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
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April 9, 2017 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week in memory of:

Frank Gilligan

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, April 8**
- 7:30am  ✠ Francis X. McCulloch
- 4:30pm  People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 9**
- 7:30am  ✠ Recently Deceased
- 9am  2017 RCIA and RCIC Members
- 11:30am  ✠ Deceased Members of St. Michael Parish

**Monday, April 10**
- 7:30am  ✠ Suzanne Sengewalt (A)

**Tuesday, April 11**
- 7:30am  ✠ Frank Gilligan (A)

**CHRISM MASS @ CATHEDRAL 4PM**
**NO 5:30p Mass**

**Wednesday, April 12**
- 8:30am  ✠ Marina Robinson Pennybacker & Lloyd Martell

**NO 5:30pm Mass**

**Thursday, April 13**
- 7pm  The Poor, the Hungry and the Sick

**Friday, April 14**
**No Masses**

**Saturday, April 15**
- 8pm  Those Preparing to Join the Church

**Sunday, April 16**
- 7:30am  ✠ Celebrant’s Intention
- 9am  People of the Parish
- 11:30am  ✠ Commemorative Mass Association

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

There will be **NO DAILY EVENING MASSES**
April 10th - April 21st.
WEEKLY READINGS

Tuesday:  Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:  Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:  Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord’s Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:  Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday:  a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
           b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
           c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
           d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
           e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
           f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
           g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
           h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10
Sunday:  Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
          or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon
          or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:  Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
          Julian Calendar Palm Sunday
Monday:  Monday of Holy Week;
          Passover (Jewish celebration) begins
          at sunset
Tuesday:  Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday:  Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday:  Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal
          Triduum
Friday:  Friday of the Passion of the Lord
          (Good Friday);
          Julian Calendar Good Friday;
          Fast and Abstinence
Saturday:  Holy Saturday;
          The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Journey of the Chalice schedule:
April 9 - Gretchen and Denny Wilson
April 16 - Peek Gutman
April 23 - Sandy and Doug Pell
April 30 - Mike Rempe

St. Michael Parish would like to recognize the 2017
Candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation: Gabriella
Barton, Reese Barton, Donnie Clark.
Almighty God, grant that they may hear your voice and
respond faithfully to your call with an open heart. Amen.

St. Michael Parish School will be on Spring/Easter Break
from April 7-17.

The Parish Office will have modified office hours during
the installation of the new cooling system. April 10-13
from 8am-Noon, Closed Good Friday and Easter Mon-
day, and April 18-21 from 8am-Noon. THANK YOU to
our parish family for your support of the Connections
Campaign which will fund this project.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Youth Group will be hosting a bake sale in front of the
school on April 8th and 9th after the 4:30pm, 9am, and
11:30am Masses. In the event of rain the bake sale will
be moved to the school cafeteria.
7th and 8th grade will have Youth Group April 9th from
6-7:30pm in the Angelus Center.

WHO WANTS TO BE A "HEAVENLY" MILLIONAIRE?
He hit the last-second three-point shot that pro-
pelled Villanova to the
men's NCAA Basketball championship in 2016:
A. Jalen Brunson
B. Josh Hart
C. Kris Jenkins
D. Ryan Arcidiacono
Last week’s answer:  Bill Russell played for the University
of San Francisco
LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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 dedication to this ministry.

Wednesday, April 12th @8pm Tenebrae
Lector #1 : Melissa Michael
Lector #2 : Camille Basinger
Lector #3 : Adriana Wolf
Altar Server #1 : Isaac Smith
Altar Server #2 : Emma Nodurft

Thursday, April 13th @7pm Holy Thursday
Sacristan : Jamie Kovalski
Lector #1 : Carole Kliner
Lector #2 : Denny Wilson
Altar Server #1 : Joey Carter
Altar Server #2 : Alex Carter
Altar Server #3 : Emma Nodurft
Altar Server #4 : Nathan Stryker
EMOHC #1 : Gretchen Wilson
EMOHC #2 : Rob Krall
EMOHC #3 : Jamie Kovalski
EMOHC #4 : Shandi Nodurft
EMOHC #5 : Denny Snyder
EMOHC #6 : Adriana Wolf
EMOHC #7 : Kathleen Dieffenbaugher

Friday, April 14th @3pm Stations of the Cross
Altar Server #1 : Andrew Komorowski
Altar Server #2 : Thomas Komorowski
Altar Server #3 : Elizabeth Wolf
Altar Server #4: Adam Wolf

