

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

February 11, 2024

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 – 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
Very 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

Church Hall: (518) 237-7121

E-mail address: info@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Website: www.stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Bulletin: bulletin@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Cemetery: cemetery@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Church open hours: Mon. 8:30am-10am, Wed. 8:30am-10am,

Sun. 8am-10:30am (closed Tu., Th., Fri., & Sat.)

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

♥ HAPPY Valentine's DAY ♥

ASH WEDNESDAY is a day of fast & abstinence.

Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church on Wednesday, **February 14th** at 9am, at St. Ambrose at 12:10pm, and at Holy Trinity at 6pm.



SANCTUARY CANDLES
Week of February 12 – February 18

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):
People of the Parish.

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

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

DIOCESAN APPEAL:

Assessment \$22,610.00
As of January 19, 2024: \$6,615.00
58 Donors
Total Raised: \$10,177.05



Diocesan Appeal

The Appeal runs from July 2023 to June 2024.
Thank you for your support.

Parish trustees: trustees@stmichaelscohoes.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

January 28, 2024	\$3,527.00
January 29, 2023	\$2,118.00
Regular Offertory 2023	\$1,826.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,732.00
Parish Building Improvements	\$360.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$345.00
Candle Offerings	\$90.00
*Regular Offertory: 9am Mass & Mail	\$2,372.00
E-giving	\$360.00

Weekly operating expenses (minimum needed): **\$4,390.71**

Weekend Mass attendance - February 4, 2024:

Sunday, 9am 116

Counting Team for February 12th: Teresa Barlik, Michelle Frainier, Maria Swieton.

SECOND COLLECTION: The **Black, Native American and Latin Missions** collection will be the weekend of **February 18th**. Thank you for your anticipated support.

The **50/50 WINNER** for the month of January is **Ken Busta** for **\$80**, and he has generously donated the \$80 to Faith Formation. Congratulations! Thank you to everyone who participated.



OFFICE CLOSED: The Parish office will be closed on Monday, **February 19th**, in observance of Presidents' Day.

TAX STATEMENT 2023: If you would like to receive a tax statement for 2023, please call the office. A statement can be picked up at the parish center or in the sacristy. In early January the Diocese will be mailing tax acknowledgements for donors who made gifts to the Appeal or Reigniting Our Faith in 2023.

Did you know... English missalettes can be located in the pews while the Polish missalettes are in the bookcase in the back of the Church near the elevator.

Liturgical Roles

Weekend of February 18th, 2024

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
9:00AM	J. Frainier	E. Kosek	J. Harrington

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Ash Wednesday Mass Feb. 14, 9am
Stations of the Cross - Church Feb. 16, 5:30pm
Social Hour after 9am Mass - Church Hall Feb. 18
Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall Feb. 18, 11am
Children's Liturgy of the Word Mar. 3, 9am
Penny Social Mar. 3, 1pm, doors open at 10:30am

ROSARY NEWS: St. Michael's Rosary Society will hold their Annual Penny Social on Sunday, March 3, 2024 at 1:00pm in the church hall. Doors will open at 10:30am. Tickets can be purchased starting at 11:00am. Under NYS law, you must be 18 to play. Food and refreshments will be available from 11:00am. PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGES FROM PRIOR YEARS. Since this is our most profitable fundraiser, we again ask our Rosarians and Parishioners for donations of NEW gifts or money donations which can be used to purchase larger gifts for our raffles. This will be greatly appreciated. All gifts can be brought to the church hall on Sundays after the 9:00am Mass. We also need groceries to fill up our tub. All proceeds will benefit the Special Project Fund for parish improvements. We thank you in advance for your generosity and support. Maria Swieton, Michelle Frainier and Teresa Barlik co-chairpersons.

CALLING ALL BAKERS: The Rosary Society is in need of homemade baked goods (cookies, brownies & cupcakes) for our Annual Penny Social on March 3, 2024. You may drop off your baked goods on Saturday, March 2nd from 11:00am - 2:00pm, or Sunday morning after 9:00am. As always, thank you for supporting our church.



EASTER DINNER RAFFLE: The Rosary Society will be selling tickets for a Easter Dinner Basket. It will consist of a turkey, ham, kielbasa, pierogies, potatoes, veggies, bread, dessert, and a butter lamb. Stop by and take a chance. Tickets are 1 for \$2.00 or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will be on Sunday, March 24th (Palm Sunday) after the 9:00am Mass. All proceeds will benefit the Special Project Fund for parish improvements. Any questions, call Maria at (518) 782-1203. Thank you and good luck!!!

WINTER ALERT! When bad weather is predicted, tune in to one of the local TV stations for closings. St. Michael's and Holy Trinity will list mass cancellations and changes starting at 6pm the evening before and continuing the following day. If it's a Wednesday, chair aerobics at Holy Trinity will be cancelled.



SNOW DAY DAILY MASS CHANGE POLICY: Watch the School Closing network on the news and sign up for our call list.

