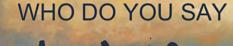
SEPTEMBER 15, 2024



The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time **ST. MICHAEL** CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy) Reverend Joseph P. Kutch, MA, Pastor 106 N. Washington Street, Canton, PA 17724 Office phone: (570) 673-5253 E-mail: office@stmichaelscanton.com website: www.stmichaelscanton.com Office Hours: Mondays & Wednesdays 8 am - 3:30 pm, Thursdays 8 am - 1 pm





How do we proclaim Christ and God's Kingdom today?

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."

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

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.

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Michael's Church: 6 - 7 pm Mass on Wednesdays and First Fridays after 7 am Mass until 7 pm.

<u>First Fridays</u>

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 held on Sundays from September until May 8:15 –9:15 am, St. Michael's hall

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE	
Saturday, Sept 14The Exaltation of the Holy CrossVIGIL: 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME4:00 pm, Canton † Rich Stankiewicz (Matt & Anna Bradford)	
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo 9:30 am, Canton † Deceased mo	7 (K of C Council #5517)
	ints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs. as (Cheryl Carlonas)
Tuesday, September 17 5:30 pm, Troy † Alan Kelley (F	Weekday amily)
Wednesday, September 18 5:30 pm, Canton † Bernadine W	Weekday Valtz (Nancy & David Jaquish)
6:00 pm, Holy Hour <u>Thursday, September 19</u> No Mass	Weekday
Friday, Sept 20Saints Andrew Kim Tae-Gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Dalton (Daniel Kurzejewski)	
Sat, Sept 21SAINT MATTHEVIGIL:25TH SUNDAY IN4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo	
8:00 am, Ralston † John Orr (Le 9:30 am, Canton † David Snell 11:15 am, Troy † Harriette & D	(Susan Schiess)
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SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS September 2 - 8, 2024

Weekly Offerings:	2,422.46	
Electronic Offerings:	475.00	
Other Parish Income:	286.25	
Total Parish Income:	3,183.71	
Average weekly expenses:	4,124.61	
Difference:	(940.90)	
Care & Education of Priests:	10.00	
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 opportunity. RCIA begins with the Inquiry Phase, which will begin on Monday, September 30th at 7 pm in the rectory. For more information or to register, please call Father Joe at 570-673-5253.

Annual Fruit Pie Sales

ATTENTION ALL BAKERS! It is time for our annual fruit pie sale! <u>The Pumpkin Festival</u> will be held on October 5th & 6th at the Firemen's Field in Canton. Don't think



you're locked in to apple pies, people love the fun and unusual flavors, so let your creativity flow! Pie tins and boxes are available for pickup in all three churches. Pie drop-off will be on Friday, October 4th in Saint Michael's Church hall 10 am - 6 pm.

Please print the pie flavor neatly on the post-it note on the box.



You can also volunteer to work the booth on the sign–up sheet in the back of St. Michael's Church, or call the rectory during office hours to see what times still need coverage.

This fundraiser has been very helpful to the fiscal health of our parish and is a great way to build relationships within our community. Both of those things are vitally important. Your help is needed to continue these traditions.

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, The Ashby Family, Karl Barton, April Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blasz, Gus Branish, Joy Brann, Betty Brown, John Chapman Jr., Dennis & Barbara Clarke, Kiran Dhawan, 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.

Religious Education

There will be a **Parents' Meeting** for CCD <u>and</u> homeschooling parents at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 16th in St. Michael's Hall. CCD Classes begin on Sunday, September 22nd.

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



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



This year, adult education is available in the rectory chapel, 8:15 - 9:15 am on Sundays that CCD is meeting. Our first study will be LECTIO: EUCHARIST

Acclaimed author and teacher Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching. *"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"...* these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching? We'll discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral and wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation.

Study guides are not necessary, but can be purchased here: https://catholic.market/publishers/augustineinstitute/lectio-eucharist-study-guide/

Make a Difference in Our Community!

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Saturday, October 5, 2024 Holy Redeemer High School 159 South Pennsylvania Ave, Wilkes Barre, PA 18701 8:00 am to 3:00 pm (includes Adoration and Confes

8:00 am to 3:00 pm (includes Adoration and Confession), Closing Mass at 1:45 pm with Bishop Bambera. Rosary at 7:15 am. Registration/Morning Coffee starts at 7 am. The conference features three outstanding speakers: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, John Edwards, and Father Bill Casey.

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.

Regular Conference fee: \$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9-15) Students \$15 Priests/Deacons/Seminarians are FREE

Register either online at *www.BeACatholicMan.com*, or by mail by sending your name, address, email and parish with your check payable to "*Be a Catholic Man*, *Inc*" with "*Men's Conference*" on the memo line of the check to: "Be a Catholic Man, Inc", P.O Box 669, Wyalusing, Pa. 18853.

