Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

HUMBLY WELCOME THE WORD THAT HAS BEEN PLANTED IN YOU AND IS ABLE TO SAVE YOUR SOULS.

James 1:21b

September 2, 2018
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass “For the Blessings of Human Labor,” nos. 907-911
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Gregory the Great; Labor Day
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THE ORIGINAL CURRENCY

Labor was the first price, the original purchase-money that was paid for all things. It was not by gold or by silver, but by labor, that all wealth of the world was originally purchased.
—Adam Smith

The Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation is held
3pm-4pm on Saturday, 8am on First Friday, or by appointment. Please contact the secretary, Cindy Barone at the Parish Office if you are interested in any of the following: Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Christian Initiation of Adults, joining the parish, bulletin ads or Weddings (six months prior to the desired wedding date).

To arrange a pastoral visit for Homebound Parishioners please contact Kathleen Dieffenbauger at the Parish Office, Ext 9. Please contact Cindy at the Parish Office to arrange a pastoral visit for a hospitalized parishioner.

Our Parish Office is open 8am until 4pm Monday - Thursday and 8am until noon each Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration is held Monday 8am-5pm, 6pm-10pm; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8am-5pm Wednesday 10am-5pm; Saturday 8am-noon.

Collection & Attendance Data: Aug 25/26, 2018

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TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 994

1st Collection: $11,091.35
2nd Collection: $2,180.00
Connect Now; Online Giving: $2,031.50
Miscellaneous: $491.77
TOTAL: $13,763.12

Building on Our Legacy to Date - $5,000
MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 1
7:30am  Mr. & Mrs. Harry Flading
4:30pm  The Deceased Members of the
              John and Donna Clark Family

Sunday, September 2
7:30am  People of the Parish
9:00am  June Bryson
11:30am Joan Naum

Monday, September 3 - Labor Day
9:00am  Katie & Jack Fahey - 70th Wedding Anniversary

No evening Mass on Labor Day

Tuesday, September 4
7:30am  Jamie Hannig

Wednesday, September 5
8:30am  Senator John S. McCain
5:30pm  John Paul Gossett

Thursday, September 6
7:30am  Janie S. Altmeyer

Friday, September 7
7:30am  Commemorative Mass Association

Saturday, September 8
7:30am  Ronald L. Salvador
4:30pm  Millie Mulhern

Sunday, September 9
7:30am  Tom Przybysz
9:00am  People of the Parish
11:30am Joan Naum

Are you looking for a daytime opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Bible? The Faith Sharing Group will begin the fall session of meetings on Wed., Sept. 12 in the Parish Office from 1:00-2:30. The group, which meets weekly, will focus discussions on St. Paul's letter to the Romans using Scott Hahn's book, Romans. For more information, please call Janell Knorr at 304.242.0020.

"In all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
The parish will continue classes in September for any adults who want to join the Catholic Church. In the pews there are cards on which you may submit a name(s) of anyone you'd like us to invite to join the Church. Classes will be held on Sunday mornings between the 9am - 11:30am Masses. Please contact Fr. Bill, wmatheny@dwc.org or 304-242-1560. ext 7.

Discovering Christ – Coming This Fall!
Consider joining us this fall for the Discovering Christ series here at St. Michael Parish. We’ll gather in the Angelus Center on Thursday nights for seven consecutive weeks beginning September 20th. Each night will consist of (free!) dinner, a talk on a faith topic, and table discussion. We’ll also meet for a retreat day towards the end. The series is open to adults and young adults (juniors in high school and older) in our community, from those who are not Catholic to those Catholics looking for an opportunity to deepen their faith and develop new relationships. This series has been used by 800 parishes across 37 states and nine countries since it was introduced in 2009 in Maryland. We are excited to bring it here to Wheeling! We’re also still looking for folks to join our planning team. If interested, Margaret Erickson at m48erickson@gmail.com or Nick Mayrand at nmayrand@dwc.org.
The St. Mike’s parish website has a registration link on the homepage for the this program as well.

The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week (September 2nd - September 8th) in memory of Jamie Hannig

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 3rd, to celebrate the Labor Day weekend. We will re-open on Tuesday, September 4th at 8:00am. We wish all of you a safe, happy Labor Day! Don’t forget to take Jesus with you on your travels and God bless us all!
LITURGICAL MINISTERS

*Multi-week Ministry Schedule is available on St. Mikes’ webpage. **Weekday 7:30am Altar Server: Sep 3-7, 2018 - STILL NEEDED!

