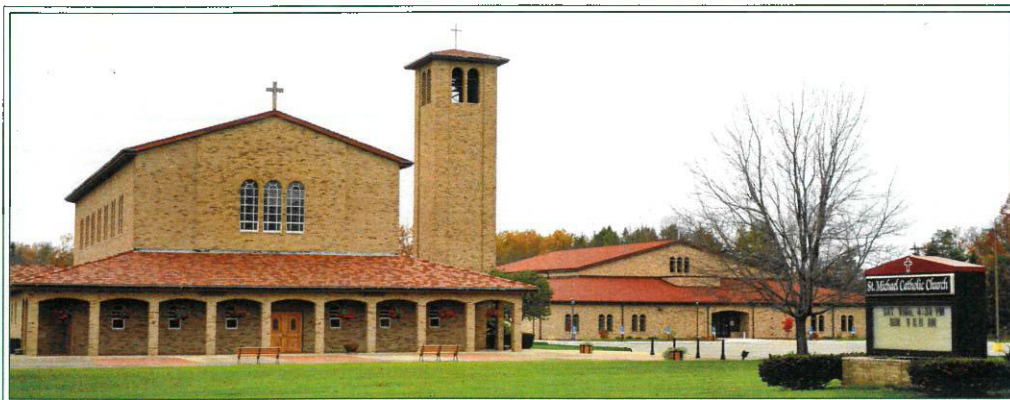


# Saint Michael Parish

300 North Broad Street, Canfield, Ohio 44406



## Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 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.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 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

**Music Ministry Director** ..... Laura Kunkel

**Business Manager** ..... Stephanie Howley

**Administrative Assistant** ..... Maxine Gordon

**Family Life Center Manager** ..... Audrey Geskey

**Maintenance** ..... Joe Serenko

## 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.

## Catholic Charities Regional Agency Mahoning County (330) 744-3320

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**Web Page** ..... [www.stmichaelcanfield.org](http://www.stmichaelcanfield.org)

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- Monday, March 11**  
11:30am- Anna Lesniewski
- Tuesday, March 12**  
8:00am – Phillip Smrek
- Wednesday, March 13**  
8:00am – Robert Palma
- Thursday, March 14**  
8:00am – Mary Ann Rovnak
- Friday, March 15**  
8:00am – Mass  
8:30am – Stations of the Cross
- Saturday, March 16**  
**Vigil – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
3:00pm – Reconciliation  
4:00pm – Sullivan & Webster Families
- Sunday, March 17**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
9:00am – Leslie Topoleski  
11:30am – The People of the Parish

**The Church will be open until noon Monday through Friday during Lent to allow time for individual prayer.**

**LAETARE SUNDAY**

Today is the halfway mark of the Sundays of Lent. This Sunday is known as **Laetare Sunday** for the first word of the Introit or Entrance Antiphon *laetare* (rejoice):

*Rejoice ye with Jerusalem; and be ye glad for her, all ye that delight in her: exult and sing for joy with her, all ye that in sadness mourn for her; that ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations.*

This year, the Gospel reminds us that Jesus Christ is the light that came into the world, and yet, many chose to live in darkness. Perhaps this year's celebration of Laetare Sunday and this Gospel are perfectly positioned as we Spring Ahead and experience an increase of daylight. May these remaining weeks of our Lenten season become for us an opportunity to bring that increasing light of Christ not only to ourselves, but to those we encounter, through our prayers, acts of charity, and self-denial.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL**

**One in Hope, One in Mission**

Jesus says in today's Gospel that *"Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God"* (John 3:21).

Our parish wants to do everything in the light, so hungry souls can see Jesus living through us. Without His light, souls who need Jesus can't see that He lives in our parish, in our tabernacle.

Already more than halfway through Lent, the Church bids us rejoice! Laetare Sunday is a day of light. Jesus gave purpose and power to human suffering. *"In the Lord your labor is not in vain"* (1 Corinthians 15:58). When you support our Annual Diocesan Appeal, you help your neighbors find His light in the darkness and hope when it's needed most. May God be with you.

