



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saint Michael Roman Catholic Parish 85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125 • (724) 588-9800 Saint Margaret, Mission 701 Denver Street, Jamestown, PA 16134  OFFICE@STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM  WWW.STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM	Sunday, October 26, 2025
MASS TIMES Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am (Saint Michael) First Saturday, 9:00am (Saint Michael) Saturday, 4:30pm (Saint Michael) Sunday, 8:00am (Saint Margaret) Sunday, 11:00am (Saint Michael)		
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BINGO MARATHON The Knights of Columbus is holding its annual bingo marathon on November 8, 2025. Doors open at Noon with games beginning at 2pm. We are looking for basket donations for the basket raffle. Please call Dot at 724-815-8864 for more information or to donate baskets. All profits are distriubuted to local charities.	OCIA OCIA group (the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins on Tuesday October 28, 2025 at 6:00 PM. Fr. Tom will meet with those who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith. The classes will be held in the Small Meeting Room. Please call the office for information or to enroll so that materials may be ordered to use in the class.	

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, October 28

Saints Simon and Jude
Joseph Dolecki (Family)

Wednesday, October 29

Paul & Mary Lou Corcoran (Patti Corcoran Hayes)

Thursday, October 30

Michael Allen & Ann Bunton (Shirley Kerpan)

Friday, October 31

William, Agnes, & Diana Moore (Robert Moore)

Saturday, November 1

All Saints Day
Christine Giardina Davis
(Diance Suscheck Formanski)

THIRTY- FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, November 1

4:30 pm Tony & Mary Guerini
(Sandy, Ron, & Daniel Weaver)

Sunday, November 2

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
11:00am Kathleen McGrath (Brother)

SANCTUARY CANDLES

October 16-31 (Saint Michael)

E Tracel Pickens (Joanie Pickens)
Pat Welton(Family)

October 16-31 (Saint Margaret)

Paul & Mary Lou Corcoran (Patti Hayes)

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED!



We are seeking a qualified individual to serve as Rectory Housekeeper. This is a part time position with flexible hours.

This individual would provide cleaning, laundry and housekeeping services for the pastor or visiting clergy/guests as required. Must have a valid drivers license. If interested please contact the Parish office.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 27: Season's of Hope begins 5:30.

October 28: Adult Education Series "Luke" @6:30pm.

October 30: Men's Fellowship Group
6am in McElhinny Hall.

November 1: Confessions 3-4 pm.

SEASONS OF HOPE COMING SOON

A new season of our grief support group is open to all. Please join us on Monday nights in the Large Meeting Room from 5:30-7:30 October 27-December 1. Call the Church office 724-588-9800 X 133 to register. If you are seeing this and know of someone else who could benefit, please invite them to register. Personal invitations are so powerful.

CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING YOUTH

October is Respect Life Month: Our faith calls for us to uphold the value of human life and the dignity of the human person. The protection of children and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of the entire Church, including the faithful. The protection of children, youth and vulnerable adults from abuse and other harm is a respect life issue, and we must all do our part to uphold this ideal. Anyone who suspects or knows of abuse should report it immediately. For information on reporting child abuse visit <https://www.eriescd.org/childprotection/>.

MENS' FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The Fall season of our Men's Fellowship group continues on Thursday, October 30. The door to McElhinny Hall opens before 6 AM. The video and discussion starts at 6:15 AM. The subject of our Fall season is the Gospel of Luke where we take a close look at the life and teachings of our Lord and Savior Jesus as presented by St. Luke. For questions, call or text Steve Kerch at 440-228-5884.

A WORD FROM FATHER TOM

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Again and again Jesus taught through stories. The parable in today's Gospel from Luke may be among the shortest, but it is also one of the deepest: the Pharisee and the tax collector. St. Luke clearly indicates, "Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else".



Sirach teaches that God hears the orphan, the widow, and the one who serves faithfully. It is made clear: "The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds." Yes, "The Lord is a God of Justice who knows no favorites."

In the second reading, Paul speaks of his own sufferings and encourages his disciples to persevere in their apostolic labors. Though he knows his earthly life is drawing to a close, he is confident that God will judge him justly and give an eternal reward. The special attention that God pays to the prayer of the lowly connects the two readings and the Psalm to the Gospel of the day.

When the Pharisee and the tax collector go to the Temple to pray, both are convinced of the truth of what they say in their prayers. What the Pharisee says is an accurate reflection of his deepest disposition. The thanks he offers to God reveal his self-righteousness and the contempt he feels for others. But God is completely overlooked in his prayer, which is principally aimed at satisfying his own ego: "I am not like the rest of men..." The tax collector, on the other hand, is something else. He stands apart, not even raising his eyes to heaven, beating his breast and saying: "God, be merciful to me a sinner." He hopes only that God will accept the offering of his contrite heart and, in mercy, forgive his sins.

In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches us several important lessons: no one who despises others can pray. In prayer we do not lift ourselves above others; rather, we must remember that together we form a vast humanity that sins, suffers, and sorrows, but which also kneels before a merciful God. Though we may be clear of open and scandalous sins, all the while we may be full of inward spiritual wickedness, pride, envy, malice, and hypocrisy. In Ephesians 2:4-5, Paul reminds us, "But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ..." We depend on God's mercy.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Tom