

St. Michael Parish

1225 National Road Wheeling, WV 26003 www.stmikesparish.org



St. Michael 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.

St. Michael Parish Councils & Committees

Pastoral Council - Marty Medovic, President
Stewardship Council - Louis Volpe, President
Buildings & Grounds - Denny Wilson, Chairperson

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April 24, 2016

Fifth Sunday of Easter



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

Paul Donahie



Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation: 3pm-4pm on Saturday, 8am on First Saturday, or by appointment.

Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on the first weekend of the month during or after the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, or during or after the 11:30am Mass on Sunday. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. Parent preparation is required.

Matrimony: Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the desired wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact one of the priests at their residence. Anyone anticipating surgery is encouraged to request this sacrament prior to entering the hospital.

Homebound Parishioners: Contact Kathleen Dieffenbacher at the Parish Office to arrange a pastoral visit.

Christian Initiation of Adults: Please contact the Parish Office for information regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday 8am-5pm, 6pm-10pm; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8am-5pm; Wednesday 10am-5pm; Saturday 8am-noon

Joining the Parish: Contact the Parish Office to obtain a registration form. Be sure to introduce yourself to one of the priests after Mass.

Parish School: Contact the school office for registration information.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 23

7:30am †Mary Drosieko
4:30pm †Recently Deceased

Sunday, April 24

7:30am †Charles Delbrugge
9:00am †Terry Brown
11:30am People of the Parish

Monday, April 25

7:30am †Eileen Horn
5:30pm †Sharon Emmerth

Tuesday, April 26

7:30am †Steve Carter

Wednesday, April 27

8:30am †Joe "Tuna" Allen
5:30pm †Bill Freeman

Thursday, April 28

7:30am †Mr.&Mrs. Harry Flading

Friday, April 29

7:30am †Rita Dunn

Saturday, April 30

7:30am †Charles Schaub(A)
4:30pm People of the Parish

Sunday, May 1

7:30am †Jacki Carenbauer
9:00am †Dr. Thomas Knorr
11:30am †John Sterling Gruber(A)

The Adoration Chapel Schedule

Mon. - 8am-5pm, 6pm-10pm

Tues., Thurs., Fri. - 8am-5pm

Wed. - 10am-5pm

Sat. - 8am-noon

All are welcome to come in and pray during these hours.

Gretchen Wilson (304)280-1451/ Shaney Faini (304)639-4523



WEEKLY READINGS



Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17;
Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8;
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter;
Julian Calendar Palm Sunday

Monday: St. Mark

Wednesday: Administrative Professionals Day

Thursday: St. Peter Chanel;
St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

Friday: St. Catherine of Siena; Arbor Day;
Julian Calendar Good Friday

Saturday: St. Pius V

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sunday, April 17th 2016

1st Collection (Weekly)- \$9,795.97
2nd Collection (Connect)- \$2,130.00
3rd Collection (Misc.)- \$856.37

Total- \$12,782.34 Attendance-833

Give Your Gifts Online

Visit www.stmikesparish.org to start giving your donations online. You can donate today using your debit, credit card, checking, or savings account. Just select your donation amount, frequency, enter your account and payment information. Any questions contact Stephanie Hockenberry at the Parish Office.

It's safe. It's simple. It's convenient.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

This schedule has been emailed/mailed to all ministers. If you did not receive a copy, please contact the Parish Office. The information is also available at www.stmikesparish.org. Please be sure to arrange your own substitute if you are unable to serve. Thanks for your participation and cooperation!

Saturday, April 30, 4:30pm

Sacristan: Joe Bourgo
Lector: Brann Altmeyer
Altar Servers: Andrew and Thomas Komorowski, Max Schmidt
EMOHC'S: Sharon Bourgo, Donna Clark, John Clark, Karen Kelly, Jim Kelly, Kelly Saines, Tiffany Boury

Sunday, May 1, 7:30am

Sacristan: Mike Rempe
Lector: Amy Miesel
Altar Servers: Isaac Smith, Josephine Kulpa
EMOHC'S: Pat Plunkett, Gretchen Wilson, Kathy Ulevich

