

JULY 24, 2022



THE 17TH 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

## Jesus Teaches About Prayer

For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Luke 11:10 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 11:1-9 (NIV).



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### Pastoral Council

David Beahm, David Brann, Leslie Debach, Will Hawrylo,  
Jean Herman, Ralph Lepper, Sherry Vargson  
Sarah Watson - 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, July 23** Weekday  
VIGIL: 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
4:00 pm, Canton † Holy Souls in Purgatory  
(Susan Schiess)

**Sunday, July 24** 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo  
9:30 am, Canton † Jefferey Wynne (His estate)  
11:15 am, Troy † Alvin Shanley (Denise Ives)

**Monday, July 25** Saint James, Apostle  
7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Ann Gergel (James Gergel)

**Tuesday, July 26** Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary  
5:30 pm, Troy † Rich Carlonas (Cheryl Carlonas)

**Wednesday, July 27** Weekday  
5:30 pm, Canton † Ann Dorsey (St. Michael's A&R)  
6:00 pm Holy Hour

**Thursday, July 28** Weekday  
No Mass

**Friday, July 29** Saint Martha  
7:00 am, Rectory † Raymond Farrell

**Saturday, July 30** Weekday  
VIGIL: 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
4:00 pm, Canton † Jeannette Oeller (Bob & Diane Jones)

**Sunday, July 31** 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo  
9:30 am, Canton † Susie Abbott (His estate)  
11:15 am, Troy † Don Wilber (Louise Wilber)

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



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



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn  
this week for the intentions of Dorris McClure as  
she celebrates her 97th birthday.

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



### SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Tom Ambruch,  
Jason Bellows, Betty Brown, Jeremy Colony,  
Paul Dean, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English,  
Melissa Gowan, Robert Dale Hostetter, Antoinette King,  
Ben Kopetan, David Kule, Jo Kule, Ralph Lepper,  
Tom McBlane, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse, B  
ernadette Moore, Donna Noble, Steve Noble,  
Pauline Pazzaglia, Michelle Redline,  
Raegan Isabelle Redline, Rich Stankiewicz,  
Frank Sullivan, Steven Wilber, Anthony Wolf,  
Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf,

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

### SAINT MICHAEL'S

#### ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Thank you to all who donated, baked,  
and volunteered for our parish yard sale.  
Please keep next year's yard sale in mind.



A special thank you to our wonderful Knights of Co-  
lumbus. They sold delicious food in our parking lot.  
They are wonderful Christian men. Thank you to Cathy  
Asbury, our wonderful secretary. To my A&R sisters,  
you are the BEST!!!! Father Joe, thanks for your help  
and cooperation. And thank you to my Hubby Joe.

*Sincerely, Joanne Kropf*



*Thank You!*

Because of your generosity, the Diocesan Annual  
Appeal met its \$4.5 million goal for 2021



### CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

#### "BE A CATHOLIC MAN" 2022 EVENT

The 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference spon-  
sored by "Be A Catholic Man" is planned for Saturday,  
October 8th from 8 am until 3 pm at Holy Redeemer  
High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd, Wilkes-Barre.  
The theme, "Be Not Afraid" is under the patronage of  
Saint Joseph. All are encouraged to set this date aside  
and attend.

Registration fee is \$40 (Early Bird \$30), Student  
\$15, Priest/Deacon FREE. Morning coffee & box lunch  
included. Register at <https://beacatholicman.com/register-here>

Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer, Confer-  
ence Chairman, at 570-746-0100 or michaelk-  
ilmer71@gmail.com.

### SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS

**July 11 - 17, 2022**

Weekly Offerings:	1,704.00
Electronic Offerings:	485.00
Margarita Shon bequest:	2,500.00
Other Parish Income:	337.00
<b>Total Parish Income:</b>	<b>5,026.00</b>
<b>Average weekly expenses:</b>	<b>3,721.88</b>
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>1,304.12</b>



*Thank you for your continued support.*





**POPE QUOTE:** "The word of Jesus is a teaching that touches and shapes life, frees it from the dullness of evil, satisfies and infuses it with a joy that does not pass: it is the better part. Therefore, Mary gives it first place: she stops and listens. The rest will come after."