SOCIAL HOUR: Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 18th for our next social. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy at (518) 330-9056.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Come join us in praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent beginning February 16th. We will gather in the church at 5:30pm. We are looking for volunteers to lead the prayers each week. You do not have to be a lector to volunteer. Please contact Maria Swieton (518-782-1203) if you are interested. Let's make this Lenten journey together.



LENT: Wednesday, February 14th - Thursday, March 28th. Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. This is a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. Easter Sunday is March 31st. Visit https://www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/len to learn more.



NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

FATHER DONALD CALLOWAY, MIC, GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. Calloway will share his journey from a high school dropout to a devoted Catholic priest, inspiring us with his talk: 'No Turning Back: A Witness to Mercy.' On Tuesday, February 13th at 5:30pm at St. Ambrose Parish, 347 Old Loudon Rd., Latham, NY 12110. Book signing and light refreshments to follow. For more information, contact David Hubicki at (518) 407-7410 or Jennifer Pfoztzer at (518) 573-6673. This is a free event. Register now at: https://stambroselatham.flocknote.com/signup/151522

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF ALBANY IN NEED OF HANDMADE BABY SWEATERS FOR LAYETTES TO NEWBORNS IN NEED: The Christ Child Society of Albany is in need of handmade knitted/crocheted baby sweaters. In 2022, the Christ Child Society donated 521 layettes to newborns in need, but in 2023 that total rose to 700 layettes! Each layette includes, among other things, a handmade sweater, hat, and afghan. Our sweater supply has been depleted so we are reaching out to find new knitters and crocheters. We can also always use donations of yarn suitable for making infant items. Please contact Nancy Doyle at nancyd12303@aol.com or at (518) 355-7669 if you are able to help. With our heartfelt thanks in advance.

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 10 – February 18, 2024

Sat., Feb. 10	Saint Scholastica, Virgin
4:00 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Feb. 11	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of the Sick World Marriage Day
9:00 a.m. (some Polish)	†Edward Kosek, Sr. by Kosek Family †Thomas & Stacia Gorsky (74 th Wedding Anniv.) by Janet Gorsky †Raymond Sebastian by Wife & Children †Stanley J. Dudek (Anniv. & Birth.) by Nancy Tolak
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Mon., Feb. 12	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	
Tues., Feb. 13	
5:30 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Wed., Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	
6:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Th., Feb. 15	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Fri., Feb. 16	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bourgeois)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sat., Feb. 17	
4:00 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Feb. 18	First Sunday of Lent
9:00 a.m.	†Debra Prudhomme (7 1/2 yr. Anniv.) by sister Joelean †Mick, Dorothy, & Michael LaBombard by Meghan & Family †Rita Radliff by Rosemary Zandri †Kevin Couture by Ed & Kathy Twiss †Joseph J. Kosek, Jr. by Emily & Family †Joseph LaMalfa by Chad & Joann Kehn †Regina LePage (31 st Anniv.) by son Anthony & Family †Joseph Sala by Rosemary Zandri
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)

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St. Michael's

Faith Formation News

Director: Kathy Burns - FFsmCohoes@rcda.org

(518) 428-6353

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

- Wednesday, February 14: Ash Wednesday – Mass at Holy Trinity – 6pm
- Wednesday, February 21: No Class, Winter break
- Wednesday, February 28: Class – 6pm – First Confession for grade 2

ASH WEDNESDAY

Please note the following:

-Ash Wednesday falls on February 14th this year.

-Mass will be celebrated for Faith Formation students and parishioners at 6pm on Wednesday, February 14th at Holy Trinity.

-Mass will also be celebrated on Wednesday, February 14th at 9am at St. Michael's Church.

-All Faith Formation students are expected to attend this Mass as their usual class time.

-Please note that the Mass on Wednesday, February 14th at 6pm will be at Holy Trinity, there will be NO class at St. Michael's on February 14th.

As always, please contact me with any questions (518) 428-6353.

MARY'S CORNER

We recently received a thank you note from Mary's Corner for our donations that were collected at our Baby Jesus Birthday Party.

Thank you so much for all the diapers, wipes and infant goodies at Christmas. They are appreciated by all the folks who need them so badly. You are a wonderful, generous group of people at St. Michael's. God bless you always.

– Mary's Corner

Thank you to all who participated. We had a lot of fun at the party and provided much needed supplies for our community.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Our Gospel for the last two weeks is about Jesus healing. Let us offer this prayer for healing:

Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy,

may your healing hand rest upon me,

may your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness

and strength for service in your Kingdom.

Amen.

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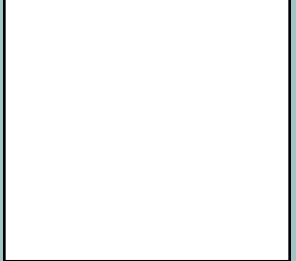
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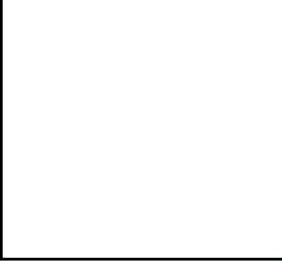


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