

# St. Michael Parish

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## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

In the tradition of St. Michael the Archangel, Guardian of all, we are a Roman Catholic community called to bear witness to Christ through sacrament, stewardship, worship and proclamation of the Gospel.

## **PARISH COUNCILS & COMMITTEES**

**Pastoral Council** - Leslie Kosanovic, President  
**Stewardship Council** - Louis Volpe, President  
**Buildings & Grounds** - Denny Wilson, Chairperson  
**Finance Council** - Brann Altmeyer, Interim President

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**January 29, 2017**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week in memory of:

*Madge Emmerth*



The **Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation** is held 3pm-4pm on Saturday, 8am on First Saturday, or by appointment.

Please contact Courtney at the Parish Office if you are interested in any of the following: **Baptism, Matrimony** ( six months prior to the desired wedding date), **Anointing of the Sick, Christian Initiation of Adults, or joining the parish.**

To arrange a pastoral visit for **Homebound Parishioners** please contact Kathleen Dieffenbaugher at the Parish Office.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is held Monday 8am-5pm, 6pm-10pm; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8am-5pm; Wednesday 10am-5pm; Saturday 8am-noon.

For information about **St. Michael Parish School** contact Diane at the school office.

**2017 Mass Intention & Commemorative Mass Association**

Weekday Mass - \$10 Suggested Stipend

Sunday Mass - \$20 Suggested Stipend

C.M.A. - \$50 Annual Enrollment Fee

*\*Name printed on insert the first Friday of every month, total of 18 masses dedicated in their memory.*

Sanctuary Candle - \$20 Donation

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday, January 28

7:30am

†Martha Niggemyer

4:30pm

†Adrian (Shag) Norton (A)

Sunday, January 29

7:30am

People of the Parish

9am

†Paul T. Schubert

11:30am

†Sydney Payne (A)

Monday, January 30

7:30am

†Patricia McGinley

5:30pm

†Madge Emmerth

Tuesday, January 31

7:30am

†Rosemary E. Miller (A)

Wednesday, February 1

8:30am

†Dorothy Fitzsimmons

5:30pm

†Edward G. Smith

Thursday, February 2

7:30am

†James Donley

Friday, February 3

7:30am

†Commemorative Mass Association

Saturday, February 4

7:30am

†Bruce Patalano

4:30pm

†Alberta Edwards

Sunday, February 5

7:30am

Special Intention

9am

People of the Parish

11:30am

†Wayne Robbins

- **Children's Liturgy of the Word held every Sunday at 9am Mass.**

## WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20  
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32;  
Mk 5:21-43  
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14,  
17-18a; Mk 6:1-6  
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;  
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]  
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29  
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6;  
Mk 6:30-34  
Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5;  
Mt 5:13-16

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catholic Schools Week  
Tuesday: St. John Bosco  
Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord;  
Groundhog Day  
Friday: St. Blase; St. Ansgar; First Friday;  
Blessing of throats  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The information is also available at [www.stmikesparish.org](http://www.stmikesparish.org).  
Please be sure to arrange your own substitute if you are unable to serve. Thanks for your dedication to this ministry.

### Saturday, February 4, 4:30pm

Sacristan: Karen Kelly

Lector: Carole Kliner

Altar Servers: Max Schmitt, Alex Tarr, Danielle Agcaoli, Benjamin Halicki

EMOHCS: Marianne Blair, Bill Wilson, Galey Wilson, Karen Kelly, Jim Kelly, Donna Clark, John Clark

### Sunday, February 5, 7:30am

Sacristan: Mike Rempe

Lector: Nathan Stryker

Altar Servers: David Gaudio, Gage Michael

EMOHCS: Gretchen Wilson, Kathy Ulevich, Rudy Conti, Kathy Galinski, Peek Gutman

### Sunday, February 5, 9:00am

Sacristan: Boy Scouts

Lector: Boy Scouts

Altar Servers: Boy Scouts

EMOHCS: Boy Scouts

### Sunday, February 5, 11:30am

Sacristan: Kristy Riedel

Lector: Joe Gabis

Altar Servers: Maddie, Kelly, and Abie Riedel,  
Matteo Gattesco

EMOHCS: Kristy Riedel, Tom Conti, Nancy Conti, Ron DiLorenzo, Robbie DiLorenzo, Hannah Boord, Janet Roskovich