**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.

#### JULY 25 - 31, 2022 READINGS

**Mon** - 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1b-6 Mt 20:20-28

**Tues** - Jer 14:17-22 Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13 Mt 13:36-43

**Wed** - Jer 15:10, 16-21 Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18  
Mt 13:44-46

**Thurs** - Jer 18:1-6 Ps 146:1b-6b Mt 13:47-53

**Fri** - Jer 26:1-9 Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14  
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Sat** - Jer 26:11-16, 24 Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34  
Mt 14:1-12

**Sun** - Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17  
Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21



World Day  
for Grandparents  
and the Elderly  
2022

On Sunday, July 24, 2022, the Second WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY will be celebrated throughout the universal Church. The theme chosen by the Holy Father for the occasion is "*In old age they will still bear fruit*" (Ps. 92:15) and intends to emphasize how grandparents and the elderly are a value and a gift both for society and for ecclesial communities. Bishop Bambara will commemorate this Day at the 10:00 am Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter on July 24.

#### JULY 24 - 30, 2022 IS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WEEK CALLED TO THE JOY OF LOVE NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

##### *SUPPORTING GOD'S GIFTS OF LOVE AND LIFE IN MARRIAGE*

The Catholic Church teaches that... marriage is an original gift from God to humanity. Although sin entered the world damaging the marital relationship, this gift was not lost but redeemed by Christ and raised to a sacrament (see Eph 5: 28-32; see also Mt 19: 4-6). Sacred Scripture proclaims that God created humanity in "His image" as "male and female" (see Gn 1: 27). So unique is this relationship that the marital union makes of husband and wife "one flesh" (Gn 2: 24). Procreation, Scripture teaches, is a gift from God (Gn 1: 28). When spouses conceive new life, they participate in the Lord God's creative power. This is an awesome privilege and sacred responsibility!

##### *CELEBRATE AND REVERENCE*

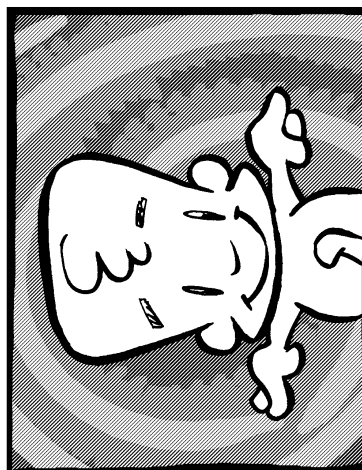
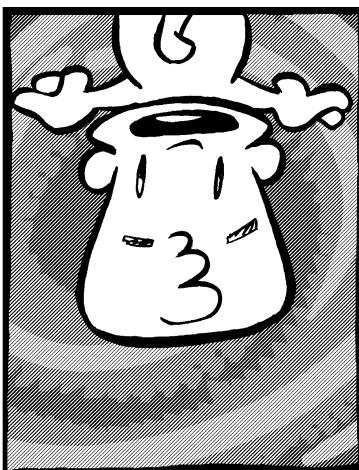
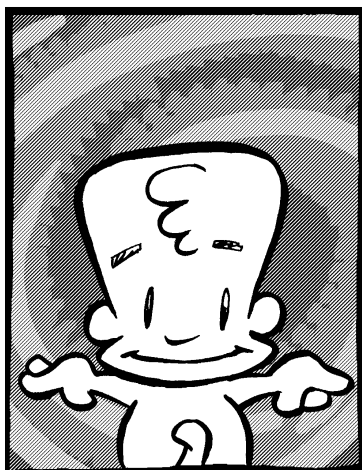
##### *GOD'S VISION OF HUMAN SEXUALITY*

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is a national educational campaign. The Natural Family Planning Program of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops develops a poster each year with basic supportive materials. It is the individual dioceses, however, that offer a variety of educational formats in the local church to focus attention on Natural Family Planning methods and Church teachings that support their use in marriage.

The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae Vitae* (July 25) which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love, and responsible parenthood. The dates also mark the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of the Blessed Mother. Pope Francis has designated that feast as World Grandparents Day, a fitting commemoration during National NFP Awareness Week! For further information, contact [nfp@usccb.org](mailto:nfp@usccb.org).

## Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi





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