

~ 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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Parish Administrative Assistant- Mrs. Sherri Krug
Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 8:30AM-4:00PM
Father John Byrnes email jbyrnes@dioceseaj.org
Diocesan phone 695-5579
Our Lady of Loretto Hall Rental 886-4619
Bingo 471-2764

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

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

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

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-Vince Kalwasinski 241-1712
Secular Franciscans-Mrs. Betty Soisson 472-4667

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 419-8695
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

July 31, 2022 – EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 31 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM Adam Lee (Ron & Audrey Lee family)
7:00PM People of the parish

Monday, August 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori
7:30AM Dorothy & Russell Itell (family)

Tuesday, August 2 Weekday
7:30AM Jeanne Seymour (family)

Wednesday, August 3 Weekday
7:30AM Bob Haid (Dolly Haid)
6 PM Eucharistic Holy Hour with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, August 4 St. John Vianney
NO MASS (Mass at Carmelite Monastery@7:45 AM)

Friday, August 5 Weekday
8:45AM Maurice Rice Jr. (Catherine Foor)

Saturday, August 6 Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM DeeDee Weiland (Mag & Dave Weiland)

Sunday, August 7 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM Scott Hanlon (family)
7:00PM People of the parish

Sunday Mass posted to **FACEBOOK** at 11:15 AM

This week the Sanctuary Candle burns for Archie & Eleanor Krug

SUMMER 2022

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JOHN:

Dear Parish Family,

Christian Initiation of Adults - Do you know someone who wishes to become Catholic? **It is time to begin preparation for the inquiry stage for those who wish to explore this possibility.** If you, your spouse, or a friend/neighbor is interested in beginning or renewing your relationship with Jesus, learning more about the Roman Catholic Church and joining in our life of prayer and service at St. Michael Basilica, through the **Christian Initiation of Adults** you are welcome to call me (472-8551) here at the rectory or call our Director of Christian Initiation, Cindy McMullen (471- 6658). **An inquiry session will be held in September.**

Outdoor Masses at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies- will continue through Labor Day weekend, September 4, 2021. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

Special Shrine Masses this Summer....

Bishop's Outdoor Mass for Recently Graduated and College Students is NEXT WEEKEND (Aug 7) - Bishop Mark will celebrate the annual outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college, work or military and their families at our **Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine at 7 PM on Sunday August 7.** Bishop Mark will offer a special blessing to the students. Recent graduates entering the workforce or the military are also welcome. Bring your own lawn chair. If it rains, the Liturgy will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel.

“First Mass at the Shrine” of Fr. Brian Norris, newly ordained priest (August 28)

The historic **Prince Gallitzin Chapel House**, next to the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine, will be open on the following Sunday afternoons from 3:00 – 6:00 PM for self-guided tours, pilgrimages, and visits:

July 31, August 14 and 28

Endowment Income Received - We recently received an annual distribution of **\$451.94** from the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel Parish Endowment Fund. It is administered by the Independent Catholic Foundation in Altoona, which has become the largest charitable foundation in Central PA with an investment portfolio % aligned in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. For more information, visit www.icfoundation.us or call (814) 201-2080.



**Weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations
Wednesdays 6-7 PM**

Renew your 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.

Legion of Mary News: Several members of our Legion of Mary group recently brought the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to the home of one of our homebound parishioners. Our visit included praying the Rosary and other prayers welcoming the image of the Blessed Mother to the home. It was rewarding to experience the pleasure our visit brought to our elderly parishioners. We are willing to visit the homes of our parishioners unable to join us at Mass. Please let us know of anyone who would enjoy this short time with our Legion of Mary group. For information about the Legion of Mary, or to schedule a home visit, please call Mary 814-886-5489. Our Lady of Loretto pray for us.

PRAYER LIST: Please remember our parishioners and friends who are in need of our prayers: Raymond Bender, Drew Lysic, Luke Eckenrode, Rose Ann Servinsky, Eleanor Strittmatter, Jeanna Karabinos, Judith Lesko, Zach Mento, Robert Haid, Marco J. Jardina, Barry Krug, Robert Ruffing, Rod Eckenrode, Brother Gene Thomas, MSC, Stan Mattix, Mike Tresnicky, Alma Scanlan, Peggy Hanlon, Nancy Adams, Dale Zakowsky, Susan Sekerak, Charlie Koegler, Mary Ann Baker, Ruth Biter, Cyril Itle, Leona Noel, Harriet Stevens, our Military, and the Sainthood cause of our founding Pastor, the Rev. Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin

LORETTO COMMUNITY

Please join us for **PRAYERS FOR OUR COUNTRY** at 3pm in the Basilica on Fridays. We pray the Divine Mercy and the four mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary for the intentions of the protection, healing and safety of our country. **All are invited to join us and pray all or part of our hour of prayer.**



EVENING FOR WIDOWS: Our July gathering was filled with conversation and laughter, balanced by some somber moments. The meal was delicious too! The next covered dish evening is **August 27th** following the 4PM Saturday evening Mass, at Mary Lessard's home. All parish widows are welcome to share this time together! For information and/or directions please call Mary at 814-886-5489.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - if anyone wishes to have a prayer shawl or knows of anyone who needs a prayer shawl, please contact Barb at (814) 472-9465.

