

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT:

To enhance and promote the fulfillment of St. Michael the Archangel, we will:

CELEBRATE THE PAST:

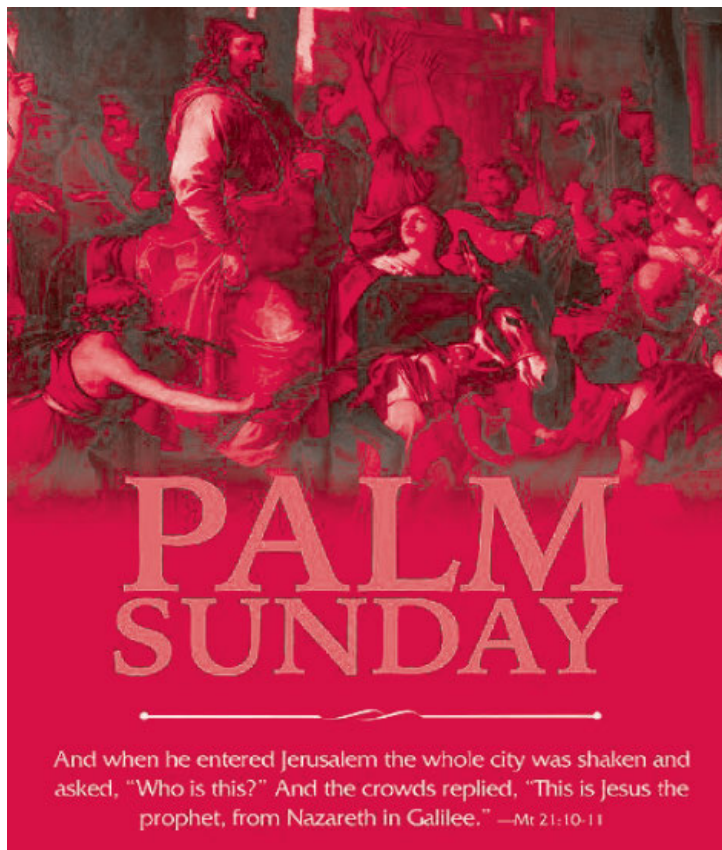
By examining, studying and capturing the history of the men and women, religious and lay, who established, nurtured and built it and all of its facets;

LEARN TODAY:

By learning from their faith, vision, passion commitment and actions so that we may better understand our history and their legacy;

PREPARE FOR TOMORROW:

By renewing the parish and its religious and lay leaders and its lay members; build on the legacy of the past and use our present strengths and abilities to help St. Michael's be a shining example and light of Christ and our history for all we touch.



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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Eucharist: as stated in the bulletin

Lord's Day Eucharist:

Sunday: 9:00 am (English)

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month: 11:00 am (some Polish)

Eve. of Holy Days - Consult Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Sunday 8:30 am and by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By arrangement with the Parish Office. Parents should be registered and active members of the Parish.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: The Bride and Groom should call the Parish Office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Please bring recent copies of your Baptismal certificate. Those under 21 should not set a marriage date until Diocesan permission has been obtained.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: We want to assist those who cannot celebrate Mass with us because of illness, age or handicap. If you or a family member desires to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharist or Anointing of the Sick at home or in the hospital, please call the PARISH OFFICE. In the event of an upcoming surgery, call the Parish Office to arrange a mutually convenient time for Anointing. By LAW, hospitals cannot notify us when parishioners are admitted. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please notify us.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We ask every member of the parish to be properly registered. All adults should have and use envelopes or e-giving. New members need to register as soon as possible. All address changes should be given to the Parish Office.

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. John Cronin, Pastor

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Rev. L. Edward Deimeke, Retired Senior Priest

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CONTACT: Parish Office: (518) 237-5151

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Sun. 10am-1pm (Polish on Tues. by appointment)

Church Hall: (518) 237-7121 Faith Formation: (518) 428-6353

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Church open hours: Mon.-Wed. 8am-3pm, Th. 8am-noon,

Sun. 8am-3pm (closed Friday & Saturday)

April 10, 2022

 **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**
THANK YOU... TO ALL WHO SHARED THEIR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE FOR THE GOOD OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY LAST WEEK.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!... For all the cards, gifts, delicious cookies and cakes, good wishes, and everything else you so generously showered on me for my 82nd birthday. Had I known the day was going to be so good,

THANK YOU

I would have scheduled it months ago !?!?!? I was very touched by your outpouring of kindness. Blessings and love to one and all.

Fr. Ed

LENT: Wednesday, March 2nd - Thursday, April 14th.

LENT IS A 40 DAY SEASON OF PRAYER, FASTING, AND ALMSGIVING that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. As a sign of our penance, there is also the custom of not eating meat on the Fridays of Lent. Therefore, all Catholics, 14 years of age & older are obliged to refrain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the other Fridays of Lent. All Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast. Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting allows for eating only one full meal per day. Two additional, smaller meals may be eaten and there is no eating in between meals.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of April 11 – April 17

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):

In memory of †*Niece Deborah L. Nickarz (5th Anniv.)*
 by John & Patricia Harrington.

