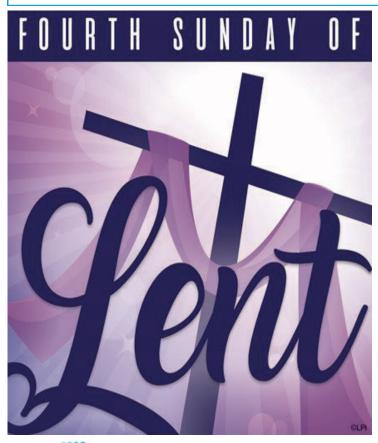
ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

March 10, 2024





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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 STAFF:Very Rev. Donald RutherfordCo-PastorVery Rev. Brian KellyCo-PastorRev. Samuel BellafioreParochial VicarKathleen 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.)

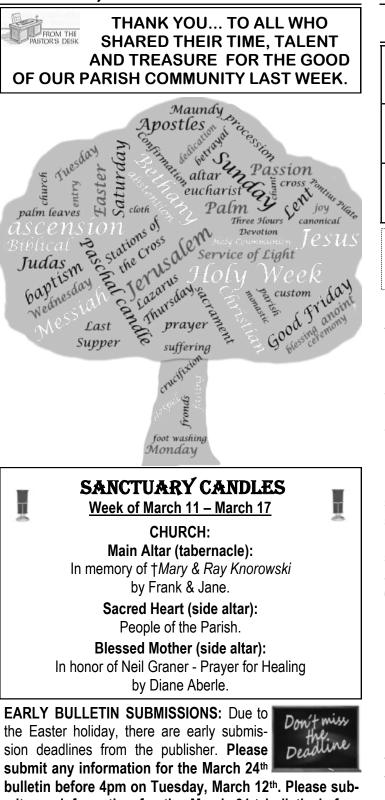
Parish Office. Parents should be registered and active members of the Parish.

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.

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mit any information for the March 31st bulletin before 4pm on Tuesday, March 19th. Information can be emailed to bulletin@stmichaelsofcohoes.org or dropped off at the Parish Office.



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

February 25, 2024 (TOTAL)	\$2,575.00
February 26, 2023 (Total)	\$2,803.00
February 26, 2023 (Regular Offertory only)	\$2,803.00 \$1,813.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,236.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$238.00
Candle Offerings	\$101.00
*Regular Offertory: 9am Mass & Mail E-giving	\$1,876.00 \$360.00

Weekly operating expenses (minimum needed): \$4,390.71 For the week shown above, we felt short of our weekly budget by \$1,815.71

Counting Team for March 11th: Ed & Kathy Twiss, Diane Aberle.

> Weekend Mass attendance - March 3, 2024: Sunday, 9am 136

The 50/50 WINNER for the month of February is Michelle Frainier for \$88. Congratulations! Thank you to everyone who participated.



UPCOMING SYNOD SESSIONS: Dioceses all across the U.S. are being asked to hold a new round of synod listening sessions, focusing on church structure, organization, leadership, and church life. The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany has scheduled four additional sessions. The remaining sessions are: March 18th - Virtual Gathering, 6:30pm to 8:30pm and March 20th - St. Ambrose, 347 Old Loudon Rd., Latham, 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The dioceses is asking everyone to register for a session. Visit the website for more information: https://www.rcda.org/synod.

DIOCESAN APPEAL:

Assessment \$22,610.00 As of February 13, 2024: \$7,055.00 51 Gifts 31% of goal



Diocesan Appeal

The Appeal runs from July 2023 to June 2024. Thank you for your support.



Weekend of March 17th, 2024

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
9:00AM	J. Harrington	K. Kosek	J. Harrington

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Stations of the Cross - Church	Mar. 15, 5:30pm
Social Hour after 9am Mass - Church Hall	Mar. 17
Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall	Mar. 17, 11am
Palm Sunday Mass	Mar. 24, 8:45am
Holy Thursday Mass	Mar. 28, 7pm
Good Friday - Stations, Divine Mercy Chap	· · · · ·
Blessing of the Baskets - Church Hall	Mar. 30, 10:30am
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil	Mar. 30, 8pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Come join us in praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent beginning February 16th. We will gather in the church at 5:30pm. We are

looking for volunteers to lead the prayers each week. You do not have to be a lector to volunteer. Please contact Maria Swieton (518-782-, 1203) if you are interested. Let's make this Lenten journey together.

