

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.



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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

New Office Hours: Tuesday 6pm-8pm,

Thursday 10am-12Noon, Sunday 10am-1pm

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

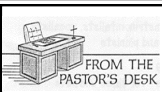
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By arrangement with the Parish Office. Parents should be registered and active members of the Parish.

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: The *Re-igniting Our Faith* program has received **\$165,495** in pledges. That is **64.71%** to our goal! There is still time for you to participate. Forms are available in the Parish Office and in the back of the Church. Please complete and return them in the collection basket or to the Parish Office as soon as possible.



Please reach out to any of our committee members [Marion Jaffarian, Doris Vojnar (518) 424-7769, Janet Gorsky, Julia Clairmont, Kathy Kosek or Paul Johnson (Finance Committee Chair)] with questions you may have about the *Re-igniting Our Faith* program or call the Parish Office at (518) 237-5151 and someone will get back to you.

Together we will build our community of faith, and inspire others to join us in this blessed undertaking. Thank you for your generosity and God Bless You!

Father Peter

 **SANCTUARY CANDLES** 
Week of February 24 – March 1
CHURCH:
 In memory of †Elizabeth Vojnar on her birthday
 by niece Dorie.
CHAPEL:
 In memory of †Phyllis Charles
 by Doris Vojnar.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: In memory of †Stephen Soltys by the Polish National Alliance \$100. In memory of †Koniowka & St. Pierre Families by Mr. & Mrs. Albert St. Pierre. Thank you.

ASH WEDNESDAY is a day of fast & abstinence. Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church on Wednesday, **February 26th**, at 12:10pm and at Holy Trinity at 9am and 7pm.

BINGO WORKERS for February 25th, Team 3: Kathy Twiss – Captain, Frank Gebosky, Jr., Mike Nyman, Marcia Sebastian, Kathy Kosek, Doris Vojnar, Sandy Potyrala, Maria Swieton, Julia Clairmont, Stanislaw Bobek, Teresa Bunk, Tina Kilventon, & Mary Ellen Abdelnour. **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

Due to the Monday holiday, the Collections information for the weekend of February 15 & 16 will be in next weekend's bulletin.

2020 COMBINED SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE BLACK, NATIVE AND LATIN AMERICAN MISSIONS: We ask your continued support in the Diocesan Collection on **February 29th and March 1st** for Black, Native American & Latin American Missions. Funds from this combined collection support projects and are used to help fund catechesis and evangelization programs throughout the United States and the Church of Latin America and the Caribbean. Your gifts will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life projects, seminarian education, and many other necessary programs. The Black and Native American Mission Office provides grants for projects that promote Native American and Black evangelization efforts throughout North America including programs in the Diocese of Albany. By contributing to next week's collection you will provide seeds to grow the faith for years to come. Please support the Black and Native American Missions of the United States and the Church in Latin America.

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

CALLING ALL BAKERS: The Rosary Society is in need of homemade baked goods for our Annual Penny Social on March 1, 2020. You may drop off your baked goods on Saturday, February 29th from 2:00-5:00pm, or Sunday morning after 10:00am. As always, thank you for supporting our church.

Liturgical Roles

Weekend of February 29th & March 1st, 2020

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Sacristans
4:00PM	J. Gebosky M. Horner	M.E. Abdelnour D. Vojnar T. Czurlanis B. Brehm	P. Brehm
9:00AM	P. Colozza C. Rogowski	J. Harrington J. Frainier E.J. Kosek, Jr. C. Rogowski	J. Harrington
11:00AM	K. Zięba	M. Sala E. Barlik E. Leoniak I. Pietkiewicz	G. Lubas

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

Parish assessment: \$31,252.00
Total gifts/pledges: \$24,445.00
Total number of gifts/pledges: 144
We've reached 78.22% of our goal!
Still needed: \$6,807.00.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Our Albany Diocesan Catholic Schools are hoping you will help them raise funds for **BEACON OF HOPE SCHOLARSHIPS**. Each dollar raised in February will be matched by Stuyvesant Plaza up to \$15,000! Take a Leap of Faith for our students! Donate \$29 by February 29 online at: tinyurl.com/LeapofFaith2020 or text GIVE to 518-512-0388 (select Leap of Faith appeals option). Prefer to write a check? Please send to Diocese of Albany - Catholic School Office, 40 No. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203 Attn: Beacon of Hope Scholarship Fund. Thank you!



