

SAINT MICHAEL
CATHOLIC PARISH

Thirty-third 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 FB @St. Michael Catholic Church Greenville Pa YouTube St. Michael Greenville	Sunday, November 15, 2026

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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STEWARDSHIP

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
$11,363.35

CSA 2026
Pledged $ 137,025
Paid $ 118,555

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH

GOOD SHEPHERD REQUESTS

Calling all bakers! We need 63 doz cookies for the GS Christmas meal provided by St Michael parish. Bring your cookies in a disposable bag or container either Sat Dec 5th 4-5:30pm or Sun Dec 6th 9:30am-12Noon and place them in the church kitchen. Signup in FN newsletter or on clipboard in the Gathering Space if you can help please.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

November 16-30 (Saint Michael)
Ben Barbarossa (Bonnie)
Tom Duda (Bonnie Barbarossa)

November 16-30 (Saint Margaret)
Carol Moore (Robert Moore)
Beth Yurisic (Robert Moore)

BIRTHDAYS

The following parishioners celebrate birthdays this week. Wish them a happy birthday if you see them.

Tom Liszka, George Soros, Ray Olsen, Amy Anderson, Teia Barger, Robin Bates, Jennifer Chase, Emily Zgonc, Sandy Weaver, Darlene Thomas

If we missed your birthday it may be that we do not have your date in the data base.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, November 17
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
Lewis Shaw (Rosemary Leskovac)

Wednesday, November 18
Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints
Peter and Paul
Catherine & John Kost (Conrad & Kathy Kost)

Thursday, November 19
Ed Bielobocky (Anniv.) (Kim)

Friday, November 20
John Cianci (Estate)

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Saturday, November 21
4:30pm Paul Selnekovic (Greek)
(Raylene Selnekovic & Family)

Sunday, November 22
8am For the People of the Parish

11:00am Carmen Scibeta (Joanna Faber)

LOST AND FOUND

A ladies ring was found on Friday, November 6 in the Church. To inquire, please call Patty in the Church Office at 724-588-9800 x133. Thank you!

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES

The tables with photos of deceased relatives and friends still have some open space if you want to bring a small framed photo of a loved one (5 x7 or 8 x10). Please make sure that you put your name on the back of the photo. Photos will be displayed through November. You may put the name of the loved one on the frame, some people have asked who was in the photo. Tables for photos are at St. Michael and St. Margaret.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Nov. 16: Morning prayer at 9 am.
Office will be closed all day.

Nov. 21: Confessions 3-4 pm.

Nov. 22: Adoration with Faith Formation
10-10.30 am in the Church.

A couple of seats have opened up for the Dec. 10, 2026 bus trip. Please call the office if you are interested in reserving a spot.

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,



Attending Mass resembles walking the Way of the Cross. As the Mass unfolds, we climb toward its peak, much as the crowds rose up Mount Calvary on Good Friday. Just as the Way of the Cross includes stations, Mass has its own stopping points. These three stations show the priest acting as priest, prophet, and shepherd.

The first station is the priest's chair. After the entrance hymn and procession, the priest addresses God's flock as a shepherd. He first draws the flock together through a rite of penance, calling lost sheep—including himself—away from sin and into God's presence.

Another instance of shepherding from the chair occurs when the priest invites the flock to pray. He says simply, **Let us pray**." The shepherd pauses, not for the server to bring the Missal, but to give the congregation time to recall their own prayers.

In the new translation of the Roman Missal, the prayer that follows is known by its traditional name: the "Collect." This prayer gathers or folds individual petitions into the single offering the priest makes to God for everyone present.

The second station of Mass is the pulpit. Here the second baptismal role emerges: the role of prophet. Lay persons acting as lectors carry out this role at the start of the Liturgy of the Word. During the Liturgy of the Word—the first major section of the Mass—there is a rising movement. We begin with the Old Testament (except during the Easter season). The next reading is usually a Psalm. Then the Church turns to the New Testament, since the Second Reading comes from the Apostles 'writings.

The Liturgy of the Word reaches its peak next. The final reading comes from the Bible's most vital portion: the Gospel accounts, where Jesus himself acts and speaks. In the Old Testament, Jesus is anticipated; in the Apostles 'writings, his words and deeds are explained. In the Gospels, however, Jesus directly acts and speaks for us.

Because Jesus 'presence here is singular, the reading is marked by distinct practices. We stand to honor him. A dialogue between priest or deacon and laypeople precedes the proclamation, and everyone blesses mind, lips, and heart. On especially solemn Sundays and Holy Days, the Gospel may be incensed, servers may carry candles, and the text may be chanted.

Still, although the Gospel is the summit, it is not the end. The homily, Profession of Faith, and intercessions complete the Liturgy of the Word. Of these three, the homily is where the priest most clearly acts as prophet through his baptismal role. The homily reveals how the Gospel touches the lives of those present. It shows the demands placed on Christians, exposing their need for the strength of the Holy Eucharist.

The third station of Mass is the altar of priestly sacrifice. This altar serves as the final station, just as the summit of Calvary is the aim of the Way of the Cross. If the first main part of Mass is the Liturgy of the Word, the second is the Liturgy of the Word made Flesh. The Word becomes flesh and dwells among us so that He might abide in us, and we might bear abundant fruit through Him in the world.



Jesus, in every act of shepherding, guides us toward the top of Mount Calvary. In every prophetic word, He calls us to accept Calvary as our destiny, to take up our own cross and follow Him there. The Word of God, though powerful, is not the final goal of Catholic worship. Only one thing in this world is more powerful than the proclamation of the Word of God: the priestly Self-Sacrifice of the Word made Flesh.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Tom