

St. Michael Parish

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

June 5, 2016 | Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

They glorified God, exclaiming,
“A great prophet has arisen in our midst.”

~ Luke 7:16



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Our Parish Office is across the street from the church.

Website: www.stmikesparish.org

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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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June 5, 2016

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



The Sanctuary Candle beside the
tabernacle burns this week in memory
of
Ralph & Sue Sengewalt



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 Dieffenbaugh 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, June 4

7:30am

Robert & Helen Allen

4:30pm

Fr. Cody Ford

Sunday, June 5

7:30am

People of the Parish

9:00am

†Edward Tolpa

11:30am

†Mary Ellen & Frank Rice

Monday, June 6

7:30am

†Dorothy Grubler

5:30pm

†Bonnie Smith

Tuesday, June 7

7:30am

†Patricia Dailer

Wednesday, June 8

*7:30am

†Betty J. Hallett

5:30pm

†Floyd Smith

Thursday, June 9

7:30am

†James Edward Donley

Friday, June 10

7:30am

†Mary H. McFadden
Campion Wedding

Saturday, June 11

7:30am

†Salome Jayasekera

4:30pm

†Stella & Earl Braunlich(A)

Sunday, June 12

7:30am

†Susie Saseen

9:00am

People of the Parish

11:30am

†Harold & Martha Rapp

*** Please notice Wednesday morning Mass time.**

Wedding Banns

John Campion and Michelle McGinley will be married at
St. Michael Parish on June 10th.

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

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121:1bc-8; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65:10-13; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36 — 8:3 [7:36-50]

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Norbert

Thursday: St. Ephrem; Julian Calendar Ascension

Saturday: St. Barnabas; Shavuot (Jewish observance) begins at sundown

WEEKLY COLLECTION

1st Collection- Weekly \$8,333.75

2nd Collection- Youth of Parish \$1,788.00

Total- \$14,092.75 Attendance- 700

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.

St. Michael Parish would like to recognize the **Central Catholic High School** top two students for the class of 2016. The 2016 Valedictorian is August Schmidt and the Salutatorian is Teresa Pockl. With knowledge in your hands, and the Lord in your heart, you'll have nothing but success. Congratulations!

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, June 11, 4:30pm

Sacristan: Joe Bourgo

Lector: AJ Bucon

Altar Servers: Janessa Blake-Livingston, Melody Jennings, Ryan Linder

EMOHCS: Joe Burgo, Tiffany Boury, Paul Litvak, Lucille Otte, Jen Carter, Marianne Blair, Bill Wilson

Sunday, June 12, 7:30am

Sacristan: Mike Rempe

Lector: Lexie Kosanovic

Altar Servers: Andrew and Thomas Komorowski

EMOHCS: Joe Roxby, Ed Bowie, Sally Bowie

Sunday, June 12, 9:00am

Sacristan: Madge Emmerth

Lector: Amanda Castle

Altar Servers: Andrew Johnson, Timmy and Grant McCabe

EMOHCS: Madge Emmerth, Rob Krall, Jennifer Decker, Becky Bower, Maureen McNabb

Sunday, June 12, 11:30am

Sacristan: Mike Hughes

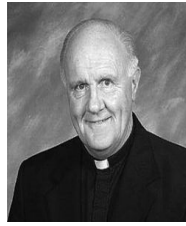
Lectors: Stephanie Hockenberry and Jason Rine

Altar Servers: Emma Nodurft, Isaac Smith, Jacob Rine

EMOHCS: Tom Conti, Nancy Conti, Shandi Nodurft, Lynne Petchar, Jay McLaughlin, Kathy Baxter, Rebecca Petrosino

SINCE THE LORD IS NO LONGER
VISIBLE AMONG US, EVERYTHING OF
HIM THAT WAS VISIBLE HAS PASSED
INTO THE SACRAMENTS.

-ST. LEO THE GREAT



Some people are asking me if I am going back to Ireland when I retire on Wednesday, June 15th. I decided a number of years ago that I would not go back to the little country that I spent the first thirty years of my life on this fair Earth.

I will be living at the Welty Apartments on the fourth floor where other priests reside. Father Joseph Wilhelm S.M., Father James McCafferty S.M., Father Richard Shoda, Father Harry Dunn, Rev. Cyprian Osuegbu and Rev. Jose Pazhevettil, M.S.T. (Chaplains at Wheeling Hospital) all reside at Welty as well.

I will be making myself available for supply work in parishes in our Diocese, when priests need help with Masses, Reconciliation, and other Pastoral Ministry. I will be living life at a different pace, with plenty of time for prayer, contemplation, and recreation.

Happiness on Earth Mediation

Children, a Christian's treasure is not on Earth, it is in heaven. Well then, our thoughts should turn to where our treasure is.

Man has a noble task: that of prayer and love. To pray and to love, that is the happiness of man on Earth. Prayer is nothing else than union with God.

