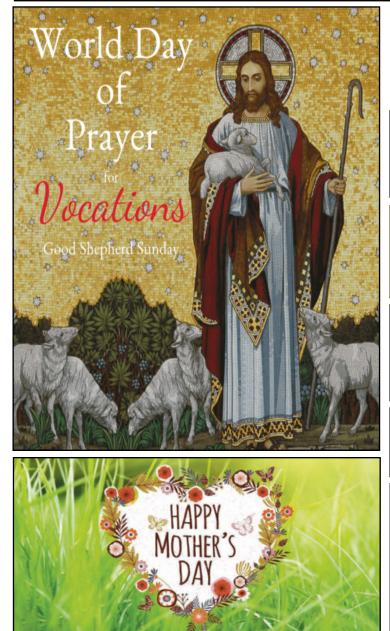
# St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church South Glens Falls, New York



<u>Prayer to St. Michael</u> Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



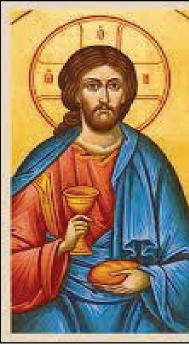
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**St. MICHAEL'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** We are a welcoming Catholic Community devoted to living out and celebrating God's Word and Sacraments by connecting people to Christ through Faith, Love and Ministry.

<u>CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS:</u> <u>Baptism</u>: Arranged at least one month in advance <u>Reconciliation</u>: Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm; or by request <u>Marriage</u>: Please call six months in advance <u>Sacrament of the Sick</u>: Anytime by request

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm (*Reconciliation* 3:00-3:45 pm) Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM Weekdays: Tuesday - Saturday 8:30 AM Holy Days of Obligation ~ as announced in bulletin

<u>Pastoral Council Chairperson:</u> vacant <u>Parish Trustees:</u> Martin Lemmo & Terry Taylor <u>Parish Finance Committee Chair:</u> Mark Johnson



**Communion** Prayer My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Spiritual

May 8, 2022 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations & Mother's Day

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Please submit items for bulletin at least two weeks in advance.

## JOIN OUR BREAVEMENT MINISTRY:



We are looking for YOU to volunteer for our parish Bereavement Ministry. Truly dedicated people make up the teams of our Bereavement Ministry. This ministry has

been offering its service as a gift of love to parish families of St. Michael's since 1993. Following a funeral, the teams take turns preparing and serving a light luncheon for the family and close friends of the deceased. If you feel like you would like to be a dedicated member of one of these teams, you can find sign-up sheets in the church's gathering space or you can contact the rectory directly.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Knitters needed! Do you knit and/or crochet? We could use some help with our prayer shawl ministry. We provide prayer shawls to the ill or dying or in grief. Anyone who would like to receive a prayer

shawl, or, if you know of someone that has lost a loved one or who is ill or infirm, and would like to receive one, please Eileen Caulin at (518)792-3396. Thank you very much.

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Please keep all those in the military in your prayers, especially those from our parish and area deployed far away for their safety and swift return home: Tim Smith, Erik Greco, GySg Sean Smith, John Thomas, Kendall Fillings, SPC Raymond R. Harris, Maj Alexander Bedard III, A1C Charles Addison Maxwell, Cpl Nathan Lawrence, SSgt Derek J. Lloyd, TSgt Timothy G. Whittemore, Lt Col Nicole Fish, Sgt Dallion Richards, CPO Robert Tyrseck, Capt Patrick Kelly, SSgt Cody J. McNorton USAF, NDI Michael Dean, NDI Mario Nicoletti, Sgt C.J. Perkett, Eric J. Johnson, PFC Dawson Cook, CPL Zackery Stewart, PVT Daniel Newell, SGT Timothy Gordon.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAY FOR THEM!

Please contact the rectory if you have any changes to be made.

ST. MICHAEL'S TAG SALE: The "Super Dup-



er, All-Purpose, Hotsy-Totsy Tag Sale" is THIS Friday and Saturday, May 13 & 14. We have LOTS of great items.

Please come support the parish and find some great bargains. There is a

\$5.00 admission on Friday only from 4:00 pm -7:00 pm and Saturday, May 14 from 9:00 am -3:00 pm.

We need help to move the items from the garages into the parish hall and to help set up. We will be doing this and Thursday, May 12. If you can help to move and set up, it would be greatly appreciated.

