OCTOBER 31, 2021



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31ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 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.

<u>Baptism</u>

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

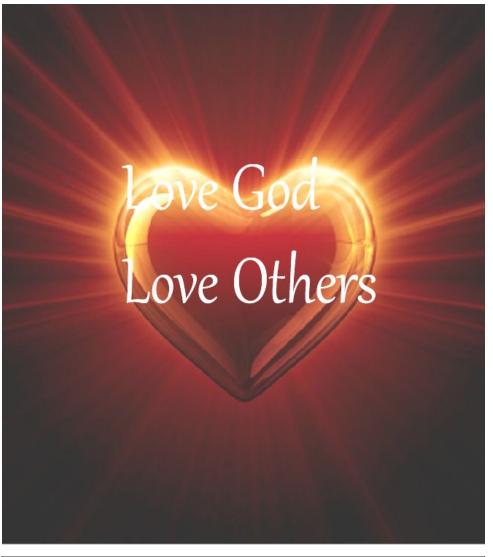
Wed: 6:00 pm, St. Michael's Church following 5:30 pm Mass Benediction at 7:00 pm First Friday: Adoration after 7 am Mass until 7 pm, St. Michael's Church

<u>First Fridays</u>

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. (2021/22)

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



Pastoral Council David Brann, Beth Cole, Leslie Debach, Will Hawrylo, Jean Herman, Ralph Lepper, Sherry Vargson, 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, October 30 Vigil - 31st Sunday IN (4:00 pm, Canton † Carol Ann Ge	
Sunday, October 31 31st SUN 8:00 am, Ralston † J. Morris Smi 9:30 am, Canton † Atty Leonard 11:15 am, Troy † Pro Populo	ith (Alfonse & Jill Ciaccio)
Monday, November 1 5:30 pm, Canton † Carol Ann G	ALL SAINTS Gergel (James Gergel)
Tuesday, November 2 5:30 pm, Troy † All Souls' Day	All Souls' Day envelope intentions
Wednesday, November 3 5:30 pm, Canton † William Saxe 6:00 pm, Holy Hour	Weekday (Michael & Jean Herman)
Thursday, November 4 Saint Ch No Mass	narles Borromeo, Bishop
Friday, November 5 (First Frid 7:00 am, Canton - For the specia Katheri	
Saturday, November 6 Vigil - 32nd Sunday IN 4:00 pm, Canton † For the specia Rich St	
Sunday, November 7 32ND SUN 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo 9:30 am, Canton † Mr. & Mrs. W H 11:15 am, Troy † Audrey & Step	/illiam J. & Rose K. Brann (Gerald & Joy Brann)
Fellowship is held in St. Mich hall following the 9:30 am Mas	
The sanctuary lamps in all week for those nearing the care that respects their digr lives as they place their hop eternal life.	end of life to receive nity and protects their
SAINT MICHAEL PARISH Barby, John Adams, Allura Bo Betty Brown, Jeremy Cold Dorland Eck, Melissa Gowar Robert Dale Hostetter, Chris Kopaczewski, Ben Kop Lanny Lutz, Creighton MacGill, Richard Margeson, Bunny M Bernadette Moore, Cath Pauline Pazzaglia, Jody Sche Andrea Smith, Rich Stankiev	ooker, Tom Ambruch, ony, Carlene Eck, a, Susan Hagemayer, Wanda Jones, betan, Ralph Lepper, Patti Madigan-Pessoni, Ieuse, Marie Miele, y Ostaszewski, efsky, Mike Slocum,

Cassie Twist, Elias Vroman, Wanda Wennerholt, Steven Wilber, Anthony Wolf, Donna Wolf, Johnathan Wolf, Nicholas Wolf, Barb Yanak Contact the parish office to add a name to the prayer list.

FROM FATHER JOE'S DESK

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



(RCIA) has begun. We are currently in the inquiry phase. It's culmination is the inquirer's decision to enter the catechumenate, the period of formal preparation for entrance into full membership in the Catholic Church. This phase may last a few weeks. If anyone is still thinking about becoming catholic, or is still on the fence about that decision, it is not too late. Just come to our next session and check it out for yourself. The next session will be on Monday, November 1st at 7 pm in the rectory.

