

~ 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
Very Rev. Father John David Byrnes, JCL, JV, Rector
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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

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

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. Mary Lessard 886-5489

Knights of Columbus-Mr. Bob Crusciel 243-9971

Secular Franciscans-Mrs. Betty Soisson 472-4667

June 2, 2019 – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 2	Seventh Sunday of Easter 8:00AM Arch & Katie Fox (family) 7:00PM People of the parish
Monday, June 3	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions 7:30AM Leonard Hogue (Shirley Hogue) 8:45AM Last day of school Mass
Tuesday, June 4	Easter Weekday 7:30AM Bill Hines (Jan Burley)
Wednesday, June 5	St. Boniface 7:30AM Rosemary Wyland (Raymond & Patricia Link) 6 PM Weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, June 6	Easter Weekday NO MASS (Mass at Carmelite Monastery@7:45 AM)
Friday, June 7	Easter Weekday 8:45AM George Stock-Anniversary (Ronald & Ann Vena)
Saturday, June 8	Vigil: Pentecost Sunday 4:00PM Joey Wyland (Mag & Dave Weiland)
Sunday, June 9	Pentecost Sunday 8:00AM People of the parish 7:00PM Matthew Kubat Jr. (family)

+ EASTER SEASON 2019 +

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JOHN:

Dear Parish Family,

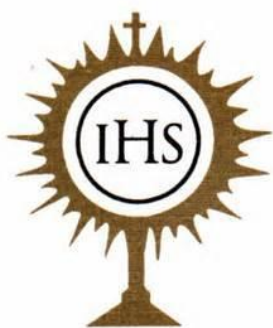
May Days - Many thanks to our **May Days Committee** for their tireless work and commitment to making this fundraiser a success! The time and preparation that they have put into this event has not gone unnoticed! We are all thankful! The event raised over **\$20,000** towards the debt on Our Lady of Loretto Community Hall!

Our **RESCHEDULED Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** will be held this **THURSDAY, JUNE 6 at 6:30PM** in the basilica hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend! All **Council members** and **Committee Chairs** are to attend. **Committee Chairpersons** will offer a brief report on their committee's work and projects. In this way, we see all that is happening in our parish and work in an orderly way.

Members of our **2018-2019 Parish Council** are – Fr. Byrnes, pastor, Mary Weiland, chair, Sherry Lokesak, secretary, Bob Chumrik, Donna Schenk, Cindy McMullen, Michele Poorman, Sharon Biter, Joan Krug, Julie Crusciel, Ashley Kubat (High School/Youth Representative), Leslie Conrad, Jackie Kalwasinski, Jenny Strittmatter, Renee Phister (ex officio St. Michael School Principal) and Committee Chairs (**Finance** – Nick Byrne, **Stewardship** – Theresa Lysic **Maintenance**- Craig Weiland **Liturgy** – Jonathan Nagy **Christian Service** – Celeste Stolz **Education & Evangelization** – Deacon Golden **Outdoor Mass** – Steve Hogue **Father Gallitzin Heritage** – Frank & Betty Seymour **Life & Family** – inactive

Come Holy Spirit! - Sunday June 9 is Pentecost Sunday, the “birth” of the Church empowered by the Holy Spirit and the final celebration of the Easter Season. To celebrate, we would like to revive our parish tradition to **GO RED**. Will you help? You are welcome to **WEAR** something Red (June 8 and 9) to Mass on Pentecost Sunday! I will select new members for our Parish Pastoral Council at the Pentecost Vigil Mass.

