

JULY 3, 2022



THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.

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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



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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, July 2 Weekday

VIGIL: 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Pat Mack (Mary Blaszc)

Sunday, July 3 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Marie Shuman (Pat & Diane Barrett)

9:30 am, Canton † Pro Populo

11:15 am, Troy † Peggy Young (The Bradford Family)

Monday, July 4 Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Tony Waldron

Tuesday, July 5 Weekday

5:30 pm, Troy † Dennis P. Fries

Wednesday, July 6 Weekday

5:30 pm, Canton † Robert Glendennig Ives (His Estate)

6:00 pm Holy Hour

Thursday, July 7 Weekday

No Mass

Friday, July 8 Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Jefferey Wynne (His Estate)

Saturday, July 9 Weekday

VIGIL: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Mr. & Mrs. Davis VanDyke

(Susan Schiess)

Sunday, July 10 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton - For the special intentions of Gary & Mary Scranton (John & Pat Rushin)

11:15 am, Troy † Barbara & Lefty Shanley

(Dr. Barbara Wyworski)

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 our nation's laws to protect every person's right to life, from conception to natural death.

A Communal Rosary is prayed at 9:30 am Thursday mornings in St. Michael's Church. All are invited to participate.



SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Jason Bellows, Tom Ambruch, Betty Brown, Jeremy Colony, Paul Dean, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English, Melissa Gowan, Robert Dale Hostetter, Ben Kopetan, Ralph Lepper, Lanny Lutz, Creighton MacGill, Tom McBlane, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore, Steve & Donna Noble, John Orr, Pauline Pazzaglia, Michelle Redline, Raegan Isabelle Redline, Andrea Smith, Rich Stankiewicz, Frank Sullivan, Elias Vroman, Wanda Wennerholt, Steven Wilber, Anthony Wolf, Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf, Barb Yanak

Contact the parish office to add a name to the prayer list.

SAINT MICHAEL'S ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY



The Yard Sale is BACK and will take place on July 15 - 16, 8 am - 3 pm!

Help our yard sale to be a success!

Donations of clean, sellable items are needed.

(Please - no clothes, large furniture, mattresses, televisions, broken toys, computer monitors or exercise equipment.)

Donations can be brought to St. Michael's Hall between Noon and 4:00 pm on:

Sunday, July 3rd

Tuesday, July 5th

Saturday July 9th

Sunday, July 10th

Bakers, please donate your homemade baked goods and drop them off on July 14th between noon and 4 pm.

Questions? Need help getting your donations to the Church? Call Joanne Kropf at 364-8029 or Sharon Mulno at 673-5857.

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! As a parish, we collected \$353.00. Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS June 20 - 26, 2022

Weekly Offerings:	2,420.00
Electronic Offerings:	485.00
Basket Bingo:	3,103.20
Mack Estate final distribution:	12,034.57
Other Parish Income:	295.50
Total Parish Income:	\$18,338.27
Average weekly expenses:	3,721.88
Difference:	14,616.39
Peter's Pence:	353.00
Care & Education of Priests:	10.00



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July 2022

St. Michael Parish

One Minute Meditations

Let God love you

Have you ever seen a parent scoop up a child, breathe in his scent, and hug him closely as if he couldn't get enough of that beloved child? That's how God feels about you. He loves you dearly and shows you each day. Open your heart to Him.

Not just a symbol

According to Scripture, Jesus took bread and wine and said, "Take and eat; this is my body" and "this is my blood" (Matthew 26:26-28), and changed them into his Body and Blood. He also said, "Do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19). In the Eucharist we experience during Mass, "the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1374).

"The Church is the home that accepts everyone and refuses no one ... the greater the sin, the greater the love that the Church should show towards those who convert." Pope Francis



Find God in everyday things

St. Josemaría Escrivá, founder of Opus Dei ("Work of God"), taught that extraordinary holiness can be found in ordinary circumstances:

"Everything that is done for love becomes beautiful and grand" in God's eyes. Want the surest way to sainthood? St. Josemaría said to make every moment holy:

Sanctifying work: "Carry out the little duties of each moment," and put all your heart, mind, skill, and love into what you do. When we offer our tasks (the "raw material") to God's grace, He gives them infinite value. For example, activities – especially unpleasant ones – can be offered for our own or others' intentions. This is one way to dedicate daily activities to God.

