

~ Parish founded in 1799 by the Servant of God, Father Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin ~
Parish church raised to the honor of a minor basilica by St. John Paul II in 1996

Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel

Home of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies and Prince Gallitzin Chapel House Trust



A parish of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown
Very Rev. Father John David Byrnes, JCL, JV, Rector
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PARISH DIRECTORY

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Our Lady of Loretto Hall Rental 886-4619
Bingo 471-2764

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick - upon request for the sick or homebound
Infant Baptism - please call the parish office to schedule preparation
Marriage - 9 months preparation needed please call the parish office
Christian Initiation of Adults - For adults interested in becoming Catholic, please call Cindy McMullen 471-6658
High School Confirmation Process - Celeste Stolz 472-9808 Sundays 846-5114

PARISH LIFE

Parish Council- Mrs. Mary Weiland 674-2631
Finance Council- Mrs. Meghan Freidhof 207-0104
Liturgical Music-Mr. Jonathan Nagy 244-1876
Altar&Rosary Society- Mrs. Maggie Biter 472-6064
Catholic Fraternal Organizations
Legion of Mary-Mrs. Mary Lessard 886-5489
Knights of Columbus-Mr. Bob Crusciel 243-9971
Secular Franciscans-Mrs. Betty Soisson 472-4667

MASS SCHEDULE

Fall/Winter/Spring

Sunday Vigil Mass: 4PM Saturday
Sunday Masses: 8:00AM and 10:00AM
Summer- Memorial Day to Labor Day
Sunday Vigil Mass: 4PM Saturday
Sunday Masses: 8:00AM and 7:00PM (Shrine)
Daily Mass
Monday - Wednesday 7:30AM Friday 8:45AM
Holy Days
See schedule in bulletin
Reconciliation (Confessions)
Saturdays 11:30 -12:30 or anytime by request



St. Michael
the **Archangel**
defend us
in battle

PRAYER

Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction - Holy Hour 6:00PM Wednesdays
Rosary for Vocations - 30 minutes prior to Sunday Mass
Devotions to Our Lady of Loretto-following 7:30AM Mass on Mondays
Parish Mission of Our Lady of Loretto - Fourth Week of Lent
Chaplet of Divine Mercy/ Rosary- 3PM Fridays

EDUCATION

St. Michael School Mrs. Rhonda Seymour 472-9117
Bishop Carroll Catholic High School Mr. Stephen Cotchen 472-7500
Religious Education Ms.Celeste Stolz 472-9808 Sundays 846-5114

CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Diocesan Website dioceseaj.org
Fr. Peter Crowe, Vocations Office 814-317-2681
Dorothy Day Center 472-3359
Catholic Charities Johnstown 535-6538 Altoona 944-9388
Crisis Pregnancy/Pro-Life 1-800-395-HELP www.optionline.org
National Suicide Prevention Hotline 1-800-273-8255
Away from Loretto on Sunday? 1-858-207-6277 or www.masstimes.org

October 3, 2021 – TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Oct. 3	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00AM Gerry Buck (Carol Hoover) 10:00 AM People of the parish
Monday, Oct. 4	St. Francis of Assisi 7:30AM Joe Krug-Ann. (Cindy & Pat Sheridan)
Tuesday, Oct. 5	Weekday 7:30AM Rita M. Farabaugh (family & friends)
Wednesday, Oct. 6	Weekday 7:30AM JoAnne Hoover -BD 6 PM Eucharistic Holy Hour with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, Oct. 7	Our Lady of the Rosary NO MASS
Friday, Oct. 8	Weekday 8:45AM Kathleen McDermott (family)
Saturday, Oct. 9	Vigil: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 PM People of the parish
Sunday, Oct. 10	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00AM Linda Smith (family) 10:00AM Charles & Emma Schwab – donors of St. Michael Church – October 10, 1899

This week the Sanctuary Candle burns for Rita Jane Farabaugh (Francie)



October, Mary's Month of the Holy Rosary
Respect Life Month!

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JOHN:

Dear Parish Family,



October is the Month of the Holy Rosary and the Month of Respect for all Human Life. There are many celebrations planned in our diocese and parish. All are invited today to the **ANNUAL MARIAN CELEBRATION FAMILY MASS AND ROSARY at 3 PM at St. Benedict Church 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown.** The theme is "Mary and the Year of Saint Joseph". The Principal Celebrant, will be Bishop Mark Bartchak and I will be concelebrating.

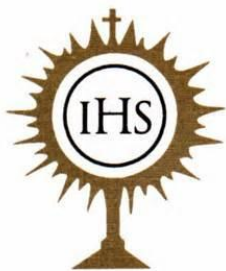
St. Michael School students will be praying the rosary this month, as well as having a special **Living Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies.** Next Sunday, I will lead our Religious Education students on a "**Rosary walk**" on our parish grounds during Religious Education time.

