

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



THE 24TH 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 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, September 10 Weekday

VIGIL: 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Patricia Mack (Bob & Diane Jones)

Sunday, Sept 11 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Mark Kingsley
(George & Theresa Kingsley)

11:15 am, Troy † Rich Carlonas (Cheryl Carlonas)

Monday, September 12 Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Jack Rushin (John & Pat Rushin)

Tuesday, September 13 Saint John Chrysostom,
No Mass Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Wed, Sept 14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

5:30 pm, Canton † Helen Cannon (David Beahm)

6:00 pm Holy Hour

Thursday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows
No Mass

Friday, September 16 Saints Cornelius, Pope, and
Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

7:00 am, Rectory † Michael Vayansky
(Bernie & Marie Sabol)

Saturday, September 17 Weekday

VIGIL: 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, Sept 18 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Theresa Carlson

(Sister, Brother & Family)

9:30 am, Canton † Wilma Brunelle (Sherry Vargson)

11:15 am, Troy † Joe Szczech (Tim, Barb & Leona)

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 solidarity and peace in our global hu-
man family, that we may work together to protect
the lives of those who are most vulnerable.

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS August 29 - September 5, 2022

Weekly Offerings: 3,216.50

Electronic Offerings: 1,365.00

Other Parish Income: 199.00

Total Parish Income: 4,780.50

Average weekly expenses: 3,721.88

Difference: 1,058.62

Saint Vincent DePaul Fund: 200.00

Care & Education of Priests: 530.00

Thank you for your continued support.



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education opportunity. For more information or to regis-
ter, please call Father Joe at 570-673-5253.



CCD



REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR CCD

Please register your school-aged children for CCD.
It will be held in person at St. Michael's church on Sun-
day mornings from 8:15 - 9:15 am and at St. John's
church on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

Registration forms can be found at stmichaelscanton.com by clicking on the Faith Formation tab and then
on CCD. Paper copies are available in the back of all 3
churches. Registration is open through September 11.

Classes begin the week of September 25th.

*The annual
CCD Bake Sale
to raise money
for materials and supplies
will be next weekend!
September 18th & 19th!*

BAKE SALE

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,
Victoria Johnson, Antoinette King, Ben Kopetan,
David Kule, Jo Kule, Ralph Lepper, Tom McBlane,
Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore,
Delina Morgan, Donna Noble, Steve Noble,
Pauline Pazzaglia, Michelle Redline,
Raegan Isabelle Redline, Rich Stankiewicz,
Frank Sullivan, Steven Wilber, John Wilcox,
Anthony Wolf, Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf

ANNUAL FRUIT PIE SALES

ATTENTION ALL BAKERS!

It is time for our annual fruit pie sale! The Pumpkin Festival will be held on October 1st & 2nd at the Firemen's Field in Canton. Don't think you're locked in to apple pies, people love the fun and unusual flavors, so let your creativity flow! Pie tins and boxes are available for pickup in all three churches.



Pie drop-off will be on Friday, September 30th in Saint Michael's Church hall. (Times to be announced). *Please print the pie flavor neatly on the post-it note on the box.*

You can also volunteer to work the booth on the sign-up sheet in the back of St. Michael's Church, or call the rectory during office hours to see what times still need coverage.

This fundraiser has been very helpful to the fiscal health of our parish, but it is also a great way to build relationships within our community. This year, both of those things are especially important. Your help is needed to continue that tradition.

"WONDERFULLY MADE"

Saint Michael's Parish contributed a total of \$885.77 to the 2022 Baby Bottle Campaign.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the campaign by both donations and prayers. Visit <https://friendsofempcc.com/> to see all the different opportunities to support EMPCC.



SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

PENNSYLVANIA
MARCH FOR LIFE

The Pennsylvania Family Institute will be hosting the **2nd Annual Pennsylvania March for Life** in Harrisburg on Monday, September 19th. There will be a bus leaving Bradford-Sullivan Counties to attend the Rally and March. There will be NO COST to ride the bus. The schedule is:

- 6:15 am depart Sayre from the old Kmart Plaza
- 6:50 am depart Towanda from the Bradford Towne Center
- 7:30 am depart Dushore
- Return trip includes a dinner stop, arriving 6-7 pm.

Reserve your seat(s) by calling Frank Socha at 570-772-6524 or emailing him at fes701@yahoo.com. Please leave a name, contact number, and the number of seats.

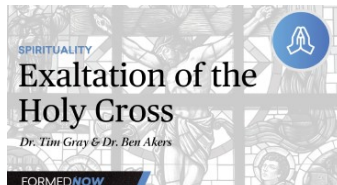
PLEASE HELP FILL THIS BUS AND SHOW OUR LEGISLATORS THAT WE SUPPORT LIFE!!!

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of September 11, 2022

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Every year Catholics celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, but why? Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers as they discuss the history and meaning behind this feast.



HILDEGARD'S GIFT BY MEGAN HOYT

Hildegard's Gift was not wrapped in shimmering paper and tied with gold ribbons. It was much more special than that. This beautiful children's picture book not only celebrates the life and work of Hildegard von Bingen, it also shows children that they, too, have hidden gifts and talents, just waiting to be discovered.