## COLLECTION TOTALS

### January 22, 2017

1st Collection (Weekly Church Support) - \$9,037.51

2nd Collection (Maintenance Fund) - \$2,282.50

Misc. Collections - \$ 2,477.38

Total - \$ 13,797.39

Attendance - 853 Total

## ASSOCIATE PASTOR



### WHO WANTS TO BE A "HEAVENLY" MILLIONAIRE?

In *Roe vs. Wade*, the U.S. Supreme Court recognized the right to abort an unborn baby based on the right to privacy protected by this Constitutional amendment:

- A. First
- B. Thirteenth
- C. Fourteenth
- D. Fifteenth

Last week's answer: *Roe vs. Wade* decision took place in 1973.

St. Michael's would like to extend our gratitude to **Mr. Jay Nelson** for his amazing woodwork ability! At the request of Msgr. Peterson, Jay rebuilt the top of the credence table on the side of the altar. Feel free to check out his beautiful masterpiece! We thank you, Jay, for sharing your talents with us!

The **Pastoral Council** has developed a parish-wide survey that will go out to parishioners in the coming weeks. The survey can be viewed on-line or in paper form that will be distributed at mass.

The intention of the survey is to determine how our parishioners grade us on our services as a Catholic Church and faith community. We are also looking for feedback on ways that we can improve to meet the needs of our people.

Please watch for more information about the distribution of the survey. We hope that you will take a few minutes to share your thoughts and ideas with us!

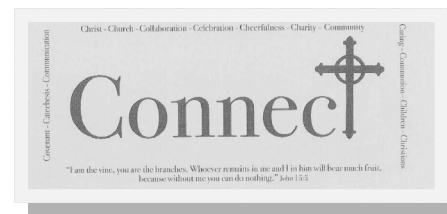
**Stewardship Council** will be organizing the distribution of (50) bagged lunches for the homeless. We are looking for donations of items that can be included in the bagged lunches. Following is a list of items needed: granola bars, protein bars, peanut butter crackers, fruit cup, beef jerky/slim jims, bottled water, and dried fruit. Once we receive enough donations, we will assemble the lunches and deliver them to Wheeling Health Right. WHR then distributes them to those in need. A collection bin will be in the back of church, OR your items can be dropped off to the Parish Office. Thank you for any donation that you can give!

**Stewardship Council** is planning a "Winter Picnic" to welcome all of our new families and parishioners that have joined us in the last year. Our picnic will take place on Sat. Feb. 11th to follow the 4:30 mass. It will be held in the Angelus Center. We invite everyone to bring a covered dish, dessert or appetizer to share with the crowd. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know our new St. Michael family members!

The **Holy Name Society** will hold their Membership Drive on Sunday, February 5th. Envelopes will be placed in the pews. Please consider joining and help our parish continue to move forward.

**The Boy Scouts** are having their annual pancake breakfast from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM on Sunday, February 5th in the SMPS cafeteria. Breakfast includes pancakes and sausage. Donations accepted. Thank you for your support of the Boy Scouts.

**World Marriage Day** - Please join us Saturday, February 11, 2017, for an evening of celebrating your love and the blessing of your marriage together at **St. Vincent de Paul Marist Center**. Mass will begin at 5:00 PM, followed by a wine and cheese social in the parish center. A candlelit dinner will follow, and one couple (pre-committed) will give a brief witness to their experience in the Sacrament of Marriage. The evening ends with coffee and wedding cake served to the group. Cost of the evening is \$45 per couple. Reservations are required and must be made no later than February 8. For more information, contact the Beiters at 304-238-4904 or the Reeds at 304-242-8156.



The **St. Michael Christian Life Fellowship** Invites you to spend an evening with St. Thomas Aquinas as presented by **Professor Emeritus of Philosophy at Wheeling Jesuit University, Rich Mullin.**

St. Thomas Aquinas, the Theologian is featured in Bishop Robert Barron's series on the Saints, "Pivotal Players."

The fascinating story of St. Thomas includes his captivity for one year by his family who tried to keep him from becoming a Dominican Friar. While in captivity St. Thomas tutored his sisters and maintained communication with the Dominican Order.

In an effort to change Thomas' mind, his brothers used a prostitute to seduce him away from his desire to enter into religious life. After the failed attempt, two angels appeared to him in a dream to strengthen his resolve to remain celibate and pursue the religious life. From there his journey includes service to the faith by teaching, writing and establishing a university in Naples where he was seen levitating in prayer before an icon of the crucified Christ.

