



the Messenger

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

40501 Hayes Road · Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313

MISSION STATEMENT: St. Michael Catholic Community strives to be a welcoming parish where people come together to worship, learn and grow in faith. Through our actions, we demonstrate our beliefs in fellowship, service and generous tithing of time, talent and treasure while empowering people to take a more active role in the mission of the church. We care for one another and receive comfort and support in our own times of need. All are encouraged to participate in the journey to live by Christ's example and build the kingdom of God by sharing His word with those we meet.

From Artist Mary Gilhuly,
Co-Founder, Song and Spirt Institute for Peace

Dear Friends,

At my first meeting with the 50th Anniversary Planning Committee I was shown a booklet from the 25th anniversary of the parish. In it was a "logo" for the 25th (which I just learned was



25th Anniversary Logo
designed by Fr. Larry

originally designed by founding pastor Fr. Larry!). I thought it would be a wonderful connection to the past if we brought a variation into play for the 50th.

If I broadened the garment we could fill it with colorful tiles designed by the congregation, then place abstract "people" under the outstretched arms of Jesus and fill them with even more parishioner-made tiles. It

seemed appropriate to create the faces on these figures in a variety of "skin" colors- and then be sure that all those "skin" tones were in Jesus' face and hands as well. At this very first meeting, I learned that the message "All Are Welcome" was very important to your pastor, Fr. Mike. The hymn "All Are Welcome In This Place" gave us the wording that would appear on the banner.

After the participating individuals and families created their tiles I spent quite a bit of time thinking about the elements that would make up the finished piece. The wording was important;

the multi-color glass in the faces of Jesus and the "people" backed up this message with a great visual. But, everything needed to support the work of the parishioner "artists" - and work with the architecture of the space. The rich jewel tones on the green robe needed to "pop" on the new wall covering - but also give a "resting place" between those colorful tiles. The piece would be installed on a diagonal line opposite the beautiful interior garden which ties together both of these unique features.

The angled glass cuts in all the faces visually tie in to the rafters of the church with their exposed metal pipes/beams forming wedge shapes in the ceiling. The rectangle-shaped tiles that parishioners created mirror the tall, rectangular niche where the Tabernacle rests just off the Sanctuary.

The glass technique used in the banner was inspired by a 2,000 year-old mosaic found in Israel. This whole installation is a little abstract/contemporary to go with the St. Michael church design, so I thought the banner should be "grounding" and have a little "touch of age" for balance. I added 50 tiny chips of gold mirror to the banner to mark the 50th anniversary of the parish. The "brocade" embellishment down the front of the robe and its richly-colored hem also contain 50 gold mirror pieces each. For these features I chose golden, rust and sage green Van Gogh glass to tie into - but not compete with - the parishioner's art work. Your colorful tiles were

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placed entirely at random as I pulled them out of the bin where they were stored. Two tiles were placed intentionally - the 50th anniversary cross logo is on the "heart" of the Jesus figure and the tile immediately to the left of it is Fr. Mike's.



Special thanks to the 50th Anniversary Planning Committee for all of their efforts over the last two years(!) and to Deacon Franz and other Parish staff members who helped along the way. Thanks to Fr. Mike for his support throughout the process. I am profoundly touched by the trust that was placed in me by all of them. Thanks especially to the people of St. Michael Catholic Community who shared their creative hearts, hands and spirits in the building of this piece. Please know that it is evident with every encounter I've had here at St. Michael that truly "All Are Welcome In This Place."

Mary
Mary Gilhuly
Co-Founder, Song and Spirit
Institute for Peace

Susan Kuehnel, age 75, died February 4. Beloved wife of the late Paul. Loving mother of Jeanette (Jason) Wenger and the late Timothy (Leslie) Boulay. Proud grandmother of five.

Richard Allan Zanotti, age 70, died February 28. Beloved husband of Marlene, Loving father of Philip.

Bonifacio Gatcho Cleto, age 81, died March 1. Beloved husband of Belen. Loving father of Bernadette (Tim) Henigan and Stephanie (Matat) Van Kirk. Dear grandfather of three.

Vernon Sosnoski, age 82, died March 3. Devoted father of Lisa (Aaron), Michael (Lindsay), Jean, and Nathan (Irene). Proud grandfather of five.

Carlo Favro, age 104, died March 3. Beloved husband of the late Ada. Loving father of Dennis and Arlene (Daniel) Makowski.

