

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

August 20, 2023

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.



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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
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

E-mail address: info@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Website: www.stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Bulletin: bulletin@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

Cemetery: cemetery@stmichaelsofcohoes.org

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

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



BASKET BINGO: St. Michael's Rosary Society is hosting its 8th annual Basket Bingo on Sunday, **November 5th** here at St. Michael's. Instead of winning a cash prize when you get a bingo, you win one of our beautiful baskets. Like all parish events we need your support to make the Basket Bingo a success. We are looking for donations of prize baskets and gift cards. We will also accept cash donations. At Basket Bingo there will be food, snacks and drinks available. We also need donations of cookies, cupcakes and brownies on that day. So if you are a baker, can you help us? If you have any questions or would like to make a donation, please contact Maria Swieton at (518) 782-1203; Michelle Frainier at (518) 235-3292; Teresa Barlik at (518) 237-7906 or Kathy Twiss at (518) 235-5286. We hope you can join us for a fun afternoon. Doors open at 11:30am and games start at 1:00pm. Under NYS law, you must be 18 years old in order to attend Basket Bingo.



SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of August 21 – August 27

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):
People of the Parish.

Sacred Heart (side altar):
People of the Parish.

Blessed Mother (side altar):
Dorothy Gallivan BY
Jane Gebosky & Son.



Keep the Legacy Alive

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Weekly Contributions

August 6, 2023	\$3,703.00
Year 2022**	\$2,804.00
Regular Offertory 2022**	\$2,378.00
Regular Offertory*	\$3,252.00
2nd Collection - Buildings & Grounds	\$326.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$125.00
*Regular Offertory: 9am Mass & Mail	\$2,867.00
E-giving	\$385.00

Weekly operating expenses (minimum needed): \$4,390.71

Weekend Mass attendance - August 13, 2023:

Sunday, 9am 116

Counting Team for August 21st: Diane Aberle, Mary Walsh, Judith Ann Wade.

SECOND ENVELOPE FOR NEXT WEEKEND: Envelopes will be in the back of the Church for the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia (Liga Katolicka) for **August 27th**. The collection will aid in the mission to help the Church in Poland and our brothers and sisters in faith who now call America their home. The League entrusts to their patroness, Our Lady of Czestochowa, and to St. John Paul the Great, our common efforts in this year's national collection to transform and spiritually enrich the people of faith in our communities. May the Blessed Mother of God intercede for us to her Son, to bless us with gifts of strong faith, true pride of our heritage, and humble gratitude for the legacy of centuries of Polish priests, patriots, and devoted parishioners. Visit their website for more information: www.catholicleaguepolonia.org.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: Next weekend we will take up the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United State and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Liturgical Roles⁺

Weekend of August 27th, 2023

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
9:00AM	G. Mierzwa	M. Sala	M. Swieton

PRAYERS TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Rosary Society is hosting prayers to Our Lady of Fatima on the 13th. A handout of the prayers is provided. All are invited at 6pm on Wednesday, **September 13th**.



Dear Parishioners,

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. Our first **parish social hour** will be on Sunday, **September 17th** after the 9am Mass. Please plan on joining us for good food, companionship, and conversation. Bring a favorite breakfast/brunch dish to share. See you there!



Sandy Potyrala
(518) 330-9056

ROSARY NEWS: Summer vacation season is almost over - now is the time to get back in the groove. Our next Rosary Meeting is on Sunday, **September 17th** at 11:00am following the social hour. Please plan on attending because we have many items to discuss. See you there!!!



ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALBANY WILL NOT OPPOSE THE ST. CLARE'S PENSIONERS' MOTION TO LIFT THE STAY TO ALLOW THE ST. CLARE'S CASE TO GO FORWARD:

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany's response to the motion filed on May 9, 2023, on behalf of the St. Clare's pensioners acknowledges that it is appropriate for the issues in the case to be decided by the New York State Supreme Court, Schenectady County, and that the bankruptcy court should enter an order allowing the matter to go forward in state court. Because of the substantial effect a decision will have on its Chapter 11 Reorganization Plan, the Diocese has requested that the bankruptcy court require that regular status reports of the progress of the case be provided so that the bankruptcy court and the creditors in the bankruptcy case are apprised of developments that may affect the Chapter 11 proceeding. We are eager to see this matter resolved for the pensioners and for the Diocese.