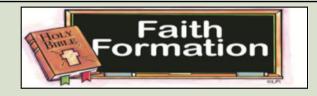
THERE IS A \$5.00 ADMISSION PREVIEW FEE DURING FRIDAY HOURS ONLY

## PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY: Gayle Bush,



our Pastoral Care Associate, is delighted to call and visit elderly, infirm and homebound parishioners or those in hospital or nursing facilities. Call the parish at (518)

792-5859 to let us know about someone to be visited or if you have any questions.



### FAITH FORMATION OFFICE PHONE 518-792-5859 Jim Gorman—Ext. 15 Mary Stearns—Ext. 16

#### FAITH FORMATION NOTES

#### Read: John 10:27-30

There are two notions that need to be taken on faith as they are presented in the Gospel passage where Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd. The first mystery is that those who are given the gift of faith to hear the invitation Jesus presents, will follow him. The second mystery involves the unbreakable bond that exists between the Shepherd and the person who hears the invitation. Once a person responds to the invitation, he or she belongs to God forever.

Our culture has changed since the days of our parents and grandparents when just about anyone dropped in at any time. We now call ahead and make arrangements for our children to visit friends. In comparing our own day to 50 years ago, we begin to really appreciate the invitation of Jesus to follow him, just as we are, anytime of the day or night. Where would we be if we had to call ahead to see if Jesus was available?

Reach out to a family in your neighborhood this week by inviting them over for some "informal" fun and food. Dig out board games and snacks as you welcome them spontaneously. Keep in mind that this is how Jesus reaches out to us and let your neighbors experience God's love through your hospitality.

#### **DISCUSSION STARTERS**

1. I have a real feeling of belonging to...

- 2. I felt Jesus inviting me to follow him this week when...
- 3. Today I hear Jesus' voice in...



Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend we have two special ways of celebrating during this glorious Easter season. This is the Fourth Sunday of Easter, which is referred to as "Good Shepherd Sunday" because of the Gospel story where Jesus says that His sheep (that is, those who have Faith in Him and follow Him) hear His voice and follow him. He says that He gives them (us) eternal life and that they (us) will never perish. How astounding! This passage comes from chapter ten of John's Gospel, way before the Passion occurs. However, Jesus is laying the ground work for all to follow him and realize that He is the Messiah, our true savior, the Christ. When we think of shepherds, we likely imagine a person out in the field, among the flock of sheep, caring for them, guarding them and leading them to safe pasture. Well, that's exactly what Jesus does for all who believe in him. The imagery could not be more appropriate. I hope that we will remain among the flock that Jesus leads, all the way to life eternal in the Heavenly pasture of the Kingdom of God.

This Sunday is also 'World Day of Prayer for Vocations'. The Church wisely linked this occasion with this Sunday's Scripture passages and, in particular, the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd. The intent of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Now, more than ever, the Church needs courageous and good men and women to not only hear God's invitation to serve as priests, religious, deacons and the laity, but also to respond to that call and serve the Church as priests, religious sisters or brothers, as deacons. Our Diocese is blessed to have a large number of men who are in formation now preparing for priesthood. Also, a number of men are preparing to be deacons. There are several women who are in the process of taking vows as religious sisters in various religious communities. If we all do our part in offering prayers for more vocations, then with God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit at work in those persons lives, there will be a great harvest of priests, religious, deacons to serve the Church. Please pray that more men and women, older and younger, will hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes in our Diocese. For the Albany Diocese, two men will be ordained as priests on June 18. We rejoice in this wonderful blessing and pray that their ministry will be filled with joy and love of God's people. I vividly remember my spiritual director in the seminary tell me as I was about to return home, "Tony, love the people and let them love you!" I keep that wise guidance close to my heart every day I serve here as pastor. It is an honor, joy and the greatest gift I have known from God to be here with you in our amazing parish family. By the way, this June 10, I will mark 22 years of priesthood (with 13 years spent here at St. Michael's!) It has been an incredible blessing in my life.

Finally, a word to all moms! Today is Mother's Day. We pray for and give thanks to all our mothers — living or deceased — and pray that they have a really great day today!

God bless you!

Father Tony Childs

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS CALENDAR



**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Rosary Altar Society next meeting will be held on Monday, May 23, at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. All women in the parish are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact RAS president Ann Ryan, president at (518)745-0973.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Knights of Columbus next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 25, with Rosary at 6:30 pm and Business Meeting at 7:00 pm. Please contact Grand Knight Bob Rugar at (518) 260-3025 for more information about becoming a Knight.



ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER TREE: We need more parishioners to call the next person on the chain whenever a name is added to our parish prayer list. If you would like to help in this important parish ministry call ELAINE JONES at 518-793-4542. Thank you so much for serving in this ministry.



**GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY:** Joan DeLarm, MSW, LCSW-R, ACSW, DCSW offers a weekly grief support group ministry in our parish on Mondays in our parish meeting (kindergarten) room 3:00-4:00 pm. All are welcome to attend,

even if from other parishes. It is offered for anyone who is experiencing grief or loss or knows of those who are feeling loss or are down or lonely. For more information, contact Joan at jsdelarm@gmail.com or Father Tony at the rectory. Joan is a former Sister of Saint Joseph and a retired psychotherapist and teacher with over 45 years of practice.

VOLUNTEER HOURS NEEDED? While we have a regular crew who sets up and runs the video equipment for our livestreamed Masses every week, we would like to add a few more people to the rotation. No experiences necessary, but computer or YouTube knowledge would be very helpful. It requires less than 90 minutes around the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass, takes very little training and scheduling is flexible. This would be perfect for a high school or college student looking for volunteer hours. If you are interested, please talk to Father Tony or contact the rectory at (518)792-5859 or smichael@nycap.rr.com.



### **COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:**



Any St. Michael's parishioners who are unable to attend Mass in person, but wish to receive Holy Communion are welcome to contact the parish Homebound rectory office so that either Father Tony or Gayle Bush, Pastoral Care

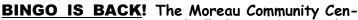
Associate, can bring Holy Communion to you. All Covid-19 safety measures will be followed during the visit. Please call the rectory at 518-792-5859 or email smichael@nycap.rr.com.

THE EVANGELIST NEWSPAPER: Do you re-



Diocesan ceive our newspaper, The Evangelist? Each week. it THE OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY brings you news about

the Catholic Church and our Diocese. The subscription price is only \$18.00. FYI—the parish MUST pay for every households to receive a copy of *The Evangelist*. Please help the parish defray this expense with your once-a-year gift of only \$18.00 for your subscription. Thank you!





ter is thrilled to announce that they are resuming BINGO here at St. Michael's. It is every Thursday in the parish hall. Doors open at 5:30 pm and BINGO begins at 6:00 pm.

They are asking for volunteers to lend a hand with the kitchen and to help with the games. Please call Gloria at the Moreau Community Center at 518-792-6007 if you are able to help.

## **GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE:**



St. Michael's offers gluten-free hosts for those who need them for Communion due to celiac or other dietary requirements of low-gluten food items. See Father Tony before Mass Gluten Free Hosts to request a gluten-free host.

**ONGOING FOOD DRIVE:** There is a great need to



support the local food pantries in our area. Please bring non perishable food items as well as personal hygiene and personal care items (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, etc.) with

you to Mass as often as you are able to. Donation containers are outside the main school doors, outside of the parish kitchen and inside the main church doors. Thank you and may God bless you.







<u>WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: \$6,300.00</u> Thank you for your generous support of St. Michael's Parish!	THE WEEK OF: APRIL 24, 2022
REGULAR WEEKLY OFFERTORY AMOUNT RECEIVED:	\$7,017.00
BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED:	\$6,300.00
WEEKLY <u>SURPLUS</u> / <u>SHORTFALL</u> AMOUNT:	(\$717.00)
GRAND TOTAL RECEIVED:	<u>\$7,017.00</u>

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE: Our parish offers the convenience of online giving that allows you to ensure that your weekly offerto-

sure that your weekly offertory gift is made even if you are unable to attend Mass or if

you do your banking online. Simply visit stmichaelschurchsgf.com, click 'online giving' and you will be directed to Our Sunday Visitor's secure website. There you can enter your personal and payment information, as well as the amount and the frequency of your giving.

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



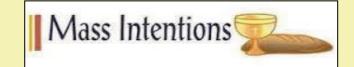


**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:** Have you made your gift to the 2021-22 Diocesan Appeal? After reviewing our records we have found that there are dozens of parishioners who have given to the Appeal in the past few years, but have not given a gift yet this year. Every gift helps the Diocese to carry on the work and ministry of Jesus in a variety of ways. I ask all of you who have faithfully supported the Diocesan Appeal in the past and who have not done so yet, to please send your gift in now. <u>The</u> <u>current Appeal ends on June 30.</u> I am hopeful that those who have not yet given will do so in the next month or so.

