

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT:
*To enhance and promote the fulfillment of
St. Michael the Archangel, we will:*

CELEBRATE THE PAST:

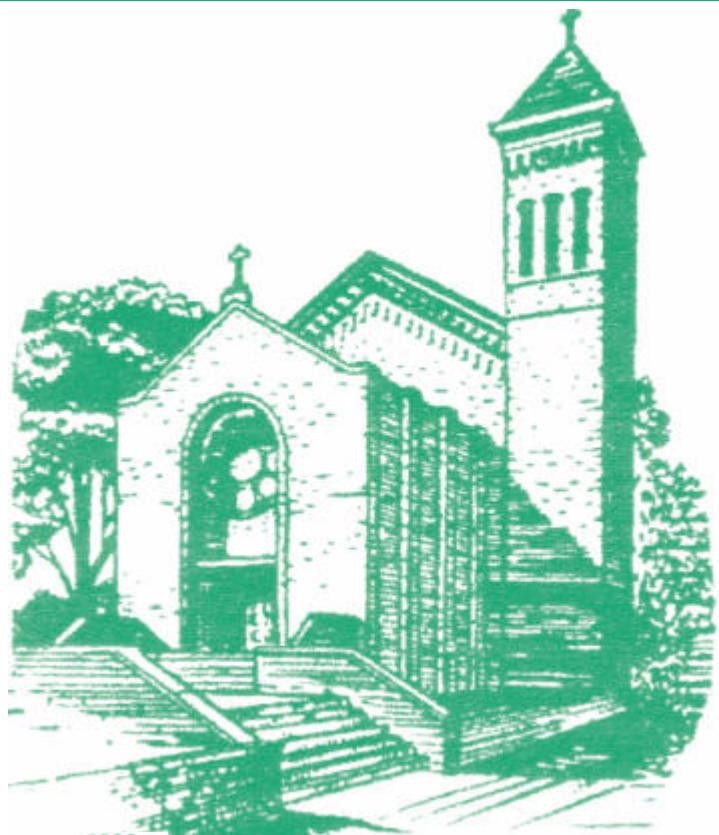
*By examining, studying and capturing the history of the
men and women, religious and lay, who
established, nurtured and built it and all of its facets;*

LEARN TODAY:

*By learning from their faith, vision, passion
commitment and actions so that we may better
understand our history and their legacy;*

PREPARE FOR TOMORROW:

*By renewing the parish and its religious and lay
leaders and its lay members; build on the legacy
of the past and use our present strengths and
abilities to help St. Michael's be a shining
example and light of Christ and our history for
all we touch.*



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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Eucharist: as stated in the bulletin

Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday Vigil: at 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am (English) & 11:00 am (some Polish)

Eve. of Holy Days - Consult Bulletin

PARISH STAFF:

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3-3:45pm or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By arrangement with the Parish Office. Parents should be registered and active members of the Parish.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: The Bride and Groom should call the Parish Office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Please bring recent copies of your Baptismal certificate. Those under 21 should not set a marriage date until Diocesan permission has been obtained.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: We want to assist those who cannot celebrate Mass with us because of illness, age or handicap. If you or a family member desires to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharist or Anointing of the Sick at home or in the hospital, please call the PARISH OFFICE. In the event of an upcoming surgery, call the Parish Office to arrange a mutually convenient time for Anointing. By LAW, hospitals cannot notify us when parishioners are admitted. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please notify us.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We ask every member of the parish to be properly registered. All adults should have and use envelopes or e-giving. New members need to register as soon as possible. All address changes should be given to the Parish Office.

July 18, 2021



THANK YOU... TO ALL WHO
SHARED THEIR TIME, TALENT
AND TREASURE FOR THE GOOD
OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY LAST WEEK.

Welcome!

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of July 19 – July 25

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):

For the success of St. Michael's Church mission
by Tom VanSchaich.

Sacred Heart (side altar):

For good health for Robert (Bing) Callanan
by Doris Vojnar.

Blessed Mother (side altar):

For improved health of Matthew Sala
by Doris Vojnar.

DECEASED: †*Madeline Lis* passed away recently. Please keep her & her family in your prayers.

Eternal Rest Prayer

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls
and all the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

Thank You!

THANK YOU FROM THE ROSARY SOCIETY
to all who participated in our first ever CALENDAR RAFFLE which was a huge success. A special thank you to everyone who helped with organizing and selling tickets. Because of an anonymous donation of \$1,000.00 (which covered the prizes) we are presenting to the church a total of **\$2,150.00** to go towards covering the monthly operating costs. Again, kudos to all. The winners are being contacted by phone and a list is on the bulletin board in the Church Hall.

AMERICAN CLOTHING RECYCLING: St. Michael's Church received **\$324.00** on June 28th from the donated items that were placed in the blue bin in the parking lot across the street. Thank you.



