

MAY 9, 2021



# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ST. MICHAEL

## CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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### 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.

### Confessions

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

### 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.

### 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.

### C.C.D. (2020/21 - virtual classes)

(Religious education classes  
held during the school year)

Sun: 8:15 am St. Michael hall

10:00 am St. John Nepomucene hall

## Happy Mother's Day

M... is for the million things she gave me,  
O... means only that she's growing old,  
T... is for the tears she shed to save me,  
H... is for her heart of purest gold  
E... is for her eyes, with love-light shining,  
R... means right, and right she'll always be.



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Donna Wolf, Anna Bradford-youth representative*

### 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, May 8** Easter Weekday

Vigil - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

**Sunday, May 9** SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 am, Ralston † Mother's Day Intentions

9:30 am, Canton † Mother's Day Intentions

11:15 am, Troy † Mother's Day Intentions

**Monday, May 10** Easter Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Bonnie Spencer (Dawn Manley)

**Tuesday, May 11** Easter Weekday

5:30 pm, Troy † Dr. Charles Driscoll

**Wednesday, May 12** Easter Weekday

VIGIL: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

5:30 pm, Canton † Bonnie Spencer (Jean & Mike Herman)

**Thursday, May 13** THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

7:00 am, Canton † Edward Powers (St. Michael's A&R)

6:00 pm, Troy † Bruno Najaka

**Friday, May 14** Saint Matthias, Apostle

No Mass

**Saturday, May 15** Easter Weekday

Vigil - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

**Sunday, May 16** SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 am, Ralston † Carol Asbury (Dan & Betsy Clark)

9:30 am, Canton † Judy Callahan

(The Jerome Wynne Family)

11:15 am, Troy † Florence DePalma (Jayne Cleveland)



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week for all mothers to be encouraged and supported as they live out this special vocation.

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

## SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Allura Booker, Tom Ambruch,  
Betty Brown, Carol Davis, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck,  
Becky Evans, Douglas Greene, Melissa Gowan,  
Susan Hagemayerr, Robert Dale Hostetter,  
Karleigh Jones, Wanda Jones, Chris Kopaczewski,  
Ben Kopetan, Sherry Lambert, Ralph Lepper,  
Lanny Lutz, Creighton MacGill, Patti Madigan-Pessoni,  
Richard Margeson, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse,  
Marie Miele, Bernadette Moore, Cathy Ostaszewski,  
Debbie Pawlak, Pauline Pazzaglia, Ronald Rudnicki,  
Jody Schefsky, Mike Slocum, Andrea Smith,  
Sadie Smith, Rich Stankiewicz, Cassie Twist,  
Wanda Wennerholt, Steven Wilber, Anthony Wolf,  
Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf, Barb Yanak

*Contact the parish office to add a name to the prayer list.  
Names remain on the list for 3 months per request.*

*Please Pray for*

**Laurel Pepper**

and

**Trinity Roupp**

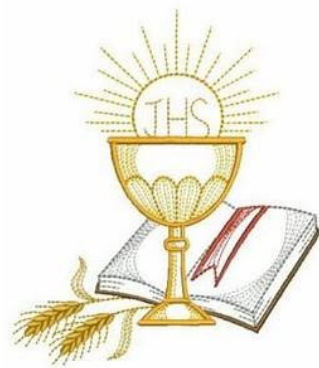
who will receive their

**First Holy Communion**

during the 9:30 and 11:15

Masses, respectfully, on

Sunday, May 16th.



## ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

SENIOR MASS AND BREAKFAST

Planning is underway for the Senior Mass and Breakfast on Sunday, June 6th in Saint Michael Church.

We're looking for parishioners who will be graduating from either high school or college in 2021. Please contact the parish office with their name and contact information.

**2021**

## OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The nominating committee is accepting nominations for officers for the two year term (2021-2022). We regret to announce that Dorothy Hopkins is retiring after 8 years of service as Treasurer. If you would like to be nominated or would like to nominate someone else, please call Rosemary Fitzwater at 673-5877 or Sharon Mulno at 673-5857 within the next several weeks.