When the heart is pure and united with God it is consoled and filled with sweetness; it is dazzled by a marvelous light. In this intimate union God and the soul are like two pieces of wax molded into one; they cannot any more be separated.

It is a very wonderful thing, this union of God with his insightful creature, a happiness passing all understanding. We had deserved to be left incapable of praying; but God in his goodness has permitted us to speak to him.

Our prayer is delightful to God. My children, your hearts are small, but prayer enlarges them and renders them capable of loving God. Prayer is a foretaste of heaven, an overflowing of heaven.

It is like honey, it descends into the soul and sweetens everything. In prayer well made, troubles vanish like snow under the rays of the sun.

- St. John Mary Vianney

It is all about giving thanks

Seven months have gone by so quickly. Few months in ministry with the St. Michael family community gave me a rich gift of pastoral experience and good friendship. First of all, I thank God for having given me a chance to do my humble service here in St. Michael Parish family. I am very grateful to our Bishop Most Reverend Michael J. Bransfield who received me here in this diocese and gave me a golden chance to serve in this wonderful parish as an associate.



Then I want to thank in a very special way our Pastor Rev. Msgr. Jeremiah F. McSweeney. It was a great honor and privilege for me to work with an excellent pastor, who introduced me to this new country and its culture. He has been a real gift to me these seven months. He taught me how to love the parish family by loving me. He was an inspiration and example of faith and love. Thank you dear Monsignor for giving me a truly real sense of a Pastor's heart and thank you for sharing your wider visions of pastoral life with me. Thanks for walking with me like a father, praying with me like a brother priest and going together to the Wellness Center like a friend.

Another thanks go to the office staff members of St. Michael Parish family. You truly share the leadership and the burden of this big and wonderful parish with a joyful heart and a smiling face. I am very thankful to each of our office staff members for their wholehearted support. And a very special thanks to Mr. Chad Carter, our Liturgical Music Director for giving me good guidelines and support for the administration of the Liturgy and Sacraments.

Then I would like to thank our teachers and principal and students and parents of the St. Michael Parish School. Each and every one of you are a treasure. Another group I want to thank our altar servers and Eucharistic ministers. What a gift these children and men and women are to our parish. Thank you very much for helping me in our Liturgy and Sacraments.

Then I remember with gratitude our rectory house keeper Ms. Tami Simmons for her wonderful and generous service. Thank you in a special way for these past seven months of feeding me with delicious food and for many other help you have given to me. God may bless you abundantly.

Yet more thanks goes out to all my dear family members of St. Michael Parish. You have been a real gift to me these past seven months. Thanks a thousand times to all of you. You all will remain in my prayers. Please keep me in yours as I seek God's direction for the next part of my journey. I know God has exciting, amazing days in store for all of us if we will remain loving and faithful to our call. To all --- to God especially --- thank you.

-Fr. Sebastian Embayil

My new mailing address.
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Keeping YOU informed
By Mary Beth Criniti
Advancement Director

Reports Cards and Uniform Sale

Student report cards may be picked up at the school June 7 & 8 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Included in the report card envelope will be results of the standardized tests done in April as well as students' summer work. Also the annual SMPS used uniform sale will take place June 7 & 8 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the school cafeteria. There are plenty of jumpers, pants, skirts, and blouses from which to choose. All items are \$2.00. Stop in this week and do a little bargain shopping in preparation for next year!

Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open daily this week from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. After this Friday, June 10, messages left on the school voicemail will be checked several times a week and return phone calls will be issued to answer all questions.

SMPS Earns Valuable Kroger Rewards \$\$\$

SMPS recently earned \$1,471.34 in Kroger Community Rewards dollars for the most recent donation period, bringing our grand total for the 2015-16 school year to \$6,077.52. What an outstanding effort by our school and parish communities! A big thank you to all those who enrolled their Kroger Plus Cards and helped us to earn these valuable dollars. If you have not done so already, please take the time this week to enroll your Kroger Plus Card and help us to continue to earn these rewards dollars in the coming year. You can register online (www.kroger.com/communityrewards) or by phone (1-800-576-4377). When 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 Youth Group Camp Zion

June 19-20 (This past year's 5th-6th graders)
June 26-27 (This past year's 7th graders-high school)

St. Michael Parish Youth Group students will be attending an overnight experience at Camp Zion at the end of June. Students will meet at the Angelus Center with their belongings at 11am. They will attend 11:30am Mass with Mrs. Imer. Following Mass, they will depart for Camp Zion. PLEASE BRING A BAGGED LUNCH FOR THIS DAY!

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

✠ Dorothy Grubler

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.

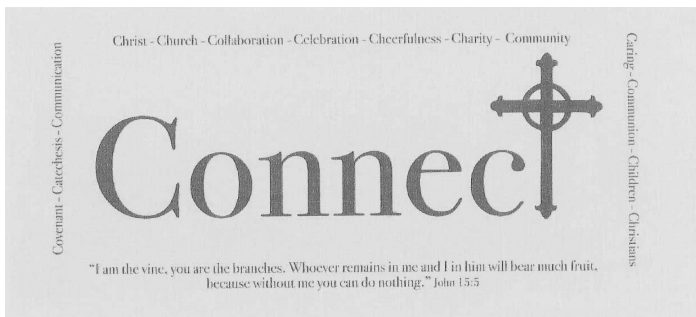
Please pray for these men and women serving our country in the military, and for their families:

- ◆ 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.

