joseph Fry, Sheryl Presto, Duke, Paul Knapp, Debbie Chess, Sherry Swartz, Tracel Pickens, Sally Prezioso, George Johnston, Haley Popovitch, Shawn Getty, Mary Ellen Zahniser, Dianne Ross, Dorothea Resek.

### <u>SANCTUARY CANDLES</u> <u>DATE</u><u>INTENTION & DONOR</u>

Sept 1-15 St. Margaret	Helen Meehan (Family)	
Sept 1-15	David Muscarella Sr. & David Muscarella Jr.(Mert Muscarella Family)	
Sept 1-15	Isiah John Perry (Noni & Bop)	
Sept 16-30	Jerome Lipani (Mary Jo)	
Sept 16-30	Deceased Family Members (Gail Naab)	

<b>NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION</b> Please fill out this form and return to the rectory or drop it in the collection basket at mass.			
NAME			
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE ZIP		
PHONE NUMBER	UNLISTED YES / NO Today's Date		







