ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

20 Page Avenue ~ Cohoes, N.Y. 12047

June 30, 2024



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.

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

PARISH STAFF: Very Rev. Brian Kelly **Pastor** Rev. Kyle Gorenski **Parochial Vicar** E-mail address: kyle.gorenski@rcda.org 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.) **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** By arrangement with the

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.

THANK YOU... TO ALL WHO FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK SHARED THEIR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE FOR THE GOOD OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY LAST WEEK.

Reflection for June 30, 2024 the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Today's Gospel passage from Mark 5:21-43 presents two intertwined stories of faith and healing. These accounts of Jairus' daughter and the woman with the issue of blood invite us to reflect deeply on the power of faith and the compassionate response of Jesus to those in desperate need. As we listen to this passage, we first encounter Jairus, a synagogue leader, who comes to Jesus with an urgent plea. His daughter is gravely ill, and he begs Jesus to come and lay His hands on her so she might be healed and live. Jairus, despite his position and status, humbles himself before Jesus, displaying a profound faith in Jesus' power to heal. As Jesus sets out with Jairus, we are introduced to a woman who has been suffering for twelve years from a bleeding disorder. This woman, rendered unclean by her condition and thus an outcast in society, has exhausted all her resources on treatments that have only worsened her plight. Yet, her faith compels her to believe that merely touching Jesus' garment will heal her. She reaches out in a crowd, and instantly, she feels her body healed. Jesus, aware that power has gone out from Him, seeks out the person who touched Him. Trembling, the woman steps forward and confesses. Jesus' response is filled with compassion: "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering." In this moment, Jesus not only heals her physically but restores her dignity and affirms her faith. While this is happening, news arrives that Jairus' daughter has died. Imagine the despair Jairus must have felt. Yet, Jesus encourages him with simple but profound words: "Don't be afraid; just believe." Upon arriving at Jairus' home. Jesus faces the mourners and their disbelief. He takes the girl by the hand and says, "Talitha koum!" meaning, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!" Miraculously, she rises, and those present are overwhelmed with amazement. What do these stories teach us about faith and the nature of Jesus' ministry? Firstly, they remind us that faith requires action and humility. Both Jairus and the woman act on their faith, overcoming societal barriers and personal fears to reach out to Jesus. Their actions demonstrate a deep trust in Jesus' ability to transform their situations, despite seemingly insurmountable obstacles. Secondly, these accounts highlight Jesus' compassion and His willingness to respond to those in need, regardless of their status. Jesus heals a respected synagogue leader's daughter and an unnamed, marginalized woman with the same tenderness and authority. His love and mercy are boundless, extending to all

Weekly Contributions

| June 16, 2024 (TOTAL) | \$2,877.00 |
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| June 18, 2023 (Total) | \$3,226.00 |
| June 18, 2023 (Regular Offertory only) | \$2,181.00 |
| Regular Offertory* | \$2,063.00 |
| Father's Day | \$694.00 |
| Other 2 nd collections | \$120.00 |
| *Regular Offertory: | |
| 9:00am Mass & Mail | \$1,568.00 |
| E-giving | \$495.00 |

\$4,390.71 Weekly operating expenses (minimum needed): For the week shown above, we felt short of our weekly budget by \$1,513.71

UPDATE FOR JUNE 9 2024 WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS:

e-giving: \$300.00 (all Regular Offertory)

Updated TOTAL: \$3,430.00

Updated REGULAR OFFERTORY: \$2.618.00

UPDATE FOR JUNE 2, 2024 WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS:

e-giving: \$545.00 (all Regular Offertory)

Updated TOTAL: \$3,086.00

Updated REGULAR OFFERTORY: \$2,518.00

COUNTING TEAM FOR JULY 1ST: Contact the Office.

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE - June 23, 2024:

Sunday, 9am

Liturgical +Roles July 7th, 2024

| | Lectors | Extraordinary Ministers | Sacristans |
|----------------|-------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Sun. 9:00AM | J. Frainier | K. Burns | J. Harrington |

(reflection continued)

who come to Him with faith. Thirdly, these stories challenge us to believe in the possibility of the impossible. Jesus tells Jairus not to fear but to believe, even in the face of death. This call to faith is an invitation for all of us to trust in Jesus' power to bring life and hope where there seems to be none. In our own lives, we may encounter situations that seem hopeless or challenges that feel insurmountable. We may be tempted to despair or doubt. Yet, today's Gospel encourages us to reach out to Jesus with faith, trusting in His compassion and power. Whether our need is for physical healing, emotional restoration, or spiritual renewal, Jesus invites us to come to Him, confident in His ability to heal and transform.