SAVE THE DATES

June 5	Father Cody's first Mass, 11:30 Picnic Reception following Mass
June 11/12	Father McSweeney and Father Sebastian Farewell Receptions to follow 4:30pm, 9:00am, and 11:30am Masses
June 18/19	Monsignor Peterson and new Associate Welcoming Reception to follow 4:30pm, 9:00am, and 11:30am Masses
June 25	Parish Rummage Sale
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: \$ 150,642.32

ST. MICHAEL PARISH ANNUAL COMMUNITY RUMMAGE SALE

Back by popular demand...

We need your help in the following areas:

1) Donate items 2) Help unpack and put out items the week of the sale 3) Help pick up items if someone is unable to deliver them 4) Work during the sale 5) Clean and pack up after the sale.

Date: Saturday, June 25

Time: 8 am - 1 pm

Location: Angelus Center

Drop off donated items on Sunday, June 19th: 8am-1pm and Monday, June 20-Friday, June 24: 6pm-9pm.

We accept furniture, glassware, collectibles, jewelry, purses, figurines, pictures and artwork, linens, blankets, curtains, dishes, pots and pans, sporting equipment, golf clubs, seasonal items and decorations, knick knacks, books, kitchenware, small appliances and electronics (clean and in working order), baby items and children's toys, books, games, bicycles, plus much, much more . . .

Please note: We **DO NOT ACCEPT** clothing, televisions or computer monitors.

If you would like to volunteer to help, or if you have items that may need to be picked up, please contact Janet Nolan at 304-281-6895. All proceeds from the sale will go towards the **Connections Campaign**.

St. Michael Parish Festival

The Parish Festival will be held July 7,8,9. We are still in search of a family to take over the Mexican stand. We are accepting water bottles, Coke and Pepsi products in cans. In addition we are in need of small toys and Matchbox cars. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Please contact Jen Imer at 304.231.4692 or Kristy Riedel at 304.242.3799.

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.

Polish Heritage Day

Sunday, June 12th POLISH MASS

Our Lady of Grace Grotto 45th & Eoff St.

Celebration will be held from 1pm-6pm at the P.A.P. Club located at 4410 Jacob Street. Polish Heritage Day Mass will be held at 12:30pm. Please join us for an afternoon of Polish food, Polka music, beer, and FUN! Prices are \$8/plate. Dinner includes: kielbasa, pierogis, cabbage rolls, and more. Please note, if it happens to rain, these celebrations will be held at St. Al's Church.

PROLIFE : The first Monday of every month is the business meeting. The third Monday of every month is the prayer meeting in the Church, both start at 7pm.

First Friday all night Eucharistic Prayer Vigil, Night

Prayer has been a tradition in the Church . This vigil can be used to pray for personal needs and in making reparations for sin (in today's world esp. those against sanctity and dignity of all human life). Come and pray for a half hour, an hour, or longer. There will be people present in prayer all night beginning Friday at 9pm ending Saturday at 7am, followed by a 7:30am Mass. Enter the Church door by the rectory only. For questions call Anita Smith (304)242-5053 or Gretchen Wilson (304) 280-1451.

Pastoral Council will be sponsoring a collection for Lazarus House in the first (2) weeks of June. Collection bins will be in the back of church to collect toiletry items for both men and women. Lazarus House, located on Wheeling Island, serves the needs of those recovering from alcoholism and addiction.

Youth Group Announcement: 5th and 6th graders will meet June 5th from 6pm-7:30pm and 7th-highschool will meet June 12th from 6pm-7:30pm, in the Angelus Center.

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.

The **Carol Ladies** will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 13 at the Knights of Columbus Hall at Edgington Lane and Poplar Avenue. Parking is available in the rear parking lot, please enter through the back door. The meeting will include discussion about an upcoming fundraiser. Please come and share your input. All women of the parish and outlying parishes are welcome.

St. Vincent Parish Fish Fry (Our Lady of Seven Dolors)!

ALL ARE WELCOME

Please join the Altar Rosary Society Fish Fry to benefit the Triadelphia Methodist Church who experienced damage due to the recent flooding. Mark your calendar for Friday, June 17th from 11am-5:30pm (or until sold out), and join us at OLSA Church Hall in Triadelphia. Carry out orders are welcome! Fax orders to 304.243.0837 by Thursday at 5pm, or telephone orders on Friday by calling 304.547.5342,. Dine in is also available.

For any parishioner that purchased an **ENJOY** coupon book, the Parish is looking for the Nickles Bakery coupons that you may not be using. If you are able to donate your extras, please drop them off at the Parish Office. Thank you!

