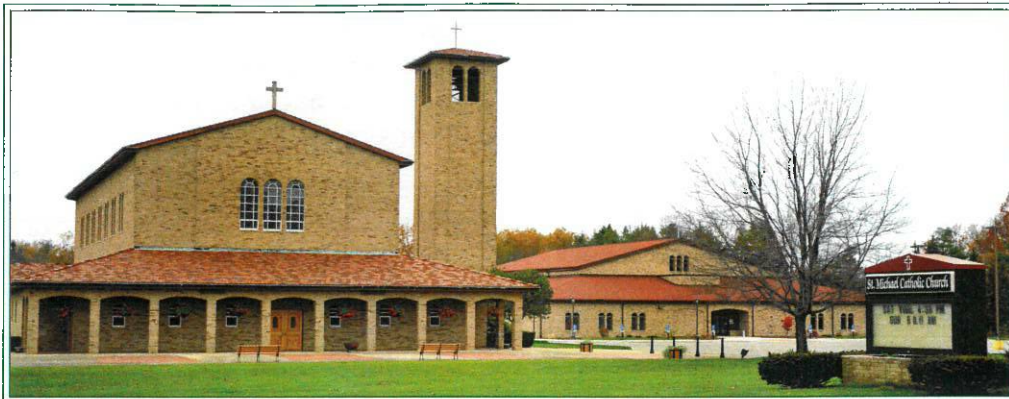


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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Holyday Masses:

12:15 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:00 p.m.

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Parish Office..... 330-533-6839

Fax 330-702-0432

Family Life Center 330-533-3181

Saint Michael Parish is a welcoming Roman Catholic Community united by faith in Jesus Christ. Called to the mission of Jesus by Baptism, nourished by God's Word and Sacraments, we join to celebrate our faith and to continue Christ's mission of love, justice and service. As good stewards, guided by the Holy Spirit, we believe we are called to be Christ to one another, sharing our time, talent, and treasure with our community and the world, especially with those less fortunate.

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor Very Reverend John-Michael Lavelle, D. Min.

Pastoral Associate for
Adult Faith Formation..... Maureen Hall

Pastoral Associate for
Youth Faith Formation..... Marcy Fessler

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Registration

Arrangements for registration can be made by calling the parish office.

Adult Inquiry/Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Adults who have questions about the Catholic faith, or who would like to become members of the Catholic Church are invited to contact a member of the Pastoral Staff.

Baptism

Baptisms are done during any weekend Mass. Expectant or new parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office 3-4 months prior to the preferred Baptism date to schedule Baptism preparation.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon.

See bulletin for holiday schedule/adjustments.

Confirmation

Celebrated for students in the 8th grade. Please call the parish office.

Marriage

Couples are asked to call the Parish Office prior to making other arrangements. A minimum of 6 months is required.

Liturgy

Persons interested in becoming a liturgical minister are asked to contact a member of the Pastoral Staff.

Youth Faith Formation

Catechetical program for students in grades K-8.

Adult Faith Formation

Please contact a member of the Pastoral Staff for information about adult opportunities for education and spiritual growth.

Hospital

Please call the church office if a family member is in the hospital and would like to be visited.

Homebound/Nursing Home

If parishioner is homebound or in a nursing home and would like to receive Communion, please contact the church office.

Social Justice

Persons interested in becoming involved in ministries to the poor or oppressed are asked to contact a member of the Pastoral Staff.

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Mass Schedule

Monday, August 14

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

8:00am – Blanche & Donald Dobrindt

Tuesday, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:15pm – The People of the Parish

6:00pm – The People of the Parish

Wednesday, August 16

Saint Stephen of Hungary

8:00am – Anthony Mueller, Jr.

Thursday, August 17

8:00am – Tony DeRosa

Friday, August 18

Parish Office Closed

No Daily Mass

Saturday, August 19

Vigil – The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00pm - Reconciliation

4:00pm – The People of the Parish

Sunday, August 20

The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am – The Sacred Heart Society

11:00am – Richard Inhouse

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

As we prepare for this Tuesday's observance of the Assumption of Mary, we recall the relative newness of this official teaching. Addressing a jubilant crowd of more than 500,000 people packed into Saint Peter's Square, Pope Pius XII solemnly defined in "Munificentissimus Deus" on Nov. 1, 1950, that the "*Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.*" Although the solemn definition may have been at the midpoint of the 20th century, the belief in the Assumption of our Blessed Mother exemplifies the dynamism of revelation and the Church's ongoing understanding of it as guided by the Holy Spirit.

