

St. Michael Parish

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



Blessed is
the nation
whose God
is the LORD.

Psalm 33:12

July 2, 2017

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Sylvia Durante Santavicca

ST. MICHAEL PARISH STAFF

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PARISH COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

- Pastoral Council - Leslie Kosanovic, President
- Stewardship Council - Louis Volpe, President
- Buildings & Grounds - Denny Wilson, Chairperson
- Finance Council - Brann Altmeyer, Interim President

ST. MICHAEL PARISH SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Danielle Doerr - President

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 1

7:30am †Sylvia Durante Santavicca
4:30pm †Frances Kovalchie (A)

Sunday, July 2

7:30am People of the Parish
9am †Francis & Susan Mansuetto
11:30am †Edward G. Smith

Monday, July 3

7:30am †Leona Wilson
5:30pm †Bonnie Smith

Tuesday, July 4

9am Military Veterans

Wednesday, July 5

7:30am †Mary Pat Howley
5:30pm †Steve Carter

Thursday, July 6

7:30am †Brother Aloysius Scafidi

Friday, July 7

7:30am †Commemorative Mass Association

Saturday, July 8

7:30am †Mr. Leo Yochum
4:30pm People of the Parish

Sunday, July 9

7:30am †Recently Deceased
9am †Bill Medovic (A)
11:30am †Robert Clark (A)

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

The **Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation** is held 3pm-4pm on Saturday, 8am on First Saturday, or by appointment.

Please contact the secretary 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 Dieffenbaugher 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 the secretary at the school office.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891
Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17;
Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Thomas
Tuesday: Independence Day
Wednesday: St. Anthony Zaccaria;
St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Thursday: St. Maria Goretti
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Today we have the beautiful story of the woman promised a child, the wonderful exhortation about life in Christ, and a powerful instruction from Jesus. An embarrassment of riches? Not if we take Jesus' words about "welcome" to heart. The many challenges and blessings offered to us today by Elisha, Paul, and Jesus should be cause for rejoicing, and welcomed heartily into our lives. And, like the great treat that they are, they should be enjoyed and shared generously with others.

Today's reading from Romans was chosen very early in the liturgical life of the Church to be the sole apostolic instruction received by candidates for baptism at the Easter Vigil. This illustrates its importance as a core belief, and as a means of comprehending the story of the Resurrection. Christ's resurrection is not merely a story about something that he underwent once upon a time, but it is our story, the story of how we joined the other members of the one Body of Christ, the church. We were not only dead, but we were buried; not ultimately buried, but raised to eternal life with Christ.

Parish Summer Office Hours

In July, the Parish Office will be open Monday-Friday 8am-Noon. Parishioners are also welcome to set up an appointment between noon and 4pm on those days. Additionally, the office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

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

SUMMER EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday Adoration will be 8:00am - 5:00pm with Monday evening Adoration from 6:00pm - 10:00pm. Saturday Adoration will be 8am-12Noon. Adoration will be held in the Adoration Chapel on Thursdays and on Wednesdays Adoration will begin at 8:00am as there is no school mass during the summer months.

Thank you to all of you who participate in Eucharistic Adoration. We appreciate you giving your time and so does Jesus!

We are always in need of substitutes to cover vacations etc. If anyone would be interested in being a substitute, please notify Shaney or Gretchen.

If you have any questions or suggestions or would be interested in giving of your time in peaceful prayer and Adoration please contact: Shaney Faini ~ 304-639-4523 or Gretchen Wilson ~ 304-280-1451.

Catholic . 2017 *Sharing* **Appeal**

"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 \$26,447 of our \$63,845 goal!

Journey of the Chalice schedule:

In the month of July, the chalice will transfer at 4:30pm Mass. The schedule is as follows:

July 1 - Bill and Edie Fuller

July 8 - Melissa Michael

July 15 - Jay and Suzanne Nelson

July 22- Maureen McNabb

July 29 - Janet Kelly

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.

FORMED.ORG

Parish Code: 4WVP3E

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.



