

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

June 23, 2024

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. Brian Kelly

Pastor

Rev. Kyle Gorenski

Parochial Vicar

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CONTACT: Parish Office: (518) 237-5151

Off. hrs.: Mon. & Th. 9:30 to noon, Tu. & Wed. 9:30am-2pm

Church Hall: (518) 237-7121

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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.

**Reflection for June 23, 2024
the 121th Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today's Gospel passage from Mark 4:35-41 presents us with a powerful narrative that speaks to the storms we face in our lives and the unwavering presence of God amidst them. In this passage, we find Jesus and his disciples crossing the Sea of Galilee. Suddenly, a fierce storm arises, and the waves begin to crash over the boat. The disciples, filled with fear, wake Jesus, who is asleep in the stern, and cry out, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" Jesus, unfazed by the storm, rebukes the wind and calms the sea, saying to the disciples, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" This story resonates deeply with the storms we encounter in our own lives. Just as the disciples faced the literal storm on the sea, we too face metaphorical storms—times of trial, uncertainty, and fear. These storms can take many forms: illness, loss, financial difficulties, relationship struggles, or any other challenge that rocks our world and threatens to overwhelm us. In the midst of these storms, it's easy to feel like the disciples did—afraid and alone, wondering if God has abandoned us. But this passage reminds us that Jesus is always with us, even in the midst of life's fiercest storms. He may seem asleep at times, but his presence is constant, and his power is limitless. When we cry out to Jesus in the midst of our storms, he hears us. He may not always calm the storm immediately or in the way we expect, but he promises to never leave us or forsake us. And when we allow faith to rise within us, we can experience the peace that surpasses all understanding, knowing that we are held securely in God's loving embrace. So, my dear brothers and sisters, let us take heart in the midst of life's storms. Let us hold fast to our faith, trusting that Jesus is with us always, guiding us through the turbulent waters to the calm shores beyond. And let us never forget the words of Jesus to his disciples: "Peace! Be still!" For in Christ, we find true peace and everlasting hope.

Your Brother in Christ
Fr. Kyle

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Keep the Legacy Alive
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St. Michael the Archangel R. C. Church
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Weekly Contributions

PLEASE NOTE: e-giving information was not available for the week ending June 9, 2024 and therefore is not included in the table below.

June 9, 2024 (TOTAL)	\$3,130.00
June 11, 2023 (Total)	\$2,483.00
June 11, 2023 (Regular Offertory only)	\$1,941.00
Regular Offertory*	\$2,318.00
Parish Maintenance & Grounds	\$637.00
Other 2 nd collections	\$175.00
*Regular Offertory: 9:00am Mass & Mail E-giving	\$2,318.00 N/A

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

COUNTING TEAM FOR JUNE 24TH: Ed & Kathy Twiss,
Diane Aberle.

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE - June 16, 2024:
Sunday, 9am 110

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.



SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of June 24 – June 30

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):
People of the Parish.

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

Blessed Mother (side altar):
In memory of †Frank Gebosky, Sr.
by Jane Gebosky & Son.

Liturgical Roles⁺

June 30th, 2024

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



DIOCESAN APPEAL:
Assessment \$22,610.00
As of May 29, 2024: \$9,840.00
71 Gifts
44% of goal
Average gift: \$139
Still needed: \$12,770.00



The Appeal runs from July 2023 to June 2024. Thank you for your support. Envelopes are available in the pews, in the back of the Church, and in the Parish Office.

COMMUNITY PRAYER REQUEST BOOK: As a Parish family, we would like to support each other in prayer. The book (which has been available since June 2021) is on a podium next to the bulletin table at the back of the Church. Two lines are provided for each prayer request. All generic prayer requests are also welcome if you don't wish to put their name. Once a week the Community Book is mentioned during Mass so the St. Michael's community can pray for all requests listed that week. Lord, teach us to pray that we may draw closer to you.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Prayers to Our Lady of Fatima July 13, 6pm

EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION: Due to the July Fourth holiday, there is an early submission to the publisher. **Please submit any information for the July 7th bulletin before noon on Tuesday, June 25th.** Information can be emailed to bulletin@stmichaelscohoes.org or dropped off at the Parish Office.