> Your Brother in Christ Fr. Kyle



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.

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

OFFICE CLOSED



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 13**th.

ROSARY NEWS: The Ladies of the Rosary Society recently celebrated the beginning of summer with a picnic. Everyone gathered shared in prayer, picnic goodies and fellowship. We even had a few ants show up to join the festivities. We wish all Rosarians a safe and relaxing summer wherever you're spending it. Our meetings will start up again in September. See you then!



83 Gifts 54% of goal Average gift: \$147

Still needed: \$10,418.00



Diocesan Appeal

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Prayers to Our Lady of Fatima

July 13, 6pm

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.













Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 29 – July 7, 2024

| Mon., July 1 | |
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| 9:00 a.m. | †Thomas Gorsky, Jr. (Birth.) by Janet Gorsky |
| Tues., July 2 | |
| 5:30 p.m. | (Mass at Holy Trinity) |
| Wed., July 3 | Saint Thomas, Apostle |
| 9:00 a.m. | |
| Th., July 4 | Independence Day |
| 9:00 a.m. | (Mass at Holy Trinity) |
| Fri., July 5 | First Friday |
| 9:00 a.m. | (Mass at Holy Trinity) |
| Sat., July 6 | First Saturday |
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| | (Mass at Holy Trinity) |
| 4:00 p.m. | |
| 4:00 p.m. Sun., July 7 | (Mass at Holy Trinity) |
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Please note: Masses listed above are at St. Michael's Church unless noted otherwise.



SANCTUARY CANDLES



Week of July 1 – July 7

CHURCH:

Main Altar (tabernacle):

People of the Parish.

Sacred Heart (side altar):

People of the Parish.

Blessed Mother (side altar):

For Favor Received by Joan & Gil Senecal.

June 30, 2024

St. Michael's

Faith Formation News
Director: Kathy Burns - FFsmCohoes@rcda.org
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INDULGENCES

Continued from last week, June 23rd

Indulgences are granted to Catholics whenever they say a specific prayer or do some other pious exercise specified by the Church for the obtaining of an indulgence. There is no decree granting an indulgence. There is no application made for an indulgence. The Church simply promises to Catholics that, if they pray certain prayers, she will open the treasury of graces for them.

It is easy to begin to think about indulgences as a kind of transaction, but this is a serious mistake. God's grace is a free gift that no human being can earn. Even when we merit God's grace, it is because his grace was there prompting us to do so. Even though the Church dispenses grace by means of indulgences, the grace comes from the free gift of Jesus Christ.

PARTIAL INDULGENCES

Here are a few examples of acts that can lead to partial indulgences:

- Devoutly make a brief prayer to God in the midst of your daily work.
- Led by the Holy Spirit, give of yourself or from your possessions for the good of others.
- Voluntarily abstain from something that you enjoy (e.g., a favorite food or activity, etc.)
- Voluntarily give witness to your faith before others, teach or study catholic doctrine.
- Visit the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration.
- Devoutly recite Psalm 51 or Psalm 130 as an act of contrition for sins.
- Devoutly use a devotional item that has been blessed by a priest or deacon (e.g., a blessed rosary).
- Spend time in mental prayers (i.e., Christian meditation).
- Devoutly recite five decades of the Holy Rosary.
- Devoutly recite the Hail, Holy Queen, the Memorare or The Apostles Creed.
- Devoutly recite the Angelus at dawn, noon, or evening time.
- Devoutly pray the prayer to one's guardian angel (i.e., Angel of God, my guardian dear, etc.).
- Renew one's baptismal promises.
- Devoutly recite an Act of Faith, Hope, and Charity.
- Devoutly pray the blessing before meals (i.e., Bless us, O Lord, and these thy gifts, etc.).

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--- MORE NEXT WEEK! ---







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