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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, July 8, 4:30pm

Sacristan: Karen Kelly

Lector: Brann Altmeyer

Altar Servers: S. Dieffenbaugher, Andrew and Thomas Komorowski, Ava Hanson

EMOHCS: Karen Kelly, Jim Kelly, Bill Wilson, Galey Wilson, Donna Clark, Vincent Murphy, Audrey Dieffenbaugher

Sunday, July 9, 7:30am

Sacristan: Mary Kay Wensyel

Lector: Lexie Kosanovic

Altar Servers: DJ Daugherty

EMOHCS: Mary Kay Wensyel, Pat Plunkett, Gretchen Wilson, Kathy Ulevich, Rudy Conti

Sunday, July 9, 9:00am

Sacristan: Maureen McNabb

Lector: Jacob Dailer

Altar Servers: Daniel Goodson, Laken Costanzo, Alex Tarr, Danielle Agcaoili

EMOHCS: Maureen McNabb, Becky Bower, Shelby Imer, Daniel O'Leary, Isaac Smith

Sunday, July 9, 11:30am

Sacristan: Jamie Kovalski

Lector: Melissa Michael

Altar Servers: Gage and Gavin Michael, Benjamin Halicki, Nathan Stryker

EMOHCS: Jamie Kovalski, Lynne Petchar, Jay McLaughlin, Tom Conti, Nancy Conti

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

✠ *Angela Palmer*

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.

Incase you missed it last week...

It certainly does feel like summer! The beautiful hills are lush, the flowers are blooming and the parish school is eerily quiet (be assured – that will end quickly – it’s almost time for the FESTIVAL). The summer lull has also given us an opportunity to tackle some of our *Connections* outdoor projects.

You’ll recall, the *Connections* Fund is restricted for Buildings and Grounds. Father McSweeney kicked off the campaign to our parish on St. Patrick’s Day, 2016. With the help of an outstanding philanthropist, who matched up to \$250,000, we were able to establish a fund with an opening balance of \$533,453.27! The original campaign ended on December 31, 2016 but the restricted fund remains open to donations. Our parish proceeds from the 2017 Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) will be added to the fund.

We’ve used *Connections* funds at St. Michael Parish School for the key card reader system, playground gates and necessary repairs to the kitchen ceiling. Funds have also been set aside to replace two exterior fire doors in July. The Parish Office has recently been upgraded with new windows and air conditioning. What a delightful improvement! The numerous councils, committees and faith formation groups who meet regularly in the office have been enjoying the cool environment! Parishioners who are in and out of the building are also grateful for the respite from the summer heat. As a bonus, the newly installed cooling units can also serve as heat pumps, which should eliminate the need for portable heaters and long extension cords in the winter months.

Connections has come to the rescue with some unforeseen expenses, too! The rectory boiler sputtered and died in October. In May, the spring rains turned into the back parking lot into a pool. We were so grateful for *Connections* funds to cover the expenses of a new boiler and the extensive clogged drain repairs and replacement. Those two projects totaled over \$30,000!

Connections funds resurfaced the Angelus Center parking lot and will pay for extensive repairs on the parish office and church parking lots. You can expect to see those projects kick into high gear following the festival.

The projects benefiting from the *Connections* funds have been extensive and expensive. The costs associated with *Connections* projects far exceed the revenue generated through weekly collections. To be frank, the collection revenue often falls short of covering normal operating expenses. THANK YOU to our generous supporters who shared the vision of a *Connections* campaign and helped us maintain our property to educate, work, play, sponsor outreach programs, host a community Farmer’s Market and most important of all, worship!

Wendy F. Hinerman
St. Michael Parish Business Manager

Online Giving Using WeShare

WeShare is an online giving management system, which allows our parishioners to manage their donations to our parish efficiently, effectively, and securely. It is an automated means for our parishioners to support us financially through one-time or recurring contributions.

Although we will continue to pass the offertory basket, it is important that as a parish we prepare for the future, as well as, accommodate those parishioners who pay the majority of their bills already from the convenience of their home computer. In an era of growing online banking, as a church we don’t want to be left behind by people who don’t use checks.

Weekly envelopes are still available. Although online giving replaces the need for weekly envelopes, donating through WeShare is not mandatory for all parishioners. We understand that not all parishioners are comfortable using a computer. *We are thankful to receive your contributions anyway you want to give it to us.*

If you feel uncomfortable not having something to physically drop into the collection basket, don’t worry! WeShare provides a printable form that you can drop into the collection basket that says, “We lovingly made our donation through WeShare.” You can also continue to use your weekly envelopes and check the box that states “I’ve Given Online”. If you do not plan to use your envelopes, please notify the Parish Office, 304.242.1560, so we can cancel your envelopes and eliminate the cost to the church.

To register for WeShare, please go to our parish website; www.stmikesparish.org and click on the “Give Online” box that it located under the announcements. You can plan your contributions for the entire year—or you can change you donation amount online whenever you like.



