

~ 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 Prince Gallitzin Chapel House and the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies



A parish of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown
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MASS SCHEDULE

Fall/Winter/Spring
 Sunday Vigil Mass: 4PM
 Sunday Masses: 8:00AM and 10:00AM
Summer- Memorial Day to Labor Day
 Sunday Vigil Mass: 4PM
 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

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 - Ms. Celeste Stolz 472-9808 Sundays 846-5114

PRAYER

Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction – Holy Hour 6:00PM Wednesdays
 Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions- June 23 - 24 2019
 Rosary for Vocations – 20 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

PARISH LIFE

Parish Council- Mrs. Mary Weiland 674-2631
 Finance Council- Mr. Nick Byrne 419-9593
 Liturgical Music-Mr. Jonathan Nagy 244-1876
 Altar&Rosary Society- Mrs Maggie Biter 472-6064
Catholic Fraternal Organizations
 Legion of Mary-Mrs. Janet Zabrosky 472-6097
 Knights of Columbus-Mr. Bob Crusciel 243-9971
 Secular Franciscans-Mrs. Betty Soisson 472-4667

EDUCATION

St. Michael School Mrs. Renee Phister 472-9117
 Bishop Carroll Catholic High School Mrs. Lorie Ratchford 472-7500
 Religious Education Ms. Celeste Stolz 472-9808 Sundays 846-5114
Catholic Outreach
 Diocesan Website www.ajdiocese.org
 Vocations Office 695-5579 x2681
 Diocesan Family Life Office 886-5551
 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

NOVEMBER 18, 2018 – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

**Please note the Mass intentions as they have been changed/moved due to our Mass schedule change. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

<p>Sunday, Nov. 18</p> <p>Monday, Nov. 19</p> <p>Tuesday, Nov. 20</p> <p>Wednesday, Nov. 21</p> <p>Thursday, Nov. 22</p> <p>Friday, Nov. 23</p> <p>Saturday, Nov. 24</p> <p>Sunday, Nov. 25</p>	<p>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00AM People of the parish 10:00AM Spinner and Heiss families 6:30 PM Praise & Worship <i>Eucharistic Holy Hour with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p> <p>Weekday 7:30AM Lu Lessard (Cindy McMullen)</p> <p>Weekday 7:30AM Death of Captain Michael McGuire 11-17-1793 (Prince Gallitzin Historical Association) The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary/ St. Michael School Thanksgiving Mass 8:45 AM Matthew Kubat Jr. (family) NO 6 PM Weekly <i>Eucharistic Holy Hour</i></p> <p>Thanksgiving Day 9:00AM People of the parish</p> <p>Weekday 8:45AM Greg Kalwasinski (Vince Kalwasinski)</p> <p>Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe 4:00PM Buck Driskel –BD Remembrance (family)</p> <p>Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe 8:00AM Mary Motchenbaugh (Ron & Audrey Lee family) 10:00AM People of the parish</p>
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+ November- Month of All Souls + Happy Thanksgiving!

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JOHN:

Dear Parish Family,



**Tonight is our Eucharistic Adoration / Praise and Worship Night at St. Michael Basilica
Sunday November 18, 2018 at 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

Part of the Confirmation preparation for our young people is participating in a *Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration/Praise and Worship*. **This includes our Bishop Carroll and Penn Cambria students. Following tonight's Fall Confirmation Session (Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, 5:30 PM St. Michael School Hall) we will hold this Holy Hour at 6:30 PM in St. Michael Basilica.**

I have invited the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Charismatic Prayer Group to our parish for a lively, beautiful and prayerful evening. The prayer group will lead the Music Ministry, praise and worship, with a witness talk by a teenager, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

While this event is an opportunity for our teenagers, **All in the parish**, especially our **faithful Wednesday Adorers** are invited to this special night of prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Have you ever participated in Praise and Worship? Now is the time to experience it!

There will be NO EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR ON WEDNESDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 21.

St. Michael Catholic School Thanksgiving Mass- You are invited to join us for our school children's Mass Wednesday November 21 at 8:45 AM, as we celebrate Thanksgiving! Expect some "Native Americans" and "Pilgrims" among our primary school children!!



Thanksgiving Day Mass - will be celebrated at **9 AM** on November 22. There will be no collection taken on this day, but I would ask that everyone bring a non-perishable canned good (fruit, soup, vegetables, etc.) or dry good which will be placed in baskets at the altar **during the offertory**. All offering will be taken to the **Dorothy Day Center**. The Dorothy Day Center is always in need of boxed goods such as cereal, pasta, skillet meals (Hamburger Helper), macaroni & cheese, etc. Condiments are also very useful. Cake mixes, dessert mixes and cookie mixes are good to include with holiday selections.

