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### Newport - Fort Loramie Pastoral Region

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## December 15, 2019



# 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.” - Mt 11:10

*From the Pastor's Desk*

We **welcome** St. Michael parishioner, **George Sholtis**, to our pastoral region's management team. He will be our first **Pastoral Region Business Manager**.

The Pastoral Region Business Manager will report to the Pastor and have responsibility for personnel, finances, facilities and administration of both parishes.

George will begin on January 6, 2020.

**ADVENT INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION TIMES**

Monday, December 16 7:00p to 9:00p St. Michael  
 Tuesday, December 17 4:30p to 5:30p Ss. Peter & Paul  
 Wednesday, December 18 12:00p to 1:00p St. Michael  
 Saturday, December 21 9:00a to 10:00a St. Michael  
 Monday, December 23 7:00p to 9:00p St. Michael  
 Or by appointment with Fr. Steve: 937 295-2891.

**DECEMBER'S HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION**

**THE FUTURE OF THE VERY YOUNG:** That every country takes the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

[www.apostleshipofprayer.org](http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org)

**WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Scott Francis & Sara Pohlman, both of St. Michael.

**BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Brooks Nicholas Hilgefert, son of Joshua & Megan (Fullenkamp) Hilgefert, Lyla Marie Boerger, daughter of Mitchell & Allison (Bensman) Boerger, Bradley Gage and Sadie May Fiessinger, children of Curtis & Maria (Rolsten) Fiessinger.

**Ss. Peter & Paul Parish****Weekly Financial Report - December 1, 2019**

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Week (23)</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total Offertory:	\$ 2,665.00	\$ 61,646.96
Total Budgeted:	2,800.00	64,400.00
Over/(under) Budget	\$ (135.00)	\$ (2,753.04)
Total Other Deposits	\$ 83.00	\$ 37,982.64
Maintenance Income	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,247.19
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Parish Weekly Expenses:	\$ 6,028.29	\$ 85,795.25
Capital Improvements	\$ 0.00	\$ 12,499.00

**THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORT OUR PARISH!**

**St. Michael Parish****Weekly Financial Report - December 1, 2019**

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Week (23)</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total Offertory:	\$ 12,007.50	\$ 241,309.30
Total Budgeted:	10,000.00	230,000.00
Over/(under) Budget	\$ 2,007.50	\$ 11,309.30
Total Other Deposits	\$ 1,171.00	\$ 114,976.07
Improvement Fund Income	\$ 436.00	\$ 20,052.25
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Parish Weekly Expenses:	\$ 25,273.36	\$ 364,465.50
Capital Improvements	\$ 0.00	\$ 14,127.19

**THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORT OUR PARISH!**

**SCHEDULE OF MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 15 3rd Sunday of Advent**  
 SM 8:00a Living & Dec'd Members of Pastoral Region  
 SPP 9:30a "Special Intention"  
 SM 11:00a Harry & Bernice Frilling

**MONDAY DECEMBER 16 Weekday**

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 17 Weekday**  
 SPP 8:00a Mildred Sherman  
 SM 6:30p Purgatorian Mass  
 John Pleiman (Anniv.), Ben Puthoff, Tom & Vera Schwartz, Dec'd of Hugo & Thelma Meyer Fam., John Eilerman, Wilfred Prenger

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18 Weekday**  
 SM 8:25a Lawrence & Claribel Eilerman

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 19 Weekday**  
 SM 8:25a Esther Eilerman

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 20 Weekday**  
 SM 8:25a Leonard Bruns

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 21 St. Peter Canisius**  
 SM 5:00p Greg, Rita & Gerald Holthaus  
 SPP 6:30p Tim Vagedes

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 22 4th Sunday of Advent**  
 SM 8:00a Henry Eilerman  
 SPP 9:30a Living & Dec'd Members of Pastoral Region  
 SM 11:00a Marian Rosengarten

**HOW TO SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION**

Donations for mass intentions are accepted **up to one year in advance from the current month** by scheduling with your parish secretary. The stipend for a mass intention is \$5.00. The number of intentions that can be scheduled per year is limited.

