



CALENDAR:

- APRIL 8:** Confirmation at 11 AM Mass.
- APRIL 8:** Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM.
- APRIL 9:** Final Lenten Series at St. Margaret at 1 PM.
- APRIL 12:** Ultreya in the Large Meeting Room after the 6:30 PM Mass.
- APRIL 16:** Cemetery Board in Small Meeting Room at 6 PM.
- APRIL 22:** Good Shepherd Collection.
- APRIL 29:** Fifth Sunday Rosary at 6 PM.
- MAY 7:** Pastoral Council at 7 PM.
- MAY 26:** St. Margaret Mission Annual Chicken BBQ.
- SEPTEMBER 30:** Car Cruise & Car Raffle.

MONDAY, APRIL 9 - ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

7:00 A.M. James Neapolitan (M/M Pete Longiotti)

TUESDAY, APRIL 10 - WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Virgil Foradori (Anniv.) (Family)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11 - WEEKDAY

7:00 A.M. Cindy Peterson Essert (Dad)

THURSDAY, APRIL 12 - WEEKDAY

6:30 P.M. Ralph Giangiordano (K. of C.)

FRIDAY, APRIL 13 - WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Barb Shutes (Krachkowski Family)

SATURDAY, APRIL 14 - WEEKDAY

4:30 P.M. Vigil: Emmanuel Giangiordano (Family)

SUNDAY, APRIL 15 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 A.M. For the People of Our Parish

9:15 A.M. **St. Margaret:** Vera Naples (Jerome Lipani)

11:00 A.M. Cyril Marshall (M/M Mike GIRRIZZO)

SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (20:31).

The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "[e]veryone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1)—what we might refer to as being "born again." Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.

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REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Patricia Ann Moyer, sister of Barbara Stevens, Joan Doran, sister of Sister Mary Gertrude and Sister Mary Joseph McElhinny, Betsy Ceremuga, Monica Addison, Mary Jo Stratton and Kevin McElhinny and for Rev. James E. Murrin, Jr., father of Maureen Tishov. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

TREASURE (APRIL 1, 2018)

Annual Offertory Budget

Annual Budget:	\$ 625,456.00
Weekly Budget:	\$ 12,028.00
Received thru April 1	
St. Michael	\$ 14,459.50
St. Margaret	\$ 3,690.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 270.00
Total	\$ 18,419.50
Year to Date Budget	\$ 481,120.00
Year to Date Actual	\$ 504,008.81

We are **\$ 22,888.81 ahead** of our Offertory Year-to-Date Budget

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Commitments:	261	105
Pledged:	\$130,901.25	\$ 62,177.00
Paid:	\$127,921.25	\$ 24,897.00

St. Michael School Endowment Fund: In Memory of Ralph Giangiordano, Sr. (\$525).

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. Sincere thanks to the 105 families who have made a commitment to this Appeal. All gifts, regardless of the size, are important, needed & greatly appreciated. Your contribution will inspire a continuation of the love & concern Jesus taught us as believers. We play an important role in helping to meet the many needs of our families, our parish, & our diocese. Thank you for your sacrifice and support. *Fr. David*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Erie Diocese is blessed with sixty-two priests who have reached retirement age. By their own choice thirteen still have Diocesan assignments. Since their ordination, these priests have served in a majority of the 97 parishes in our Diocese. Although they may be “retired”, many remain active, providing sacramental ministry in parishes and often substituting for priests to allow them to get time off.

Sunday, April 22nd is Good Shepherd Sunday. Since 2007, the Erie Diocese has taken up the Good Shepherd Collection on Good Shepherd Sunday so that parishioners can show their appreciation and love for our priests - those already retired and those still in active ministry.

The response to the annual Good Shepherd Collection has been one of overwhelming generosity by you, the people of the Diocese! It tells me that you love these priests who have devoted their entire priesthood to God and to you. The Good Shepherd Collection helps provide needed funding toward retirement and health care for these faithful priests. As the number of priests reaching retirement age continues to grow each year, so does the need for continued support for them.

Contributions to the “Good Shepherd Collection” can be made at your parish or online at: www.ErieRCD.org. Every contribution is greatly appreciated and will help make a difference in the lives of our priests. This collection should not be confused with the Retirement Fund for Religious, taken in December for consecrated women and men belonging to religious orders. That collection does not benefit our diocesan priests.

Please pray for all our priests and that our Diocese will be blessed with more seminarians willing to respond to the call of the Lord to the priesthood. I know our priests join me in thanking you for your kindness and generosity to retired priests through the annual Good Shepherd Collection.

May the joy of the Risen Christ fill your hearts and homes this Easter Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

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EVERYTHING

God, of your goodness give me yourself, for you are enough for me. And only in you do I have everything. —St. Julian of Norwich

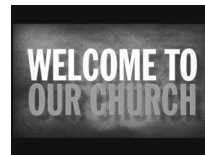
ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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

Divine Mercy-Daily Reflections from the Diary of St. Faustina thedivinemercury.org/dmdsignup

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 or call 814-455-7364.



