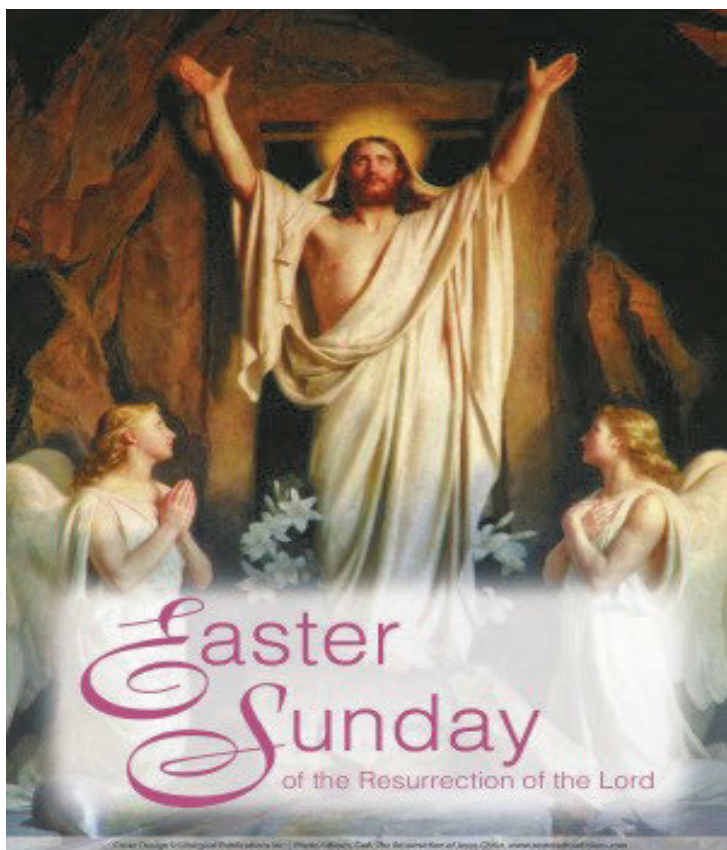


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20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

March 31, 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 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
Very 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

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Website: www.stmichaelsofcohoes.org

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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.



SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of April 1 – April 7

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):

In memory of †*Thomas & Stacia Gorsky*
by Janet Gorsky.

Sacred Heart (side altar):

People of the Parish.

Blessed Mother (side altar):

People of the Parish.

ELECTRIC CANDLES (RED):

PNA Cohoes Living & Deceased Members
by PNA Cohoes (through Feb. 2025)

Joseph Kosek, Jr. & Stanley Kosek
by Jo-EM and Emily & Family (through Jan. 2025)

Luke Warm Catholic to Come Back to Roman Catholic
Church

by Patricia Harrington (through Oct. 2024)

In honor of Fr. Peter Tkocz
by Janet & Alan (through May 2024)

ELECTRIC CANDLES (BLUE):

In honor of Fr. Peter Tkocz
by Janet & Alan (through May 2024)

Parish trustees: trustees@stmichaelscohoes.org



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Weekly Contributions

March 17, 2024 (TOTAL)	\$2,194.00
<i>March 19, 2023 (Total)</i>	\$3,483.00
<i>March 19, 2023 (Regular Offertory only)</i>	\$2,671.00
Regular Offertory*	\$1,779.00
Easter Flowers	\$300.00
Other 2 nd Collections	\$115.00
*Regular Offertory:	
9am Mass & Mail	\$1,399.00
E-giving	\$380.00

Weekly operating expenses (minimum needed): **\$4,390.71**
For the week shown above, we felt short of
our weekly budget by \$2,196.71

Weekend Mass attendance - March 17, 2024:

Sunday, 9am 103

Counting Team for April 1st: Ed & Kathy Twiss, Diane Aberle.



HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND: If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to have communion brought to you at your home, call John Harrington at (518) 237-5158.

2024 MASS CALENDAR: The stipend for a Mass Intention is \$15. Please come to the Parish Office if you would like a Mass card that can be mailed to the family. Intentions can be for the living or for the deceased. Envelopes labeled "Mass Intentions" are available in the back of the Church and in the Office. Please always include your phone number. We will call you back to confirm that we received your request. The intention should be requested at least two weeks in advance of the Mass date for inclusion in the bulletin.



SANCTUARY CANDLES CALENDAR for 2024: We have three sanctuary candles that can be sponsored in memory or in honor of loved ones: the **Main Altar** sanctuary candle, the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** side altar candle, and the **Blessed Mother** side altar candle. The donation is \$12 per week.



Liturgical Roles⁺

April 7th, 2024

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
Sun. 9:00AM	Children	K. Burns	J. Harrington

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BECOME A MEMBER OF ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH: We warmly welcome new members to St. Michael's Church! Registration forms are available in the back of the church, in the Parish Office, or can be downloaded from our parish website, www.stmichaelscohoes.org. Completed forms may be placed in the offertory collection basket, dropped off at or mailed to the Parish Office, or emailed to info@stmichaelscohoes.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Children's Liturgy of the Word Apr. 7, 9am
Social Hour after 9am Mass Apr. 21
Rosary Society Meeting - Church Hall Apr. 21, 11am

The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth, and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. The Paschal Candle used during the Easter Vigil is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils" and Easter Sunday is the greatest of all Sundays. The season of Easter is the most important of all liturgical times, which Catholics celebrate as the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)

From United States Conference of Catholics Bishops website, usccb.org

DIOCESAN APPEAL:
Assessment \$22,610.00
As of March 5, 2024: \$7,245.00
54 Gifts
32% of goal
Still needed: \$15,365.00



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

DEAR PARISHIONERS: May the peace and joy of the Lord's Easter life be with you and yours forever.

