



**Masses for the Week**

**MONDAY, MARCH 5 - LENTEN WEEKDAY**

7:00 A.M. Rose Arbanas (M/M Ron Cole)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 6 - LENTEN WEEKDAY**

9:00 A.M. Frank Kosmowski (Barbara Macey)

**WED., MAR. 7 - SAINTS PERPETUA & FELICITY**

7:00 A.M. Helen Kosnac (Pat Stano)  
10:00 A.M. **St. Paul's:** Jane Anderson (Class of 1979)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 8 - SAINT JOHN OF GOD**

6:30 P.M. Toni McElhinny (M/M Chris Ricks)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 9 - SAINT FRANCES OF ROME**

9:00 A.M. Jeannette Chamberlain (K. of C.)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 10 - LENTEN WEEKDAY**

4:30 P.M. **Vigil:** Donald Splichal (Friends)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 11 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 A.M. For the People of Our Parish  
9:15 A.M. **St. Margaret:** Dr. Michael Namey (Jane Martin)  
11:00 A.M. Christopher Hershberger (Family)

**KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH**

There's no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath.

If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)?

We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: "The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul" (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.

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**FORGIVENESS**

If a bad person wrongs you, forgive the person, lest there be two bad people.

—Anonymous

**CALENDAR:**

- MARCH 5:** Lenten Series at St. Margaret Mission at 1 PM.
- MARCH 5:** Pastoral Council at 7 PM.
- MARCH 7:** Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM at St. Margaret Mission.
- MARCH 7:** 6:30 PM St. Michael Adult Choir practice.
- MARCH 8:** Lenten Series at St. Michael.
- MARCH 9:** Lenten Fish Dinners 4:30 - 7:00 PM.
- MARCH 11:** Liturgy Committee Meeting at 12 noon.
- MARCH 11:** **Reconciliation at 1 PM at St. Michael.**
- MARCH 14:** St. Michael Adult Choir Practice at 6:30.
- MARCH 18:** Youth Choir & Ensemble Practice after the 11 AM Mass.
- MARCH 20:** Young at Heart at noon in McElhinny Hall Basement Meeting Room.
- MARCH 29:** Christian Seder Meal at 5:30 PM in Lateral Hall.
- APRIL 8:** Confirmation.
- SEPTEMBER 30:** Car Cruise & Car Raffle.

**TREASURE (FEBRUARY 25, 2018)**

**Annual Offertory Budget**

Annual Budget:	\$ 625,456.00
Weekly Budget:	\$ 12,028.00
Received thru February 25	
St. Michael	\$ 7,977.50
St. Margaret	\$ 999.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 330.00
Total	\$ 9,306.50
<b>Year to Date Budget</b>	<b>\$ 420,980.00</b>
<b>Year to Date Actual</b>	<b>\$ 437,783.31</b>

We are **\$ 16,803.31 ahead** of our Offertory Year-to-Date Budget

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Commitments:	261	58
Pledged:	\$130,901.25	\$ 41,779
Paid:	\$127,746.25	\$ 11,039

**2018 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL**

Our Parish Goal for the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal is **\$89,565**. We appeal to **every** parishioner to make a pledge to this Appeal. All gifts, regardless of the size, are important, needed and greatly appreciated. Your contribution will inspire a continuation of the love and concern Jesus taught us as believers. We play an important role in helping to meet the many needs of our families, our parish, and our diocese. Thank you for your sacrifice and support.

Fr. David

**2018 LENTEN SERIES**

During Lent, Father David is providing a Lenten series focusing upon sin and our relationship with God. This series will occur on Thursdays following the 6:30 PM Mass and will last about ninety minutes each night discussing the topic of sin and our desire to live in a loving relationship with God. The series, which is free of charge, is open to parishioners and non-parishioners alike. We will gather in the Large Meeting Room unless a larger area is needed. Please consider joining in this wonderful time of growth and understanding during this Lenten season.