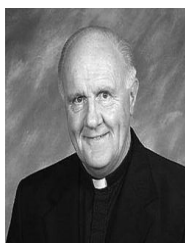
Sunday, May 1, 9:00am

Sacristan: Maureen McNabb
Lector: Meredith Dailer
Altar Servers: Margaret and Andrew Hartzell, Elizabeth Wolf
EMOHC'S: Maureen McNabb, Madge Emmerth, Jackie Kaniecki, Stan Kaniecki, Lucy Hartzell

Sunday, May 1, 11:30am

Sacristan: Margaret Erickson
Lector: Joe Gabis
Altar Servers: Andrew and Kate Tiu, Emma Nodurft
EMOHC'S: Margaret Erickson, Ted Erickson, Janet Roskovich, Chris Tiu, Shandi Nodurft, Kathleen Dieffenbaugher, Lynne Petchar

I sincerely thank each and every one of our parishioners for your continued support of St. Michael Parish School. I appreciate our exceptional faculty and staff and their dedication and



commitment to educating our students. We share a mission to provide ongoing educational formation and to elevate the performance levels of all students. Together with our school parents, we challenge our students to be responsible members of society and we provide the spiritual, academic, social and emotional skills to reach that goal.

As you may be aware, we are transitioning to a new Principal for the coming school year. We thank Lee Gruber for his tremendous service to St. Michael Parish School. Lee has served as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal, for more than 10 years. We will miss his talent, caring attitude, and positive approach at the school.

I invite you to join me for a Sunday Social following the 9:00 Mass on May 15. This is an opportunity to express our gratitude to Lee and to wish him all the best in his future endeavors. We look forward to seeing Lee and his family at the parish for many years to come.

I hope to see you at the school cafeteria for this special reception.

SAVE THE DATES

- May 15 Sunday Social to honor Principal Lee Gruber following 9:00am Mass
- May 31 Father McSweeney Appreciation Dinner
- June 4 Deacon Cody's Ordination
- June 5 Father Cody's first Mass, 11:30 Picnic Reception following Mass
- June 11/12 Father McSweeney and Father Sebastian Farewell Receptions
- June 18/19 Monsignor Peterson and new Associate welcoming reception
- July 7/8/9 Parish Festival

Get Your Tickets Now for Msgr. McSweeney's Retirement Party



"A Hundred Thousand Thanks"

St. Michael Parish will honor our dear pastor with a retirement dinner at the Angelus Center at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 31st, 2016. Father has asked that we remember him on this special occasion by contributing to the parish CONNECTIONS Campaign, which will help with maintenance, repairs and necessary upgrades to parish properties.

You can get a ticket to the McSweeney Retirement Dinner for a suggested donation of \$25 per person. Please make plans to attend this casual event— it promises to be a festive evening of food, fun and Fenian frolic. Our contributions will go directly to the CONNECTIONS Campaign, as Wheeling Hospital has generously offered to underwrite the cost of the meal.

HOWEVER, there's one cloud on the horizon. While we know that everyone would like to be a part of this farewell to a beloved pastor, our Angelus Center can hold only 350 people. THEREFORE, only the first 350 people who come to the Parish Office or mail in their contributions will be able to attend. We're sorry, but no one can be admitted without a ticket. So get your ticket NOW if you plan to be part of the festivities. Please don't call – bring your contribution to the Parish Center and pick up your tickets or mail your check and we'll mail back your tickets.

And don't be shy if you'd like to contribute more than \$25 for your ticket. A very generous anonymous donor has issued a challenge and will match every dollar we contribute, up to \$200,000! What a wonderful retirement gift that would be for our pastor – to meet the challenge and fully fund the CONNECTIONS Campaign. Please help us say thank you to the man who has led our parish so well these last seven years.



Keeping **YOU** informed
By Mary Beth Criniti
Advancement Director

Career Education Week

The SMPS Quality Education Committee is excited to host a variety of presenters this week for the 2016 Career Education Week events. Students in Grades 4-8 will attend the Career Fair on Tuesday, April 26, where 15 different presenters will share their professions and/or hobbies with students. Also as part of the week, professionals will visit the younger students in Grades TK-3 for in-class presentations. The week will wrap-up on Friday with a Professional Panel for Grades 6-8. We thank all of the wonderful individuals who have volunteered to help us during what promises to be a fun and interesting week for our students!