Elizabeth (Betty) Ann Van Goethem, age 76, died March 4. Beloved wife of the late Donald. Loving sibling of Marilyn Kubat and William Pruzinsky (Jean). Dearest aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Carlo Rubino, age 76, died March 7. Beloved husband of Silvana. Dearest father of Jenny (Ryan) Leeper and Chris (Bria Burman). Proud grandfather of two.

James Kevin Gore, age 77, died March 8. Beloved husband of Virginia "Ginny." Proud father of Brian Peter and Brendan Joseph.

Edna Neil, age 88, died March 9. Loving wife of the late Clayton "John" Neil. Dear mother of Kerry Neil and Shawn Neil. Proud grandmother of six.

Bruce M. Saunders, age 77, died March 12. Beloved husband of the late Betty. Loving father of Kimberley Saunders (Richard) Wirsing, Michael Saunders and Bruce Saunders Jr. (Catherine Radloff), and daughter-in-law Kelly Saunders. Proud grandfather of two and great-grandfather of three.

Helen Joanna Kish, age 103, died March 16. Beloved wife of the late Steve. Loving mother of Mark (Lois) Kish. Betty Kish, son-in-law, Jeff (Diane) Stewart and of the late Karen Stewart and the late Steve Jr. Dear grandmother of four and great-grandmother of six.

Todd Cozik, age 58, died March 8. Beloved husband of Cherie. Loving father to Anthonie Korkis, Gino (Rachel) Korkis, and Dominic Korkis. Proud grandfather of five.

Michael Ulicny, age 90, died March 18. Beloved husband of Lorraine. Loving father to Pamela Pirrone (John), Rodney (Hope), and Jennifer Lehr (Ray). Proud grandfather of six and great-grandfather of one.





Claudia

DIRECTOR, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -- YOUTH MINISTER

Today's Gospel, the story of the *Prodigal Son* or *Forgiving Father* is one of the best known stories in Scripture. It is a story with three acts. In the first act, the younger son demands his share of his father's inheritance, runs off to a distant country, and wastes all the money on frivolous things. Feeling just a tad desperate, this younger son gets a job with a pig farmer and ends up eating the garbage that is thrown to the swine. The son makes matters even worse by working for and eating food from a non-Jew, a gentile. He is eating unclean (unholy) food and has thus made himself unclean; he denies his very heritage. This younger son decides that he just can't take this anymore and decides to return to his father. Note, he is *not* sorry for what he has done, he simply longs to return to the cushy lifestyle he had while living at home. Nevertheless, he prepares a "speech," an insincere speech, to show his dad just how repentant he is.



Act II begins with the actual return of this son. While he is still quite a distance away, his father sees him and *runs* to greet him, kisses him and embraces him. Those listening to Jesus' story would have been aghast at



the image of the father running; this was a cultural taboo in their society. Nevertheless, the two embrace and the younger son launches into his speech. The speech, however, doesn't go exactly as the son planned; it goes even better! He never got to utter his last line, "Treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." Dad interrupts all of this and orders the son clothed in a robe, ring and sandals. Far from being welcomed as a servant or slave, the son is restored to family dignity and given the signet ring to act with the father's authority. This act ends with a party! Everyone, except the older brother, celebrates the fact that this

wayward son has come back home; he has returned to the father. (Hmmm...shouldn't our reconciliation to God end with a party as well?! We should celebrate that God, in all goodness and compassion, continues to welcome us home to him!)

In Act III, the focus is on the older brother. He is furious and resentful that his younger brother, the wanton and wasteful one that he is, should be thrown a party. In an unheard of gesture, the father *goes out to* the elder son and pleads with him to join in the celebration. But this child will have nothing of it; he is so angry because he perceives that the younger son is getting preferential treatment from their father. His argument is shallow: "Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf." Dad does not argue back, he simply states, "My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found." We never find out if this older son goes to the party and rejoices with his father.



Notice that both sons define their relationship with their father in terms of servitude. The younger son feels he can get back into his dad's good graces by becoming one of his servants and the elder son brags how he has always been a faithful servant. Both of them have a misunderstanding of the relationship between parent and child.

We all know, the story really isn't about how the children act and react; it is a story of the wonderful love a parent has for their children, a story of God's overflowing love for us. Perhaps we should measure the depth of our love for our family against this story. During this Lenten season let's try to "fast" from arguments and resentments that we may have with family members and, instead, "feast" on the goodness inherent in each member of our family.

