

AUGUST 2, 2026



18TH 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.

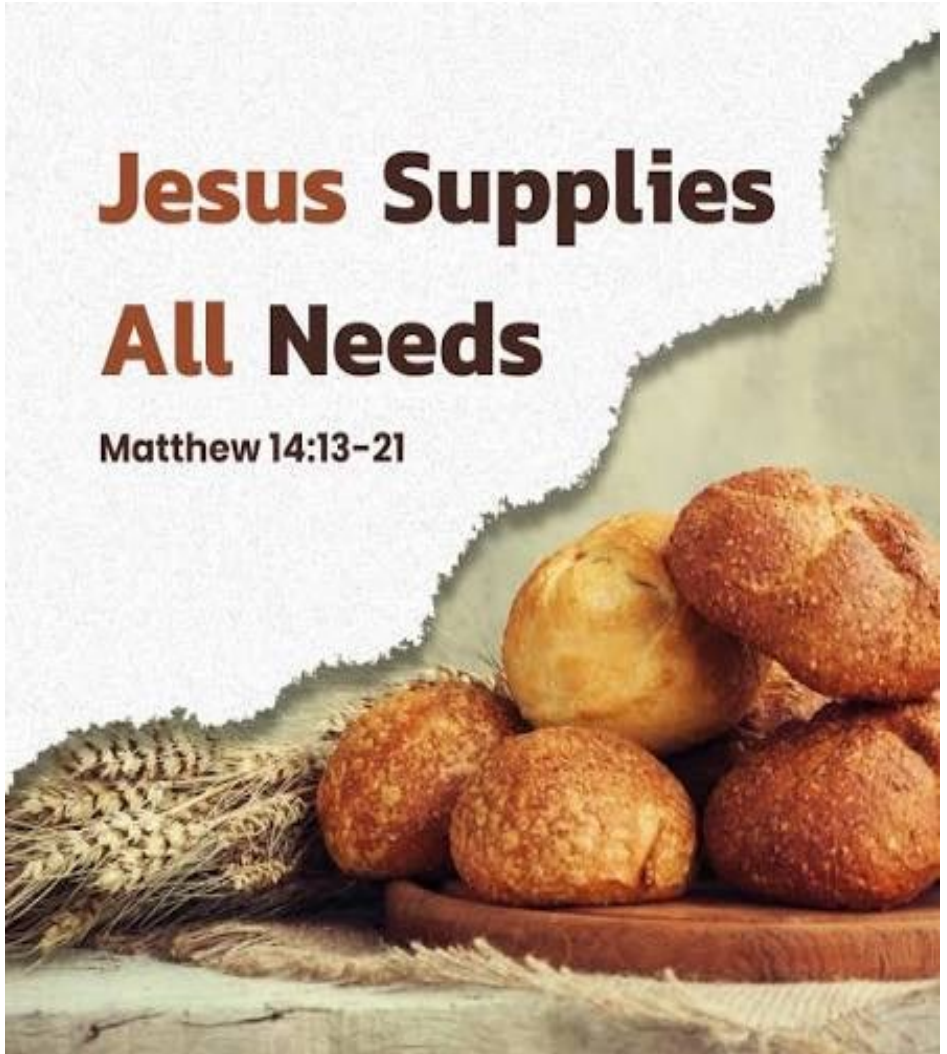
C.C.D. (2025/26)

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

Jesus Supplies

All Needs

Matthew 14:13-21



Pastoral Council: David Brann, Leslie Debach, Ray Harrington, Will Hawrylo, Jean Herman, Ralph Lepper, Sherry Vargson, Sarah Watson-youth representative

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, 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

Monday, August 3 Weekday
7:00 am, Rectory † Robert Fleury (Christina Fleury)

Tuesday, August 4 Saint John Vianney, Priest
5:30 pm, Troy † Carol Ann Toomey
(Gerald & Meg Spagnoli)

Wednesday, August 5 Weekday
5:30 pm, Canton † Theresa Kingsley (John & Pat Rushin)
6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thurs, August 6 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
No Mass

First Friday, August 7 Weekday
7:00 am, Canton † Gene & Mary McMahon
(Mike & Jean Herman)

Saturday, August 8 Saint Dominic, Priest
VIGIL: 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † Jerome Wynne (Bob & Diane Jones)

Sunday, August 9 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
9:30 am, Canton † For the Canonization of Blessed
Father Michael McGivney (K of C Council #5517)
11:15 am, Troy † Carol Toomey (Joe & Dee Burkhart)

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 Lord to generously provide
for the needs of mothers as they dedicate them-
selves to caring for their children.