His comments and writings are still debated today and his works influenced many literary works like those produced by James Joyce.

Pope Pius V declared St. Thomas a doctor of the church, saying Thomas was "The most brilliant light of the Church."

**The presentation will be on Wednesday, February 22, in the Angelus Center. We will begin at 6:30pm with music and prayer. The presentation will run from 7-8pm with Q&A until 8:30pm. Refreshments will be served.** There is no charge for the event.

**St. Francis Statue Raffle** - Father Bill donated a statue to be raffled off to raise money for St. Michael Parish School. Tickets are \$1 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 6 tickets. Please contact Gretchen Wilson if you would like to purchase tickets or would like more information 304.280.1451.

**St. Michael Parish School** would like to thank Thomas and Pamela Hennen and the Sherrard High School Class of 1965 for their generous donation in memory of Jackie Sebulsky.

Our **Connections Campaign** funds have been used for several recent projects. The "surprise" project was replacing the boiler in the Rectory. Our priests were without heat for several weeks in November, but it's warm and toasty now. We have also used funds to upgrade the school to a key card reader system, and gates have been added to the playground. Both of the school projects will help to provide a safe and secure environment for our school children.

Last week we completed a BIG project. The Parish Office has new windows and new patio doors. The replacement windows are very attractive, but more importantly, they are energy efficient. The energy savings should be significant as the old windows were original to the building. The school students had a great view from across the street. They watched in amazement as the installers popped out the old windows and left gaping holes in the building. Mrs. Kovalski said they were really surprised to see building materials being thrown out the window!

All of our major projects are approved by the Buildings & Grounds Committee. The B & G Committee meets monthly. The committee keeps a watchful eye on our campus, reviews potential problems, oversee ongoing projects, and offer endless support. They helped to develop the "bundled project package" for the *Connections* Campaign and will offer counsel to Monsignor Peterson in identifying priorities as we move forward.

We are grateful for the guidance and expertise offered by this committee! A big thank you goes out to Denny Wilson, chairman and his committee: John Carenbauer, Ed Covey, Matt Mansuetto, Mike Rempe, Kevin Stryker, and Larry Teufel. Buildings and Grounds meeting minutes are posted on our parish website, [www.stmikesparish.org](http://www.stmikesparish.org). Hit the "About" tab and then go to 'Meeting Minutes'.

Wendy F. Hinerman  
Business Manager



## St. Michael Parish School

January 29-February 4: Catholic Schools Week  
February 3: Noon Dismissal (Extended Care Provided)  
February 5: Book Fair Grandparent Luncheon  
February 5-9: Scholastic Book Fair

### **Volunteers Needed for Scholastic Book Fair**

The 2017 Scholastic Book Fair is right around the corner and will take place at SMPS Feb. 5-9. The theme for this year's event is "Happy Camper: S'more Fun With Books!" We will be looking for volunteers who are interested in helping with the Book Fair in a variety of capacities, including set-up (Feb. 3 and 4), decorating, tear-down (Feb. 9), the Grandparents Day Luncheon (Feb. 5), or throughout the week as students visit and shop. An online sign up sheet will be sent out soon, or you can email either Jen Carter or Shandi Nodurft.



### **Spiritual Adoption Program**

Thank you for praying for me.

pro life I'm bigger and stronger now. I'm about 6 inches long and I weigh 4 ounces. When mommy goes to the doctor, she can even listen to my heartbeat. I hope that one day I will run and play with friends like you.

St. Michael Parish received a thank you from **Wheeling Health Right and Augusta Levy Learning Center** for the Angel Tree Project.

"On behalf of the patients, staff, and volunteers please accept our heartfelt thanks in helping to provide hundreds of dollars worth of gift cards and toys for the children of area patients." - Wheeling Health Right

Many thanks for your generous gifts of stamps and gift cards for the Augusta Levy Learning Center. We so appreciate of your confidence in our work and appreciate your partnership in treating our young students with autism." - Augusta Levy Learning Center

**Wheeling Central Catholic High School** will be holding their Open House on January 29th, 2017 from 1pm- 3pm. Contact Jennifer Taylor, at 304 233-1660 x 6226.