I hope you are all intending on visiting the “Man of the Shroud” exhibit that will be here at St. Michael shortly (see page 9 for more information). We’ve had inquiries from groups as far away as Grand Rapids intending on coming to see the exhibit. We will have brief talks, and I mean brief, reminding you of the exhibit at the beginning or end of all the Masses.

Now that our 50th anniversary celebrations are over, I can’t help but wonder and reflect on what the future of the Catholic Church in America might look like. I am wondering what St. Michael might look like 50 years into the future as well. I just can’t stop thinking about it and I’d like to share some of my thoughts with you, and ask you, what do you think the Catholic Church in America will look like 50 years down the road?

What might the future hold for the Catholic Church in America? A future filled with self-driving cars, robot vacuum cleaners (that still miss the corners), shifting demographics, cultural changes, and the occasional Sunday morning snooze button temptation—I contend that there’s plenty of reason for hope. Let’s be honest: some churches have more open seats than filled. But don’t count us Catholics out! The Holy Spirit has a funny way of surprising us. Just when we think the Church is slowing down, God raises up passionate young Catholics, inspiring converts and faithful communities ready to share the Good News.

The truth is, the Catholic Church has seen ups and downs for over 2,000 years, and we’re still here. If history teaches us anything, it’s that when times get tough, the Church gets tougher (and holier). Gone are the days when the height of parish technology was an overhead projector and a slightly wobbly microphone. Today, livestreamed Masses, Catholic podcasts, and even priests on the internet are reaching people in ways never before imagined.

The next generation of Catholics (we already see it) might not just sit in a pew; they’ll be logging in, tuning in, and hopefully still showing up in person (because even the best online homily can’t replace the power of a real handshake at the Sign of Peace). There’s a common concern that young people are stepping away from the faith. And sure, some are. But many are also stepping into leadership, looking for deeper meaning in a noisy world. They’re looking for authenticity, truth, and—let’s be honest—a parish that serves really good coffee and donuts at least once a month like we do...ha, ha. The challenge we face now and even more looking down the road is

This & That

from Deacon Franz

welcoming them in a way that speaks to their hearts while staying true to the teachings of Christ. The Church has always been a home for seekers, skeptics, and saints-in-the-making.

While we don’t have a crystal ball (just a lot of prayer candles – over in the corner by the garden), we do know that the Church will continue to grow and change. Vocations remain a concern, a big one, but the Holy Spirit is still calling men and women to religious life. And who knows? The future may bring new discussions on the role of deacons, lay ministers, and even greater collaboration between clergy (maybe even married clergy?) and the laity. No matter what, I have the utmost confidence because I know that God is in control—and He’s never been one to abandon His Church.

So what does the future of the Catholic Church in America look like? Well, it’ll be filled with challenges, but also with joy. There will be moments of struggle, but also moments of incredible grace. More than anything, the future Church will be what we—through prayer, faith, and a little humor—help it become. So my friends, keep the faith, keep showing up, and don’t forget to smile in the communion line. The Church is alive, and the best is yet to come. I truly believe that with all my heart. I may not be here to see it, but it’s going to happen!

God Bless,
Dcn. Franz

BIBLE STUDY AND COMMUNION SERVICES

When: Every Thursday during Lent continuing through April 10th

Time: 6pm for Bible Study
7:15pm for Communion Service

Stations of the Cross

Date: Every Friday during Lent through April 11.

Time: 7pm





2025

Easter Ham and Kielbasa Sale

Thank you very much for your support last Christmas. Over \$1,600 in profits were contributed to numerous organizations. Thank you for your continued support and have a blessed Easter.



ST. MICHAEL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EASTER HAM AND KIELBASA SALE



Name: _____

Phone: _____

Orders are due by **TUESDAY, April 8**
pre-paid orders only

ORDER PICKUP AT ST. MICHAEL
Thursday, April 17

Curbside pick-up, East entrance,
handicap door entrance, will call
shortly after truck arrives for pickup.

Please, make checks payable to
K of C #13799

For more information, please call
Joseph 586-718-8843
Sy at 586-718-6167

Donation: _____ Credit: _____

3% service fee
will be added

Check #: _____ Cash: _____

ITEM	QUANTITY	COST PER	TOTAL
Half Spiral Sliced Glazed Ham (Average 8lb)	_____	\$50	_____
Whole Spiral Sliced Glazed Ham (Average 14lb)	_____	\$80	_____
Half Classic Ham Semi Boneless (Average 8lb)	_____	\$35	_____
Whole Classic Ham Semi Boneless (Average 14lb)	_____	\$60	_____
Smoked Kielbasa (5lb)	_____	\$28	_____
Fresh Kielbasa (5lb)	_____	\$28	_____
Sliced Turkey Breast (5lb)	_____	\$34	_____
TOTAL ITEMS	_____		GRAND TOTAL

~ April 16th is National Healthcare Decision Day ~
See our Parish Health Team on the weekend of
April 12 & 13 to make yours!