Keep the Legacy Alive

Please remember St. Michael's in your will:
St. Michael the Archangel R. C. Church
20 Page Ave., Cohoes, NY 12047

Weekly Contributions

July 3 & 4, 2021 Year 2019	\$3,337.00 \$4,024.00
Regular Offertory*	\$3,051.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$286.00
*Regular Offertory:	
4:00 Mass	\$454.00
9:00 Mass	\$590.00
11:00 Mass	\$467.00
Mail	\$1,180.00
E-giving	\$360.00

SECOND COLLECTION: Our 2nd collection on July 24th & 25th next week will be for **PETER'S PENCE** which unites us and Catholics around the world more closely with the Holy Father in two ways: it supports the structures of the Holy See through which the Pope governs the Church as well as his charitable efforts to assist victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others most in need. Please be generous in next week's Collection supporting the Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering.

BRUNCH IS BACK! Remember all those delicious breakfast casseroles, homemade cakes and muffins, fresh fruit and the companionship of our fellow parishioners - well, we can share that once again. On Sunday, **September 12th**, we are hosting our monthly social hour after the 9am Mass! If you have a favorite recipe and would like to bring it or if you have any questions, please call Sandy at (518) 330-9056. Looking forward to seeing you all!

THANK YOU to all who assisted and attended our Social Hour after the 4pm Mass on Saturday, July 10th.

SUPER SATURDAY MOVIE NIGHT! Super Saturday Movie nights will return in October after the Saturday 4pm Mass. As usual we will serve soup, bread, dessert, and beverages. Our movie will be "Altaration". A film about why we do what we do at Mass. Appropriate for all ages. Date will be announced in future bulletins.



Liturgical Roles

Weekend of July 24th & 25th, 2021

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
4:00PM	J. Gebosky		
9:00AM	J. Harrington		
11:00AM	A. Barnas		

PARISH MANAGER CORNER

Hello folks. What a month June turned out to be. ;>}

- S&G roofing replaced the roof on the Parish Office building on June 7th as planned. In my opinion, they did a fantastic job for us. They removed and replaced all the shingles in 6 hours! I was absolutely amazed. They did an impeccable job of cleanup too. Couldn't find fault with them on any level. I will sing their praises as a roofing company, no question about that.
- As I stated last month all of the locks have been changed in the church per the project scope. The project has not reached total completion yet. The next phase is to implement some additional technology to improve access and a tighter security policy for all. More on this next month.
- The long-awaited new church sign has finally been erected and is facing out in the street direction view. Unfortunately, we have a little hold up with the power to it. The line that was already in the ground to the old sign is inadequate for two reasons. The sign must have its own dedicated circuit and be a minimum of 20amps. It is 15amps and shared. A new line will need to be laid. This is a very expensive overhead to the project. I'm looking into alternatives.
- The budget reconciliation activity is uncovering significantly more accounting irregularities in the accounts and identifying substantial deficits needing remediation. This is over and above what was originally communicated in the Town-hall meeting earlier this year. Resolution and corrective actions will be made to allow fiscal year closures. Sr. Teresa Grace Baillargeon, C.R. – bookkeeping specialist from the diocese – has been assisting closely with the team on all these findings. At this point, it is not clear yet when an expected completion date is achievable. It was originally hoped for by the end of June.
- Not sure how many people have noticed, since I have not heard of any questions asking about it. We no longer have the donation bin in our parking lot on the other side of Ontario St. We used to receive a fairly decent donation check every two months or so from the proceeds. I received a call from the Cohoes Mayor's office asking me to remove it because of the dumping of stuff by people around it. Several complaints had been made to the city. If we did not take action to remove it, we would be subject to fines. It's a shame that we lost our donation money, but it's a worse shame that people would dump all sorts of stuff, like used tires, mattresses, etc. Even after they were told not. They even came back and did it anyway! Maybe one day we might be able to resume it, but not for now.
- Unfortunately, John Harrington was admitted to the hospital at the beginning of June. He has since been released and is recuperating at home making good progress. "You never know what you got till it's gone" certainly became apparent after his absence. John does a heck of a lot for the church as an employee, way beyond what was really

known. (John is a very humble man, I have come to know.) Not only that, his personal service was not completely realized, either. Gratefully a lot of parishioners have stepped up to the plate to cover the multitude of things he did, including his own family members! I'm referring to his children here. Personally, I am dumbfounded by what was given, both as an employee and in service, for a gentleman who is 85 years old. Impressive and inspirational! At this point, it is not known what John's future with the church will hold for him, until he has completely recovered from his situation. I am sure that you will all wish him well for the future and for the 28 years he has given to us.

- More unfortunate news, occurred a few days before John was hospitalized. It was Mary Oxaal's resignation. Mary was the Holy Trinity bookkeeper. Mary was providing bookkeeping for St. Michaels as well. For those not aware, the role of a bookkeeper for the church is very important and involves quite a few things; billing, invoicing, accounting, financial reporting, reconciling bank accounts with the general ledger systems to name a few, that are important, keeping the church financials in check. This particular issue has become my most immediate priority at the moment, not only for finding a replacement, but to fill the gap at both Parishes in the interim.

What's upcoming: Cost savings initiatives.

