

AUGUST 16, 2026



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. MICHAEL

CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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Anointing of the Sick

All who are seriously ill, hospitalized, or having surgery can receive this sacrament. Contact the parish office to request this sacrament.

Baptism

All parents must attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the Baptism.

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

St. Michael's Church: 6 - 7 pm Mass
on Wednesdays and First Fridays
after 7 am Mass until 7 pm.

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 held on
Sundays from September until May
8:15 - 9:15 am, St. Michael's hall

Pastoral Council: David Brann, John Ciribassi, Leslie Debach, Ray Harrington, 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 15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
VIGIL: 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, August 16 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † Tina Brant (The Camping Family)
9:30 am, Canton † David Snell (Pat Pepper)
11:15 am, Troy † Shirley DePalma (Jayne Cleveland)

Monday, August 17 Weekday
7:00 am, Rectory † Mrs. Olisky (Donna Hazelton)

Tuesday, August 18 Weekday
NO MASS

Wednesday, August 19 Weekday
5:30 pm, Canton † Kathleen Spencer (Jeff & Beth Cole)
6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, August 20 Saint Bernard, Abbot,
Doctor of the Church
No Mass

Friday, August 21 Saint Pius X, Pope
7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Toomey (Anonymous)

Saturday, August 22 THE QUEENSHIP OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
VIGIL: 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton - In honor of Mary, Mother of God
(Christina Fleury)

Sunday, August 23 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
9:30 am, Canton † Gerald Brann (Bob & Diane Jones)
11:15 am, Troy † Josephine Hamburger
(The Bradford & Hamburger Families))

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 our Blessed Mother to ease the pain
and fears of those who are gravely ill or dying,
and by her glorious Assumption, console them with
the hope of eternal life. *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 August 3 - 9, 2026

Weekly Offerings:	4,360.00
Electronic Offerings:	525.00
FORMED sponsorship:	250.00
Other Parish Income:	114.00
Total Parish Income:	5,249.00
Average weekly expenses:	4,868.51
Difference:	380.49
Care & Education of Priests:	26.00



Thank you for your continued support.

St. Michael the Archangel MOTORCYCLE RALLY



Saturday August 29th • 8 AM

107 N. Washington St. Canton, Pa.

Supporting the outreach of
St. Michael's Catholic Parish.

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 has closed, but you can register
on the day of ride! \$45 for a solo rider and \$60 for a
rider with a passenger (meals included) - cash or credit
card. Scan the QR code for more details!

Not riding? Stop by during check-in to see the bikes
and thank the riders for supporting our parish!

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John & Peggy Adams, Roberta Arnold,
Karl Barton, John Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszc,
Mary Blaszc, Boyd Bradford, 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.
Names remain on the list for 3 months per request.*



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
"STUFF THE BUS"



Knights of Columbus Council #5517 will be holding their school supply donations drive August 15th through September 6th.

CONGRATULATIONS to Brandon Eberlin and Madison Clark on the baptism of their son on August 2nd in Saint Aloysius Church, Ralston.



ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!

Donation's of butternut squash for the Harvest Dinner would be much appreciated. Please Contact Jim Ross, 570-651-0489. Thank you.

The 11th annual **BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE** will take place October 10th at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes Barre. The theme is "JUST BE CATHOLIC". We have three great speakers: Bishop Joseph Coffey, John Martignoni, and Brian Holdsworth. More information and registration is available at www.BeACatholicMan.com or via the QR code.

Early bird \$30 - student \$15. Contact the parish office for an anonymous donor to pay your registration fee.

Christus Vincit!



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 17 - 24, 2026 READINGS

Mon: Ez 24:15-23 (Ps) Dt 32:18-21 Mt 19:16-22

Tues: Ez 28:1-10 (Ps) Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35c-36b
 Mt 19:23-30

Wed: Ez 34:1-11 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 20:1-16

Thurs: Ez 36:23-28 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Mt 22:1-14

Fri: Ez 37:1-14 Ps 107:2-9 Mt 22:34-40

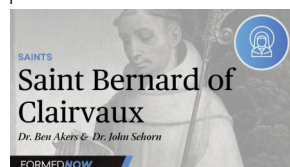
Sat: Ez 43:1-7ab Ps 85:9ab, 10-14 Mt 23:1-12

Sun: Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8 Rom 11:33-36
 Mt 16:13-20

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Mary serves as our Queen Mother. What does that mean? Join Dr. Brant Pitre as he explores the scriptural roots of this title.



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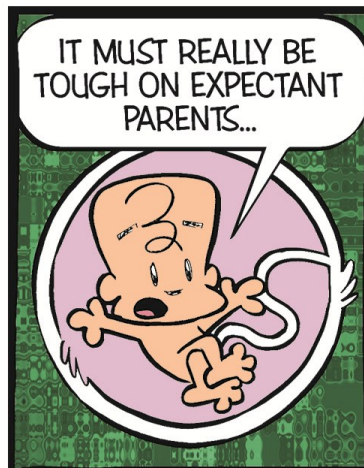
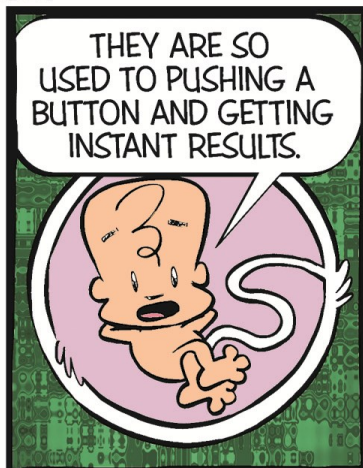
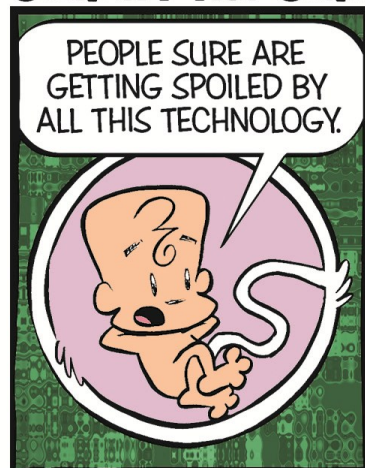
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Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



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 1:00 pm. We always welcome
 new members.

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