Diocesan Tuition Assistance

The deadline to apply for Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) is this Saturday, April 30. Any student accepted for the 2016-2017 school year in any Diocesan Catholic School is eligible and determinations are based upon a family's degree of need relative to all other applicants. To apply for assistance, please visit the FACTS website at www.factsmtg.com. There is a \$25 application fee—the Diocese will pay \$12.50 and families pay the other \$12.50. The Diocese has indicated that notifications of assistance will go out in late May. Please contact Principal Lee Gruber with any questions.

Kroger Plus Card Re-enrollment Time

It's time to re-enroll for the new year of Kroger Community Rewards. Over the past year, SMPS has received over \$5,600 in rewards, thanks to the help of our St. Michael Parish school and church community members who enrolled their Kroger Plus Cards. We kindly ask for your help again this year. Please take the time this week to re-enroll and help us earn these valuable dollars. You can register online (www.kroger.com/communityrewards) or by phone (1-800-576-4377). When re-enrolling, you will need our St. Mike's Group ID # (80331) so please keep it nearby. Also, please note that there is no year-to-year carry over on enrollment. It is necessary to re-enroll once per year in order for SMPS to continue to benefit from the dollars you spend at Kroger. Thank you for your participation!



St. Michael Parish would like to welcome:

Elin Marie Schroeder

to our Christian community through the waters of Baptism. You have put on Christ – In Him you have been baptized. Alleluia! Alleluia!



**CONGRATULATIONS !
MR. & MRS. LASURE**

May God unite your hearts
in peace and love,
bless your home
with joy and laughter,
and fill your lives
with hope and happiness.

Married on April 23rd at the Cathedral.

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
- ◆ Sergeant Anthony W. Widmer, US Marine Corps
- ◆ Airman First Class Taylor Wilkinson, US Air Force

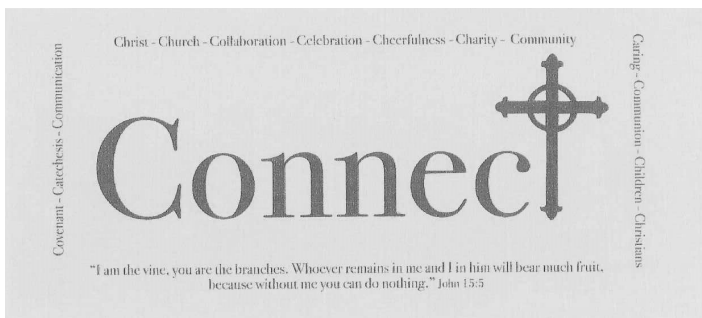
Please contact the Parish Office with changes in rank or to add someone to the list. Thanks to ALL who have served.

LET IT SHINE PROJECT

We thank the Buildings & Grounds Committee for assisting with the project to update our church lighting. In addition to being brighter, the modification to LED bulbs will be a significant savings on our electric bill. The original lights used 13,615 watts and the new bulbs use 1854 watts. We also applied for and received a \$2,325.24 rebate from "Appalachian Energy Take Charge" for upgrading to energy efficient lighting.

The Youth Group is still looking for gently used living room furniture for use in the Chambers Youth Room in the Angelus Center. Please contact Kathleen at the Parish office if you can help! (304) 242-1560 ext. 9

ST. MICHAEL PARISH CONNECT CAMPAIGN



St. Michael Parish is currently participating in a matching campaign. A very generous anonymous donor has issued a challenge and will match every dollar we contribute, up to \$200,000! Our Connections Campaign funds will be applied towards maintenance, repairs and necessary upgrades to parish properties.

All money placed in the gold Connect envelopes will be applied to Connections.

Thank you for your support.

