

# Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*"To bear witness to God the Father,  
to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ,  
and to be guided by the Holy Spirit."*

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There is no other  
commandment  
*greater* than these.

MARK 12:31



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## PARISH OFFICE

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**Office Hours: Monday through Thursday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM; Tuesday: 5:00 – 7:00 PM**

(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment any time outside of these hours.)

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**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!** Contact the Parish Office for registration or to receive information regarding sacramental preparation and eligibility.

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 8 AM at St. Catherine

Sunday: 10:30 AM at Nativity (Live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube every couple of weeks.)

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. & Thurs.: 9 AM at St. Catherine

Tue. & Wed. 9 AM at Nativity

Friday: 7 PM at Nativity

Saturday: 7 AM at St Catherine

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7 PM at St. Catherine

Holy Day: 9 AM & 7 PM at Nativity

### CONFESSION

Friday: 7:50-8:20 PM at Nativity\*

Saturday: 7:50-8:20 AM at St. Catherine\*

Saturday: 3:15-3:45 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 7:20 – 7:50 AM at St. Catherine\*

Sun. after most 10 AM Mass at Nativity

Or by appointment, call the Parish Office

\* When Fr Goyette is here



### Saturday, November 2nd

7:00 AM-SC All Souls Intentions

4:00 PM-N All Souls Intentions

### Sunday, November 3rd

8:00 AM-SC People of the Parish

10:30 AM-N All Souls Intentions

### Monday, November 4th

9:00 AM-SC All Souls Intentions

### Tuesday, November 5th

9:00 AM- N All Souls Intentions

### Wednesday, November 6th

9:00 AM-N All Souls Intentions

### Thursday, November 7th

9:00 AM-SC Timothy Michael Wolf Lewis

*r/b Wielgus Family*

### Friday, November 8th

7:00 PM -N Special Intention Ronnie Vanaman

*r/b Dan & Karen Seniff*

### Saturday, November 9th

7:00 AM-SC Jarvis Family

4:00 PM-N People of the Parish

### Sunday, November 10th

8:00 AM-SC Elijah McConnell

10:30 AM-N Joan Parrish *r/b Mignano Family*

**Mass Location: N = Nativity | SC = St. Catherine**

**Sanctuary Candle has openings for the remainder of this year. What a lovely way to remember your loved ones!**



**Mass Intentions Book for January to May 2025 is now open!**



Harriet Bajewicz, Betty Briles, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Jim Cesanek, Joanne Ciquero, John Contrevo Sr., Joseph Dietterick, Melissa DuBeau, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mark Fitzpatrick, Anthony & Luca Garbarino, Amedeo Giambuzzi, Don & Matt Healy, Dcn John Luko Jr. Rosemary McBride, Miller & Joann Mills, Eileen Mulholland, Thomas Myers Jr., and Karen J. Viola

**If you would like a family member added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing [PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com](mailto:PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com).**

### **Pray for Our Military Heroes**

**If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office ([PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com](mailto:PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com) or 856-881-9155).**

Please keep our brave service people in your prayers, especially those suffering from the effects of war.

#### **US Army**

CPL Austin Arledge, SSG Bryan Jenkins,

1LT Tyler Keyworth

Com. Sgt Major Shane McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller,

CPT Graham Miller, and PFC Vincenzo Taormina

#### **US Navy**

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman, EM2 William

Little, and Kurt Reinhold, US Navy

#### **US Air Force**

SrA Jacob R Custis, MSgt, George Ruczynski Jr.

#### **US Marine Corps**

WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister



#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Mon. – Thurs. 8-9 AM  
Eucharistic Adoration  
before morning Mass. Every  
Monday 6-7 PM Adoration at  
Nativity

#### **ROSARY**

Mon. – Thurs. Rosary after  
morning Mass and  
after all weekend Masses  
Every Tuesday after the  
9 AM Mass—Novena  
to the Miraculous Medal.

# PARISH EVENTS

## NOVEMBER

**5th** - Knitting Ministry after the 9a Mass - NCC

**6th** - Knights of Columbus Mtg 730PM - SCB

**12th** - Parish Council Mtg 730PM - SCB

**13th** - Grief Support 7PM - NCC

**16th** - Country Line Dancing 6PM - SCB

*Please call the Parish Office to reserve space on the calendar if you are planning a meeting.*

**NC** - Nativity Church / **NCC** - Conference Center / **SCB** - St Catherine Basement



## Parish Religious Education Program Calendar November

**Nov. 9** - 7th & 8th Grade Sacramental Prep Retreat (Fall) 1000 AM

**Nov. 10** - 915 AM In Person Class

**Nov. 17** - 915 AM In Person Class

**Nov. 24** - 915 AM In Person Class



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Calendar November

**Nov. 1** - All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation

**Nov. 3** - 1130 AM In Person Class/Confessions

**Nov. 10** - 1130 AM In Person Class

**Nov. 17** - 1130 AM In Person Class

**Nov. 24** - 1130 AM In Person Class



**PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY FOR  
ADVENT WREATH AND GINGERBREAD  
HOUSE MAKING!**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23RD**

**AT 6P**

**NATIVITY CONFERENCE CENTER**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

\*Please call Krissy in the office to RSVP by Nov 15th!

