



Saint Michael Parish

OUR LORD
JESUS
CHRIST KING
OF THE
UNIVERSE

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SUNDAY
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SANCTUARY CANDLES

INTENTION & DONOR

Nov 16-30 Dennis Durkos (Dan & Susan Wallace)
Nov 16-30 Mary Lou DiSalvo (Family)

GOOD SHEPHERD

CHRISTMAS DINNER REQUEST

One hundred boxes of scalloped potatoes are needed for the Christmas Dinner. Please drop off by November 30 in the Gathering Space of the Church.

KENTUCKY MISSION GIVING

The tree is bare! Thank you for the support of this project. Please remember to return your wrapped gifts with the ornament and name label attached by December 2, 2024 to the Small Meeting Room.

STEWARDSHIP

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
\$ 7,201.88
CSA
Pledged: \$102,990
Paid: \$ 97,490

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH!

St. Michael Parish: In memory of J. P. Morgan (\$ 95);
In memory of Marian Waleff (\$1,000.00).
St. Michael School Endowment: In memory of Marian Waleff (\$25).

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bob Becker, cousin of Janet Runkle. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Date / Mass	Lector	EMHC	Cantor	Accompanist	Altar Servers
Nov. 30/ 4:30 PM	Sandy Ohl	LeeAnn Micsky Pat Shaughnessy	Amy Anderson	Kathy Williams	Maggie L. Lily T.
Dec. 1 /8 AM	Patti Hayes	Patty Meehan George Soros			Gabe & John G.
Dec. 1 /11 AM	Susan Wallace	Bea DiCiancio Brenda DelMaramo	Susan Swartzbeck	Natalie Serano	Callie, Liza, & Tucker S.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

*Weekday Masses Tues– Fri 9AM /First Sat 9AM
Saint Michael Church*

THE WEEKDAY MASSES LISTED BELOW WILL BE HELD AT THE CEMETERY CHAPEL AT 9 AM. WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE AT THE CHURCH.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Tom & Richard Liszka (Wayne & Susan)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Stephanie Romine (Husband Bill)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Thanksgiving Day in the Church
James Micsky, Sr. (Hannah Micsky)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Dennis Durkos, Sr. (Michelle Durkos)

First Sunday of Advent

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

4:30 PM Saint Michael Church

William “Whitey” Ruffing (John & Ronda Erdesky)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

***8:00 AM** Saint Margaret Mission*
For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM Saint Michael Church
Patrick Kosminski (Anniv.) (Family)

ADULT EDUCATION SESSION

The Adult Education series, “Jesus and the Eucharist” is on break until January. Watch the bulletin for the schedule of the new session. Participation in the Fall session is not a required to attend the Winter session.

40 CLUB NOVEMBER 13TH WINNERS

\$100– Hal Hart; \$100–Will Prunka; \$50– Gil and Mary McGarvey.

DECEMBER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The scheduling for December including January 1 is out this weekend. Please check the times you are scheduled to serve. Ask for a sub right away if needed.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ROOF WORK

The roof work continues thanks to the rain. The front entrance to the Church will not be accessible during the week. If you have business at the office or are attending an evening group or picking up hosts for home-bound visits, **you must enter the Church at the side door. Please ring the door bell and someone will answer. If there is a change to access for evening groups, the group coordinator will be notified.**

No Confession November 27. Confessions be heard Saturday, Nov. 30 from 3-4 PM, regular schedule. The Advent Confession Schedule is highlighted in “A Word from Fr. Brandon.”

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

The Mass intention requests forms are on the tables at both St. Margaret and St. Michael to fill out for Mass dates. The forms do help with spelling of the intention and alternate dates if needed.

In the interest of time, you will only get a phone call if there is a problem with the dates you requested. Otherwise the Masses have been scheduled as requested. If you have a question please call the office, use option 1 for Patty.