DRAWING STRENGTH FROM OUR LADY OF SORROWS

BY KIMBERLY HAHN

Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, is a convert to the Catholic Faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for her to understand initially, she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.



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HOW TO PRAY THE SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY

Abby Fredrickson

<https://hallow.com/2021/02/10/7-sorrows/>

WHAT IS THE 7 SORROWS ROSARY?

MIDDLE AGES ORIGIN

The Rosary of the Seven Sorrows dates back to the fourteenth century. Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, appeared to St. Bridget of Sweden and revealed this Rosary devotion to her. St. Bridget devoted her life to following in the footsteps of Christ — truly caring for people in need.



MODERN POPULARITY

The Rosary became popular again following the Marian apparitions in Kibeho, Rwanda, in the 1980s. During Mary's apparitions to Marie-Claire Mukangango, she assigned the young woman a mission to reintroduce this special Rosary to the world. Marie-Claire was killed in the genocide of over a million people in Rwanda.

WHY DO WE PRAY THE 7 SORROWS ROSARY?

We pray this Rosary to learn to suffer with love, as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, did. The 7 Sorrows Rosary leads us to understand our suffering, sins, and sorrows. Doing so helps us better live a life of joy in the Lord so that we can serve others like St. Bridget and Marie-Claire did.

As we pray with Mary through her seven sorrows, we begin to feel empathy for her suffering, the suffering of her Son, our Savior, our neighbors, and our own.

HOW TO PRAY: 7 SORROWS ROSARY {Shortened Version}

BEGIN

In the name of The Father, and The Son, and The Holy Spirit. Amen.

O God, come to my assistance.

O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE FIRST SWORD OF SORROW THE PROPHECY OF SIMEON

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful, in the affliction of thy tender heart at the prophecy of the holy and aged Simeon. Dear Mother, by thy heart so afflicted, obtain for me the virtue of humility and the gift of the holy fear of God.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE SECOND SWORD OF SORROW THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful, in the an-

guish of thy most affectionate heart during the flight into Egypt and thy sojourn there. Dear Mother, by thy heart so troubled, obtain for me the virtue of generosity, especially toward the poor, and the gift of piety.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE THIRD SWORD OF SORROW THE LOSS OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful, in those anxieties which tried thy troubled heart at the loss of thy dear Jesus. Dear Mother, by thy heart so full of anguish, obtain for me the virtue of chastity and the gift of knowledge.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE FOURTH SWORD OF SORROW

MARY MEETS JESUS ON HIS WAY TO CALVARY

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful in the consternation of thy heart at meeting Jesus as he carried His Cross. Dear Mother, by thy heart so troubled, obtain for me the virtue of patience and the gift of fortitude.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE FIFTH SWORD OF SORROW

MARY STANDS AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS

I grieve for thee O Mary, most sorrowful, in the martyrdom which thy generous heart endured in standing near Jesus in His agony. Dear Mother, by thy afflicted heart, obtain for me the virtue of temperance and the gift of counsel.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE SIXTH SWORD OF SORROW

JESUS IS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful, in the wounding of thy compassionate heart, when the side of Jesus was struck by the lance and His Heart was pierced before His body was removed from the Cross. Dear Mother, by thy heart thus transfixed, obtain for me the virtue of fraternal charity and the gift of understanding.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

THE SEVENTH SWORD OF SORROW THE BURIAL OF JESUS

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful, for the pangs that wrenched thy most loving heart at the burial of Jesus. Dear Mother, by thy heart sunk in the bitterness of desolation, obtain for me the virtue of diligence and the gift of wisdom.

Pray 1 Hail Mary.

Pray for us, O Virgin most sorrowful, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Let intercession be made for us, we beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, now and at the hour of our death, before the throne of Thy mercy, by the Blessed Virgin Mary, Thy Mother, whose most holy soul was pierced by a sword of sorrow in the hour of Thy bitter Passion. Through Thee, Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, Who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, world without end. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



POPE QUOTE: "Following Jesus means bearing, like him, one's own burdens and those of others, making one's life a gift. Jesus asks this of us: live the Gospel and you will live your life, not halfway but to the full."

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION: SEPTEMBER - FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE DEATH PENALTY: We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE "BE A CATHOLIC MAN" 2022 EVENT

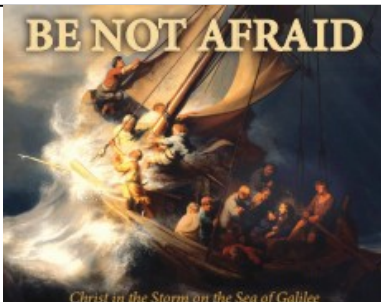
On October 8, 2022, the Catholic Men's Conference will be held at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd.,

Wilkes-Barre from 8 am to 3 pm. This year's theme is "Be Not Afraid" under the patronage of Saint Joseph.