Total to date: \$62,728.28

YOUTH GROUP

As a reminder:

May Youth Group meetings will be as follows:

May 1st: 5th and 6th grade (6-7:30 in Chambers Youth Room)

May 15th: 7th grade through high school (6-7:30 in Chambers Youth Room)

This meeting will include a guest speaker, Mr. Brian Pooley, CCHS Religion Teacher

SEMI ANNUAL KIDS CLOTHING/ TOYS/ BOOKS SALE

St. Michael Christian Mothers and Christian Women will be having their semi annual gently used kids clothes, toys, and books sale on May 20 from 5:00pm-7:00pm and May 21 from 8:00am-noon. Donations can be brought to the Angelus Center on May 19 & 20 from 4:00pm-7:00pm. Proceeds from the sale will help with tuition assistance. Anyone wanting to help with the sale, please come to the Angelus Center during the listed times.

THANK YOU

The St. Michael's Youth Group would like to thank the Knights of Columbus, the Holy Name Society, the Singles Group, and the Christian Mothers for their recent donations towards our trip to Camp Zion in June. We are so grateful for your support! Our Youth Group has held 3 fundraisers to date to secure the money needed for this venture. On May 14th, we will have our last fundraiser in the form of a car wash! Bring your dirty cars to Progressive Bank between 12:00 and 4:00pm and let us do the cleaning!

Team 1 from the Funeral Luncheon Committee would like to thank everyone who worked in the kitchen, baked delicious desserts or helped serve for the four luncheons during the month of March. The families were most appreciative. What a wonderful way to serve God and those in need of compassion during a time of loss!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements

All bulletin announcements should be emailed to the parish secretary, Courtney Coleman at: secretary@stmikesparish.org. **The weekly deadline is 9 a.m. Monday morning.** We will do everything we can to share your announcement.

MEETING REMINDERS



Pro Life Business Meeting May 2nd
7am at the Parish Office.



The Confraternity of Christian Mothers & Christian Women's final meeting of the fiscal year will be held on May 11, 2016 from 6pm-8pm. The "May Dinner" will be held at UNDO'S Italian Restaurant

in Elm Grove. We will have the Induction of New Officers and a Program TBA. Dinner is \$12/person. For more information and reservations please call Mary Jo McGinley at (304)243-1558 or Peg Krall at (304)243-0659.

All Night Prayer Vigil

Friday, May 6th and every first Friday. Vigil begins at 9pm Thursday in the main body of the Church, ends 7am followed by a 7:30am walk.

Please come by and spend a 1/2-hour, or as long as you wish. There will be people present in prayer all night. For any questions call Anita Smith (304) 242-5053 or text Gretchen Wilson (304) 280-1451.

Baptism Classes for parents are held the second Thursday of the month in the Angelus Center. To sign up for the class or for more information on how to get your child baptized please contact Courtney at the parish office.

Department of Formation & Mission

The Department of Formation & Mission is sponsoring four "Preparing for Christian Marriage Preparation Workshops in 2016." The dates and locations are as follows: May 20-22 at the Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center in Huttonsville, July 8-10 at the Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston, and October 14-16 at the Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston. For more information and to register, please visit: <http://wvmarriage.org/engaged/> or contact Jeanne McKeets in the Department of Formation & Mission at jmckeets@dwc.org or 304-233-0880 x374.

The Apostleship Of Prayer of Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church, 4136 Jacob St., Wheeling, WV will sponsor a **Roast Pork Dinner** on Sunday, May 15, 2016. The time will be 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. The menu will consist of roast pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, cole slaw, applesauce, dessert, and coffee and iced tea. The cost will be \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages 6 to 12 years, free under 6 years. It will be held in the Church Hall which is handicapped accessible. Carryout available. Telephone 304-232-1777. Everyone is welcome.

Wheeling Jesuit University would like to invite you to a public lecture, "**Liberty and Justice for All: Reconciliation in a Neighborhood of Violence,**" with Sister Donna Liette on Tuesday, April 26, at 7:30pm in Troy Theater.

Sister Donna Liette, C.P.P.S., is a lead facilitator and mediator with the Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation in Chicago, which works with gangs, families and individuals in neighborhoods experiencing violence and racial tension, using the practices of restorative justice. She and two young adults with whom she works will present an overview of their ministry. Restorative justice, an alternative to the retributive justice most common in our criminal justice system today, brings together a whole community (perpetrator, victim, family and others) to address wrongs large and small. The model has been implemented in South Africa and Rwanda and is championed within Catholic Social Thought. The event is free and open to the public.