THANK YOU to EVERYONE who helped to clean, decorate, and prepare our Church and participated in Lent and Holy Week activities. May you enjoy a blessed Easter season! THANK YOU

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE MEETING: The Polish National Alliance Group 1684 will meet on April 14th at 10:30am in the St. Michael's Church Hall. Contact Paul Thouin, PNA Director, with any questions at (518) 466-8583.

RED WAGON LUNCHEON AND FASHION SHOW: The Christ Child Society, Albany Chapter is hosting a Red Wagon Luncheon and Fashion Show on Saturday, April 27th at the Italian American Community Center, 257 Washington Avenue Extension in Albany beginning with coffee and pastry at 10:30am followed by Fashion Show at 11am by J. Jill sharing unique and fashionable women's apparel, accessories and footwear. Our models will be the members of the Christ Child Society. Please come and join us. All are welcome - reserve a table for friends and family to enjoy the event. Lunch will be served at 12pm. Selections are Chicken Parmesan with Penne Pasta, Grilled Salmon in Lemon Basil Butter with rice, and French Ratatouille over Polenta Cake (GF/DF/V). Adult reservations are \$50 per person and child reservations are \$20 per person to be paid in advance by either check or PayPal. There will be a drawing for many lovely theme baskets put together by volunteers, along with door prizes. Your reservation is necessary by April 10th and cancellations a must. Please call Cathy Pastore at (518) 669-4446 for further information and to make reservation(s). If you are unable to attend, please consider making a donation to assist the needy children of the Diocese of Albany.

SAVE THE DATES: Diocesan Men's & Women's Conference dates and new location are set. Keynote speakers are almost finalized. Step Up Men's Conference: Second Saturday in August - August 10, 2024 at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park. Women - NOTE: New month / date to avoid hecticness of Advent. Unleashing Love Women's Conference: Third Saturday in October - October 19, 2024 at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park. More details to come. Stay tuned! For more information, please contact Thomas G. Cronin, Director of Evangelization & Strategic Planning by email at Thomas.Cronin@rcda.org or visit the website https://www.rcda.org/offices/pastoral-planning.

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**Easter Sunday
of the Resurrection of the Lord
March 30 – April 7, 2024**

Sat., Mar. 30	
8:00 p.m. (some Polish) (Fr. Bellafiore)	Holy Saturday Easter Vigil
Sun., Mar. 31	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
9:00 a.m. (Fr. Bellafiore)	
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Mon., Apr. 1	
9:00 a.m. (Fr. Bellafoire)	
Tues., Apr. 2	
5:30 p.m. (Fr. Bellafiore)	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Wed., Apr. 3	
9:00 a.m. (Fr. Deimeke)	† <i>Mark Mickiewicz</i> by St. Michael's Bereavement Ministry
Th., Apr. 4	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
9:00 a.m. (Fr. Bellafiore)	
Fri., Apr. 5	First Friday
9:00 a.m. (Fr. Bourgeois)	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sat., Apr. 6	First Saturday
4:00 p.m. (Fr. Bellafiore)	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., Apr. 7	Second Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. (Fr. Bellafiore)	† <i>Jan Szozda (19th Anniv.)</i> by Szozda & Sala Families † <i>Giovanni & Cecelia Izzo</i> by Carusone Nieces † <i>Joseph J. Kosek, Jr. (Wedding Anniv.)</i> by Emily & Family † <i>Margaret DeVero</i> by Roseanne Kryjak † <i>Christine St. Pierre</i> by Suzanne Cobb † <i>Agnes & Thomas Soltys</i> by Frank & Jane Gebosky † <i>Walter Lipka</i> by Mr. & Mrs. Victor Bourgeois
10:30 a.m.	(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

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FAITH FORMATION NEWS

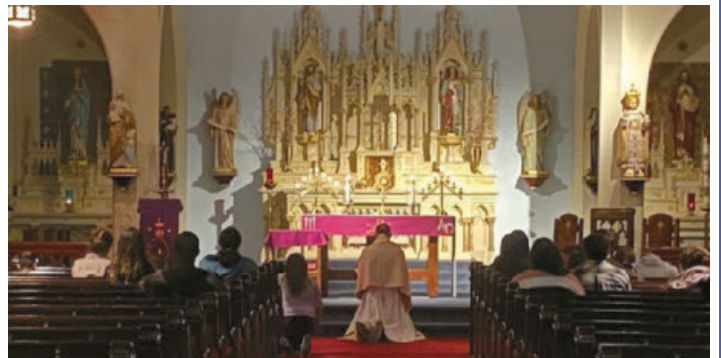
- Wednesday, April 3: No Class – Spring break
- Wednesday, April 10: Class resumes
- Wednesday, April 17: Class – 6pm - First Communion rehearsals begin

FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSALS

Rehearsal for First Communion Mass will begin on Wednesday, **April 17th** at 6pm and continue each Wednesday. This is normal class time. It is important for all First Communion Candidates attend. The big day is right around the corner!

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Father Sam and the college students from Louisiana State University! We had a wonderful youth night on Wednesday, **March 13th**. Many young people from St. Michael's and Holy Trinity gathered for pizza, salad, cookies and beverages. We had small group faith discussions, games, and concluded the night with Adoration. What a beautiful experience for our young people! Thank you to Julia Clairmont for providing all of the food and beverage.



THANK YOU

Thank you to all of our young people, Confirmation Candidates, and Altar Servers who participated in our Holy Week services.

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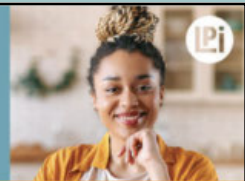
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