National Healthcare Decisions Day (NHDD) is held on **April 16** each year to educate us about advanced care planning and empower all to make their care wishes known. It is so



important to make sure that someone knows our wishes and can speak for us if we cannot speak for ourselves when it is necessary to make medical decisions. To help with this, the Parish Health Ministry Team will have information tables set up in each Gathering Space the weekend of **April 12 & 13** with materials to help facilitate and document your wishes. Please stop by and take the materials. Making your wishes known creates peace of mind for you and for those who love you!

TALES OF WONDER

at the Easter Vigil

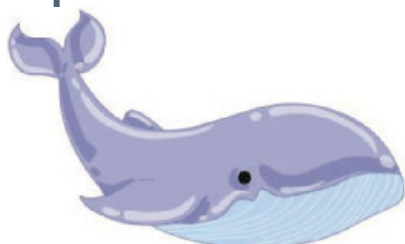
For many years we have proclaimed the word of Creation in the Tales of Wonder at the Easter Vigil. We have children participate by carrying up various stuffed animals/symbols as the script is read. Would your child love to participate and carry up an animal/symbol during the Vigil? If so, please fill out the form below to let us know who will be joining us. This will be during the Easter Vigil which is on Saturday, April 19 at 6:30pm. You will need to be there with your child by 6:00pm.

TALES OF WONDER

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____



*Please submit this form to the Parish
Office or email at
deaconfranz@stmichaelcc.org.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 8:00am Mass 9:00am AA Meeting 9:45am Mass 11:00am RCIA 11:30am Mass 12:30pm Parish Baptisms <div>K of C Ham/Kielbasa Sale</div> <div>Shroud of Turin Exhibit</div>	7 9:30am Daily Mass <div>FLT Week #21</div>	1 9:30am Daily Mass 9:30am Faith Sharing Group 10:15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rosary Group 12:00pm Grief Sharing Group 7:00pm Bible Study with Dave Nesbitt (Zoom) 7:00pm K of C Planning Meeting 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting	2 9:30am Daily Mass 10:30am Bible Study (Zoom with L. Hall) 12:00pm AA Meeting 6:15pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	3 9:30am Daily Mass 11:30am Krafert's Korner Rehearsal 5:15pm Youth Bell 6:00pm Bible Study with Deacon Franz 6:00pm Adult Bell Rehearsal 7:00pm Parish Communion Service 7:30pm AA Meeting	4 9:30am Daily Mass 7:00pm Lenten Reconciliation Service at St. Blaise 7:30pm AA Meeting 7:30pm Al-Anon Meeting	5 10:00am AA Meeting 4:30pm Mass 8:00pm AA Meeting <div>K of C Easter Ham/Kielbasa Sale</div>
Shroud of Turin Exhibit						
13 8:00am Mass 9:00am AA Meeting 9:45am Mass 11:00am RCIA 11:30am Mass <div>Passion/Palm Sunday Healthcare Decision Day Almsgiving Program Ends</div> <div>Rice Bowl Program Ends</div>	14 9:30am Daily Mass 10:30am Senior Meeting <div>FLT Week #21</div>	8 9:30am Daily Mass 9:30am Faith Sharing Group 10:15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rosary Group 7:00pm Bible Study with Dave Nesbitt (Zoom) 7:00pm K of C General Membership Meeting	9 9:30am Daily Mass 10:30am Bible Study (Zoom with L. Hall) 11:00am Daughters of Magdala 12:00pm AA Meeting 6:15pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Grief Share Group	10 9:30am Daily Mass 1:00pm Christian Service Meeting 5:15pm Youth Bell Rehearsal 6:00pm Bible Study with Deacon Franz 6:00pm Adult Bell Rehearsal 7:00pm Parish Communion Service 7:30pm AA Meeting	11 9:30am Daily Mass 10:00am Sewing for Skip 6:30pm Youth Group Monthly Gathering 7:30pm AA Meeting 7:30pm Al-Anon Meeting	12 10:00am AA Meeting 11:45am Strangers No Longer/Christian Service Easter Basket Assembly 4:30pm Mass 8:00pm AA Meeting <div>Healthcare Decision Day Almsgiving Program Ends</div> <div>Rice Bowl Program Ends</div>
20 8:00am Easter Mass 9:00am AA Meeting 9:45am Easter Mass 11:30am Easter Mass <div>Easter Sunday</div>	21 9:30am Daily Mass <div>FLT Week #22</div>	22 9:30am Daily Mass 9:30am Faith Sharing Group 10:15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rosary Group 6:30pm Parish Health Ministry 7:00pm K of C Business Meeting 7:00pm Bible Study with Dave Nesbitt (Zoom)	23 9:30am Daily Mass 10:30am Bible Study (Zoom with L. Hall) 2:00pm AA Meeting 6:15pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Grief Share Group	17 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm AA Meeting <div>Holy Thursday K of C Ham/Kielbasa Pickup</div>	18 12:00pm Good Friday Service 2:00pm Veneration of the Cross 7:30pm AA Meeting 7:30pm Al-Anon Meeting <div>Good Friday</div>	19 9:00am Meeting 10:00am AA Meeting 6:00pm Easter Vigil Mass 8:00pm AA Meeting <div>Holy Saturday</div>
27 8:00am Mass 9:00am AA Meeting 9:45am Mass 9:45am K of C Corporate Communion 11:30am Mass 1:00pm First Communion Rehearsal	28 9:30am Daily Mass 10:30am Senior Meeting <div>FLT Week #23</div>	29 9:30am Daily Mass 9:30am Faith Sharing Group 10:15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rosary Group 6:30pm Education Commission Meeting 7:00pm Bible Study with Dave Nesbitt (Zoom)	30 9:30am Daily Mass 10:30am Bible Study (Zoom with L. Hall) 12:00pm AA Meeting 6:15pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	24 9:30am Daily Mass 11:30am Krafert's Korner Rehearsal 5:15pm Youth Bell 6:00pm Adult Bell Rehearsal 7:30pm AA Meeting	25 9:30am Daily Mass 7:30pm AA Meeting 7:30pm Al-Anon Meeting	26 9:00am AA Meeting 10:00am AA Meeting 4:30pm Mass 8:00pm AA Meeting <div>DEA Drug Take Back Day</div>
						

