

# ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

Rev. Peter Tkocz, Pastor

## **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.*



## **MASS SCHEDULE:**

Daily Eucharist: as stated in the bulletin

Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday Vigil: at 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am (English) & 11:00 am (Polish)

Eve. of Holy Days - Consult Bulletin

**Parish Office: (518) 237-5151**

**Office Hours: : Tues. - Thurs. 10:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Fax: Dial above number to notify**

**E-mail address: parishinfo@stmichaelsofcohoes.org**

**Web site: www.stmichaelsofcohoes.org**

**Church Hall: (518) 237-7121**

**Faith Formation: (518) 237-5151 ext. 5**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday Afternoon 3:15 to 3:45 pm

**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. New members need to register as soon as possible. All address changes should be given to the Parish Office.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE RE-IGNITING OUR FAITH CAMPAIGN:** Thank you so much to those of you have already generously contributed to this effort. The *Re-igniting Our Faith* program has already received **\$135,480** in pledges. That is **52.97%** to our goal!



Packets addressed to each registered parishioner or family were distributed at the Masses on June 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Packets that were not picked up that weekend have been mailed. Extra Campaign Commitment Forms are available in the Parish Office. The completed Form can be put in the collection basket at Mass or mailed to the Parish Office.

As you consider your commitment to *Re-igniting Our Faith*, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our committee members (Marion Jaffarian, Doris Vojnar, Janet Gorsky, Julia Clairmont, and Kathy Kosek) or Paul Johnson (Finance Committee Chair) with questions you have about the program. You may also call the Parish Office at (518) 237-5151 and someone will get back to you.

We have had great success so far and there is still time for each of you to prayerfully consider joining your fellow parishioners in supporting this effort.

Again, thank you for your generosity and God Bless You!  
Father Peter

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

**Week of August 5 – August 11**

**CHURCH:**

In loving memory of †Rose McDonald  
by Audra McDonald.

**CHAPEL:**

In memory of †Witold Pasierb  
by John & Patricia Harrington.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS:** In memory of †Gerard Davignon by Doris Vojnar \$25. Thank you.

**BINGO WORKERS for August 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 5:** Mary Sala - Captain, John Sala, Jr., Stanley Szozda, Doris Vojnar, Pat Harrington, Maria Swieton, Julia Clairmont, Stanislaw Bobek, Madeline Lis, & Tina Kilventon. **Thank you!**



**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**

July 27 & 28, 2019	\$5,667.00
Year 2018	\$3,663.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,834.00
Missions Appeal	\$1,913.00
Holy Father - Peter's Pence	\$461.00
Church Hall Improvements	\$335.00
Candle Offerings	\$49.00
Fuel	\$22.00
Insurance	\$22.00
Assumption	\$20.00
Parish Support	\$7.00
Evangelist	\$2.00
Faith Formation	\$2.00
*Regular Offertory:	
4:00 Mass	\$736.00
9:00 Mass	\$811.00
11:00 Mass	\$389.00
Mail	\$425.00
E-Giving	\$473.00

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY is a Holy Day of Obligation.** The Vigil Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church on Wednesday, **August 14<sup>th</sup>**, at 6pm and Mass at Holy Trinity on Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, at 9am.

**DECEASED:** †Patricia Lamb passed away recently. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.



**THANK YOU:** To Bill Pecak, Jan Lopatniuk, Ed Kosek, Ted Pecak, Stanley Bobek, and Julia Clairmont for their help to clean the Parish Office basement. Many hands make light work. Thank you!

**Liturgical Roles**

**Weekend of August 10th & 11th, 2019**

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
4:00PM	J. Gebosky M. Horner	E. Twiss M.E. Abdelnour B. Brehm F. Dudwoire	E. Twiss
9:00AM	R. Gwozdz J. Frainier	D. Vojnar J. Frainier J. Harrington R. Kosek	F. Gebosky, Jr.
11:00AM	G. Jurczynska	K. Lopatniuk E. Leoniak E. Barlik M. Sala	S. Bobek

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**SAVE THE DATE:** Join us on Thursday, **September 19<sup>th</sup>** at St. Michael's Church for a special **Mass and Parish Family Appreciation Dinner**. We will be honored to have the **Most Rev. Edward B. Scharfenberger** as our main celebrant at Mass at 6pm. Immediately following the liturgy, we will proceed to the Parish Hall to partake in a dinner prepared and hosted by Maria Swieton (president), the other officers, and members of the Rosary Society.