**Session II:  
March 8 @ 7 PM**

**Topic: What is sin?**  
*A lesson and topic on what constitutes sin & our failures in following Christ in His Church.*

**Session III:  
March 15 @ 7 PM**

**Topic: The Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
*Why do we go to confession and why is this Sacrament needed in our present and ever changing day and age?*

**Session IV:  
March 22 @ 7 PM**

**Topic: Having a Vital Relationship with God.**  
*How does each one of us establish & live a vital and life giving relationship with God?*

**This 2018 Lenten Series, *focusing upon sin and our relationship with God*, will be led by Deacon Frank at St. Margaret Mission at 1 PM on the following Mondays: March 5th, March 12th, March 19th and March 26th.**



If you didn't get a Lenten collection box, please put your donations in an envelope marked Lenten Donations for Local Food Pantries. All funds collected will be given to the Good Shepherd Center and the Jamestown Food Pantry. Please make any checks payable to St. Michael Church.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

*Busy life? Spend a few minutes with God each day. Try the FREE links below to find your favorite.*

Free Daily Gospel Reflections from Bishop Robert Barron at [DailyCatholicGospel.com](http://DailyCatholicGospel.com)

**BestLentEver.com**

Divine Mercy-Daily Reflections from the Diary of St. Faustina [thedivinemercy.org/dmdsignup](http://thedivinemercy.org/dmdsignup)

**Women's Retreat** - March 9-11 at Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center. Retreat Master is Fr. Nick Rouch. Cost of \$145 includes meals & private room. Call Julia House at 814-520-8559.

**4th Annual Women's Conference "Intimacy with God & Love for One Another"** on Sat., April 21st from 9 AM - 3:30 PM at Our Lady of Peace Parish in Erie. For more details, see [www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com) or call 814-455-7364.

**MY PARISH APP**

If you have a smart phone or tablet, go to your app store and download [myparishapp](#) on your device. This is a wonderful way to stay in touch with your prayer life and the parish activities as well. There is no charge to you for the app and it takes seconds to download. Cards with the app are also available in the Gathering Space as well as on the large banner.

**FOOD FOR FAMILIES!  
40 CANS FOR 40 DAYS PROJECT**

During Lent the Knights of Columbus Council #1446 will conduct this project to benefit the Good Shepherd Center & the Jamestown Food Pantry located at St. Margaret Mission. The 40 Cans for 40 Days Project will continue until Easter. Last year was a success as we donated 3,000 pounds of canned goods to the Good Shepherd Center & 749 pounds to the Jamestown Food Pantry. We also were able to donate \$1,500 in 2017 towards the Good Shepherd Center Hot Meals Program. Over 100 families donated last year. These food pantries support over 600 families. Please help us with this worthy project. The coordinator for this year is Joe Presto, OFS. Bring your donations to the Gathering Space at St. Michael Church and St. Margaret Mission.

**WHAT IS THE YOUNG AT HEART??**

It's a pleasant afternoon spent with friends. Enjoy a light lunch and play fun games. Monthly birthdays are celebrated. Mark the 3rd Tuesday on your calendar from March to October. Come to the McElhinny Basement Meeting Room at noon on March 20th. Call Gerry at 724-588-4856 for more details. Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend!

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**March 4: PreK - 8th Grade** Faith Formation for St. Michael Church from 9:15 - 10:45 AM.

**March 4: PreK - 8th Grade** Faith Formation at St. Margaret Mission from 10:15 - 11:45 AM.

**March 4: CREED Retreat** starting with 11 AM Mass and ending in the Church Gathering Space at 3 PM. 9th Grade Confirmation Saint Paper is due today. 10th Grade Confirmation Saint Paper and Confirmation Sponsor Papers are due.

**March 4: Confirmation** class from 4 - 6 PM. Today you are watching the movie *The Shack*.

**March 5: Confirmation Student Interviews today from 3 - 5 PM!** Only for Confirmation students who have already signed up and have turned in their Bishop Letter & Saint Paper.

**March 6: Confirmation Student Interviews today from 3 - 5 PM** for those who already signed up & turned in their Bishop Letter & Saint Paper.

**March 9: CREED & Confirmation Class make-up day.** Starts with Stations of the Cross at 7 PM in Church and ends at 9 PM in the Small Meeting Room.

**March 11: PreK - 8th Grade** Faith Formation at St. Michael Church from 9:15 to 10:45 AM.

**March 11: PreK - 8th Grade** Faith Formation at St. Margaret Mission. Today is Family Activity Day.

**March 11: CREED & Confirmation** from 4 - 6 PM. Last Confirmation Class before Confirmation Practice on April 7th at 6 PM.

