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.

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May 21, 2017
Sixth Sunday of Easter
The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week in memory of:

**Kerri Gilligan**

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 Dieffenbaugh 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, May 20**
- 7:30am  Adeline & Rocco Leffe (A)
- 4:30pm  Joseph P. Peterson

**Sunday, May 21**
- 7:30am  Philomenia Conti (A)
- 9am    Bernie McCloskey
- 11:30am  People of the Parish

**Monday, May 22**
- 7:30am  Betty Gordon
- 5:30pm  Richard Hindson

**Tuesday, May 23**
- 7:30am  Jim Schellhase

**Wednesday, May 24**
- 8:30am  Louise Luddy
- **7pm**  Class of 2017

**Thursday, May 25**
- 7:30am  Commemorative Mass Association

**Friday, May 26**
- 7:30am  William Thalman

**Saturday, May 27**
- 7:30am  People of the Parish
- 1pm    McKee Wedding
- 4:30pm  Deceased Members of Oglebay Knights

**Sunday, May 28**
- 7:30am  Recently Deceased
- 9am    Frank & Virginia Grella
- 11:30am  Lisa Bryson Ames

*Please note the mass time change for Wednesday, May 24th from 5:30pm to 7pm.*

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

**FORMED.ORG**

Parish Code: 4WPV3E

We have a parish subscription to FORMED.ORG. Registration is easy and free to all parishioners (and your friends). Simply type in the parish code and you will have access to a variety of Catholic resources to keep you close to our faith.
WEEKLY READINGS

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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PEOPLE OF HOPE

Throughout this Easter season the readings have drawn us into the experience of the early church. We have tasted the excitement and zeal of the first Christians. Now, with them, we listen to the words of Saint Peter, who reminds us that when people notice that we are people of hope, we should be ready to explain why. This challenges us. Do others even notice that we are people of hope? In a world often marked by cynicism and hopelessness, do we stand out as people who offer hope and reassurance to others? In today’s Gospel Jesus promises that when he leaves the earth he will not leave us orphaned. Today he promises to send his Advocate, the Spirit of truth who will be with us always. Let us acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit and ask the Spirit to make us people of hope.

SCHOOL NEWS

St. Michael Parish School students, school families, faculty and staff would like to extend their deepest gratitude to the WV Catholic Foundation and Most Reverend Michael J. Bransfield for generously purchasing the new, state-of-the-art, digital sign.

The theme for this year is a quote from Saint Teresa, ”together we can do great things”. The sign is a fantastic venue to share the great things with our Wheeling community. The high resolution display will capture the attention of everyone on National Road and will provide an opportunity to recognize achievements, promote special events, and acknowledge our generous supporters.

THANK YOU!

Our annual end-of-the-year school picnic will be held Thursday, May 25 at Wheeling Park. The school picnic is a wonderful way for our school community to join together for a day of food, fun, and friends. Children need to be accompanied by a parent for the day's events.

Parent Association will send home order forms for purchasing activity bands for parents and children. On the day of the picnic, SMPS families should report to the ice rink by 10:30 to check-in and pick up their pre-purchased wrist bands. Please note that students do not come to school this day--they go directly to the park. Lunch will be served in the rink mid-day (times will be announced) and all park activities are free with the purchase of the wrist bands. Because this is a school function, we ask students to wear blue/gold or SMPS t-shirts for the picnic.

The State of the School Parent Meeting will be held on Monday, May 22nd at 6:15pm. All SMPS parents will receive their 2017-2018 tuition contracts along with important information regarding next year.

St. Michael Parish 7/8 Youth Group will meet Sunday, May 21st from 6-7:30pm to celebrate the 8th grade graduates! Students are welcome to bring a friend!
Kevin McKee and Jessa Martonik will be married at St. Michael Parish on May 27, 2017.

