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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Catholic Community of Northern Mercer County

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



TUESDAY, MAY 23-EASTER WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Deceased members of St. Michael's School Class of 1960 (Friend)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24-EASTER WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church Franco Luciani (Tony)

THURSDAY, MAY 25-SAINT BEDE the VENER-ABLE, SAINT GREGORY VII, SAINT MARY MAGDALENE de'PAZZI

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Ruby Lindey (Friends)

FRIDAY, MAY 26-EASTER WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Pam Cianci (M/M Joseph Krachkowski)

EIGHTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, May 27 Saint Michael Church: 4:30 P.M. Norb & Mary Mechenbier (Family)

SUNDAY. May 28

7:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: For the People of the Parish 9:00 A.M. Saint Margaret Mission: Raymond Killeen (Kathleen Killeen) 11:00 A.M. Saint Michael Church: Nicholas Maietta (Family)

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the respose of the souls of Charles Galus and Sarah Deitz, SMS Class of 1954. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

THANK YOU

Thank you for helping me celebrate the 53rd anniversary of my ordination. I appreciate the cake, cards and best wishes. What nice timing to be able to celebrate fifty three years as a Please note that information for the June 4th bulletin must priest celebrating Mass where I celebrated my first Mass at St. Michael, my home parish. Fr. Rav

TREASURE [MAY 14. 2023] Annual Offertory Budget

Annual Budget	\$ 546,000.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 10,500.00

Received through May 14, 2023

Total Offertory	\$ 12,312.00
Year to Date Budget	\$ 483,000.00
Year to Date Actual	\$ 506,826.15

We are **\$23,826.15** AHEAD of our Offertory Year-to-Date Budget

Second/Designated Collections: \$ 1.906.00

Saint Michael Church: In memory of Josephine Armstrong (\$50).

2023 CSA

OVERALL GOAL: \$122,319 DIOCESAN GOAL \$82,319

PARISH GOALS \$20,000 ROOF REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE \$10,000 FEE-FREE FAITH FORMATION \$10,000 SCHOOL '13TH MONTH' SUBSIDY

> Pledged: \$121,705 Paid: \$70,885 Pledges: 154

Thank you for the beauty of your faith and your conviction in the Mission of the Church!

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 23, 2023: Franciscan H.S. Fraternity prays the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 P.M. in the Church. May 24, 2023: Pope Benedict Encyclical Study 10:00 A.M. May 25, 2023: Pope Benedict Encyclical Study 7:00 P.M. May 27, 2023: Placing of Flags on Veterans Graves at 8:00 A.M. in the cemetery. May 28, 2023: 40 Club Dinner at 6:00 P.M. at K. of C. May 29, 2023: Memorial Day. Offices are closed. June 2, 2023: First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 9:00 A.M. Mass.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

be submitted by May 29. Information may be emailed to "stmichaelsecretary20@ gmail.com" or dropped off to the office by May 26 by end of the day.

A WORD FROM FR. BRANDON

This Sunday, the Seventh Sunday of Easter, is a rare celebration within the American Church. Only Dioceses in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maine, Massachusetts, Vermont, Nebraska, and Pennsylvania celebrate Ascension on Thursday (of this past week). Everywhere else in the United States, the Solemnity is transferred to this Sunday, and thus they do not celebrate a 7th Sunday of Easter. Why is this? Well, it comes down to the authority of the bishops of each 'region' to determine their Holy Days of Obligation. We are part of what is called Region III, which is composed of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and this Region has decided to keep Ascension on a Thursday, therefore keeping it's Holy Day status and preserving the 7th Sunday of Easter. If you found yourself in Miami, for instance, this past Thursday you would have not been able to get to an Ascension Mass, nor were you obligated to. You are obligated to observe local law, so since it wasn't a Holy Day in Miami, you were free to stay on the beach! I'm not sure if it's true or not, but I've heard it said that the Diocese of Rome celebrates it on Sunday, while the Vatican celebrates it on Thursday! So, you could stand with one foot in Rome and another in the Vatican, and be subject to both...or neither law! I don't know how that works!