Advent Communal Anointing of the Sick - As Advent approaches, I will be offering the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to our homebound parishioners. A Communal Anointing of the Sick Service will be offered in church on the **First Sunday of Advent (Dec. 1 -2)** for anyone who wishes to receive the Sacrament. For your convenience, I will offer the Sacrament following Sunday Masses. The service will include a brief Liturgy of the Word followed by Anointing of the Sick. You are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) prior to anointing (Saturdays at 11:30 AM).

When ?

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Saturday evening, **December 1** at 5 PM (immediately following 4PM Mass)
Sunday Morning **December 2** at 9 AM and at 11:00 AM (immediately following 8 AM Mass and 10:00 AM Mass).

Who may be anointed?

- 1) Those whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age.
- 2) Elderly people who have become notably weakened, even though no serious illness is present.
- 3) Before surgery
- 4) Those who have been anointed recently if their condition continues.
- 5) Those who suffer from chronic illnesses or mental illnesses at any age.

Readers/Lectors of the Word of God – Your Reader's Liturgical Workbooks for the Year 2019 are available in the sacristy. Thank you for your ministry at daily and weekend Masses!

A BIG Thank you – to all who donated mums, gourds, pumpkins, etc!!!! The basilica looks great for Autumn!!!

Legion of Mary – Our membership continues to grow! Meetings will be held **AT A NEW TIME!**

WEDNESDAYS FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY MORNING 7:30 AM MASS at Our Lady of Hope Meeting Hall in the home of Janet Zabrosky (251 St. Elizabeth St).

Memorandums for St. Michael Catholic School- I welcome families to see me after the 4 PM, 8 AM or 10 AM Sunday Masses to **discuss** and **sign** the yearly "**Memorandum of Understanding**." Please do not send the form to the parish office, but see me in person after any Sunday Mass throughout September and October and November.

The 2018 Catholic Ministries Drive “Making Christ A Home In Your Heart”- continues in our parish and all parishes throughout our diocese. Our **target** this year is **\$22,300**. **So far we have received \$16,182 towards our target goal. We are in need of \$6,118 to meet our goal.** Last year we raised over \$19,000. **I invite your generosity** to this drive which focuses on a select group of ministries which funds care for the poor through Catholic Charities, Marriage preparation and Family Life, education of future priests and seminarians’ formation, and youth programs such as Camp Timothy and Camp Zacchaeus. I ask that those families and individuals who have registered recently in the parish join our long-time parishioners in helping support the **2018 Catholic Ministries drive.**

PRAYER LIST Edna Eckenrode, Annette Farrell, Mary Lureen Scanlan, Ken Snowberger, Robert Ruffing, Betty Pryce, Emanuel Ruffing, Dorothy Knopp, Olivia McConnell, Jack McConnell, Toots Volk, Valerie Thomas, Luke Eckenrode, Edna McConnell, Christopher Ruffing, Tina Ruffing, The intentions of the Alumni Circle of Prayer, our Military, and the Sainthood Cause of our founding Pastor, the Rev. Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT Liturgical Ministries: November 19-25

(R) November 19, 20, 21 Nadine Callahan (EM) November 19, 20, 21 (if deacon is present, he assists)

ALTAR SERVERS: November 19-23

Mornings: November 19, 20, 21, 22-**Thanksgiving Day(9AM)**, 23(8:45AM) Belle Eckenrode, Logan Hoover
November 24-25

4:00PM Joshua Corcoran, Thomas Corcoran, Mark Mento
8:00AM Ralph Baughman, Mia Wyland, Hannah McMahan
10:00AM Connor McMullen, Meghan McMullen, Logan Krug

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Thanksgiving Day

9:00AM Vince & Jackie Kalwasinski

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION November 24-25

4:00PM Carol Hines, Bob Chumrik
8:00AM Diane Copenosky, Cindy McMullen
10:00AM Betty Soisson, Joan Krug

READER:Thanksgiving Day

9:00AM Bob Chumrik

READERS: November 24-25

4:00PM Carol Hines
8:00AM Cindy McMullen
10:00AM Kevin McConnell

MUSIC MINISTERS: November 24-25

ORGANISTS: 4PM Joel 8AM Jonathan 10AM Jonathan
CANTORS: 4PM Doug 8AM Monica 10AM Children’s Choir

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE Online Giving is available at basilicasm-loretto.org

October November 11, 2018
Offertory \$4,790 Online Giving \$657 Total \$5,447 Weekly Goal \$6,800 Difference -\$1,353

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported our **“Escape Room Project.”** Your patronage helped to raise over \$3,000 for our school! We express our **gratitude** to **Nick & Autumn Weakland** for initiating this project and providing our students with an educational, innovative, opportunity to utilize their creativity and ingenuity. We thank the following students and teachers for the giving or their time to bring the Escape Room to fruition: **Maya Baker, Nicholas Clark, Haley Gray, JoAnna Hoover, Jude Koehle, Michael Poorman, Colleen Barnett, Kayden McMullen, Alaina Toth, Miss Steinbugl, Mrs. Shaw, and Mrs. Toth.** Your commitment and dedication to the Escape Room project throughout its duration was exemplary and greatly appreciated.