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

The choir will be singing at the 9:00 Mass on Easter Sunday, March 31. **Choir practice will start Sunday, March 10th after the 11:30 Mass** for anyone who would like to join the choir.



Please contact the parish office (330-533-6839) if you would like to be a part of the choir for Easter.

**25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and over  
Wedding Anniversary Celebration**



The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a **Wedding Anniversary Celebration** on **Sunday, May 5, at 2:00pm** at **Saint Columba Cathedral in Youngstown**, honoring

couples observing their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and over wedding anniversaries in 2024.

The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will include Mass with the Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a light reception for the couple and their families in the cathedral hall. Couples must make reservations in advance. Please contact your parish office as soon as possible to fill out the necessary form, but **no later than March 27**. Space is limited.

*Thank you*

Join us for a warm-up to the Kentucky Derby for the  
**Archangel Derby at Saint Michael Racetrack**



**Spring Night at the Races**

Saturday, April 27, 2024, in the Family Life Center

Doors open at 5:00 – Races begin at 6:00pm



**The event is a B.Y.O. – B.F.F.  
 Bring your own Bottle, Food & Fun!**

The parish will provide snacks  
 (chips, pretzels, popcorn & the mixes)

*You provide the food & drinks to share at your table.*

The cost of admission is \$15 per person. Tables of 8 can be reserved in advance – all others will be open seating.

There will be ten races, plus a bonus “Auction Race”.

The cost of sponsoring and naming a horse is \$25.

Be creative, but mindful that it’s a Church event. The winner of each race will receive \$50 and a special gift.

*The Auction Race will have a Big Payoff for the winner!*

**\$50 EARLY BIRD SPECIAL**  
**Now until Easter**  
 One Horse Sponsorship, Two Event Tickets, and entrance in a special Early Bird Raffle valued at \$250

We are also looking for businesses or individuals to sponsor a race. The cost of this sponsorship is \$250. Your name or logo will appear in the program, along with two free admission tickets.

Winning bets in each race split the take with the parish. We will have a few other prizes & a 50/50.

We will also pull one ticket from our *Annual Parish Raffle* bin for a **\$1,000 CASH PRIZE** so consider buying a few more of those tickets to have a last chance at winning a great cash prize.

To sponsor a horse, please contact the parish office or complete the portion below and return it to the office or in the offertory basket. To sponsor a race – please call the parish office at 330-533-6839.

**Night at the Races Sponsorship Form - \$25 per horse**

Horse Name \_\_\_\_\_ Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Name \_\_\_\_\_ Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Name \_\_\_\_\_ Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

## CAN YOU GIVE GREEN EGGS AND HAM?



Can you add a can of yams?  
We would prefer you not bring Spam.  
We'll take green beans tho if you can!

Our local Soup Kitchens/Dining Halls are in need of some assistance for their Easter meals. We are hoping that once again, Saint Michael Parish would be in the forefront of this project.

Please bring packaged hams, colored eggs, etc. that would be a part of an Easter meal to the Parish Hall on **Tuesday, March 26, 2024, between 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM.**

We will be sorting and distributing the food to our traditional 3 Soup Kitchens. They will be serving Holy Thursday afternoon.

*If you have any questions, please call:*  
Mary Jo Lewis – 330-651-8500  
Saint Michael Parish - 330-533-6839

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### Saturday, March 16 – 4:00 PM

**Lector:** Judy Richley  
**Server:** Benjamin & Daniel Herrmann  
**Euch. Min:** Maxine Gordon (X)  
Jeanne Neville (HF)  
Marleen Belfiore (T)

**Ushers:** Marleen Belfiore, Mark Graham,  
Don Kutsko

### Sunday, March 17 – 9:00 AM

**Lector:** Gerry Ricciutti  
**Server:** Michael & Nick Smallwood  
**Euch. Min:** Kim Maciukiewicz (X)  
Juanita Sherba (HF)  
Paul Sherba (T)