Sacred Heart (side altar):

In memory of †*John F. Sokolowski (4th Anniv.)*
 by Family.

Blessed Mother (side altar):

In honor of Gen & Bob Callanan (67th Wedding Anniv.)
 by Family.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND: If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to have communion brought to you at your home, call John Harrington at (518) 237-5158.



OFFICE CLOSED **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:** The office will be closed April 14th (Holy Thursday) through April 17th (Easter Sunday).



Keep the Legacy Alive

Please remember St. Michael's in your will:
 St. Michael the Archangel R. C. Church
 20 Page Ave., Cohoes, NY 12047

Weekly Contributions

April 3, 2022	\$3,518.00
Year 2021	\$6,820.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,462.00
2 nd Collection - Evangelist	\$291.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$674.00
Candle Offerings	\$91.00
*Regular Offertory:	
9:00 Mass	\$1,316.00
Mail	\$796.00
E-giving	\$350.00

Weekend Mass attendance - April 3, 2022:
 Sunday, 9am 112

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

**Parish Manager
 OFFICE HOURS**

St. Michael's: Wednesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm

Holy Trinity: Tuesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm

No appointment necessary.

Parish trustees: trustees@stmichaelscohoes.org

Cemetery inquiries: cemetery@stmichaelscohoes.org

Bulletin inquiries: bulletin@stmichaelscohoes.org

Liturgical Roles⁺

Weekend of April 17th, 2022

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
9:00AM	TBD	TBD	J. Harrington

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

will be held after daily 9am Mass on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and every Friday at 5pm in the Church (except Good Friday, which will include additional prayers starting at 3pm).



BUTTER LAMBS: Patricia Harrington is selling butter lambs for \$5 each **while quantities last** after Mass (in the Church Hall kitchen) on April 10th (Palm Sunday). Proceeds to benefit the Sisters of the Resurrection in Castleton. Thank you in advance for your support.



FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, **April 20th** at 6:30pm. All are welcome.



CHOIR MEMBER RECRUITMENT: We would like to form a choir for the 9:00am mass on Sundays. We are asking all who love to sing, hum or whistle a tune to come and join the choir. Please email Roseanne at rkryjak@hotmail.com to sign up or call the office and leave your name. As St. Augustine says "To sing is to pray twice."



SWIECONKA: Polish Blessing of the Baskets – Holy Saturday: will be held at St. Michael's Church at **1:00pm**. In Poland the blessing of the baskets is a practice dating to the 15th century or earlier. The food items in the Easter basket, as well as at the Easter Sunday breakfast when the blessed food is eaten, have special significance. There is a special blessing for meat, egg, cake, and bread, so baskets will most likely include these ingredients. **Bread** (*chleb*), is usually a braided *chalka*, representing the staff of life given by God. **Easter bread** (*babka*) is a round cake of rich, eggy yeast dough with raisins that is reminiscent of the risen Lord.



Butter (*masło*), is one of the dairy products included to celebrate the end of Lent and the richness of our salvation. The butter is often shaped into a lamb, which is symbolic of the Paschal Lamb, and is known as a *baranek*. **Colored eggs** (*pisanki*), as well as uncolored hard-cooked eggs, indicate hope, new life, and Christ rising from his tomb. **Ham** (*szynka*), as well as other meats, symbolizes great joy and abundance in celebration of Christ's resurrection. **Sausage links** (*kielbasa*) are symbolic of the chains of death that were broken when Jesus rose from the dead, as well as of God's generosity. **Horseradish** (*chrzan*) is a reminder of the bitterness and harshness of the Passion of Jesus, and the vinegar it is mixed with symbolizes the sour wine given to Jesus on the cross. **Salt** (*sól*) is present to add zest to life and preserve us from corruption. **Sweets** (*słodycze*) suggest the promise of eternal life or good things to come.

SOCIAL HOUR: Thank you to all who made our St. Patrick's social hour a great success. Mark your calendars for Sunday, **April 10th** for our Easter social - you never know who might hop in!!!



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS: Please join us at our next Rosary Society meeting on Thursday, **April 21st** at 6pm in the Church Hall.



NOTE: Some meetings originally scheduled during the two weeks before Easter were canceled and will be rescheduled.

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

DIOCESAN SYNOD UPDATE: Dates for the Synod Listening Sessions for the 7 Vicariates of the Diocese have been confirmed (see below). Bishop Scharfenberger will attend these sessions to listen to the faithful. You are invited to join the session for your vicariate or any of the others listed. Additional listening sessions will be held for parish networks and numerous specific groups. Everyone is welcome to participate in the group(s) of their choice. Listening session dates will be communicated through e-mail, social media, parish bulletins, newsletters, the Evangelist, word of mouth, and any other means identified to reach anyone and everyone who may want to participate.