Saturday, September 8th, 4:30pm
Sacristan: Karen Kelly
Lectors: Danielle Agcaoili and Lillian Bischof
Altar Servers: Thomas Komorowski; Isaac, Mason and Kendall Schmitt
EMOHCS: Karen and Jim Kelly, Linda McCabe, Andrew Komorowski, Paul Litvak

Sunday, September 9th, 7:30am
Sacristan: Kathy Ulevich
Lectors: Nathan Stryker and Amanda Castle
Altar Servers: Dawson Zwack, Isaac Smith
EMOHCS: Kathy Ulevich, Joe Roxby, Bob Fanning, Jeep Naum, Tony Miesel

Sunday, September 9th, 9:00am
Sacristan: Adriana Wolf
Lectors: Elizabeth Wolf and Rob Krall
Altar Servers: Adam Wolf, Tyler Dean, Laken and Ryan Costanzo
EMOHCS: Adriana Wolf, Becky Bower, Shelby Imer, Camille Basinger, Dee Dean

Sunday, September 9th, 11:30am
Sacristan: Kristy Riedel
Lectors: Nancy Ellen O’Leary and Doug Blanco
Altar Servers: Kelly and Abie Riedel, Liam White, Jaelyn Vunderink
EMOHCS: Kristy Riedel, John Moore, Ava and Alaina Zende, Adrienne Michaud

Journey of the Chalice:
The Journey of the Chalice will continue at St. Michael Parish School during the Fall and until after the Christmas Holiday.
The purpose of the Journey of the Chalice program is to encourage families to pray and promote vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Praying for vocations is the most powerful way to support vocations.

Office of Safe Environment:
To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880.

FORMED.ORG
FORMED.ORG. Parish Code: 4WPV3E
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.

Your contact information is important to us!
Have you moved? Do you have a new cell phone number? Have you changed your email address? Help us improve our parish communications by emailing stmikes@stmikesparish.org with your new contact information, or call Cindy at 304.242.1560, EXT 0.

Have you checked out our NEW and IMPROVED Online Giving?
If you manage your bills online, why not give to your church online? It’s safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. So if you forgot your envelope last week, you can go online and make a gift to our regular offertory. Go to: www.stmikesparish.org; click on VIEW DONOR PORTAL to get set up.
Congratulations and welcome to our newly Baptized Parish Family Member!

CARMELLA MARIE CHIAZZA was baptized Sunday, August 26th, 2018

Proud Parents
Anthony and Lydia Chiazza

The three Sacraments of Initiation of the Catholic Church are Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. Through Baptism, we are cleansed of original sin and receive sanctifying grace, the life of God within our souls. At St. Michael Parish, we had 36 baptisms in 2017 and to date, we’ve had 13 baptisms in 2018, with many more scheduled. When a baby is going to be baptized, we offer a wonderful baptism preparation class which reviews the theology of Baptism, reminds parents of their role and discusses the important responsibilities of the Godparents. For many years, Kathy Galinski presented the class on a monthly basis and worked with our Parish secretary to coordinate the intake of information for the Sacrament. Kathy has retired from the ministry and handed the reins over to the capable hands of Marcy Hartzell. Thank you to Kathy and Marcy for tenderly helping parents with little ones prepare for the first Sacrament of Initiation.

A white garment is part of the ceremony to symbolize the child’s new life in Christ. The color white speaks of life, purity, newness and innocence. It is also a sign of the new life of resurrection. At St. Michael Parish, our tradition is to present the little one with a white baptismal bib or stole. The bibs are lovingly sewn by our parish seamstresses. Last week, Kathy Ulevich delivered a fresh supply of bibs to the Parish Office. Each stitched bib has a tag sewn into the back which reads “Made with love by members of St. Michael Parish.” Many families may never know the person who took the time to make the bib, but they will always know that someone special worked behind the scenes to make the keepsake garment to joyfully welcome a new member to the Catholic Church and specifically, St. Michael Parish!

--Wendy Hinerman

A beautiful wedding picture of Jack and Katie Fahey who will be married 70 years September 6th. His best man, the future Bishop Bernard Schmitt is to your left, and his sister, Blanche Fahey, the maid of honor is also pictured. CONGRATULATIONS!

ST. MICHAEL PARISH WELCOMES MAGAN WHITECOTTON INTO OUR CATHOLIC CHURCH FAMILY

FATHER BILL, MAGAN WHITECOTTON AND HER SPONSOR, JULLIAN BICKERSTAFF
We remember in love those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith...