OFFICE CLOSED **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:** The Parish office will be closed on Thursday, **July 4th** in observance of Independence Day.

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



Did you know... The Polish missalettes are in the bookcase in the back of the Church near the elevator.

CEMETERY UPDATE: When the cemetery opens back up, we would be very appreciative if anyone who visits please make an effort to not turn their front wheels unless they are moving and underway. If you turn the front tires at a standstill, it will tear up the asphalt. It takes easily over a month for it to harden enough, not to have that happen.

JUST A REMINDER: During the summer months, the air conditioning will be turned on in the Church. For those who may sensitive to the cool temperature within the Church, it may be helpful to bring a sweater or light jacket so you are more comfortable.



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.

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH PARISH FESTIVAL: At 46 Cornell St., Amsterdam, NY 12010. **July 13th:** 4pm - Polka Mass celebrated by Fr. Bob DeMartinis and music by Eddie Biegaj & Crusade Polka Band, 5pm-9pm - Polish and American kitchens open and music by Eddie Biegaj & Crusade Polka Band. **July 14th:** 12noon - festival opens and Polish and American kitchens open, 2pm-6pm - Music by Frank Liszka & Blue Magic Polka Band, 7pm - raffles begin, festival closes. For more information, call (518) 842-2771.

BLACK CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: On Sunday, **August 11th** at 10:15am Mass at St. Joan of Arc Church, 76 Menand Rd., Menands, NY 12204. Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will preside. For more information, call (518) 463-0378, send an email to sjoa@nycap.rr.com, or visit www.rcda.org/sjoa-bca.com.

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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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 22 – June 30, 2024

Mon., June 24	The Nativity of John the Baptist
9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Tom Van Schaich
Tues., June 25	
5:30 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Wed., June 26	
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Adamec Family</i> by Pat Wilcox
Th., June 27	
9:00 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Fri., June 28	Saint Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr
9:00 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sat., June 29	Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
4:00 p.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)
Sun., June 30	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.	† <i>Christopher Couture (1st Anniv.)</i> by sister Sandie LePage † <i>Martha Fitzgerald</i> by Maria Swieton † <i>Julie Naglieri</i> by St. Michael's Staff & Bereavement Ministry
10:30 a.m.	(Mass at Holy Trinity)



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

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 received in the Office at least two and one-half weeks in advance of the Mass date for inclusion in the bulletin.

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St. Michael's

Faith Formation News

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INDULGENCES

What is an Indulgence?

Catholic indulgences are not a thing of the past; they are still part of Catholic doctrine today. They provide remission of punishment for sins, which reduces or eliminates the amount of time that an individual needs to spend in Purgatory after death. The Church's constant teaching should be clear:

Indulgences can be applied only to the punishment that is due for sins already forgiven.

Any Christian who, in a spirit of penitence for sins, asks God for the deeper share in the infinite merits of Jesus Christ that indulgences offer can use them to move ever closer to God — who wants nothing else than for us to be happy with Him forever.

What are some examples of indulgences?

There are two types of indulgences: partial and plenary. A partial indulgence reduces an individual's time in Purgatory, while a plenary indulgence eliminates time in Purgatory completely.

How do Catholic indulgences work?

In the contemporary Catholic Church, an individual can receive a partial or plenary indulgence through acts of prayer, pilgrimages, and other religious actions.

Pope Paul VI reminded us that, because God works through the little things in our lives as well as the great, something as trivial as being stuck in rush-hour traffic can become an opportunity to move closer to God if we offer it up for love of Him.

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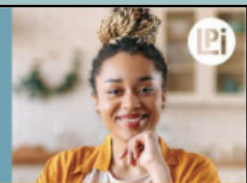
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