We welcome the following who joined our Parish Family at the Easter Vigil last Saturday:

- Melanie Steigerwald
- Jacqueline Miller
- Robert Brocklehurst
- Jessica Brocklehurst
- Randy Barr
- Lisa Robertson

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Today, April 8th, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be led by Holy Spirit Fraternity, Secular Franciscans at 3 PM in the Church. All are welcome.

ST. MICHAEL PRAYER VINE

If you need prayers for yourself or a loved one, please call Helen McGinty at 724-646-1354. If you would like *to offer prayers*, there are ways to get the prayer requests. To be part of our email vine, call Pat Amato at 724-588-8157 or email her at pamato@twc.com; or our new text message vine, call Sharen Seiple at 724-588-3852 or send her a text message at 724-815-5361 with your name and cell phone number. Prayer requests go out as soon as possible.

ULTREYA

Attention all Cursillistas. An Ultreya will follow the regular 6:30 PM Mass on Thursday, April 12 at St. Michael Church. Please come and celebrate with us. Feel free to bring a snack to share as well as names of potential candidates for this year’s Cursillos. Please contact Dave D’Urso, Mercer County Coordinator at 724-456-5280.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



April 8: PreK - 8th Grade Faith Formation at St. Michael Church from 9:15 - 10:45 AM.

April 8: Confirmation at 11 AM. All Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors will meet in McElhinny Hall at 10:40 AM.

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

April 8: Creed Class from 4 - 6 PM.

April 15: PreK - 8th Grade Faith Formation at St. Michael Church from 9:15 - 10:45 AM.

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

April 15: No CREED Class today.

April 22: PreK-8th Grade Faith Formation at St. Michael Church from 9:15 - 10:45 AM.

April 22: 10th Grade Confirmation Sponsor Meeting starting with 11:00 AM Mass at Saint Michael Church - All 10th grade St. Michael Church/St. Margaret Mission students planning to be confirmed in 2019 must attend with their sponsors. After Mass, we will move to the Large Meeting Room in the church for a luncheon and meeting until 2:30 PM. If your sponsor cannot attend please bring another confirmed adult in their place! If you cannot attend please contact the Faith Formation Office as soon as possible!

April 22: 9th Grade Creed Class from 4 - 6 PM. No 10th Grade class this evening.

April 22: PreK - 8th Grade Faith Formation at St. Margaret Mission from 10:15 - 11:45 AM. This is year end Family Day.

April 29: Faith Fair - All are invited to attend from 12 to 1:30 PM. Come and see what our students have learned this past Faith Formation Year. Enjoy class performances and table displays! All Saint Michael and St. Margaret Mission students are needed from PreK to 11th grade. Please be sure to pick up your report cards and awards certificates for the CREED students who have completed all requirements for the Faith Formation year.

Congratulations to Sara Gonzalez on making her First Reconciliation.

EASTER FLOWER FUND

In memory of:

Anthony (Tony) Lonsogni
Rhonda Canady
Ronnie Crash
Vincent Mosconi

Donor:

Mary Lonsogni
Nancy Crash
Nancy Crash
Nancy Mosconi

CHRIST IS RISEN.

HALLELUJAH! MAY THE MIRACLE OF *EASTER* BRING YOU RENEWED HOPE, FAITH, LOVE AND JOY.

**Director of Advancement-Marketing
Saint Michael School
Start Date – Late Spring, 2018**

Saint Michael School, is seeking an experienced and collaborative professional with strong interpersonal skills to serve as Director of SMS Advancement and Marketing. This person will report to the principal but also work closely with pastor and advisory board to further all aspects of the fundraising and enrollment process. Major responsibilities include managing the school’s annual giving, major gifts, endowment fundraising, EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit) program, established car raffle, and enrollment management. This is a 12-month, exempt, salary position, with competitive compensation and full benefits. More information is available on school website: www.saintmichaell.org. To apply, send cover letter and resume by April 10, 2018 to nancy.kremm@saintmichaell.org

THIS WEEKS EVENTS at SMS

- April 9 - School resumes
- April 16 - Financial Aid applications for Diocese and Community Foundation due.

SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL

- *SAFE, FAITH-BASED ENVIRONMENT
- *ENRICHED ACADEMIC CURRICULUM
- *INDIVIDUALIZED INSTRUCTION
- *FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

REASONS TO CHOOSE ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael, a Middle States Accredited School, has been educating students for over 118 years promoting excellence through spiritual, academic, and social growth of our students in a Christ Centered environment. We welcome students of all faiths. www.saintmichaell.org

GOOD SHEPHERD APRIL REQUEST

The Good Shepherd April Request is for canned vegetables. Please place your 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.

2018 CAR RAFFLE



The 2018 Car Raffle has begun. This year's prize 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.