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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Liturgical Ministries: August 1-7

ALTAR SERVERS: August 1-5

Mornings: August 1, 2, 3, 5 Jude Koehle, Hannah McMahon
Holy Hour Wednesday, August 3 6PM -7PM Maddison & Makenna Lee

August 6-7

4:00PM Alexzander Eckenrode, Hannah & La'Ryah McMahon
 8:00AM Nicholas & Bennett Clark, Colin Beiswenger
 7:00PM Logan & Zac Krug, Alex Krug, Michael Poorman, Ralph Baughman

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: August 6-7

4:00PM Carol Hines
 8:00AM Mason Beiswenger
 7:00PM Joan Krug, Cindy McMullen, Jeff & Beth Talko

READERS: August 6-7

4:00PM Carol Hines
 8:00AM Kevin McConnell
 7:00PM Amy Krug

MUSIC MINISTERS: August 6-7

ORGANISTS: 4:00PM Max

8AM Jonathan

7:00PM Jonathan

CANTORS: 4:00PM Monica

8AM Jonathan

7:00PM Adult & Children's Choir

USHERS: August 6-7

4:00PM Braden Wherry/volunteers
 8:00AM Kayden McMullen/volunteers
 7:00PM Ken/volunteers

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

VANCO

Join the over 50 parishioners currently giving online.

Visit our website to sign up and begin contributing automatically to the parish. You can use your checking account or credit card and the funds will be automatically transferred to our parish bank account. The Vanco system is safe and convenient and you can make changes any time. By giving electronically you can set up recurring payments on a schedule that suits you. Visit our secure donation page at **basilicasm-loretto.org** to set up your online contribution.

July 24, 2022	Goal \$6,800			
Offertory \$4,498	Online Giving \$1,306	Total \$5,804	Difference -\$996	

Thank you for your generosity

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

2022 Summer Office Hours Tuesday and Wednesday 8:00 - 12:00

Other days by appointment only

Endowment Income Received - We recently received an annual distribution of **\$780.46** from the Sister Evangelista Strohmer Scholarship Endowment Fund. It is administered by the Independent Catholic Foundation in Altoona, which has become the largest charitable foundation in Central PA with an investment portfolio % aligned in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. For more information, visit www.icfoundation.us or call (814) 201-2080.

Our Saint Michael School NFL Extravaganza football tickets are on sale now in the school. If you would like to purchase a ticket, please call the school office to reserve your tickets today!

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. Thank you for your continual support!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wishing you a safe and fun summer!



See you September 11th.



Volunteers Needed

Volunteer clearances must be completed before Religious Education classes begin on September 11.

Call Celeste for information 814-472-9808.

AROUND THE AREA

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

A dynamic and inspiring Catholic speaker will headline the upcoming Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown women's conference "Women Find Strength in Christ" on **September 10, 2022**, at Holy Name Parish in Ebensburg. Kelly Walquist, founder of WINE: Women in the New Evangelization, will be the keynote speaker. Also presenting will be Deanne Miller and Colleen Scariano, co-founders of SoulCore, a movement that nurtures a body and soul through prayer and core strengthening exercises. The conference includes Eucharistic Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and lunch. The cost is only \$10 per person. Please register online at dioceseaj.org or pick up a hard copy registration form at any parish and mail the form and a check to the diocese. **The deadline for reservations is August 31.**

St. Augustine Church Picnic - St. Augustine Catholic Church, Dysart, Pa, is holding their Annual Church Picnic on **Sunday, August 7th**. The picnic will feature a Chicken BBQ dinner with homemade noodle soup served take-out style from 11:00 AM to sold out. Cost of the dinner is \$14.00. Enjoy your dinner on the grounds while visiting with friends and family. There will be kids' games, theme baskets, bingo, and raffles. Please join us and enjoy a day made for fellowship and memories. Thank you.

Day of Recollection: Saturday, August 13th at Mount Saint Ann Retreat Center 1120 N. Center Street, Ebensburg, PA. Spiritual Director, The Rev, Jude W. Brady, OSB From St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, PA. To reserve a place call the Sisters of Saint Ann, 814-472-9354 or email: sistersann35@gmail.com