ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047



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 – some Polish

Eve. of Holy Days - Consult Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

By appointment—call the Parish Office (518) 237-5151.

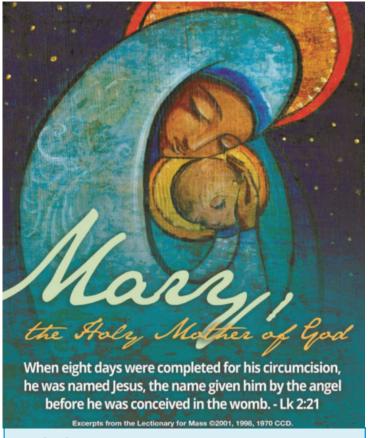
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By arrangement with the

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:

Very Rev. Donald Rutherford Co-Pastor
Rev. Brian Kelly Co-Pastor
Rev. Samuel Bellafiore Parochial Vicar
Kathleen Burns, Faith Formation: (518) 428-6353
CONTACT: Parish Office: (518) 237-5151

Off. hrs.: Mon. & Th. 9:30 to noon, Tu. & Wed. 9:30am-2pm

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Church open hours: Mon. 8am-12pm, Tu. 9:30am-2pm, Wed. 8am-2pm, Th. 9:30am-12pm, Sun. 8am-11am (closed

January 1, 2023

THANK YOU... TO ALL WHO
SHARED THEIR TIME, TALENT
AND TREASURE FOR THE GOOD
OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY LAST WEEK.





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.

BAPTISM: We are pleased to announce that **Matthew & Audrey Cicora** had their child **Peyton**baptized in our Parish on December Baptism
10th. Congratulations!

Our 2023 MASS CALENDAR is open. The stipend for a Mass Intention is \$15. Please come to the Parish Office if you would like a Mass card that can be mailed to the family. Envelopes labeled "Mass Intentions" are available in the back of the Church and in the Office. Please always include your phone number. We will call you back to confirm that we received your request. The intention should be requested at least two weeks in advance of the Mass date for inclusion in the bulletin.

SANCTUARY CANDLES CALENDAR for 2023 is also open. We have three sanctuary candles that can be sponsored in memory or in honor of loved ones: the Main Altar sanctuary candle, the Sacred Heart of Jesus side altar candle, and the Blessed Mother side altar candle. The donation is \$12 per week.



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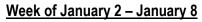
Weekly Contributions

December 18, 2022	\$3,656.00
Year 2021	\$2,805.00
Regular Offertory 2021	\$2,122.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,863.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$654.00
Candle Offerings	\$139.00
*Regular Offertory:	
Masses & Mail	\$2,563.00
E-giving	\$300.00

Weekend Mass attendance - December 18, 2022: Sunday, 9am 131

Counting Teams for January 3rd: Ed & Kathy Twiss, Julia Clairmont, & Donna Turgeon. Diane Aberle, Mary Walsh, & Judith Ann Wade.

SANCTUARY CANDLES





Main Altar (tabernacle):

In honor of Bob Callanan, Birthday Wish by Doris Vojnar.

Sacred Heart (side altar):

People of the Parish.

Blessed Mother (side altar):

People of the Parish.

DECEASED: †Irene Giammattei and †Elizabeth Miranda

passed away recently. Please keep them & their families in your prayers.



Eternal Rest Prayer

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

Liturgical Roles

Weekend of January 8th, 2023

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
9:00AM	E. Mierzwa	M. Sala	M. Swieton

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNER: Congratulations to Stasia Mierzwa who won the Lottery Board! We raised \$249.00. Thank you to all who participated.

ST. MICHAEL'S EVANGELIZATION

TEAM: The Evangelization Team will meet at St. Michael's in the Church (Hall on Sunday, January 8th, at 10:15am-Noon. Breakfast treats will be served. Please contact Janet Gorsky (via text please at 518-542-3311) if you have any agenda items or questions. All are welcome.

SOCIAL HOUR: Mark your calendars for Sunday, Pellowship January 15th for our next social. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy at (518) 330-9056.



ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING: All Rosary members please join us on January 15th at 11:00 am in the Church Hall.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: The Parish Office will be closed

from Monday, December 26th to Monday, January 2nd in celebration of Christmas and New Year's. It will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd.



CLyNK! Clynk recycling program receptacles are available in the Church Hall and in the Parish Office outside fover for anyone wishing to donate their clean cans and bottles. The proceeds will be used to support Faith Formation events. Thank you for your support!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Solemnity of Mary Mass Jan. 1, 9am Evangelization Team Meeting - Church Hall Jan. 8, 10:15am Children's Lituray of the Word Jan. 15. 9am Social Hour after 9am Mass Jan. 15 Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall Jan. 15, 11am

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

DIOCESAN APPEAL: You may have noticed the Appeal envelopes in the pews. Please make sure to fill in our Parish on inside of the envelope. The assessment for St. Michael's Church is \$35,543.00. The Appeal runs from July 2022 Diocesan Appeal to June 2023. Thank you for your support.

OFFICE LOCK BOX: Just a reminder... For the convenience of the parishioners, a Lock Box is affixed to the porch of the Parish Center Office. This lock box provides a safe way for parishioners to request office services such as scheduling a mass intention, asking for a meeting or making donations outside of office hours. The contents of the box are



emptied every business day for processing. The box was installed in Spring 2021.