**March 18: PreK - 8th Grade** Faith Formation for St. Michael Church from 9:15 to 10:45 AM.

**March 18: PreK - 8th Grade** Faith Formation at St. Margaret Mission from 10:15 to 11:45 AM.

**March 18: CREED Class** from 4 - 6 PM.

**March 18: Retreat Team Meeting** in the Small Meeting Room from 4 - 6 PM.

**March 23: CREED & Confirmation Class Make-up Day** starting at 7 PM with Stations of the Cross and ending at 9 PM in the Small Meeting Room.



**Today's Gospel says Jesus chased the merchants out of the temple. Jesus teaches us to act from conviction and not just from anger. He didn't condemn the merchants, only their business practice. Attack the behavior and not the person.**

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*Saint Michael, an accredited Catholic Elementary School, partners with families in the education of the mind, body, and soul of each child.*

**SMS PROUD**

St. Michael Varsity Girls' Basketball who played in the Diocesan Championship at Villa-Prep.

**NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION**

Saint Michael School is accepting new students in grades Prekindergarten - 8 for the 2018-2019 school year. Interested parents or guardians may call the school office to schedule a tour. **Informational packets and the financial aid application will be available.** Classroom size is limited for Prekindergarten and Kindergarten. Financial aid applications need to be returned by end of March. **Open House to tour the school will be held on Tuesday, March 13 from 9 AM – 2 PM and again on Tuesday, March 27 from 6 – 7 PM for prospective students and family.** Call 724-588-7050 for more information.

**THIS WEEK'S EVENTS at SMS**

- Mar. 5: Turkey Sub with chips
  - Mar. 6: PTO executive meeting
  - Mar. 7: Pepperoni Roll with chips
  - Mar. 8: Deanery Principal meeting
  - Mar. 9: Pizza
- Lenten Fish Dinner – Lateran hall

**SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL**

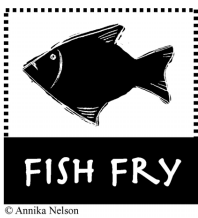
- \*FAITH AND ACADEMIC BASED CURRICULUM
- \*ACCREDITED PROGRAM BY MIDDLE STATES ASSOCIATION COMMISSION
- \*CLASS SIZE LIMITED
- \*FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

**REASONS TO CHOOSE ST. MICHAEL**

St. Michael, a Middle States Accredited School, has been educating students for over 118 years and promotes excellence through spiritual, academic, and social growth of our students in a Christ Centered environment. We welcome students of all denominations to learn our Catholic faith and attend weekly Masses, in addition to our daily religion classes. Visit our website: [www.saintmichael1.org](http://www.saintmichael1.org).

**2018 CAR RAFFLE**

The 2018 Car Raffle has begun. This year's car is a 2018 Shelby Mustang GT350 or \$35,000 cash. Tickets have been mailed to parishioners. *If you didn't receive your tickets, call the Church Office.* If you cannot sell your tickets or do not wish to participate, please return them to the Church Office.



The St. Michael/St. Margaret Mission Fish Fry on Fridays during Lent from 4:30 - 7 PM. Menu includes: Baked or Fried Fish, French fries, Mac & Cheese, Cabbage & Noodles, Cole Slaw, Apple Sauce, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, Desserts & Beverages. Prices are: Adults: \$10; Children to age 12: \$7; Extra items: \$3. **Call 724-588-7082 after 4 PM for take outs.** If you can help, please contact Mary Lou Mathias at 724-927-6634 or Linda Hajtol at 724-588-3289. If you can help with set-up or clean up, please call Marty Aubel at 724-866-7432. Bakers also needed. Please bring your baked goods to Lateran Hall by 3 PM on the day of the Fish Fry. As always, thanks for helping with these dinners.