The Covid Pandemic has put added strain to the services and ministries of the Diocese. If you think about it, a gallon of gasoline is at an all-time high! Just over a year ago, it was at least a dollar less expensive. Likewise, the cost of just about everything has risen significantly. In contrast, most charitable donations have remained unchanged, if not greatly reduced! We are all called upon to help share in the work of Jesus mission by our gift to support the Diocesan Appeal.

**PLEASE MAIL YOUR GIFT DIRECTLY** to the Diocese of Albany at 40 North Main Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. As a convenience, you may also make your gift online. Visit the Diocesan Appeal website at <u>www.thediocesanappeal.org</u> to make your gift or pledge safely and securely. There's no check to write, no envelope to mail! Thank you and God bless.





SUNDAY (5/8/22) FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 4:00 PM MARIA & NADIA MASTRANTONI by Angelo Mastrantoni Viail EMIDIO & HENRIETTA PAPA & ANTHONY PAPA by Mary Ann & Stan Wood EVERETT PHILION by Philion Family MARY NICHOLS by Her Daughter **ROBERT "BUD" WINCHELL by Mary & Wayne Alheim** WILLIAM "BILLY" CRANE by Megan Guarnier & The Burns Family

- 8:00 AM SHIRLEY KAISER by Sally Vishneowski FAITH BOUCHARD, 1st Anniv., by Deborah Rose
- 10:00 AM JOAN SILVEY by Dan & Children NORMA POTVIN by Lee Potvin & Family ANNA CAIAZZO by Her Children

5:30 PM THE PEOPLE OF ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

Monday (5/9/22) Easter Weekday NO MASS ON MONDAY

Tuesday (5/10/22) Saint Damien de Veuster 8:30 AM

Wednesday (5/11/22) Easter Weekday 8:30 AM

Thursday (5/12/22) Saints Nereus & Achileus ; Saint Pancras 8:30 AM

Friday (5/13/22) Our Lady of Fatima 8:30 AM JOYCE BAKER by Frances Pringle

Saturday (5/14/22) Saint Mathias 8:30 AM

SUNDAY (5/15/22) FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 4:00 PM EDWARD MASTRANGELO by Paul Spinelli Vigil **BETTY GREEN by Paul Spinelli RAYMOND & STEVEN LaROSE by Wife/Mother & Family** 

8:00 AM JOHN T. HART Sr. by Kathy & Family **REV. PETER FIORE by Marv & JoAnn Lemery** 

10:00 AM JOAN SILVEY by Dan & Children

5:30 PM THE PEOPLE OF ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

NOTE: If there is a Mass with no intention listed, (see above) anyone may request that particular Mass be celebrated for someone-living or deceased-as an intention. Please call the office to schedule Mass intentions or speak with Fr. Tony before the Mass time.



## **MAY 2022**

- 9 Grief Support Ministry — 3:00 pm
- 10 Immaculate Heart of Mary Praver Group 2:00 pm
- 12 Weekly Bible Study 1:00 pm 13-14 TAG SALE

Friday, 4:00-7:00 pm; \$5.00 Early Admission Fee!

- Saturday, 9:00 am-3:00pm
- 16 Grief Support Ministry 3:00 pm
- 17 Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group - 2:00 pm
- 18 Mass at Home of the Good Shepherd 2:00 pm
- 19 Weekly Bible Study 1:00 pm
- 23 Grief Support Ministry 3:00 pm Rosary Altar Society Meeting — 6:30 pm
- 24 Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group 2:00 pm
- 25 Knights of Columbus 6:30 pm Rosary, 7:00 pm Business Meetina
- 12 Weekly Bible Study 1:00 pm

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## **ST. MICHAEL'S JOB OPPORTUNITY:**



We are looking for someone to help with housekeeping and light office help during the week. This is a part-time position. Duties include light housekeeping in the rectory and the church and to oc-

casionally help out in the parish office. If interested, please contact Father Tony at518-792-5859 or GAC5400@aol.com. Thank you!



WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY will resume on Thursday, May 12 at 1:00 pm in the meeting room (aka kindergarten room). All are welcome to attend!

## MASS READINGS WEEK OF MAY 8, 2022

Sunday: Acts 13:14,43-52; Ps 100:1-5; Rev 79,14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: Acts 19:24-13:5a; Jn 12:44-50 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6 Saturday: Acts 15:1-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17





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