

August 15, 2021

Saint Michael THE Archangel

CATHOLIC CHURCH



AUGUST 15, 2021

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SUNDAY MASS

Sunday.....11:30 am

CONFESSION

After Friday and Sunday Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS

Friday.....9:15 am

BAPTISMS

Call office to schedule the baptism and formation class.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made six months in advance of the date of the wedding.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements need to be written and submitted to the office by Monday at noon.

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VISION STATEMENT

As a faith community we believe and profess that "God so loved the world that he gave us his only son" (Jn.3:16) God invites us to be one with the Trinity.

In response to the divine invitation the parish of St. Michael the Archangel gives praise, thanks, and obeys the word spoken by "the word made flesh".

- "Do this in memory of me" (Lk. 22:19)

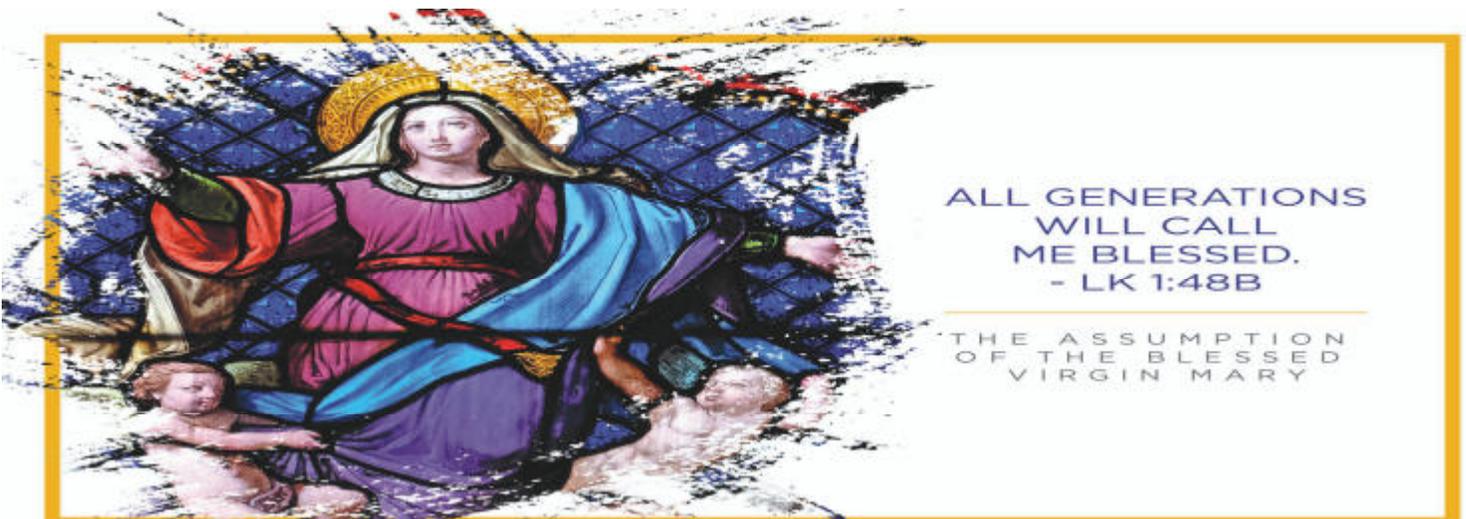
We celebrate the sacraments to encounter the Lord Jesus, especially the Eucharist, in which many become one and become increasingly the Body of Christ in this world.

- "Go teach all nations and baptize them...." (Mt. 28:19)

We commit ourselves to live the gospel. In doing so we proclaim, teach, and model a way of life for all in this rural community.

- "Love one another as I have loved you" (Jn.13:34)

Convinced of the beauty and dignity of the human family, we minister to the needs of both our faith community and the wider community.



ALL GENERATIONS
WILL CALL
ME BLESSED.
- LK 1:48B

THE ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY

PARISH STAFF**Parochial Administrator**

Rev. Johnathan Schmolt

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Sunday Fellowship

Carrie Kolesar - 814-758-1020

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8/15/2021 11:30 am	For the people of St. Michael's Parish
Friday 8/20/2021 9:15am	Dorothy Nych (Bibiana Chestnut)
Sunday 8/22/2021 11:30 am	For the people of St. Michael's Parish

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Date/Time	Lector	Altar Servers
8/22/2021 11:30 AM	B. Chestnut	As available

Online Giving is Available at tithe.ly/give

Please note

if it is a problem getting to our Confessional because of stairs, obstacles etc., please let Fr. Johnathan know. He would be more than willing to make other accommodations for Confession with you.