Edward J. Abraham
Mary Hindson Albanese
Pauline Allison
David Altmeyer
Jack & Evelyn Altmeyer
Lisa Bryson Ames
John A. & Cecelia Antlake
Baker & Frank Families
Joe & Eleanor Bechtel
Gertrude & Russel Becker
Bonnie Bihler
Elmer & Virginia Blust
Bowman & Gaudet Families
Knute & Dot Boyle
Brahler & Hand Family
Jeffrey T. Bryson
June Bryson
Bucon, Otte & Wilhelm Families
Matt & Rosella Bugaj
Burkhart & Valput Families
Vicki Lynn Burns & Ted Hawkins
Roy & Sara Burris
Mr. & Mrs. Richard V. Burke & Family
CCHS-SJA Classmates of 1946
Helen Emmerth Cahoon
Lee & Helen Campbell
Dr. Frank L. Carenbauer
Steve Carter
Living & Deceased
  Members of Christian Mothers
Albert Cinque
The John & Donna Clark Family
  and Minitta “Liz” Schafer
Virginia & Maurice Cogan
Fern Coleman
Nancy V. & John “Jack” Coleman
Comer & Engler Families
Conti & Messner Families
Mr. & Mrs. Luigi Conti
Mary M. Conti
Mr. & Mrs. Chester Contraguerro
Corbett & Grella Families
Louis & Marjorie Costanzo
Edward “Ooga-Ooga” Covey
Cindy Coyne
Edward M. Culley Family
Gloria Dawes
Donato & Adele Deltoro
Shirley Dietz
Diane Diss
Michalene, Andrew & Breezie Diss
Dr. Robert U. Drinkard
Joseph & Connie Duffin
Josephine Eickleberry
Rodney W., Veronica & Brian Eikey
Agnes and Robert Emmerth, Sr.
Madge and Robert Emmerth, Jr.
Tom and Sharon Emmerth
Eleanor Lane Engelmeier
Mary & Steve Evanko
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Flading
Mary & Charles Flaherty
Bill Freeman
Catherine Grubler Freismuth
Ray & Helen Gantzer
Dominick F. Gaudio
Nicholas Jr. & Nimnoom Ghaphery
Kerri Gilligan
The Goble Sisters and Family
Ann and Howard Gompers
The Gompers Family
Paul Gossett
John Paul Gossett
Domenic & Josephine Granata
Thomas J. & Rita J. Greene Family
Christopher Michael Gribben
Grob & Muth Families
Bill and Dorothy Grubler
Regina and Bernard J. Grubler, Sr.
Gundling & Marker Families
Hagedorn Family
Mary Hamm
The Hannig Family
Jamie Marie Hannig
Dr. Roy C. Harmon, Jr.
Jim Hartzell
Terry Hawkins
Mary Jane Hess
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hess
Hetzel, Grammar & Nixon Families
Roger A. High
Frank Holler & Gantzler Families
George Holt Family
Mr. & Mrs. Edward L. Hoose
John Howley Family
Nick Jasko
Ashley Jayasekera & Family
Salome Jayasekera & Family
Mr. & Mrs. H.G. Jepson
Mr. William F. Johnston
Patricia Wilhelm Johnston
Anthony Keltus Wilhelm
Nancy E. Jorden
Edward F. and Rosemary Kelly
Joe, Helen & Bob Kelly
Robert B. Klemm, Sr.
Robert B. Klemm, Jr.
William and Kathy Klettner
Dorothy Knorr
Joseph Knorr
Dr. Thomas Knorr
Frances and John K. Jr. Kovalchie
Sam & Mary Lamalfa
Jim & Betty Letzelter
Litvak & Tabis Families
Lucey Family
Anderson & Luddy Families
Lynskey & Merckle Families
John & Marge Madigan
Madl & Wagner Families
Francis & Susan Mansueto
Charles Marazita
Nick Marazita & Marazita Family
Maroon, Diotti & Pogue Families
Kay, Lee, Joe & Dr. Mike Maroon
Ruth & Barbara Marti
Matella & Edelen Families
Theresa McCartney
McCarthy and Bowman Families
John McFadden Family
Rosemary McGee
Bernard A. McGee, Sr.
Mac and Amy McGinley
Jack McNabb
William Medovic
Mike & Theresa Mehota
Ron & Lola Jean Meyer
Margie Michetti
The Minear Family
Millie Mulhern
Cindy Murphy
Alfred & Mary Mustacciolu
Myslinski/Wisniewski Family
Richard L. Nau
Joan S. Naum
Alfonso & Mafalda Nazzaro
Nelson & Schlag Families
Novotney & Wynkoop Families
Mary “Susie” O’Donnell
John P. & Rita Andrews O’Leary
John T. “Jack” O’Leary
Sara G. O’Leary
Winnie & Joe Palkovich
  and Julie & Peter Littner
Robert & Angela Palmer
Doris Petri
Charles Petri
Angela Phillips
Ronald & Barbara Pickens
COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION: SEPTEMBER 2018

We remember in love those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith...

