



<div>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</div>	<div>Saint Michael Roman Catholic Parish</div> <div>85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125 • (724) 588-9800</div> <div>Saint Margaret, Mission</div> <div>701 Denver Street, Jamestown, PA 16134</div> <div> OFFICE@STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM</div> <div> WWW.STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM</div>	<div>Sunday, August 10, 2025</div>
<div>MASS TIMES</div> <div>Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am (Saint Michael)</div> <div>First Saturday, 9:00am (Saint Michael)</div> <div>Saturday, 4:30pm (Saint Michael)</div> <div>Sunday, 8:00am (Saint Margaret)</div> <div>Sunday, 11:00am (Saint Michael)</div>		
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<div>PARISH PICNIC NEWS</div> <div>Plan to attend the parish picnic, Sunday, August 17 from 12-3 pm. Bring a dessert or side dish to serve 10 people. Sign up boards are in the Gathering Spaces of both churches to volunteer your time and/or food.</div>	<div>REST IN PEACE</div> <div>Please pray for the repose of souls of Bill Kerpan and Michael Sweeney. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.</div>	

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 12

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal
E. Tracel Pickens (Joanie Pickens)

Wednesday, August 13

Saints Pontian & Hippolytus
Mike Ceremuga (M.M.) (Bill McAndrew)

Thursday, August 14

Saint Maximillian Kolbe
Benedict Schwartz (Tom & Shirley Patton)

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday, August 14

Saint Margaret Mission
6:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Friday, August 15

Saint Michael Church
9 am Deceased Members of the Loreno Family
(Edward Loreno)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 16

4:30pm Judy Kalchthaler (Family)

Sunday, August 17

8:00am Deceased members of the Moore,
McGoldrick, & Ramsey Families (Bob Moore)

11:00am For The People of the Parish

SANCTUARY CANDLES

August 1-15 (Saint Michael)

Tracel Pickens (Joanie & Eddie)
Anna & Frank Daniello (Family)

August 1-15 (Saint Margaret)

Paul & Mary Lou Corcoran (Patti Hayes)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

August 15: Solemnity of the Assumption
the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy
Day of obligation.

August 16: Confessions 3pm-4pm.

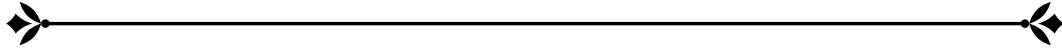
August 17: Parish Picnic after 11 AM Mass.

CHILD PROTECTION CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

Diocesan Requirements for working with children:

Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. All clergy, employees, and volunteers in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted access to their children. Visit www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to see what is required for those who work with children and youth in our parishes/schools/agencies.

A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON



When I was a child, growing up at Sacred Heart, my first pastor, Fr. David Findley was, to me, Jesus. He was just this image and model of holiness that I simply admired and wanted in my own life. It was probably quite early on in kindergarten or first grade, that I wanted to be like him. It was then that I said to myself, “*if he can be Jesus, I want to be Jesus, too*”, and honestly it never left me! There were many things over many years that my mind drifted towards, but what never left, if even sitting in the back of my mind, was the idea of wanting to be like Jesus. First grade Brandon thought Fr Findley was *actually* Jesus, but as I got older I came to understand the priesthood, sort of, for what it was. It remained, largely, a mystery and I was still kind of blindly thinking of it and wondering what it would be like. I didn’t really understand what priesthood meant, even after applying to seminary, but I knew I wanted to be like Fr. Findley... I wanted to *be* Jesus! It’s entirely on me for probably not taking it seriously enough or devoting my time to prayer and study, but I didn’t feel I was getting that out of seminary, especially major seminary. It wasn’t until I was ordained and sent to serve that it really started to make sense, that I finally knew what it meant to be Jesus! Fr. Findley wasn’t Jesus because of what he studied or wore; Fr, Findley was Jesus, to me, because he served our parish and school, gave me absolution and The Eucharist, was a holy and calming presence in my world. It was in serving and laboring for us that I knew him as Jesus.

My life as a priest has brought me into the life of and to the service of about 4,000 families in the last 13 years. The priesthood has invited me into 3 catholic schools to serve those ministries. I have been able to wed about 50 couples, baptize maybe 125, and pray the funeral rites for about 500. I have heard an impossible to count number of confessions, but easily over 10,000. I have celebrated a similarly hard to calculate number of Masses, but at least 3,500. To every family and individual, within every celebration of a sacrament, and at hundreds of moments of death, I have come to see what made Fr. Findley Jesus, to me. For it is in those intimate and intricate moments of the life of a priest that he isn’t called to just think about or talk about Jesus, but to strive to be Jesus for those people who need Him. As a young boy, I saw that, but couldn’t give language to it for twenty years later until I was ordained to the priesthood!

These last three years of priesthood have been nothing short of Christlike for me! I have not just been Christ for you in the Sacraments, often in an inadequate and imperfect way, but I have been able to celebrate these Sacraments and the life of the Church with you! Doing Church with you has been the delight of my life! We have gone through an entire three-year cycle of the lectionary together, have celebrated some amazingly meaningful seasons of the liturgical year together, and have moved deeper together into the heart of the mystery of the Trinity and the Trinity’s love and desire for us! I have grown and changed so much alongside you by allowing me to be your pastor — to try and be Jesus for you as Fr. Findley was to me. I leave here too soon, but I leave here with not an ounce of regret or grief, because I know that what we did here together will ripple and reverberate into eternity and through the gates of paradise! I am wholly and fully confident that though we won’t be together on earth again in this capacity, we are all on that same jovial path into the arms of Our Father who wishes only to hold us for ages unending! I am at peace knowing you know the Trinity, love the Trinity, worship the Trinity, and are running into Its mystery and the arms of Our Father! If I don’t see you again on this earthly pilgrimage, I’ll see you in Dad’s arms!

Love,
Father Brandon