FEBRUARY 6, 2022



THE 5TH SUNDAY IN 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.

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

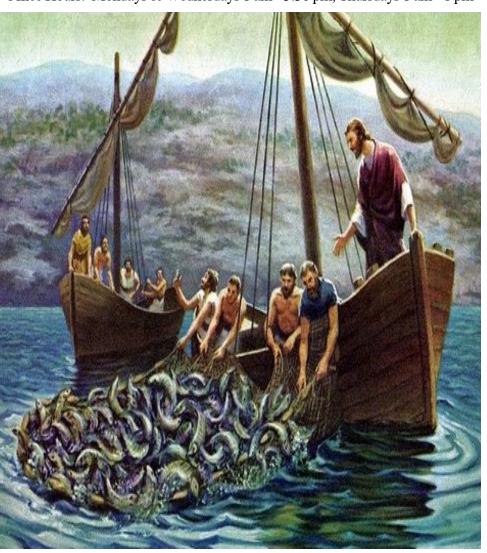
First Friday: Adoration after 7 am Mass until 7 pm, St. Michael's Church

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. (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, February 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr VIGIL: 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4:00 pm, Canton † Richard Blasz (Mary Blasz)

Sunday, February 6 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo 9:30 am, Canton † Kathie Lepper (Jeff & Beth Cole) 11:15 am, Troy † Rich Carlonas (Cheryl Carlonas)

Monday, February 7

Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Joh Petro

Tuesday, February 8
5:30 pm, Troy - For the special intentions of

Lisa Eagleberger-Darro (Bob & Diane Jones)

Wednesday, February 9

Weekday

5:30 pm, Canton † Patti Madigan-Pessoni

6:00 pm, Holy Hour (St. Michael's A&R)

Thursday, February 10
No Mass

Saint Scholastica, Virgin

NO Mass

Friday, February 11 Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Veronica Zarzycki (Her daughter)

Saturday, February 12

Weekday

VIGIL: 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4:00 pm, Canton † Jefferey Wynne (His estate)

Sunday, February 13 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 am, Ralston † Kathie Lepper (Dan & Betsy Clark) 9:30 am, Canton † KaRobert Fleury (Christina Fleury) 11:15 am, Troy † Pro Populo

Fellowship is held in St. Michael's Church hall following the 9:30 am Mass each Sunday.





The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week for healing for the sick, especially those nearing life's end, to be cared for with tenderness and compassion as they prepare to enter eternal life. Sanctuary lamp intentions may be requested by contacting the parish office.

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Jason Bellows,
Allura Booker, Tom Ambruch, Betty Brown,
Jeremy Colony, Paul Dean, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck,
Melissa Gowan, Robert Dale Hostetter, Ben Kopetan,
Ralph Lepper, Lanny Lutz, Creighton MacGill,
Richard Margeson, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse,
Bernadette Moore, Cathy Ostaszewski,
Pauline Pazzaglia, Mike Slocum, Andrea Smith,
Rich Stankiewicz, Rev. Joseph Staszewski,
Frank Sullivan, 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.
Names remain on the list for 3 months per request.



Father Joe

celebrates his 60th birthday on Monday, February 7th! When you see him, be sure to wish him a Happy Birthday!



Tuesday, March 1st

Saint Michael's Church Hall

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Activities for all ages!

Bring a Dish-to-Pass Coffee, tea & water will be provided



Saint Michael's Parish Offerings January 24 - 30, 2022

Weekly Offerings: 2,214.00
Electronic Offerings: 520.00
Other Parish Income: 53.00



Total Parish Income: 2,787.00 Average weekly expenses: 3,762.36

Difference: (975.36)

Thank you for your continued support.

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS NOW AVAILABLE

To request a statement, contact the parish office or write "Statement" on the back of your offertory envelope (the side with your name & address). Please advise if you want your statement sent via email or USPS.

As of January 24, 2022, we have reached \$13,690 in pledges and donations, which is 114% of our Diocesan Annual Appeal Goal of \$12,000!



POPE QUOTE: "Faith is not water that extinguishes flames, it is fire that burns; it is not a tranquilizer for people under stress, it is a love story for people in love! That is why Jesus above all else detests lukewarmness (cf. Rev 3:16)."

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION:

FEBRUARY- FOR RELIGIOUS SISTERS AND CONSECRATED WOMEN: We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

FEBRUARY 7 - 13, 2021 READINGS

Mon - 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 Mk 6:53-56

Tues - 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps 84:3-5, 10-11

Mk 7:1-13

Wed - 1 Kgs 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40

Mk 7:14-23

Thurs - 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40

Mk 7:24-30

Fri - 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Ps 81:10-11b, 12-15

Mk 7:31-37

Sat - 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7b, 19-22

Mk 8:1-10

Sun - Jer 17:5-8 Ps 1:1-4, 6 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20

Lk 6:17, 20-26

Mass of Thanksgiving and Sending Forth for Bishop-elect Jeffrey J. Walsh Scheduled for February 15

The faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to participate in a Mass of Thanksgiving and Sending Forth for Bishop-elect Jeffrey J. Walsh on Tuesday, February 15, 12:10 pm in the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton.

Everyone is invited to participate and greet Bishopelect Walsh, who was appointed by Pope Francis to be the sixth bishop of the Diocese of Gaylord, Michigan, on December 21, 2021. His episcopal ordination and installation is scheduled for early March.

Many parishioners and friends of Bishop-elect Walsh plan to attend the Mass.

FORMED

Saint Michael Parish will be using a program on FORMED called *The Search* during Lent. The first episode will be viewed during the week of February 27th, with the final episode during Holy Week, which begins on Palm Sunday, April 10th.

You are invited to form a small group to go through *The Search* together. It could be your family, a breakfast crew, your dinner gang, or a friend. A weekly discussion question will be printed in the bulletin to help start the conversation. There are also printed materials available to dig deeper into *The Search* that can be found at: https://catholic.market/programs/the-search/

WHAT IS THE SEARCH?

The Search is an innovative video series that tackles the key questions of every human heart. In seven beautifully filmed episodes, Chris Stefanick and experts from multiple fields of science, medicine, psychology, art, and religion examine our place in the larger story of existence.

Whether you're a practiced inquirer or a jaded skeptic, *The Search* will speak to you. You may be reassured by some parts, and challenged by others. Either way, you'll find a lot here to think about. And when all is said and done, life's questions demand to be answered. Ouestions like:

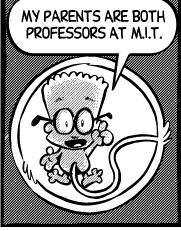
- What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"?
- ♦ Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination a destination that could extend beyond your last breath?
- What do you want from your life during the in between?

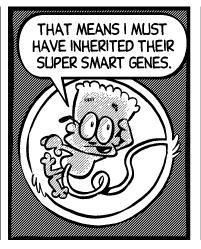
The questions are there. And, the answers are too. Are you ready for *The Search*?

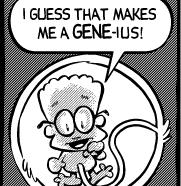
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by Gary Cangemi



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