May the God of love and peace abide in you, guide your steps, and confirm your hearts in love, now and forever. Amen.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, May 27, 4:30pm
Sacristain: Joe Bourgo
Lector: Carole Kliner
EMOHCS: Donna Clark, John Clark, Tiffany Boury, Ava Zende, Rose Zende, Audrey Dieffenbaughner, Paul Litvak

Sunday, May 28, 7:30am
Sacristain: Mary Kay Wensyel
Lector: Denny Wilson
Altar Servers: David Gaudio, Ryan Linder
EMOHCS: Mary Kay Wensyel, Ed Bowie, Sally Bowie, Mark Sengewalt, Pat Plunkett

Sunday, May 28, 9:00am
Sacristain: Maureen McNabb
Lector: Janice Jones
Altar Servers: Elizabeth & Adam Wolf, Andrew & Margaret Hartzell
EMOHCS: Maureen McNabb, John Moore, April Stolfer, Denny Snyder, Kerry Przybysz

Sunday, May 28, 11:30am
Sacristain: Edie Fuller
Lector: Nancy Ellen O’Leary
Altar Servers: Andrew & Kate Tiu, Isaac & Mason Schmitt
EMOHCS: Edie Fuller, Rebecca Petrovino, Adrienne Michaud, Ron DiLorenzo, Robbie DiLorenzo, Barb Varlas, Chris Tiu

Collection Totals - May 1, 2017
1st Collection (Weekly) - $10,420.00
2nd Collection (Trinity Dome) - $690.00
3rd Collection (School Support) - $2,500.00
Misc. Collections - $2,737.62
Total - $16,347.62 Attendance- 887 Total

“Give your Hands to Serve and your Hearts to Love”
All gifts made to the Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) help fund ministries and programs that benefit the parishes, missions and schools throughout the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, as well as support for outreach programs through Catholic Charities West Virginia (CCWVa).

www.dwc.org/CSA

St. Michael Parish is currently at $12,933 of it’s $63,845 goal!

Journey of the Chalice schedule:
In the month of May, the chalice will transfer at 9am Mass. The schedule is as follows:
May 21 - Cindy and Jim Gilligan
May 28 - Victoria Jeskey

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers & Christian Women would like to thank everyone who helped with our kids' clothes and toy sale. It was a HUGE success. Together we raised over $1500 for our school. Donations were given to the Gabriel Project and Youth Service Systems that were very much appreciated.

St. Michael Parish will be partnering with “Out the Pike” Vacation Bible School. It will be held July 23 - 27th at Christ United Methodist Church from 6-8pm. Children ages 3 years old up to 6th grade are welcome to attend. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Jen Imer at 304.280.0853. Please check future bulletins for registration dates.
WHO WANTS TO BE A "HEAVENLY" MILLIONAIRE?

Anna Jarvis is credited for starting Mothers’ Day. In which West Virginia town did she do so?
A. Clarksburg
B. Fairmont
C. Grafton
D. Weston

Last week’s answer: Pentecost concludes the Easter Season

SUMMER MASS ATTENDANCE
With the availability of internet access, there is no reason why summer travelers cannot participate in Eucharist on weekends. You can contact mastimes.org or google catholic churches (city/state) to find a church. Please don’t take a vacation from Our Lord during the summer.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Parents, for the spiritual welfare of your families, please come together to the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once during the summer. Our confession times are Saturdays 3:00-4:00 PM, First Saturdays 8:00-9:00 AM, and by appointment.

ANNULMENTS- Please contact Father Bill if you want information about acquiring an annulment. I will help you throughout the process. Even if a divorced Catholic was married in a non-Catholic ceremony (Protestant church or Justice of the Peace), he/she still needs an annulment if they plan to remarry.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL COUPLES PREPARING TO ENTER INTO THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE IN 2017
Kevin McKee – Jessa Martonik – May 27
Nicholas Schott – Andrea McGinley – June 10
Scott McReynolds – Susanna Knouse – July 22
Alexander Peluchette – Katelyn Gompers – August 19
William Stackhouse – Marianne Bosley – September 2
Dexter Hazel – Molly Starkey – September 23
Blake Lindell – Valerie Palmer – October 13
Brody Hourd – Brittany Rusnak – October 21
Shane Talley - Maria Palmquist - December 30

St. Michael Parish would like to introduce and congratulate the following students.

