

Parish Mission

Called by God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and blessed with warm, committed people, we recognize and accept our responsibility for building up the body of Christ, so we:

- Gather as loving disciples of Jesus in strong liturgical life, Are a hospitable parish where all are made to feel welcome. Foster vibrant family life.
- Nourish the individual and communal
- dimensions of our Catholic faith in all our members.
- Share the gifts we have received from the Holy Spirit in loving outreach to all people.

Enlightened by the Word of God, we seek to carry out this Mission through annual and long-range planning, open communication and consultation, and generous and sacrificial sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

Therefore, offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to His service and pleasing to Him. (Romans 12:1)



Mass Schedule

Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:00 P.M. Sunday 8:00 A.M.; 10:30 A.M.; 12:00 P.M.

Holy Days: (Except Christmas and New Year's) Holy Day: 9:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. *NOTE: Large Church equipped for the Hearing Impaired. Smoke-free environment inside all buildings: handicapped accessible.*

Daily Mass: 9:00 A.M. (Small Church)

Wedding Anniversary Mass: First Saturday of each month for those married in that month: 9:00 A.M. (Small Church)

Phones

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New Parishioners/Registration Request					
We welcome you to St. Michael's Parish. May we suggest that you pick up a registration packet at the Church or call the office to register. To receive The Catholic Review, please call the Parish Office. The use of Church envelopes is the responsible way to support your parish. We respectfully request every parishioner to use the envelope system in their sacrificial giving. Please phone the necessary information to the parish office, if you change your address or telephone.					
Name	Check: New Registration Change of Name				
Street	Change of AddressMoving out of Parish				
Phone Zip	Please cut out and drop in the Collection Basket or mail to Parish Office.				

Sacraments

Baptism: To arrange for the Baptism of your child, call the Pastor at the Rectory. Preparation class is held by Deacon Cliff Britton on the second Monday of the month. To pre-register for class, email: clbritton@verizon.net or call (240) 461-0974. Godparents should also attend these sessions or the equivalent at their own parish.

Reconciliation: Each Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 P.M. in the large church. Additionally, by private appointment with your parish priest.

Marriage: Arrangements are to be made six (6) months prior to the Wedding. Marriage preparation is necessary. Please call the Rectory.

Sick or Infirm: If anyone is sick or unable to attend Mass, please call the Rectory so that arrangements can be made for a Pastoral Visit, Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick.

R.C.I.A.: Unbaptized adults and baptized non-Catholics who just want to inquire about or be received into the Catholic Church as well, may call Stacey Ford (410) 489-7667, ext. 102

Adult Confirmation: Catholic Adults (18 yrs. and older) who want to prepare for Confirmation may call Stacey Ford (410) 489-7667, ext. 102

Religious Education

Religious Education Classes - October - April

Pre-school - (Ages 3 & 4) - Sunday 9:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M.

Grades K-8 - Sunday 9:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M.

Grades 1-8 - Tuesday 7:00 P.M. to 8:15 P.M.

Family Program - 3rd Wednesday 7:00 P.M. to 8:15 P.M. Every other month starting September.

Organizations/Committees

AA: Meets each Monday 7 - 8:00 P.M. Room A007. Kevin (410) 489-7674

Bingo: Al Cerrone (301) 829-6912.

Healthcare Ministry: Linda Petro (301) 829-6067

Knights of Columbus: Dale Solarz, Grand Knight: (443) 742-5500 or dalesolarz@verizon.net; Ladies Auxiliary: Mary Jane Brett, President: (410) 795-6239. Fr. Michael J. McGivney Assembly: Will Barber (301) 829-0111.

Mens Club: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month 7:30 P.M. in Room B123. Phil Abel, President: (301) 854-6287.

Music Ministries:

Adult Choir/Childrens Choir: Judy Turner (410) 489-7667, ext. 103 Contemporary Music Group: Karen Courtney (410) 489-0704

Pastoral Council: Meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in Classroom A-122. Jay Sedgwick, President: (301) 829-4791.

Pastoral Visitors: Meet 3rd Sunday of every other month 9:10 A.M. in the Children's Chapel. Coordinator: Margie D'Valle: (410) 442-2125.

Prayer Network:

Please write prayer intentions on the list found in the church narthex, or contact Lynn Marion at GodHearsAllPrayers@gmail.com.

Respect Life: Co-Chairs Katie Baran (202) 277-2841 or kateswanson24@hotmail.com; and Amy Doster (443) 386-5411 or adoster13@verizon.net.

Scout Troop 428: Mike Borkoski, Scout Master (443) 266-7197; Dave Kile, Committee Chairperson (301) 829-6163.

