



# Saint Michael Parish

**EIGHTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY  
TIME**

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**SUNDAY  
MARCH 2,  
2025**

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## SANCTUARY CANDLES

**Mar. 1-15** INTENTION & DONOR  
Beth Yurisc (Robert Moore)  
**St. Margaret**  
**Mar. 1-15** Sr. Barbara Regan (Stephanie & James  
Hayes)

## STEWARDSHIP

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
\$16,349.36

CSA 2025  
Pledged: \$23,900  
Paid: \$3,170

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be said on Fridays at St. Michael Church beginning on **March 7th** at 7PM Note that it is First Friday so the **Rosary will begin at 6:15, Benediction to follow. Stations will begin at 7PM.**

Stations of the Cross will be said on Wednesdays at St. Margaret Mission beginning on Wednesday, **March 12,** at **6:30 PM.**

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH!*

**St. Michael Church:** In memory of James Berger (\$500).

## REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Paul Langiotti and Joseph Fry. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

| Date / Mass     | Lector       | EMHC                              | Cantor           | Accompanist     | Altar Servers                |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Mar. 5 /9:00 AM | Vern Swartz  | n/a                               | Susan Swartzbeck | Kathy Williams  | None assigned                |
| Mar. 5 /6:30 PM | Patty Meehan | n/a                               | Bob Hutchinson   | Lisa Demarest   | None assigned                |
| Mar. 8/ 4:30 PM | Bob Woodley  | Sandy Ohl<br>John Svirbly         | Amy Anderson     | Lisa Demarest   | Maggie L.<br>Mason M.        |
| Mar. 9/8:00 AM  | Patti Hayes  | Cindy & Gabby<br>Saulsbery        |                  |                 | Gabe & John G.               |
| Mar. 9/11:00 AM | Walter Beh   | Bea DeCiancio<br>Brenda DelMaramo | Bob Hutchinson   | Natalie Serrano | Ella & Lance P.<br>Sophia M. |

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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

*Saint Michael Church*

**TUESDAY, MARCH 4**

Saint Casimir

George & Jessie Madbak (Todd and Anne)

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5**

**9:00 AM** *Saint Michael Church*

Special Intention ( Susan)

**6:30 PM** *Saint Margaret Mission*

Vince Tofani (John & Mary Reimold)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 6**

**THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

Charles Stepp (Mike & Joyce Allen)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 7**

Saints Perpetua & Felicity

Bonnie Burns (John & Barbara Miller)

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8**

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

Jennifer Kerr (Aunt Carole)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 9**

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

For the People of the Parish

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

Deceased Members of the Snead Family

(Dan & Joanie)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar. 3 Passion Play Rehearsals 6 PM Lateran Hall.
- Mar. 4 Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM.
- Mar. 4 Seasons of Hope at 6 PM Large Meeting Rm.
- Mar. 5 Ash Wednesday- Lent Begins.
- Mar. 6 Men's Group Meets beginning at 6 AM.
- Mar. 7 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 9 AM Mass until **6:15**.
- Mar. 7 Fish Fry begins at 4:00 PM.at the K. of C.
- Mar. 7 Stations of the Cross at 7 PM at St. Michael.

## 40 CLUB WINNERS- FEBRUARY 19

\$100- Bob W. Moore; \$100-Kevin Kean; \$50- Bob Gentile.

## HAZERDOUS CONDITIONS

The snow is on break so the south lot is open at this time. If the weather changes, the orange cones will be back in place. The cones signal use of the north lot only.

## LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Please note the weekly confession times for Lent:

Mondays 4:30 - 6:00 PM (*April 14 6:30 - 7:30PM due to Chrism Mass*)

Tuesdays 11:30AM - 12:30PM

Wednesdays 8:00 - 9:00 PM

Thursdays 9:30 - 10:45 AM

Fridays 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 PM (both Fr Ray and Fr. Brandon.

## ST. MICHAEL/ST. MARGARET PARISH MEN'S GROUP

Our Lenten program continues on Thursday with the video series titled "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion". This week's video session examines the trial before Pilate. Narrated by Dr. Edward Sri and featuring quest speakers, the video examines Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context of this event. Join us at 6 AM in McElhinny Hall. Prior attendance is NOT required. Light breakfast and refreshments provided.

## YOUNG AT HEART

Young at Heart is sponsoring a special St. Patrick Lunch as part of the 175th Celebration of St. Michael Parish. Everyone 50 or older is invited to the K. of C. at 11.30 AM on March 17 for corned beef and cabbage, entertainment, and Irish Music. RSVP to Deacon Frank at 724-854-1579 by March 7th.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 9:00 AM Mass on March 7th. Rosary begins at 6:15PM with Benediction following immediately afterward. Note the earlier time for the Rosary to accommodate the Stations of the Cross at 7PM. Sign up to spend time with our Lord via Flock Note.

## A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON

With the coming of Lent, this will be our last ‘Green’ Sunday of Ordinary Time till the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend! Isn’t that crazy?! We’ll return to Ordinary Time, after the Easter Season, in early-June, but with a succession of special Feasts and Solemnities on those first several Sundays after the Easter Season, we won’t have an ‘ordinary’ Sunday till July. Buckle up, we begin the great adventure of Lent & Easter this week with Ash Wednesday!

I laid out some guidance, last week, on approaching your Lenten Fast. You still have a few days, yet, before Lent, so discern how you would like to fast and ease into it the best you can. In addition to fasting, I would encourage you to add something into your life that will benefit you, help you grow closer to God, and avail you to the best opportunities to receive the Graces of the Season our Lord wishes to offer you. This could be reading from and praying a daily devotional (*I will have available the Magnificat daily devotional as well as the ‘Little Black Book’ available for you, too*). This could also be a daily chaplet / rosary, another spiritual book to read (*this is truly limitless! If you want some advice, I’d say, “Jesus of Nazareth, Vol. 2: From the Entrance into Jerusalem to the Resurrection” by Pope Benedict; or, “The Screwtape Letters” by CS Lewis. In the spirit of breaking the fourth wall, I will be re-reading both of those this Lent.*), a book or a portion of the Bible (*The four Passion Narratives, the Book of Psalms, Jonah, Job, Ecclesiastes, or Sirach are just a few that come to mind that may be rewarding*), a spiritual podcast (*Getting started or getting caught up with either the Bible or Catechism or Rosary in a Year podcasts are all great ideas*), or simply an additional amount of time set aside each day for prayer – something that is reasonable and that you will be able to maintain.

Whatever it is use choose to fast from and to take on, please choose what 1) The Lord is calling you or leading you to do, and 2) something you will be able to stay with and complete. It makes absolutely zero sense to just be holier than thou and gargantuan in taking on a whole retinue of things that are only done out of their extremity and rooted in nothing The Father or The Son were leading you into and are only there to make your life miserable with how much you’re failing at it all...please, let go of all nonsensical ideas of Lent! Go to God, discern, and let Him lead you to simply do what will foster that relationship with The Trinity. The only reason we take on any of these things is not to impress God or pass the test – there is no test to pass! We take these on because we desire a deepening in how we come to know, and see, and experience the living God. Period. The whole and entire Trinity pines for us – it’s why we exist and why we are preparing for the great rescue mission of God to win us back! His love has already been ‘earned’ by nature of us being created. Don’t create an obstacle or test that isn’t there. Everything we take on in Lent, and in the Spiritual Life, is at service and response to that Love that you and I did not earn nor merit but was afforded to us at the moment of our creation and solidified in a tremendous way at Easter. So, choose your Lent alongside God, not apart from God, and choose your Lent to help you grow closer to Him.

*Love*  
*Fr. Brandon*