SOCIAL HOUR: Mark your calendars for Sunday, ellowship March 17th for our next social. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy at (518) 330-9056.

Worship

After

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING: All Rosary members please join us on March 17th at 11:00am in the Church Hall.



EASTER DINNER RAFFLE: The Rosary Society will be selling tickets for a Easter Dinner Basket. It will consist of a turkey, ham, kielbasa, pierogies, potatoes, veggies, bread, dessert, and a butter lamb. Stop by and take a chance. Tickets are 1 for \$2.00 or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will be on Sunday, March 24th (Palm Sunday) after the 9:00am Mass. All proceeds will benefit the Special Project Fund for parish improvements. Any questions, call Maria at (518) 782-1203. Thank you and good luck!!!

BUTTER LAMBS: Patricia Harrington is selling butter lambs for \$5 each after the weekend Mass while quantities last. Supply is limited. Proceeds to benefit the Sisters of the Resurrection in Castleton. Thank you in advance for your support.



BLESSING OF THE EASTER BASKETS: The blessing will be held on Holy Saturday, March 30th at 10:30am in the St. Michael's Church Hall. A donation will be collected to benefit the Cohoes food pan-



try. Children and their Easter Baskets will also receive a special blessing. Blessing of the Easter baskets (Święconka) is one of the most enduring and beloved Polish traditions on Holy Saturday during Easter.

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE MEETING: The Polish National Alliance Group 1684 will meet on March 10th at 10:30am in the St. Michael's Church Hall. Contact Paul Thouin, PNA Director, with any questions at (518) 466-8583.

CHRISM MASS: Please join our priests and seminarians at the Chrism Mass on Thursday, March 21st at 7pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception! At this beautiful Mass the Bishop blesses the oils we use in the sacraments and our priests renew their ordination promises. All are welcome to attend. The Cathedral is at 125 Eagle St. in Albany.

LENTEN EVENTS WITH COMPOSER DAN SCHUTTE: Composer Dan Schutte will lead a two-hour evening of song on Friday, March 22nd beginning at 7pm at St. Vincent de Paul, 900 Madison Avenue, Albany. Hosted by Ignatian Volunteer Corp., Mr. Schutte will also lead a Lenten retreat from 9:30am-12:30pm on Saturday, March 23rd at St. Vincent's. Registration is \$15 for each program or \$25 for both programs. Registration and sponsorship information can be found at www.ivcusa.org/Schutte.

ST AMBROSE CHURCH'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT: On March 24th from 12-2pm, near the Catholic Central School gym. Rain or shine! The Easter Bunny will be there too! Please RSVP at https://stambroselatham.com/ egghunt24 so they know how many eggs to hide!

PALM SUNDAY COMMUNION BRUNCH AT HOLY TRINI-TY CHURCH: The Evangelization team of Holy Trinity invites you to a Palm Sunday Communion Brunch in the parish center following the 10:45am Mass (about 12:15 pm). Our guest speaker will be Kileen Stone, past director and area coordinator for the Associates of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, who will speak on Holy Week. Join us for some hospitality as we prepare to enter our most Holy Week. To help defray the cost of the food, adults are \$5, \$2 for children 5 and older. Call the Holy Trinity Church office for reservations. Hope to see you!

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH: More people are needed to visit and bring the Eucharist to the residents at the Eddy Village Green. Time commitment can be as little as 15 minutes each week; once a month during the good weather there is also a Mass in the Standish Community Room. If you would like, you can work with a partner to visit one of the houses. Each person is trained and introduced to the residents personally. The Campus is composed of 16 houses with 12 residents in each. We usually have 6-7 Catholic residents in each house. The Eddy requires that extra precautions be taken, including vaccines (Covid, Flu) and be tested for TB. If you are interested in this ministry, call Terry Russ at (518) 928-6843.