Senior's Club: Luncheon Meeting on 4th Tuesday of each month. Pamela Schettler, President (301)831-5067.

Youth Ministry

Information regarding middle school and high school programs is provided in handbooks for both levels. Please contact the Religious Education office to obtain a copy.



BIBLE READINGS: For Sunday, February 23: 1st Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

MONDAY BINGO: 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. TEAM #4 is scheduled to work. Jackpot is \$450 in 54 numbers.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Sundays: Feb. 16, 23, March 2 Sundays: Feb. 16, March 2 (LIFE Program) Tuesdays: Feb. 18, 25, March 4

"CATHOLICISM: THE NEW EVANGELIZATION": Adult study group meets Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings. Our next events are February 18 at 10:00 a.m. and February 20 at 7:00 p.m., both in Room A007.

DIVORCE RECOVERY GROUP: This 12-week gathering follows The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide by Rose Sweet and meets Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in Room A115. Our next meeting will be February 20.

DROP-IN BASKETBALL: Every Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the gym. Open to players ages 30+. A \$2 free-will donation is collected.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER MEETING: Each Tuesday from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in Room A007. There is praise and worship music, prayer and a short teaching. Come out and join us!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Small church open for visits to the Blessed Sacrament every Friday until 7:00 p.m. and the exposed Blessed Sacrament on the first Friday of each month.

ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER GROUP: Meets every Friday from 6:15-7:15 p.m. in the small church. All are welcome!

Please Pray... for the repose of the soul of William J. "Bill" Turner, father of Stephen Turner and father-in-law of Judy Turner; and of Scott A. Nash, son of Tom and Lisa Nash, brother of Tommy Nash, and grandson of Guy and Carol Nash.



BUILDING OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE OPENINGS

Have you made a New Year's resolution to get more active and contribute your time and talent to St. Michael's? Do you have skills and knowledge in facilities operations and alterations such as



architectural, electrical, mechanical, and/or drafting talent, as well as knowledge to support general maintenance and improvements for our parish? Then, we have a great opportunity for you! The Building Operations and Maintenance Committee (BOMC) is in search of one or two qualified members. This committee helps keep our churches, rectory, and multi-purpose wing in good working order, and plans for many future improvements. All improvements to our parish must go through this committee prior to being funded. If you are interested, please contact Phil Saghy, Facilities Manager, at 443-289-4581 or at philstmichaels@comcast.net.



Our Local Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program Continues

The Knights of Columbus of St. Michael's of Poplar Springs Council are pleased to

announce the 18th year of our Scholarship Program. For the year 2014, five scholarship grants are again available for Catholic students to attend college:

- One grant of \$1,000 is provided through our local Council of Knights.
- A second grant, also \$1,000, the Marie & Mel Mied Scholarship, is provided through the generosity of the Mieds.
- A \$500 grant is provided by the Ladies Auxiliary.
- A \$500 grant is available in memory of Lt. Cmdr. Ronald James Vauk, who died on Sept. 11, 2001 while working at the Pentagon.
- A \$100 grant in memory of Art Brett is provided by Mary Jane Brett.

These grants are made available through the continuing efforts of St. Michael's Knights of Columbus Council #10525. The Scholarship Program is supported by tax-deductible donations from individuals, by our scholarship fundraisers held each year, and by the Ladies Auxiliary. If you would like to donate to the scholarship program - either to enhance an existing fund or to establish a new scholarship - please contact Martin Luchansky at 301-829-0269.

To qualify for a scholarship, applicants must:

- be Catholic
- be registered (perhaps through your family) at St. Michael's Church, Mt. Airy. Please note: applicants may be registered at another parish if their father is a member of Council #10525.
- be a high school senior accepted by an accredited college or university for enrollment in a program leading toward a bachelors degree. Your plan for a bachelor's degree may include community college.
- submit completed application forms plus transcripts and test scores.

The criteria for selection are your personal gualifications and leadership as demonstrated by your academic record and by your participation in extra-curricular school, church, and community activities.

The deadline for receipt of completed application is Monday, February 24, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. For application materials, please contact Martin Luchansky at 301-829-0269.



Flowers on the Altar...

this weekend are given "for our daughter, Mary Patricia Lawler" from Jack and Lois Lawler; and in loving memory of Anthony Colodonato by the Benfer family.

Thank you to parishioners who donated money for the memorial poinsettias during the Christmas 2013 Liturgical season. Due to an abundance of donations this year, all those who donated for poinsettia memorials will have their memorial repeated at Easter in the form of lilies at no additional charge.

SOCIAL JUSTICE...