- As a consequence of losing the bookkeeper I have come to realize that the time & resources to pay bills is very expensive. I am in the process of changing from paper check creation over to electronic bill pay. In time (when I have time), I will be able to report the actual financial savings this has afforded us.
- The change in the donation envelopes is still proceeding. This will be my last report on this as the lead person will be communicating to the congregation the changes and the roll out. I'm not sure the way this will be communicated to you all, but it will no doubt occur sometime in the next few weeks.

New Items: None this month.

In closing for this month, I have witnessed a lot of volunteers and staff pitch in above and beyond to keep us afloat. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Last month I asked for help and sure enough, you responded - words cannot express the gratitude in love and service. God bless.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns regarding this month's news or any other things you would like to bring to my attention, please don't hesitate to contact me. Tel: (518) 487-0401 or David.Richardson@rcda.org.

Dave

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Prayers to Our Lady of Fatima - Church Social Hour after 9am Mass - Church Hall August 13, 6pm
Sept. 12

July 18, 2021

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 17 – July 25, 2021

Sat., July 17	
4:00 p.m.	†Jack Vojnar (10 th Anniv.) by Doris Vojnar In honor of Joan & Giles Senecal (60 th Wedding Anniv.) †Colleen Knapik by Skawinski Family †Allen Couchat by RoseMary
Sun., July 18	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.	†Preziosa Carusone by Pailley Family †Mary & Joe Wanko by Pat Wilcox †George Nieckarz by Kathy & Ed Twiss †Joseph Kosek by Clark & Lebrowski Families
11:00 a.m.	†Jan Bobek (6 th Anniv.) by Sister & Family †Edward Kosek by Mary & John Sala †Helen Sagan by Brzozowski Family †Janina Ciesielczyk by Z. K. Ciesielczyk †Wladyslaw Ciesielczyk by Z. K. Ciesielczyk †Bronislaw Ciesielczyk by Z. K. Ciesielczyk †Zdzislaw Ciesielczyk by Z. K. Ciesielczyk
Mon., July 19	
9:00 a.m.	Intention of Parishioners
Tues., July 20	
9:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Gregoire & Wunning Family by Yvette
Wed., July 21	
9:00 a.m.	†Madeline Lis by St. Michael's Church Evangelization Team
Th., July 22	Saint Mary Magdalene
9:00 a.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity
Fri., July 23	
9:00 a.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity
Sat., July 24	
4:00 p.m.	†Gary Zandri by Gen & Bob †Ann C. Busta (91 st Birth.) by Family †Mary Savage & Jame Savage by Marilyn Gallagher †Bernard & Jane Tolak by daughter Nancy †Bernard's Anniv. of Death & Jane's 93 rd Birthday
Sun., July 25	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.	†Nicola (Nicky) Izzo & Ann Izzo (Happy Birthday) by Denise & Michael Izzo †Deceased members of the Burzynski, Knapik, & Skawinski Family by Skawinski Family
11:00a.m.	†John Kindlon by Judith Gatzl Mullen Paul Swieton Special Birthday Intentions by Mom & Brother †Jan Styk by Ed & Kathy Twiss Joseph Kosek Family Living & Deceased by Doris Vojnar †Jan Tuma, Marek Kokoszko, Warren J. Fitzgerald, Sr., Augustine J. Hasko, & Alfred W. Brown by Grace Tuma

St. Michael's

Faith Formation News

Director: Kathy Burns

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FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration for Faith Formation classes for the school year 2021-2022 at St. Michael's is now open.

Any child in Kindergarten and beyond is welcome to register.

To make First Communion a child must attend two years of Faith Formation instruction. This usually begins in First grade, but older children who have not received the Sacrament of Holy Communion are welcome to register.

To receive the Sacrament of Confirmation a child must attend three years of Faith Formation instruction, usually beginning in Eighth grade.

Any circumstance will be considered and we will work with you and your child to achieve the Sacraments.

Our tentative **in person** start date is **September 15th, 2021**.

Letters to parents who were registered last year will be going out in the next few weeks.

To register and obtain a registration form, please contact Kathleen Burns at (518) 428-6353.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Taking into consideration the relaxation of some of the pandemic restrictions, the following is part of our plan for Faith Formation classes when we resume in September:

- * Children's Liturgy of The Word will return on a regular basis on the second Sunday of each month beginning in October. Older students will participate by doing the readings and bringing up the offertory (when this practice resumes).
- * Classes will be held on Wednesday evenings in the parish center in our usual classrooms.
- * Masks will be worn by all students and teachers until younger students are allowed to be vaccinated.
- * Hand sanitizer will be used and available to all.
- * Disinfecting of all surfaces will occur before each set of classes.
- * Community service at the regional food bank and the United Church soup kitchen will return in the Fall.

Please contact Kathleen Burns for questions (518) 428-6353.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

In an effort to reach out to our college bound teens, we will be sending out care packages to our parishioners in college. The packages include non perishable items such as hot chocolate, Ramen, microwave popcorn, hard candy, gum. Also included will be a letter of encouragement and a prayer card.

If you have a child entering college, please contact Kathleen Burns (518) 428-6353 to have a package sent to your child. Please include the child's name, college address and any food allergies.

Packages will be timed so they arrive for mid terms. This program is available for all college students both away and at home. Donations are always greatly appreciated.

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