

Anointing of the Sick

Through this sacrament the believer is strengthened by Christ's grace through the anointing of Holy Oils. All who are seriously ill, hospitalized, or having surgery can receive this sacrament. Please contact the parish office if you wish to receive this sacrament.

Baptism

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated by appointment. All parents must attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the Baptism. Please call the office to schedule dates.

Matrimony

A meeting with the parish priest should precede all other wedding plans. Couples contemplating matrimony should contact the parish office six months to a year before the celebration of the sacrament.

Reconciliation

Sat: 3:15 - 3:45 pm St. Michael Wed: 6:15 - 6:50 pm St. Michael (also available by appointment)

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed: 6:00 pm, St. Michael's Church following 5:30 pm Mass Benediction at 7:00 pm First Friday: Adoration after 7 am Mass until 7 pm, St. Michael's Church

First Fridays

To all elderly and homebound, if you would like a visit from Father Joe on First Friday, please contact the Parish Office and let us know the month before.

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(Religious education classes held during the school year) Sun: 8:15 am St. Michael hall 10:00 am St. John Nepomucene hall

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

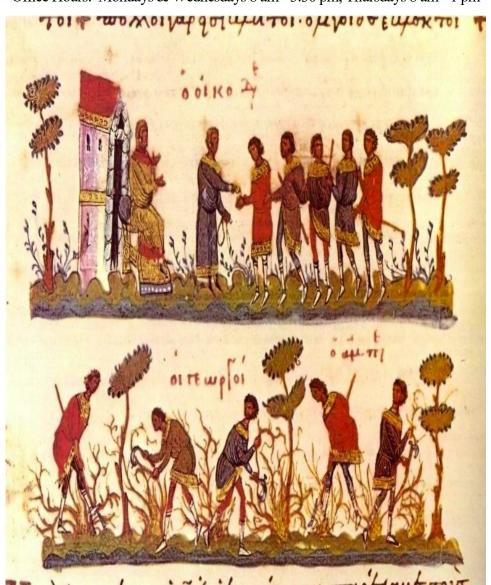
Saint Michael's Parish, September 20, 2020

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ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"As members of the parish community of Saint Michael, Saint John and Saint Aloysius, we are rooted in a relationship with Jesus Christ passed on to our Holy Father and in communion with our Bishop. We joyfully proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and his real presence in the Eucharist. We serve the Lord through acts of faith, hope and charity by the graces given through the Sacraments. It is our intention to carry out this mission so that we may be the face of Jesus Christ in the world."

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 19

Weekday

Vigil for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm, Canton † Evelyn Terry (Chick & Leslie Debach)

Sunday, Sept 20 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo 9:30 am, Canton † Joanne & Bob Strozyk (Pat Pepper)

11:15 am, Troy † Joe Szczech (Don & Louise Wilber)

Monday, September 21 SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

7:00 am, Canton † Marie O'Hara (The Lunch Bunch)

Tuesday, September 22

Weekday

5:30 pm, Troy † Lefty & Barbara Shanley (Denise Ives)

Wednesday, Sept 23 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest 5:30 pm, Canton † Evelyn Terry (Bob & Diane Jones)

Thursday, September 24

Weekday

No Mass

Friday, September 25

Weekday

7:00 am, Canton † Veronica Zarzycki (Dawn Manley)

Saturday, September 26

Weekday

Vigil for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm, Canton † Stephen O'Kula (Sheila Wilson)

Sunday, Sept 27 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Evelyn Terry

(Alden & Rosemary Fitzwater)

11:15 am, Troy † Joseph Szczech

(Barbara Szczech and Tim & Leona Bell)



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week in memory of Alan Kelley by his family.

Sanctuary lamp intentions may be requested by contacting the parish office.

SEPTEMBER 21 - 26 READINGS

Mon - Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-12

Tues - Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44

Lk 8:19-21

Wed - Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163

Lk 9:1-6

Thurs - Eccl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc Lk 9:7-9

Fri - Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9:18-22

Sat - Eccl 11:9—12:8 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17

Lk 9:43b-45

Sun - Ez 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32

EMPCC BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center Baby Bottle Campaign ended September 13th. Please return your bottle to the same place you picked it up. Thank you for your generosity to this worthy cause.