BECOME A MEMBER OF ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH: We warmly welcome new members to St. Michael's Church! Registration forms are available in the back of the church, in the Parish Office, or can be downloaded from our parish website, www.stmichaelsofcohoes.org. Completed forms may be placed in the offertory collection basket, dropped off at or mailed to the Parish Office, or emailed to info@stmichaelsofcohoes.org.

COMMUNITY PRAYER REQUEST BOOK: As a Parish fam-

ily, we would like to support each other in prayer. The book (which has been available since June 2021) is on a podium next to the table at the back of the Church. Two lines are provided for each prayer request. All generic prayer requests are also welcome if you don't wish to put

their name. Once a week the Community Book is mentioned during Mass so the St. Michael's community can pray for all requests listed that week. Lord, teach us to pray that we may draw closer to you.

DEACON FORMATION: The Deacon Formation for the Diocese of Albany will be meeting at St. Michael's on January 7th & 8th. Please keep these men in your prayers.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JAN-

UARY 2023: For educators. We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

EARLY BULLETIN Due to upcoming December and January holidays, there are early submission dates set by the publisher. Please submit any information for the January 8th bul-



letin by 10am on Sunday, January 1st. Information can be dropped off at the Parish Office or emailed to bulletin@stmichaelsofcohoes.org.

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God December 31, 2022 – January 8, 2023

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Sat., Dec. 31	/B. / 11 1 = 1 1/ 1	
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
(Fr. Bellafiore)		
	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>John & Edie Dudek</i> by Diane Donovan	
	†Raymond Mooney (1st Anniv.) by Family	
	†Genofawa & Alersander Blizinski by	
	daughter Sophia Bobek	
	†Joseph J Kosek, Jr. by Natalie Kosek, Skipp,	
	Amanda and Kyle	
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Mon., Jan. 2	•	
	Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the	
	Church	
	People of the Parish	
Tues., Jan. 3		
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Wed., Jan. 4		
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	
Th., Jan. 5	Saint John Neumann, Bishop	
9:00 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Fri., Jan. 6	First Friday	
9:00 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Sat., Jan. 7	First Saturday	
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Sun., Jan. 8		
9:00 a.m.	†Lopatniuk & Styk Families by Children	
(some Polish)	†Genowfa Duda by Danuta Dariusz	
	†Viola Pludrzynski by Maria Swieton	
	† <i>Edward Cepiel</i> by Family	
	† <i>Stanley Dudek (13th Anniv.)</i> by Nancy Tolak	
	†Katarzyna Szozda (10 th Anniv.) by Szozda &	
	Sala Family	
	†Josephine Kosek by Kosek Family	
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	

Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great

Eternal Father,

I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.



NOTE: Any day the School District closes or delays opening due to bad weather, there will be no Mass at St. Michael's.

January 1, 2023

St. Michael's

Faith Formation News Director: Kathy Burns - FFsmCohoes@rcda.org (518) 428-6353

FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, January 4, 2023 - Class - Grades K-5 at 6pm. Grades 6-10 at 7:15pm.

Wednesday, January 11, 2023 - Class - Grades K-5 at 6pm. Grades 6-10 at 7:15pm.

Sunday, January 15, 2023 – Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 - Class - Grades K-5 at 6pm. Grades 6-10 at 7:15pm.

Saturday, January 21, 2023 – Regional Food Bank – 9am–10:30am.

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 - Class - Grades K-5 at 6pm. Grades 6-10 at 7:15pm.

Monday, January 30, 2023 - Monday Monthly Class — 6pm-8pm.

REGIONAL FOOD BANK

Our volunteer time at the Regional Food Bank in Latham is scheduled for Saturday, January 21, 2023 at 9am to 10:30am. Any parishioner who would like to volunteer with us is welcome to attend. This is open to all students and families. Please contact Kathleen Burns (518) 428-6353 for further details.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Our next children's Liturgy of The Word will take place on Sunday, January 15, 2023 at 9am. Thank you to all of our teens who have been volunteering as lectors, gift bearers, and ushers.

Congratulations to Peyton Ciccora, daughter of Audrey Nemeyer and Matthew Ciccora, who was Baptized on Saturday December 10th, 2022 by Father San Bellafiore. Peyton is a member of our First Communion class and also portrayed Mary at our Christmas Eve Mass.

On January 7th, 2023, Jayden and Preston Riberdy, sons of Cassandra and Sean Riberdy, will be Baptized by Father Sam Bellafiore. Jayden and Preston are members of our First Communion class. Please pray for these little ones and their families as they continue their faith journey.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

"Prayer" boxes will be sent out soon to any parishioner who is a college student, whether they are attending college away or locally. Boxes will include an encouraging letter from St. Michael's, a Rosary, prayer card and shelf stable snacks such as Ramen, popcorn, hot chocolate, hard candy and such. Any one who has a student in college, please contact Kathleen Burns (518) 428-6353 with mailing information. All information is strictly confidential. Anyone wishing to donate items to be included can contact Mrs. Burns.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

On New year day, the octave of Christmas, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the divine and virginal motherhood of The Blessed Virgin.

Heavenly Father, You blessed the virgin Mary with the fullness of Grace. She is my model of faith, hope and love. I give this new year to her intercession and ask for her holy prayers. Place my needs into the protection of her motherly love. With her help, I want my faith to grow. Give me an increase in the virtue of hope when troubles tempt me to dispair. Guide me in understanding your infinite love. And join my heart, Dear Lord, to the Holy Mother's Immaculate Heart, so I may improve in loving everyone unconditionally, in imitation of my savior, Jesus. Amen.

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