



*The Son of Man came to  
give His **Life**  
as a ransom for many*

# Saint Michael Parish

**TWENTY –  
NINTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY  
TIME**

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**SUNDAY  
OCTOBER  
20  
2024**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 20 Trunk R Treat at 4:30, North Parking Lot.
- Oct. 22 Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 PM.
- Oct. 22 Season of Hope Bereavement at 6 PM.
- Oct. 31 Men's Group Resumes at 6 AM.
- Nov. 1 All Saints Day- Holy Day of Obligation.
- Nov. 1 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- Nov. 2 K. of C. Marathon Bingo begins at Noon.

Confessions are heard on Wednesdays from 8-8:30 PM and Saturdays from 3-4 PM.

## ST. MARGARET AND ST. MICHAEL MEN'S GROUP

There is no session on 24 October, 2024. We shall reconvene on Thursday 31 October.

## STEWARDSHIP

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
\$ 11,041.43

CSA  
Pledged: \$102,840  
Paid: \$95,770

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR  
PARISH!**

## REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Austyn Bayuk. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Date / Mass	Lector	EMHC	Cantor	Accompanist	Altar Servers
Oct. 26/4:30 PM	Linda Hajtol	LeeAnn Micsky John Svirbly	Mary Smart	Natalie Serrano	Krystal W. & Mason M.
Oct. 27/8 AM	Dawn Richter	Patty Meehan Maureen Shine			Avery W. & Duncan M.
Oct. 27/11 AM	Charlie Demarest	Bea DeCiancio Doug Ruffing	Susan Swartzbeck	Lisa Demarest	Ava & Sophia M. Andrew H.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Saint John Paul II  
Patricia Palko (Renee Kocis & Denise Churlik)

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Saint John of Capistrano  
Paul Garcia (Aunt Shirley)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Saint Anthony Mary Claret  
Albert & Mary Allgeire (Nancy)

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Joseph Dolecki (Mary Jo Dolecki)

### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26**  
**4:30 PM** *Saint Michael Church*  
For the People of the Parish

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

**\*8:00 AM** *Saint Margaret Mission\**  
Tom Duda (John & Barbara Miller)

**11:00 AM** *Saint Michael Church*  
George Stanfa (Joanne Mitchell)

## ADULT EDUCATION SESSION

Saint Michael Parish adult education will offer a series, "Jesus and the Eucharist" The program begins on Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30 in the Large Meeting Room of the Church . The Fall series will run Nov 8, 15, 22 and 29th. After a break for the holidays, the next session will run January 8, 15, 22, and 29th. The program will include video presentations by nationally renowned bishops, priests, sisters, and lay personnel along with time for discussion. Sign up is not required to attend. Come for all the sessions or as many as your schedule permits.

## GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER

Boxed macaroni and cheese is the special request for October. Watch for dates for items needed for the upcoming holiday meals hosted by the Good Shepherd.

## 40 CLUB OCTOBER 9th WINNERS

\$100-Kevin Kane; \$100-Doug & Susan Uzarski; \$50-Suzanne Prunka.

## SANCTUARY CANDLES INTENTION & DONOR

**Oct 16-31** E. Tracel Pickens (Joanie & Eddie)

**Oct 16-31** Jack & Helen Meehan (Family)

**Nov 1-15** Dennis Durkos (Dan & Susan Wallace)

**Nov 1-15** Beth Yuriscic ( M/M Robert Moore)

**St. Margaret**

## SAINT MICHAEL SCHOOL PTO

### Fall ATV/ UTV Run

Get out for one last ride before the snow flies!  
Side by Side and ATV run November 2nd, 2024.

Cost is \$20 per person. The Ride will begin at the Transfer Harvest Home Fair grounds. Registration 9-11am. Mapped ride will view all the sights of call through North Western Mercer County. Ride proceeds will benefit St Michael School.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Michael School PTO is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Raffle to benefit St. Michael School PTO on Saturday, November 9th, 2024 from 4:00 - 7PM. Ticket includes one plate of spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread, dessert and choice of drink. Dinners can be sit down or to go!