**Ushers:** Jim Naples, Jerry Laska, Marty Repasky,  
Kevin Henchar, Mike Fabian

### Sunday, March 17 – 11:30 AM

**Lector:** Olivia Donadee  
**Server:** Nate Ferguson  
**Euch. Min:** Roseann Peluso (X)  
Laura Lonardo (HF)  
Steve Hlavac (T)

**Ushers:** Chuck Wirtz, tom Eaton, Tom Wainio

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, March 11

9:00am - Fitness Fun  
12:00pm – Young at Heart

### Tuesday, March 12

11:00am – Patriotic Rosary  
6:30 – 8:00pm – Book Study

### Wednesday, March 13

9:00am – Fitness Fun

### Thursday, March 14

8:30 – 10:00am – Book Study  
10:30am – Scripture Sharing  
1:00 – 3:00pm – Afternoon Scripture Group

### Friday, March 15

8:30am – Stations of the Cross  
9:00am – Fitness Fun  
4:00 – 7:00pm – Fish Fry  
7:30pm – AA Meeting

### Saturday, March 16

No Events

### Sunday, March 17

10:05 – 11:20am – Youth Faith Formation



## Parish Support

March 3, 2024

Amount Received	\$ 20,341.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$ 5,341.00
EFT February	\$ 11,508.00
YTD Received	\$577,184.26
YTD Budget	\$540,000.00
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 37,184.26



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

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mary Louise H. Buck	Dale Hynes	Mary Lou Mack
Dante DeAngelo	Jack LeBrun	Vince Mastromatteo
James Dunn, Sr.	Bridget Dunn Leonard	Janice Rovnak
Jay Gettemy	Patricia Lesho	Jack D. Slifka
Zina Herrera	Barbara Dunn Lowe	Lisa Velker
Pat Hoyle	Jayne Lynn Lowe	

## GARDEN GUILD

Saint Michael Garden Guild will begin it 2024 year on **Wednesday, March 20 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.** The Guild's guest speaker will be Marilyn Kennedy from the Ohio State Extension Office. Her talk will be on hummingbirds. Guests are welcome!

Hostess: Jan Sternagel

**Just a reminder that we are always in need of desserts for the Fish Fry. They can be dropped off at the Family Life Center on Thursday from 9:00 - 4:30 or any time after 9 on Friday.**

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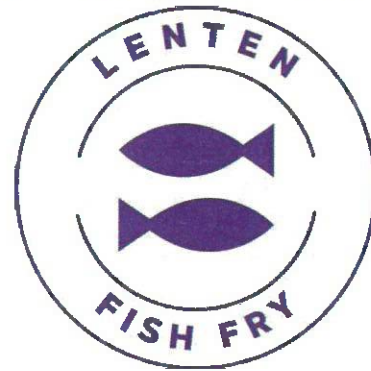


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## SAINT MICHAEL PARISH



**DINE IN or TAKE OUT**

**Fridays -17 & 22**

4:00pm – 7:00pm in the  
Family Life Center

No advance orders.

Just come on in to gather at a table  
or take your meal home to the family.

Fried or Baked Fish, or Fried Shrimp  
with 2 side selections from:  
Macaroni & Cheese, Haluski,  
French Fries, or Green Beans

All meals include coleslaw and dessert  
\*beverages for dine in only\*

Cost of each meal - \$15

Anyone willing to donate home-made desserts,  
please drop them off at the FLC on Thursdays  
from 9-4:30 or anytime on Friday after 9am.

Thank you.

## CLEAN UP YOUR ACT FOR LENT

Just a reminder that we are collecting personal hygiene and household cleaning items throughout Lent for those in need throughout our community. Any items may be placed in the bins located at the entrances of the Church. All items will then be distributed through Catholic Charities. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.



## 2023 TAX STATEMENTS

To obtain a statement, **please call** the office and it will be ready in two days. Statements will not be done while you wait.



## MILITARY LIST

Abby Cruz – Navy Pilot
Ryan Cruz – Captain, Marine Corp.
Phillip McLaughlin - USMC



If you would like a name on the 2024 Military List, please call the Parish Office at 330-533-6839.

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