

JULY 26, 2026



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. MICHAEL

CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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Summer Office Hours: Mondays & Wednesdays 8 am - 3:30 pm

Anointing of the Sick

Through this sacrament the believer is strengthened by Christ's grace through the anointing of Holy Oils. All who are seriously ill, hospitalized, or having surgery can receive this sacrament. Please contact the parish office if you wish to receive this sacrament.

Baptism

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated by appointment. All parents must attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the Baptism. Please call the office to schedule dates.

Confessions

Sat: 3:15 - 3:45 pm St. Michael
(also available by appointment)

Matrimony

A meeting with the parish priest should precede all other wedding plans. Couples contemplating matrimony should contact the parish office six months to a year before the celebration of the sacrament.

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:00 pm, St. Michael's Church following 5:30 pm Mass,
Benediction at 7:00 pm

First Friday: Adoration after 7 am Mass until 7 pm, St. Michael's Church

First Fridays

To all elderly and homebound, if you would like a visit from Father Joe on First Friday, please contact the Parish Office and let us know the month before.

C.C.D. (2025/26)

(Religious education classes held during the school year)
Sunday - 8:15 am - 9:15 am,
St. Michael Church hall

**"The kingdom
of heaven is like
treasure hidden
in a field, which a
man found and
covered up.**

**Then in his joy he
goes and sells
all that he has and
buys that field.**

■ MATTHEW 13:44

Pastoral Council: David Brann, Leslie Debach, Ray Harrington,
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ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"As members of the parish community of Saint Michael, Saint John and Saint Aloysius, we are rooted in a relationship with Jesus Christ passed on to our Holy Father and in communion with our Bishop. We joyfully proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and his real presence in the Eucharist. We serve the Lord through acts of faith, hope and charity by the graces given through the Sacraments. It is our intention to carry out this mission so that we may be the face of Jesus Christ in the world."

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 25 SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE
VIGIL: 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † For the protection of our service men and women in the armed services (Christina Fleury)

Sunday, July 26 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
9:30 am, Canton † Theresa Kingsley (Bob & Diane Jones)
11:15 am, Troy † Don Wilber (Louise Wilber)

Monday, July 27 Weekday
7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Ann Gergel (James Gergel)

Tuesday, July 28 Weekday
5:30 pm, Troy † Carol Toomey (Donna Hazelton)

Wednesday, July 29 Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus
5:30 pm, Canton † Dr. Cathy Schanzer (Hazelton Family)
6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, July 30 Weekday
No Mass

Friday, July 31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
7:00 am, Rectory † Mrs. Olisky (Donna Hazelton)

Saturday, August 1 Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop,
Doctor of the Church
VIGIL: 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † Rich Stankiewicz (John & Pat Rushin)

Sunday, August 2 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † Tina Grant (The Camping Family)
9:30 am, Canton † Hal Hopkins (Dot Hopkins)
11:15 am, Troy † Pro Populo

Fellowship is held in St. Michael's Church hall following the 9:30 am Mass each Sunday.



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week for the faith of all those nearing death to grow ever stronger, as they prepare in hope to share eternal life with Christ.

*Sanctuary lamp intentions may be requested by contacting the parish office.
The cost is \$10 for all three lamps for a weekend.*

A Communal Rosary is prayed at 9:30 am on Thursdays in St. Michael's Church.
All are invited to participate.



SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS July 13 - 19, 2026

Weekly Offerings:	2,418.00
Electronic Offerings:	525.00
Other Parish Income:	167.00
Total Parish Income:	3,110.00
Average weekly expenses:	4,868.51
Difference:	(1,758.51)
Care & Education of Priests:	66.00



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St. Michael the Archangel

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Check-in begins at 7:00 am, breakfast at 8:00 am, and kickstands up at 9:00 am. The approximately 80 miles, paved route ends at The American Legion, Troy, PA for lunch at 1:00 pm followed by "Show Me the Money" (a bingo-like card game). Online Registration is OPEN through August 15th - \$35 for a solo rider. Add a passenger for just \$10. Meals are included with registration.

Day of event registration will be \$45 for a solo rider and \$60 for a rider with a passenger (meals included) - cash or credit card due at registration.

Scan the QR code for more details and to register!



SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John & Peggy Adams, Roberta Arnold, Karl Barton, John Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszc, Mary Blaszc, Gus Branish, Betty Brown, Dennis Clarke, Ezra Cole, Grace Cott, Philip Doud, Dorland & Carlene Eck, Colleen Eklund, Leon English, Wayne Ettinger, Aldie Fitzwater, Misty Frame, Theresa Gentile, Melissa Gowan, William Hall, Peter Hamburger, Barb Hinman, Dot Hopkins, Maryllis Hughes, Victoria Johnson, David Kule, Jo Kule, Judy Lepper, Bob Lutz, Jim Maloney, Joyce Maloney, David Martinez, Tom McBlane, Linda McFadden, Ed "Buster" Merritt, Diego Fernández Castaño Morales, Delina Morgan, Mary Nybeck, Pamela Porter O'Brien, John O'Brien, Leo Parchesky, Ramona Parker, Gary Paquette, Lori Pellegrini, Giselle Phillips, Elizabeth Ross, Joan Ross, Pat Rushin, Cristy Schmelzle, Jean Schoonover, Marilyn Scott, Ahmed Hassa Sharief, Bev Smith, Alyssa Van Zile, Elias Vroman, Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, Fran Zizza
Contact the office to add a name to the prayer list.