**Russell Nesbitt Services, Inc.** is hosting their first annual Murder Mystery fundraising event on February 18, 2017 at Generations Restaurant from 5 pm until 8 pm. The Murder Mystery theme will be "A Very Un-Valentine's Day Party" that uses the characters of the classic Alice in Wonderland to provide an entertaining evening while raising money to support the GROW (Greenhouse Retail Operation @ Watch) initiative. GROW will provide new meaningful employment for individuals with disabilities at the Russell Nesbitt Services Watch location on Main Street, Wheeling and a retail venue where the community will be able to purchase flowers and plants year round.

For tickets please contact 304-232-0233

### **Please pray for these men and women serving our country in the military, and for their families:**

- ◆ Petty Officer Second Class Eric J Auber, US Navy
- ◆ Staff Sergeant Robert Michael Baker, US Marine Corps
- ◆ Sergeant Anthony DiBias, US Army
- ◆ Chief Warrant Officer 4 John DiBias, US Army
- ◆ Technical Sergeant Andrew G Futey, US Air Force
- ◆ Lieutenant Andrew Klug, US Navy
- ◆ Captain Zach Lehman, US Marine Corps
- ◆ Capt. Michael Neuman, US Army
- ◆ Major Christopher Nodurft, US Marine Corps
- ◆ Seaman Cody Patterson, US Navy
- ◆ Specialist Seth Sleime, US Army
- ◆ Sgt. Christopher Snyder, US Army
- ◆ First Sergeant Stephen Spohn, US Army
- ◆ Sergeant First Class Wendy Spohn, US Army
- ◆ Major Aaron P Tillman, US Air Force
- ◆ Chief Master Sergeant Patrick Van Vranken, US Air Force
- ◆ Airman First Class Taylor Wilkinson, US Air Force

Please contact the Parish Office with changes in rank or to add someone to the list. Thanks to ALL who have served or are currently serving!

**Bulletin Announcements**

All bulletin announcements should be emailed to the parish secretary, Courtney at: [secretary@stmikesparish.org](mailto:secretary@stmikesparish.org). **The weekly deadline is 9am Monday morning.** We will do everything we can to share your announcement.

**St. Michael Parish School** is seeking individuals to give of their time and talent to support our Hot Lunch Program. Volunteers are needed to assist with meal preparation, serving, and clean-up. Hot lunch workers arrive at 10:00am and work until about 1:00pm on school days. We welcome any parishioner that is interested in helping! It is not a requirement to be a parent of a current student, but must be VIRTUS certified and have a Food Handlers Card! If you are interested in helping out 1 or 2 days per month (or more!), please contact Michelle in the school office (304-242-3966) OR Kathleen in the Parish Office (304-242-1560 Ext. 9).

Please note that the **Adoration Chapel** is closed when Ohio County Schools are closed due to inclement weather. When Ohio County Schools are on a two hour delay the Adoration Chapel schedule operates on a regular schedule. If you cannot travel due to road conditions don't hesitate to call Gretchen or Shaney for a substitute. Stay safe!

**SAINT MICHAEL PARISH SCHOOL "TRIVIA NIGHT"**

This is my final answer! SMPS will host another trivia night fundraiser on Saturday, March 25, 2017. Father Alex Trebek will serve as Master of Ceremonies and provide the Q/As. If you would like to be on the planning committee, please contact Kathleen at 304.242.1560 extension 9.

**Bereavement Gathering:  
Grief from a Faith Perspective.**

If you, or someone you know has lost a loved one and may benefit from a gathering for those grieving, Please join us 6:00pm at St. Alphonsus' Church Basement. Facilitator, Deacon Doug Breiding. Sponsored by the Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Next gathering Monday, January 30th. Join us.

St. Michael Parish will be sending out **End of Year Contribution Tax Statements** to anyone who donated more than \$250 in 2016. If you do not fall under this category but would like to receive an End of Year Contribution Tax Statement please contact [finance@stmikesparish.org](mailto:finance@stmikesparish.org) or 304.242.1560 ext. 8.

All are welcome to attend the monthly **First Friday Mass** celebrated at the Bishops' Chapel located in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Wheeling. The First Friday Mass for the month of February will be celebrated at 5:30pm on February 3, 2017. Please invite family and friends to join us for the holy sacrifice of the Mass and to remember our beloved dead who are buried within the cemetery.



**Office of Safe Environment**  
*Keeping you informed ...*

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incident of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Msgr. Frederick Annie, ext. 267, or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, 270. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org), then click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org> under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