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 9 – March 17, 2024

Sat., Mar. 9		
4:00 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Sun., Mar. 10	Fourth Sunday of Lent	
	Laetare Sunday	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Maria Pasierb</i> by Daughter & Family	
(some Polish)	†Helen Kosek by Family	
(Fr. Bellafiore)	†Wiesia Zachariasz by Parents	
	† <i>Mary & Ray Knorowski</i> by Frank & Jane	
	Gebosky	
	†Audrey Vojnar Kearns by Doris Vojnar	
	†Ralph Cappabianca (Birth.) by Antonia	
	Cappabianca	
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Mon., Mar. 11		
	† <i>Dennis A. Sheahan</i> by St. Michael's	
· · /	Bereavement Ministry	
Tues., Mar. 12		
5:30 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
(Fr. Bellafiore)		
Wed., Mar. 13		
9:00 a.m.		
(Fr. Deimeke)		
Th., Mar. 14		
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
(Fr. Bellafiore)		
Fri., Mar. 15		
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
(Fr. Bourgeois)		
Sat., Mar. 16		
	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	
Sun., Mar. 17		
	† <i>Zbigniew Swieton</i> by Maria Swieton	
(Fr. Bellafiore)	†Joseph J. Kosek, Jr. by Emily & Family	
	†Walter Lipka by Dorothy Smith	
	† <i>Frances Krawczyk (5th Anniv.)</i> by daughters	
	Karen & Sharon	
	†Edward Krawczyk (11 th Anniv.) by step-	
	daughters Karen & Sharon	
	†Dennis A. Sheahan by John & Michelle Frainier	
	† <i>John Rymanowski (19th Anniv.)</i> by wife	
10.20 c m	Catherine (Mass at Holy Tripity)	
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)	

GORZKIE ZALE: Will be held at the end of Sunday 9am Mass during Lent (sung in Polish). The ancient chants retracing the Passion and Crucifixion of Christ form the essence of this typically Polish weekly Lenten service that takes it name from the words of the hymns, "Gorzkie zale przybywajcia" (Come to us, bitter lamentations).

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St. Michael's

Faith Formation News Director: Kathy Burns - FFsmCohoes@rcda.org (518) 428-6353

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

- Wednesday, March 13: Class 6pm YOUTH NIGHT WITH FATHER SAM
- Wednesday, March 20: Class 6pm Confession for grades 3-8
- Wednesday, March 27: Class 6pm Reenactment of The Last Supper (All Grades)
- Wednesday, April 3: No Class Spring break

YOUTH NIGHT

Again this year, the students from LSU will be coming to Cohoes to visit and work with Father Sam. Father will be having a youth night on Wednesday, **March 13**th at 6pm in the Church hall. THIS IS CLASS TIME. ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. We will gather for some games, pizza, refreshments and end with Adoration in the Church.

CONFESSION

Students in grades 3-8 will have the opportunity for Confession on Wednesday, **March 20**th at 6pm. THIS IS CLASS TIME. ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. Grades 1 and 2 will have regular class.

PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday Mass will be held at St. Michael's Church on Sunday, **March 24**th at 8:45 AM. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIME. The children will process with palms. All children are invited to participate in the procession.

THE LAST SUPPER

Faith Formation students will be reenacting The Last Supper on Wednesday, **March 27**th at 6pm in the Church hall. THIS IS CLASS TIME. ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. We will have juice, bread, and fruit and we will read the Gospel account of The Last Supper.

HOLY THURSDAY

Holy Thursday is **March 28**th. Mass will be held at St. Michael's at 7pm. All Confirmation candidates from St. Michael's and Holy Trinity will participate in the Washing Of The Feet. Candidates, please arrive at 6:45pm so you can be seated before Mass begins.

HOLY SATURDAY

The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church on **March 30**th at 8pm. Our RCIA candidates will receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called Laetare Sunday. Laetare is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Today's Gospel describes the reason for our joy: God's great love for us has been revealed in Jesus Through his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, Christ has reconciled us with God and one another.