POPE LEO XIV JULY PRAYER INTENTION

FOR RESPECT FOR HUMAN LIFE: Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

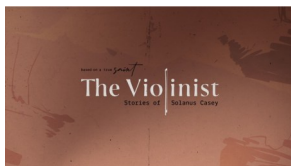
VENEZUELAN EARTHQUAKE RELIEF SPECIAL OFFERING

This weekend, July 25 & 26, we will have a special offering for Catholic Relief Services' aid to earthquake victims in Venezuela. If you want your offering recorded for tax purposes, include your name and/or envelope number. Checks should be payable to the parish.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED, WEEK OF JULY 26, 2026

THE VIOLINIST: STORIES OF SOLANUS CASEY

The Violinist is a must-watch documentary that chronicles the inspiring life of a humble Capuchin friar known for his deep faith, simplicity, and profound impact on those he served. Featuring personal stories from the people who knew Bl. Solanus, the film showcases his remarkable ability to inspire others, sharing heartwarming anecdotes about his modest lifestyle and passion for playing the violin.



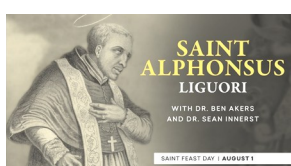
IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Chances," St. Ignatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a loyal and passionate soldier-saint.



ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI | CATHOLIC SAINTS

Born to a noble Italian family and known as the "Prince of Moral Theologians", St. Alphonsus Liguori was a great preacher, lawyer, bishop, theologian, and Doctor of the Church. In this episode of Catholic Saints, Augustine Institute professors Dr. Sean Innerst and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this holy man, drawing wisdom from his life and works to aid Catholics today.



JULY 27 - AUGUST 2, 2026 READINGS

Mon: Jer 13:1-11 (Ps) Dt 32:18-21 Mt 13:31-35

Tues: Jer 14:17-22 Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13 Mt 13:36-43

Wed: Jer 15:10, 16-21 Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thurs: Jer 18:1-6 Ps 146:1b-6b Mt 13:47-53

Fri: Jer 26:1-9 Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 Mt 13:54-58

Sat: Jer 26:11-16, 24 Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34

Mt 14:1-12

Sun: Is 55:1-3 Ps 145:8-9, 15-18 Rom 8:35, 37-39

Mt 14:13-21

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS

MASS INTENTION FOR THE CANONIZATION OF
BLESSED FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY,
FOUNDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



On Sunday, August 9th at the 9:30 am Mass, the Knights of Columbus will offer the Mass intention for the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney. A Rosary and Litany of Blessed Father Michael McGivney will begin at 8:45 am led by the Knights of Columbus.

Michael McGivney was born August 12, 1852. He was Ordained December 22, 1877. He founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882. He died August 14, 1890 at the age of 38 after serving in the Priesthood for 13 years. He was declared Venerable on March 15, 2008. A miracle was approved for his Beatification on May 27, 2020. Venerable Father Michael McGivney was beatified on October 31, 2020. His Feast Day is established as August 13th.

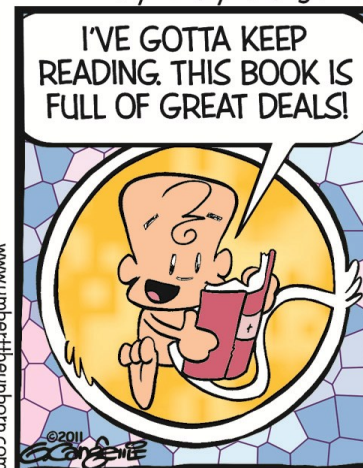
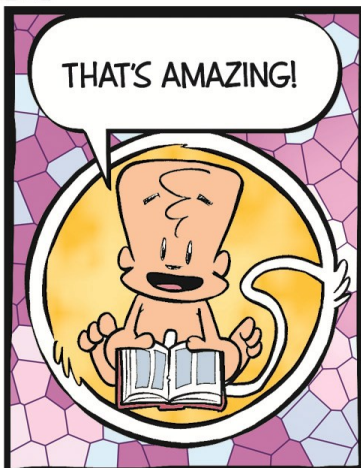
Religious Education

CCD registration for the '26-'27 school year is open now through September 6, 2026 and can be completed online at stmichaelscanton.com/religious-education/ccd/ or by paper copy in the back of all 3 churches.

CCD teachers and substitutes needed! Anyone interested in faith formation ministry, please contact Sarah Watson at dre@stmichaelscanton.com or 570-447-8799.

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



Knights of Columbus Council #5517

Meetings are the second Wednesday of the Month at 7:15 pm in Saint Michael's Hall. New members are always welcome. Join online here:



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Saint Michael's Altar & Rosary Society is open to all women of the parish. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Saint Michael's Church hall at 1:00 pm. We always welcome new members.

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