

APRIL 21, 2024



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ST. MICHAEL

CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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Thursdays 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

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

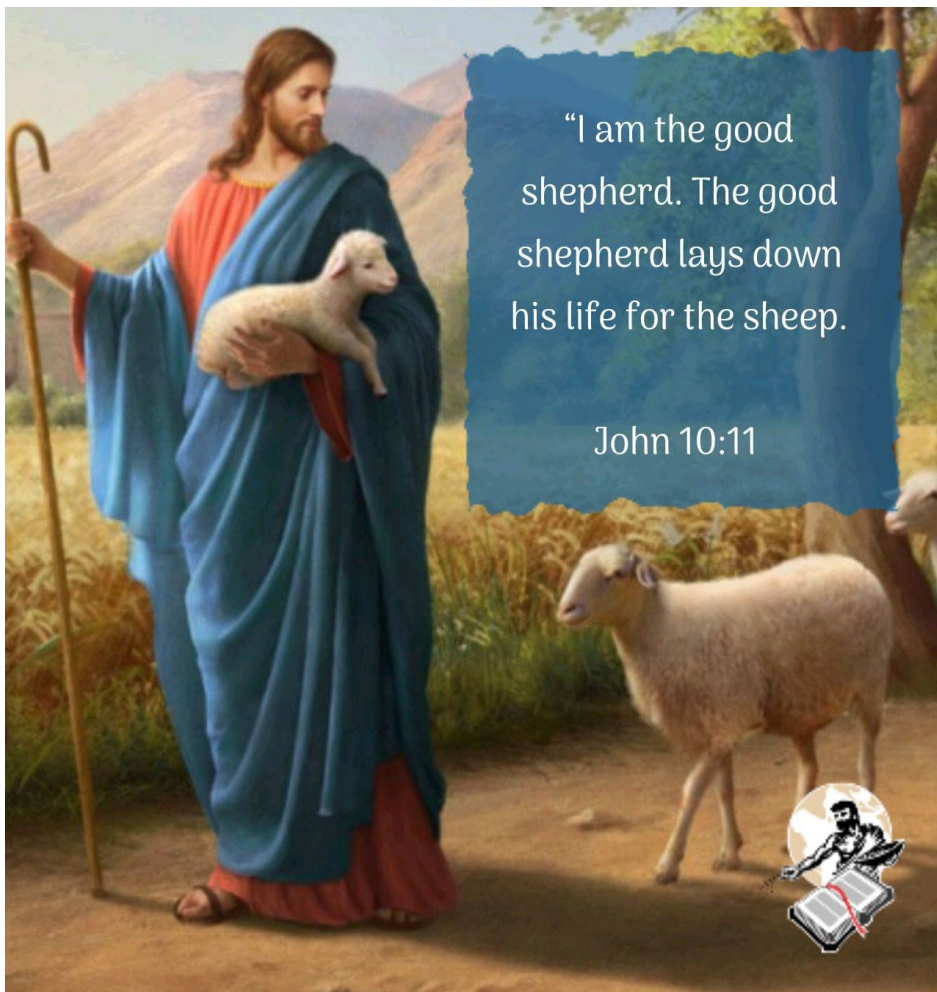
To all elderly and homebound, if you would like a visit from Father Joe on First Friday, please contact the Parish Office and let us know the month before.

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



"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11



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 20 Easter Weekday
 VIGIL: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 4:00 pm, Canton † Tom Ambruch (Leslie Debach)

Sunday, April 21 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
 9:30 am, Canton † Jerry Ross, Jr. (The Family)
 11:15 am, Troy † Greg Vollmer & Richelle
 (Cheryl Carlonas)

Monday, April 22 Easter Weekday
 7:00 am, Rectory † Robert Curran (Tom & Mary Hohman)

Tuesday, April 23 Easter Weekday
No Mass

Wednesday, April 24 Easter Weekday
 5:30 pm, Canton † Carol Van Zile (St. Michael's A&R)
 6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, April 25 SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST
 No Mass

Friday, April 26 Easter Weekday
 7:00 am, Rectory † Eason Watkins (Bob & Lola Gerg)

Saturday, April 27 Easter Weekday
 VIGIL: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, April 28 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 8:00 am, Ralston † Helen Frederick (Floyd Harzinski)
 9:30 am, Canton † Jeffrey Glassman (St. Michael's A&R)
 11:15 am, Troy † Bea Chamberlain (Cheryl Carlonas)


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 those who have participated in an abortion and feel they have committed an unforgivable sin to come to know the Lord's limitless mercy.

Sanctuary lamp intentions may be requested by contacting the parish office. The cost is \$10 for all three lamps for a weekend.