The challenges continue for our Neighbors in Need

As a important reminder, it has once again been brought to my attention by several parishioners that they have been approached in our parking lot by individuals soliciting for money. If you experience this situation, please **DO NOT** provide financial assistance. Instead refer them to our Parish Office as we have protocols in place. This helps eliminate any discomfort and giving out of guilt. We are willing to assist anyone through proper channels and resources we have available with your generosity to the Ladder Fund. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (586) 566-4487.

Thank you in advance for your care and compassion.



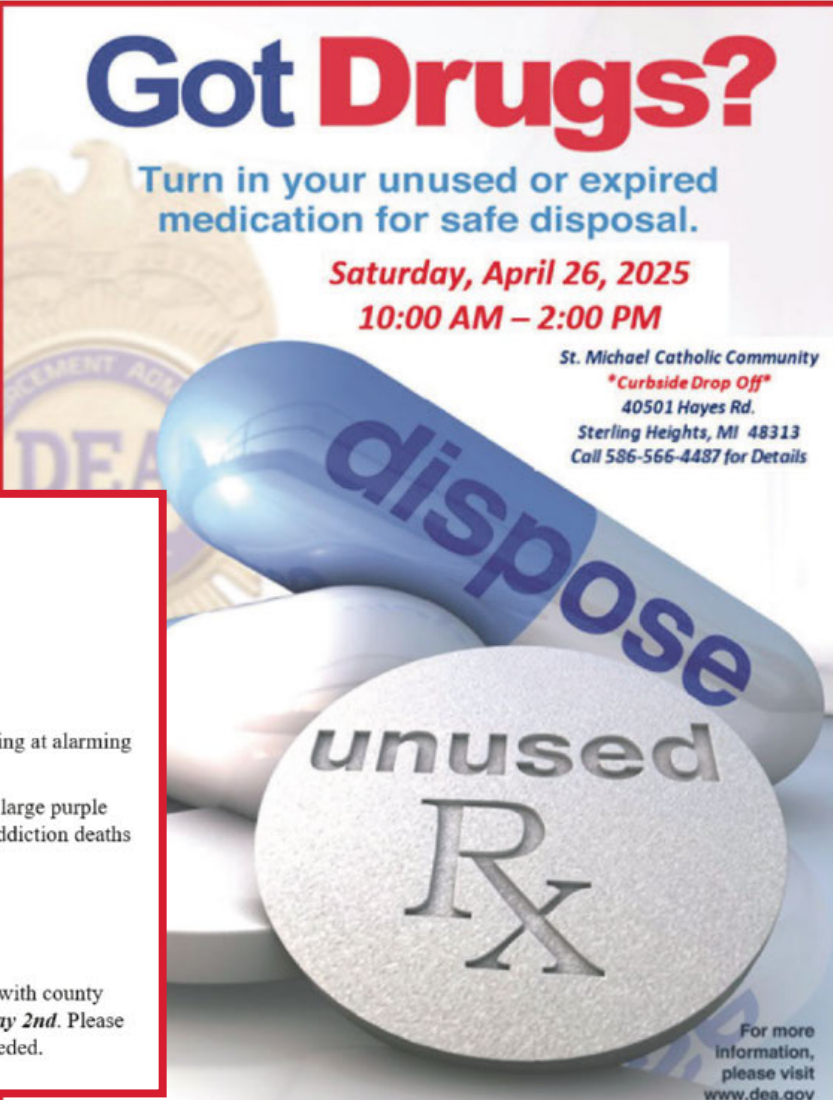
Michelle Hayes
Christian Service Minister