**79th K. OF C. COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

The Joseph J. Fitzmartin Council 1446, Knights of Columbus will host a Father & Son Communion Breakfast two Sundays before Easter. This tradition was started to encourage all fathers of the parish to go to confession and then attend Mass and receive Communion with their sons insuring that these fathers would fulfill their **Easter Duty** obligation. The breakfast is open to all **Fathers and Sons**. Mark your calendars for **Sunday, March 18th** to attend the **7:30 AM** Mass and then attend the **79th Annual Father & Son Communion Breakfast**. Featured Speaker will be Bill Hillgrove, play by play broadcaster for the Pittsburgh Steelers. For reservations call Charles Surano @724-456-2315 or Brian Brown @724-456-2361.

**GOOD SHEPHERD EASTER REQUEST**



The Good Shepherd Easter Request is for cans of fruit. Please place your Easter Donation in the barrel in the Gathering Space. Your donations help the Good Shepherd Center extend a helping hand to those experiencing difficult times in our community.

**BENEFIT FOR PRINCE OF PEACE CENTER**

The 13th Annual Beer and Wine Tasting, hosted by the Youngstown Area Grocers Association will benefit the ministry of the Prince of Peace Center in Farrell. The event is scheduled for Saturday, March 10th from 6 to 9 PM at Stambaugh Auditorium, 1000 Fifth Avenue in Youngstown. Sample more than 100 wines and 50 microbrews, enjoy a wonderful selection of gourmet food, and enjoy a large basket auction. The cost is \$50 per person, or \$400 for a reserved table of 8. Tickets may be obtained by calling 724-346-5777. For more details, please email: [popc@princeofpeacecenter.org](mailto:popc@princeofpeacecenter.org).



If you wish to contribute to the Easter Flower Fund in memory of a loved one, please place your donations in the Easter Flower Fund Envelopes found on the table in the Church Gathering Space. Drop these envelopes in the collection during Lent. Contributions will be used towards the flowers at St. Michael & St. Margaret Mission. A complete listing of those memorials will be published in the Easter bulletin.

**40 CLUB WINNERS - FEBRUARY 21ST**

**\$100** - John & Paula Godinich; **\$100** - Gayle Miller; **\$50** - Tom Gessler

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES DAILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 5, 2018			
DATE/TIME	ALTAR SERVERS	DATE/TIME	ALTAR SERVERS
3/05 at 7 AM	Sarah Cooper	3/08 at 6:30 PM	Maggie Leskovic Addison Ruth
3/06 at 9 AM	Halle & Ava Lynn Murcko	3/09 at 9 AM	Hayden Bates Tierney Scullin
3/07 at 7 AM	Sarah Cooper	3/09 at 7 PM Stations of the Cross	Halle & Ava Lynn Murcko Casey Resek

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 10 & 11, 2018				
DATE/TIME	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
3/10 at 4:30 PM	Kip & Rose Hoffman	Ryan Campbell Ben Leonard Jacob Johnson	M. A. Marshall R. Lewis	S. Giardina, J. Kalchthaler, T. Kurelko, R. & S. Lauffer, K. Lema
3/11 at 7:30 AM	Scot & Kim Nottingham	Nora & Elisa Serrano Lily Svirbly	B. Moore P. Meehan	D. & S. D'Urso, B. DeCiancio, J. Giardina, P. McIntosh, J. Svirbly
3/11 at 11 AM	DeAnna & Armida Santilli	Olivia Giardina Madison Pflieger Kayleigh Tishov	B. DelMaramo M. Aubel	Wm. Carr, G. & M. Gladysz, Gage Gladysz, T. Hoovler, B. Stubert
<b>Coordinators:</b>	<b>Sharen Seiple</b> 724-588-3852	<b>Frank Luciani</b> 724-588-1245	<b>Mary Ann Marshall</b> 724-588-1905	<b>Martin Aubel</b> 724-866-7432
<b>SIGN IN!</b>		<b>GET A SUB</b>	<b>IF YOU</b>	<b>CANNOT SERVE!</b>