If you would like to request the lamp for someone, please fill out an envelope found in the back of the church or contact the office at 724-867-2422

**SANCTUARY LAMP
MEMORIAL**

Aug 14—Aug 20, 2021

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Special Intention

Requested by

John & Kate Kerle

FINANCIAL**Offertory**

Actual 8/8/2021	Actual Fiscal year to date	Necessary Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage over (under)
1,528	7,394	11,208	-34%
Weekly Collection:		\$ 1,528	
Weekly offertory goal : \$1,868			

Catholic Services Appeal

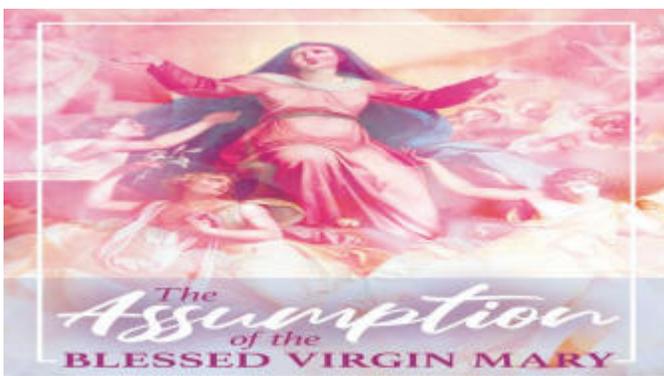
Actual collected 8/8/2021	Total collected As of 8/8/2021	Parish Goal	Percentage of goal collected
0	21,098	24,000	88%
Total Pledged: \$ 23,828			

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.



Sigrid Piroch	Alice Pihoker
Howard Maresch	Brad Louise
Paul Pastorok	Rosie Hartzell
Ruth Hepler	Eric Zacherl
Shirley Wedekind	

Family Perspective

"Blessed is the fruit of your womb" can be said of all mothers, because every child is "blessed" and a child of God upon whom God "looks with favor." This is our deepest identity and destiny. We do not earn this blessing. God's love is a free gift to each of us.

Marriage Moments

On Aug. 15 the Catholic Church celebrates the feast of The Assumption of Mary. Whether or not you are Catholic, however, there is another English meaning of "assumption" It's risky in marriage to *assume* too much about your spouse. Do not assume that you will both be alive tomorrow. How might you treat your beloved today if tomorrow brings tragedy?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15

Sunday: Vigil:	1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28
Day:	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Monday:	Jgs 2:11-Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a//Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Welcome!

Or perhaps more accurately — welcome back!

For many months, our households, families and communities were unable to embrace one of the most beautiful joys of our humanity: Gathering around the table to share stories and a meal. Similarly, our parishes have longed to gather around the table of the Eucharist to share our great story: The life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

At Mass each Sunday, we *remember* the faithfulness of God throughout all of salvation history and see how that same great love remains present, here and now. We are physically present with Jesus and with each other. We also long to “re-member” our parishes, because *Our Sunday Story* isn’t complete if even one member of our family is missing from the table.

Isolation and social distancing have awakened our deep need for connection with each other and with the physical presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. As a community of faith, participating in the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist is our central activity. Recall with us the sacredness of the sabbath, of a family meal and of sharing treasured stories. Then, come, share in *Our Sunday Story*. We have prepared a place for you!

Rosary

Pray a Scriptural Rosary with Deacon Nick and Lisa on the 4th Sunday of the month at 11:20 am on We Are One Body Radio. You can pray along on your computer at www.waob.org or on the radio at 106.7 FM.

**Basic Evangelization Training**

Saturday, August 28

9:00am—4:00 pm

Knights of Columbus Hall

111 Petroleum St., Oil City, PA

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Or call the parish office

HOME ENTHRONEMENT**Home Enthronement is Offered to All Families!**

Would you like to have your home blessed? Are you willing to consecrate your family to serving Christ in your home and in your lives?

Bishop Persico has given his blessing to the Erie Diocese branch of the World Apostolate of Fatima to reach out to all families around the diocese in promoting Home Enthronement to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Pope Benedict XVI states that the enthronement is “the installation of the image of the Sacred Heart in the place of honor in the home as on a throne, in such a way that Our Divine Savior Jesus Christ is seen to reign in each Catholic home.” *The Firebrand p. 76*) Home

Enthronement “propagates above all things, the Christian spirit in the home by setting up in each family the reign and the love of Jesus Christ ...To follow Christ is to be permeated with a lively constant faith, which not only acts upon the mind and heart, but likewise governs and directs our conduct.” (The Firebrand p.74)

Fr. Johnathan Schmolt and other priests have been commissioned by Bishop Persico to pray with families during their Home Enthronement. Fr. Johnathan encourages you to sign up to participate in consecrating your family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary through a Home Enthronement. You sign up for a Home Enthronement by contacting the St. Joseph office at 814-677-3020.



Faith Formation

The Feast of the Assumption



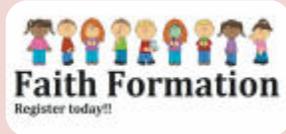
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
 for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
 From this day all generations will call me blessed:
 the Almighty has done great things for me
 and holy is his Name.
 He has mercy on those who fear him
 in every generation.
 He has shown the strength of his arm,
 and has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
 and has lifted up the lowly.
 He has filled the hungry with good things,
 and the rich he has sent away empty.
 He has come to the help of his servant Israel

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Please register your child(ren) for
Faith Formation as soon as possible!
 You may register online at
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Prayer as we Re-member Our Sunday Story

God our Loving Father,
 we ask for an outpouring of your Holy Spirit.
 May your Spirit call us back to
 Re-member our Sunday Story—
 the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
 which draws us together
 and brings us to the Eucharist.

May your Spirit unite us more closely to Christ,
 in whose Body and Blood
 we have communion with you, with each other,
 and with those in need.

As Jesus brought joy into the faith-filled household
 of Mary and Joseph,
 we ask that Christ's presence come alive
 in our homes and parish communities,
 renewing joy and hope in the world.

We pray through your Son Jesus Christ,
 who lives and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.
 Amen.



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 The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L. — Bishop of Erie.

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