Got Drugs?

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal.

Saturday, April 26, 2025
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

St. Michael Catholic Community
Curbside Drop Off
40501 Hayes Rd.
Sterling Heights, MI 48313
Call 586-566-4487 for Details



For more information, please visit www.dea.gov

ADDICTION DEATHS IN MACOMB COUNTY HELP BEGINS HERE

Alcohol and drug related deaths in Macomb County are occurring at alarming rates and steadily increasing.

From *April 25th – May 2nd* here at St. Michael there will be a large purple banner facing Hayes Rd. on our lawn with flags representing addiction deaths to bring awareness.

Help is available and it begins here!
We support recovery!

Resource flyers will be available in the same area on our lawn with county organizations and recovery information during *April 25th – May 2nd*. Please be sure to pick up some information and use or share where needed.

THE MAN SHROUD of the

St. Michael Catholic Community

Presents:

The Man of the Shroud
Touring Exhibit

Tuesday, April 1st through Saturday, April 5th

11am-8pm

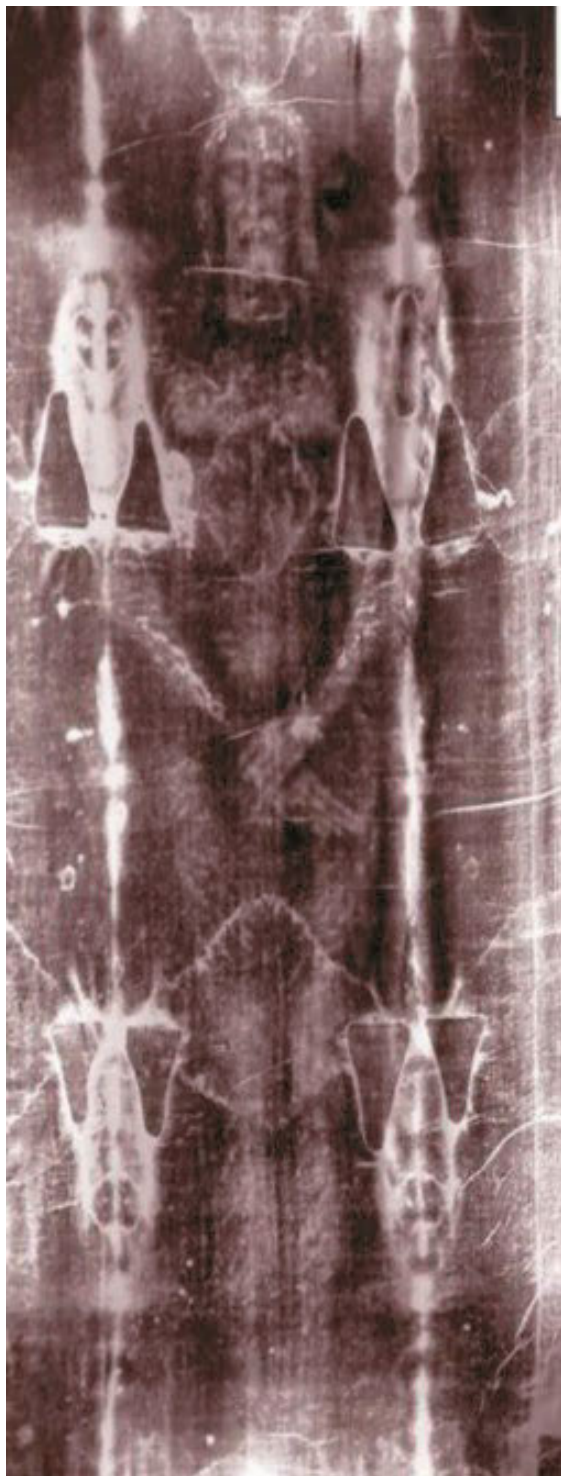
Sunday, April 6th

1:30pm-8pm

All are welcome to view the full-length, front and back, replica of the Shroud of Turin in addition to 30 informational banner displays.

The Shroud of Turin has long been venerated by the faithful and is believed by many to be the burial cloth of Jesus of Nazareth. The Shroud is one of the most scientifically studied religious icons in history.

As science has progressed, so has the speculation on how the image of the crucified man of the Shroud was made. After decades of exhaustive and medical, historical, and scientific research, the Center for the Study of the Passion of the Christ and the Holy Shroud has developed a moving and informative mobile exhibit on the Shroud of Turin. The centerpiece is a full-length canvas replica of the Shroud made by the Shroud of Turin Education and Research Association, Inc. In addition, the mobile exhibit contains a large crucified corpus showing the wounds of Christ corresponding to the passion narrative in the Gospel accounts and the wounds shown on the Shroud (National Shrine of St. Maximilian Kolbe.)



A Lenten Minute

PROTECTING CROPS FROM NATURAL DISASTERS IN BANGLADESH

Shahadat's village, and much of Bangladesh, is located on flat lowlands. The intense rainy season causes flooding that often destroys farms and crops. Find out how Shahadat learned new farming skills from a Catholic Relief Services program that enabled him to increase the yield of his vegetable crops despite the challenges of climate change. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read this week's Story of Hope.



