

JULY 13, 2025



15TH 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

Saturday, July 12 Weekday

VIGIL: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Bea Jones (George Kingsley)

Sunday, July 13 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † David Snell (Susan Schiess)

11:15 am, Troy † Helen Pierchorowicz

(Mr. & Mrs. David Pierchorowicz)

Monday, July 14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

7:00 am, Rectory † Bill Spencer (Jeff & Beth Cole)

Tuesday, July 15 Saint Bonaventure, Bishop,

Doctor of the Church

5:30 pm, Troy † Richard Swope (Christina Fleury)

Wednesday, July 16 Weekday

5:30 pm, Canton † Earl Beahm, Sr. (David Beahm)

6:00 pm Holy Hour

Thursday, July 17 Weekday

No Mass

Friday, July 18 Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Betty Stranger (Jim & Joyce Maloney)

Saturday, July 19 Weekday

VIGIL: 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Christine Vroman (Jeff & Beth Cole)

Sunday, July 20 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Beatrice Jones (Sherry Vargson)

11:15 am, Troy † Nicholas DePalma (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 Lord to guide and bless the journeys of families considering adoption, and grant them peace along the way.

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

The cost is \$10 for all three lamps for a weekend.

A Communal Rosary is prayed at 9:30 on Thursday mornings in St. Michael's Church. All are invited to participate.



SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS June 30 - July 6, 2025

Weekly Offerings: 2,782.00

Electronic Offerings: 1,380.00

Other Parish Income: 214.50



Total Parish Income: 4,376.50

Average weekly expenses: 4,356.13

Difference: 20.37

Peter's Pence: 1.00

Care & Education of Priests: 476.00

Thank you for your continued support.

The Parish Census is ongoing. As of July 7th, we have received 70 responses out of 270 registered families. Census forms are available by the bulletins, on the parish website at stmichaelscanton.com/news/parish-census/, or by using the QR code at the bottom of this article.



All Catholics should be registered in their local parish. This helps facilitate many church activities such as requests for sponsor forms, marriage in the church and other religious needs. Having accurate statistics is also important for parish planning of religious education and other services and when the Diocese is allocating clerical and financial resources.

Receiving sacraments in a parish does not automatically register you in the parish. For example, parents will sometimes bring their newborn to the parish they grew up in for baptism, especially if they have family members who cannot travel easily.

For our young adults: If you have entered the work force and/or have completed a four year degree, you should be registered as an independent family rather than as a child in your parents' family, even if you still live in their home.

Follow-up phone calls to those who have not yet completed the census form will begin this week, so please, have mercy on our Parish Secretary, and complete the census today!



We reached 84.13% of our \$19,238 parish goal for the 2024-2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal.



\$16,185.00 was donated or pledged by 76 donors. Our participation rate was 28.15%. The Appeal ended on June 30th. Thank you to everyone who contributed, both financially and with your prayers.

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John & Peggy Adams, Karl Barton, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszc, Gus Branish, Betty Brown, Dennis & Barbara Clarke, Anthony DeMarco, Kiran Dhawan, Philip Doud, Dorland & Carlene Eck, Leon English, Wayne Ettinger, Misty Frame, Douglas Greene, Melissa Gowan, William Hall, Robert Dale Hostetter, Maryllis Hughes, Victoria Johnson, Bob Jones, Lauren Kreager, David Kule, Jo Kule, Judy Lepper, Bob Lutz, Joyce Maloney, Tom McBlane, Bunny Meuse, Ed "Buster" Merritt, Bernadette Moore, Orlando Moralez, Delina Morgan, Charlotte Morse, Mary Nybeck, Pamela Porter O'Brien, John O'Brien, Leo Parchesky, Ramona Parker, Gary Paquette, Lori Pellegrini, Brittany Romaine, Pat Rushin, Cristy Schmelzle, Ahmed Hassa Sharief, Anthony Shipula, Christine Shipula, Bev Smith, Elias Vroman, Calvin Watson, Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, Anthony Wolf, Nicholas Wolf, Fran Zizza
Contact the office to add a name to the prayer list.



POPE LEO XIV JULY PRAYER INTENTION

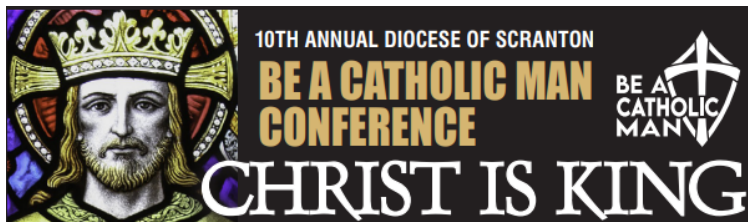
FOR FORMATION IN DISCERNMENT

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

THE 2026 MASS SCHEDULE IS NOW OPEN!

Mass intentions are scheduled on a first-come, first served basis. Masses can be requested by phone, email, or a note in the offertory basket. Please include:

- Who the Mass is being offered for. Are they living or deceased. Who is making the request.
- The \$10/Mass stipend. (*No Mass is declined for an inability to pay.*)
- A phone number or email in case there are questions.
- If applicable: The date and/or church in which you would like the Mass to be offered.
- If applicable, the name & address of the person to whom you would like a Mass card mailed.



SAT., OCT. 4, 2025, 8 AM - 3:00 PM

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JULY 14 - 20, 2025 READINGS

Mon: Ex 1:8-14, 22 Ps 124:1b-8 Mt 10:34—11:1

Tues: Ex 2:1-15a Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34

Mt 11:20-24

Wed: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7 Mt 11:25-27

Thurs: Ex 3:13-20 Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27

Mt 11:28-30

Fri: Ex 11:10—12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15-18 Mt 12:1-8

Sat: Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15 Mt 12:14-21

Sun: Gn 18:1-10a Pa 15:2-5 Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

THIS WEEK ON **formed**, WEEK OF JULY 13, 2025

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA | GOD'S PRINCESSES

Follow along with Sister Imelda as she tells of the inspiring journey of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, a young Mohawk girl who comes to know the Gospel with the help of pioneering priests. Choosing to follow Jesus, Kateri is faced with great challenges as she does her best to bring God's love to her own people! A fun and inspiring example of not giving up!



ST. BONAVENTURE | CATHOLIC SAINTS

A Franciscan cardinal-bishop and contemporary of St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Bonaventure is an excellent example of saintly humility. Known as the "Seraphic Doctor," St. Bonaventure loved God above all else. Join Dr. Chris Mooney and Mary McGeehan as they explore the life of this great saint.



CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY

On July 16, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Learn more about Carmelite Spirituality and how you can live it in this incredible series on Formed.



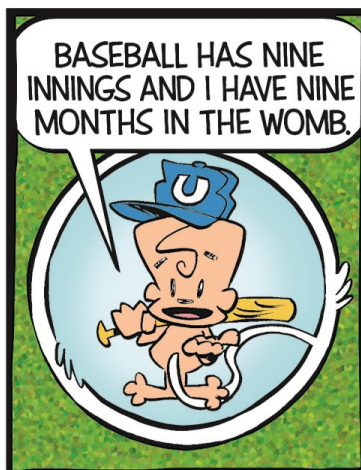
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