

# 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)

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**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**

**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.

**December 2, 2018**



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

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

**Week of December 3rd – December 9th**

**CHURCH:**

In memory of †*Jennifer Ostwald*  
by Caroline Mickiewicz.

**CHAPEL:**

In loving memory of †*husband Zbigniew Swieton*  
on his birthday by wife Maria.



**ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS:** Ladies of the Rosary Society are invited to a Christmas Party on **December 2<sup>nd</sup>**. We will meet at the Church Hall at 2pm to enjoy some holiday celebration and great eats. The cost is only \$20.00 per person and guests will be \$25.00. A grab bag of \$10.00 is optional with new items; and we are noted for all those generous goodies the ladies bring for the social hour. Start your Christmas with fellow Rosarians. Tickets are to be purchased before all Masses & not at the door.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS:** \$50 from Mary Ellen Hrutka in honor of Dr. Andrew Bania's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. \$25 from Terry Tokryman. **THANK YOU!**



**ANNUAL CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PAGEANT:**

Signup sheets for the pageant will be in the back of the church beginning November 17<sup>th</sup>, or you can contact Roseanne Kryjak at rkryjak@nycap.rr.com. Rehearsals are scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm for the cast. A dress rehearsal will be held in the last week before Christmas. Children do not need to be a member of the Parish to participate. All costumes provided by the church. The pageant is on **December 24<sup>th</sup>** at 3:30pm in the Church.

**BINGO WORKERS for December 24<sup>h</sup>, Team 3:** Bob Callanan – Captain, Marcia Sebastian, Kathy Kosek, Doris Vojnar, Sandy Potyrala, Kathy Twiss, Maria Swieton, Julia Clairmont, Stanislaw Bobek, Mary Ellen Abdelnour, Tina Kilventon. **Thank you!**

**Weekly Contributions**

November 17 & 18, 2018	\$5,421.55
Year 2017	\$4,832.00
Thanksgiving Day 2017	\$1,175.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,471.00
Thanksgiving	\$1,147.00
Snow Plowing	\$1,001.00
Christmas Flowers	\$322.00
Church Hall Improvements	\$257.00
Human Development	\$50.55
Candle Offerings	\$74.00
Insurance	\$37.00
Parish Support	\$17.00
All Saints	\$15.00
All Souls	\$15.00
Evangelist	\$9.00
Faith Formation	\$2.00
Fuel	\$2.00
Catholic University	\$2.00
*Regular Offertory:	
4:00 Mass	\$792.00
9:00 Mass	\$741.00
11:00 Mass	\$529.00
E-Giving	\$374.00
Polka Mass	\$35.00
<b>THANKSGIVING DAY COLLECTION:</b>	
Thanksgiving Polka Mass (all collections)	\$1,091.00

**THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's on Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm and at Holy Trinity on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9am.

**Liturgical Roles<sup>+</sup>**

**Weekend of December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
4:00PM	E. Twiss F. Dudwoire	B. Brehm N. Signoracci B. Carter K. Bailie-Carter	E. Twiss
9:00AM	D. Vojnar R. Gwozdz	J. Clairmont K. Garceau E. Kosek, Jr. K. Kosek	J. Frainier
11:00AM	A. Brewka K. Rozycka	M. Sala E. Leoniak D. Vojnar I. Pietkiewicz	E. Brewka

**CHURCH HALL IMPROVEMENTS**

**PHASE 2 - PAINTING & WALL REPAIR  
PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE - \$28,330  
DONATIONS TO DATE - \$7,975.32**

In memory of †*Michael Talay* by Donald & Barbara Galarneau, in memory of †*Remillard & Signoracci families* by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Signoracci, Mr. & Mrs. Chester Glogowski, in memory of †*Staislaw Samborski* by Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Mentrak, Megan Sutherland. **Thank you!**

†**Robert Gauthier** passed away recently. Please keep his family in your prayers.



**Reminder:** All gifts for the **Giving Tree** must be returned by Sunday, **December 16<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you so very much for your tremendous support of this project. If you have any questions, please call Michelle Frainier at (518) 235-3292. Have a Merry Christmas!

**THANKSGIVING POLKA MASS:** **Thank you** to the Joe & Emily Kosek family, Deborah DiGrado, Joe Kosek III, Eric Kosek, Nicole DiGrado, and friends Tony Banewicz & Vito Speranza who provided polka music; to the Rosary Society for their gift of breads; and all who helped plan and participated in this special mass at St. Michael's.