So how is your lent going so far? Did you start off with a bang promising to fast, pray and give alms? Maybe you started out strong and are still on your chosen path, that's great. Maybe, just maybe, with all your good intentions, you started out strong, but life got in the way and the three pillars just aren't receiving the attention they deserve. Don't despair - there is still plenty of time to put extra meaning into this most holy of seasons.

In addition to the numerous opportunities we encounter to pray and fast each day, you are invited to take part in our Almsgiving Program by donating to one of the twenty-three pre-selected charities performing incredible acts of charity & love within our community. Simply take an envelope, identify the charity you wish to support and include your monetary gift in the envelope provided. Your donation can be dropped in the Offertory Baskets or returned to the Parish Office. Make this Lenten season a time for giving thanks to God for all you have been given through the simple act of giving to others.



Remembering the Purposes of Lent

Mass Intentions

Please note that Masses scheduled below can have multiple intentions including the intention of and rituals for a funeral rite. You are welcome to attend Mass at any time. If you prefer not to attend a funeral Mass, we recommend that you call the Parish Office to inquire about upcoming funerals the day before.

Saturday, March 29

4:30pm Wilson, Popa, and Pauli Families requested by Norman Popa
Charlie Bommarito requested by family
Florence Ash 16th Anniversary requested by Ralph Ash
Bridget Skwarczewski requested by mom and dad
Joseph Sant 1st Anniversary requested by Carol, Connie, and Jeff
John Eago 2nd Anniversary requested by mom and family

Special Intentions of a concerned parent

Sunday, March 30

8:00am Ken and Gail Levillier requested by Denise

9:45am Michael, Juliette, and Albert Shamaly requested by Norman Popa
Charlie Bommarito requested by wife and family
Roberto Pitruzzello requested by sister, Rosa
Carmelo Tringali requested by wife, Rosa
Dennis Prite requested by Amy
Vincent Allen requested by Amy
Bradley Allen requested by Amy

11:30am Vern Sosnoski requested by Anna and David DiCicco
Steve Bologna 1st Anniversary requested by Diane and Richard Nahas
Quirino DeCastro requested by the DeGuzman Family
Adelaida DeGuzman requested by the DeGuzman Family
Carlo Rubino requested by wife, Silvana and family

