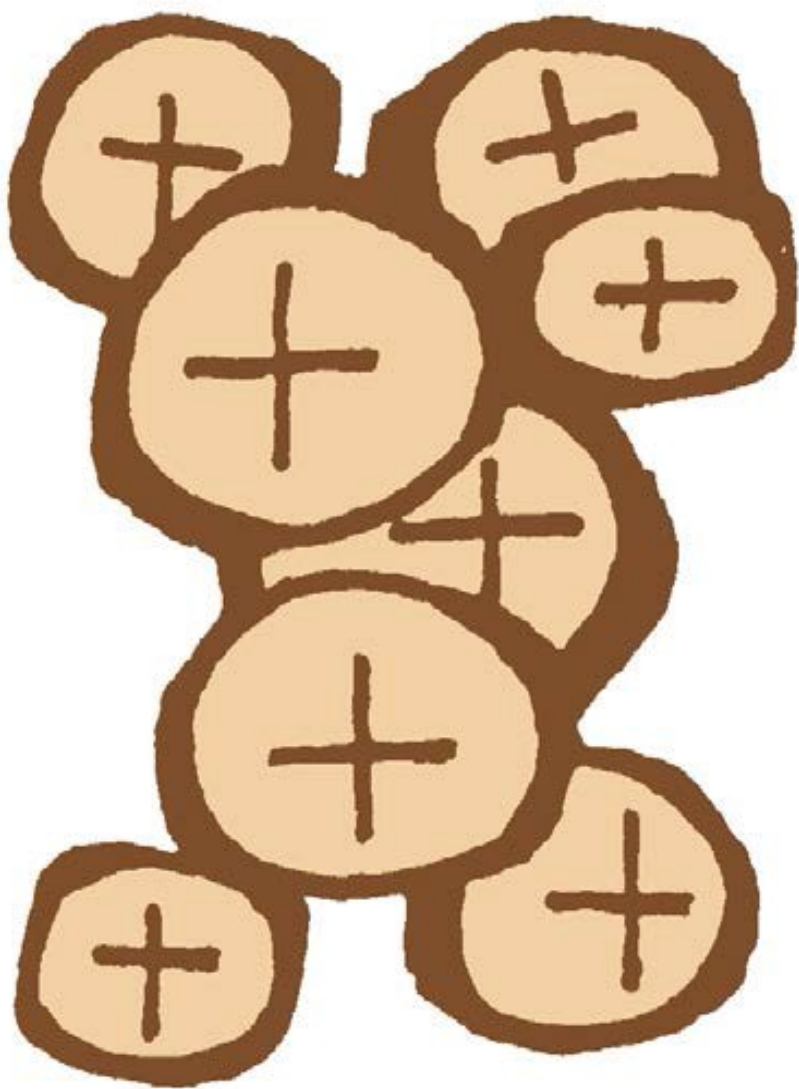


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Saint Michael Parish

**EIGHTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
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TIME**

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724-588-9800

**SUNDAY
AUGUST 4
2024**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 4 Breakfast at St. Margaret's after 8 AM Mass.
Aug. 6 Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 PM.
Aug. 11 Parish Picnic after the 11 AM Mass.
Aug. 15 Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
Mary- Holy Day of Obligation.
Aug. 27 Beep Beep Bingo 5:30 PM.

Confessions are heard on Wednesdays from 8-8:30
PM and Saturdays from 3-4 PM.

ST MARGARET'S BREAKFAST

Breakfast at St. Margaret's is August 4, after the 8
AM Mass. Please let us know you can come. RSVP
on Flocknote or by calling the parish office at 724-
588-9800 , option 1.

STEWARDSHIP

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
\$9,404.22

CSA
Pledged: \$97,790
Paid: \$86,505

**THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROSITY YOU SHOW TO
OUR PARISH!**

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the souls of Bob Pollitt Jr., brother
of Darlene Thomas, Cathy Ann Spiardi, Melva Sei-
ple, mother of Jerry Seiple, and Clifford McClain,
husband of Diane McClain, who died this week.
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful de-
parted rest in peace.

Date / Mass	Lector	EMHC	Cantor	Accompanist	Altar Servers
Aug. 10/4:30 PM	Russ Lauffer	Mary Ann Marshall John Svirbly	Amy Anderson	Lisa Demarest	Mason M. Maggie L.
Aug. 11/8:00 AM	Dawn Richter	Maureen Shine George Soros			Gabe & John G.
Aug. 11/11:00 AM	Bob Woodley	Nancy & Alan Carr	Kathy Williams	Natalie Serrano	Callie, Liza & Tucker S.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekday Masses Tues– Fri 9AM /First Sat 9AM
Saint Michael Church

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

Transfiguration of Our Lord
Dennis Durkos Sr. (Andrienne Rotunno)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

Saint Sixtus II & Companions, Saint Cajetan
Stephen Banic (Anniv.) Wife & Children

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

Saint Dominic
Mary Catherine Petrick (Anniv.) (Family)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Margaret Miloser (Susan)

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

4:30 PM *Saint Michael Church*
James Micsky (Taylor)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

***8:00 AM** *Saint Margaret Mission**
For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM *Saint Michael Church*
Anne & Merle Steppe (Family)

40 CLUB

The Forty Club benefits St Michael School. Tickets are available now for 2024-2025 by contacting one of the ticket sellers:

Wes Bates: 724-699-6255
Walter Beh: 724-588-3108
Natalie Higbee: 724-699-9021
Mark Holian: 724-932-5937
Fran Krachkowski: 724-588-3749
Roseanne McConnell: 724-588-3254
Judy McKay: 724-456-5654
Charles Stepp: 724-588-2127

First drawing is August 7, 2024 with the final drawing May 25, 2025 with the Buffet Dinner.