**St. Michael**

Tue. 12/17 6:30p  
 Wed. 12/18 7:25a  
 Thu. 12/19 7:25a  
 Fri. 12/20 8:25a  
 Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**ALTAR SERVERS**

D.J. Barhorst, Kaleb Bergman  
 Madison Snider, Kendall Tennery  
 Adult Volunteers  
 Adult Volunteers  
 Calder Bergman, Ashlyn Eilerman,  
 Bradyn Frilling  
 Aubrey Turner, Kameron Barhorst,  
 Logan Eilerman  
 Nathan Hess, Evan Hoelscher, Blake  
 Holthaus

**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
 Children's 5:00  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**CANTORS**

Karen Ballas  
 Theresa Boerger  
 Shari Eilerman  
 Matt & Ashlee Slavin

**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
 Children's 5:00p  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**LECTORS**

1) Nancy Luebke, 2) Shannon McGee  
 Sharon Eilerman  
 1) Lisa Holthaus, 2) Brenda Hoying  
 1) Paulette Meyer, 2) Sara Meyer

**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
 OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Deacon Paul, Makenna Homan, Lynn  
 & Katelyn DeLoye, Claire Chaney, Dani  
 Eilerman, Teresa Ann Borchers  
 Deacon Paul, Monica Sowards, Ann  
 Timmerman, Frank K. Turner, Peg  
 Wray, Aubrey Baker, E Boeckman  
 Deacon Paul, Teresa Seger, Shelly &  
 Liz Barhorst, Diane Berning, Kate  
 Boeke, Reece Boerger

**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**GREETERS**

Karl & Kathy Hilgefert, Rick & Patty  
 Luttmer, Mike & Gayle Holthaus, Kurt  
 & Sharon Poepelman Fam.  
 Bonnie Turner, Jan Stockman, Don &  
 Bev Holthaus, Patricia Ruhenkamp  
 Paul & Teresa Seger, Randy & Greta  
 Frilling, Kevin & Shelly Pleiman Fam.

**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**USHERS**

Jerome Barhorst, Elton Gaier, Myron  
 Gaier, Roger Siegel, Jim Albers, Rob  
 Huddleston  
 Ken Meyer, Ken Subler, Ed Gigandet,  
 Jim Mescher, George Barhorst, Tony  
 Siegel  
 Lester Schmitmeyer, Ron Drees, Bill  
 Hoying, Jacob Bornhorst, Steve  
 Hilgefert, Mike Holthaus

**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**MASS COORDINATORS**

Makenna Homan  
 Ed Gigandet  
 Teresa Seger

**St. Michael**

Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS**

Gina, Nate & Ella Boerger  
 Jan Stockman

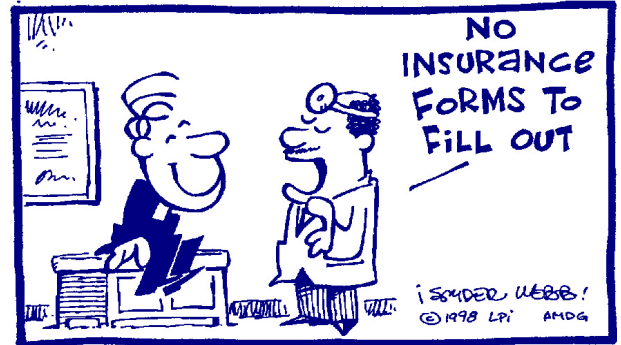
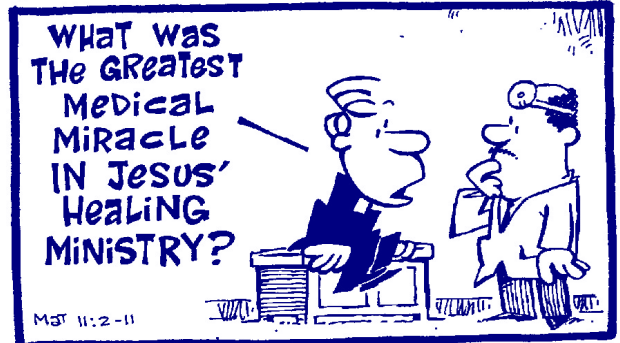
**St. Michael**

Sat. 12/21 5:00p  
 Sun. 12/22 8:00a  
 Sun. 12/22 11:00a

**OFFERTORY FAMILIES**

Kevin & Amy Wrasman  
 Chad & Brenda Wray  
 Chuck & Peg Wray

**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ADVENT**



**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Tues. 12/17 8:00a  
 Sat. 12/21 6:30p  
 Sun. 12/22 9:30a

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Adult Servers  
 Ella, Luke & Lauryn Crim  
 Emma & Sophia Waesch, Evan Seger