We firmly believe that from the first moment of her conception Mary was free of all sin, including Original Sin, by a special favor of almighty God. The Archangel Gabriel recognized her as "full of grace," "blessed among women" and "one with the Lord." Mary had been chosen to be the Mother of our

savior. By the power of the Holy Spirit, she conceived our Lord Jesus Christ, and through her, true God became also man, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

During her lifetime, although the Gospel citations are limited, Mary always presented our Lord to others: to Elizabeth and her son, John the Baptist, who leapt for joy in the womb at the presence of the Lord still in his own mother's womb; to the simple shepherds as well as the wise Magi; and to the people at Cana, when our Lord acquiesced to His mother's wish and performed the first miracle.

Moreover, Mary stood at the foot of the cross with her Son, supporting Him and sharing in His suffering through her love as only a mother could do. Finally, she was with the Apostles at Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended and the Church was born. Therefore, each of us can step back and see Mary as the faithful servant of God who shared intimately in the birth, life, death and resurrection of our Lord.

The Feast of the Assumption gives each of us great hope as we contemplate this one facet of the beautiful woman of faith, our Blessed Mother. Mary moves us by example and prayer to grow in God's grace, to be receptive to His will, to convert our lives through sacrifice and penance, and seek that everlasting union in the heavenly Kingdom. As we gather to celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may we all come to a deeper understanding of our union with her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

NEW MASS TIME

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10TH

Beginning **Sunday September 10th**, the new Mass times for the weekend will be Saturday, 4pm and Sunday 9am and **11:30am**. This change will accommodate the time needed for our religious education sessions between the two Sunday Masses. A reminder – Youth Faith Formation (grades K-8) begin Sunday, September 10th. Children must be registered prior to attending sessions – please contact Marcy Fessler if you have not registered your children for the new year.

Please Note:

The Parish Office will be closed on Fridays from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

This year, instead of celebrating our Feast Day on one day, we are going to extend the celebration to 3 DAYS!

We will begin on **Friday, September 22nd** with a “**Tail-Gating Party**” before the Canfield home game. Whether you plan to go to the game or not – join us between 4 and 7pm here on the parish grounds. We will have food, music, and more - free of charge - All are welcome!

We will continue the celebration on **Saturday morning, September 23rd**, with the **1st Annual Saint Michael Angel Race** – a 3 mile race with prizes in various groups. There will also be a **1 Mile Walk!** All are welcome to sign up (*more information will be forthcoming*). We will also have a **Pancake Breakfast**, hosted by the Men’s Club, from 9-11:30am. If you are not racing, come for the start – go to breakfast, & then welcome the runners back!

The celebration concludes on **Sunday, September 24th**, with our **Potluck Parish Picnic after the 11:30am Mass** (the new time beginning September 10th). Like last year, parishioners will be asked to bring side dishes or desserts based on your last name. The parish will supply the meat and the beverages. This year, we will give away the first of our 2023-2024 Raffle Prizes - \$1,000! Tickets will be mailed out by the end of August. We will also have some activities for our young people.

We look forward to a great weekend of activity as we honor our parish patron. Make sure to mark your calendar for these fun events.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS



The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults will be held on **Sunday November 26, at 4:00 p.m. in Saint Columba Cathedral.** This is a special opportunity for anyone (age 18 or

older) who has not received the sacrament to join with other adults of the diocese.

Candidates must register with our parish and be eligible to receive the sacrament by verifying baptism and marital status. A preparation program will be held at our parish. Sponsors must be baptized, confirmed, practicing Catholics and may not be the candidate’s parent.

Please contact the parish office no later than Tuesday, September 26 in order to register and verify eligibility to receive the sacrament.



Registration has begun for our new Youth Faith Formation Program (YFF) for Kindergarten through Eighth Grade. If you attended the April or May Generations of Faith sessions, you received your registration packet. If you are new to the parish, are beginning the faith formation journey, or have misplaced your packet, please contact Marcy at the parish office (330-533-6839) for a packet. Please return your registration packet to Marcy at the parish office as soon as possible.

Please note that registration for YFF will continue through September 1st.

Sacrament reminders: The Diocese of Youngstown requires two years of formation before the reception of sacraments. First and Second grades are required for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Seventh and Eighth grades are required for confirmation. Please keep in mind that if your child misses any years between Second grade and Seventh grade, it is possible they will not be invited into Confirmation preparations in Eighth grade.

