



CALENDAR:

FEBRUARY 22: The Men will sing at 11:30 Mass.
FEBRUARY 23: Prayer Shawl Blessing after 9 AM Mass.
FEBRUARY 23: Men’s Adoration at 7 PM. Parishioners welcome.
MARCH 8: Mercer County Women’s Retreat League Day of Recollection.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23 - ST. POLYCARP

7:00 A.M. Samantha Dailey (Family)
 9:00 A.M. John Yesko (Ken Hockett Family)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24- LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 A.M. Floyd Racey, Jr. (Bible Group)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25- LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 A.M. Joseph Valentine (Ed Robick)
 9:00 A.M. Mary Ann Allison (M/M Roy Maloney)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26- LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 A.M. Martin McGinty (Family)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27- LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 A.M. Anne O’Grady (M/M John Turner)
 9:00 A.M. Rose Dolecki (Mary Jo)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28- LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00 A.M. Elizabeth Amato (Frank & Family)
 5:30 P.M. **Vigil:** Carmen Scibetta (Anne, Tom & Scott Liszka)

SUNDAY, MARCH 1-SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 A.M. For the People of Our Parish
 9:00 A.M. Jane Anderson (M/M Bill Welton)
 9:00 A.M. **St. Margaret:** Anthony Naples (Sauter Family)
 11:30 A.M. Mary Pat Mills (M/M Dan Wallace)



Good Friday and the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for those 14 years of age & older and **Good Friday** is a day of **fasting** for those ages 18 to 58 inclusive. On Good Friday, those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength according to one’s needs are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk & fruit juices are allowed. (When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)

TREASURE (February 15, 2015)

Annual Offertory Budget

(7/1/14-6/30/15): \$ 705,000
 Year-to-date: \$ 396,000
 Received-to-date: \$ 397,793

We are **\$1,793** ahead of our Offertory year-to-date to operate our Parish

Weekly Budget \$ 12,000
 Received last week \$ 7,934
 St. Michael \$ 7,199
 St. Margaret \$ 735

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Commitments:	218	237
Pledged:	\$ 115,503	\$122,395
Paid:	\$ 90,208	\$112,750

St. Michael School Endowment Fund: In memory of Judy Kalchthaler (\$765.00) and Elsie McCann (\$50.00).

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

The 2015 CSA, challenging us to be “A Reflection of Christ’s Love through Giving”, has begun and ends December 31, 2015. Our diocesan goal is \$94,294. The funds raised beyond that goal will remain here to meet needs in our parish. Please prayerfully consider your response to the appeal. No gift is too small. Complete a pledge envelope and place in today’s collection. Thank you for your participation in this effort.

BEAUTY IN FORGIVENESS

Humanity is never so beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving another.

—Jean P. F. Richter

2015 CAR RAFFLE HAS BEGUN



This year we will raffle off a 2015 Mustang GT valued at over \$55,000 or \$25,000 cash. Tickets are now available and they make great gifts. This year's car has many impressive fea-

tures including: **5.0 Coyote V8 Engine, Ford/Roush Performance Supercharger, 600+ HP with full warranty, 6 speed manual transmission, 3.55 rear gears, voice activated navigation system and the 50 year anniversary package.** This is the biggest fundraiser for St. Michael School and we ask for your help and support. Tickets have been mailed out. If you did not receive them, please call the Church Office.

MERCER COUNTY WOMEN'S RETREAT LEAGUE

A Day of Recollection will be held Sunday, March 8th at St. Joseph parish in Sharon. Doors open at 12:30 PM with a luncheon at 1:00 PM. The day will close with the celebration of the Mass at 4:00 PM. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Tickets are available until February 22nd for \$10. To purchase tickets contact: Mary Edna Regan 724-588-6843, Betty Grasso 724-588-4704, Bernie Link, 724-932-3416, or Barbara Miller 724-646-0310.

76th ANNUAL K OF C COMMUNION BREAKFAST



The Joseph J. Fitzmartin Council 1446, Knights of Columbus will host a Father and Son Communion Breakfast two Sundays before Easter. This tradition was started to encourage all fathers of the parish to go to confession and then attend Mass and receive Communion with their sons insuring that these fathers would fulfill their **EASTER DUTY** obligation. The breakfast is open to all **Fathers and Sons**. So Fathers and Sons mark your calendar for Sunday March 22, 2015 to attend the 9:00 AM Mass and then attend the 76th Annual Father and Son Communion Breakfast. Ticket costs: Advance: \$6.00 adults, \$4.00 students. At door: \$7.00 adults, \$5.00 students.