## MAY 10 - 16, 2021 READINGS

**Mon** - Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tues** - Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11

**Wed** - Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-14

Jn 16:12-15

**Thurs** - Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23

Mk 16:15-20

**Fri** - Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-8 Jn 15:9-17

**Sat** - Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-10 Jn 16:23b-28

**Sun** - Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26

Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 1 Jn 4:11-16 Jn 17:11b-19

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The parish is switching our offertory envelope supplier to Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) beginning with the July & August envelopes. If you would like any changes to your name or address, write them on your current envelope.

## SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS

APRIL 26 - MAY 3, 2021

Weekly Offerings: 1,991.00

Electronic Offerings: 1,475.00

Other Parish Income: 237.90

Total Parish Income: \$3,703.90

Average weekly expenses: 3,762.36

Difference: (58.46)

Care & Education of Priests: 247.00

Catholic Home Missions Appeal: 100.00

*Thank you for your continued support.*







**POPE QUOTE:** "The saints show us that we can praise God always, in good times and in bad, because He is the faithful friend, and his love never fails."

**POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION:**

**MAY: THE WORLD OF FINANCE:** Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**CONFIRMATION**

Saint Michael Parish will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on May 23rd, Pentecost Sunday, at the 9:30 am Mass. We warmly welcome everyone to attend and witness this beautiful sacrament. Please pray for :

Michael William Beers

Isabel Julia Schoonover

Levi Ray Seymour

Marlee Elizabeth Stanton

as they complete their final preparations for full initiation into the Catholic Church.



**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN 2021**

EVERY LIFE IS PRECIOUS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL

**SANCTITY:** The condition of being holy... deserving great respect. The quality or state of being sacred, secure from destruction, violence, infringement, or desecration.

*You formed my inmost being;  
you knit me in my mother's womb.*

*I praise you, because I am wonderfully made;  
wonderful are your works!*

*My very self you know.*

*My bones are not hidden from you,  
When I was being made in secret,  
fashioned in the depths of the earth.*



Psalm 139: 13-15

"Wonderfully Made"

Baby Bottle Campaign 2021

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Sayre – 570-886-2090



**NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS**

The Knights of Columbus have resumed meeting in person! Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:15 pm in St. Michael's hall. If your schedule allows, consider coming early to spend a few minutes in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Holy Hour follows the 5:30 pm daily Mass and ends at 7:00 pm.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTIONS are continuing in all three churches until further notice. Local pantries are in great need due to the pandemic and are extremely grateful for your continuing generous support. Donations of nonperishable food items, paper products, personal hygiene items, or gift cards to local stores are greatly appreciated.



**FOOD  
DRIVE**

**SAINT MICHAEL'S CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**

Please remove winter decorations from cemetery grounds. Thank you.



*Annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass*

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2021 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 6 at the Cathedral of St. Peter. The Mass will begin at 2:30, and attendance will require advance reservation.

To register for the celebration, go to:

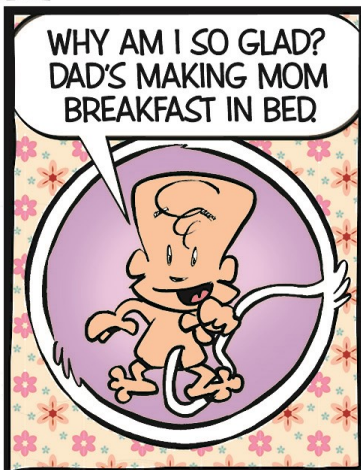
<https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/>

For questions or concerns, or if there are issues registering online, please reach out to Jen Housel, Director for Community and Family Development.

(jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org, 570-207-2213 x 1104)

**Umbert the Unborn**

by Gary Cangemi





### Knights of Columbus Council #5517

Looking for new members.  
See Dates to Remember for  
next meeting date,  
time & location.

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come new members.

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