We will be attending a special Thanksgiving liturgy as a school family on **Wednesday, November 21st @ 8:45 am.** All students will participate in the offertory procession as they offer food donations to benefit the Dorothy Day Outreach Center. All are welcome to join us as we praise God for all the blessings we have and continue to receive in our lives!

Students will be dismissed at **12:00 pm on Wednesday, November 21st**. Bus transportation **WILL** be provided. We will be following the modified bus schedule. Thanksgiving vacation includes November 22nd through November 26th. **Classes resume on Tuesday, November 27th.**

From our Saint Michael School Family to yours, we wish everyone a very **Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving** holiday!

Our **Children’s Choir** will be singing at the **10am Mass on Sunday, November 25th**. Choir members are to report to the choir loft by 9:45am. New members are always welcome!

A special **“thank you”** to all our **parishioners** who contribute to the support of our school through the weekly collection. Your **donations** are **greatly appreciated** and we are thankful for your support of Catholic education. **Thank you for being a blessing to our students!**

SCRIP Gift Cards are available **daily** from the school office. You may place your order by phoning the school office at 472-9117 or by contacting one of the following volunteers: **Viki Krug @ 330-6566; Rachel Beiswenger @ 886-2633; or Joanne Pompa @ 886-9567.** We are willing to make accommodations for our supporters. **Advance orders would be greatly appreciated.** If you have any questions, please contact us. Thank you for your continual support!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

WEEKLY REFLECTION: Mary, Queen of Sorrows, Pray for us!

November 18- Classes (Grades 1-8) **No morning classes for Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors Replaced by Fall Confirmation Session (5:30pm) Bob Sutton Retreat Master 6:30pm PRAISE & WORSHIP/ EUCHARISTIC ADORATION both held in the Basilica**
High school students are asked to bring food items to the retreat to benefit the Dorothy Day Outreach Center!

Parish families are welcome to attend the praise & worship service beginning at 6:30pm!

November 25 - No Classes (Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend) May your Thanksgiving be blessed with beautiful family memories!

December 9 - Classes (Grades 1-11)

December 13 - Thursday 7pm Advent Parish and Religious Education Penance Service/ grades 3-11 required

December 15 - SATURDAY Celebration of First Penance (Confessions) 10 am (Reception to follow in St. Michael's School Hall)

December 16 - Classes (Grades 1-11)

NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

CHOIR PRACTICE - We have begun preparing for Christmas! Choir practices are Sunday evenings at 6 PM. We will not practice on Sunday, November 18 due to the Praise and Worship Night. There is still plenty of time to join the choir for Christmas. Come for at least one practice and see if you like it!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT - The third annual Basilica Christmas Concert will be held on Friday, December 28 at 7 PM. The concert will feature the Saint Michael School choir, La Bella Musica String Quartet, and the Basilica choir, singing a compilation of Christmas arrangements. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us!

LORETTO COMMUNITY

Blood Drive at Our Lady of Loretto Community Hall. Thursday, **December 6th** 2:30-7PM

The **Loretto Angel Tree** committee has placed an Angel Tree in the church and also one at Smithmyer's Superette. Please select a girl or boy angel from the tree. Purchase a gift for the child and return by **December 2nd** with the angel securely attached to the gift wrapped package. The Angel Tree benefits children in the Loretto - Munster Community.

*Cash donations to the Angel Tree Organization would be greatly appreciated and can be sent to Dolly Little (674-5078) 969 Columbia St., Loretto or Julie Little (243-8925) 344 Hoover Road, Loretto. Please make checks payable to "Angel Tree Organization." Thank you for your generosity.

The Basilica PRAYER SHAWL Ministry will meet Wed **Nov. 28** at 3:00pm in the Basilica Hall. Everyone interested in stitching or quilting shawls for the elderly, the ill, babies or anyone who knows of someone who needs or wants a shawl is welcome to join us to stitch and pray. Call 472-9465

St. Michael BINGO - Our Lady of Loretto Hall 471-2764 - \$20 Admission both nights **Tuesday** -Doors open at 5:30 Games begin at 7PM **Friday** -Doors open at 6:30 Games begin at 8pm. 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.

AROUND THE AREA

White Christmas in Concert at Saint Francis University - Based on the beloved, timeless film starring Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney, this heartwarming musical adaptation features seventeen Irving Berlin songs and a book by David Ives and Paul Blank. White Christmas is an uplifting musical for all ages! The event will be held on Saturday, December 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the John F. Kennedy Auditorium in Loretto. Ticket price: Adults \$20.00; Students \$7.00. Reserve your seat at <http://stage.francis.edu/sfuconcertseries/>

St Nicholas Parish invites you to our breakfast on Sunday, **November 18th**, from 6:30am till 12 Noon (or until sold out) in the Church Hall, 203 St Henry Street, Nicktown PA, The price for adults is \$8.00, children 5-12 is \$4.00, children under 4 are free.