

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# ST. MICHAEL

## CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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# IF YOUR BROTHER SINS

Matthew 18:15-20



### 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."

**Pastoral Council:** David Beahm, David Brann, Leslie Debach, Will Hawrylo, Jean Herman, Ralph Lepper, Sherry Vargson, Sarah Watson - youth representative

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

All who are seriously ill, hospitalized, or having surgery can receive this sacrament. Contact the parish office to request this sacrament.

#### **Baptism**

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated by appointment. All parents must attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the Baptism. 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.

#### **C.C.D. (2023/24)**

(Religious Education)

St Michael's hall: Sundays, 8:15 am  
St John's hall: Tuesdays, 6:00 pm  
September - May

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday: 6 pm, St Michael's Church following 5:30 pm Mass, Benediction at 7 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.

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, September 9** Saint Peter Claver, Priest

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4:00 pm, Canton † Robert Fleury (The Fleury Family)

**Sunday, Sept 10** 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Mark Kingsley

(George & Theresa Kingsley)

11:15 am, Troy † Jerry Ross, Jr. (The Family)

**Monday, September 11** Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Paul Bugay (Anna Bogaczyk & Family)

**Tuesday, September 12** Weekday

No Mass

**Wednesday, September 13** Saint John Chrysostom,

Bishop, Doctor of the Church

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

6:00 pm, Holy Hour

**Thursday, Sept 14** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

No Mass

**Friday, September 15** Our Lady of Sorrows

7:00 am, Rectory † Ann "Kay" Collins

(St. Michael Altar & Rosary Society)

**Saturday, September 16** Saint Cornelius, Pope, and

Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

VIGIL: 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

**Sunday, Sept 17** 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Judy Callahan (Bridget & Shawn)

9:30 am, Canton † Joann Moore (Pat Fleury)

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

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 solidarity and peace in our global human family: that we may work together to protect the lives of those who are most vulnerable.

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



### SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS August 28 - September 3, 2023

Weekly Offerings:	2,533.00
Electronic Offerings:	1,570.00
Saint Vincent DePaul:	15.00
Other Parish Income:	197.50
Total Parish Income:	4,315.50
Average weekly expenses:	4,267.09
Difference:	48.41
Care & Education of Priests:	406.00
Maui Fire Victims	30.00

Thank you for your continued support.

## FROM FATHER JOE'S DESK

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC, OR REFRESHING YOUR MEMORY?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the way for non-Catholics to enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church and for Catholics who have not been fully initiated to receive Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. If you or any one you know is interested in becoming Catholic, the RCIA is for you. For Catholics who would like a "refresher" on their faith, this is an excellent continuing education opportunity. For more information or to register, please call Father Joe at 570-673-5253.



## Religious Education

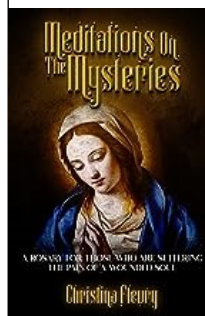
CCD will begin on September 24 at 8:15 am in St. Michael's Hall and September 26 at 6:00 pm in St. John's Hall. If you have not already registered your child, please do so ASAP so that supplies can be ordered. There will be a parents meeting on Monday September 18 at 7 pm in St. Michael's hall for **ALL** parents regardless of where their child is registered.

### BAKE SALE!!

There will be a bake sale on Sunday September 17th, Catechetical Sunday, to raise funds for supplies for CCD. Please come and support the ministry and children!



**CHRISTINA FLEURY** was interviewed by Michael Oliva



on Divine Mercy Radio regarding her book, *Meditations on the Mysteries: A Rosary for Those Who Are Suffering the Pain of a Wounded Soul*. (available on Amazon) The interview aired on July 25th. Visit <https://divinemercyradio.com/treasures-of-faith> and scroll down to find the 7/25/23 interview to hear it any time.

### SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Tom Ambruch, Karl Barton, April Bilbrey, Joseph Blaszc, Gus Branish, Joy Brann, Betty Brown, John Chapman Jr., Dennis Clarke, Todd Congdon, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English, Melissa Gowan, Cassie Hamburger, Gary & Erin Hamilton, Cody Heim, Robert Dale Hostetter, Victoria Johnson, Beatrice Jones, Antoinette King, David Kule, Jo Kule, Mike Losey, Tom McBlane, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore, Orlando Morales, Delina Morgan, Leo Parchesky, Ramona Parker, Gary Polly, Dee-Dee Ramsey, Rich Stankiewicz, Joe Turk, Matthew Warren, Glenda Watson, Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, Anthony Wolf, Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf





## POPE FRANCIS'S SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON THE MARGINS: We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

### NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS

“STUFF THE BUS” A SUCCESS!!

Our “Stuff the Bus” concluded last weekend. Thank you to everyone who was able to contribute. The schools were very grateful for the supplies.



### FOOD DRIVE CONTINUES

The food collection is ongoing. We thank everyone for their generous donations. Hunger never takes a break.

### CELEBRATING LIFE

The Knights of Columbus will be at the CHURCH OF CHRIST'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE COMMUNITY FESTIVAL on Saturday, September 23rd from noon until 4:00 pm. We will be selling chicken speedies to raise money for the Bradford/Sullivan Pennsylvania Special Olympics. The team will be in attendance, including Izaak Hobday, who competed at the World Games in Berlin and took home the gold medal in the 1500 M run and the silver in the 5K run!

Everyone is invited to come support the Knights and meet these talented athletes and our Christian neighbors.

## Celebrating Life Community Festival

Saturday, Sept. 23  
Noon- 4:00 PM

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### SEPTEMBER 11 - 17, 2023 READINGS

**Mon** - Col 1:24—2:3 Ps 62:6-7, 9 Lk 6:6-11

**Tues** - Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1-2, 8-11 Lk 6:12-19

**Wed** - Col 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3, 10-13 Lk 6:20-26

**Thurs** - Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1b-2, 34-38 Phil 2:6-11

Jn 3:13-17

**Fri** - 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8,

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

**Sat** - 1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1-7 Lk 6:43-49

**Sun** - Sir 27:30—28:7 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12 Rom 14:7-9

Mt 18:21-35

### 2023 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The October 7th, 2023 Catholic Men's Conference, from 8 am to 3pm, will be held at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre.

*A generous (anonymous) donor, has volunteered to pay the registration fee for any man of Saint Michael's Parish to attend the conference. To take advantage of this offer, contact the parish office.*



IF YOU WANT YOUR OFFERING POSTED TO YOUR FAMILY ACCOUNT, BE SURE TO PROVIDE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS. CHECKS SHOULD BE PAYABLE TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

## Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



Some people say my mom shouldn't have me...



...because she's single and poor and I'll grow up underprivileged.



Oh sure, that's easy for them to say!



It's always the BORN people trying to keep UNBORN people out of the club.

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### Knights of Columbus Council #5517

Looking for new members.  
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come new members.

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