

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

April 7, 2024



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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

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Cemetery: cemetery@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Church open hours: Mon. 8:30am-10am, Wed. 8:30am-10am,
Sun. 8am-10:30am (closed Tu., Th., Fri., & Sat.)

DIOCESAN APPEAL:

Assessment \$22,610.00

As of March 25, 2024: \$7,470.00

56 Gifts

33% of goal

Still needed: \$15,140.00



Diocesan
Appeal

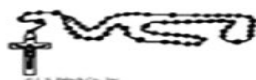
The Appeal runs from July 2023 to June 2024. Thank you for your support.

EASTER DINNER RAFFLE: Congratulations to John Harrington who was the lucky winner of the Easter Dinner Raffle. Thank you to all who participated and we raised **\$906.00!!!** *Maria Swieton.*

SOCIAL HOUR: Mark your calendars for Sunday, **April 21st** for our next social. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy at (518) 330-9056.



ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING: The next meeting will be held after the social hour on Sunday, **April 21st** at 11am.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Children's Liturgy of the Word	Apr. 7, 9am
Social Hour after 9am Mass	Apr. 21
Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall	Apr. 21, 11am
First Communion Mass	May 4, 11am

CLyNK! Clynk recycling program receptacles are available in the Church Hall and in the Parish Office outside foyer 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!

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT: Hurting from an abortion? Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, **May 3-5, 2024** at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. The cost is \$195. Financial assistance is available. For more information or to register contact: Pat Mousaw, (518) 222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh or e-mail: rachelvineyardalbany@yahoo.com. For a complete listing of retreat dates and locations contact: 1-877-HOPE-4ME or visit the Rachel's Vineyard website: www.rachelvineyard.org.

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE MEETING: The Polish National Alliance Group 1684 will meet on **April 14th** at 10:30am in the St. Michael's Church Hall. Contact Paul Thouin, PNA Director, with any questions at (518) 466-8583.

CAPITAL REGION CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP: On Wednesday, **April 10th**, 7:00pm – 8:30pm for young adult Catholics ages 23-40. Come join us (every Wednesday) for faith fellowship and fun! 6pm optional virtual Fellowship dinner, 7pm prayer, gospel reflection and discussion of faith, 8:30pm optional Jackbox games. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/capitalregioncatholic/> or <https://zoom.us/j/95041018764?pwd=ekI3VHpaeFJmMWhxMkRETkdTQ1owQT09>.

HEALING WEEKEND: Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley is inviting men and women of all ages who grieve the end of a marriage or spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation to an in-person weekend retreat at St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon, NY. Upcoming dates: **April 19 to 21, 2024** and **October 18 to 20, 2024**. For information or to register please call Phyllis at (914) 261-5812 or Jim at (845) 220-7883.

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY RED WAGON LUNCHEON AND FASHION SHOW: The Christ Child Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show will be on Saturday, **April 27, 2024** at the Italian American Community Center, Washington Avenue Extension in Albany beginning with coffee and pastry at 10:30am followed by a Fashion Show at 11:00am by J.Jill sharing unique and fashionable women's apparel and accessories with a delicious lunch at Noon. Please plan to come and join us. All are welcome – reserve a table for friends and family to enjoy this event and help support our mission to help infants and children through our many programs. For information and to make a reservation please contact Cathy Pastore (518) 669-4446 by April 10, 2024.

SAVE THE DATES: Diocesan Men's & Women's Conference dates and new location are set. Keynote speakers are almost finalized. Step Up Men's Conference: Second Saturday in August - **August 10, 2024** at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park. Women - NOTE: New month / date to avoid hecticness of Advent. Unleashing Love Women's Conference: Third Saturday in October – **October 19, 2024** at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park. More details to come. Stay tuned! For more information, please contact Thomas G. Cronin, Director of Evangelization & Strategic Planning by email at Thomas.Cronin@rcda.org or visit the website <https://www.rcda.org/offices/pastoral-planning>.