SANCTUARY CANDLES INTENTION & DONOR

Aug 1-15	E. Tracel Pickens (Joanie & Eddie Pickens)
Aug 1-15	Beth Yurisc (M/M Robert Moore)
St. Margaret	
Aug 16-31	Fr. Christopher Barnes (Tom & Patty)
Aug 16-31	Judy Kalchthaler (Benny & Bonnie & Family)

WE SHARE

Starting July 30 WE SHARE introduced a 2 Factor Authentication when you log into your WE SHARE account. Please call the office if you have questions.

PARISH PICNIC

The Annual Parish Picnic is Sunday, August 11, 2024. The August Newsletter has the details on help needed, times to volunteer, and food needed for the event. A “wish list board” is in the entrance areas at St. Michael and St. Margaret to select items to donate along with sheet to volunteer times with tasks. It is not too late to volunteer to help and/or bring cookies or salads.

SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL

Special thanks: To Brian and Chris Durniok for the wonderful job they did stripping and waxing all the floors in the school this summer; To the Knights of Columbus who helped move furniture; To Linda & Jeff Mott for weeding and trimming the yard in front of our school and maintaining Miss Lipani’s garden by the back entrance.; to Larry Callihan for the weeding around Lateran Hall. The pride you take in our parish school is much appreciated.

Please pray for our school and use our extended contacts to help us in a search for a new principal and teachers in Grades Pre-K, first, and fifth.

A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON

I want to thank Fr Ray for his generosity in his availability to us over the last five weeks! It is such an unusual request to ask someone to assume the sacramental and spiritual needs of your parish so you can go off on a retreat for over a month, but Fr Ray was quick to say yes and I am so grateful we have such a servant in our midst. I also want to thank our parish staff and the Deacons. I truthfully, quite quickly, once the retreat started, relinquished all worry and anxiety over the temporal affairs of our parish because I knew the competent hands and minds that were in charge here! There was nothing I was worried about over those 30 days in silence - nothing! It was a great gift of God to have called me to do the retreat in the midst of an assignment where so many talented people are serving beside me. To my team here, I thank you so much! I want to also thank all of you for your patience with me being gone for so many weeks. Your day-to-day life didn't change, but knowing I had your prayers and encouragement to get away for the retreat was a gift to me!

The 30-Day that I participated in is put on by the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF). IPF offered the course in Spiritual Direction I recently completed in Chicago. IPF was started by a lay woman and a priest from Scranton back in 1994. They, along with a few Jesuits, teamed up and answered a need to better form Seminarians in the spiritual life and what it means to be in relationship with The Holy Trinity. They saw a poverty of this deepening awareness in seminary formation and sought to heal that poverty through, what has now become, their flagship IPF Seminarian Summer Program out at Creighton: a 10 Week program of deep prayer and conversation on these matters. 8 of us (4 priests and 4 seminarians) did our 30-Day amid the Seminarians doing their summer program. You may or may not have heard of IPF (outside of my mentions throughout my Chicago classes) but let me show you why everyone in the US will reap their fruit over the coming decades.

The IPF Summer Program began in 1994 with only 6 seminarians; this year there were 120. Over the last 30 years, 3,510 Seminarians have gone through that program. If we assume just 1/3 of those guys are ordained (noting some leave and that recent years, those guys are still in school) and if we say there are 25,000 Diocesan Priests in the US, that is about 4% of US Diocesan Priests today have gone through IPF where they got a 10-Week immersion in relationship with The Trinity and are understanding their priesthood as an intense intimate encounter with the Trinity - and helping their people do the same! 4% is nice, but here is the game changing fact. This year, the US Bishops are also addressing that same poverty in formation and are implementing a new component of Seminary Formation: The Propaedeutic Stage. This is a big word that means that every new Seminarian will spend an entire year, not in school, but in an intense immersion in the spiritual life and the man's relationship with the Holy Trinity! SO, within a decade, every priest ordained will have gone through the Propaedeutic and every new priest will have spent a year - not pouring over Plato or Aquinas - but, with his brothers, falling in love with The Lord so they can live and identify their future ministry from that holy place! All the while this is happening, in the background, IPF will be still immersing Seminarians over the summer and with even more priests getting away for Spiritual Direction Training and 30-Day retreats...this is the stuff of Revolution! Easily, we can see that we are only 2-3 generations away from **every** US Diocesan Priest and **every** US Bishop having been touched by either IPF or the Propaedeutic! We are just only 20 years away from the US Church looking and smelling noticeably a whole lot different - seeing Herself as a place of intense encounter with the Divine, not just a 501(c)(3)! Tune out the meaningless noise in the Church, and just pray for and support the revolution that is happening to the US Church and Her Priests!

*Love,
Fr. Brandon*