**OPLATKI:** Will be on sale (\$2 for a package of four) in the stairwell or Church Hall every weekend in December before Christmas. Proceeds to benefit the Sisters of the Resurrection in Castleton. Contact Pat Harrington for more information. Thank you in advance for your support.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** at St. Michael's Church will be after the 4pm Mass on Saturday, **December 8<sup>th</sup>** and after the 9am Mass and 11am Mass on Sunday, **December 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Rosary & Novena - Chapel	Tuesdays, 6:30pm
Rosary Society Christmas Party	December 2, 2pm
Vigil of the Immaculate Conception	December 7, 6pm
Vigilia Dinner, Church Hall	December 8, 5pm
Christmas Pageant - Church	December 24, 3:30pm
Christmas Vigil Mass	December 24, 4pm
Christmas Midnight Mass (Polish)	December 24, midnight
Christmas Day Mass	December 25, 10am
Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary	December 31, 6pm



**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

**BISHOP'S APPEAL 2018**

**Number of gifts/pledges: 178  
Total gifts/pledges: \$24,593.00  
Parish assessment: \$30,050.00**



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**



**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS:** In memory of †*Gauthier family* by Norman Gauthier, in memory of †*Giammattei family & Okonski family* by Mr. & Mrs. Mario Giammattei, in memory of †*Deno & Anne Valentini & June Jacon* by Timothy & Mary Grace Jacon, in memory of †*Stefania, Jozefa, Stanislaw, & Bronislaw* by Mr. & Mrs. Stanislaw Jez, in memory of †*Anna Izzo, Nicola Izzo, & Nicola (Nicky) Izzo* by Michael & Denise Izzo, Mr. & Mrs. Adam Kapinos, in memory of †*William P. Suchocki, John Suchocki, Helena Musial, Sally & Jake Wrobel, & Stasia Lubas* by Mr. & Mrs. Chad Kehn, in memory of †*Joseph Kilcullen, Edward Kilcullen, & Mr. & Mrs. F. McCarthy* by Patricia Kilcullen, in memory of †*Helnarski family & Kobasa family* by Joyce & Ronald Kobasa, in memory of †*Edward Kosek, Sr. & Josephine Kosek* by Edward Kosek, Jr., in memory of †*Florence Giles, Richard Couture, Antonio & Regina LePage, & Evarista Tarlo* by Tony & Sandy LePage, Wladyslaw Lubowski, Mrs. Marjorie Marois, in memory of †*Ludwik & Weronika Mazur, Marianna Stolarz, Lidia Jereczynska, & Mikolaj Jereczynski* by Henry & Beata Mazur, in memory of †*Lear family & Chmielewski family* by Joanne Lear, in memory of †*Catherine Lipka & Melissa Moran* by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Lipka, in memory of †*R.G. Mamej & L.J. Dudziak* by Mr. & Mrs. Zbigniew Mamej, Mr. & Mrs. Pawel Nowak, in memory of †*Christopher Panufnik & Sally Nyman* by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Nyman, in memory of †*Ostiguy family & Purtell family* by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Ostiguy, in memory of †*Panufnik & Mikolajczyk family* by Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Panufnik, in memory of †*Katarzyna Pecak, Stanislaw Pecak, Ludwika Barlik, & Jozef Barlik* by Mr. & Mrs. Tadeusz Pecak, in memory of †*Gil Pinsouneault & deceased members of Breasou family* by Josette Pinsonneault, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Skotnicki. **Thank you!**

**NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

Visit **The Shrine of the Holy Innocents Chapel**, on the grounds of St. Mary of the Snow in Saugerties, New York. The Shrine is dedicated to babies unborn, babies born too soon, infants, toddlers and children who have gone home to God. The chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Located at 36 Cedar St., Saugerties, NY. Mass is offered in the chapel most Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:00am. For more information, please visit ShrineHolyInnocents.org.