SOLEMINITY OF THE IMMULATE HEART OF MARY

This year the Solemnity of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be observed on December 9, 2024. The holyday, though being celebrated on Monday, is a holyday of obligation. The Mass time will be at 9 AM at St. Michael. There will not be a Vigil Mass on Sunday evening. Attending Mass Sunday morning will not fulfill the holyday obligation.

SAINT MICHAEL & SAINT MARGARET MENS FELLOWSHIP GROUP

There will be no Men's Fellowship group meeting on Thursday 28 November. We shall reconvene Thursday, December 5. Happy Thanksgiving.

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed for Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving (Nov. 29). If there is a sacramental emergency, please select 7 in the message to be connected to the priest covering calls.

A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON

Happy Solemnity of Christ, The King of the Universe! This Solemnity is always celebrated in the place of the 34th Sunday of Ordinary Time – or, perhaps, one could say the 34th Sunday of Ordinary Time is always this Solemnity. This Sunday is among my favorite of all the feasts and solemnities of the Liturgical Year. About ten years ago, a priest friend and I were planning a vacation in November to the California coast; I insisted that we not miss Christ the King, and we had to limit the extent of our travels so that we could get back to our parishes to celebrate the Solemnity! He wasn't too thrilled with me, but I just couldn't fathom not celebrating this Solemnity! Coming out of the election season, our conversations about the ideals of Catholic Social Teaching should be fresh in your mind. This Solemnity was promulgated by Pius XI in 1925 as a response to a growing secularism and atheism that was grossly distorting human society and the dignity of the human person, especially those most vulnerable. An ideal Catholic Society does not have the President at its head, but Christ! He alone is our King! If we have Him and He alone at the center of our earthly societies and communities, then and only then do we create and sustain a world where every life matters and all humanity is mobilized to meet the needs of others: materially and spiritually. Ok, I can get super tangential with these ideas, so I'll cut it off here! Long live Christ the King!

With this being the 34th Sunday of Ordinary Time, it is also the final week of the Liturgical Year, and we'll begin anew next week with Advent! Wow: isn't that crazy to think we are on the precipice of Advent! This weekend I have available for you Magnificat Advent Daily Devotionals as well as the Little Blue Books. I figured I'd put them out a week early as with Thanksgiving this week (again, how crazy is that?!), you may be traveling next weekend and not be able to get one. So, grab them this weekend and have them handy for your daily prayer throughout Advent.

As has been my custom here, I will make available, almost daily, The Sacrament of Confession during Advent. The schedule is as follows:

Mondays	5 – 6:15PM	(Dec 2,9,16,23)
Tuesdays	12 – 1PM	(Dec 3, 17)
Wednesdays	7:30 – 9PM	(Dec 4,18)
Thursdays	9:30 – 11AM	(Dec 5, 19)
Fridays	11AM – 12PM	(Dec 6,13,20)

For your planning purposes, I also want to give you a heads up of the Christmas Mass schedule. There is a little tweak from last year. A lot of conversation and thought went into trying to perfect our Christmas schedule. Many of us decided this is a far better schedule that is more doable, conducive, and sustainable to all those involved in making our Christmas Liturgies happen, especially our musicians, cantors, and choir who do so much for us!

Christmas Eve	4:30 PM	Saint Michael Church
Midnight Mass	12AM	Saint Michael Church
Christmas Day	9AM	Saint Margaret Church

As we near Advent, you may be contemplating what to do for your Advent, I would recommend that we simply not try to add too much. There is this sense that we should try and load up our spiritual lives with too much stuff. Emptying ourselves and becoming more spiritually little and poor is a great posture for Advent. The daily devotionals shouldn't be seen as onerous obligations, but opportunities to just empty yourself of all care and concern and only be filled with a desire for Christ. Maybe put yourselves, this Advent, beside the empty manger, the empty cave, awaiting His Incarnation. Kneel there, little and poor, waiting for Him in the silence and darkness of these days. The days ahead are going to be busy and full already, allow Advent to be that place, that way of life, that lets all that busyness leave you, if even for a few moments a day.

Love
Fr. Brandon