Confirmation Class of 2017

David Francis Benson
Samantha Kay Blanton
Matthew Edward Borkoski
Michael Anthony Borkoski
Joseph Carter
Brianne Marie Coughlan
Michael William Funka
Victoria Faye Futey
Lindsey Brooklyn Garrison
Gino Raffaele Gentile
Giulio Matthew Gentile
Cole Walker Greer
Aiden Michael Groskopf
Aidan Joseph Gruber
Ian Philip Guggenheimer
Zachary Thomas Harris
Margaret Louise Hartzell
Juliana Marie Kepple
Andrew B. Komorowski
James David LaHood
Aaron Michael Mazur
Halea Michelle McCabe
Hailey Katherine McCallen
Adam Cross McCracken
Eric Jay Mehlman
Sydney Elizabeth Mansuetto
Gage Michael David
Hunter Douglas Midcap
Isabella Grace Morano
Alexis Antoinette Paras
Lucia Teresa Perri
Ryan Evan Quicke
Madelyn Riedel
Kaci Ann Spry
Spencer Romanek
Ethan John Romanek
Elizabeth Anne Romanek
Isabella Colley Romanek
Mary Margaret Stakem
Carly Marie Stewart
Stephen Dailey Ward
Grace Madeline Wear
Kaden Scott Yocum
Alaina Anne Zende

First Holy Communion Class of 2017

Olen Ames
Nicholas Barack
Jaden Bosley
Dominic Brogran
Jocelyn Dally
Brooke Detling
Izabella Drosieko
Annabella Fitzsimmons
Grace Frangos
Miriam Halicki
Addison Hanson
Ava Harris
Luca Harvey
Brayden Hedges
Ila Hutnick
Parker Jasko
Joseph Jerrome
Kendall Kuchinski
Kali Lichwa
Andrea Lowe
Elizabeth Manning
Lochlan McNally
Owen Mullin
Joseph Nodurft
Keelin O’Connor
Avery Osterlund
Levi Rine
Cameron Roberts
Luke Sancomb
Lucrezia Santini
Kendall Schmitt
Cecilia Sweeney
Cade Taylor
Riley Taylor
William Wear
Matthew White
Paige Wurtzbacher
Dawson Zwack

We would like to extend out appreciation to all of the catechists who have given their time and talent to the RCIA Program, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and the PSR Program!
Annual St. Michael Parish Rummage Sale
DATE and TIME: Saturday, June 17th from 8 am - 1 pm
Donation Drop Off: Sunday June 11 after each mass and then again Monday June 12 thru Thursday June 15 from 6 - 9 PM.

We are looking for donations of gently used or new items: glassware, books, kitchen items, small appliances (clean and in working order), knick-knacks, figurines, pictures and artwork, linens, household decorations, seasonal decorations, children’s toys and accessories, furniture, jewelry, purses, gift items, collectibles, yard decorations, sports equipment, etc... Please no clothing, old computers or older televisions (flat screen TV or laptops OK - ONLY if they work).

Volunteers Needed: This is one of the largest, and nicest sales in the area and we will appreciate any time you can donate, whether it is one day or every day... your time is valuable to us. This is a fun way to interact and get to know other parishioners. It is also a great way to get volunteer hours for Confirmation. Thank you.

Please contact Janet Nolan at 304-281-6895 to volunteer or to schedule a pick-up.

Thank you for your prayers.

BABY SHOWER FOR YOUR SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY!