We are accepting donations for our basket raffle! Please contact Trichelle Eddy if you would like to donate an item by emailing [pto@smike1.org](mailto:pto@smike1.org) or call/text 724-456-7555.

## KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS MARATHON BINGO

The K. of C. is holding their 2nd annual Marathon Bingo on Nov. 2, 2024 at the Hall. Tickets are \$40, doors open at Noon, Bingo starts at 2 PM. Basket items are needed from crafters for the Basket Auction. Call Dot Holzapfel at 724-815-8864 for tickets, information, or to donate.

## A WORD FROM FATHER BRANDON

The last two articles on Catholic Social Teaching and discerning the election will be the next two weeks, taking us up to the week of the election. I hope you are seeing just by the very minimal space I have here to do these that the vision of the Church for our society – any human society – is vastly different from our lived reality. Discerning an election and how to vote in our present America is not the obvious pursuit of picking the Catholic candidate, rather it is about admitting that neither candidate is that Catholic candidate and that both candidates are divergent from our Theology, and we're discerning who is going to take us as close to the Truth as possible. Neither will, entirely, but we must come down on the side that one candidate is more aligned – albeit grossly imperfect – than the other. To do any of that, though, we need to admit the divergence of our society from what the Church asks, and that neither candidate offers policies or visions to truly take us there. Once we're on the same page of the imperfectness, then we can be clear in building the ideal society, vote by vote, election by election.

Just to follow up on the roof conversation, we have made some progress and got some bids. It appears that we may be putting a whole new roof on, and I am hopeful that could even be done before the end of this year and snow fall. We have gotten and are getting several bids from different contractors and for different brand shingles. We have had some productive conversations, and I feel good with the direction we are going. Looking at the quotes, I think we are going to be able to cash flow the project from savings, so I won't be coming to you asking for more – you've given plenty over the years, and the presence of an emergency fund is proof of that! That is the reason you have given, and those are the dollars we will spend to secure a new roof and protect our beautiful church from any water or weather damage!

Alongside both Church and School finances, there is a third entity that has its own financial reality, needs, and concerns. That is St Michael Cemetery. I have learned a lot about the history and the generations who have cared for the cemetery and have maintained its beauty and sacredness for well over a century! As a pastor, I have loved caring for cemeteries. This is my third cemetery I've cared for in my years as a pastor, and I just love the holy work of caring for that hallowed ground! It might sound odd, but I am passionate about their care and maintaining their dignity. The unique thing about a parish cemetery is that it doesn't really matter if the parish, church, school, social hall, etc. are still there far into the future – that sacred ground will still be the resting place of corpses awaiting their resurrection! I have no idea what Greenville nor Saint Michael Parish will look like – or if they will even exist – in a thousand years from now...but, if Christ hasn't returned, Saint Michael Cemetery will still be here and the faithful will still be charged with caring for its sacredness, its interred, and its dignity. I have no idea who that will be in a thousand years, but the Universal Church will still be caring for the dead until the end of time. We need to care for that ground and the faithful there buried and interred until the end of time! The USA, the state of PA, the town of Greenville could one day be a distant memory only known in history books, but Saint Michael Cemetery will outlive all of them! Or it needs to, and a huge component of the parish - while it is still here – is to assure that for hundreds and even thousands of years, future generations of Catholics will be able to care for this holy property! I want to talk more about cemetery finances, needs, and goals with you over time, but I just wanted to highlight that it is a pivotal part of our ministry here, and we are working as a team to assure it's maintained for the remainder of earthly existence and to meet the needs of our people today. One project we have planned is the installation of three new columbaria come Spring. There is a need for having more niches available in columbaria, so we are going to get those installed come Spring. I also wanted to thank Pete Longiotti for his many years as Cemetery Board President. Pete just recently stepped down from the post and looking forward to his much-deserved retirement! He is and has been an invaluable font of wisdom and perspective on the history of the cemetery, its rules and policies, and the names of so many who have been part of the care of the cemetery over so many years. I thank Pete for his leadership and counsel to many pastors over the years!

*Love*  
*Fr. Brandon*