This will be a perfect time to meet our Bishop, give thanks to God together, and to mingle with our fellow parishioners for good food and laughter. A sign-up sheet for the dinner will be available at the Church entrance before and after weekend Masses starting August 10<sup>th</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup>. Please join us in making this an eventful evening!

Father Peter  
& the Reigniting Our Faith Committee



**BISHOP'S APPEAL 2019**  
**Living the Gospel, Changing Lives**  
**THANKS TO YOU!**

**Parish assessment: \$31,252.00**  
**Total gifts/pledges: \$13,274.00**

**We've reached 42.47% of our goal!**  
**Still needed: \$17,978.00**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**BOTTLE COLLECTION:** A much belated but heartfelt THANK YOU to our St. Michael's family for supporting the Van Schaick Grade School's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade bottle drive. Our altar server Amelia Cappabianca and her class raised over \$950 for the end of year field trip to Boston and they could not have done it without you. THANK YOU!

**HOLY TRINITY FOOD PANTRY:** Will receive a \$1 donation every time a \$2.50 Fight Hunger Bag is purchased during **August** at the Hannaford Store at Latham Farms.

**NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

**POLISH DAY at the Shrine of North American Martyrs at Auriesville, NY:** Sunday, **August 11<sup>th</sup>**. Religious Services begin at 2pm with Stations of the Cross and recitation of the Rosary. Confessions in Polish and English from 2:00-3:30pm. Concelebrated Mass in Polish in the Coliseum at 4pm with Rev. Artur Krawczenko, Pastor of Sacred Heart - St. Mary Our Lady of Czestochowa, New York Mills as Main Celebrant. For details, please call (518) 272-5727.

*Dzień Polski odbędzie się w Świątyni w Auriesville w niedzielę, 11 sierpnia, 2019. Droga Krzyżowa i Różaniec o godz. 14:00, spowiedź po polsku w godz. 14:00-15:30. Msza koncelebrowana o godz 16 w języku polskim. Główny celebrant Ksiądz Artur Krawczenko.*


**DIocese of ALBANY VOCATION EVENTS:** Please join us for the Candidacy and the Rite of Sending of Seminarians on Sunday, **August 11<sup>th</sup>** at 4pm at St. Michael the Archangel Church in Troy. For more information please contact the Very Rev. Anthony F. Ligato, Vicar of Vocations, at (518) 453-6690 or [anthony.ligato@rcda.org](mailto:anthony.ligato@rcda.org).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** For the **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**, which takes place continually (24/7) at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Saint Augustine's Parish in Troy, NY. We are in need of individuals interested in spending an hour with the Lord on a regular weekly basis or as a substitute when needed. Adoration is seen by Catholics as a means of focusing the heart and mind in prayer, with attention fixed on the mystery of the Eucharistic presence of Christ. A few St. Michael's parishioners have been doing this for years there and find it very fruitful. Those wishing to spend a best hour of your life with the Lord, please call the St. Augustine Parish Office at (518) 235-3861 or (518) 283-1066. Come visit and pray for peace.

**CHURCH HALL IMPROVEMENTS**  
**PHASE 2 - WAINSCOTING &**  
**WINDOW TRIM RECONSTRUCTION**  
**PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE - \$28,330.00**  
**DONATIONS TO DATE - \$23,369.43**

**INTERIOR HALL PAINTING COST - \$1,600.00 (complete)**  
**DONATIONS REMAINING TO FUND PHASE 2 - \$21,769.43**

In memory of †*Thomas & Stacia Gorsky* by Janet Gorsky; in memory of †*Ernest & Clara Desrochers* by Matthew Desrochers; in memory of †*Zacharkievics Family* by Janina Kowalik; in memory of †*John Rymanowski* by Catherine Rymanowski; in memory of †*Joseph Enright* by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Lipka; in memory of †*Jerzy & Zofia Pietkiewicz* by Regina Paquette; in memory of †*Robert Stopera* by Helen Stopera; Wieslawa Szymanska. **Thank you!**

**ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS:** All are invited to **August 13<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00pm Rosary recitation in the Chapel. Every month until October we are honoring the Blessed  Mother and praying for Peace.

*Learning about our Catholic Faith...* There are nine **Choirs of Angels** - can you name them? (Rotate the page to find the answer.)