For more information contact: Your Men's Conference Parish Contact, David Beahm, or Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872 or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com.

ROSARY RALLY

10:00 am, Thursday, September 26, 2024 St. Micheal's Church Hall

Before each decade of the Rosary, Diane Hedrick will speak about a different apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Diane has visited each of these sites.

- 1. Our Lady of Medjugorje, Bosnia & Herzegovina
- 2. Our Lady of Fatima, Portugal
- 3. Our Lady of Nazareth, Israel
- 4. Our Lady of Lourdes, France
- 5. Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Paris, France





FILL THE FREEZER MEAT BUNDLE RAFFLE

Tickets are \$10/each

Tickets are available for purchase or to *sign out* (to sell to family, friends and co-workers) after all weekend Masses, from any Parish Pastoral Council member, or at the parish office during office hours - (570) 673-5253. Let's sell out of tickets!

Drawing will be held during the Harvest Supper in Saint Michael Church Hall on Wednesday, October 23rd. You need not be present to win.

FIRST PRIZE SUPER DELUXE BUNDLE

51.25 POUNDS RETAIL VALUE: \$250.00 15 lbs. Fryers (halves or guarters) 2×1¹/₂ lb. Leona Ham Steak 5×12 oz. Delmonico Steak 4 lbs. Country Style Ribs 3 lbs. Pork Steak 1×2¹/₂ lbs. London Broil 2×2 lbs. Boneless Sirloin 5 lbs. Leona Hamburg Patties 2 lbs. Cube Steak 5 lbs. Leona Super Dogs 2 lbs. Hot or Mild Italian Sausage

SECOND PRIZE MINI DELUXE BUNDLE

36.5 POUNDS RETAIL VALUE: \$195.00 10 lbs. Fryers (halves or quarters) $2 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Bnls Sirloin Steaks 1×1¹/₂ lb. Leona Ham Steak 5 lbs. Hamburg Patties 4×12 oz. Delmonico Steak 5 lbs. Leona Super Dogs 2×2 lb. Chuck Steak 2 lbs. Leona Hot or Mild Italian Sausage 1×3 lb. Country Style Ribs

THIRD PRIZE **ECONOMY BUNDLE**

21 POUNDS RETAIL VALUE: \$75.00 6 lbs. Ground Beef 2×1 lbs. Hot Dogs 3 lbs. Loin End Pork Chops 2 lbs. Pork Country Ribs 3 lbs. Chuck Steaks

5 lbs. Chicken Leg Quarters





TICKETS!! All prizes are from Leona Meat Plant and will be frozen and ready to go! 1961 Leona Rd, Troy, PA 16947 Local: (570) 297-3574 or Toll Free: (800) 416-3968 website: leonameatplant.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/leonameats/ (County of Bradford Small Games of Chance License #4122)



POPE FRANCIS'S SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION



FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH: We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



THIS WEEKEND Please be generous in helping to preserve the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception during our special second collection!

THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN WASHINGTON, D.C., is** celebrating the 100th anniversary of its first public Mass. The National Shrine has celebrated more than 800,000 Masses and more than 7,000 Ordinations to the Priesthood, and welcomed the faithful and pilgrims from around the world. The National Shrine is neither a cathedral nor a parish church. In order to continue serving almost one million pilgrims annually, updating its aged infrastructure has become a necessity.

This weekend, our parish will take a special one-time second collection at all Masses to support the renewal project which is underway. Please put your offering in an envelope with your name and "Shrine" written on the front if you would like it credited to your account for tax purposes. You can also give online by visiting nationalshrine.org/centennial

Thank you for your generous support to preserve Mary's Shrine for generations to come!

SEPTEMBER 16 - 22, 2024 READINGS Mon: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Ps 40:7-10, 17 Lk 7:1-10 Tues: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Ps 100:1-5 Lk 7:11-17 Wed: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22 Lk 7:31-35 **Thurs**: 1 Cor 15:1-11 Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 Lk 7:36-50 Fri: 1 Cor 15:12-20 Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, 15 Lk 8:1-3 Sat: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13 Sun: Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37

FORMED WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

BIBLE STUDY: THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW 1:1-25

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they begin studying the Gospel of Matthew by introducing St. Matthew and looking at chapter 1 of this incredible gospel.



PETER BAR JONAH: HOW PETER CAME TO ROME

In this session, Dr. Tim Gray shows how the life of a man named Cornelius intersects with Peter 's and redirects the New Covenant in a remarkable way.



Peter points the Church to an all-encompassing loveand sets the stage for the work of the Apostle Paul.

LOTR AND CATHOLICISM W/JOSEPH PEARCE CHRIS STEFANICK SHOW

You've almost definitely heard of Lord of the Rings, but do you know about its Catholic influence? Joseph Pearce, a leading Tolkien scholar, joins Chris to talk about the famed trilogy.



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