**December 2, 2018**

**First Sunday of Advent  
December 1 – December 9, 2018**

<b>Sat., Dec. 1</b>	
4:00 p.m.	† <i>Marilyn Galarneau</i> by Julia & Kathleen † <i>Edward Spinger, Jr.</i> by Burns Family † <i>Bert Tremblay</i> by Estate of Bert Tremblay
<b>Sun., Dec. 2</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
9:00 a.m.	† <i>John Samaniuk</i> by Wife & Children † <i>John Sloboda</i> by Family † <i>Ann &amp; Joe Mnich</i> by Daughter † <i>Richard Burzynski</i> by Family † <i>Viola Touzin</i> by Husband Arthur Touzin
11:00 a.m.	<b>Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter</b> † <i>Zbigniew Swieton (Birth.)</i> by Zona & Rodzina † <i>Cecilia Izzo</i> by Son Rossano Izzo
<b>Mon., Dec. 3</b>	<b>Saint Francis Xavier, Priest</b>
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Katherine A. Baker</i> by Estate of Katherine A. Baker
<b>Tues., Dec. 4</b>	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Jerzy Franz</i> by Family † <i>Marie A. Primeau</i> by Teresa & Edward Barlik
<b>Wed., Dec. 5</b>	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Aleksander &amp; Anna Franz</i> by Family
<b>Th., Dec. 6</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity
<b>Fri., Dec. 7</b>	<b>Vigil of the Immaculate Conception</b>
6:00 p.m.	<b>Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter</b>
<b>Sat., Dec. 8</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
4:00 p.m.	<b>Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter</b> † <i>Bernard J. Tolak</i> by Nancy Tolak † <i>Edward Dudek (19<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)</i> by Kathy & Ed Twiss
<b>Sun., Dec. 9</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Raffael Cappabianca</i> by Family † <i>Steven Moziak</i> by Therese Blizniak † <i>Robert Gauthier</i> by Ed & Kathy Twiss
11:00 a.m.	† <i>Tomasz Lubowski &amp; Anna Lubowski</i> by Rodzina † <i>Maria &amp; Eugeniusz Szajna</i> by Corka



**PARISH CALENDAR 2019** is now open. We are accepting mass intentions during office hours and via mail. Please always include your phone number.

We will call you back to confirm that we received your request. Please call (518) 237-5151 ext. 4 for more information.

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**St. Michael's**

**Faith Formation News**

**Director: Kathy Burns**

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

**FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES AND  
ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Souper Saturday Movie Night last Saturday. We shared great food and a beautiful movie about our Blessed Mother. Thank you to our movie team who worked so hard; Julia Clairmont, Jayne Galarnau, and Pat Harrington. Thank you for your generous donations for the Movie Night, especially Jane Gebosky and Marion Jaffarian.

Welcome back to Megan Piser from last year's Confirmation class. She will be joining us for our Community Service events.

**IMPORTANT FAITH FORMATION DATES:**

Saturday, **December 1:** 1:30pm - 6pm - Community Service, United Church Soup Kitchen. **Volunteers:** Team 2 - Jacob Kusaywa, Reis Brammer, Ivan Brajac, Elizabeth Whitford.

Wednesday, **December 5:** 6pm & 7:15pm - Faith Formation Class, Christmas Cards.

Saturday, **December 8:** Feast of The Immaculate Conception.

Sunday, **December 9:** 9am - Children's Liturgy of the Word. All children are invited.

Wednesday, **December 12:** 6pm – Faith Formation Class - Baby Jesus Birthday Party. All Grades K – 10.

Saturday, **December 15:** 12pm – 2pm – Community Service – Cohoes Library, Santa letters. **Volunteers:** Terry Burns, Cole Cepiel, Sarah Jurnak, Ivan Brajac, Hannah Burgess, Genesis Hyman, Jenifer Martinez, Quincy Hytko, Reis Brammer, Julia Szozda.

Monday, **December 17:** 6pm – 8pm - Monday Faith Formation Class. Christmas Cards.

Wednesday, **December 19:** 6pm & 7:15pm – Faith Formation Class. Dress Rehearsal for Nativity Pageant. Students not involved will have class.

Tuesday, **December 25:** Christmas.

Wednesday, **December 26:** No Faith Formation Classes. Christmas Break.

**CLASSROOM NEWS**

The Faith Formation students were on break last week.

**A PRAYER FOR ADVENT**

Give us ears to hear, O God,  
and eyes to watch,  
that we may know your presence in our midst  
during this holy season of joy  
as we anticipate the coming of Jesus Christ.  
Amen.