*Sanctuary lamp intentions may be
requested by contacting the parish office.*

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 20 - 26, 2026

Weekly Offerings:	2,400.00
Electronic Offerings:	525.00
Other Parish Income:	13.00
 Total Parish Income:	2,938.00
Average weekly expenses:	4,868.51
Difference:	(1,930.51)
Argentina Earthquake Relief:	631.00
Care & Education of Priests:	60.00

Thank you for your continued support.

St. Michael the Archangel

MOTORCYCLE RALLY



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Saturday August 29th • 8 AM
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Check-in begins at 7:00 am, breakfast
at 8:00 am, and kickstands up at 9:00 am.
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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 Regis-
tration 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 AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION

FOR EVANGELIZATION IN THE CITY: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS

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



On Sunday, August 9th, the 9:30 am Mass will be offered for the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney by the Knights of Columbus. 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, ordained December 22, 1877, and died August 14, 1890 at the age of 38 after serving in the Priesthood for 13 years.



He founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882. 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.

DID YOU KNOW that the food served at Fellowship following the 9:30 am Mass each week is provided by the hosts? Their costs are partially offset by the donations basket. Be sure to thank the hosts for their generosity, and make a donation if you can afford to.

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.

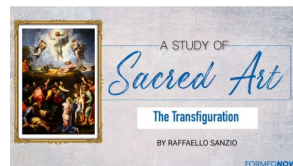
AUGUST 3 - 9, 2026 READINGS

Mon: Jer 28:1-17 Ps 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102
Mt 14:22-36
Tues: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Ps 102:16-23, 29
Mt 14:22-36
Wed: Jer 31:1-7 (Ps) Jer 31:10-12b, 13 Mt 15:21-28
Thurs: Dn 7:7-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
2 Pt 1:16-19 Mt 17:1-9
Fri: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7
(Ps) Dt 32:35c-36b, 39abcd, 41 Mt 16:24-28
Sat: Hb 1:12—2:4 Ps 9:8-13 Mt 17:14-20
Sun: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5
Mt 14:22-33

THIS WEEK ON FORMED, WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2026

THE TRANSFIGURATION | SACRED ART

Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down with Raffaello Sanzio's painting, "The Transfiguration," to discuss its theological meaning and how it can speak to us today.



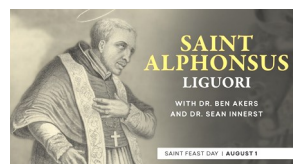
THE CURÉ OF ARS: ST. JOHN VIANNEY

The Church investigates the life of the Curé of Ars to see if he should become a saint. Will the evidence of his holiness pass the test?



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.



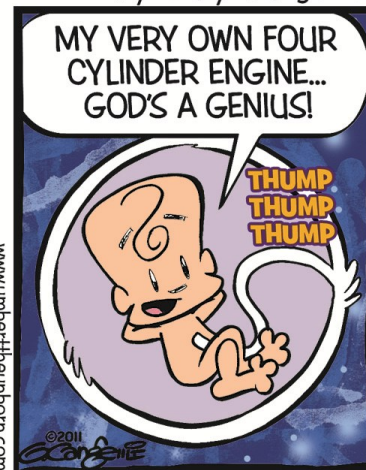
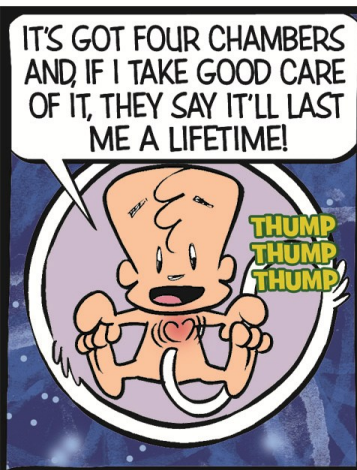
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Umbert the Unborn

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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