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1. Seraphim. 2. Cherubim. 3. Thrones. 4. Dominations. 5. Virtues. 6. Powers. 7. Principalities. 8. Archangels. 9. An-

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Rosary & Novena - Chapel	Tuesdays, 6:30pm
Prayers to Our Lady of Fatima - Chapel	August 13, 6pm
Vigil of the Assumption	August 14, 6pm
Presentation on St. Francis of Assisi - Church Hall	August 21, 1pm
Mass with Bishop Scharfenberger & Parish Family Appreciation Dinner	September 19, 6pm

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**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 3 – August 11, 2019**

<b>Sat., Aug. 3</b>	
4:00 p.m.	† <i>Steven Kusaywa &amp; Henry Brehm</i> by Family † <i>Doris Colaruotolo</i> by St. Michael's Faith Formation † <i>Ralph Signoracci</i> by Rosemary Zandri † <i>Michael Miller</i> by Jane Gebosky
<b>Sun., Aug. 4</b>	<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 a.m.	† <i>John &amp; Helen Sloboda</i> by Family † <i>Phyllis Kuczynski</i> by Children † <i>Donald J. Marois (25<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by wife Marjorie Marois † <i>Janet. E. Powers</i> by Helen & Mike Fusco & Family
11:00 a.m.	<b>Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter</b> † <i>Zbigniew Uscinski</i> by Ciesielczyk Family † <i>Witold Pasierb</i> by Jan Nowak & Family
<b>Mon., Aug. 5</b>	
	† <i>Katherine A. Baker</i> by Estate of Katherine A. Baker
<b>Tues., Aug. 6</b>	<b>The Transfiguration of the Lord</b>
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Marta Skora</i> by Family
<b>Wed., Aug. 7</b>	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Gerchard Plachetta</i> by Family
<b>Th., Aug. 8</b>	<b>Saint Dominic, Priest</b>
9:00 a.m.	<b>Mass at Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Fri., Aug. 9</b>	
9:00 a.m.	<b>Mass at Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Sat., Aug. 10</b>	<b>Saint Lawrence, Deacon &amp; Martyr</b>
4:00 p.m.	<b>Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter</b> † <i>Mary Chaszczewski</i> by Family † <i>Rev. Richard Dybas (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Ed & Kathy Twiss † <i>Rose McDonald</i> by Audra † <i>Doris Colaruotolo</i> by Kathleen Burns
<b>Sun., Aug. 11</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 a.m.	For the health of Hal & Anna Chura by Terry Blizniak † <i>Raffael Cappabianca (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Family
11:00a.m.	† <i>Edward Skawinski (19<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Family † <i>Witold Pasierb</i> by Maria & Bill Pecak

**Please note:** In case of a funeral at 9am, the daily Mass intention(s) will be included in the funeral Mass celebration.

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## **St. Michael's**

**Faith Formation News**

**Director: Kathy Burns**

**(518) 237-0370; (518) 428-6353**

### **ADULT FORMATION**

Please join us for the video presentation "St. Francis of Assisi" on Wednesday, **August 21<sup>st</sup>** at 1:00pm until 2:30pm in the Church hall. Enjoy a great documentary, some lively faith sharing and light refreshments. This event is **free**. We are air conditioned!

Please contact Janet Gorsky (518) 542-3311 or Kathleen Burns (518) 428-6353 for more information.

### **FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION**

Registration for Faith Formation classes for the 2019 – 2020 school year continues.

Parent information packets and schedules will be mailed out the first week in September.

If you have not already registered your child or reregistered for the coming Fall, please do so by contacting Kathleen Burns, (518) 428-6353 or (518) 237-5151 ext. 5.

Classroom lists are now being set up.

### **RCIA**

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism who are above the age of infant Baptism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. The basic process applies to adults and older children, with younger children initiated through an adapted version. After a period of preparation, candidates receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist at the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil. RCIA at St. Michael's is always available to anyone who wishes to take advantage of this program. Please contact Kathleen Burns for more information. (518) 428-6353/(518) 237-5151 ext. 5.

### **REFLECTION ON THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

(Tuesday, August 6)

The promise of the transfiguration can be ours as well. We have the testimony of those who saw Jesus transformed (2 Peter 1:16), but even more importantly, each of us can experience a taste of the same vision that Peter, James, and John had. In our own prayer, we can fix our eyes on Jesus and know his touch. At Mass, as we kneel before the Blessed Sacrament, our hearts can be filled with the glory of the risen life that is ours in Christ. In your prayer today, ask Jesus to reveal himself more deeply to you. Let his hope banish all of your fears and anxieties.

### **PRAYER**

Jesus, how good it is to be here with you.

Let me never lose sight of your glory,  
no matter how much darkness may press on me.

Let me live in your presence forever.

Amen.