**Set Clocks Ahead**



**Don't forget to set your clocks ahead next weekend.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**



Sgt. Steven Mortimer, Army, Iraq  
 Master Sergeant David P. Santell, AF, Ft. Dix, NJ  
 LCDR Kari (Szewczyk) Cummins, USN,  
 Point Mugu NAS, Ventura, CA  
 MSgt. Brian Gearhart, Jacksonville, NC  
 Lt. Col. Raymond Millero, Jr., USAF, Germany  
 TSgt. USAF, Matthew Mong, Patrick AFB, Florida  
 TSgt. USAF Sara Knight Mong, Patrick AFB, Florida  
 Captain Paul Ochs, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ  
 AB Andrew L. Gilmore, Lackland, Air Force Base  
 Major Dustin Knaus, Army, Vandenberg AF Base, CA  
 Major Samuel Burns, Army, Kansas  
 Sergeant Jason Morgan, US Army, Ft. Campbell, KY  
 Captain James Stubert, US Army, Fort Hood, TX  
 Pvt. Shelby McElhinny, US Army, Fort Sam Houston, TX  
 2nd Lt Jeremy Fowler, Fort Bragg, NC  
 Specialist Eddy Nottingham, Fort Bragg, North Carolina  
 Airman Nicholas Nottingham, Hill Air Force Base, Utah  
 1st Lt. Edward (Eddie) Bardella, Jr. Camp Legeune, NC  
 IT 1 David C. Thomas, USN, Bahrain  
 Lt. David Ochs, Fort Rucker, Alabama  
 Tech Sgt. George Madrid, Japan  
 Major David Zgonc, West Point  
 2nd Lt Orrin C. Suich, Army, Ft. Sill, OK

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30  
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;  
 Mt 18:21-35  
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;  
 Mt 5:17-19  
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23  
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;  
 Mk 12:28-34  
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14  
 Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6;  
 Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21  
 Alternate readings (Year A):  
 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;  
 Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

**Third Sunday of Lent  
 March 4, 2018**

I, the LORD, am your God . . .  
 You shall not have other gods besides me.  
 — Exodus 20:2a, 3

*Please pray for the sick of our parish and for the families & friends of our parishioners:* John Genovesi, Betty Burns, Georgeann Fox, Marcy Beckman, Erik Kurelko, Larry Anderson, Jameson Stepp, Danielle Parks, Connor Pressler, Connie Sweeney, Tricia Allen, James Power, Caiden Nottingham, Kathy Karwowski, Kimberly Hopf, Ed Palmer, Gail Hightree, Jim Woods, Michael D'Alfonso, Walt Kelly, Liz O'Neill, Linda Yancar, Gary Roberts, Carol Mick, Dorothy Steiner, Connie Brant, Paul Clark, Gilda Hertel, Betsy Butler, Rita Stell, Amy Hatfield, Patrick Calvin, Michael Garnack, Ken Humphrey, Robert & Paul Chianese, John Davis, Piper Farr, George Johnston, Kathy Larkin, Kim Shellhamer, Jim Barnett, Garrett Valimont, Tom, Teresa & Mary Murrin, Robert Overmen, Lindsay Ruff, Fred & Tom Holzer, Christine Gravatte, Calvin Fisher, Ellen Kinsey, Antonia Patton, Paulette Farkas, Madison Griffin, Patty & Roger Shafer, Paul Clark, Kathy Boyer, Jim Ruffing, John Giffin, Candace McKee, Anna Weber, Sarah Kuhn, Stacey Moats, Ginie Morgan, Larry Kuhn, Nancy Carr, Ralph & Addie Giangiordano, Sue Glosner, Bill Paxton, Helen McDonald.

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>INTENTION &amp; DONOR</u></b>
March 1 - 15	Zarecky Family (Daughter)
March 1 - 15	Edward Miloser (Susan Swartzbeck)
March 1 - 15	Paul Walsh (Cianci/McParland Fam.)
March 1 - 15	John McParland (Cianci/McParland Fam.)
March 15 - 31	Darla Prezioso Hellyer (Mother)
March 15—31	Toni McElhinny (P. Strosser)
March 15 - 31	Rev. James A. Hayes (McParland/Cianci Fam.)
March 15 - 31	Gina Rock (McParland/Cianci Fam.)

**OUR LENTEN PRAYER**

*Dear Lord, during this holy season of Lent, remind us these are the days of salvation. Help us to make it through our difficulties, and the trials and temptations of everyday life.*

*Help keep us from evil and help us avoid the pain and hurt sin causes. Remind us to be prayerful and to reflect upon the great sacrifice Jesus made for each one of us. Amen*

**NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION**

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND RETURN TO THE RECTORY OR DROP IT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET AT MASS.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
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