



<h1>Fourth Sunday of Easter</h1>	<h2>Saint Michael Roman Catholic Parish</h2> <p>85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125 • (724) 588-9800</p> <h3>Saint Margaret, Mission</h3> <p>701 Denver Street, Jamestown, PA 16134</p> <p>  OFFICE@STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM  WWW.STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM  FB @St. Michael Catholic Church Greenville Pa  YouTube St. Michael Greenville </p>	<h1>Sunday, April 26, 2026</h1>
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<h2>MASS TIMES</h2>	
<p>Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am (<i>Saint Michael</i>)</p>	<p>Saturday, 4:30pm (<i>Saint Michael</i>)</p>
<p>First Saturday, 9:00am (<i>Saint Michael</i>)</p>	<p>Sunday, 8:00am (<i>Saint Margaret</i>) Sunday, 11:00am (<i>Saint Michael</i>)</p>

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<h3>STEWARDSHIP</h3> <p>Divine Mercy Sunday \$ 7,715.17</p> <p>CSA 2026 Pledged \$ 99,825 Paid \$60,285</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH!</p> <h3>SANCTUARY CANDLES</h3> <p>May 1 - 15 (Saint Michael) Carmel Longiotti (Mary Bencivengo) Isaiah John Perry (Nonni & Bop)</p> <p>May 1 - 15 (Saint Margaret) Carol Moore (Robert Moore) Beth Yurisc (Robert Moore)</p>
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<h3>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</h3> <p>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin on Friday, May 1 after the 9 am Mass. Benediction will be at Noon.</p> <h3>REST IN PEACE</h3> <p>Please pray for the soul of Albert Millero. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.</p>
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<h3>BIRTHDAYS</h3> <p>The following parishoners celebrate birthdays this week. Wish them a happy birthday if you see them.</p> <p>Marlene Renwick, Isabel, Grace, Frank D'Urso, Jr, James Shaffer, Jarred DiSalvo, Shirley D'Urso, Gilbert McGarvey, Mary Zarecky, Richard Marshall, Doug Ruffing, Tulio Estrada.</p> <p>If we missed your birthday it is because your date of birth is not in the data base.</p>

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, April 28

James M. Campbell (Family)

Wednesday, April 29

Saint Catherine of Sienna
Fr. Jeri Mesley (Dan & Lana Mesley)

Thursday, April 30

Saint Pius V
George & Louise Rounds (Linda & Pat)

Friday, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker
William Murrin (Sue Stanfa)

Saturday, May 2

Saint Athanasius
Valjean Armor (John & Barbara Miller)

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 2

4:30pm Janet Collins (Family)

Sunday, May 3

8:00am Margaret & Daniel Addison
(Daniel Mowery)
11:00am For the People of the Parish

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Be Vigilant: Keeping kids safe starts with all of us. Pay attention to how people interact with children – and speak up if something feels off. Notice the signs of abuse, take them seriously and report concerns right away. If you see behavior that seems inappropriate or just doesn't feel right, don't ignore it. Reporting could prevent harm. Have questions about warning signs or what's considered inappropriate? Call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

FIRST COMMUNION ROSARIES

Thank you to those who have taken a rosary from the cross in the Gathering Space. Please remember to return the rosary to the cross by April 28, 2026.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 27: Morning Prayer 9am (St Michael).

April 28: "Acts" Bible Study 6:30pm.

May 1: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9 am Mass.

May 2: Confessions 3-4 pm (St. Michael)

MORNING PRAYER

Please join us on Mondays at 9:00am at St Michael with Deacon Frank and Deacon Marty.

BISHOP PERSICO'S PRAYER FOR THE SELECTION OF THE NEW BISHOP FOR THE DIOCESE OF ERIE

O Almighty God,
Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father
and those who assist him
in the discernment of our new bishop.
May the one chosen have the strength
to be a compassionate leader,
who models humility and joy.
Grant him the wisdom of Solomon,
the courage of the apostles,
and the tenderness of your Son, the Good
Shepherd.

We also pray for the Diocese of Erie
that he is called to serve.
May we welcome him with open hearts
and work with him in a spirit of synodality,
called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.

Through the intercession of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,
St. Joseph, the protector of the Church,
and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese,
may we journey the path of life
with an unwavering focus
on the hope we have in Christ.

For he lives and reigns forever and ever.
Amen.

Imprimature, October 28, 2025
The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L.
Bishop of Erie

A WORD FROM FATHER TOM



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday where we are invited to look at Jesus as that honorable shepherd who watches over and cares for his sheep. The job of being a shepherd is an extremely difficult one to say the least. I imagine that a job description would put most of us off and we would look elsewhere for employment. A shepherd literally laid down his life for his sheep by caring for them 24-7 as they say.

I can only imagine the difficulties of being shepherd. He travelled with the sheep as he sought fertile fields for their food; he led them to those pastures and watched over them as they were nourished. At night a new demand was put on the shepherd and his flock. They were to find a place safe for sleeping.

And, thus, the images of today's gospel: the gate of an enclosure prepared for rest/relaxation. But even here the shepherd couldn't just sleep and forget the world. He needed to be attentive to the sheep even (and maybe especially) at this vulnerable time of rest. Jesus warns in the parable that thieves can find entrance to the enclosure and steal the sheep. The shepherd needed vigilance as well as sleep for the upcoming day.

As the sheep entered the gate the shepherd stood in the middle and examined each animal for any wound or difficulty they might have encountered during the day. When they were all inspected the shepherd would lie across the gate to sleep; he did this to block any of the flock who might get lost by wandering around outside the enclosure.

Also, no one could come in from the outside without alerting the shepherd still on duty with his sheep! "Amen, Amen I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture."

Jesus identifies with both the Good Shepherd and the gate in today's gospel. As good shepherd he watches over us constantly. He keeps us nourished and safe from what may harm us and he is the gate we pass through while he continues to care for us at each moment.

This is what he is sent to do by the heavenly Father. Jesus is meant to be the very embodiment of God's loving care for each and all of us. Yes, we are sheep (the metaphor may bug us at times!) and the message here is to continue to watch for and receive God's merciful love, goodness and care. God is constantly on our side; the Good Shepherd is never on vacation, but always there for you and me just as the shepherd in today's gospel is there pouring himself out for his sheep.

As God's beloved we inherit the gracious goodness we are offered. Let us be vigilant to discover it and to be impelled to pass it on to others who call out to us to share that abundant mercy and forgiveness as the shepherd spent his love and care for those entrusted to him.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Tom