Please call: 724-588-3954 or 724-588-5215 for advance tickets, to give us an idea of how much food to prepare. We are feeling the same money crunch as you are in this economy. Thank you for your cooperation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- February 22** First Communion Parent/Child Meeting: 1:00PM - 2:30 PM in Large Meeting Room
3rd Grade does not have class
Pre/K - 2nd and 4th - 8th 10:00 -11:20
CREED 6:00 PM - 8:15 PM
Confirmation 6:00 PM- 8:30 PM
- March 1** 6th/7th Grade Retreat 8:45AM - 1:30 PM
Pre/K-5th & 8th 10AM-11:20
CREED (9th-10th) 6PM -8:15PM
Confirmation - 6 PM-8:30 PM
- March 8** St. Michael **NO CLASS**
St. Margaret Family Lenten Activity Day 10:00 AM -11:30 AM
- March 15** Pre/K-8th 10:00-11:20 AM
Pre/K-8th Teacher Meeting 11:30-12:30
CREED 6 :00 PM-8:15 PM
Confirmation 6:00 PM-8:15 PM

**CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP 2015+
Virginia Beach, VA June 14 - 20**



There will be an informational meeting in the Large Meeting Room for all youth (who are already signed up to go) and at least one parent on Sunday, March 8 directly following 11:30 AM Mass. Lunch will be provided.

LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 7 PM at St. Michael Church. Stations of the Cross at St. Margaret Church will be held on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM beginning February 25, 2015.

Also, Father David and Frank Luciani will be holding a Bible Study on the Acts of the Apostles. Watch the bulletin for more details.

EASTER FLOWERS



If you wish to contribute to the Easter Flower Fund in memory of a loved one, please place your donations in the Easter Flower Fund Envelopes found on the table in the Church Gathering Space. Drop these envelopes in the collection during Lent. Contributions will be used towards the flowers at St. Michael & St. Margaret Churches for Easter. A complete listing of those memorials will be published in the Easter bulletin.

GOOD SHEPHERD REQUEST

The February request is for canned fruit. All contributions are gratefully accepted. Don't forget the Treasure Chest where good useable items may be purchased for very reasonable prices.

MEDICAL CLINIC AT GOOD SHEPHERD



Do you know someone who needs medical care but can't afford it? Tell them about the Free Medical Clinic at the Good Shepherd Center, located at 144 -146 Main St. (Tel. 724-588-2210). The Clinic is open every Tuesday evening at 5:00 PM.

TAX HELP AVAILABLE

FREE Tax-Aide for **LOW INCOME** and **ELDERLY**. **AARP volunteers** will be available for e-filing Federal, State, Local income taxes & PA property tax rebate forms again this year at the K of C Hall on Clarksville St. Appointments will be made by a call center by dialing **211** if you live in Mercer County. If calling from anywhere else, please dial 888-665-6923. Choose Option 2 at either number.

BEWARE of TAX SCAMS!

The IRS only communicates with tax payers by mail. **NEVER** give your Social Security number over the phone.

AFFORDABLE ADVERTISING

Advertise your business on the SMS website! The cost is \$10/month or \$100/year. Check the website to see how others are taking advantage of this opportunity www.saintmichael1.org. For more information, call Joanie Micsky, Director of Advancement at 724-588-7198.



THE PAPAL MASS in PHILADELPHIA

Reservations are open for the pilgrimage to the papal visit in Philadelphia from the Diocese of Erie. The diocese has reserved a block of 75 rooms which can accommodate approximately 200 people interested in traveling to Philadelphia in September for the Festival of Families and papal Mass planned for the weekend following the World Meeting of Families. The package includes bus transportation to and from Philadelphia, four nights of hotel accommodations just outside the city, a one-day pass to the World Meeting of Families, four breakfasts, and transportation from the hotel to the point of entry for events in Philadelphia each day. Pilgrims will leave on **Thursday, Sept. 24, returning Monday, Sept. 28**. Although the hotel is located outside of the city, we have secured a space in downtown Philadelphia available throughout our stay as a safe haven exclusively for pilgrims from the Diocese of Erie. Pilgrims from our diocese will have a quiet, indoor refuge that can serve as a gathering space, a place to relax and a meeting place away from the crowds. We also have secured a Catholic Church in downtown Philadelphia for Mass on Saturday morning, so that all pilgrims from the Diocese of Erie can share in this special moment of prayer together. Reservations are being accepted only by mail and on a first come, first-served basis. A 50 percent non-refundable deposit is required with reservations; full payment will be due March 1. For details and a registration form, please visit www.ErieRCD.org/wmf.htm

