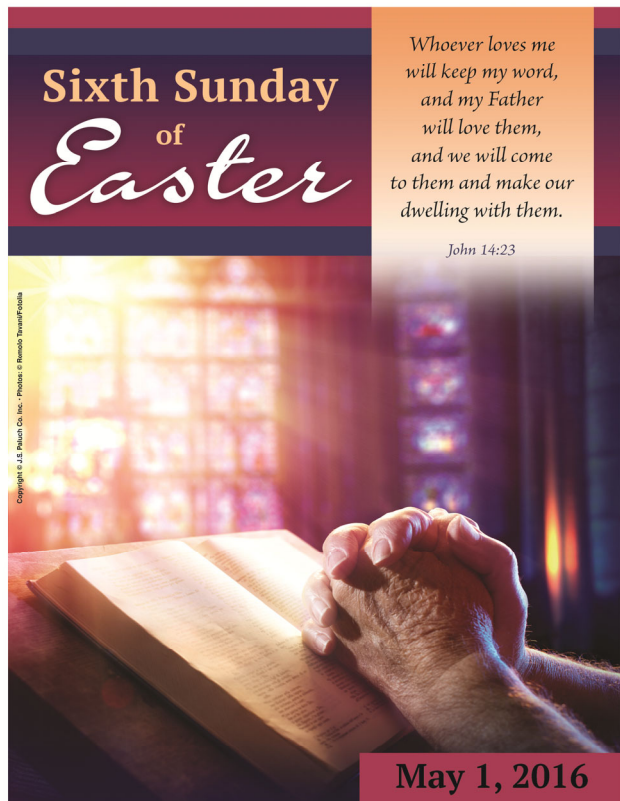


St. Michael Parish

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

St. Michael Parish Councils & Committees

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

St. Michael Parish School Contact Information

School Office.....304.242.3966
School Fax.....304.214.6578
Website: www.smpswv.org
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/The.Official.Site.of.SMPS>

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Hours: 8am-4pm Monday-Friday

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Website: www.stmikesparish.org
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The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week in memory of

Frank Gilligan



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 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
2:00pm First Holy Communion

Monday, May 2

7:30am †Sr. Claire Joseph Fahey
5:30pm Celebrant's Intention

Tuesday, May 3

-No Masses, Convocation-

Wednesday, May 4

-No Masses, Convocation-

Thursday, May 5

- No Masses, Convocation-

Friday, May 6

7:30am †Commemorative Mass
Association

Saturday, May 7

7:30am St. Michael Class of 1946
4:30pm Celebrant's Intention

Sunday, May 8

7:30am People of the Parish
9:00am †Commemorative Mass
Association
11:30am †Celebrant's Intention

The Adoration Chapel Schedule

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

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

Wed. - 10am-5pm

Sat. - 8am-noon

**** Please take note the Adoration Chapel will be closed Monday, May 2 and reopen**

Friday, May 6 this week.

Please contact Gretchen Wilson (304)280-1451/ Shaney Faini (304)639-4523 with any questions.



WEEKLY READINGS

- Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
- Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday:** Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23
or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53
(for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8;
Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
- Friday:** Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday:** Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9;
Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26
or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11;
Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** Sixth Sunday of Easter;
Julian Calendar Easter
- Monday:** St. Athanasius
- Tuesday:** Ss. Philip and James
- Thursday:** The Ascension of the Lord
(unless transferred to Sunday);
Yom Ha-Shoa (Holocaust
Remembrance Day)
National Day of Prayer; Cinco de Mayo
- Friday:** First Friday
- Saturday:** First Saturday

WEEKLY COLLECTION**Sunday, April 24th**

1st Collection (Weekly) - \$8,451.00
2nd Collection (Utility) - \$2,104.00
Misc. Collection - \$873.60
Total - \$11,428.60

Attendance- 759 Total

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, May 7, 4:30pm

Sacristan: Carole Kliner

Lector: Joe Bourgo

Altar Servers: Melody Jennings, Aaron Mazure, David Benson

EMOHC'S: Dawn Ann Dean, Paul Litvak, Charlene Kirkpatrick, Lucille Otte, Jen Carter, Bill Wilson, Galey Wilson

Sunday, May 8, 7:30am

Sacristan: Mary Kay Wensyel

Lector: Nathan Stryker

Altar Servers: David Gaudio, Alex Tarr

EMOHC'S: Mary Kay Wensyel, Rudy Conti, Kathy Galinski

Sunday, May 8, 9:00am

Sacristan: Marty Medovic

Lector: Anita Smith

Altar Servers: Matteo Gattesco, Ryan Linder, Timmy McCabe

EMOHC'S: Shirley McCloskey, Phil Emmerth, Marybeth Emmerth, April Stolfer

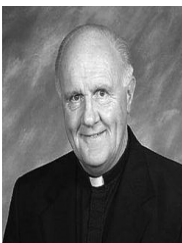
Sunday, May 8, 11:30am

Sacristan: Kristy Riedel

Lector: Bob Miller

Altar Servers: Madie, Kelly, and Abie Riedel

EMOHC'S: Kristy Riedel, Jay McLaughlin, Kathy Baxter, Rebecca Petrosino, Adrienne Michaud, Ron DiLorenzo, Robbie DiLorenzo



Each spring, the Catholic Sharing Appeal unites us in our common mission as disciples offering us an opportunity to support our neighbors and Church throughout West Virginia in a tangible manner. As your pastor, it is important for you to know that I support the Catholic Sharing Appeal and that I have already made my own gift. I would like to ask all of you to take a moment and consider making a commitment to the 2016 Catholic Sharing Appeal.

