

AUGUST 23, 2026



21ST 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



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 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))

Monday, August 24 SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE
7:00 am, Rectory † Mary & John Lynch (Clorinda Lynch)

Tuesday, August 25 Weekday
5:30 pm, Troy † Carol Toomey (John Dugan)

Wednesday, August 26 Weekday
5:30 pm, Canton † Elizabeth Beahm (David Beahm)
6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, August 27 Saint Monica
No Mass

Friday, August 28 Saint Augustine, Bishop,
Doctor of the Church
7:00 am, Rectory † Lois Rook (Jeff & Beth Cole)

Sat, Aug 29 THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
VIGIL: 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Canton † Marilyn Gilbert (Bob & Diane Jones)

Sunday, August 30 22ND 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 the sick, suffering, and those near
death to receive adequate care which embraces
their physical, psychological, and spiritual needs
as they journey toward eternal life. *Request Sanc-
tuary lamp intentions by contacting the 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 10 - 16, 2026

Weekly Offerings:	2,292.00
Electronic Offerings:	525.00
FORMED donations:	1,349.00
Other Parish Income:	341.50
Total Parish Income:	4,507.50
Average weekly expenses:	4,868.51
Difference:	(361.01)



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 approx. 80 miles,
paved route ends at The American Legion, Troy 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!

Thank you to BLACK DOG CAFÉ & COFFEE for bring-
ing their beverage truck to breakfast and donating a por-
tion of the sales to the ride!

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,
Paula Horton, 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
"STUFF THE BUS"



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

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.



Diocese of Scranton, Pennsylvania



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 24 - 30, 2026 READINGS

Mon: Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51
Tues: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Ps 96:10-13 Mt 23:23-26
Wed: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps 128:1-2, 4-5
 Mt 23:27-32
Thurs: 1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-7 Mt 24:42-51
Fri: 1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 Mt 25:1-13
Sat: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21
 Mk 6:17-29
Sun: Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Rom 12:1-2
 Mt 16:21-27

ROSARY RALLY

Saint Michael's Altar & Rosary Society is hosting a ROSARY RALLY on Thursday, September 17th at 10:00 am in Saint Michael's followed by a light luncheon.
"The Rosary will be a very powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, deliver from sin and dispel heresy."
 Our Lady to Saint Dominic

THIS WEEK ON FORMED, WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2026

THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE | LITTLEST SAINTS

A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.

FEAST OF SAINT MONICA | CATHOLIC SAINTS

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace.

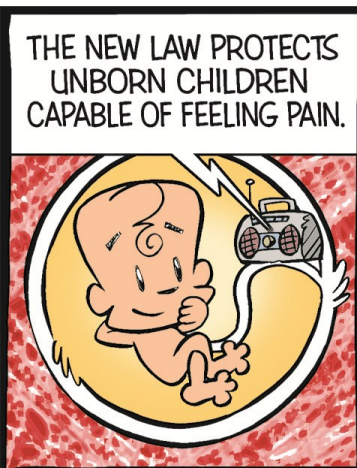
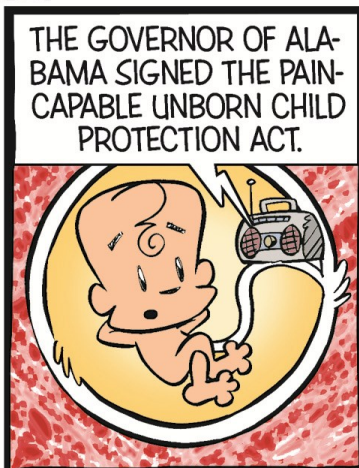
RESTLESS HEART

In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint. Restless Heart This film on the life of St. Augustine offers a message of conversion and redemption. It is the story of a gifted man who pursues fame and fortune without a moral compass - and the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth.

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 Use zip code 17724 to find our parish.

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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