

JANUARY 21, 2024



THE 3RD 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. (2023/24)

(Religious education classes
held during the school year)

Sun: 8:15 am, St. Michael Church hall

Sun: 10:15 am, St. John Nepomucene
Church 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, January 20 Weekday

VIGIL: 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Christopher Arnold (The Family)

Sunday, January 21 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Robert Fleury (The Family)

11:15 am, Troy † William Misson (Anonymous)

Monday, January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:00 am, Rectory † Anna Campbell (Celia Levindofski)

Tuesday, January 23 Weekday

5:30 pm, Troy † Betty Rieppel (George & Anita Kump)

Wednesday, January 24 Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

5:30 pm, Canton † James Bogaczyk (Loise Mitchell)

6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, January 25 THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE
No Mass

Friday, January 26 Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7:00 am, Rectory † Raymond Watkins

(Mr. & Mrs. Harold Andrews)

Saturday, January 27 Weekday

VIGIL: 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Rich Carlonas (Cheryl Carlonas)

Sunday, January 28 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Gene & Mary McMahon

(Jean & Mike Herman)

11:15 am, Troy † Anna Capaldi (Jayne Cleveland)

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 God to grant public servants and elected officials the humility, wisdom, and courage to defend all human life.

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

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS January 8 - 14, 2024

Weekly Offerings: 2,333.00

Altar & Rosary Dues: 85.00

Electronic Offerings: 475.00

Other Parish Income: 194.50



Total Parish Income: 3,087.50

Average weekly expenses: 4,124.61

Difference: (1,209.11)

Care & Education of Priests: 57.00

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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 & Barbara Clarke, Darlene Cole, Todd Congdon, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English, Ben Flood, Melissa Gowan, Cassie Hamburger, Cody Heim, Robert Dale Hostetter, Victoria Johnson, Beatrice Jones, Antoinette King, Theresa Kingsley, David Kule, Jo Kule, Joyce Maloney, Tom McBlane, Darlene McCurdy, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore, Orlando Moralez, Delina Morgan, Leo Parchesky, Ramona Parker, Gary Paquette, Gary Polly, Patricia Rogers, Katy Snyder, Rich Stankiewicz, Mary Catherine Taylor, Joe Turk, Elias Vroman, Matthew Warren, Glenda Watson, Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, 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.



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As of January 12th, we are at 87.19% of our \$12,000 parish goal. 10,463 has been donated or pledged. 58 families have donated thus far, which is a participation rate of 40.28% of 144 active families in the parish.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed thus far, both financially and with your prayers.



**POPE FRANCIS'S
JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION**
FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH : Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.


CHILI COOKOFF

St. Michael's Cemetery Association will be hosting a Chili cook-off. Proceeds will be used for improvements to the cemetery. The cookoff will be on February 13th, (Ash Wednesday is February 14th) in St. Michael's Church Hall from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. There will be a \$5 entry fee for each chili to be judged. Chilis can be donated without being in the competition. We will be awarding prizes for the hottest (yet still edible), best mild and best unique chilis. Prizes include a portion of the entry fees and, of course, BRAGGING RIGHTS! We also need donations of muffins, crackers, corn bread, or any other side dish that will pair well with chili. Beverages will be provided.

All are invited to attend, donations will be accepted at the door.



Then GOD said, "Let us make human beings in our image, after our likeness." *Genesis 1:26*



**SANCTITY OF
human life
SUNDAY**
JANUARY | 21 | 2024

Every abortion takes the life of an innocent human being made in the image of God.

Contact 1-888-LIFE-AID or optionline.org or text HELPLINE to 313131 for support through an unexpected pregnancy. Those wounded by a past abortion can find healing through organizations like Rachel's Vineyard and Deeper Still.

PRO-LIFE

JANUARY 22 - 28, 2024 READINGS

Mon - 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Ps 89:20-22, 25-26 Mk 3:22-30

Tues - 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Ps 27:7-10 Mk 3:31-35

Wed - 2 Sm 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-30 Mk 4:1-20

Thurs - Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22 Ps 117:1-2
Mk 16:15-18

Fri - 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10
Mk 4:26-34

Sat - 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Ps 51:12-17 Mk 4:35-41

Sun - Dt 18:15-20 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 1 Cor 7:32-35
Mk 1:21-28



WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2024

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES AND THE CHARACTER OF A CHRISTIAN: DEVOTION (PART 1 OF 4)

In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher O. Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales, his best known work "The Introduction to the Devout Life", and the character of a Christian.



THE HOUR OF OUR DEATH | ETERNAL REST | EPISODE 3

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.



THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. James Prothro, Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss the conversion of one of the largest figures in Christianity, Saint Paul.



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by Gary Cangemi

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all women of
the parish. We meet on the
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in Saint Michael's church hall
at 1:00 pm. We always wel-
come new members.

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