Sanctifying moments: Find the

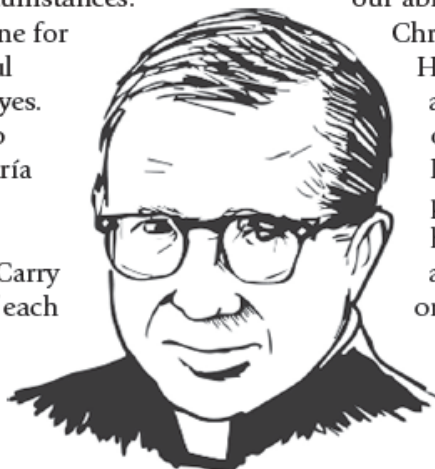
"divine hidden in the most ordinary situations." God uses moments that are difficult, tedious, or just beyond our abilities to conform us to

Christ. Jesus spent most of His earthly life working and leading a holy but often ordinary life. With His grace, we grow in patience, perseverance, humility, compassion, and gratitude by meeting ordinary moments with extraordinary virtue.

Sanctifying attitude:

When we are patient with others, take praise and criticism

well, and avoid jealousy, gossip, and dishonesty, we demonstrate that we belong to Christ. Our work becomes God's work. We become, slowly but surely, "a saint, seemingly like everyone else around him, but deeply identified with Jesus Christ."

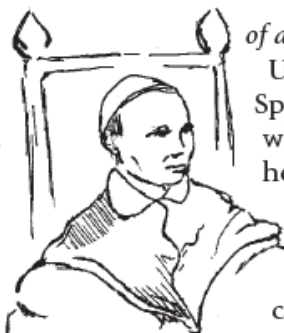


Why Do Catholics Do That?

Jesus named St. Peter the (visible) head of his Church and gave him the keys of the kingdom to bind and loose sin.

At the Last Supper, He promised to send the Holy Spirit to: "teach you everything and remind you

Why do Catholics believe the Pope can teach infallibly?



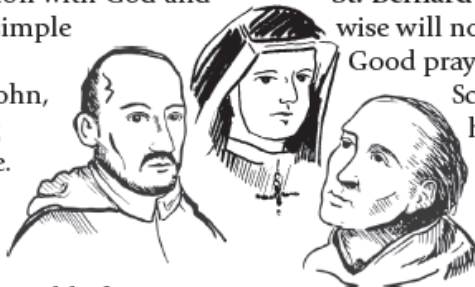
of all that I told you" (John 14:26).

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the pope teaches infallibly when, as St. Peter's successor, he teaches on matters of faith and morals (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), #891). In these areas, he cannot err.

Prayer tips from the saints

Prayer at its best is a personal conversation with God and fuels our friendship with Him. Try these simple pro-tips from the saints:

St. John of the Cross: According to St John, naming our human needs and presenting them before God in prayer are acts of love. He taught that we don't need to spell out what we need or want, but offer our need to God and ask Him to do what pleases Him, "... because the Lord knows what is suitable for us better than we do."



St. Bernard of Clairvaux: "Those who are sincere and wise will not fail to 'chew' the psalm with their mind."

Good prayer is fed by reading and meditating upon Scripture. A good Catholic commentary can help, too.

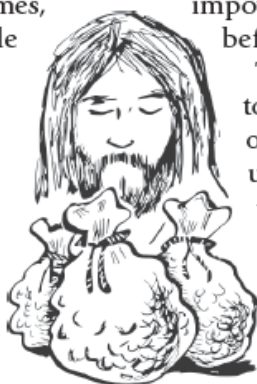
St. Teresa of Avila: "He wants to ... know the love you have for Him, whether it is present in dryness as well as in spiritual delights." Good prayer, like true love, perseveres even in difficulty or dryness. Our sincere efforts please God.

from Scripture

Luke 12:13-21, More to life than riches

In this Gospel passage, Jesus is asked to intervene in a family feud over an inheritance. Back in ancient times, rabbis were often asked to settle such disputes. Jesus originally refused but seeing the discord within the family over the disagreement, he told them a parable about a wealthy but foolish man to put their situation into perspective.

The man in the story wasn't condemned for doing well for himself. He was condemned for his selfishness and lack of foresight. He didn't share his excessive wealth with those in need



or put his wealth to generous use. Although he was rich, he was spiritually impoverished. He would appear before God empty-handed.

The point of this parable isn't to scare us into getting rid of our wealth, but to remind us that there is more to life than accumulating goods. Our worth and esteem aren't based on what we have, but what we do with the gifts God has given us. How do we use them to care for His beloved children. Once we understand that, our hearts will become like His.

Q & A Does wearing the brown scapular bring good luck?

The scapular itself (from the Latin, scapula, or "shoulder"), consists of two small pieces of cloth connected by strings, and worn over the chest and back, close to the skin. According to tradition, Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, founder of the Carmelite Order, and presented the brown scapular to him, promising that those who wore it until death would not suffer the fires of Hell, be preserved in time of danger, and experience peace and protection.