Freshmen Confirmation Retreat - On Sunday October 24 our parish high school Freshmen will participate in their Confirmation Retreat from **8 AM to 10 AM, concluding with our 10 AM Mass.** The theme is "**Living your Baptism.**" Thank you to **Bob Sutton**, Religion instructor at Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School, Altoona, for offering this retreat to our young people.

Fall Clergy Conference / Schedule Changes - On October 18/19 Monday afternoon-Tuesday I will be at the **Fall Clergy Conference** at Antiochian Village, Bolivar, PA. There will be **NO DAILY MASS** on October 19, 20,22. There will be **NO Wednesday Eucharistic Holy Hour on Wednesday October 20.** Fr. Richard Davis, TOR will be providing funeral coverage.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF SECOND GRADE (FIRST COMMUNION CLASS) – The **Parents & Second Grade First Penance Retreat and Meeting** will be held **Monday evening, October 25 at 7 PM** in our St. Michael School Hall. All are to attend, as we begin to prepare for this important sacrament. It would be helpful for both parents to attend this time together. I look forward to meeting with you!

Legion of Mary News: October is the month dedicated to Our Blessed Mother and the Rosary. The Legion of Mary members look forward to sharing the Rosary with our St. Michael School and Religious Education students. Thank you, Mrs. Seymour and Ms. Stolz, for inviting us to join the children in this beautiful tradition. Phone calls continue to our homebound parishioners. Please let us know if a family member or a friend would like to be included in the phone visits. For information about the Legion of Mary and our work at the Basilica, please call Mary 814-886-5489. Our Lady of Loretto, pray for us.



Weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations Wednesdays 6–7 PM

Begin a commitment to weekly prayer at Eucharistic Adoration! Spend some time with Jesus! 6 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, scripture, brief reflection, quiet prayer and adoration, Rosary or Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30 PM, prayers for vocations, quiet prayer, closing with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Our Deepest Sympathy Please remember in your prayers the families of Adam Lee and Betty Pryce who passed away recently. May God give their families the comfort and peace that they seek.



PRAYER LIST: June Riner, Mike Tresnicky, Alma Scanlan, Peggy Hanlon, Nancy Adams, Dale Zakowsky, Jeanine Farabaugh, Connie Wirfel, Zachary Karabinos, Susan Sekerak, Charlie Koegler, Mary Ann Baker, Ruth Biter, Debbie Risban, Tonikay Metzgar, Cyril Itle, Leona Noel, Harriet Stevens, The intentions of the Alumni Circle of Prayer, our Military, and the Sainthood cause of our founding Pastor, the Rev. Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin

LORETTO COMMUNITY

The family of Adam Lee would like to **extend our thanks** to all of you for your generosity, kindness and prayers at this difficult time. Special thanks to Father Byrnes, Knights of Columbus, Legion Honor Guard, and the Altar & Rosary Society. What a wonderful parish to be part of!

Cinnamon Rolls at the **Loretto American Legion**. October 2nd, 16th, 30th, and November 13th. Warm from the oven at 10:30AM until sold out. \$6.00 per pan. Thank you for your support!

The **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will meet on Wednesdays **Oct 6** and **Oct 20** at 3:00 pm in the Basilica basement. All are welcome to come stitch with us. If anyone needs a shawl or you know of anyone who needs a shawl, please contact Barb at (814) 472-9465.



Angel Tree: Hints of the upcoming holiday season are upon us as fall has arrived and temperatures begin to drop. Many families in our community need your help so their children may have a joyful and Merry Christmas.

The Angel Tree Committee is currently taking names of families with children who need assistance this year. If you need support from the Loretto Area Angel Tree this year, please call Dolly Little at 814-674-5078 or Julie Little at 814-243-8925 by **November 5, 2021**. If no answer, please leave a message and we will return your call. **If you would like to make a donation to the Angel Tree**, please make checks payable to "The Angel Tree Fund" and send to Julie Little, 344 Hoover Road, Loretto, PA 15940 or Dolly Little, 969 Columbia St. Loretto PA 15940.

The **Dorothy Day Outreach Center** is having their Bi-Annual Tag Sale on Saturday, **October 16th** from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM. The Tag Sale will be located in the Stokes Auxiliary Gym at Saint Francis University. Signage will be found on campus to help locate the gym. Feel free to call (814) 419-8679 with any questions.

St. Michael BINGO - Our Lady of Loretto Hall 471-2764 - **Admission Tuesday is \$20** Doors open at 5:30 - Regular Games begin at 7PM - **Admission Friday is \$25 - Friday** - Doors open at 6:30 Regular Games begin at 8PM. Fridays only... **Progressive number JACKPOT \$4,000!** Full Kitchen is open with nightly specials! Popcorn, coffee, tea, hot cocoa- FREE every night!!

Special Event Hall Rental Our Lady of Loretto Community Hall is available for dances, receptions, social events and more. The St. Michael School Hall can also be rented for a smaller occasion. Call Katie ~ 886-4619.

