



Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	Saint Michael Roman Catholic Parish 85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125 • (724) 588-9800 <i>Saint Margaret, Mission</i> 701 Denver Street, Jamestown, PA 16134  OFFICE@STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM  WWW.STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM	Sunday, November 9, 2025
MASS TIMES Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am (<i>Saint Michael</i>) First Saturday, 9:00am (<i>Saint Michael</i>) Saturday, 4:30pm (<i>Saint Michael</i>) Sunday, 8:00am (<i>Saint Margaret</i>) Sunday, 11:00am (<i>Saint Michael</i>)		
PARISH DIRECTORY Father Thomas Trocchio, Pastor ttrocchio@eriercd.org Deacon Marty Aubel, Parish Deacon Ext. 138 MAubel@eriercd.org Deacon Frank Luciani, Parish Deacon Ext. 139 FLuciani@eriercd.org Patty Meehan, Office Manager Ext. 133 pmeehan@stmichaelgreenville.com Susan Swartzbeck, Business Manager Ext. 135 saintmichaelbiz@gmail.com Chris & Meg Straub, Faith Formation Ext. 136 MStraub@stmichaelgreenville.com	STEWARDSHIP Comemmoration of All the Faithful Departed \$9,368.30 CSA 2025 Pledged: \$133,120 Paid: \$113,0115 <i>THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH!</i> REST IN PEACE Pray for the souls of Jennie Flack and Rose Marie Gerdy. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.	
HOUSEKEEPER WANTED!  We are seeking a qualified individual to serve as Rectory Housekeeper. This is a part time position with flexible hours. This individual would provide cleaning, laundry, and housekeeping services for the pastor or visiting clergy/guests as required. Must have a valid drivers license. If interested please contact the Parish office.	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & LECTORS WORKSHOPS If you missed the workshops for either of these ministries, please call the office to schedule a time to view the recordings. Please schedule before November 24 for the trainings. The commissioning letter will be submitted to the Bishop on November 25, 2025 for EMHCs.	

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, November 11

Saint Martin of Tours
David Muscarella, Jr. (Anniv.)
(Mert Muscarella Family)

Wednesday, November 12

Saint Josaphat
Jack Kalchthaler (Jane Hogan)

Thursday, November 13

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
Jack & Helen Meehan (Family)

Friday, November 14

John & Lillian Bassick (Anne & Family)

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, November 15

4:30 pm Kathleen McGrath
(Tom & Shirley Patton)

Sunday, November 16

8:00 am Stan & Helen Gutowski
(Marlene & Walt Renwick)

11:00am For the People of the Parish

SANCTUARY CANDLES

November 1-15 (Saint Michael)

Deceased members of the
Bonaquist Family (Sarah Bonaquist)
Shawn Holzapfel (Mom & Dad)

November 1-15 (Saint Margaret)

Jack & Helen Meehan (Patty & Tom)

THANKSGIVING MASS

Fr. Tom will offer Mass on Thanksgiving (11/27) morning at 9:00 AM. Please plan to attend !
The office will be closed both Thursday and Friday so homebound visits will need to be adjusted accordingly.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

November 10: Season's of Hope 5:30.

November 11: Adult Education Series "Luke" @6:30pm.

November 12: Cemetery Board Meeting after Mass.

November 13: Men's Fellowship Group 6am in McElhinny Hall.

November 15: Confessions 3-4 pm.

November 16: Breakfast after 8 am Mass at Saint Margarets.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Session 5 of the Fall season of the Men's Fellowship group is Thursday, November 13. The door to McElhinny Hall opens before 6 AM. Video and discussion at 6:15. This session covers Chapters 10-12 of Luke. There is no need to have attended past sessions! For questions, call Steve Kerch at 440-228-5884.

UPCOMING ADVENT EVENTS

This Advent St. Michael church will be hosting a **Mass at Dawn or Rorate Caeli Mass**. The Mass will be at 6:50 am Wednesday mornings in Advent, (Dec 3rd, 10th, 17th). This will take place of the regularly scheduled 9am Mass.



Join Fr. Tom for this 6 session **Bible study** where we will delve deeper into the readings of Advent and Christmas as we await the coming of our savior.

Sessions will meet on Weds at 6pm starting on Dec 3rd. Please call the office to sign up- packets will be prepared.

A WORD FROM FATHER TOM

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The most important temple is the temple of a person's soul because God dwells within each one of us. In the most secret center of our being is that sacred sanctuary where we meet God. Saint Teresa of Ávila called it the Presence Chamber, the most central and interior dwelling place within us.

In addition to the temple of the soul, there are many sacred places throughout the world.

There are shrines, churches, basilicas, grottos, cathedrals, and other holy places that are set aside for the sole purpose of worship of God. They are to be a Heaven on earth, a place where we join with the Seraphim, Cherubim, and Thrones in their angelic praises of the Most Holy Trinity. Today's feast commemorates one such place, the most important church on earth.



In the city of Rome, there are four major basilicas. The first three are Saint Peter's Basilica in Vatican City, the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, and the Basilica of Saint Mary Major. The fourth is the Archbasilica Cathedral of the Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist in the Lateran, also called Saint John Lateran, or the Lateran Basilica for short. Of the four major basilicas, the oldest and most important is Saint John Lateran, the dedication of which is remembered today. Though the pope now lives next to Saint Peter's Basilica, Saint John Lateran is the official cathedral of Rome. That means Saint John Lateran is not only the mother church of the Archdiocese of Rome but also the mother church of the entire world.

The church building has a long and storied history. In the year 64, the erratic and cruel Roman Emperor Nero blamed a devastating fire in Rome on the Christians. In retaliation, he ordered the execution of many Christians, including Saints Peter and Paul. In 65, there was a conspiracy to kill Nero with the help of the Counsel-designate Plautius Lateranus (Lateran). When Nero learned of the plot, he immediately beheaded Lateranus and confiscated his home, the Lateran Palace. Subsequent Roman emperors used the palace in various ways over the next 250 years, such as a military fort. In 312, when Constantine the Great became the sole ruler of the Western Roman Empire, he took possession of the Lateran Palace. The following year, after issuing the Edict of Milan with Emperor Licinius of the Eastern Roman Empire, Constantine donated the Lateran Palace to Pope Miltiades who first used it to conduct a synod of bishops and then began constructing the first Basilica in Rome. Upon its completion in the year 324, it was dedicated by Pope Sylvester and given the name the "House of God," with a special designation to Christ the Savior. With that, the first cathedral in the most important diocese was established.

As we honor the mother church of the whole world, ponder the importance of a church building. A church is sacred because it is exclusively dedicated to the worship of God. Saint John Lateran is an exclusive-purpose church. It is the pope's cathedral from which the entire Church is governed and the central place of worship for the world. As we honor the dedication of that church in 324, pray for the Church today. Pray for our parish, religious institutions, religious orders, dioceses, national conferences, and the Universal Church headed in Rome. Our churches and sacred places exist to be places where we come to encounter God. Pray for the pope in a particular way today, that Saint John Lateran will always be a place where he, and every pope after him, will encounter God in a profound way.



Yours in Christ,

Fr. Tom