We also want to address a statement made in Mary Harts-horne's open letter to Pope Francis in early April, regarding the St. Clare's pensioners. In it, she said, "We cannot pay our rent or mortgages, our medical bills, our gas or groceries. In some cases, we cannot bury our own dead." This deeply concerns Bishop Edward Scharfenberger. We encourage anyone who may be facing such hardships to reach out, even if they are in litigation, provided that counsel would be willing. There are many wonderful and caring agencies throughout the Capital Region, including within our Diocese, and we would be happy to help make connections. No one should walk alone.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Bereavement Ministry - Parish Office	Sept. 14, 6pm
Social Hour after 9am Mass - Church Hall	Sept. 17
Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall	Sept. 17, 11am
Prayers to Our Lady of Fatima - near Statue	Sept. 13, 6pm
Basket Bingo - Church Hall	Nov. 5, 1pm

PERSONAL CARE NECESSITIES DRIVE: Thank you to everyone who donated to the personal care item drive hosted by our Evangelization Team. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. The response was incredible! This drive will serve many needy individuals in our area and beyond. **THANK YOU!**



EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION: Due to the Labor Day holiday, there is an early submission to the publisher. **Please submit any information for the September 10th bulletin before noon on Sunday, August 27th.** Information can be emailed to bulletin@stmichaelsofcohes.org or dropped off at the Parish Office.



NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

LUNCHEON CRUISE: All Aboard Who's Coming Aboard!!! All those who are joining us on the Lake George Luncheon Cruise on Friday, **August 25th**, are reminded that tickets will be given to you at check in with Julie Carrigan at the pier. She will be present from 10:30 on and boarding begins at 11am. The ship sails at 12. There is a discount on parking in the lot across from the dock but you must tell the attendant that you are with the "Traveling With Spirit" group on the Lac du Sacrament. If you are traveling with others, the tickets for your group will be given to the person who purchased them. If you have any questions, please contact Julie at journaysbyjulie@gmail.com

IN THE BEGINNING...COPING WITH LIFE ALONE REMOTE PROGRAM: Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley invites those who have suffered the loss of a marriage or spousal relationship through death, divorce or separation to a one day remote program held on Saturday, **September 23rd** from 9am to 4pm. In the Beginning...Coping With Life Alone is a program designed to help you along your grief journey and is led by those who are on this same journey. Registration is required. To register please call Jim at (845) 569-9452 or Denise at (845) 325-3147. Email: beginningexperienceofhv@gmail.com Website: www.beginningexperiencehv.org

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**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 19 – August 27, 2023**

Sat., Aug. 19	
4:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Aug. 20	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	† <i>Ann C. Busta (73rd Anniv.)</i> by Husband † <i>Agnes Jarosz</i> by Jane Gebosky & Son † <i>Walter Ardziejewicz</i> by Donald † <i>Michael J. Hart</i> by Jane Gebosky & Son † <i>Chester Burzynski</i> by Halina Karas Michael Zandri & Henry Giroux 6th Anniv. By Rosemary and Michael
10:30 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Mon., Aug. 21	Saint Pius X, Pope
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	† <i>Yvette McMahon</i> by Rosemary & Michael Zandri
Tues., Aug. 22	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:30 p.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Wed., Aug. 23	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Deimeke)</i>	People of the Parish
Th., Aug. 24	Saint Bartholomew, Apostle
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Fri., Aug. 25	
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bourgeois)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sat., Aug. 26	
4:00 p.m. <i>(Fr. Kelly)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Aug 27	Twentieth-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m. <i>(Fr. Kelly)</i>	† <i>Sean & Kazimiers Jucha</i> by Grandmother & Family All Missions by Tom VanSchiach
10:30 a.m. <i>(Fr. Bellafoire)</i>	(Mass at Holy Trinity)



Please note: Masses listed above are at St. Michael's Church unless noted otherwise.

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St. Michael's

Faith Formation News

Director: Kathy Burns - FFsmCohoes@rcda.org

(518) 428-6353



**Faith
Formation
Registration**

**REGISTRATION FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR
IS NOW OPEN**

Letters with registration information and forms have been mailed out to current families. Please complete and return all forms in a timely manner as I am currently developing class lists and schedules. Please contact Kathleen Burns (518) 428-6353 with any questions.

Please remember that 2 years of Faith Formation is required to make First Communion, usually beginning in first grade. Kindergarten students are welcome to register as well. For Confirmation, 3 years of Faith Formation is required, beginning in Eighth grade. Unusual circumstances will always be considered.

CARRYING THE FAITH FORWARD

Over the Summer and beyond we would like to highlight students from St. Michael's who exhibit a love of their Faith and community in this space. If you know of someone that you would like featured, please contact Kathleen Burns (518) 428-6353.

CLYNK

Thank you to everyone who donates their cans / bottles to our CLYNK program. This is an ongoing program through Hannaford Supermarkets that turns cans and bottles into cash. All proceeds go toward Faith Formation and Adult Formation programs at St. Michael's Church.

PRAYER FOR CHILDREN TO RESIST TEMPTATION

Dear Lord, please stay close to my child when they face temptation. Help me to show them that temptation comes in the form of something that looks good at first, but later turns ugly. Help them use Scripture to face the devil's schemes and find the way of escape.

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