Congratulations - to our Eighth-Grade students who graduated from **St. Michael Catholic School** last Wednesday evening, May 23! Congratulations to all our young people who have graduated from Bishop Carroll, Penn Cambria, Bishop Guilfoyle and Central Cambria. **Well Done! God Bless You!**



40 HOURS EUCHARISTIC DEVOTIONS June 23-24

More than two centuries ago, the Servant of God, Father Demetrius Gallitzin first made it possible for our Eucharistic Lord to reside here in the tabernacle. Father Gallitzin had great devotion to the Eucharist. In the late 1800's, Bishop John Neumann of Philadelphia (now St. John Neumann) made a concerted effort to spread the practice of the “Forty Hours” Eucharistic devotion. **This devotion, which had existed for some time in Europe, was described by St. Charles Borromeo as being the length of time Jesus spent in the tomb, overnight prayer, so that Catholics could adore the Lord in a way that helped them enter more deeply into the Paschal Mystery, over a particular two or three days in their parish.** Though the devotion had taken place here and there in the young United States, St. John launched the formal 40 Hours devotion in 1853 in Philadelphia, and the next parish to embrace it was St. Aloysius in Cresson. **St. Michael's began the practice soon after. In 2017 we revived this important devotion.**

I invite you to be a part of this summer retreat! **Please sign up for some time of Eucharistic adoration, especially our night hours! A sign –up booklet is located next to our Prayer Intention book on the stand in the center of the basilica.** We will begin the **40 Hours Eucharistic Devotions** following the **7 PM Outdoor Mass on Sunday** evening June 23. At the end of Mass, all will process from the Shrine with the Blessed Sacrament into the basilica. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue in the basilica **all night**, and **all day** Monday June 24. **We need adorers to be present all through the night and day.**

The time of adoration will conclude with our **7 PM Sung Evening Prayer** on Monday evening June 24. The prayer will include a **closing Eucharistic procession**, past the Chapel House, to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies, with **Benediction** of the Blessed Sacrament at the outdoor altar. **All the children of the parish are invited to take part in the procession!** Homilist for the 40 Hours (Sunday night, Monday night) will be **Father Brian Warchola**, Administrator of St. Michael Parish, St. Michael, PA.

40 Hours Procession Practice - We will need to prepare for our Monday Evening 40 Hours Eucharistic Procession. We will hold a practice **Thursday June 20 at 6:30 PM.** All involved with the procession (Altar servers, K of C, torch bearers, First Communion class, etc. are to attend! **More to Come!!**

Legion of Mary News-We welcome men and women to join our group to meet and pray, socialize, and serve our parish visiting the homebound. For information call Mary 886-5489. As members, we gather before the weekend Masses, including the Sunday evening Shrine Mass, to recite the rosary for the intention of an increase in vocations in our parish and diocese. Please consider joining. Our Lady of Loretto pray for us.

PRAYER LIST: Harriet Stevens, Dan Biter, Edgar McCloskey, Stan Mattix, John Ulsh, Kaitlyn Davis, Cory Hall, Jack Farrell, Annette Farrell, Edna Eckenrode., Mary Lureen Scanlan, Ken Snowberger, Robert Ruffing, Betty Pryce, Emanuel Ruffing, 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: June 3-9

(R) June 3, 4, 5 Nadine Callahan

(EM) (if deacon is present, he assists)

ALTAR SERVERS: June 3-7

Mornings: June 3, 4, 5, 7 Logan Hoover, Michael Poorman

Holy Hour Wednesday, June 5 6PM -7PM Trevor Fahr, Logan Hoover

June 8-9

4:00PM Mia Wyland, Nicholas & Sam Wirfel

8:00AM Ashley, Alec & Travis Kubat

7:00PM Haley, Austin & Kiley Gray

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION June 8-9

4:00PM Bob Chumrik, Carol Hines

8:00AM Nadine Callahan, Pennie Wyland

7:00PM Mary Lessard, Joan Krug

READERS: June 8-9

4:00PM Carol Hines

8:00AM Pennie Wyland

7:00PM Joan Krug

MUSIC MINISTERS: June 8-9 ORGANISTS: 4PM Jonathan 8AM Joel 7:00PM Jonathan

CANTORS: 4PM Monica 8AM Doug 7:00PM Stephanie

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Online Giving is available at basilicasm-loretto.org

May 26, 2019

Offertory \$4,650

Online Giving \$662

Total \$5,312

Weekly Goal \$6,800

Difference -\$1,488

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWS

Our Week #6 Cougar Lotto winner was Scarlet Diehl. She held the winning ticket numbers for all three prize awards. Congratulations and thank you for supporting Saint Michael School!