In addition to the All Souls Day envelopes that are in your envelope packets, I have made available All Souls Day envelopes in the back of all three churches. Please list the names of all those deceased loved ones you want to be remembered on the front of the envelope, enclose your offering, and drop them in the collection basket on or before November 2nd, All Souls Day.

SUPPORT CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION EFFORTS

"Televised Masses from the Cathedral allowed people to feel connected in a way that was new to many of them. They never considered it, never knew about it, never maybe even watched Mass from home but now it was necessary for them to participate in this way."

> – Monsignor Dale R. Rupert Pastor, Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton



The 2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal supports the Diocesan Office for Communications. Catholic Television staff broadcast and livestream Daily Masses from the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton to spread the Good News of the Gospel and keep people connected to their faith.



SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS October 18 - 24, 2021

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Weekly Offerings:	1,948.00	
Electronic Offerings:	520.00	
Other Parish Income:	1,085.00	
Total Parish Income:	3,553.00	
Average weekly expenses:	<u>3,762.36</u>	
Difference:	(209.36)	
World Mission Sunday:	342.00	
Thank you for your continued support.		



POPE QUOTE: "Christian prayer instils an invincible hope in the human heart: whatever experience may touch us on our journey, God's love can turn it into good."

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION: OCTOBER - MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to

the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

SAINT MICHAEL'S ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY HARVEST SUPPER

This year the dinner will be take-out only. Orders are due by 6 pm on Nov. 7th. Three ways to order:

- Sign up on the sheets in the back of all 3 churches
- Call Sharon Mulno at 570-673-5857
- Complete the form on the parish website

Adults: \$10.00 Children 6-12: \$7.00 Children 5 and under: Free Pick up day: Wednesday, November 10th Pick up times: 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Pick up location: St. Michael's Church hall Roast Pork, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, squash, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, roll & dessert. There will be a work bee on Tuesday, November 9th from 9:00 am until we're done!

BULLETIN ADS

We currently have 4 spaces available to run through October, 2022. Spaces are \$75 each and may be combined to create larger ads. Changes to ads can be made at any time by contacting the parish office. Call the parish office at 570-673-5253 to place your ad! *Please patronize our advertisers and let them know* you saw their ad in our bulletin.

NOVEMBER 1 - 7, 2021 READINGS

Mon - Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Ps 24:1bc-4b, 5-6 1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a Tues - Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9 Jn 6:37-40 Wed - Rom 13:8-10 Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 Lk 14:25-33 Thurs - Rom 14:7-12 Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 Lk 15:1-10 Fri - Rom 15:14-21 Ps 98:1-4 Lk 16:1-8 Sat - Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Ps 145:2-5, 10-11 Lk 16:9-15 Sun - 1 Kgs 17:10-16 Ps 146:7-10 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

The deadline for returning your packed *Boxes of Joy* to any of our three churches is this Sunday, <u>*October 31*</u>. Checks to cover the shipping costs should be made out to <u>*Cross Catholic Outreach*</u>. For more info, contact the Project Leader ,Beth Cole or visit <u>boxofjoy.org</u>

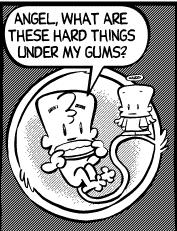
STATEMENT ON ARREST OF DIOCESAN PRIEST

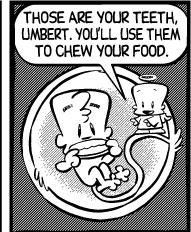
On October 22, 2021, the Diocese of Scranton learned that Father Gregory F. Loughney, pastor, Most Holy Trinity Parish, Cresco, was arrested by members of the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department. Four criminal charges – all connected to alleged inappropriate contact with a minor – were filed against Father Loughney on Saturday, October 23, 2021.

Under its longstanding zero-tolerance policy, the Diocese of Scranton immediately removed Father Loughney from active ministry pending the outcome of the investigation. The Diocese of Scranton will cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in their investigation. Father Loughney will need to retain his own legal counsel, at his own expense.

Anyone who might have relevant information is urged to call the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department at (570) 895-2400, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office at (570) 517-3052, or any local law enforcement agency. Information regarding any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor can also be reported to the Diocese of Scranton's Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska, at (570) 862-7551.

Umbert the Unborn





THEY GROW IN AFTER YOU ARE BORN. THEN YOU CAN START EATING SOLID FOOD.

by Gary Cangemi