Consider enrolling your family in the CMA:
Commemorative Mass Association

The CMA is a special program which allows our parishioners and friends to remember their loved ones in a beautiful way. A total of 18 Masses will be celebrated for the repose of the souls of those inscribed in the Parish Commemorative Mass Association throughout the year of enrollment. The cost to enroll is $50. The bulletin will regularly list the names of those enrolled in the CMA.

At the time of enrollment, you will receive a beautiful leatherette-type folder (as seen above) describing the Commemorative Mass Association. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions or to enroll someone in the CMA.

--Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them Lord, and Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them and All the Souls of the Faithfully Departed.

Ronald and Barbara Pickens
John Michael Pinto
Post & Haney Families
Susanne Potts
John J. Prezkop
Tom Przybysz
Angela & Vincent Purpura
Herman Radish
Marian Ratcliff & Eleanor Black Families
John M. & Frances Raszkiewicz Family
James Reddy
Dennis Regele
Nancy C. Regele
Charles E. Regele, Sr. Family
Rempe & Gutman Families
Frank L. & Mary Ellen Voellinger Rice
Alice & Steve Rovnak
Joseph & Rosaline Saseen
Susie Saseen
Jerome Schmitt
Schenerlein & Bandi Families
Schneider & Smith Families
Smith & Latz Families
Paul A. & Eileen Schubert
Paul T. Schubert
Jacklyn Sebulsky
Mary Elizabeth Shafer
Dr. William J. Shivlin
Shaughnessy & Muhlman Families
Sisters of Our Lady of Charity
John Skypack
Smith & Latz Family
Eleanor Jane Sneddon
Martha J. Sobray
Esther Pinto Sonnfeld
Mary Margaret Stein
Rudy & Trudy Stolfer
John E. Teufel
Thalman & Weigand Families
Thomas & Crow Families
John & Florence Thalman Kammer
Rusty Tillman
Edward R. Tolpa
Aurelia & Frank Truax
Bertha & Edward Truax, Sr.
George & Jeanne Kammer Truax
Lori White Tunnell
Rosemary Villanova
George P. & Mayme Weir Voellinger
Suzanne M. Walter
Rosemary Wasemann
Widmer & Ginocchio Families
Michael Wiley
Adrian Wilhelm
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Wilhelm,Sr.
J. Edward Winiesdorffer
Allen Wojcik
John and Ann Wolodkin
Eli & Louise Wokowitz
Stanley J. Wolen
Alex & Ann Yablonsky
Dr. Benjamin Ybanez
Rosalie Daier Young
Luke Zien
George & Mary Ellen Zoeckler Family
The Kids' Bulletin
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 2nd, 2018

Keeping Clean

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the Pharisees that having your soul clean from sins is more important than keeping your body clean!

But that doesn't mean that we should be dirty! God wants us to keep our bodies and our souls clean.

We keep our bodies clean when we wash our hands or take a bath. Do you know how we keep our souls clean?

When someone does a big sin he or she needs to go to confession to get cleaned up. Confession cleans away our little sins too. Other things that take away small sins are going to Holy Communion, praying, and blessing ourselves with holy water.

The Jews knew that it was important to keep their bodies and their dishes clean. But Jesus told them that something else was more important. What was it?

Match the letters from the top pictures with the things they clean at the bottom of the page to find out what is the most important thing to keep clean!

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Your ______ ______ ______ ______!
Moses Tells the Israelites to Follow God's Laws

True or False

How much do you know about God's commandments for the Israelites? See if you know which of these are true and which are false:

1. Moses only taught some of the people of Israel that they had to obey the commandments that God gave them. True or false?

2. The people had to obey God's laws if they wanted to live in the land that He was giving them. True or false?

3. Moses said that they were not allowed to add to God's law, nor take away from it. True or false?

4. If the people obeyed God's commandments then all the other nations would see that they were wise. True or false?

5. The laws that God gave the people of Israel were unfair. True or false?

6. God gave His people laws because He cared for them and wanted what was best for them. True or false?

7. We should obey God's commandments because they tell us how to live well. True or false?

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Saint Teresa of Calcutta
September 5

Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu was born in Yugoslavia in 1910. Her father died when she was 8. At age 12 she knew God wanted her to be a missionary.