By now every parishioner should have received their information packet in the mail. You are welcome to bring in the donation and place it in any collection, to deliver it to the Parish Office, or to send it straight to the Diocese. All envelopes received by St. Michael Parish will be forwarded to the Diocese. If you have any questions or for more information please contact the Finance Director, Stephanie Hockenberry, at (304)242-1560 ext. 8.

WELCOME BACK FATHER SEBASTIAN !

St. Michael Parish would like to welcome back Father Sebastian from his trip home to India! We hope you had a wonderful vacation and enjoyed seeing your family and friends. We are blessed to have such a dedicated, loving, and radiant person like you as a member of our St. Michael Family. We wish you all the best as you complete your final weeks of ministry here at St. Michael and prepare to make yourself a member of your new parishes families.

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

The community of St. Michael Parish offers our sympathy and prayer for the repose of the souls of...

✠ **Jacqueline Glasgow**

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, continue their journey to new life in the presence of God in the heavenly kingdom.

Donation Acknowledgement

We gratefully acknowledge a recent donation to St. Michael Parish School by Ruth Swetz in memory of Dorothy Schellhase. This gift, along with the other donations made to SMPS in Mrs. Schellhase's memory, will be used for the technology needs of the school.

Perri Shines at Social Studies Fair

Seventh grader Lucia Perri recently won first place at the West Virginia State Social Studies Fair for her project titled "A Modern Day Holocaust." Lucia competed against students from across the state at this annual event, held at the Charleston Civic Center. Congratulations to Lucia on a job well done! Lucia is the daughter of David Perri and Vivienne Padilla of Wheeling.

Smith Honored at Bishop's Dinner

Eighth grader Isaac Smith, SMPS's 2016 recipient of the Aquinas Medal, was recently recognized at the Bishop's Dinner in Morgantown. This particular award honors those students in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston who embody the spirit of their school's mission and the philosophy of Catholic school education. Congratulations to Isaac and the entire Smith family on this wonderful honor! Isaac is the son of Richard and Tami Smith of Moundsville. He plans to attend Central Catholic High School in the fall.

Thank You, Career Fair Volunteers

The SMPS Quality Education Committee wishes to thank the many volunteers who shared their professions with students last week as part of Career Education Week. The students certainly learned a great deal from our many presenters. A world of thanks goes out to all those in our community who helped to make the week both educational and fun for the children!

Father McSweeney and Father Sebastian will be joining the other priest of our diocese in Charleston for the Priest's Convocation May 3- May 5. No daily masses will be celebrated in our parish Tuesday- Thursday this week, and the Adoration Chapel in our church will be closed for the week. Please pray for all of our priest during this week.

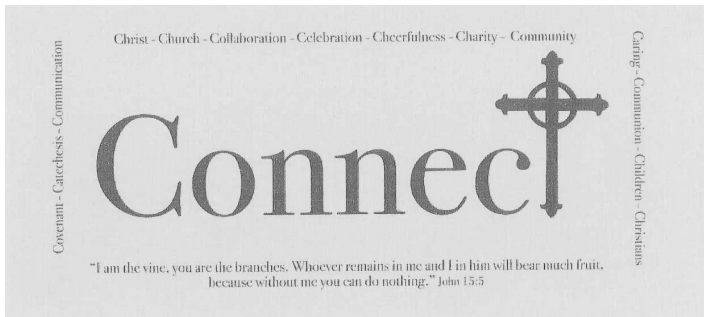
Please pray for these men and women serving our country in the military, and for their families:

- ◆ 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.

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

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: \$ 71,585.28

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.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

St. Michael Parish would like to thank following people for the generous donations:

Ms. Anna E. Monteleone in memory of Rosalia Bradac

Tri State Petroleum and the Coyne Family in honor of Monsignor Jeremiah F. McSweeney's service to St. Michael Parish, School, Families, and the Diocese of Wheeling- Charleston.

YOUTH GROUP

- ⇒ 5th and 6th grade Youth Group will meet this Sunday, May 1st from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the Angelus Center.
- ⇒ May 15th, 7th grade - High School will meet from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the Angelus Center. Wheeling Central Religion teacher, Mr. Pooley, will be a guest speaker.
- ⇒ The Youth Group will be sponsoring a car wash at Progressive Bank on May 14th from 12:30pm to 4:00pm.

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



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.

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.

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.

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 May will be celebrated at 5:30pm on May 6, 2016. 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.

CCHS Spring concert May 4th at 730 pm in the Great Hall

Wheeling Central is now registering for incoming freshmen and transfer students please call 304-905-6228 to schedule. Also, Central is accepting gently used uniforms, please drop off your clean, good conditioned, laundered uniforms to the main office if you wish to donate them.