FROM FATHER JOE'S DESK

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC, OR REFRESHING YOUR MEMORY? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(RCIA) is the way for non-Catholics to enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church and for Catholics who have not been fully initiated to receive Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. If you or any one you know is interested in becoming Catholic, RCIA is for you. For Catholics who would like a "refresher" on their faith, this is also an excellent continuing education opportunity. For more information or to register for classes, please contact Father Joe at 570-673-5253. The first session will be on Monday, October 5th at 7 pm in the rectory.



We are in need of additional catechists in Saint Michael's Church. Classes meet on Sundays from 8:15 am until 9:15 am. The curriculum provides plenty of information and assistance, so no special teaching training is required. A heart for passing the faith on to the next generation is essential. We will assist you with completing Security clearance applications and Safe Environment training. This is a wonderful and fulfilling ministry. Please see Father Joe, Trina Beers, or call the parish office if you feel called to this ministry.

Enrollment is underway for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Program. The Diocese of Scranton has developed an online learning platform that we will be participating in to provide both wonderful formation materials and flexibility for our families. FaithAlive! provides access to all of our regular materials as well as additional activities and formation opportunities for the entire family.

In-person learning will begin in October to allow families time to adapt to the changes in the schools. More information will be coming soon, so watch your email and your bulletin!

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

Weekly Offerings:\$1,992.00Electronic Offerings:445.00Bulletin ad renewals:600.00Other Parish Income:151.00

Total Parish Income: \$3,188.00 Average weekly expenses: 3,762.36

Difference: (574.36)

Pontifical Good Friday: 214.00 Care & Education of Priests: 55.00

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time.



POPE QUOTE: "How much suffering, how many wounds, how many wars could be avoided if forgiveness and mercy were the style of our life!"

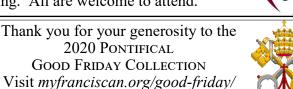
POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION

SEPTEMBER: RESPECT FOR THE PLANET'S RESOURCES: We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A SPECIAL PRO-LIFE TOWN HALL

Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation Executive Director Michael Ciccocioppo and Education Director Bonnie Finnerty will be in our area on their statewide Pro-Life Town Hall Tour to share the most up-to-date information on a variety of pro-life topics and to answer questions about current efforts to bring about a culture of life in our state and the nation. The event, sponsored by Pennsylvanians for Human Life Bradford County and the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation, will be held on Thursday, September 24 at 7 p.m. at The American Legion, 912 S. Main St., Towanda, PA. No advance registration is required for this free event. For more information, contact Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872 or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com.

Sunday, October 4, 2020 Beginning at 2 PM (for 60 to 90 minutes depending on the location). Join the **National Life Chain** in Athens, Canton, Dushore, Meshoppen, Nichols, Towanda and Wyalusing. All are welcome to attend.





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for more info.

for God's peace and blessing surrounding the coming election.



ANNUAL FRUIT PIE SALES

Attention all bakers! Time for our annual fruit pie sale! The Pumpkin Festival is scheduled for October 3rd & 4th at the Firemen's Field in Canton. Don't think you're locked in to apple pies, people love

you're locked in to apple pies, people love the fun and unusual flavors, so let your creativity flow! Pie tins and boxes are available for pickup in all three churches.

Pie drop-off will be on Friday, October 2nd in Saint John's Church hall from 9 am until 4:30 pm and in Saint Michael's Church hall from 10 am until 6 pm. *Please print the pie flavor neatly on the post-it note on the box.*

You can volunteer to work the booth on the sign—up sheet in the back of St. Michael's Church, or call the rectory during office hours to see what times are still open.

This fundraiser has been very helpful to the fiscal health of our parish. This year it is especially important. Your help is needed to continue that tradition.

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551).

Sun	MON	Tue	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
Pray the Joyful Mysteries 20	Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries 21	Pray the Glorious Mysteries 22	Pray the Joyful Mysteries 23	Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries 24	Pray the Glorious Mysteries 25	Pray the Joyful Mysteries 26	
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St. Michael's Altar & Rosary Society is open to all women of

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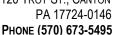
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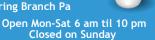


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