Kindergarten is a great head start for faith formation. We highly recommend Kindergarten as a first step in the formation process for our youngest learners.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, August 14

9:00am – Fitness Fun

6:00pm – YFF Catechist Meeting

Tuesday, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, August 16

9:00am – Fitness Fun

Thursday, August 17

8:30am- Bible Study

10:30am – Scripture Sharing

Friday, August 18

Parish Office Closed

9:00am – Fitness Fun

7:30pm – AA Meeting

Saturday, August 19

3:00pm – Reconciliation

Sunday, August 20

No Events



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, August 15 – 12:15PM

Lectors: Barb Spencer (1st), Juanita Sherba (2nd)

Server:

Euch. Min.: Linda Kneen (X)
Sue DePinto (HF)
Roseann Peluso (T)

Ushers: Marleen Belfiore

Don Kutsko

Tuesday, August 15 – 6:00PM

Lectors: Eileen Novotny (1st),
Kelly Frammartino (2nd)

Server: Noah Gilbert

Euch. Min.: Donna Wainio (X)
Barbara Cummings (HF)
Kim Gilbert (T)

Ushers: Tom Wainio

Chuck Wirtz

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday, August 19 – 4:00 PM

Lectors: Olivia Donadee (1st), John Morvay (2nd)

Server: Noah Gilbert

Euch. Min: Paula Lavin (X)
Larry Lavin (HF)
Bill Petro (T)

Ushers: Mark Graham, Marleen Belfiore, Bill Petro

Sunday, August 20– 9:00 AM

Lectors: Gerry Ricciutti (1st), Sharon Harpster (2nd)

Server: Nate Ferguson

Euch. Min: Juanita Sherba (X)
Kim Maciukiewicz HF)
Paul Sherba (T)

Ushers: Kevin Henchar, Jerry Laska, Jim Naples,
Marty Repasky

Sunday, August 20 – 11:00 AM

Lectors: Roseann Peluso (1st), Judy Richley (2nd)

Servers: Elise & Sean Campbell

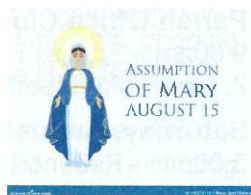
Euch. Min: George Beelen (X)
Barbara Cummings (HF)
Doris Layfield (T)

Ushers: Russell Layfield, Tom Wainio, Chuck Wirtz

The Feast of the Assumption

The Feast of the Assumption, a Holy Day of Obligation, is Tuesday, August 15. Masses that day are at 12:15pm and 6:00pm.

The Parish Office will be closed on August 15.



Parish Support

August 6, 2023

Amount Received	\$ 16,420.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$ 1,420.00
EFT July	\$ 10,258.00
YTD Received	\$ 92,351.17
YTD Budget	\$ 90,000.00
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 2,351.17



Thank you for your continued support of our parish and all our ministries! God Bless.

Youth Faith Formation

Youth Faith Formation is looking for a few good, reliable and ready to help teens to assist with our Sunday Morning Classes.



This is a regular weekly commitment to help the classroom catechists (aka teachers) with helping keep children on track and focused, passing out supplies, and other tasks as directed by the catechist.

If interested or for more information, please contact Marcy at the parish office (330-533-6839).

Monthly Bible Study

Saint Michael's monthly early afternoon Bible study adult education group will begin study of *The Book of Revelation* on October 12 from 1:00 – 2:45pm in the Family Life Center. We meet the 2nd Thursday of the month from September – May, resuming September 14. A particular text is being used for this program and participants need to purchase it ahead of time.

Please contact Barb Spencer for more details (330-503-4756). It is recommended to have the book and attend the September 14 session.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

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As a result of Ohio House Bill 33, signed into law on July 4, 2023, all K-12 students in Ohio are now eligible for an EdChoice Scholarship that can be used toward Catholic school tuition beginning with the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. This includes currently enrolled children as well as any new student beginning their Catholic school experience this fall.

The EdChoice Scholarship will cover a portion, or in some cases, the full cost of a family's Catholic school tuition. A student's specific EdChoice amount depends on the family's 2022 gross adjusted income and family size. The amount could be as much as \$6,165 per year for a student in grades K-8, and \$8,407 per year for a student in grades 9-12. Please contact your local Catholic school to learn how to apply for this benefit.

Returning families are already aware of the value of Catholic education. Families interested in pursuing a Catholic education for the first time should contact the local Catholic school principal who will be happy to assist you. Availability for new enrollments will vary by location.

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Please consider a monetary donation. We must pay each weekend for our required security protection on Saturday morning. Extra money can also go for extra food. Just mark a plain envelope "St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen" and place it in the collection basket at Mass.

It's a tangible way to be a part of this important work and we need your help!

Please support the patrons who place ads in our bulletin. Their generosity helps to defray the cost of our bulletin.

Lunch & Learn

Catholic Charities: Who, What, Why

September 14, 2023 – 12:00pm
Saint Columba Parish Hall

Agency directors and /or agency staff will discuss the most frequently asked questions about Catholic Charities services and ministries.

RSVP by September 5 at 330-744-8451, Ext. 321 or awells@youngstowndiocese.org

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