SIX SPRING 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGNS! Hudson, Troy, Schenectady, Clifton Park, Queensbury, & Utica will launch their 40 Days for Life Spring Campaigns this **February 26th**. Come join us and save lives! More information, resources, and sign up: www.40daysforlife.com.



ALBANY NY CHAPTER OF MAGNIFICAT (a Ministry to Catholic women) is hosting a Women's Breakfast on Saturday, **March 14th**, 9am-12pm at the Holiday Inn Express Latham, 400 Old Loudon Rd., Latham, NY. Tickets \$25; Clergy & Religious - free (RSVP required). Guest speaker is Lynda Holler and her topic is "Living and Learning God's Truth Through Both the Joys and the Sorrows." All must register by March 4th - send your \$25 check payable to Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat, PO Box 340, Clifton Park, NY 12065, and include your name, address, phone number, and email address; or register online at magnificat-ministry.org/ny-albany. No walk-ins at the door. All women are invited; you need not be a member to attend. Questions - call Kathleen at (518) 930-8380.

RCDA LENTEN 2020 YOUNG ADULT GATHERINGS: Young adults (post-high school) are invited to attend a social gathering in which active young adult members of your parish invite their friends who have fallen away or who are occasional Catholics in an effort to build a sense of community and friendships. The Taconic Vicariate is confirmed for **March 25th** from 7 to 9 PM at The River Street Market, Hedley Park Place of Troy, 433 River St., #101, Troy, NY 12180. Event details are at: <https://www.rcda.org/youbelong>.

CHURCH HALL IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 2:
WAINSCOTING & WINDOW TRIM RECONSTRUCTION
DESIGN PHASE (In Progress)

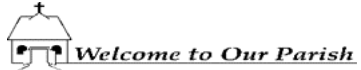
DONATIONS TO DATE - \$33,135.48
INTERIOR HALL PAINTING COST - \$1,600.00 (complete)
DONATIONS REMAINING TO FUND PHASE 2 - \$31,535.48

In memory of †*Thomas & Stacia Gorsky* by Janet Gorsky; in memory of †*Anna & Gerald Anania* by Anne Bumbulsky; in memory of †*Ralph Signoracci III* by Nikki Signoracci; in memory of †*Kenneth Surprenant & David Campbell* by Martha Surprenant; in memory of †*William S. Vojnar* by Doris Vojnar; in memory of †*Ludwika, Stanislaw Barlik* by Mr. & Mrs. Edward Barlik; Kazimierz Matala; Dennis & Janet Sheahan; Threse Blizniak; in memory of †*Edward & Josephine Kosek* by Edward & Kathleen Kosek, Jr.; Mr. & Mrs. Paul Lacombe. **Thank you!**

ROSARY NEWS: St. Michael's Rosary Society will hold their Annual Penny Social on Sunday, **March 1st** at 2:00pm in the church hall. Doors will open at 11:30am. Tickets can be purchased starting at 12 noon. Under NYS law, you must be 18 to play. Food and refreshments will be available from 11:30am. Since this is our most profitable money making event, we again ask our Rosarians and Parishioners for donations of NEW gifts or money donations which can be used to purchase larger gifts for our raffles. This will be greatly appreciated. All gifts can be brought to the church hall on Sunday's after each Mass or Tuesday's, after 1:00pm. We also need groceries to fill up our tubs. We thank you in advance for your generosity and support. Maria Swieton and Michelle Frainier co-chairpersons.



WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S! We are pleased to announce that **Tyler Kusaywa** and his children **Braydon & Leah** of Cohoes, have joined our Parish.



JUST IN TIME FOR LENT! Free copies of "The Word Among Us" will be available in the back of the Church. Please pick up a copy for your family - while supplies last.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Mondays, Tuesdays, & Wednesdays after Mass during Lent.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Rosary & Novena - Chapel	Tuesdays, 6:30pm
Ash Wednesday Mass	February 26, 12:10pm
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting-Church Hall	Feb. 26, 7pm
Penny Social	March 1, 2pm, doors open 11:30am
Children's Liturgy of the Word	March 8, 9am
Finance Committee Meeting-Church Hall	March 11, 7pm
Souper Saturday Movie Night-Church Hall	March 14, 5pm