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**Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 6 – April 14, 2024**

Sat., Apr. 6	First Saturday
4:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Apr. 7	Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	† <i>Jan Szozda (19th Anniv.)</i> by Szozda & Sala Families † <i>Giovanni & Cecelia Izzo</i> by Carusone Nieces † <i>Joseph J. Kosek, Jr. (Wedding Anniv.)</i> by Emily & Family † <i>Margaret DeVero</i> by Roseanne Kryjak † <i>Christine St. Pierre</i> by Suzanne Cobb † <i>Agnes & Thomas Soltys</i> by Frank & Jane Gebosky † <i>Walter Lipka</i> by Mr. & Mrs. Victor Bourgeois
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Mon., Apr. 8	The Annunciation of the Lord
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	
Tues., Apr. 9	
5:30 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Wed., Apr. 10	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	† <i>Christine M. St. Pierre</i> by St. Michael's Bereavement Ministry
Th., Apr. 11	Saint Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Fri., Apr. 12	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bourgeois)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sat., Apr. 13	
4:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Apr. 14	Third Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. (some Polish) <i>(Fr. Bellafiore)</i>	† <i>Gary Zandri</i> by Family † <i>Czeslaw Bobek</i> by Maria Swieton † <i>Louis Janowski</i> by Family † <i>Jane D. Tolak (6th Anniv.)</i> by Nancy † <i>Arthur & Helene Geboskey</i> by Frank & Jane Gebosky Gen & Bob Callanan (67 th Wedding Anniv.)
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**

- Wednesday, April 10: Class resumes
- Wednesday, April 17: Class – 6pm - First Communion rehearsals begin
- Wednesday, April 24: Class – 6pm
- Wednesday, May 1: Class – 6pm
- Saturday, May 4: First Communion Mass – 11am
- Wednesday, May 8: Last Class 6pm – Crowning of Mary outdoors
- Sunday, May 19: 5:30pm – Confirmation at St. Ambrose

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our RCIA candidates who received their Sacraments on Holy Saturday.

Kim Birju – Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist
Lillian Sutliff – Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist
Evelina Figel – Confirmation
Maria De Sousa Arismendi – Confirmation

Please congratulate them when you see them and welcome them to the St. Michael's Parish family.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Father Sam Bellafiore for the beautiful Palm Sunday Mass, Triduum Masses, Confession, blessing of the Easter baskets and everything that surrounded Holy Week. Also, thank you for your guidance and support of the RCIA candidates and Faith Formation students all year long. We are truly blessed because of you.

FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSALS

Rehearsal for First Communion Mass will begin on Wednesday, **April 17th** at 6pm and continue each Wednesday. This is normal class time. It is important for all First Communion Candidates attend. The big day is right around the corner!

FIRST COMMUNION MASS

First Communion Mass will be held on Saturday, **May 4th** at 11am at St. Michael's Church. Everyone is invited to attend and support our young ones as they receive Jesus in the Eucharist.

CAMP BREAKAWAY

Camp Breakaway is the premiere Catholic youth camp for Capital Region youth and beyond. Youth experience 4 nights of fun including swimming, kayaking, archery, fishing, reconciliation, prayer, hiking, Mass and team activities. Campers are guaranteed to find a new life long friend and memories. Camp breakaway runs **June 29th to July 3rd** this year. The cost to attend is \$430.00 per person. This year we have two Confirmation students who are interested in attending. Anyone who would like to make a donation to support our youth can contact Kathleen Burns at (518) 428-6353.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. To fittingly observe Divine Mercy Sunday in a solemn way, we should:

1. Celebrate the Feast on the Sunday after Easter;
2. Sincerely repent of all our sins;
3. Place our complete trust in Jesus;
4. Go to Confession, preferably before that Sunday;
5. Receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast;
6. Venerate the Image of The Divine Mercy
7. Be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.

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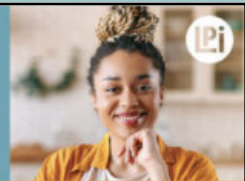
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