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

Weekly Offerings:	2,242.75
Electronic Offerings:	475.00
Other Parish Income:	<u>30.50</u>
 Total Parish Income:	2,748.25
Average weekly expenses:	<u>4,124.61</u>
Difference:	(1,376.36)
Care & Education of Priests:	30.00

Thank you for your continued support.

FROM FATHER JOE'S DESK

MOTHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUET CARDS

In addition to the Mother's Day intention envelopes that are in your offertory packets, Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet cards are in all three churches. If you choose to use these cards, there is an envelope for your intentions and donation that goes in the collection basket, and another envelope with a beautiful Mother's Day card that you can give to your living mother, grandmother, or great grandmother. Just take that card out of the intention envelope and only bring the completed, sealed intentions envelope back to the church on or before Mother's Day.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Please pray for all the children in our Religious Education program. Special prayers are requested for those who are preparing to receive Sacraments.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, SUNDAY, MAY 5TH

9:30 AM, ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH



Ava Cooney *Sophia Johnson*
Lucas Grove *Dean Pepper*
Aubrianna Hernandez *Lottie Stanton*
Ximena Hernandez

CONFIRMATION, SUNDAY, MAY 19TH

11:15 AM, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Kara Cummings *Alex Roupp*
Toby Stanton



Next 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 www.usccb.org/home-missions.

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Cathy Asbury, Karl Barton, April Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszczyk, 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, Carol MacElhaney, Joyce Maloney, Tom McBlane, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore, Orlando Morales, Delina Morgan, Brett Neely, Mary Nybeck, Leo Parchesky, Ramona Parker, Gary Paquette, Lori Pellegrini, Gary Polly, Patricia Rogers, Katy Snyder, Rich Stankiewicz, Mary Catherine Taylor, Joe Turk, Elias Vroman, Matthew Warren, Calvin Watson, Glenda Watson, Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, Anthony Wolf, Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf



**POPE FRANCIS'S
APRIL PRAYER INTENTION**

FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS
SENIOR MASS AND BREAKFAST**

Planning is underway for the Senior Mass and Breakfast. We're looking for parishioners who will be graduating from either high school or college this year. Please contact the parish office with their information.

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APRIL 15 - 21, 2024 READINGS

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

Jn 6:22-29

Tues: Acts 7:51—8:1a

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6ab, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab Jn 6:30-35

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 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 288-29

1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-15



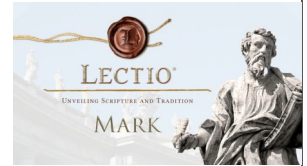
WEEK OF APRIL 21, 2024

**GENESIS PART 2 | OLD TESTAMENT: BOOK OVERVIEWS
THE BIBLE PROJECT**

Watch our overview video on Genesis 12-50, which breaks down the literary design of the book and its flow of thought. In Genesis, God promises to bless rebellious humanity through the family of Abraham, despite their constant failure and folly.

LECTIO: MARK

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO HOLD A PILGRIM ICON
PRAYER SERVICE IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEPH**

The Knights of Columbus of St. Michael Parish, Council #5517 will honor St. Joseph, the Patron of the Universal Catholic Church with a Pilgrim Icon Prayer Service on Wednesday, May 1st at the 5:30 pm Mass followed by a Rosary and Litany in honor of the Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker.



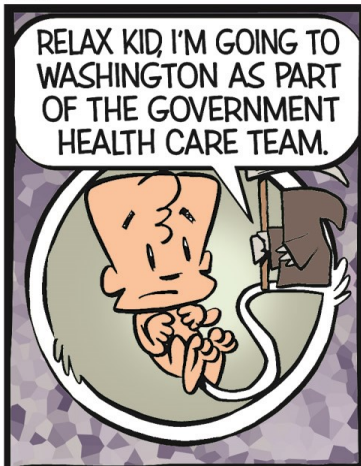
In preparation for the Feast Day, the Knights of Columbus Pilgrim Icon will arrive at St. Michael's Church on Sunday April 28th and the Knights will lead the 9:30 am Mass procession with the Icon which will be placed in the Sanctuary for all to venerate.

Pope Francis said it best when he said "I commend all of you in a special way to the intercession of St. Joseph, the protector of the Holy Family of Nazareth, who is an admirable model of the manly virtues of quiet strength, integrity and fidelity which the Knights of Columbus are committed to preserving, cultivating and passing on to future generations of Catholic men".



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by Gary Cangemi



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Knights of Columbus Council #5517

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SAINT MICHAEL'S ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
St. Michael's Altar & Rosary Society is open to all women of the parish. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Saint Michael's church hall at 1:00 pm. We always welcome new members.



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