"Before man are life and death, good and evil... He understands man's every deed. No one does he command to act unjustly." Sir 15:15-20

"We speak a wisdom to those who are mature, not a wisdom of this age." 1 Cor 2:6-10

"... Whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Mt 5:17-37

Pope Francis urges us to gather in the public square and lend our voices to building up the common good.

2014 CATHOLIC LOBBY NIGHT

Join Maryland's bishops and hundreds of fellow Catholics on Presidents Day, **Monday, February 17**, for the 30th annual Catholic Lobby Night in Annapolis and *become activated by faith*. Tell legislators that we all have a duty to serve the poor and vulnerable, build up the common good, and respect human life and dignity. The event and light supper are FREE but **registration is required, so please sign up today**. You can register online at www.mdcathcon.org.

St. Louis Parish in Clarksville has a bus going to Annapolis for Lobby Night and St. Michael parishioners are welcome to ride with them. Please contact Cathy Stephano at 410-730-2613 to reserve your seat on the bus.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR SEMINARIANS

The second collection the weekend of February 22-23 will be taken up to support **the education of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Baltimore**. Your generosity, *as well as your prayers for the young men making this important spiritual journey*, are appreciated!

Catholic Men's Fellowship Annual Conference

Register now for the Catholic Men's Fellowship Annual Conference to be held **Saturday, March 29** at Calvert Hall College High School in Towson. The theme of this year's event is *"Men of Light in an Age of Darkness"* and will feature speakers including Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Tim Staples, and Rev. Alex Jones with a closing Mass celebrated by Abp. Lori. To learn more, visit www.caholicmensfellowship.com.

ARCHDIOCESAN SOCIAL MINISTRY CONVOCATION: Save the date! Saturday, March 8, from 8:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at Seton Keough High School. The theme is "Care for the Earth/Care for the Poor: Listening to Pope Francis." Keynote address by Fr. Jacek Orzechowski, OFM. Stop by the Social Justice bulletin board outside the sacristy to pick up a registration form.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY St. Michael's Parish follows the Howard County Public Schools' inclement weather school-closing policy on school days.

If schools are closed, all activities and meetings at St. Michael's are cancelled. Parish offices will be opened provided road conditions permit staff to come in.

If a snow event occurs during the day, no decision will be made on the status of evening activities until after 4:00 p.m. <u>unless Howard County closes schools early or cancels</u> <u>afternoon/evening activities</u>. If such an announcement is made, then St. Michael's evening activities will be cancelled. On weekends, weather-related updates will be posted on the parish web site, www.stmichaelspoplar springs.org.



BREAKFAST AT ST. MICHAEL'S

TAKE YOUR WHOLE FAMILY FOR BREAKFAST AT A CHEAPER PRICE AND

ENJOY A HEARTIER MEAL!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 8:30 a.m. - NOON

Price: Adults \$6, Children ages 5-10 \$3 Children under 5 FREE

Menu: pancakes, scrambled eggs, cereal, chipped beef gravy & biscuits, hash browns, baked apple slices, bacon, sausage, muffins, quick breads, toast, bagels, coffee, hot chocolate, tea, and juice.

Sponsored by the Cornerstone Committee

SCOUT SUNDAY: Our annual Scout Sunday celebration Mass will be held **Sunday, March 2, at 10:30 a.m.** All Scouts (Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Camp Fire USA members), regardless of troop affiliation, are invited to attend in uniform. While Scouts will be recognized at every Mass, the 10:30 a.m. Mass will include troop color guards, Scouts serving in Liturgical roles, and Scouts receiving their religious medals/awards. Please contact Chrissy Mayhew at 443-745-5771 or at cmmayhew@verizon.net for more information or to coordinate your scout's or troop's participation.



HERE'S THE DISH...

Camp Fire USA

We've had several funerals and funeral luncheons since the start of 2014, and many parishioners have generously

many parishioners have generously contributed food to those luncheons. We can't thank you enough! But now, the kitchen in the fellowship hall is overflowing with unclaimed dishes, platters, baking pans, and other food containers. At your earliest convenience, please come and claim your items. WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP!

HELP DECORATE THE NARTHEX & PARISH ENTRANCES

Recent efforts to seasonally decorate the Narthex and church entrances have been well received by our parish community, helping to create the same warm and friendly environment experienced when worshiping in our beautiful sanctuary. We are looking for people to help decorate for the Lenten and Easter seasons. If you have creative talents and can lend a hand for 2-3 hours, YOU can make a world of difference in bringing the Holy Spirit alive in our beautiful church. Please contact Chrissy Mayhew at 443-745-5771 for more information. WE NEED YOU!