40 CLUB WINNERS 2-18-15

- \$100** - LuLu Riley #320
- \$100** - Rev. Joseph Campbell #291
- \$ 50** - Christine Bellow #90

40 CLUB TICKETS AVAILABLE

If you haven't purchased a 40 Club Ticket yet, some are still available. Please consider helping our school by purchasing a ticket. Each week 3 winners are selected and you could be one of them. Stop in the Church Office for more information.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like to receive a statement of your contributions for 2014, please call the Church Office and give your name and address.



ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWS

Anyone interested in registering their child for 2014-2015 St. Michael Catholic Pre-School, Kindergarten to Grade 8 or any parishioner who

would like to consider our **Adopt - A - Student** program should contact Mrs. Nancy Kremm @ 724-588-7050... **If you or someone you know owns his or her own business** and would like to sponsor an advertisement on our school's website, please contact Joanie Micsky at 724-588-7198... **For a complete listing** of all SMS activities as well as information about our student's numerous achievements, please visit our school website at www.saintmichaell.org... **St. Michael School participates** in the Box Tops for Education & the Giant Eagle Apples for the Students Programs. Our school ID for Giant Eagle is 1139... **St. Michael School Gift Cards:** Please go to www.glscrip.com for a complete listing of available gift cards. For more information, contact Shannon at 724-588-1612 or Natalie at 724-456-8526.

LENTEN FISH FRY



Our Fish Fry will BE SERVED Fridays during LENT through Good Friday, April 3 from 4:30 - 7:00PM in Lateran Hall. Take-out orders: call 724-588-7082. Menu: Baked or Fried Cod, French

Fries or Mac. & Cheese or Cabbage & Noodles, Cole Slaw or Apple sauce. Dinners served with bread, drink and dessert. Adult \$9, Child \$5. Desserts gladly accepted; please call Ellie 724-988-9079 or Gerri 724-588-1928 with any questions.

40 CANS for 40 DAYS



Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 18th and lasting until Easter, the Knights of Columbus Council #1446, will conduct this program to benefit the Good Shepherd Center & Jamestown Food Pantry at St. Margaret Church. Last year we donated 2700 pounds of goods to the Good Shepherd Center food pantry and 1900 pounds to Jamestown's food pantry. We were also able to donate \$500 to the Good Shepherd Center. In 2014, we beat our 1st year (2013) by 1000 pounds! Please help us with this worthy project.

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES DAILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 2015			
DATE/TIME	ALTAR SERVERS	DATE/TIME	ALTAR SERVERS
2/23 at 7 AM	Luke Faber Matthew Guy	2/26 at 9 AM	Evan Cianci Carmen Surano
2/23 at 9 AM	Caroline Hoovler Alana Utlak	2/27 at 7 AM	Ben Leonard John Michael Yurisc
2/24 at 7 AM	Kyle Higbee Kasey Williams	2/27 at 9 AM	Paul Morelli Jacob Saulsbery
2/25 at 7 AM	Jacob & Julianne Johnson	2/27 at 7 PM Stations of the Cross	Haylie Brewer Lauren DiBucci Alex Harpst
2/25 at 9 AM	Halle Murcko Aaron Wasser	2/28 at 8 AM	Edward Cianci Nora Serrano