It is a shame that most American Catholics do not celebrate this Sunday because it is the only Sunday of the Church year where we read from John 17, Our Lord's High Priestly Prayer. This Gospel is broken up into three parts and read over the course of the three Liturgical Years: A, B, & C. This is the longest prayer of Our Lord recorded in the pages of Scripture, as well as, I feel, the most intimate and personal of all His recorded words. This prayer, amid the Last Supper Discourse, is directed to His Father, and expresses, in delicate detail, The Son's Love for both His Father and the Apostles – His friends. This prayer reveals to us a nature of prayer that we all need to interiorize and make our own: prayer cannot be mere recitation, but personally conversive and intimately attentive. The desires Our Lord's Heart are raw, real, and open in the lines of this prayer; the text is almost dripping with tears. The immensity of His Passion is upon Him, the weight of the cross already beginning to weigh down His sacred body. Under that weight, though, and the blend of emotion threshing through His veins, the words of this prayer is His lasting testimony and glimpse into what we are to become. We are to become both people of loving relationships & Beloved Sons & Daughters of our Heavenly Father. Neither of these are accomplished through mere recitation of memorized lines, nor though the intellectual ascent of a set of ideas. This is only accomplished through encountering a person, an event, which gives life a whole new direction and purpose. This person is Christ who shows us the Father and who sends us the Advocate. If we are not in love and falling in love, we are not Christians, rather we have Christian ideas we ascent to. The High Priestly Prayer of Christ, we see, is a template for our life of prayer. Prayer can contain recitation of words, like the Divine Mercy Chaplet, but if that is the only prayer we engage in, we are just devotional, we're not prayerful. There is a subtle, yet profound, change that occurs in the heart of someone who leaves the exclusivity of devotional prayer and immerses themselves in the Divine Intimacy of something wholly their own! Let this prayer be for you a model and an invitation for exposing the deepest yearnings and desires of your heart before the glory of God! Devotions are fundamental to our Catholic spiritual experience, but they do not and cannot take the place of true relational and contemplative prayer. It's not about one or the other, it's about relationship which we can experience in devotional prayers but are not replacements for contemplative relational prayer.

If you haven't planned to, I recommend that you plan to come to the next two weeks of our conversation on Pope Benedict's Encyclical *Deus Caritas Est*, God is Love. I think it is a foundational and game changing contribution to the faith of the individual who seeks and desires that contemplative and intimate posture of prayer. Wednesday morning at 10 or Thursday evening at 7, for the next two weeks, come and let's chat about Love!

I want to also highlight that Wednesday evening at 6PM, there will be an all-hands-on deck brainstorming meeting in Lateran Hall to discuss how we can work together to freshen it up before next school year. The hall is getting tired inside and our students deserve to eat and play in a fresher environment. Without doing a total reno or going crazy, we simply want to see what resources we can pull together and help we have so we can get it looking better by next year.

Love, Fr Brandon

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Scheduled Faith Formation Classes:

Students in Kindergarten through 7th grade please complete the Pflaum Gospel Weeklies you brought home from your last class and return to the Faith Formation Office to receive class credit! They are due by the date, May 26, 2023, of all Pre- Registration. Thank you and have a very Blessed Summer! See you September 10, 2023!

Faith Formation Meetings or Events: Confirmation Class of 2023: May 21, 2023, following 11:00 A.M. Mass will meet in the large meeting room for a social!

Confirmation Class of 2024:

May 21, 2023, will meet at St. Margaret's Church at 12:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. for a Social Event. Please RSVP in Flocknote for food and snacks!

Next Church Service Hour Opportunity & Faith Experience Opportunity for 2022/2023 7th, 8th, & 9thGrade Confirmation Students:

May 23, 2023, at 3:00 P.M.- Faith Experience Op-

portunity. 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.

May 27, 2023 at 8:00 A.M.: Placing American Flags in the Cemetery for Veteran's Graves.

June 2, 2023, from 3:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. – First Friday Holy Hours- Will be counted as <u>Faith Experi-</u> <u>ence Opportunity for 7th-9th Grade!</u> - 7th through 9th Graders will need at least 2 hours of this each year till you are confirmed! *First Friday Holy Hours* will count as one of these. Please be sure to sign in on the Student Sign-in sheet not the Adult Sign-in Sheet.

<u>Congratulations to the Children listed below</u> <u>who received the Sacrament of First Holy Com-</u> <u>munion on Saturday May 6, 2023, at our 4:30</u> <u>P.M. Mass</u>.

St. Michael Faith Formation Class: Caleb Adsit, Madison Alexander, Ansel Hall, Mary O'Hara, Jacqueline Sepos, and Liza Straub. **St. Michael School Student:** Siena Petroski

SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWS



Registration is now OPEN for the 2023-2024 School Year! Call for information: 724-588-7050.



Tuition will be just \$10 a day for all students: PreK3 and PreK4 through 8th Grade! This is <u>less 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!

Let's Fix Up Lateran Hall!

Our students use Lateran Hall on a daily basis and have for years. It is a well-loved, well-used building, and it is showing its age! Please help us to plan how we can best illuminate, brighten, and paint this building for our children. Meet us on Wednesday, May 24, at 6pm in Lateran Hall to discuss sprucing up the space! Thank you in advance!

PreK and Kindergarten Graduation

Our PreK and Kindergarten students will be graduating on Wednesday, <u>May 31</u>, at 12:30pm at Lateran Hall. Led by Mr. Neral, Mrs. Dorio, and Ms. G., the ceremony will include prayers and songs by the students, a tribute to longtime PreK teacher, Pam Cianci, and cookie and punch refreshments. Please join us to congratulate our youngest SMS Irish!

Last Day of School!