**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Sat. 12/21 6:30p  
 Sun. 12/22 9:30a

**CANTORS**

Amy Noykos  
 Jerri Barlage

**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Sat. 12/21 6:30p  
 Sun. 12/22 9:30a

**LECTORS**

Julia Wolfe  
 Al Cordonnier

**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Sat. 12/21 6:30p  
 Sun. 12/22 9:30a

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
 OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Deacon Paul\*, Jeff Clark, Lisa Monnin  
 Bernie & Judy Poepelman, Brenda &  
 Doug Schmitmeyer, Deacon Paul\*

**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Sat. 12/21 6:30p  
 Sun. 12/22 9:30a

**GREETERS**

Deanna, Dan & Tucker Chappie  
 Ann Tebbe, Deb Wright

**Ss. Peter and Paul**

Sat. 12/21 6:30p  
 Sun. 12/22 9:30a

**USHERS**

Alan Monnin, Leo Ahrens  
 Mark Quinter, Tim Tebbe

**SUN 15**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
 7:30a Rosary —St. Michael Church  
 8:00a Mass—St. Michael Church  
 9:30a Mass—Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
 11:00a Mass with Children’s Liturgy—St. Michael

**MON 16**  
 7:00p (until 9:00p) Advent Confessions-SM Church

**TUE 17**  
 8:00a Mass—Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
 4:30p (until 5:30p) Advent Confessions-SPP Church  
 5:00p RCIA—Parish Office Center  
 6:30p Mass—St. Michael Church

**WED 18**  
 8:25a Mass—St. Michael Church  
 9:00a Adoration (until 9:00p) - St. Michael Church  
 9:00a Senior Exercises—St. Michael Hall  
 12:00p (until 1:00p) Advent Confessions-SM Church  
 3:00p SM Elementary CCD Christmas Event  
 St. Michael Hall  
 6:30p SPP CCD Grades 1-8 with Confessions  
 Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
 6:30p SM CCD Grades 7-12—Ft. Loramie High Sch.  
 7:00p Evening Prayer—St. Michael Church

**THU 19**  
 8:25a Mass—St. Michael Church  
 9:00a Chair Volleyball—St. Michael Hall  
 10:30a Strength & Stretch Exercises—SM Hall  
 3:00p SM Children’s Choir Rehearsal—SM Church  
 7:00p Choir Rehearsal—St. Michael Church  
 7:00p Soul Core Workout—St. Mike’s Place

**FRI 20**  
 7:00a High School Breakfast Club—St. Mike’s Place  
 8:05a Morning Prayer—St. Michael Church  
 8:25a Mass—St. Michael Church  
 9:00a Communion to the Homebound  
 3:20p Rosary for Persecuted Christians-SM Church

**SAT 21**  
 8:00a Men’s Fellowship Breakfast—Al’s  
 8:00a Soul Core Workout—St. Mike’s Place  
 9:00a (until 10:00a) Advent Confessions-SM Church  
 9:30a (until 10:30a) Food Pantry Dist.—Parish Off.  
 1:30p Hilgefert-Hoying Wedding—St. Michael Ch.  
 4:00p (until 4:30p) Confessions—St. Michael Ch.  
 5:00p Mass with Children’s Liturgy—St. Michael  
 6:30p Mass—Ss. Peter & Paul Church

**SUN 22**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
 7:30a Rosary —St. Michael Church  
 8:00a Mass—St. Michael Church  
 9:30a Mass—Ss. Peter & Paul Church  
 11:00a Mass—St. Michael Church

**SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR EVENT DETAILS**  
[www.nflregion.org](http://www.nflregion.org)



**THIRD SUNDAY**  
 OF  
*Advent*

Each year, this season of Advent comes around. We bless another candle this third week in Advent. Let us ask God to bless our family on this Third Sunday in Advent:

God of rejoicing,  
 this week we hear in our second reading that we are called to “rejoice always.”  
 Help our family to be joyful  
 in the midst of whatever happens this week.

When we light the third candle  
 on our wreath,  
 let us bring your joy  
 to our friends and neighbors this week.