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 28 & MARCH 1, 2015				
DATE/TIME	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
2/28 at 5:30 PM	Kathy Am- mann Sherry Bortz	Devan Zavala Tristen Harakal Makayla Utlak	V. Perrotti J. Wasko	V. Bayer, N. Cianci, J. Kalchthaler, S. Lauffer, J. Lysek, J. Presto, P. Stoyer
3/01 at 7:30 AM	Kevin & Christine Gilfoyle	Connor & Shawn Gilfoyle John Michael Yurisc	J. Landfried D. Weaver	N. Pacifico, A. Pacifico, C. Riffe
3/01 at 9:00 AM	Gerald & Janice Uzarski	Joshua Giardina Trey & Zander Groleau	B. Moore S. Thomas	K. Cianci, J. Derrick, M. Jeffries, M. F. Krach- kowski, L. Micsky, V. Mosconi, F. Thomas
3/01 at 11:30 AM	Frank & Pat Amato	John Cianci Evan Cianci Owen Cianci	E. Zgonc M. Del- Maramo	D. & C. Chase, J. Jones, M. Kosloski, V. Manganello, J. Runkle, D. Woodley
Coordi- nators:	Sharen Seiple 724-588- 3852	Frank Luciani 724-588-1245	Elaine Shearer 724-588- 2531	Martin Aubel 724-866-7432
SIGN IN!		GET A SUB	IF YOU	CANNOT SERVE!

First Sunday of Lent
February 22, 2015

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths.

— Psalm 25:4



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Tech Sergeant David P. Santell, AF, Ft. Dix, NJ
 LCDR Kari (Szewczyk) Cummins,
 USN, USS Theodore Roosevelt, VA
 SFC Glen Rice, Ft. Polk, LA
 Gunnery Sgt. Brian Gearhart, Hemet, NC
 Lt. Col. Raymond Millero, Jr., USAF, Jordan
 SSGT. USAF, Matthew Mong, Patrick AFB, Florida
 Sr. Airman Sara Mong, Patrick AFB, Florida
 LT Paul Ochs, Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, NM
 AB Andrew L. Gilmore, Lackland, Air Force Base
 BU3 (SCW) Sara Parcher, Gulfport, MS
 BU3 (SCW) Anna Parcher, Gulfport, MS
 Major Dustin Knaus, Army, Colorado
 Captain Samuel Burns, Army, Korea
 Petty Officer Michael W. Suich, USCG, Florida
 SSGT (E6) David Shipula, Army Reserve, Dallas, Texas
 Andrew Wasser, Army, Colorado
 Jason Morgan, PFC, US Army, Ft. Campbell, KY
 LT James Stubert, Ft. Louis McCord, Washington
 Pvt. Shelby McElhinny, US Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas
 Spec. Alexandra Lathrop, US Army, Okinawa



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
 Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
 Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
 Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
 Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10,
 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Sick Relatives & Friends

Please pray for the sick of our parish and for the families or friends of our parishioners: Deborah Bulboff, Walt Kelly, Irene Neustupa, Frank Krumpak, Tamera Leventry, Elaine Buckiso, George Loreno, Nadeana Arthur, John Genovesi, Susan Brennan, James Power, Cindy DeCiancio, Mary Jane Anderson, Jeannette Chamberlain, Teresa Ibbs, Robert George, Rhonda Canady, Andrew Miller, Jane Fisher, Patricia Hayes Goss, Joyce Weaver, Margaret Pitchford, Pat Patterson, Linda Byler, Calvin Nessely, Jim & Mary Hicks, Mary Rose Becker, Greg Bobish, Casey Williams, Liz Kuhn, Mary Shirk, Marcy Beckman, Caiden Nottingham, Shirley Osborne, Michele Pinkle, Eric Kurelko, Sis Swartz, Larry Anderson, Tom Lesnett, Stephen Bayuk, Connie Sweeney, Ginie Morgan, Jameson Stepp, Dorothy McDonald, Richard Bromley, Danielle Parks, Michele Mikus, Larry & Georgeann Fox, Rosiland Ramsey, Connor Pressler, Shirley Ghering, Debbie Smith, Enoch Scott, Dorothy & Marty Wasser, Sally Johnston, DeAnna Santilli, Paul Pisarcik.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>INTENTION & DONOR</u>
February 15-28	Mildred Kuhn (Dale & Kim Hills)
February 15-28	Children of St. Michael Church (Friends)
February 15 - 28 (St. Margaret)	Michael Pruchnitzky (Mom & Dad)
February 15-28 (St. Margaret)	Children of St. Margaret Church (Friends)
March 1 - 15	Ray St. John (Family)
March 15 - 31	Darla Prezioso Hellyer (Mom)
March 15 - 31 (St. Margaret)	Jim Brown (Mary)

THE QUALITY OF CHANGE

To change and to change for the better are two different things.

—German proverb

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND RETURN TO THE RECTORY OR DROP IT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET AT MASS.

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE NUMBER _____ UNLISTED YES / NO Today's Date _____