The **Knights of Columbus** will be sponsoring a **Luminaria Veterans Day Project** on November 11, 2021 in Loretto. The glowing bags are to honor all living and deceased veterans of the community. Luminaria bags are \$5.00 each with one name per bag. The bags will be placed around Our Lady of Loretto Shrine beside the Basilica. Luminaria bags can be purchased at the Loretto Legion, from any Knights of Columbus member, or your envelope can be placed in the collection. For more information Call Mike Zabrzski 814-322-7990

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Liturgical Ministries: October 4-10

ALTAR SERVERS: October 4-8

Mornings: October 4, 5, 6, 8 Travis Kubat, Molly Itle

Holy Hour Wednesday, October 6 6PM-7PM Maddison & Makenna Lee

October 9-10

4:00PM Alex Krug, Nicholas & Sam Wirfel

8:00AM Alivia, Elliot & Alena Nagle

10:00AM Connor & Meghan McMullen, Jude Koehle

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS October 9-10

4:00PM Diane Coposky

8:00AM Carol Hines

10:00AM Beth Talko

READERS: October 9-10

4:00PM Amy Krug

8:00AM Amy Dietrich

10:00AM Julia Wasser

MUSIC MINISTERS: October 9-10

ORGANISTS: 4PM Max 8AM Jonathan 10AM Jonathan
CANTORS: 4PM Mike & Vicki 8AM Ashley 10AM Monica

USHERS: October 9-10

4:00PM Braden Wherry

8:00AM Rick Smith

10:00AM Rich Clark



A special thank you to all of our ministers ~ including Altar Servers, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers, Ushers and Monday Morning Counters! Week after week, we are so grateful for your amazing generosity and dedication!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Electronic giving is a convenient, easy way to support the basilica. By giving electronically, you can give anywhere, anytime from your computer, set up recurring payments and never worry about bringing your checkbook or cash again. Visit our secure donation page at basilicasm-loretto.org to set up your online contribution.

October 3, 2021	Budget \$6,800	Retired Priests Medical \$227
Offertory \$3,843	Online Giving \$737	Total \$4,580
		Difference -\$2,220

Thank you for your generosity

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who supported our annual magazine and cookie dough fundraiser. All sales benefit all our students as the monies are used for educational supplies, technology upgrades, and special programs.

Thank you to everyone who purchased items from our Scholastic Book Fair. Proceeds directly benefit our school library. Your generosity has provided our students with new reading materials and encourages them to become lifelong readers. We want to thank Shea Lego, Rachel Beiswenger, DJ Gray, and Autumn Weakland for helping with this event.

Students and faculty will participate in a "Living Rosary" on Friday, October 8th at Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine @ 12:00 PM. All are welcome to join us as we honor our Mother in heaven, Mary.

The weekly winners of the Saint Michael School Football Ticket Fundraiser are posted on the school Facebook page and the school website.

Christmas Extravaganza tickets can be reserved now. Please call the school office at 814-472-9117 to reserve tickets. Tickets are also available through any Saint Michael School student.

The Cougar Cash Calendar for 2022 is available for purchase from any Saint Michael School student, school office, or the rectory.

Gift Cards from our "SCRIP" program will continue to be available for purchase throughout the school year by simply phoning the school office @ 472-9117 or by contacting Viki Krug @ 330-6566; Rachel Beiswenger @ 886-2633; or Joanne Pompa @ 886-9567 to place your orders. Advance orders are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your continued support!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

October 10-Rosary Walk on Basilica/ Shrine grounds. Family & friends are welcome! Dress for the weather of the day.

October 17-Classes

October 24-8:00-11:00am- Freshmen Retreat to include Sunday Mass; 9:00am - 9:55am. Classes for all Religious Education students

Be kind ❤️ Be a blessing for someone today 🙏

AROUND THE AREA

The Annual Citizens Concerned for Human Life (CCHL) Respect Life Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, October 23rd, 2021 at 9AM at the New Germany Grove Hall, 1635 New Germany Rd. Summerhill. We are delighted to have as our speaker this year Mr. Steve Deace. He is an author, activist and talk show host. Due to almost being a victim of abortion, Steve is a staunch supporter and defender of life. Come be inspired! Tickets for the breakfast are **\$10, advance sale only. For tickets or information please call Maggie Biter 814-472-6064.**

QUEEN OF PEACE BASKET AUCTION - Sunday, **October 10** Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, the drawings will be VIRTUAL ONLY this year, starting at 2 PM. The baskets will be displayed and tickets can be purchased in the UPPER LEVEL of the Parish Center: Thursday, October 7 from 6-8 PM - Friday, October 8 from 10 AM —2 PM - Saturday, October 10 from 10 AM —2 PM & after 5 PM Mass - Sunday, October 10 from 9 AM - 1:30 PM. No tickets sold after 1:30 PM. Baked goods and soup available for purchase. 25 tickets are \$5. Any questions, call Marsha at 814-674-5740.

The Church of the Transfiguration Fish Fries! We will be having our monthly Fish Fries **starting on Friday, October 8th** from 3:30p - 6:30p. We will be having DINE IN & TAKE OUT available. Please call (814)535-2698 to place your Take-Out order.