Friday, April 14th @7pm Veneration of the Cross
Lector #1 : Denny Wilson
Lector #2: Camille Basinger
Lector #3 : Jeep Naum
Altar Server #1: Emma Nodurft
Altar Server #2 : Isaac Smith
Altar Server #3 : Joey Carter
Altar Server #4 : Alex Carter
Altar Server #5 : Andrew Tiu
Altar Server #6: Kate Tiu
EMOHC #1 : Shandi Nodurft
EMOHC #2 : Jeep Naum

Saturday, April 15th @8pm - Great Easter Vigil
Sacristan: Still Needed
Lector #1 : Jen Carter
Lector #2 : Melissa Michael
Lector #3 & #4 : Still Needed
Altar Server #1 : Joey Carter
Altar Server #2 : Alex Carter
Altar Server #3 : Tyler Dean
Altar Server # 4 : Gage Michael
EMOHC #1 : Adrienne Michaud
EMOHC #2 - #5 : Still Needed

Sunday, April 16th @ 7:30am Mass
Sacristan: Still Needed
Lector #1 : Jeep Naum
Lector #2 : Nathan Stryker
Altar Server #1 : Lillian Bischof
Altar Server #2 - #4 : Still Needed
EMOHC #1 : Peek Gutman
EMOHC #2 : Joe Roxby
EMOHC #3 : Rudy Conti
EMOHC #4 Jepp Naum
EMOHC #5 : Still Needed

Sunday, April 16th @9am Mass
Sacristan: Maureen McNabb
Lector #1 : Camille Basinger
Lector # 2: Jason Rine
Altar Server #1 : Andrew Komorowski
Altar Server #2 : Thomas Komorowski
Altar Server #3 : Madie Riedel
Altar Server #4 : Kelly Riedel
EMOHC #1 : Kristy Riedel
EMOHC #2 : Jennifer Decker
EMOHC #3 : Denny Snyder
EMOHC #4 : Maureen McNabb
EMOHC #5 : Shirley McCloskey
EMOHC # 6 : Barb Varlas
EMOHC #7 : Still Needed

Sunday, April 16th @ 11:30am Mass
Sacristan: Mike Hughes
Lector #1 : Tom Conti
Lector #2 : Rose Frasnelli
Altar Server #1 : David Benson
Altar Server #2 : Sarina Dieffenbaugher
Altar Server #3 : Danielle Agcaoili
Altar Server #4 : Still Needed
EMOHC #1 : Jay McLaughlin
EMOHC #2 : Kathleen Dieffenbaugher
EMOHC #4 : Adrienne Michaud
EMOHC #5 : John Clark
EMOHC #6 : Donna Clark
EMOHC #7 : Jamie Kovalski

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Holy Week

**Sunday, April 9 (Palm Sunday)**
- No PSR
- Mustang Mass 9am
- Church undecorating after 11:30am Mass

**Monday, April 10**
- Stewardship Council 4:30pm
- No Evening Masses

**Tuesday, April 11**
- Chrism Mass at Cathedral 4pm (All are welcome)
- No 5:30pm Mass
- Confessions 5:30pm-7pm

**Wednesday, April 12**
- 8:30am Mass, No 5:30pm Mass
- Tenebrae 8pm
- Confessions 5:30pm-7pm

**Thursday, April 13 (Holy Thursday)**
- No morning or 5:30pm Mass
- Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7pm
- Food Collection for Poor at Mass

**Friday, April 14 (Good Friday)**
- Parish Office Closed
- No Fish Fry
- No Masses
- Stations of the Cross 3pm
- Veneration of the Cross 7pm

**Saturday, April 15**
- Church decorating 9am
- No Masses
- No Confessions
- Easter Vigil 7pm

**Holy Thursday Food Collection**
All attending the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday are asked to bring canned goods or boxed food items as an offering for the poor. Containers will be available in the narthex of the church. Feeding the poor is a corporal work of mercy and this practical charity must be a consequence of our participation in the Eucharist. We cannot truly share bread at the Eucharistic table unless we are also sharing bread with the hungry outside of the Eucharist. All items collected will be taken to the Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center.

**TENEBRAE**
The para-liturgical service of Tenebrae (Latin for “darkness” or “shadows”) is filled with powerful imagery and rich meaning. At the heart of the service are seven readings taken from the Book of Lamentations. As Jeremiah laments the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem, we witness the connection with the Lord’s death as the temple of his body is destroyed. Throughout the service, the candles are gradually extinguished except for the last candle, used to represent the Christ candle. As this candle is removed from the sanctuary, the church is cast into complete darkness as was the world during the crucifixion. The strepitus signifies that the earth itself was thrown into convulsions at the death of the Savior.

**Holy Thursday & the Ringing of the Bells**
We invite all who plan to attend the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday (April 13) to bring bells from home of various shapes and sizes. As you know, the church bells located in the tower and the bells within the church are to ring out during the singing of the Gloria on Holy Thursday and then are silenced until the Gloria on Holy Saturday. So, we invite you to highlight the Gloria on this special night by ringing your bells during this great hymn of praise which we have “abstained” from during the season of Lent.

