

# ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

## 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)

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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

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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

Fri. & Sat.)

**January 8, 2023**

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




WE SAY THANK YOU and good bye to our bookkeeper, **Toni LaFond**. Toni has taken a job closer to her home but will assist us in transitioning to a new person. We wish her well!

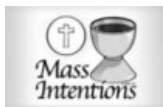


**HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to have communion brought to you at your home, call John Harrington at (518) 237-5158.



 **PLEASE NOTE:** If Cohoes School District is closed or delayed due to snow there will be no morning Mass at St. Michael's or Holy Trinity.

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.



**Parish trustees:** trustees@stmichaelsfcohoes.org



**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

December 24 & 25, 2022	\$5,423.00
Christmas Masses - Year 2021	\$2,809.00
Christmas collection - Year 2021	\$2,423.00
December 26, 2021	\$2,477.00
December 26, 2021 - Regular Offertory	\$1,869.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,693.00
Christmas	\$2,274.00
Other 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collections	\$456.00
*Regular Offertory:	
6pm Mass & Mail	\$1,188.00
9am Mass & Mail	\$1,065.00
E-giving	\$440.00

**Christmas Vigil Mass attendance - December 24, 2022:**  
Saturday, 6pm 73

**Christmas Mass attendance - December 25, 2022:**  
Sunday, 9am 97

**Weekend Mass attendance - January 1, 2023:**  
Sunday, 9am 95

**Counting Team for January 9<sup>th</sup>:** Theresa Barlik, Michelle Frainier, Maria Swieton.

## SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of January 9 – January 15

**CHURCH:**

**Main Altar (tabernacle):**  
People of the Parish.

**Sacred Heart (side altar):**  
People of the Parish.

**Blessed Mother (side altar):**  
People of the Parish.

## Liturgical Roles<sup>+</sup>

**Weekend of January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
9:00AM	K. Twiss	J. Clairmont	J. Harrington

**ST. MICHAEL'S EVANGELIZATION TEAM:** The Evangelization Team will meet at St. Michael's in the Church Hall on Sunday, **January 8<sup>th</sup>**, at 10:15am-11:45am. 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, **January 15<sup>th</sup>** 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 15<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00am in the Church Hall.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

**Lighting a Candle for a Loved One:** Candles are very powerful in our faith. We light a candle for someone we love or who needs our prayers. It can be something that really connects us with God. We invite you to light an electric candle at St. Michael's Church to remember a loved one you miss, spend a moment with our Lord (red candles) and our Lady (blue candles), and say a prayer. If you wish to find out more about our Electric Candles donations please call the parish office. Instructions also are on the donation box with the candles.

**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](http://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](mailto:info@stmichaelsofcohoes.org).

**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 to June 2023. Thank you for your support.



**FATHER KELLY** will be holding a **Town Hall Meeting** on Sunday, **January 8<sup>th</sup>** at 12pm in the St. Ambrose parish center to discuss the Diocesan settlement mediation process and what it means for our parish.

Retired **Pope Benedict XVI** passed away December 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:34am at the age of 95 in his residence at the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery in the Vatican Gardens. Pope Francis is scheduled to preside over the funeral Mass January 5<sup>th</sup> in St. Peter's Square.



### Prayer for Pope Benedict XVI

O God, true shepherd of all the faithful, look with kindness on your servant Pope Benedict XVI, whom you set as head and shepherd of your Church.



We give you thanks for your grace at work in him as he has led us by word and example: in his teaching, in his prayer, and in his great love.

Grant him your strength in frailty, comfort in sorrow, and serenity amid the trials of this world; and guide your Church, built on the rock of Peter, with the power of your Spirit as we continue on the path that leads to you.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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## NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

**CHARISMATIC MASS & HEALING SERVICE:** On Wednesday, **January 11<sup>th</sup>** at Christ Our Light, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville, NY. Join us for Prayer and Praise at 7pm, followed by a Mass & Healing Service at 7:30pm. Music by the band Joyful Heart. All are Welcome! For more information visit the website: [www.AlbanyCCR.org](http://www.AlbanyCCR.org) or send an email to: [DSC.Albany@gmail.com](mailto:DSC.Albany@gmail.com). Presented by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Albany.

**IRELAND FALL EXCURSION:** There will be a one hour presentation on Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am in St. Ambrose's parish center for an October 2023 10 night Ireland getaway. This is a privately arranged tour, designed by Deacon Gerry Matthews with Journeys by Julie through Journeys Connect. If you are unable to attend but would like information on the tour, please contact Journeys By Julie at [journeysbyjulie@gmail.com](mailto:journeysbyjulie@gmail.com) or by phone at (518) 326-2187. Reservations and deposits will be accepted after 01/27.

**January 8, 2023**

**The Epiphany of the Lord  
January 7 – January 15, 2023**

<b>Sat., Jan. 7</b>	<b>First Saturday</b>
4:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Kelly)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>
<b>Sun., Jan. 8</b>	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	† <i>Lopatniuk &amp; Styk Families</i> by Children † <i>Genowfa Duda</i> by Danuta Dariusz † <i>Viola Pludrzynski</i> by Maria Swieton † <i>Edward Cepiel</i> by Family † <i>Stanley J. Dudek (13<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Nancy Tolak † <i>Katarzyna Szozda (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Szozda & Sala Family † <i>Josephine Kosek</i> by Kosek Family
10:30 a.m. <i>(Fr. Rutherford)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>
<b>Mon., Jan. 9</b>	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Kelly)</i>	Ed Twiss (Birthday) by Doris Vojnar
<b>Tues., Jan. 10</b>	
5:30 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>
<b>Wed., Jan. 11</b>	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	Bob (Bing) Callanan (Birthday) by Doris Vojnar
<b>Th., Jan. 12</b>	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Rutherford)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>
<b>Fri., Jan. 13</b>	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bourgeois)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>
<b>Sat., Jan. 14</b>	
4:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>
<b>Sun., Jan. 15</b>	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Kelly)</i>	† <i>Katherine &amp; Harold Callanan</i> by Bob & Gen † <i>John Dudek</i> by Kathy & Ed Kingsley † <i>Michael LaBombard</i> by Family † <i>Ann C. Busta (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Busta Family † <i>Irene Giammattei</i> by Clara Alvares † <i>Elizabeth Miranda</i> by Jane Gebosky † <i>Anna Izzo</i> by Michael & Denise Izzo
10:30 a.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	<b>(Mass at Holy Trinity)</b>

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

**January 8, 2023**

**St. Michael's**

**Faith Formation News**

**Director: Kathy Burns - FFsmCohoes@rcda.org**

**(518) 428-6353**

**FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES**

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.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Birthday Party for  
Jesus on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Your very generous donations of diapers  
and gift cards were passed on to Birthright.

Thank you to Michelle and John Frainier for coordinating the party  
and providing treats for the children.

Thank you to RoseMary Kilventon for baking the beautiful cake.

Thank you to John Sunkis for the surprise visit from Santa.

It was a very happy and fun evening for the children.

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

Epiphany means manifestation.

What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord  
to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of  
Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the  
East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi  
the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the  
peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of  
universal salvation.

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the  
nations by the guidance of a star,

grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith,  
may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

Amen.

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