## Country Line Dancing Returns Saturday, November 16!



Join us as **Jerzey Girlz** hosts a line dancing session on Saturday, November 16, from 6-8 p.m. in Saint Catherine's Church Basement. We had a great time at our first three gatherings, and in this next session, we'll review some of our previous dances and learn some new ones. This is a great time to join the group, since we are recapping our earlier dances. All are welcome, and admission is free! Please wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes or sneaks (no boots) to protect our new floor. (Note: If you want to get a head start, YouTube videos of previous dances can be found on our website under the "Fun Events" heading!)

## Christmas Stars to Fold!

Looking for something new to add to your tree this Christmas? Come learn the ancient art of origami and fold beautiful stars to display! Participants ages 12-102 are welcome. Classes are free, and the paper will be supplied, so just bring yourself and a friend. Kindly RSVP so that adequate materials can be prepared, at [jmrishel@gmail.com](mailto:jmrishel@gmail.com) (Jean Rishel).

Jean has taught children and adults the art of paperfolding for more than 20 years. It's easy, engaging, and highly addictive. Come and create some pretty stars for display this Christmas!

**Where:** St. Catherine's Church Basement

**When:** 7-8:30 PM

**Dates:** Monday, November 18

Monday, December 9



**God Bless the children in Baptism!**

**Primrose Brown, Isabella Capecci,  
and Aiden Clemick**

Parishioners Glenn and Wendy Harris, along with other members of our Parish, attended the Bi-Annual Camden Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception Cathedral in Washington, DC, on Saturday, October 26th. Bishop Sullivan and Coadjutor Bishop Williams presided over the afternoon Mass. We thank Our Lady of Peace Parish in Williamstown for offering space on their bus to our Parish.



# MINISTRY NEWS

## The Knights of Columbus Annual Acme Raffle

The Knights of Columbus are raffling off four \$100 gift cards to Acme. The cost is two tickets for \$5.00! We will sell tickets after Mass on the following weekends: 11/16 & 11/17, 11/23 & 11/24, 11/30 & 12/1. Tickets are also available at the rectory during office hours.



## Keep Christ in Christmas Lawn Signs

Keep Christ in Christmas lawn signs are for sale. They cost \$10 per sign. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Abby's Angels! We will sell tickets after Mass on these weekends: 11/16 and 11/17, 11/23 and 11/24, 11/30 and 12/1. The signs are also available at the rectory during office hours.

*Keep Christ in Christmas*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 6890



## Ministry Lector & Eucharistic Minister

### Schedule

**Nov 9 - NC 4pm**

(L) P. Gravenor (EM) C. Perrin B. Fugaro

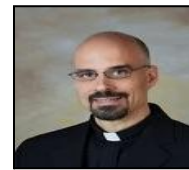
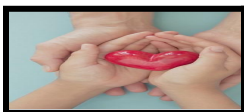
**Nov 10 - SC 8am**

(L) G. Biehler (EM) J. Hirst

**NC 1030a**

(L) J. Tinney (EM) J & K Darminio

**Caregiver support** is a group that meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Conference Center to address issues related to providing care and support to a loved one facing health challenges. This group will utilize prayer, scripture, and conversation to discover ways to handle the stress and emotions in caring for a loved one who is going through such challenging times. "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Matthew 9:37-38. We are partners with God in caring for our loved ones and our world; we care for and tend to our loved ones' needs, but God provides the healing.



## Random Minutiae By Father Goyette

### Still Numb

The dentist must have gotten a lucky needle into the nerve because it's still numb two weeks later. It has been slowly getting better but not all the feeling is back. Hopefully in a week or two it should be okay. It really slows down your eating when you cannot feel half your lip. Eating chicken is especially hard because you use your lips to figure out if the chicken is in the right place to bite.

### St. Catherine's Chapel

The Chapel in the basement of St. Catherine's is almost ready. We finally have the security in place. We just need a few finishing touches and it will be ready. We will let you know. Key fobs are available if you want to visit either chapel. Please call the office.

### Christmas Gifts

Last year I did not want any gifts. This year I am starting a Lego lending library at school. If you would like to donate a Lego set to the library, that would be great. I will build it first and then add it to the library. It could also be used, but we would need the instructions. It would be a gift to me in the sense that I would have fun building it before it became part of the library.



**Grief support** is a group that meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Conference Center to learn how to cope with loss through Scripture, prayer, and conversations with others who have experienced loss. No loss is the same and no healing occurs the same way or in the same time frame. We offer a support system to help us handle our loss in a supportive way. Matthew 7:7 tells us "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Reflect on your trust in Jesus and how it impacts your prayer life in times of trial, when you need a door to be opened for you. Sometimes the door that opens for us is one of understanding.

