

AUGUST 25, 2024



THE 21ST 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

Wednesday: 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. (2024/25)

(Religious education classes held during the school year)
Sunday - 8:15 am - 9:15 am,
St. Michael Church hall

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life; and we have believed and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God..." John 6:68-69



He does not say "where shall we go?", but "to whom shall we go?". The underlying problem is not about leaving and abandoning the work undertaken, but to whom to go. From Peter's question we understand, that fidelity to God is a question of fidelity to a person, to whom we bind ourselves, to walk together, on the same road. And this person is Jesus. All that we have in the world does not satisfy our infinite hunger. We need Jesus, to be with Him, to be nourished at His table, on His words of eternal life! - Pope Francis

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, August 24 SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE
 VIGIL: 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, August 25 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 8:00 am, Ralston † Sister Suzanne Stopper, BVM
 (Dan & Betsy Clark)
 9:30 am, Canton † David Snell (The Family)
 11:15 am, Troy † Joseph Hamburger
 (The Bradford & Hamburger Families)

Monday, August 26 Weekday
 7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Ann Gergel (James Gergel)

Tuesday, August 27 Saint Monica
 5:30 pm, Troy † Thomas Dalton (Bob & Carol Dalton)

Wednesday, August 28 Saint Augustine, Bishop,
 Doctor of the Church
 5:30 pm, Canton † Darlene Cole (Jeff & Beth Cole)
 6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thurs, August 29 The Passion of Saint John the Baptist
 7:00 am, Rectory † Keating Brothers
 (Joe & Maryann Maresco)

Friday, August 30 Weekday
NO MASS

Saturday, August 31 Weekday
 VIGIL: 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, Sept 1 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 8:00 am, Ralston † Sister Suzanne Stopper, BVM
 (Dan & Betsy Clark)
 9:30 am, Canton † Ernest Krise (Jerry & Joy Brann)
 11:15 am, Troy † Alvin Miller (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 the sick, suffering, and those near death to receive adequate care which embraces their physical, psychological, and spiritual needs as they journey toward eternal life.

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 August 12 - 18, 2024

Weekly Offerings:	3,131.00
Assumption Offerings:	322.00
Electronic Offerings:	475.00
2023-24 Annual Appeal Rebate:	2,400.75
Other Parish Income:	660.00
Total Parish Income:	6,988.75
Average weekly expenses:	4,124.61
Difference:	2,864.14



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 opportunity. RCIA begins with the Inquiry Phase, which will begin in late September. For more information or to register, please call Father Joe at 570-673-5253.

Religious Education

CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine) registration is open through August 31 for children in Pre-K (age 4) - Confirmation (8th grade & above) for the 2024-25 school year. Please include your child's specific grade when registering. Registration forms are available in the back of all churches or online at the parish website via the Faith Formation tab. If you are interested in teaching CCD, contact Sarah Watson at (570) 447-8799.

There will be a **Parents' Meeting** at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 16th in St. Michael's Hall. Classes begin on Sunday, September 22nd.

Catechists will be commissioned by Father Joe during the 9:30 am Mass in St. Michaels Church on Sunday, September 15th, Catechetical Sunday.

The annual CCD bake sale will be after all Masses the weekend of September 14th & 15th! (YUMMY!!) Proceeds go toward CCD expenses. Please come and support the ministry and children!



SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, The Ashby Family, Karl Barton, April Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszc, Gus Branish, Joy Brann, Betty Brown, John Chapman Jr., Dennis & Barbara Clarke, Kiran Dhawan, Michael Davison, Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English, Ben Flood, Melissa Gowan, William Hall, Cassie Hamburger, Robert Dale Hostetter, Victoria Johnson, Beatrice Jones, David Kule, Jo Kule, Joyce Maloney, Tom McBlane, Bunny Meuse, Bernadette Moore, Orlando Moralez, Delina Morgan, Mary Nybeck, Pamela Porter O'Brien, Leo Parchesky, Ramona Parker, Gary Paquette, Lori Pellegrini, Pat Rushin, Anthony Shipula, Sharon Snyder, Elias Vroman, Calvin Watson, 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.

POPE FRANCIS'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION



FOR POLITICAL LEADERS: We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.



WEEK OF AUGUST 25, 2024

THE FIRST MULTIPLICATION | BREAD OF LIFE | EPISODE 1

In this first episode of Bread of Life, Dr. Tim Gray shares insights from Sacred Scripture and dives into the Gospel of Mark's account of the first multiplication of loaves. Dr. Gray shows how Christ's eucharistic teaching is grounded in the Old Testament, provides hope for the reconstitution of Israel, and anticipates the Last Supper.



CONFESSIONS OF AUGUSTINE: WHO IS ST. AUGUSTINE? (PART 1 OF 6)

Join these two patristic scholars as they help viewers learn how to read this classic text and draw from the riches of the spiritual life of the doctor of the Church, Saint Augustine.



THE BREAD OF LIFE: CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST!

Join Brother Francis in the delightfully inspirational and instructive presentation that teaches children all about the sacrament of the Eucharist!



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AUGUST 26 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 READINGS

- Mon:** 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12 Ps 96:1-5 Mt 23:13-22
- Tues:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Ps 96:10-13 Mt 23:23-26
- Wed:** 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps 128:1-2, 4-5
- Thurs:** 1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-7 Mk 6:17-29
- Fri:** 1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 Mt 25:1-13
- Sat:** 1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 18-21 Mt 25:14-30
- Sun:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 Ps 15:2-5 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

SAVE THE DATE

Be A Catholic Man
9th annual conference
October 5, 2024

Pastoral Council

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

56TH ANNUAL SAINT BONIFACE CHURCH CARNIVAL

326 Washington Blvd., Williamsport, PA 17701
SEPTEMBER 5 - 6 - 7

FOOD - GAMES - RIDES - BINGO - PEIROGIES

Nightly Sit-Down Dinners in Gym 4 - 7 pm
Take Outs Available Every Night

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Friday: Meatloaf or Fish, Tony's Mac n Cheese, fresh green beans, coleslaw, rolls, dessert & drink.

Saturday: Roast Pork, Homemade Filling, Real Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Corn, coleslaw, rolls, dessert & drink.

Outside Grounds Open Thurs. & Fri. 6 pm & Sat. 5 pm

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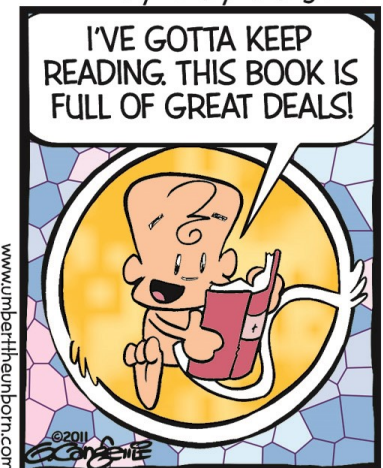
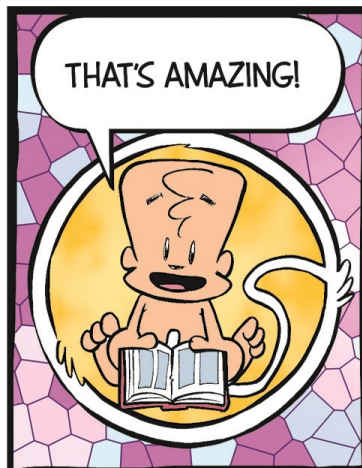
White Elephant Sale inside school gym 4 - 8 pm

Annual Raffle Drawing Final Night @ 10 pm

(need not be present to win)

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi





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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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