When she was 18 Agnes became a nun and took the name Teresa. She taught at a school for rich girls in India.

On a train when she was 36, Sr. Teresa felt God call her to serve the very poor.

I want you to serve me in the poorest of the poor.

Today we will start learning how to read.

She got permission to take a new habit and start a school for poor children.

Mother Teresa knew that they could not continue without taking time every day to talk with Jesus.

Governments should also work to protect the poor and the unborn.

In 1979 Mother Teresa won the Nobel Peace Prize, but she stayed humble and used every chance to tell the rich and powerful people to protect the poor and weak.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta died on September 5th, 1997. We can learn from her to defend and help those who can't help themselves, especially the poor and unborn children. We also learn from her example that we need to spend time in prayer with Jesus every day.
Parish School of Religion (PSR) from Nick Mayrand

PSR officially kicks off on Sunday, September 9th from 10:15-11:15am. Parents, please join us for a brief opening prayer service with your children. You’re also welcome to stick around for coffee and conversation.

If you haven’t registered yet, please stop by the parish office to fill out a form or contact Nick Mayrand at nmayrand@dwc.org for a digital registration form.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is held each Sunday during 9:00am Mass. All 3 year olds through 1st graders are welcome to attend. The presider will call the children up to the front of the church after the opening prayer and before the First Reading.

Please encourage your little ones to join us!!

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of Peace Parish are sponsoring a Quarter Auction on Sunday, September 16th at the Peace Family Center in Mount Olivet, WV. Doors open at 12 noon and auction begins at 1pm. Admission is $5.00, which is the cost of a paddle. For more information please call 304.242.6579.

Solemn Novena to St. Jude Thaddeus, Patron of Desperate Cases

Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction, Homily and Novena Prayers

Wednesdays at 7pm - August 29th to October 24th. Please join us!

St. Jude Church, 710 Jefferson Avenue, Glen Dale, WV

Please call 304.845.2646 for more information.

MONTHLY FIRST FRIDAY MASS

All are welcome as we celebrate this Mass in honor of our beloved family members and friends and all buried in this cemetery who have gone before us in faith.

September 7th, 2018 @ 5:30pm

Mount Calvary Cemetery Bishops’ Chapel

CONGREGATIONS FOR + CARING HEALTHRIGHT

Blessings for Health Right

Thanks to your congregation and others, our local faith communities are responding to Congregations for Caring - Blessings for Health Right in generous fashion. To date, more than 20 congregations have together raised $33,221.50, a total that represents the amount it takes to care for 46 patients for one year at the clinic. And we’re still not finished! Many congregations have events planned through the Fall.

We are so grateful for your continued support.
The Simple Care of a Hopeful Heart: Resilience, Compassion, Personal Well-Being and Prayer

One of the greatest gifts we can share with others is a sense of our own peace. However, we can’t share what we don’t have. By discussing psychological and classic spiritual approaches to maintaining perspective and inner strength in challenging times, Dr. Wicks, an expert on the prevention of secondary stress (the pressures experienced in reaching out to others) and the author of several books, offers insights into how we can live in peace and, in turn, extend our warmth to others without losing our own inner fire in the process. Topics will include: maintaining a healthy sense of perspective; avoiding dangers that lead to unnecessary stress; developing your own self-care program; knowing the four “voices” we need in our circle of friends to have balance and courage in life; improving self-awareness; facing inner darkness; and developing a richer rule of prayer. Practical, illustrative, and lively, these rich presentations will provide essential information on resilience, compassion, personal well-being, and prayer.

Facilitator: Dr. Robert Wicks
Date: Saturday, September 29
Time: Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.
Program: 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: Mount St. Joseph Chapel
Cost: $25.00
Reservations are required by September 17, 2018. 304-232-8160 x112 - Call to RESERVE your spot!

