



*Behold,*

*the days are coming  
when I will raise up  
a righteous shoot  
to David*

# Saint Michael Parish

**SIXTEENTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY  
TIME**

85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125  
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**SUNDAY  
JULY 21  
2024**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

## STEWARDSHIP

July 23 Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 PM.  
July 23 Beep Beep Bingo 5:30 PM.  
Aug. 4 Breakfast at St. Margaret's after 8 AM Mass.  
Aug. 11 Parish Picnic after the 11 AM Mass.  
Aug. 27 Beep Beep Bingo 5:30 PM.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
\$8,156.65

CSA  
Pledged: \$97,595  
Paid: \$85,035

Confessions on Saturdays from 3-4 PM only during in July. Wednesday confessions will return in August.

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

## REST IN PEACE

## ST MARGARETS BREAKFAST

Please pray for the souls of Jan Benson, Deborah Yokubeak, sister in law of Frank Yokubeak, Cecelia Kettering, and William Kuhn. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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. Enjoy food and fellowship!

Date / Mass	Lector	EMHC	Cantor	Accompanist	Altar Servers
July 27/4:30 PM	Charlie Demarest	Lee Ann Micsky John Svirbly	Kloe Soros	Lisa Demarest	Krystal W. & Mason M.
July 28/8:00 AM	George Soros	Patty Meehan Maureen Shine			Gabe & John G.
July 28/11:00 AM	Jane Turcic	Nancy & Alan Carr	Amy Anderson	Natalie Serrano	Cassie, Liza, & Tucker S.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

*Weekday Masses Tues– Fri 9AM /First Sat 9AM*

*Saint Michael Church*

**TUESDAY, JULY 23**

Saint Bridget

Patricia Hartle (Tom Murrin)

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 24**

Saint Sharbel Makhluuf

Special Intention for Cereana Roberts

(Joyce & Greg Wilkes)

**THURSDAY, JULY 25**

Saint James

Bill Emmett (Friends)

**FRIDAY, JULY 26**

Saints Joachim & Anne

Steve Varga (Anniv.) (Children)

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SATURDAY, JULY 27**

**4:30 PM** *Saint Michael Church*

Deceased Members of the George & Zofia Liszka Family  
(Family)

**SUNDAY, JULY 28**

**\*8:00 AM** *Saint Margaret Mission\**

For the People of the Parish

**11:00 AM** *Saint Michael Church*

Deceased Members of the Grasso & Waleff Families  
(Betty)

## 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

**July 16-31**

Isaiah John Perry (Noni & Bop)

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**Aug 1-15**

E. Tracel Pickens (Joanie & Eddie Pickens)

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Beth Yurisc (M/M Robert Moore)

**St. Margaret**

## SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Parish Picnic is set for Sunday, August 11, 2024. The July 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.

## BEEP BEEP BINGO

Remember the Beep Beep Bingo at the Reynolds Drive In on Tuesday July 23rd and August 27th to benefit St Michael School. Gate opens at 5:30, bingo starts at 6:30. 20 games of Bingo for \$20. Volunteers are needed to help with this event.

## SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL

Saint Michael School is now enrolling students for Pre-K through Grade 5. Dedicated, trained teachers following state and diocesan standards in all areas of the curriculum. Gospel values, small class size, discipline, kindness, and respect for others emphasized. Contact the school office at 724-588-7050 to enroll or for more information. School begins on Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

## PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS– WE NEED YOU!

St. Michael School is seeking volunteers to serve as librarians in our school. We will assist you in getting volunteer clearances that are needed. Come share you love of reading and good books with the children. Call 724-588-7050 to volunteer.



## A WORD FROM FATHER RAY

When we hear the opening passage from the prophet Jeremiah we possibly may find ourselves trembling in our boots. "Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture." It sounds as if God is putting a humongous condemnation. But let us now as it were dig a little more so into what God is saying.

In one sense God is speaking to the clergy abuse scandal. It is something that should not have happened, but it did and we cannot sweep it under the rug. We cannot rewrite history and say that it never happened. We have to own it, learn from it, and never repeat. If you learn from church history, our church has a flawed history with several similar problems, but what shines through is that it tries to own the problem and correct it. It is sad that it had to happen, but I am glad that it had to happen; so that we can move forward from the problem.

We have to admit that those who were abused got scarred for life, their families likewise, and also the church. People lost faith in church and many turned their backs on the church and may have left. God has the solution to the problem: "I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the Lord."

While I was in Bradford the diocese permitted an interview with me and one of the victims of clergy abuse. The person grew up in Bradford. I thank God for the privilege of that interview. We were both very honest and much good came out of it. Later on, he asked if he could have an assembly to discuss that very issue. I agreed to the idea and was one of the presenters.

But now I want to expand the notion of shepherd, to include bosses and parents. Let us look at bosses first. I want to ask you how do you treat your employees. In the old days many stores were run like a family and the employees were treated as part of the family. But now many times what seems to matter most is the profit margin and employees are regarded as someone less than human. As the Golden Rule reminds us treat others as you would want to be treated. Do you give them a living wage, do they have the proper benefits?

Let us look at parents, how do you treat your children? Are they still the first in your life after yours? The Holy Family has much to teach you about what it means to be a parent. The first thing that they passed on was true love. In the Holy Family they passed on the culture and the social values of the time, they taught Jesus right from wrong, the Jewish faith and its importance. They helped Jesus become the man that he became – the Messiah. As a parent you cannot assume the role of another child to them, you are the parent. You cannot let your children tell you what to do in regards to them.

The parish is in the midst of developing a new Faith Formation Program with a new set of leaders that in some way involves all of the parish and in particular the parents. I am looking forward to its roll out and the challenges that may result from it. Parents must live by example, by that I mean you must live out your faith. You can no longer sit in your car and just drop off your child to religious ed or Mass. You must be present to give the proper example. Mary and Joseph always gave the proper example to Jesus.

Let me close with the words of Psalm 23: "The lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul." We truly have a loving God who nurtures us much like a mother who nurtures her child.

LIVE OUT YOUR FAITH ON A DAILY BASIS; IN SEASON AND OUT OF SEASON.

*Fr. Ray*