ONLINE GIVING IS A SUCCESS AT ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH!

Online Giving Visit www.stmichaelspoplarsprings.org and sign up for this easy, safe, and secure way to make your weekly offerings. This is a great way to support your parish financially! You never have to worry about forgetting your envelope or checkbook, or not being able to contribute because you're travelling or can't come to Mass due to bad weather. It is a tremendous blessing for St. Michael's financially that we can create a budget based on regular, online contributions. If you have questions, contact Business Manager Donna Binney at 410-489-7667.

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
ENVELOPES	\$ 14,614.00	\$ 375,725.96
LOOSE	\$ 1,868.86	\$ 65,493.00
POOR BOX	\$ 263.43	\$ 7,511.24

MORTGAGE	
Beginning Balance	\$383,672.34
January Principal (from HoeDown)	- \$ 2,306.17
January Principal (from Bldg Fund)	- \$ 16,598.50
January Interest	+\$ 1,198.98
End Balance	\$365,966.65

ATTENDANCE:

ADULTS: 887	CHILDREN: 277	TOTAL: 1,164
ENVELOPES:		
ADULTS: 239	CHILDREN: 0	TOTAL: 239

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. MICHAEL'S IN YOUR WILL!

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Respect Life News

RESPECT LIFE MEETING: Our next Respect Life committee meeting will be **Sunday, March 2, at 1:00 p.m.** in room A122. Please consider joining us on our journey to promote the sanctity of life

from the womb to the tomb. We will be planning for the Maryland March for Life (see the following) and the 40 Days For Life campaign, which will begin March 5.

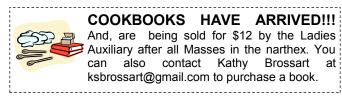
MARYLAND MARCH FOR LIFE, MONDAY, MARCH 10: Ryan Bomberger, an inspiring young man who was conceived in rape and adopted by a loving family, will share his story at this year's Maryland March for Life on **Monday, March 10**. Join Ryan and hundreds of pro-life Marylanders for a powerful, public witness in Annapolis of our commitment to build a culture of life. Mass celebrated by Bishop Rozanski begins at 5:15 p.m. at St. Mary's in Annapolis, followed by a march and rally at Lawyer's Mall. Afterwards, join us back at St. Mary's for free Chick Fil-A and fellowship. We will win the battle - with prayer and with love - and through family-friendly activities like this. Please join us and invite others to do so as well! To learn more, visit www.marylandmarchforlife.org.

More information will be available in the coming weeks.

JOIN THE RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY!

For information on these and other initiatives, please contact Katie Baran (kateswanson24@hotmail.com) and Amy Doster (adoster13(@verizon.net)

Pregnant And In Need Of Help? Call the Gabriel Network, 1-800-ANGEL-OK Suffering Post-Abortion Stress? Contact Rachel's Vineyard Baltimore/Project Rachel, 410-625-8491 or rvbaltimore@archbalt.org



PARISH FAMILY BUDGET REPORT COLLECTION FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 9, 2014

REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING

www.stmichaelspoplarsprings.org Or contact: Donna, 410-489-7667 ext. 104 or Bev, 410-489-7667 ext. 111

BUILDING FUND Week of 2/2/14

\$2,385.00

 ONLINE GIVING (Month of January, 2014)

 Offertory:
 \$19,753.00

 Building Fund:
 \$2,170.00

 # of Online Givers:
 189

OTHER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS...



PIANO ACCOMPANIST WANTED: St. Peter the Apostle, Libertytown has a paid position available to accompany the adult choir 2-3

times a month at the 9:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Masses. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings or Sunday mornings. For more information, please contact Sherry Slattery, Choir Director, at 301-898-5111 ext. 11.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY GALA: Bull roast with an Irish flair! Join us **Saturday, March 15 from 7:00-11:00 p.m.** at St. Peter the Apostle, Libertytown. Enjoy dinner, dancing with live music by Pet Rock, raffles, door prizes and more! Adults only, \$25 per person or \$20 per person when reserving tables of 10 or more. For tickets, contact Bob Droter at 301-865-4565 or at KC13290@aol.com.

ROWAN WILLIAMS AT ST. MARY'S SEMINARY: The Ecumenical Institute of Theology will host Dr. Rowan Williams, 104th Archbishop of Canterbury and Master of Magdalene College, for its annual Dunning Lecture on **Thursday, April 3 at 7:30 p.m.** The event is free and open to the public but <u>tickets are required</u>. They are available at www.RWatEl.eventbrite.com.