There will be two opportunities available for confessions before Easter. Tuesday, April 11th from 5:30-7:30pm and Wednesday, April 12th from 5:30-7:30pm. Please be advised no other confessions will be held during Holy Week.
Please Come to the Stewardship Fair
Everything we have is a gift from God that we are to use to help others. St. Michael has dozens of ministries in which you can participate to serve God. Come to the St. Michael Stewardship Fair April 29th and April 30th and see some of the many ways that you can get involved. Every Mass that weekend will be held in the Angelus Center, where volunteers from most of St. Michael Parish ministries will host booths. After Mass, parishioners can visit the booths to learn about the dozens of ministries in which they can volunteer.

Some of the ministries in which parishioners currently participate include serving meals at the Catholic Charities Catholic Neighborhood Center, assisting at Masses as a lector or in the choir, teaching in the parish school of religion or volunteering in parish school classrooms or library. Our parishioners gather together to study scriptures, maintain the parish buildings and grounds or assist in the parish office. Some of the most active ministries are the quietest – rosary devotions, Eucharistic Adoration and prayer groups mobilized by letter, phone call or email.

“There’s something that everyone can do, no matter your age or your health status,” said St. Michael Stewardship Director Kathleen Dieffenbaugher. “We’re eager to help people find new ways to get involved, meet new people, and use their God-given talents.”

The Stewardship Fair is open to anyone who would like to get involved. It will follow 4:30 p.m. Mass Saturday, April 29 and the 7:30, 9 and 11:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, April 30. All Masses will be held in the Angelus Center, light refreshments will be served.

For details, call the parish office at 304.242.1560.

HELP WANTED
Can you help sow? Monsignor Peterson would like to plant a garden this Spring. Do we have a parishioner who could please assist with tilling the soil? If you have a rototiller and could please help establish a 12’ x 24’ garden behind the Parish Office, please call the office!

The Carol Ladies will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 10 at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Edgington Lane. Parking is available at the rear of the building where there is also handicapped accessibility. With meeting attendance dwindling, it is important for members to attend this meeting to determine the future of the club.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection
Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collections provide humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Thank you for your generosity.

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
- 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
- Lieutenant Colonel 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!
On behalf of the entire parish, the new committee would like to THANK the retiring Festival Committee: the RIEDEL, IMER & MURPHY families. These families chaired the festival for many years working selflessly, year-round to make it such an amazing success. They are such a blessing to our parish and true examples of the embodiment of stewardship.

After many years of tireless service, the Emmerth family is retiring from overseeing the American food booth. As a result, we are seeking people that would be willing to step in and take over this traditional booth.

In addition, we are in need of individuals who will assist behind the scenes in the kitchen. This would include food prep, cooking and food booth clean-up. Even a couple hours of your time would be helpful!

There are sponsorship opportunities available at different levels. You may sponsor personally or if you own a small business, this is a great opportunity to advertise. Sponsors will be recognized several ways including: signage, live MC’s and social media. Please contact the Festival Committee for more information.

Please help us defray the cost of the Festival. Check out the new Festival bulletin board in the back of church.

Take a donation ticket from the bulletin board & return your donated items to the donation bin in back of church or to the school or parish offices. Any donation, large or small is sincerely appreciated!

The Prize Room is in need of small trinkets, such as favors from birthday parties, happy meals, matchbox cars, balls, bracelets, new coloring books, pencils, pencil sharpeners, hair accessories, nail polish and stuffed animals. Also, we would love to have a few larger new items such as an iPod, wireless headphones, wireless speakers or a small TV.

If you have any questions regarding these opportunities, please contact Amanda Lowe at amandalowe@hky.com or Missy Tiu at melissajtiu@gmail.com.

Many thanks!

- The Festival Committee

COFFEE AND CANVAS

Please join us for a paint and sip style event on Saturday, April 22nd from 10am-12pm at St. Michael Parish School Hall. Enjoy your favorite fresh brewed single serving coffee and pastries from Good Mansion Wines while creating your own personal masterpiece! St. Michael Parish School art teacher Amy Thalman, will demonstrate and provide step by step instructions. No artistic experience necessary. Limited to 24 persons per session. Cost is $35/artist which includes all the supplies to complete a 16x20 canvas. Registrations can be made by calling Quenton Northcraft at 304.281.0195. All proceeds benefit St. Michael Parish School Art Program.

COLLECTION TOTALS

* Due to the early deadline schedule with our bulletin company, the collection totals and attendance were not available at the time of print. Please check future bulletins for these totals.

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, 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.