The brown scapular is the most common type, and there is a rite to enroll the wearer. The priest places the scapular on the wearer. These aren't "good luck" charms. Like other sacramentals, they are meant to prepare us to obtain grace through the Church's prayers, who asks for God's blessing upon us for some benefit for our body or soul (CCC #1670). The scapular itself – or any sacramental – doesn't "do" anything; it's a reminder to the wearer of their commitment to holiness and of Mary's protection – something already "in action."

Feasts & Celebrations

July 3 – St. Thomas (1st century). Despite being known as "doubting Thomas," he made a beautiful profession of faith when he received proof of Jesus' Resurrection: "My Lord and My God" (John 20:28). Tradition says that Thomas evangelized the Parthians, Medes, and Persians and ultimately reached India.

July 9 – St. Veronica Giuliani (1727). Born in 17th century Italy, St. Veronica entered the Capuchin order and began receiving visions of Christ's Passion soon after. By a special grace, she received the marks of Christ's

wounds on her body.

July 22 – St. Mary Magdalene (first century). Jesus expelled seven demons from Mary (Luke 8:2) and she financially supported His ministry. She stood by His Cross with His mother and was the one who informed the Apostles of Jesus' Resurrection.

July 26 – Sts. Joachim and Anne (first century). Little is known about Jesus' grandparents, but Mary's unshakeable faith, her devotion to the laws of her religion, and her steadiness in crises indicate the values with which she was raised.



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POPE QUOTE: "To serve the Gospel and our brothers and sisters, to offer our own lives without expecting anything in return, without seeking any worldly glory: this is what we are called to."

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION:
JULY - FOR THE ELDERLY : We pray for the elderly, who represent the

roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



BASKET BINGO

Thank you to everyone who made the Basket Bingo a fun event and a successful fundraiser. 70 prizes were awarded between the baskets, raffles and door prizes! Over \$3,000 was raised after expenses!

To everyone who donated the beautiful baskets and other prizes, to all the volunteers, and to everyone who played - THANK YOU!

A list of local businesses who generously donated is on the parish website. Please check it out and be sure to patronize them and thank them!

Special thanks to Jean Herman for all her work in planning, organizing and facilitating the event.

All ages welcome

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Under the tent in Dushore above St. Basil's Church
Shuttle service from the church parking lot (to & fro)
Chicken Dinner with homemade fixins & pies, Finger &
Ethnic Food, Refreshments, Games, Cash & Whisky
Raffles, Theme Baskets Galore, Big 6

JULY 4 - 10, 2022 READINGS

Mon - Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22 Ps 145:2-9 Mt 9:18-26

Tues - Hos 8:4-7, 11-13 Ps 115:3-6, 7ab-8, 9-10

Mt 9:32-38

Wed - Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 Ps 105:2-7 Mt 10:1-7

Thurs - Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9 Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16

Mt 10:7-15

Fri - Hos 14:2-10 Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17

Mt 10:16-23

Sat - Is 6:1-8 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Mt 10:24-33

Sun - Dt 30:10-14 Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37

Or Ps 19:8-11 1 Cor 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37

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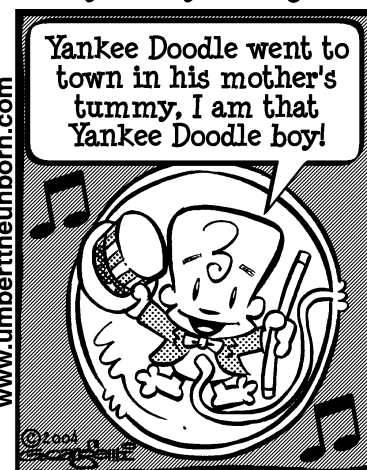
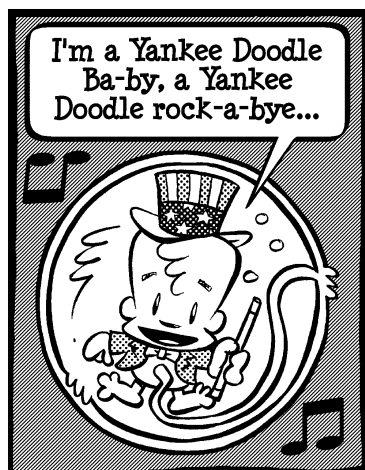
We are currently scheduling for our Troy Fair Pro Life Booth. The Fair is open Monday July 26 through Saturday, July 30. To schedule time at the fair, contact Marilyn Burke at 570-746-1280, or by email at: fatimamiracle13@frontier.com This duty is not hard, and many have had very good experiences hearing the pro life witness of visitors to the booth. The best way to make America Pro-Life is one on one conversation. Believe it or not many people just don't understand what an abortion is and when a new life begins.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2022 Baby Bottle Campaign for the EMPCC. If you have not yet returned your baby bottle, please do so by next weekend. After July 10th, please return bottles directly to EMPCC.

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by Gary Cangemi



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