# STEWARDSHIP



The daylight hours may be drawing shorter but God's Love and Mercy remain the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. As Thanksgiving quickly approaches let's share that **Love** with those in our community who need a **Helping Hand**. On Sunday, November 24th, St Michael's Food Pantry will be giving Thanksgiving Food Baskets to approximately 27 families. In the gathering space of both churches there will be a sign up sheet if you know of anyone who would benefit from a basket. There is also a shopping list of items needed. Perhaps you may want to be one of those **"helping hands"** by donating food or a monetary gift and we will do the shopping for you. Any donations may be brought to the churches or the Food Pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center on Wednesdays between 10:15 and 11:30 AM. Donations are needed by November 17th so we can ensure we have enough for our families.

In Galatians 6: 9-10 St. Paul tells us: *"So let us not become tired of doing good; for if we do not give up, the time will come when we will reap the harvest. So then, as often as we have the chance, we should do good to everyone, especially those who belong to our family in faith."*

## CHURCH OFFERING

Total Mass Offering for October 19th/20th - \$4994

Last Year's Total Mass Offering - \$4269

## MASS COUNT

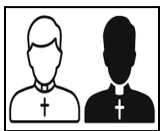
October 19th/20th: Sat. 4 PM Nativity - 79

Sun. 8 AM St. Catherine - 87

10:30 AM Nativity - 182

Total Attendance - 348

Last Year's Total Attendance - 335



## National Vocation Awareness Week November 3-9, 2024

*"The way Jesus shows you is not easy. Rather, it is like a path winding up a mountain. Do not lose heart! The steeper the road, the faster it rises towards ever wider horizons."*

St. John Paul II



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I pray that you are all doing well. I apologize, as I have not written to you in a few weeks. I started high school in September at Our Lady of Mercy Academy (OLMA), which I absolutely love! I have been super busy with excelling in my academics and being active in my school community. At OLMA, they empower young women to be strong and successful leaders while also doing the Lord's work. I have the amazing opportunity to do a service class, Hearts to God, Hands to Work, which I also absolutely love! This allows me in so many ways to help others in our community. I am truly blessed and grateful for these opportunities and will continue to help make a difference.

We have made another successful delivery to the 1st Way Life Center! We have provided several of mothers with diapers, wipes, blankets and clothing for their babies. Some of the mothers cried, as they can't believe we are helping them. It makes my heart happy to know that they are not alone. Spreading love and kindness is everlasting. Like I always say, thank you Jesus for the beautiful gift of life.

As we continue to fulfill our mission, I ask that we please keep all mothers and their families in our prayers. Thank you all for the outpouring of love and continued support. I also thank you for your gracious and generous donations. May God continue to bless you all.

With love, Abby



## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Stewardship Giving

*"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." (MARK 12:33)*

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Living Stewardship in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

Last Year Bishops from the Philippines asked about Freemasonry. The Vatican confirmed that Catholics cannot be masons. Their beliefs are against the Catholic Faith. Catholics knowingly being a member would constitute a mortal sin. Catholics who are masons cannot receive communion. The documents from 1983 and parts of the 2023 ones are given below.

## CONGREGATION FOR THE DOCTRINE OF THE FAITH

### DECLARATION ON MASONIC ASSOCIATIONS

It has been asked whether there has been any change in the Church's decision in regard to Masonic associations since the new Code of Canon Law does not mention them expressly, unlike the previous Code.

This Sacred Congregation is in a position to reply that this circumstance is due to an editorial criterion which was followed also in the case of other associations likewise unmentioned inasmuch as they are contained in wider categories.

From what has been decided above, and this in line with the Declaration of this Sacred Congregation issued on 17 February 1981 (cf. *AAS* 73 1981 pp. 240-241; English language edition of *Osservatore Romano*, 9 March 1981). Therefore the Church's negative judgment in regard to Masonic association remains unchanged since their principles have always been considered irreconcilable with the doctrine of the Church and therefore membership in them remains forbidden. **The faithful who enroll in**

**Masonic associations are in a state of grave sin and may not receive Holy Communion.**

It is not within the competence of local ecclesiastical authorities to give a judgment on the nature of Masonic associations which would imply a derogation

**In an audience granted to the undersigned Cardinal Prefect, the Supreme Pontiff John Paul II approved and ordered the publication of this Declaration which had been decided in an ordinary meeting of this Sacred Congregation.**

Rome, from the Office of the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 26 November 1983.

Joseph Card. RATZINGER

*Prefect*

+ Fr. Jerome Hamer, O.P.

*Titular Archbishop of Lorum*

*Secretary*

## DICASTERIUM PRO DOCTRINA FIDEI

### NOTE FOR THE AUDIENCE WITH THE

### HOLY FATHER

*13 November 2023*

a) On the doctrinal level, it should be remembered that **active membership in Freemasonry by a member of the faithful is forbidden because of the irreconcilability between Catholic doctrine and Freemasonry** (cf. Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, "Declaration on Masonic Associations" [1983], and the guidelines published by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines in 2003). Therefore, those who are formally and knowingly enrolled in Masonic Lodges and have embraced Masonic principles fall under the provisions in the above-mentioned *Declaration*. These measures also apply to any clerics enrolled in Freemasonry.