

SAINT MICHAEL
CATHOLIC PARISH

| Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time | **Saint Michael Roman Catholic Parish**<br>85 North High Street, Greenville, PA 16125 • (724) 588-9800<br>***Saint Margaret, Mission***<br>*701 Denver Street, Jamestown, PA 16134*<br>OFFICE@STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM<br>WWW.STMICHAELGREENVILLE.COM<br>FB @St. Michael Catholic Church Greenville Pa<br>YouTube St. Michael Greenville | Sunday, November 8, 2026 |
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## MASS TIMES

**Tuesday-Friday,** 9:00am (*Saint Michael*)

**First Saturday,** 9:00am (*Saint Michael*)

**Saturday,** 4:30pm (*Saint Michael*)
**Sunday,** 8:00am (*Saint Margaret*)
**Sunday,** 11:00am (*Saint Michael*)

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## STEWARDSHIP

**Solemnity of All Saints**
$10,281.42

**CSA 2026**
Pledged $ 137,025
Paid $ 114,555

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH!*

**Saint Michael Parish:** In Memory of Dr. Federico Vallesteros ($500).

## GOOD SHEPHERD REQUESTS

Candy Donations Needed- Individually wrapped candies to place in **250 Christmas mugs** for Good Shepherd Dinner. Place in designated bin outside of the Parish office under the table by Nov 13th. Thank you!!

## SANCTUARY CANDLES

**November 1-15 (Saint Michael)**
Dennis Durkos, Sr. (Michelle)

**November 1-15 (Saint Margaret)**
Carol Moore (Robert Moore)
Beth Yurisic (Robert Moore)

## BIRTHDAYS

The following parishioners celebrate birthdays this week. Wish them a happy birthday if you see them.

John Giegel, Robin Lewis, Theresa Hoovler, Kim Hills, Daniel Weaver, Maureen Werwie, Nancy Mosconi, Carole Langiotti, Sally Homer, Joanna Faber, Krystal, Gabe.

If we missed your birthday it may be that we do not have your date in the data base.

# MASS INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, November 10**
Saint Leo the Great
Teresa Murrin (Tom & Familly)

**Wednesday, November 11**
Saint Martin of Tours
Josephine Selnekovic
(Deb Reinhart & Selnekovic Family)

**Thursday, November 12**
Saint Josaphat
Leo Hayes (Rosemary Leskovic)

**Friday, November 13**
Saint Francis Xavier Cabrini
Health & Blessings for John David Williams
(Mary Smith)

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, November 14**
4:30pm For the People of the Parish

**Sunday, November 15**
8am Mary Ann Marshall
(Pat & Maggie Shaughnessy)

11:00am Robert Faber (Bob Faber)

# CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

November is designated National Homeless Youth Awareness Month, a critical time to raise awareness about the challenges facing young people experiencing homelessness. Annually approximately 1.2 million children under age 6 and 4.3 million youth and young adults experience homelessness. Youth without stable housing face a high risk of trauma, violence, substance abuse, sex trafficking and mental health issues. Homeless high school students were nearly twice as likely to consider suicide and over three times as likely to attempt it compared to housed students. You can help by supporting local shelters, outreach programs and advocating for policies that protect vulnerable youth. For more resources visit: www.eriercd.org/childprotection/.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Nov. 9:** Morning prayer at 9 am.

**Nov. 14:** Confessions 3-4 pm.

**Nov. 22:** Adoration with Faith Formation 10-10.30 am in the Church.

A couple of seats have opened up for the Dec. 10, 2026 bus trip. Please call the office if you are interested in reserving a spot.

# 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,



We have long assumed that wisdom requires learning. This Sunday's First Reading portrays wisdom as a radiant woman who seeks us yet is found by those who love her: "Those who watch for her at dawn shall not be disappointed."

Today's readings center on waiting watching, and the wisdome gained through patience.

St. Paul, in his first letter to a community of believers, speaks to us who recently observed All Souls. We who wait to join those who have "fallen asleep," as St. Paul says, find comfort here. We who remain "awake" must encourage one another to wait expectantly and hopefully for the Lord's coming. Missing family members and dear friends becomes a prayerful hope for unity through Jesus' death and rising. These words offer grace and challenge to those who see a loved one's death as cause for doubt or anger toward a God whose love we then question.

The parable Jesus uses in today's Gospel has several elements but one main theme: stay watchful and ready for the arrival of the Lover of this world. The bridegroom is near but delayed. Some prepare for this great advent; others do not. "Stay awake…"

Faith is a form of wisdom that frees us for a vision beyond appearances. We may easily seek immediate satisfaction by grasping at the look of certainty. What is real is only what we can prove or what seems reasonable to our limited minds. We wait only until we know; we watch only until we think we see.

Physical sight can be a real weakness. We build security by relying entirely on facts and data our eyes provide. We may become so dependent on sight that our vision becomes blindness: "If I can't see him coming, then he probably, isn't coming!"The lamps in the parable serve to provide sight. The oil represents a patient faith—watching without immediate sight. We are called to sustain a living faith, which goes beyond holding notions, ideals, and teachings. Those elements, though vital, are tools for waiting on His every arrival.

Bumper stickers announce that Jesus is returning. The Jesus who returns is the Jesus of the Eucharist and Word in today's liturgy. This Jesus has arrived many times before, and our eyes may have missed Him because He wore the clothing of someone we disliked. The Jesus who returns will keep coming in forms and moments we least expect. We do not know the day or hour, yet we trust that "he comes." May those with eyes to see not be blinded by what they observe. May those with faith to wait and watch welcome not only the final coming but the next. This is true wisdom.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Tom