Group Sharing Encounter

If you or someone you know has lost a loved one and would like to participate, at your comfort level, or just listen to other people who are also grieving, then please come and join us at 6pm at Saint Alphonsus Church in Wheeling. Everything is kept confidential. Our gathering times for the remainder of the year are September 24th, October 29th, November 26th and December 17th. Grace & Peace, Deacon Doug Breiding

2018 Respect Life Conference

Are you, or people you know, facing challenging medical decisions and want to know what the Catholic Church teaches about current medical practices and procedures? Are you struggling to understand Pope Francis’ recent teaching about the death penalty? Do you want to know more about infertility and other current pro-life issues? You are invited to attend the Diocese of Steubenville Respect Life Conference on September 22, 2018 at Holy Family Church in Steubenville. An expert panel has been assembled to offer answers to these questions and much more from a Catholic perspective. The conference includes a Respect Life Mass offered by Bishop Jeffrey M. Monforton, a keynote address by Fr. Tad Pachelczyk, Ph.D., of the National Catholic Bioethics Center, and a number of workshops. For more information, or to register, visit www.diosteub.org/family. Contact Joseph Schmidt, Director of the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life with any questions at 740-373-3643 or jschmidt@diosteub.org.

Youth Group is back and ready to go!!

This year’s awesome program will be in the Angelus Center at the following dates and times:

- September 9th, 5th and 6th grades: 6:00pm to 7:30pm
- September 16th, 7th and 8th grades: 6:00pm to 7:30pm
- September 23rd - High School students: 6:00pm to 7:30pm

New this year!

We are starting 3rd and 4th grade Youth Group on September 17th. This will begin after school at 3:15pm and end at 4:30pm. Mrs. Imer will meet the students at the school and will walk with them to the Angelus Center for fun, food and prayer!

Mrs. Imer and the Parish Youth Group would like to say a special thank you to Ray Blust and the Knights of Columbus for their monetary donation that sponsored the Youth Group’s pool party. We are blessed to have the support of this organization! Thank you K of C!!

The Buildings & Grounds Committee and Denny Wilson would like to sincerely thank, from the bottom of our hearts, all those who worked so very hard restoring the St. Michael Parish School Playground. The following work warriors are hereby saluted!

- Joe Bourgo
- Kevin Kaufman
- Sandy, Doug and Caleb Pell
- Kelly Reasbeck
- Derek George
- Jason, Heather, Jacob and Levi Rine
- Brad, Megan, Claire, Benjamin and Anderson Phillips
- James Sayre
- Craig O’Leary
- Pat Duffy
- Fr. Bill Matheny
- Fr. Martin Smay
- Quentin Northcraft
- Matt and Johnna Hutnick
- Jim Kelly
- Timmy McCabe
- Ben Beckett
- Josh Brown
- Mike Rempe

There are a few other warriors who did not want to be mentioned. God bless all of you!
WHO WANTS TO BE A "HEAVENLY" MILLIONAIRE?

September 2, 2018

SAINTS

This carpenter has two main dreams related to his family; patron saint of fathers and of a happy death; feast day is March 19:
A. James
B. Joseph
C. Mark
D. Peter

Last week’s answer: The tabernacle does not have to be placed on the high altar in the sanctuary.

Pro Life Corner
Join USCCB’s Novena for Life: Fast & Pray Every Friday until September 28.
In addition to the current invitation to fast on Fridays, participants are encouraged to pray one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be for the intention of the novena. Participants will also be provided with weekly opportunities to learn more about Roe v. Wade, and share that information with their representatives. Get weekly reminders and information via text or email.

Important Contact Numbers
Pregnant and Need Help?
Northern Panhandle Gabriel Project: 304-639-5039
Birthright International: Helpline: 1-800-550-4900
Aim Women’s Center (Steubenville, OH): (740) 283-3636
Wellspring Pregnancy Center (Moundsville, WV): (304) 810-0292

Post Abortion Support
Rachel’s Vineyard: 877 HOPE 4 ME (877-467-3463)
Silent No More: 888-735-3448

St. Michael Parish is participating in the Spiritual Adoption Program. Think of a special name for the baby or babies that you will be spiritually adopting. More information, as well as the Spiritual Adoption pledge cards, will be available at all Masses.
Thank you! ~ Gretchen Wilson and the Pro-Life Committee

Get Ready for the Fall Book and Bake Sale
Saturday, September 29th, 8am-12 noon at the Angelus Center
If you have any books, magazines, DVDs, CDs, cassettes, and/or VHS tapes that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Parish Office during business hours, or call Gretchen Wilson at 304-280-1451 with any questions or if you have items which need to be picked-up.

St. Michael Kids’ Clothes and Toy Sale
The sale is on September 29 at the Angelus Center from 8:00-noon. You may drop off any items at school Sept. 24-28 during school hours or 4:00-7:00pm at the Angelus Center. Thank you for your help in this great project that benefits many!! Volunteers to help at the sale are always needed and appreciated.

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