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 22 – March 1, 2020

Sat., Feb. 22	The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle
4:00 p.m.	† <i>Anna Perreault (Birth.)</i> by Carol & Marilyn & Families † <i>Michael Chaszczewski</i> by Ed & Kathy Twiss † <i>Mary Savage</i> by Ed & Kathy Twiss † <i>Mandy Curtis</i> by John & Mary Sala † <i>Regina LePage (27th Anniv.)</i> by Tony & Sandie LePage † <i>Robert Battista</i> by Mario & Irene Giammattei † <i>Giammattei & Okonski Families</i> by Irene & Mario Giammattei
Sun., Feb. 23	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.	Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter † <i>Elizabeth Vojnar</i> by niece Dorie † <i>Peter Gorsky (32nd Anniv.)</i> by Janet Gorsky † <i>Frank D. Colaruotolo</i> by Ann Marie Castle † <i>Wayne Simmons</i> by Julia & Paul In honor of Sara Jurnak - thank you from Faith Formation
11:00 a.m.	For the health of Wilhelm Franz by Family † <i>Katarzyna & Stanislaw Pecak</i> by Family
Mon., Feb. 24	
9:00a.m.	For the health of Wilhelm Franz by Family † <i>Mary Savage</i> by Colaruotolo Family
Tues., Feb. 25	
9:00 a.m.	In honor of Karol Swieton (birthday) by Maria Swieton
Wed., Feb. 26	Ash Wednesday
12:10 p.m.	For the health of Wilhelm Franz by Family
Th., Feb. 27	
9:00 a.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity
Fri., Feb. 28	
9:00 a.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity
Sat., Feb. 29	
4:00 p.m.	† <i>Raffael Cappabianca</i> by Family † <i>Earl Hampton, Jr.</i> by Alan Roberts & Janet Gorsky † <i>Pauline Geboskey</i> by Jane & Son † <i>Frank Colaruotolo</i> by Doris Vojnar † <i>Mary Savage</i> by Rosemary Zandri † <i>Richard Couture (4th Anniv.)</i> by Tony & Sandie LePage
Sun., March 1	First Sunday of Lent
9:00 a.m.	† <i>John & Helen Sloboda</i> by Family † <i>Joe Berdar</i> by Marge Marois † <i>Mary Savage</i> by Danuta & Julia In honor of Doris Vojnar - thank you from Faith Formation
11:00a.m.	Intention of Parishioners by Fr. Peter Gorzkie Żale

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St. Michael's

Faith Formation News

Director: Kathy Burns

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

FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, February 24: 6PM - 8 PM – Monday Faith Formation Class.

Wednesday, February 26: 6PM & 7:15PM – Faith Formation Class.

12:10pm - Ash Wednesday Mass

Ashes will be distributed during class time.

Sunday, March 1: 2PM – Confirmation Rite of Election at the Cathedral, Albany

Wednesday, March 4: 6PM & 7:15PM – Faith Formation Class.

Saturday, March 7: 1:30PM - 6PM – Community Service, United Church Soup Kitchen.

Sunday, March 8: 9AM - Confirmation Candidates Presentation Ceremony.

Children's Liturgy of the Word, All children are invited.

Wednesday March 11: 6PM & 7:15PM – Faith Formation Class – Walk through the Church.

Saturday, March 14: 5PM - "Souper" Saturday Movie Night.

Wednesday, March 18: 6PM & 7:15PM – Faith Formation Class.

Wednesday, March 25: 6PM – Faith Formation Class – Grades K-2.

6PM – Confession Service – Grades 3-10.

Monday, March 30: 6PM - 8PM – Monday Faith Formation Class.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our First Communion candidates, they received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on February 12th. Please keep these little ones in your prayers as they continue their journey to meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

FIRST COMMUNION MASS

First Communion Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, May 2nd at 4pm Mass. We will have 15 children receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Saturday, March 7th is our next commitment to prepare and serve the hot meal at the soup kitchen. Team 1 is scheduled to serve – Amelia Cappabianca, Reis Brammer, Evarista Tarlo and Elizabeth Whitford. Anyone who would like to join us is most welcome. Please contact Mrs. Burns.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

On Wednesday, March 25th at 6pm we will have our Reconciliation service in the Church for all students in grades 3 - 10 who have made their First Communion. There will NOT BE 7:15pm class on this date. Grades 1 & 2 will have regular class in the Parish Center. This is considered class time and students in grades 6-10 are expected to attend.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Grade 1: Practiced The Sign of The Cross, The Hail Mary and The Our Father. Learned more about Jesus' miracles. **Grade 2 & 3:** Received the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Father Peter. **Grade 4 & 5:** Combined to complete a project focusing on last week's Gospel reading about letting our light shine. **Grade 6 & 7:** Discussed the humanity and Divinity of Christ in more detail, made a poster. **Grade 8 & 9 & 10:** Discussed the importance of the Sacraments, what a Sacrament means, described The Sacraments.