Dear Parishioners,

THANK YOU SO MUCH for praying for your spiritual adopted baby. The baby that you have been praying for will soon arrive. To help celebrate their arrival, we would like to have a “Baby Shower” for all of these special babies. If you would choose to participate, please bring to church a baby item and put it by Mary’s altar in one of the laundry baskets June 10-18th. The items collected will be taken to expectant mothers in need in the area. The items do not have to be new items and you do not need to wrap them. They can range from pacifiers, baby bottles, stuffed animals, baby toys, clothes, diapers, wipes etc... And if you are in the process of decluttering, you may donate toys or baby items that you or your child no longer need.

We thank you so much for your support in this program but most importantly thank you for your prayers for these precious little ones. Someday you will know the impact you have had in the life of a child and its family.

If you have any questions, please contact: Gretchen Wilson at: 304-280-

The Knights of Columbus, Carrol Council 505, will be having their annual May Rosary Devotion every Sunday in May at 7pm in their home on Edgington Lane. Weather permitting, the rosary will be held at the grotto outside the home. Please join us for this beautiful devotion to our Blessed Mother during her month of May.

Knights of Columbus Council 504 would like to extend their extreme gratitude to all those who contributed to the Baby Bottle Campaign. St. Michael Parish raised approximately $3,800. All of the proceeds will go to Pro-Life activities in the local area.

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
♦ 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!
Bulletin Announcements
All bulletin announcements should be emailed to secretary@stmksparish.org. The weekly deadline is 9am Monday morning. We will do everything we can to share your announcement.

FESTIVAL NEWS!!!

Many thanks to all those who have already donated towards the festival. We have had an outpouring of support in prize room & tip board donations & are beginning to receive sponsorship donations. Truly amazing!

We feel so very blessed because we are able to report that the Przybysz & Lofstead families have stepped up to work in the American Booth. We appreciate these families for their willing spirit & enthusiasm for the festival! We have also had several people sign up to work in the kitchen. Alleluia!

We'd like to thank all those who worked the tip board booth & corn hole tournament in past years. These sections are now vacant, so:

We are now looking for a new tip board chairperson. This is a really fun opportunity! We are looking for an outgoing person who can gather donations & "work the crowd", selling tips at the festival. The addition of live MC’s will help this booth get the word out.

We are also looking for a chairperson to organize the corn hole tournament.

We are still looking for teen prizes:
- wireless speaker - approx $20-$40
- Marquee cinema, Highland’s restaurant, Mooey’s or iTunes gift card

Tip Board Items:
If you have access to complimentary local tickets, these are popular items in the tip board booth. We’d really appreciate the donation.
- 4 Kennywood, Sandcastle or Idlewild tickets
- local concert tickets

Festival infrastructure & Games:
- Amazon, Lou Nau Hardware or Lowe’s gift cards

"Adopt-a-booth:"
If you cannot donate your time, there are opportunities to donate items for children’s games needing replenished each year.
- Dinosaur Dig - 50 lb bag play sand, 500 plastic dinosaurs & 10 sand toys - total cost = $150
- Lucky Lollipop - 500 dum dum lollipops & 500 small-medium prizes (oriental trading or Amazon) - total cost = $125
- Face & Hair Paint - 15 multi-colored face paint (non-toxic, resealable in tubes) & 20 colored hairspray - total cost = $125
- Duck & Fish Pond - 500 small-medium prizes (oriental trading or Amazon) & 500 small pieces candy - total cost = $150

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 school or parish offices. Any donation large or small is sincerely appreciated!

We are now looking for festival sponsors. If you own a small business, this is an excellent opportunity to advertise. You may also sponsor as an individual or family. Please contact Jeremy Lowe (jlowe@forthenrycapital.com) or Jacob Manning (jamanning710@gmail.com) for more information.

If you haven’t gotten involved with the festival before, we hope you will join us this year. It’s a fun, safe way to serve your parish and a great way to show Wheeling who we are as a faith-filled community.

If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Lowe at amandalowe@hky.com or Missy Tiu at melissajtiu@gmail.com or 304-312-8050. Thank you!

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 Cincinna, 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.