WHO WANTS TO BE A
"HEAVENLY"
MILLIONAIRE?

SAINTS : Although she was not born in the United States, this woman was the first canonized American citizen

- A. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton
- B. Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
- C. Saint Gertrude Stein
- D. Saint Katherine Ann Drexel

Last week's answer: The patron saint of athletes is **Saint Sebastian**

PRAYER FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

Lord, I pray that I never take my freedom for granted. May I always remember that my freedom was purchased at a very high price. My freedom cost others their very lives. Lord, bless those who have served and continue to give their lives for our freedom. Meet their needs and watch over their families. Amen.

WHEELING CENTRAL "BLUE SLIPS" are due in the parish office ASAP.

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.

There will not be any 5:30 PM Masses from July 9, 2017 through August 9, 2017.

SUMMER MASS ATTENDANCE

With the availability of internet access, all summer travelers can attend Eucharist on weekends. You can contact mass-times.org or google "catholic churches (city/state)" to find a church. Please don't take a vacation from Our Lord during the summer.

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Monday through Wednesday
July 10-12, 6:30-8:00 PM
Contact Fr. Bill @ wmatheny@dwc.org
For those entering third grade and older
This will be the last training for the summer!

ANNULMENTS

Please contact Father Bill if you want information about acquiring an annulment. He 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.



St. Michael Parish welcomes :
William Shafer
London Fitzsimmons

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

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

We are accepting nominations for three (3) positions on the Parish Pastoral Council. With a new pastor and associate pastor, we are making both short and long-term plans for the benefit of our parish family. Terms last for three years. We meet once a month for ten months throughout the year. Meetings are kept to an hour. Please contact Fr. Bill wmatheny@dwc.org if you would like to nominate yourself to serve on the Council.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Do you know of anyone who is seeking faith and a relationship with Jesus Christ and a church community? There are forms in the pews for you to offer a name of someone whom you'd like us to contact.

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

- ◆ Petty Officer First 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
- ◆ Airman First Class Sierra E. McKenna, 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!



THE FESTIVAL IS THIS WEEK!!!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Thursday, July 6th, 6:00-10:00

Friday, July 7th, 5:00-11:00

Saturday, July 8th, 5:00-11:00

Stuff the Truck for Catholic Charities: Please bring canned goods & toiletries to the festival. Canned chicken, canned beans, turkey chili, low-sodium soup, unsalted nuts, brown rice, whole wheat pasta, whole wheat cereal, canned veggies, fruit & tomatoes, trail mix, granola bars, olive oil, bath soap, diapers, deodorant, lotion, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, razors, dish detergent, hand soap &/or laundry detergent.

We are now taking donations for canned & bottled pop (large bottles please). Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Diet Sprite & Mountain Dew. We also need cases of water. Please drop off these donations to the parish office.

WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING SIGN-UPS FOR CHILDREN'S GAMES!!!

WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!!!

This is the area of the festival that raises the most money, but it requires the most volunteer support. Festival games are divided per grade, however, if you are a parishioner, please feel free to sign up for the game of your choice. Working just 1 – 2 hour shift helps tremendously. If you can work more, that would be GREAT!

It's a really fun way to serve with your children, family & friends. Please use this link for kid's games: SignUp.com: <http://signup.com/go/UACCjUI> .

If you'd prefer to sign up with a person, please contact Missy Tiu @ 304-312-8050 or Audrey Dieffenbaugher @ 513-706-3931.

Festival Set up Schedule:

Sat: 7/01- 8am to 12

Sun: 7/02- off unless there was a rain out then 1pm to 5pm

Mon: 7/03- off unless needed then 6pm to dark

Tues: 7/04- OFF

Wed: 7/05- 6pm to dark

Thurs-Sat: 7/6-7/8 Festival

Sun: 7/09- Tear down 1pm to 5pm

Mon: 7/10- 6pm to dark

Tues: 7/11- if needed 6pm to dark

(Set-up schedule subject to change.)

Setting up for the festival is a really fun activity to do with your older children. We hope to see you there!!

If you haven't gotten involved with 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. We take great pride that St. Mike's is the last local parish to have a parish festival. It is our largest fund raiser of the year.

The new festival committee sends out sincere THANKS to all those who have been so willing to volunteer & donate.

This parish is a special place!

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR ALL AREAS!!!

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

Costanzo Sausage is now taking pre-sale orders for bags of 6 links! Please call 304.639.4714 to place your order prior to July 6th!

