# APRIL 23, 2023

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 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**

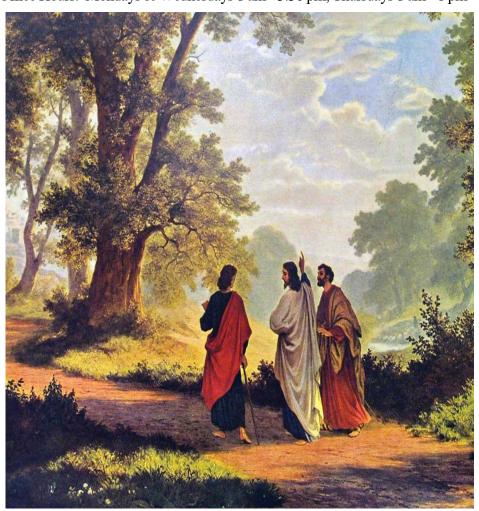
Wed: 6:00 pm, St. Michael's Church following 5:30 pm Mass, Benediction at 7:00 pm First Friday: Adoration after 7 am Mass until 7 pm, St. Michael's Church

#### 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. (2022/23)

(Religious education classes held during the school year) Sun: 8:15 am, St. Michael hall Tue: 6:00 pm, 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, April 22

Easter Weekday

VIGIL: 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER 4:00 pm, Canton † Kathie Lepper (Susan Schiess)

#### Sunday, April 23

3rd Sunday of Easter

8:00 am, Ralston † Judy Callahan (Bridget & Shawn) 9:30 am, Canton † Pro Populo 11:15 am, Troy † Pauline Pazzaglia (Barb Pulver)

#### Monday, April 24

Easter Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Ann Gergel (James Gergel)

# Tuesday, April 25

SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

No Mass

# Wednesday, April 26

Easter Weekday

5:30 pm, Canton † Jerry Ross, Jr. (The Families) 6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, April 27

Easter Weekday

No Mass

#### Friday, April 28

Easter Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Robert Dickson (St. Michael's A&R)

## Saturday, April 29

Easter Weekday

VIGIL: 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

#### Sunday, April 30

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 am, Ralston † Jack Callahan (Bridget & Shawn) 9:30 am, Canton † Chris Arnold (Jerry & Joy Brann) 11:15 am, Troy † William Misson

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 elected officials to work to protect human 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.

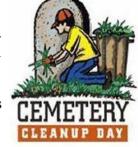


#### SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, Bob Abbott, John Adams, Peggy Adams,
Tom Ambruch, Cleta Barton, Karl Barton,
April Bilbrey, Gus Branish, Betty Brown,
Todd Congdon, Paul Dean, Mark Desborough,
Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English,
Melissa Gowan, Cassie Hamburger,
Robert Dale Hostetter, Victoria Johnson, Beatrice Jones,
Antoinette King, David Kule, Jo Kule, Paula Longacre,
Tom McBlane, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse,
Bernadette Moore, Orlando Moralez, Delina Morgan,
Donna Noble, Gary Polly, Rich Stankiewicz,
Frank Sullivan, Joe Turk, Matthew Warren,
Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, Anthony Wolf,

Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf

SAINT MICHAEL'S CEMETERY ASSOCIATION will be holding the annual spring cleanup day on Saturday, April, 29th. Anyone interested in volunteering should (bring your own tools and gloves) arrive at 11:00 a.m. There are some students earning community service hours that will be joining the group.



#### News from the Knights

The Knights of Columbus wish to thank those who donated food during the Lenten Food Drive. Because of your generosity, we were able to deliver 198 lbs. of food to the Canton Area Food Pantry.



The food donation bin will still be available for those who wish to continue donations. Lent may be over - but hunger does not end.

#### SPRING CLEANING? REMEMBER THE YARD SALE!

If you are house cleaning or decluttering, keep in mind our annual Saint Michael's yard sale in July. Please set aside donations to include clean, sellable items.



No clothing, mattresses, large furniture, televisions or computer monitors.

The Yard sale will occur the end of July. Drop offs will be listed in July before the sale.

Thanks so much!!!



CATHOLIC HOME Week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to

fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/home-missions">www.usccb.org/home-missions</a>.

#### SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS April 10 - 16, 2023

Weekly Offerings: 2,272.00
Electronic Offerings: 515.00
Other Parish Income: 128.00
Average weekly expenses: 4,267.09

Care & Education of Priests:

Difference:

(1,352.09) 12.00

Thank you for your continued support.
2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available.
Request a statement by contacting the parish office.



**POPE QUOTE:** "Let us welcome the grace of Christ's Resurrection! Let us be renewed by God's mercy. Let us allow the power of His love to transform our lives too. And let us become agents of this mercy so justice and peace can flourish in the world."

POPE FRANCIS'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTION: FOR A CULTURE OF PEACE AND NON-VIOLENCE: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

FORMED WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2023

**EPISODE 1: SAINT MARK THE EVANGELIST** 

Just who is St. Mark, the author of this short but actionpacked Gospel? Using outside sources, other books of the Bible, and the Gospel itself, Dr. Gray



takes a closeup look at St. Mark, and his connection with St. Peter and the Christians of Rome.

Who is St. Catherine of Siena?

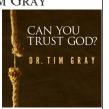
In light of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein, as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influ-



ence who became a doctor of the Church.

CAN YOU TRUST GOD? BY DR. TIM GRAY

To be a saint, we must trust God wholeheartedly. Since the fall of our first parents, however, humanity has been tempted to mistrust the Father's love for us. Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray takes us on a journey that addresses the perva-



sive misconceptions about God, showing us that there is no reason not to follow him.

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#### **APRIL 24 - 30, 2023 READINGS**

**Mon** - Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30

Jn 6:22-29

**Tues -** 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20

Wed - Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

**Thurs** - Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

Fri - Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1-2 Jn 6:52-59

Sat - Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69

**Sun** - Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Ps 23:1-6 1 Pt 2:20b-25

Jn 10:1-10

Our **CRS RICE BOWL** journey has ended, and we want to say THANK YOU! Your CRS Rice Bowls can be

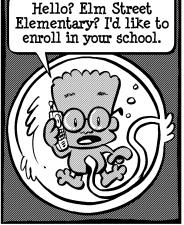
turned in next to the bulletins in all three churches.

#### NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551).

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by Gary Cangemi



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all women of the parish. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Saint Michael's church hall at 12:30 pm. We always welcome new members.

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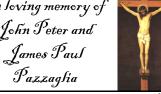
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