

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024



THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. MICHAEL

CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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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.

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 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

Sat, Sept 21 SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST
VIGIL: 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, Sept 22 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † John Orr (Les & Pat Kulp)
9:30 am, Canton † David Snell (Susan Schiess)
11:15 am, Troy † Harriette & Dean Rumsey
(The Bradford & Hamburger Families)

Monday, September 23 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
7:00 am, Rectory † Helen Herko (Cheryl Carlonas)

Tuesday, September 24 Weekday
5:30 pm, Troy † John Chapman, Sr.
(The Bradford & Hamburger Families)

Wednesday, September 25 Weekday
5:30 pm, Canton † Christine Rice
6:00 pm, Holy Hour (St. Michael's Altar & Rosary Society)

Thursday, September 26 Weekday
No Mass

Friday, September 27 Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
7:00 am, Rectory † Bernadine Waltz
(Rita & Seth Chamberlain)

Saturday, September 28
VIGIL: 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † Irene Bitcola (Cheryl Carlonas)


Sunday, Sept 29 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
9:30 am, Canton † Rich Stankiewicz (The Mulno Family)
11:15 am, Troy † Michael Davison (Mike & Jean Herman)

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 all who are forgotten or cast off, especially the unborn, the poor, the sick, and the aged, to be treated according to the dignity with which God created them.

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS September 9 - 15, 2024

Weekly Offerings:	2,239.26
Electronic Offerings:	475.00
CCD Bake Sale:	547.00
Other Parish Income:	1,293.00
 Total Parish Income:	4,554.26
Average weekly expenses:	4,124.61
Difference:	429.65
National Shrine:	436.46
Care & Education of Priests:	80.00

Thank you for your continued support.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The annual CCD bake sale was a big success! \$547 was raised for this year's program. **Thank you** to everyone who baked, bought, and donated!

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 the Roman Catholic Church and for Catholics who have not been fully initiated to receive Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. RCIA is for anyone interested in becoming Catholic. The Inquiry Phase will begin on Monday, Sept. 30th at 7 pm in the rectory. For more information or to register, call Father Joe at 570-673-5253.

The Annual Blessing of Animals will take place on Friday, October 4th at 4 pm in St. Michael's parking lot.



ANNUAL FRUIT PIE SALES

The Pumpkin Festival will be October 5th & 6th. Pie tins and boxes are available in all three churches. Pie drop-off will be on Friday, October 4th in Saint Michael's Church hall 10 am - 6 pm.

You can volunteer for the booth on the sheet in the back of Saint 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.

FILL THE FREEZER MEAT BUNDLE RAFFLE

Tickets are \$10/each and are available after all weekend Masses, from any Parish Pastoral Council member, or at the parish office during office hours. The 3 winners will be drawn during Saint Michael's Harvest Supper on Wed., Oct. 23rd. You need not be present to win.

All prizes are from Leona Meat Plant and will be frozen and ready to go! Details are online at <https://stmichaelscanton.com/news/fill-the-freezer-affle/>

To learn about Leona Meat Plant's history, products, and services, go to www.leonameatplant.com. You can also find them on Facebook!

County of Bradford Small Games of Chance License #4122

Anyone interested in a successful **HARVEST SUPPER**, please attend a coordinated meeting on October 10, at 9:30 AM in St Michael's church hall. We need to discuss Take-Out orders, Food Prep, Table Set-Ups, etc.
Thank you, Harvest Supper Committee

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, 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

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.



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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.

THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Last weekend, our parish had a special one-time second collection to support the renewal project which is underway. \$436.46 was donated for our National Shrine. If you missed the offering, you can give online by visiting nationalshrine.org/centennial. Thank you for your generous support to preserve Mary's Shrine for generations to come!

SEPTEMBER 23 - 29, 2024 READINGS

Mon: Prv 3:27-34 Ps 15:2-5 Lk 8:16-18

Tues: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44
Lk 8:19-21

Wed: Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163
Lk 9:1-6

Thurs: Eccl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 7 Lk 9:7-9

Fri: Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9:18-22

Sat: Eccl 11:9—12:8 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17
Lk 9:43b-45

Sun: Nm 11:25-29 Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14 Jas 5:1-6
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL | CATHOLIC SAINTS

Join Dr. Christopher Blum and Mary McGeehan as they share about the life of St. Vincent de Paul on this episode of Catholic Saints.

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9TH ANNUAL BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE

Holy Redeemer H.S., 159 S Pennsylvania Ave
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Saturday, October 5th, 8 am-3 pm, 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.

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi





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the parish. We meet on the
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in Saint Michael's church hall
at 1:00 pm. We always welcome new members.



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