LAST CALL FOR CANONIZATION PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: Join the Archdiocese of Baltimore to celebrate its 225th anniversary and the canonizations of BI. Pope John XXIII and BI. Pope John Paul II with a pilgrimage to Italy. Catholic Review Media invites you to take part in this historic nine-day journey, **April 21-29**, **2014**, under the direction of Abp. William E. Lori and Spiritual Director Msgr. Robert Jaskot. Call Catholic Review Media at 443-524-3150 for further information and call Pentecost Tours at 1-800-713-9800 to make your reservation.

"HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL" AT SETON KEOUGH: The Theatre Department at The Seton Keough High School invites everyone to its presentation of Disney's contemporary musical comedy, "High School Musical." This family-friendly production is sure to please. Performances will be held at Seton Keough High School during the weekends of March 21-23 and March 28-30. Tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased online or At Seton Keough.

MASS CARDS... and requests for Mass intentions are available at the church. Please stop by during office hours, Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., so we may assist you.



PRAYER REQUESTS + FEBRUARY, 2014

Lisa W recover Missing & abuse For our church fa Colleen Sedgwic	egina "Geri" Rice guidance to Bob Rice ing from broken leg d children	Erra family Stup family Jenee Eloise Ruby Kaelin Chris		
Cody Jacobson (military injuries, aneurysm) All those affected by the Columbia Mall tragedy				
Joel Khloe Bill	Judy and Albert Bev and Tony JoEllen and daughters	April Keegan Laurie		
Richard Eddie Ray Close	Bob Reynolds Carol (health) Bob (health)	Bob Ralph Oz		
Paul Ben Self Jack Ray	John (guidance) Shearer family (in PA) Beverly Woodyard	Alfonso Famosa A.B. Sharon S.		
Amanda Zeyas Carol Hill Barbara Fishbucl		Staton Klein Mel Venten P.R.		
Maggie D. (cancer)R.E.Bob Rice (surgery to remove kidney)RickImproved job situation for MarkJohnny				
Sr. Mary Ann Bozel Patsy Quinn (illness) Bernie Jones (cancer)				
Improved health for Joe Natalie (continued healing) Those suffering from addiction & their families Thanksgiving for healthy baby				

THERE IS NOTHING MORE POWERFUL THAN PRAYER!

Your prayer requests can be emailed to GodHearsAllPrayers@gmail.com. If you do not have access to email, you can add your request to the prayer list in the narthex or call Lynn Marion at 410-707-6068. Prayer requests will be added to the bulletin each week and will stay in the bulletin for the remainder of the month. The intentions listed above and any new requests received during February will remain on the list through February 23.

St. Michael's Prayer Team needs you! If you would like to be part of this wonderful ministry, simply send an email to God-HearsAllPrayers@gmail.com and the prayer list will be sent to you each week so you can pray for the intentions. If you previously signed up to be on the team and have not been receiving the intentions, please contact Lynn Marion to confirm your e-mail address.

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." ~ James 5:16

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father February 2014

ELDERS: That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.

COLLABORATION IN EVANGELIZATION: That priests, religious, and lay people may work together with generosity.

BULLETIN DEADLINES...



• Articles for the bulletin are due to the parish office by the <u>Monday morning</u> before the weekend in which you want it to appear.

• Requests for flyer inserts must be made by the <u>Wednesday</u> before the weekend in which you want it to appear.

• **Space is limited** and flyers may be held to a later date, reduced in size or included in the bulletin itself to meet as many requests as possible.

- <u>Non-parish or non-archdiocesan events are generally</u> <u>not promoted through flyers or bulletin articles</u>. As space permits, they may be considered for our "Community Announcements" section.
- E-mail your submissions to smpoplar@archbalt.org.

Dear Fr. Mike....



We are so grateful for St. Michael Roman Catholic Church's gifts (totaling

\$500) to the Kairos Prison Ministry. Through your donations, the ministry is able to pursue its mission to bring Christ to those men and women in Maryland's prisons impacted by their past mistakes. Through the grace of God, and your gifts, persons lost in shame and guilt, hampered by pasts marked with bitterness and hatred are discovering the foregiveness of Jesus Christ. While paying their debt to society, they are finding new life through Christ's redeeming love. And, new Christian communities are growing and forming behind prison walls.

We hope you understand how much your support of this ministry means to those incarcerated in our prisons. Lives are renewed and new hope is born because you responded faithfully to God's call for this work. We, in this ministry, are also blessed by your generosity, and we are eternally grateful to you for your financial support. We also ask for your prayer support for the Kairos of Maryland ministry in 2014.

In His redeeming love Al Patterson Financial Secretary Kairos Prison Ministry, Inc. Hagerstown



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