Men are encouraged to attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacramental Confession, and lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. More information about the speakers and the event can be found on this page of the parish website: <https://stmichaelscanton.com/news/be-a-catholic-man-2022-event/>

Saint Michael's Parish has a private sponsor who will pay the registration fee for any man in the parish to attend this Conference. To take advantage of this generous offer, call the parish office at 570-673-5253 or email office@stmichaelscanton.com

Early Bird Registration is \$30.00/man with the price increasing to \$40.00 after September 9th. Register online at beacatholicman.com. To register by mail, send payment along with the names, addresses & phone numbers of the men in your party to: Bill Leandri, 239 Hayfield Road, Shavertown, Pa. 18708. Checks should be payable to "Be A Catholic Man". Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer, Conference Chairman, at 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com.



SEPTEMBER 12 - 18, 2022 READINGS

Mon - 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Ps 40:7-10, 17 Lk 7:1-10

Tues - 1 Cor 12:12-14, 37-31a Ps 100:1b-5 Lk 7:11-17

Wed - Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1b-2, 34-35 Phil 2:6-11

Jn 3:13-17

Thurs - 1 Cor 15:1-11 Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28

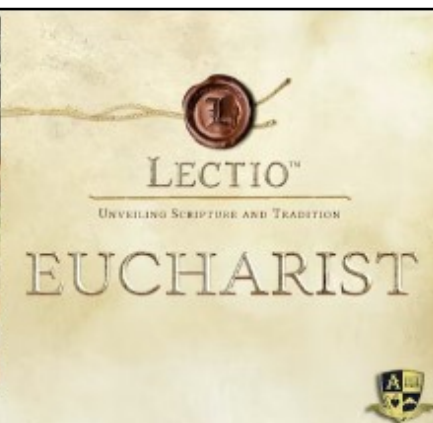
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Fri - 1 Cor 15:12-20 Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, 15 Lk 8:1-3

Sat - 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 Ps 56:10c-14 Lk 8:4-15

Sun - Am 8:4-7 Ps 113:1-2, 4-8 1 Tm 2:1-8

Lk 16:1-13

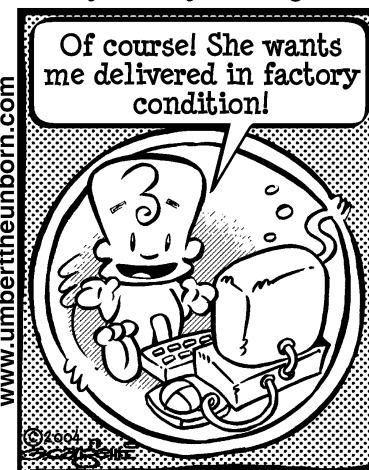
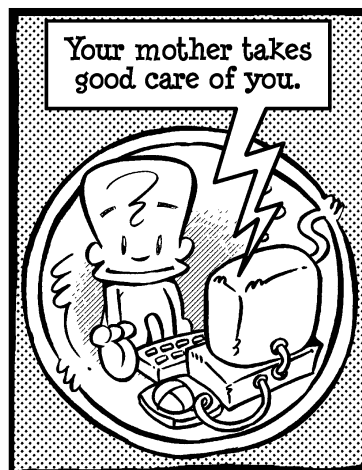
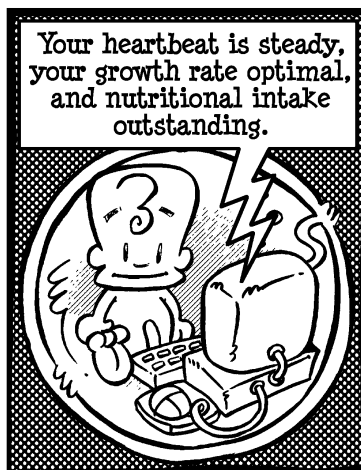
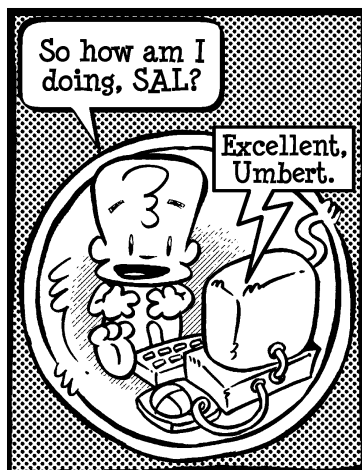


Adult Education will begin on Sunday, September 25th in the rectory chapel at 8:15 am. We will be going through the ten session program LECTIO: EUCHARIST with Dr. Brant Pitri of the Augustine Institute. Study Guides are not necessary, though five copies have been donated for anyone who would like to use one.

Parish Registration: All Catholics should be registered in their local parish. This helps facilitate many church activities such as requests for the sacraments, sponsor forms, marriage in the church and other religious needs. Registration is also part of your commitment to your local church and your desire to be known as a member of the Universal Church. Young adults who have finished high school are encouraged to register in their own name. Call the rectory office at (570) 673-5253 to request a form. Thank you.

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by Gary Cangemi



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at 12:30 pm. We always wel-
come new members.

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