



<b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Saint Michael Roman Catholic Parish</b> 85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125 • (724) 588-9800 <b>Saint Margaret, Mission</b> 701 Denver Street, Jamestown, PA 16134  OFFICE@STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM  WWW.STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM FB @St. Michael Catholic Church Greenville Pa YouTube St. Michael Greenville	<b>Sunday, July 12, 2026</b>
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<b>MASS TIMES</b>	
<b>Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am</b> ( <i>Saint Michael</i> )  <b>First Saturday, 9:00am</b> ( <i>Saint Michael</i> )	<b>Saturday, 4:30pm</b> ( <i>Saint Michael</i> ) <b>Sunday, 8:00am</b> ( <i>Saint Margaret</i> ) <b>Sunday, 11:00am</b> ( <i>Saint Michael</i> )

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<b>SANCTUARY CANDLES</b>  <b>July 16-31 (Saint Michael)</b>  <b>July 16-31 (Saint Margaret)</b>  Carol Moore (Robert Moore) Beth Yuriscic (Robert Moore)	<b>BIRTHDAYS</b>  The following parishoners celebrate birthdays this week. Wish them a happy birthday if you see them.  Shannon Thomas, Barbara Miller, Bryan Oros, Polly Lindey, Lila Micsky, Kathy Kost, Tom Hayes, Mary Ann Marshall, Jeanine Resek, Mary Free,  Tony Luciani celebrates 100!!  If we missed your birthday it is because your date of birth is not in the data base.
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## MASS INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, July 14**  
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha  
Gloria Cianci (Lydia & Rick Cianci)

**Wednesday, July 15**  
Saint Bonaventure  
Daniel Redfoot (M/M Joseph Krachkowski)

**Thursday, July 16**  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
Kenny Johnson (Joan Johnson)

**Friday, July 17**  
In Honor of Polly Lindey (Grateful Friend)

### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, July 18**  
4:30pm Barbara Goldbach (Family)

**Sunday, July 19**  
8:00am James McCollum  
(Susan Higgins & Family)  
11:00am For the People of the Parish

## THE LUCILLE CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Lucille Christopher Catholic Higher Education Scholarship is available to first-year (Freshmen) attending an accredited Catholic University\*, who are parishioners of St. Michael Parish and St. Margaret Mission. Applicants seeking consideration must meet the requirements and complete an application, available at the Church Office. This scholarship can only apply to tuition and will be paid directly to the university and will automatically be renewed up to four years or until the student completes their current degree, whichever comes first. All applications are subject to the approval of the pastor of St. Michael Parish. Call the Parish office at 724-588-9800 x133 for more information.

\*If a Catholic University does not have the student's intended field of study, an exception may be made.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**July 12:** Altar Server Training after the 11am Mass for new and current servers.

**July 13:** Morning prayer at 9 am.

**July 15:** Cemetery Board meeting.

**July 18:** Confessions 3-4 pm (St. Michael).

**July 30:** Picnic Committee meeting 6 pm (St Michael).

## 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,

The Gospel reading from today is one with which we are all familiar. From our early childhood days in Sunday school or catechism classes, we heard the story about the sower and the unlucky seeds that fell on thorny ground and the lucky seeds that fell on fertile ground. For most of us, the parable was likely described by our teachers as God as the sower and our hearts as the ground. Sometimes our hearts are open to his word, and the message of God grows in us and is apparent in our thoughts, words, and deeds. And sometimes our hearts are like the scorched earth, and the word of God does not take root and we, too, wither.



But is this the only way to look at this wonderful reading? How else can we project ourselves into the reading? Maybe in addition to us being the soil, we should also consider the role of the sower and visualize ourselves as the one who is casting the seeds into the dirt, whether fertile or scorched.

I think so, for the Word of God is too powerful for us not to want to share by spreading the seeds of the Gospel. So, in addition to us listening with purpose to the Word of God with an open heart, so that we might grow in grace and faith, we need to share our seeds of faith with others.

Maybe the easiest way to share our seeds of faith is by how we live our lives, for our actions speak louder than our words. Are our daily thoughts focused on the teachings of the Gospel, or are they focused on what we can get shipped for free from Amazon?

Do we speak kindly about those we love and about those we don't but should, or are we oblivious to those around who could use a word of encouragement, because we have our heads down, constantly trolling our cellphone for the latest text or email update?

Are we willing to reach out and help those who are in need, by sharing our time and talents, or are our seeds of faith left in the sower's bag, where they will do no good and most likely rot?

As we reflect on the seeds God is sowing each and every day at your feet. Are they falling on fertile soil, ready to sprout and take hold, or are they falling on scorched earth, where they will soon wither and die? Realize that God's presence and the seeds He is casting are found not only at Mass, but in each and every step we take on our journey called life.



We must not forget to look at ourselves as sowers. What are we doing in our thoughts, words and deeds that truly demonstrates our deep desire to live our life in alignment with the Gospel? Living our faith is so much more than going to Mass. The personal satisfaction we experience, and the positive impact we have on those with whom we interact, is so much greater when we share with them the importance of our faith and our relationship with God.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Tom