We ask this through Christ,  
 who is the ultimate joyful gift to the world.

Amen.

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## Pastoral Region

**GIVING TREE:** St. Michael and Ss. Peter & Paul will once again sponsor the Giving Tree to assist those families and agencies needing our help during the holidays. If you are willing to help, simply choose a tag off the tree, buy a gift, attach the tag to the gift and **return the gift to the churches BY THE END OF TODAY, Sunday, December 15.** We are hoping you can help us to make this another successful year of helping others at Christmas!



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is in need of subs during the winter months from 4:00-5:00 pm and 8:00-9:00 pm. Subs are also needed for other time slots on a weekly basis. Contact Sandy Olberding at 295-3621 if you can help out.

**INTERESTED IN A BOOK STUDY?** Two will be offered in our Pastoral Region starting in January: 1) Mondays from 7:00-8:30 pm at the POC starting January 6 using ***“The World is Noisy—God Whispers”*** by Julia Monnin. The book is a collection of journal reflections from a woman who, for the first time in her mid-20’s, began finding answers to some of life’s biggest questions. The reader-friendly format is ideal for those looking to deepen their relationship with Christ. The book is available for purchase at Silver Cross Bookstore. 2) Wednesdays from 9:00-10:30 am at the POC starting January 8, we will be discussing ***“Heaven Starts Now—Becoming a Saint Day by Day”*** by Fr. John Riccardo. Fr. Riccardo helps us dive into the Scriptures so that we can apply them to our daily lives. In his inspiring and incisive way, he addresses the obstacles we all face in growing as disciples. How do we forgive? How do we combat fear and understand suffering? How do we worship the Lord, love others as Christ loves us, and fully surrender our lives to God? Contact Rose at the POC by December 23 to order this book.

**“A SEASON OF GRIEF” DAILY EMAILS:** When a loved one or friend dies, grieving that loss can take a long time, but you are not alone. GriefShare is here with support groups, and now daily emails, that provide encouragement and reminders of the recovery process. If you would like to sign up to receive these daily emails, please go to the website [www.griefshare.org/dailyemails](http://www.griefshare.org/dailyemails).

## St. Michael

**SM CCD GRADES K-6** after school Christmas Movie permission forms were due in last Thursday, December 12. Please contact Deb at the SM CCD Office with questions or if you did not get your form turned in by the due date.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to help set up St. Michael Hall for the 3:30 pm Christmas Eve mass. Set up will be at 6:30 pm on Monday, December 23.

**SM CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR’S MASS GREETERS ARE STILL NEEDED** for the following masses: Vigil Masses on Christmas Eve at 3:30 pm and 6:00 pm at SM Church, Christmas Day Masses at 8:00 am and 11:00 am, New Year’s Eve Mass at 5:30 pm, and New Year’s Day Masses at 8:00 am and 11:00 am. Please contact Diane at the POC if you or your family are interested in helping.

**SM APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER PROMOTERS:** Please pick up your letter at the front main entrance of church. The Holy Father Intention leaflets are no longer being printed. These special intentions will continue to be listed in the church bulletin monthly. All of the Holy Father’s Intentions with explanation and prayer for the intention are available on the website <http://popesprayerusa.net/popese-intentions/>. Or you can access this site thru the NFL Pastoral Region website under the Prayer and Worship heading. There will be copies of the yearly intentions available at the church entrances for those who do not have internet. We encourage all to pray these Holy Father intentions.

**“WE WOULD LIKE** to thank those who extended their kind words and prayers in the passing of our mother. We would also like to thank Fr. Steve, Deacon Paul, the funeral choir, and all who helped with her beautiful funeral. Thank you also to all who helped with the delicious meal afterward.”  
Received from the Family of Ruth Ann Meyer.

## Ss. Peter & Paul

**HELP IS NEEDED!** SPP Parish is in need of Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, especially at Saturday masses. Contact Lisa at the POC if interested.

**ALPHA**, a new Pastoral Region program, will be starting in January at SPP. We are in need of helpers to set up and clean up after the meals, which will be catered. Contact Lisa or Rose at the POC if interested in helping.