Catholic Charities Counseling & Adoption Services needs your help! While you are starting to spring clean, we ask for your donations of old baby items. Please give us a call to see what we can take off your hands. Call us today to make arrangements for donation pickup or drop off? Call 724-346-4142 for more information. Items needed: new or gently used baby clothes (0-24 months), diapers, wipes, bottles, formula, baby soap. Monetary donations are always welcome and appreciated. Also, if you are expecting or have a baby under the age of 1, we can help you! Call us at 724-346-4142 to learn more about the program and how you can get **FREE DIAPERS!!**

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY



The Fifth Sunday Rosary is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Prayer aids will be available and brother Knights will lead the rosary. This program is sponsored by the K. of C. to promote Rosary Awareness. The rosary will be prayed this month on Sunday, April 29th at 6 PM. For more information, please call Marty Aubel at 724-866-7432.



A bus trip to Pittsburgh is being planned for **Monday, April 23rd**. Bus will leave Anderson's for The Rivers at **8:30 AM** and return approximately **6:30 PM**. Cost is \$29/person. You will receive \$25/slot play and \$5/food. Please call Roseanne at the Church Office for more information. **Reservations and money** must be turned in by **April 18th**.

**ST. MICHAEL CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES
DAILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF APRIL 9, 2018**

DATE/TIME	ALTAR SERVERS	DATE/TIME	ALTAR SERVERS
4/09 at 7 AM	Aaron Wasser	4/12 at 6:30 PM	Maggie Leskovac Addison Ruth
4/10 at 9 AM	Anna Harpst Sarah Cooper	4/13 at 9 AM	Hayden Bates Tierney Scullin
4/11 at 7 AM	Paul Cianci Kyle Barger	Co-ordinator	Deacon Frank Luciani 724-588-1245

**ST. MICHAEL CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES
FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 14 & 15, 2018**

DATE/TIME	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
4/14 at 4:30 PM	Tom & Veronica Bayer	Ryan Campbell Luke Faber Casey Resek	M. Giardina M. Holian	S. Giardina, R. & D. Jannetti, T. Kurelko, M. A. Marshall, J. Presto
4/15 at 7:30 AM	Ron & Sandy Weaver	Isabel, Nora & Elisa Serrano	T. Redfoot B. Moore	J. Galus, C. Lewis, P. Meehan, A. Pacifico, G. Richardson, C. Riffe
4/15 at 11 AM	Amanda Leonard family	Gina Maloney, Julia & Theresa Hogan	L. Hajtol C. Demarest	B. & P. Kerlik, J. McErlane, D. & C. Ruffing, T. Szweczyk
Coordinators:	Sharen Seiple 724-588-3852	Frank Luciani 724-588-1245	Mary Ann Marshall 724-588-1905	Martin Aubel 724-866-7432
SIGN IN!		GET A SUB	IF YOU	CANNOT SERVE!

SAVE THE DATE: DAVID KAUFFMAN CONCERT

David Kauffman, who co-wrote the musical "Moses and the Burning Within" will be presenting a concert at Notre Dame in Hermitage on Friday, April 20 at 7 PM. Tickets are available at Notre Dame and will also be available at the door. Adults: \$10; Students: \$5.

IN SCRIPTURE AND SONG

Develop or continue to grow the spiritual practice of aiding your prayer life with journal writing. Using *Lectio Divino*, reading and reflecting on the Divine Word. David Kaufmann, national composer of inspirational music for the Christian journey will lead the process on Saturday, April 21 from 8:30 - 11:30 AM at Notre Dame Church in Hermitage Multi-Purpose Room. The fee of \$25 includes the workshop, music CD and Journal. To register or for more information, **please contact Gretchen at 724-981-5566, ext. 105**. Please register by **Friday, April 13** so that resource materials will be available for all participants. Learn more about David at goodforthesoulmusic.com.

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: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
- Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
- Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

**Second Sunday of Easter
(or Sunday of Divine Mercy)
April 8, 2018**

Who indeed is the victor over the world
but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of
God?
1 John 5:5

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, Caiden Nottingham, Kathy Karwowski, Kimberly Hopf, Ed Palmer, Gail Hightree, Jim Woods, Michael D'Alfonso, Walt Kelly, Liz O'Neill, Linda Yancar, Carol Mick, Dorothy Steiner, 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, Antonia Patton, Paulette Farkas, Madison Griffin, Kathy Boyer, John Giffin, Candace McKee, Anna Weber, Sarah Kuhn, Stacey Moats, Ginie Morgan, Larry Kuhn, Nancy Carr, Addie Giangordano, Sue Glosner, Bill Paxton, Marie Turner, LuAnn Miller, Jim Ruffing, Paul Hause, Ron Rebuck.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>INTENTION & DONOR</u>
April 1 - 15	James & Larry Napolitan (Mary Jo Dolecki)
May 1 - 15	Mike Flack (Jenny & Fam.)
May 1 - 15	Elizabeth Lutch (Brown Family)
May 1 - 15 (St. Margaret)	Marge Zarecky (Cianci/McParland Family)
May 15 - 31	Tom Gessler (Rose & Family)
May 15 - 31	Special Intention (Paul S.)



In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches, "Blessed are those who have not seen and believe." Accepting someone as they are, without demanding they prove themselves or meet our expectations, creates a rich relationship. Real mercy begins here.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

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

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE NUMBER _____ UNLISTED YES / NO Today's Date _____