It will be here before we know it! Our last day of school for the 2022-2023 school year will be Thursday, June 1! PreK will have their own festivities in the PreK rooms. Students in K-7th Grade will attend and participate in one final 9am school Mass, to which you are all invited. At 10:30am in Lateran Hall, you are also invited to our Awards Ceremony. Following the Awards Ceremony, we will ring in the 2023 SUMMER BREAK with a NOON Dismissal. There will be NO SAFE on the last day of school.

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

The 40 Club year is coming to a close. Reminder to 2022-2023 ticket holders of the closing dinner and BIG drawing. The **closing dinner is on May 28, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. at** the K. of C. at 170 Clarksville Rd., Greenville. If you have a question about the event contact your ticket seller.

Wes Bates @ 724 699-6255 Walter Beh @724-588-3108 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-MAY 10

\$100-Ron Veado; \$100-Ed Hatton; \$50-Bonnie Barbarrossa.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A CONCERT

The choral group ILLUMINARE will be performing at Holy Trinity on Sunday, June 4, at 4 p.m., presenting "Shall We Gather," a concert of a cappella sacred choral music The concert will include chant as well as works by Palestrina, Allegri, Poulenc, Jenkins, Tavener, Todd and others. A freewill offering will be received to benefit the ensemble.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES WITH BISHOP PERSICO

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in **2023** will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

Sunday, August 6 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 20 at Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Punxsutawney at 2:00 p.m.

Couples and/or Parish staff may complete a registration form online at http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ anniv.html, calling their parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for Erie celebrations and until August 4 for Punxsutawney celebrations.

GOOD SHEPHERD MAY REQUESTS



The May requests are peanut butter and breakfast foods. 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 MAY 27-28, 2023			
DATE/TIME	READER	CANTOR	ACCOMPANISTS
5/27 at 4:30 PM	Charlie Demarest	Kathy Williams	Lisa Demarest
5/28 at 7 AM	George Soros	N/A	N/A
5/28 at 9 AM At St. Margaret's	Robert Moore	Anne Liszka	Lisa Demarest
5/28 at 11 AM	Brenda DelMaramo	Kloe Soros	Natalie Serrano

ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The Knights of Columbus distributed Baby Bottles to parishioners after all Masses at St. Michael & St. Margaret on Mothers: Day. This annual campaign helps fund the many "Culture of Life Programs" that are supported by the J. J. Fitzmartin Council 1446 and Assembly 967. Including "The Willow Women's Center" in Transfer



and "Williams' House" here in Greenville. The bottles should be returned on Father's Day, June 19. We thank you in advance for your continued support of this fundraiser.

RELICS VISITING THE DIOCESE OF ERIE

The only touring relic of Blessed Carlo, as well as a relic of St. Manuel Gonzalez Garcia — known as the Bishop of the Abandoned Tabernacle — will be available for public veneration at several locations around the Diocese of Erie beginning May 23. Please visit <u>www.eriercd.org/relics.html</u> to find the schedule as well as information about both men and insight into venerating relics.

INTERNATIONAL NEEDS COLLECTION

The annual Collection for International Needs, to be taken up in the Diocese of Erie this weekend May 20-21, offers a concrete way for us to reach out to those who live in distant lands. It is actually a combination of three national collections, Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Catholic Relief Services, and the Church in Africa. Please be as generous as possible.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Staff Sqt. Steven Mortimer, Army, Fort Drum, New York Cdr. Kari (Szewczyk) Cummins, USN, TACRON22/USS Kearsarge, Norfolk, VA Col. Raymond Millero, Jr., USAF, Las Vegas, NE MSgt. Matthew Mong, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ MSgt. 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 Captain 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 Sqt. George Madrid, Japan Major 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 Petty Officer 3rd Class, Kyle Moore, Pentagon Airman 1st Class Mason Nathanael Tyree, MacDill AFB, FL

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 21, 2023

"I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice."

John 14:18

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, Kathy Larkin, Kim Shellhamer, Antonia Patton, Kathy Boyer, Candace McKee, Stacey Moats, James Power, Debbie Dart, Kathy Hilton, Dana Edwards, Jim Ruffing, Chuck North, Leroy Burns, 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, Betty McCorkle Wasser, 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, John Ceremuga, Jim Berger, Corrine Miller, Dawn DeTullio Rollins, Dave Sweeny, Nancy Micsky, Joe Korcinski, Janice Uzarski, Bill Micsky, Judy Leskovac, Joseph Fry, Sheryl Presto, Duke, Paul Knapp, Debbie Chess, Sherry Swartz.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

<u>DATE</u>	INTENTION & DONOR
May 16-31 St. Margaret	Prayers to St. Anthony (Vassilicos)
Jun. 1-15	Michael Dutko (Carole Langiotti)
Jun. 16-30	William G Millward, Jr. Both Candles (Durkos & Millward Families)
July 1-15	Pam Cianci (The Voettiners)
	CANDLE OPENINGS IN JUNE AND TH LOCATIONS, Donation is \$10

	EW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION ND RETURN TO THE RECTORY OR DROP IT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET AT MASS.
VAME	ND KETOKN TO THE RECTORT OR DROF IT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET AT MASS.
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