Monday, March 31

9:30am Michael Zerilli 12th Anniversary requested by family

Tuesday, April 1

9:30am

Wednesday, April 2

9:30am

Thursday, April 3

9:30am

Friday, April 4

9:30am Judy Rogowski 1st Anniversary requested by Bob and Pat Mitchell

Saturday, April 5

4:30pm Greg Bruen requested by wife and family
Vincent and Josephine Manzo requested by family
Edward Cook 15th Anniversary requested by daughter, Sharon Cook
Bridget Skwarczewski requested by mom and dad

Special Intentions of a concerned parent
Special Intentions for Hayleen 13th Birthday Celebration requested by family

Sunday, April 6

8:00am Evelyn Finn and Marjorie Finn requested by Jack and Roberta Patterson
Ken and Gail Levillier requested by Denise

9:45am Michael, Juliette, and Albert Shamaly requested by Norman Popa

11:30am David Rose requested by wife, Kathy
Mary and John Andrasko requested by daughter, Kathy
Charlotte Youngblood requested by husband, Jack and children
Martin Paddock requested by Carlo and Maria Simone
Michael Genna requested by family
Antonino Trentacoste requested by family



Rest in Peace

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the families of

*Eli Karam
Susan Kuehnelt
Edna Neil
Michael Ulicny*

Mass Schedule for April 5/6

	<i>Presider</i>	<i>Commentator</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>E.M. Captain</i>	<i>Cantor</i>
4:30pm	Fr. Tim	Nancy Smith	Carolyn Rabine	Linda Borek Debbie Dixon Rose Pikor John Vorpapel	Tom Kluka
8:00am	Fr. Tim Deacon Franz	Steve Dedene	Mary Tarte	Linda Bauer Bob Kosky Debbie Kuskowski Bonnie LaTorre	Kris Pina
9:45am	Fr. Mike Deacon Franz	Clarissa Gibbs	Maria Sobie	Cindy Gustafson Sheryl Hancock-Nieman Barb Koslowski Judy Stefforia	Choir
11:30am	Fr. Mike	John Takle	Don Harris	Jeanette Azar Jennifer Gebhardt Deborah Kilcher Maureen Ortwein	Tom Kluka

Ministers of Hospitality

Ralph Ash	Fred Knapp	Maureen Matchulat	Carmella Pasienza	Bill Wolfgang
Virginia Chadwick	Bob Kosky	Keith McKenzie	Sy Perkowski	Jack Youngblood
Paul Chancey	Linda Kosky	Fredilyn Neri-Smith	Chris Purzycki	
Bob Garavaglia	Don Lasceski	Osagie Osazuwa Jr	Norm Purzycki	
Dick Grabowski	Bomber Martin	Dave Overholser	Joe Sala	
Larry Jordan	Jim Matchulat	Dave Parker	Eduardo Santana	

Aaliyah Tucker

Yvette Bliss
Jill Kleinhans
Lou Scholl
Yousif and Robin Family

Aaron McGraw
Allison McGraw
Dave Nesbitt
Carol Pierfelice
Carla Rinaldi
Eve Watt

William Bentson
Timothy Courtois
Victoria Covey
Lillian Davis
Greg Epsha

Judy Epsha
Tom Klawender
Fred Knapp
Thomas Lesinski
Ken Trent
Kimberly Trent
Ralph Vogan

Ivana Robin
Hanna Robin
Virginia Robin
Robin Family

Ed Guygar
Bill Overholser

Jerry Brunner
Don Loria

Sam Loria
Robert Rohrer

Larry Gerbe
Roseann Lucci
Mary Vaiyda

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Wednesday | 7pm Mass
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Confessions | Saturday at 3pm

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
(9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 **Scrutiny:** 1
Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
(1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a
and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21
and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
(3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 **Scrutiny:** Ez 37:12-14/
Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45
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Scripture Readings



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Annual Planning Meeting	Tuesday, April 1	7pm	Social Hall
Ham/Kielbasa Sale	Weekend of April 5/6	All Masses	Gathering Areas
Council Meeting	Tuesday, April 8	7pm	Social Hall
Ham/Kielbasa Pickup	Thursday, April 17		East Gathering
Business Meeting	Tuesday, April 22	7pm	Youth Gathering
Corporate Communion	Sunday, April 27	9:45 Mass	Church
Membership Drive	Weekend of May 3/4	All Masses	Gathering Areas
Mother's Day Carnation Distribution	Weekend of May 10/11	After All Masses	Gathering Areas
May Crowning	Tuesday, May 13	6:30pm	Church
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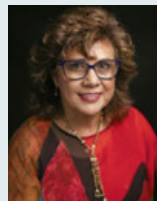
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