**CCD CLASSES** will be having an Advent Reconciliation Service on Wednesday, December 18. Service for students will begin at 6:30 pm; after students are done any parent wishing to receive this sacrament may do so from 7:00-7:45 pm. Fr. Steve will be available at this time. Parents may attend the student service and receive **AFTER** the students or wait and come at 7:00 pm and receive the sacrament.

**IMPROVEMENT FUND COLLECTION** is this weekend; please remember the needs of your parish.

<b>2020 COLLECTION ENVELOPES</b>	
	<p><b>Don't forget to pick up your envelopes; they are in the church basement. Thank you.</b></p>

**PASTOR** Rev. Steven Shoup 937-295-2891 Ext. 101 steves@nflregion.org

**DEACON** Dcn. Paul Timmerman 937-295-2891 Ext. 107 pault@nflregion.org

**PASTORAL REGION BUSINESS MANAGER**  
To be hired

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Betty Ann Clark (Ss. Peter & Paul Parish) 937-295-2891 Ext. 103 bettyannc@nflregion.org

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Ted & Jane Bornhorst tedb@nflregion.org janeb@nflregion.org

**SPP MAINTENANCE & GROUNDSKEEPER**  
Mark Holscher 937-295-2460

**SM HALL MANAGERS (HALL PHONE: 937 295-3193)**  
Nick & Katie Eilerman Scheduling: 937-295-2231

**SPP CHURCH BASEMENT MANAGERS**  
Brian & Stacy Knasel Scheduling: 937-295-3834

**NEED HELP? CALL ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** 937-538-8947  
Please leave message, your call will be returned within 24 hrs.

**PRAYER LINE - Multiply Your Prayers!**  
Call or email one of these contacts to be added to your Parish Prayer Line for one month. Your prayer requests are confidential and may or may not include a name.

**SS. Peter & Paul** E-mail: khoehne@roadrunner.com  
937-295-3264 Joan Meyer  
937-295-2791 Mary Ann DeLoye  
937-492-5620 Cindy Replogle

**St. Michael** E-mail: dmq5gc@nktelco.net  
937-295-2659 Dorothy Quinlin  
937-295-3964 Norma Toller  
937-295-2384 Mary Hoying  
937-295-3207 Karl & Kathy Hilgefert  
937-295-3390 Fran Gehret

**Sacrament of Baptism (infants)**  
First time parents are to attend a pre-baptismal program that is offered quarterly throughout the year. Baptisms may be celebrated during any weekend mass. Outside of mass, baptisms are celebrated at St Michael on the 2nd & 4th Sundays at 12:00p. At Ss. Peter & Paul, baptisms are celebrated on the 3rd Sunday at 10:30a. Schedule with the Parish Office at least two weeks in advance at 295-2891.

**Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**  
Make an appointment with the pastor or deacon at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding date. The church building is not reserved before this meeting. The preparation program consists of meetings with the pastor, FOCCUS and a Pre-Cana workshop. If either party has previously been married, that marriage must be annulled before setting a date. Call Fr. Steve or Deacon Paul at the Parish Office at 295-2891.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**  
Please notify the Parish Office of hospitalizations or home illnesses. The pastor will visit as soon as possible. In the case of an emergency, call the Parish Office and the Parish House. Call Fr. Steve at (office) 295-2891 or 295-3001 (rectory).

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)**  
Every Tuesday: 5:00-5:30p at Ss. Peter and Paul Church  
Every Saturday: 4:00-4:30p at St. Michael Church  
Thursday, only before 1st Friday 5:00-5:30p St. Michael  
Thursday, only before 1st Friday 6:00-6:30p Ss. Peter & Paul  
Join us for seasonal penance services. By appointment with the pastor is available by calling Fr. Steve at 295-2891.

**RCIA: Becoming a Member of the Catholic Church**  
Non-Catholic adults and teens interested in learning more about the Roman Catholic Church or becoming members of the Church, are invited to participate with The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). RCIA is the process for teens and adults to enter the Church. Call Pastoral Associate Rose Meyer at the Parish Office at 295-2891 for more details.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Place form in the collection or mail to your parish.

Your Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Ss. Peter & Paul** PO Box 199; Ft. Loramie OH 45845

**St. Michael** PO Box 7; Ft. Loramie, OH 45845

Please contact me/us.

I/We are interested in becoming Catholic.

I/We would like to register with the parish.

I/We have a change of address, email, phone.

I/We are moving out of the parish.