

Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel

Loretto PA

PARISH LIFE & Religious Education Calendar 2023-2024

St. Michael School Calendar available at www.st-michael-school.org or www.basilicasm-loretto.org

Religious education on Sundays 9:00 – 9:55 AM *classes are dismissed at 9:55 AM*

September 10 classes (grades 1-11) - *blissing of children in St. Michael's School Hall*

September 17 classes

September 24 classes **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OPENING MASS 10:00 AM** attendance by grades 1- 11 required

October 1 All participate in October "Rosary walk" with Father and faculty on grounds of Shrine to Chapel House. Parents welcome!

October 8, 15, 22 classes

October 29 classes, **8:30 AM Freshmen Confirmation Retreat** at St. Michael's Basilica (10 AM Sunday Mass included)

November 2 All Souls Day Mass 7:00 PM reception in Basilica Hall for families who have lost a loved one this year

November 4 St. Michael School **CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA 5 PM doors open**

November 5,19

classes

November 12 classes (grades 1-8) **NO CLASSES FOR FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS grades 9-11 replaced by**

FALL CONFIRMATION SESSION Eucharistic Adoration/ Praise and Worship 6:00 PM in Basilica

November 26 **NO CLASSES, THANKSGIVING VACATION**

December 3, 10 classes

December 12 Tuesday 7 PM **ADVENT PARISH AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PENANCE SERVICE**

(Confessions/ 9 priests) Attendance by grades 3-11 required

Dec. 17, 24, 31 (NO CLASSES, CHRISTMAS VACATION) *Students participate in Christmas liturgies with their families*

December 27 Tentative St. Michael's Basilica Youth and Adult Choir Christmas Concert 6 PM

January 7, 14, 21, 28 classes

February 4, 11 classes

February 18 **NO CLASSES, Presidents' Day Holiday Weekend**

February 25 classes (grade 1-8) **9 AM SPRING CONFIRMATION SESSION (10 AM Sunday Mass included) grades 9-11**

March 3 classes

March 10-14 **ANNUAL LENTEN MISSION OF OUR LADY OF LORETTO**

March 10 **NO CLASSES replaced by 7 PM Opening of Mission Prayers/Benediction** Attendance by ALL grades

Required! **Confessions** for students and parishioners following services (9 priests)

March 17 **MEN'S TURKEY DINNER (NO CLASSES)**

March 24, 31 (NO CLASSES, EASTER VACATION) *Students participate in Holy Week liturgies with their families*

Parish Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Knights of Columbus following 10:00 Mass on Easter Sunday March 31

April 7,14,21 classes

April 13 St. Michael School **MONEY MADNESS 5 PM doors open**

April 28 **Parking Lot Full of Prayer /Rosary- Last Day of Religious Education**

May 12 **May Crowning with First Communicants, Altar& Rosary, Legion of Mary at 10:00 AM Mass**

FIRST PENANCE / FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION (ST. MICHAEL AND PENN CAMBRIA STUDENTS)

Sunday October 22 Parents & 2nd Grade 1st Penance Retreat (meeting following attendance at 10 AM Mass)

Saturday December 9 **Celebration of First Penance (Confessions) 10 AM**

Friday May 3 Practice for First Communion class 7 PM (St. Michael & Penn Cambria students)

Sunday May 5 **First Holy Communion Mass 10:00 AM** (followed by First Communion photos)

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION (BISHOP CARROLL, PENN C, CENTRAL C, CAMBRIA H STUDENTS)

FRESHMEN

Monday September 25 Parents/Freshmen Introductory Session 7 PM St. Michael's School Hall

Sunday October 29 **8:30 AM Freshmen Confirmation Retreat** at St. Michael's Basilica (10 AM Sunday Mass included)

Sunday November 12 **FALL CONFIRMATION SESSION Eucharistic Adoration /Praise and Worship (6:00 PM)**

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Sunday February 25 **9 AM SPRING CONFIRMATION SESSION (10 am Sunday Mass included)**

SOPHOMORES

Sunday November 12 **FALL CONFIRMATION SESSION Eucharistic Adoration /Praise and Worship (6:00 PM)**

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Sunday February 25 **9 AM SPRING CONFIRMATION SESSION (10 AM Sunday Mass included)**

Saturday April 13 **Sophomore Confirmation Retreat "Parables/Gifts of the Spirit/In the Footsteps of Father Gallitzin"** at St. Michael's Basilica/Chapel House/School Hall (Sunday Mass included)

JUNIORS

Saturday, September 16 **Junior Confirmation Retreat** at St. Francis University

Sunday November 12 **FALL CONFIRMATION SESSION Eucharistic Adoration /Praise and Worship (6:00 PM)**

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Sunday February 25 **9 AM SPRING CONFIRMATION SESSION (10 AM Sunday Mass included)**

Tuesday April 23 **Confirmation Rehearsal** for Juniors and Sponsors (Please be at the Basilica at 6:00 PM)

Wednesday April 24 **Confirmation Mass 7 PM** (Please be in Basilica Hall by 6:00 PM)

Parish Pastoral Council Meetings - Basilica Hall 6:30 PM

Sundays September 17, November 19, January 21, April 14, Monday June 24

Parish Finance Council Meetings - Rectory 6:30 PM

Tuesdays September 12, November 14, January 16, April 9, June 18