Vicariate Listening Sessions:

- ◆ Tuesday, 4/19/22, 6:30-8:30pm - St. Mary's, Oneonta (Leatherstocking)
- ◆ Wednesday, 4/20/22, 6:30-8:30pm - Holy Trinity, Johnstown (Mohawk Valley)
- ◆ Monday, 5/2/22, 6:30-8:30pm - Christ Our Light, Loudonville (Beverwyck)
- ◆ Thursday, 5/19/22, 6:30-8:30pm - Immaculate Conception, Glenville (Twin Rivers)
- ◆ Tuesday, 5/24/22, 6:30-8:30pm - Holy Trinity, Hudson (Hudson Valley)
- ◆ Wednesday, 6/1/22, 6:30-8:30pm - St. Michael the Archangel, Troy (Taconic)
- ◆ Tuesday, 6/28/22 6:30-8:30pm - Our Lady of the Annunciation, Queensbury (Adirondack)

Several specific group sessions have already occurred, many others have been scheduled. A calendar of other sessions is being prepared and will be posted to the Synod page on www.rcda.org/synod

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Social Hour after 9am Mass - Church Hall	Apr. 10
Blessing of Easter Baskets - Church	Apr. 16, 1pm
Finance Committee Meeting - Church Hall	Apr. 20, 6:30pm
Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall	Apr. 21, 6pm
First Communion Mass	May 7, 11am

April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
April 9, 2022 – April 17, 2022

Sat., Apr. 9	
4:00 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Apr. 10	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Jane Tolak (4th Anniv.)</i> by Daughter † <i>Mary Savage</i> by Marilyn & Michael Gallagher † <i>Arthur & Helene Geboskey</i> by Jane Gebosky & Son † <i>Francis G. King</i> by Pat Wilcox † <i>Joe & Emily Kosek</i> by Wife & Family † <i>Colleen Knapik</i> by Barbara & Family
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
11:00 a.m. (some Polish)	† <i>Jan Szozda (17th Anniv.)</i> by Sala & Szozda Families † <i>Edward Brewka (2nd Anniv.)</i> by Family † <i>Michael Skotnicki</i> by Halina & Frank Jucha † <i>Genowfa & Aleksander Blizinski</i> by Bobek Family † <i>John F. Sokowowski (4th Anniv.)</i> by Family Gorzkie Żale
Mon., Apr. 11	
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Tues., Apr. 12	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Deceased Members of St. Michael's</i> by Tom VanSchaich
Wed., Apr. 13	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Joseph Kosek, Jr.</i> by Emily & Family
Th., Apr. 14	Holy Thursday
9:00 a.m.	(Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity)
6:00 p.m.	MASS
After Mass until 11:30 p.m.	ADORATION, NIGHT PRAYER, & REPOSE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Fri., Apr. 15	Good Friday
9:00 a.m.	(Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity)
3:00 p.m.	Devotions & Rosary (St. Michael's)
3:00 p.m.	(Ecumenical Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity)
5:00 p.m.	(Service at Holy Trinity)
Sat., Apr. 16	Holy Saturday
8:00 p.m.	(Easter Vigil Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Apr. 17	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Louis Janowski</i> by Family † <i>Frances M. King</i> by Pat Wilcox
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)

Please note: Masses listed above are at St. Michael's Church unless noted otherwise.

April 10, 2022

St. Michael's

Faith Formation News

Director: Kathy Burns

(518) 428-6353

FAITH FORMATION CLASS SCHEDULE:

Grades K-5 attend at 6pm; Grades 6-10 attend at 7:15pm

Wednesday, April 13 – **Re-enactment of the Last Supper – Grades 1-5: 6pm; Stations Of The Cross through Mary's eyes – Grades 6-10: 7:15pm**

Wednesday, April 20 – **NO CLASS** – Spring Break

Sunday, April 24 – 2pm – **Confirmation at The Cathedral of The Immaculate Conception, Albany**

Wednesday, April 27 – **Class – First Communion rehearsal – Grade 2 only; Class for all other grades.**

Wednesday, May 4 - **Class – First Communion rehearsal – Grade 2 only - Class for all others**

Saturday, May 7 – **First Communion Mass – 11am - All are welcome!**

Wednesday, May 11- **Mass and crowning of Mary – 6pm – All Grades. All are welcome!**

This is our last faith Formation class until September.

MONDAY MONTHLY CLASS:

Monday, April 25 – Monthly Monday Night Class 6pm – 8pm

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

There will be no Children's Liturgy of The Word on Sunday, April 10th due to Palm Sunday Mass. **Our next Children's Liturgy of The Word will be Sunday, May 8th at 9am.**

MOVIE MATINEE

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in our movie on Saturday, April 2nd.

Special thanks to our movie team, Pat Harrington, Julia Clairmont, and Jayne Galarnau, for all the hard work in setting up and cleaning up after.

Thank you to our generous donors for door prizes, food, and desserts.

Watch this space for the next movie/adult formation event.

PRAYER FOR CHILD/YOUTH VISIT WITH JESUS DURING ADORATION

In The Name of The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
In silence, we place our hearts and minds on Jesus who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance. We ask the Holy Spirit to help us to pray during this time.

Jesus, Thank you for being here so I can visit with you.

Thank you for loving me.

I love you with all my heart!

I adore You.

Here present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar
where You wait day and night to be our comfort.

Jesus, our God, who for our salvation, and that of all mankind,
suffered, was crucified and died for us ? we adore you.

My God, I believe, I adore, and I trust in You.

Amen.

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