We wish the best of luck to our 8th Grade students who graduated during a special Mass on Friday, May 31st, 2019: Maya Baker, Nicholas Clark, Haley Gray, Joanna Hoover, Jude Koehle, and Michael Poorman. Our hope is that the time our 8th Grade students have spent here at Saint Michael School has prepared them well and that they continue to reflect Christ to all those they meet. We thank Mrs. Grata, Miss Steinbugl, and Mrs. Shaw for their dedication in preparing these students for their future. We are very proud of their accomplishments and wish everyone continued success.



Our Kindergarten students graduated during a special ceremony on Saturday, June 1st, 2019. We congratulate Larissa Clapper, Alexzander Eckenrode, Kaleb Freidhof, Ella Klatt, Bryce Kline, Kylie Kubat, Alexander Little, Giuliana Riccella, Rory Weakland, and Ariya Williams. We thank Mrs. Dietrich for all her hard work in preparing her students for their commencement and first grade.

Thank you to all our parents, teachers, staff members, students, and parishioners who assisted with our kindergarten and eighth grade graduations. We greatly appreciated your generous donations, the giving of your time and for making these celebrations so special for our students!



The last day of school for our students is Monday, June 3rd. We will celebrate Mass @ 8:45am one last time as a school family before summer vacation. All are welcome to join us! Students will be dismissed following Mass at approximately 10 am. Students will be dismissed through the doors closest to the cafeteria. Each classroom teacher will escort their class outside for dismissal.

“BINGO!” In collaboration with Vale Wood Farms Summer Jubilee, Saint Michael School has partnered with Vale Wood to host the “COW PATTY BINGO!” Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Festivities will be held on Sunday, June 2nd from 11 am – 6 pm. Prizes are as follows: First Plop- \$100; Second Patty - \$150; Third Cow Patty - \$250; and the Last Plop of the day - \$500. Winners need not be present to win! Tickets can be purchased from any school family, through the school office or at the Jubilee. Thank you in advance for your support!

We extend a sincere “Thank You” to all our school families, students, faculty, staff, parishioners, Father Byrnes, and members of our community for their support throughout this past school year. We are very blessed to be a part of such a wonderful caring community of individuals that support Catholic education. Thank you for making Saint Michael School a special place! When counting our blessings, you all are among them. Have a safe, enjoyable, and prayer filled summer! See you on August 22, 2019.

Gift Cards from our “SCRIP” program will continue to be available for purchase throughout the summer 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 would be greatly appreciated. We are happy to accommodate your schedule for pick up. If you have any questions, please contact us. Thank you for your continual support!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Shrine Masses have begun. Volunteers are needed each weekend of the summer through Labor Day weekend. The set-up begins at 6:00p.m. by the garage. Please consider spending a few hours in this outdoor ministry.

Looking ahead...teachers will be needed in the fall for the Religious Education program. Clearances must be completed by the beginning of the school year which will be after Labor Day weekend. Call Celeste Stolz, DRE, if you are interested in becoming a member of the Religious Education team.

Have a safe, relaxing summer!

NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

LORETTO COMMUNITY



Loretto Community Blood Drive at Our Lady of Loretto Hall
Thursday, June 6 2:30PM -7PM

Thank you! Thank you! The May Days Committee would like to thank everyone who helped with the May Days Fundraiser! Special thanks to our sponsors and workers, to everyone who donated baskets – money – gift cards and cakes. This event cannot be successful without you! Special thanks to Mag Weiland for running the Cinch Tournament. The profit from this event was approximately \$20,000. Helping to make Our Lady of Loretto Hall payment is our goal! All of you who attended helped make this possible!! Thank you!

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.

AROUND THE AREA

The Cresson Presbyterian Church will hold its Strawberry Festival June 9 from 4 to 6:30 pm at the corner of Keystone Ave and Third Street. The Festival features generous portions of strawberry shortcake with vanilla ice cream and a silent auction. Bruce Schettig will share his musical talents. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 10.