

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. MICHAEL

CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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Office Hours: Mondays & Wednesdays 8 am - 3:30 pm, Thursday 8 am - 1 pm



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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, September 19 Weekday

VIGIL: 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Ken Riordan (Jean Herman)

Sunday, Sept 20 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Bill Spencer (Jeff & Beth Cole)

11:15 am, Troy † Carol Toomey (Frank & Karen DeAngelis)

Mon, Sept 21 SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

7:00 am, Rectory † Gerald Brann (Cathy Asbury)

Tuesday, September 22 Weekday

5:30 pm, Troy † Carol Toomey (Frank & Karen DeAngelis)

Wednesday, Sept 23 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

5:30 pm, Canton † For the special intentions of Jeff &

Beth Cole and their new daughters, Hailey and Aubri

6:00 pm, Holy Hour (Marilyn Scott)

Thursday, September 24 Weekday

No Mass

Friday, September 25 Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Mary Ann Bubniak (Donna Hazelton)

Saturday, September 26 Weekday

VIGIL: 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Canton † Marilyn Gilbert (Bob & Diane Jones)

Sunday, Sept 27 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Marilyn Gilbert (St. Michael's A & R)

11:15 am, Troy † Irene Bitcola (Cheryl Carlonas)

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 all whose hearts ache from participating in abortion to be strengthened to seek the Lord's compassion, mercy, and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Contact the parish office to request Sanctuary lamp intentions.

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 September 7 - 13, 2026

Weekly Offerings: 3,439.00

Electronic Offerings: 525.00

Other Parish Income: 283.50



Total Parish Income: 4,247.50

Average Weekly Expenses: 5,040.67

Difference: (793.17)

Saint Vincent DePaul Fund: 100.00

Care & Education of Priests: 11.00

Thank you for your continued support.

FROM FATHER JOE'S DESK

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC,
OR REFRESHING YOUR MEMORY?**

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the way for non-Catholics to enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church and for Catholics who have not been fully initiated to receive Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. OCIA begins with the inquiry phase, formally known as the Period of Evangelization and Precatechumenate, which lasts for at least 6 weeks. For more information or to register, please call Father Joe at 570-673-5253. The first day of OCIA will be announced soon.



ANNUAL FRUIT PIE SALES

ATTENTION ALL BAKERS!

It is time for our annual fruit pie sale! THE APPLE BARREL MUSIC FESTIVAL will be held on **September 26th** at the Manley-Bohlayer-Sechrist Farms in East Canton. People love fun and unusual flavors, so let your creativity flow! (One note - we don't have refrigeration at our booth.) Pie tins & boxes are available for pickup in all three churches. Pie drop-off will be on Friday, September 25th in Saint Michael's Church hall 10:00 am - 6:00 pm. *Print the pie flavor neatly on the post-it note on the box.*



You can volunteer to sell the pies by contacting the parish office.

This fundraiser has been very helpful to the fiscal health of our parish and is a great way to build relationships within our community, both of which are vitally important. Your help is needed to continue these traditions.



SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

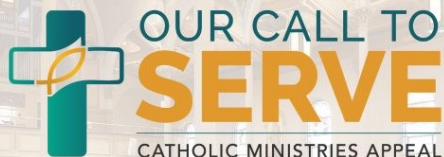
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Contact the office to add a name to the prayer list. Names remain on the list for 3 months per request.



POPE LEO XIV
SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION
FOR THE CARE OF WATER

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.



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View the 2026-2027 Catholic Ministries Appeal video by scanning the QR code.



Together, we join with all parishes throughout the Diocese of Scranton to invest in our ministries!

Learn More or Make an Early Gift at:
AnnualAppeal.org

Saint Michael Parish has a Facebook page! If you have parish news you would like posted on the page, email the information to the parish office. Search for "Saint Michael's Catholic Parish - Canton, PA" to find the page or use the link on the front of the bulletin or on the parish website.

SEPTEMBER 21 - 27, 2026 READINGS

Mon: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13
Tues: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44 Lk 8:19-21
Wed: Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 Lk 9:1-6
Thurs: Eccl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc Lk 9:7-9
Fri: Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9:18-22
Sat: Eccl 11:9—12:8 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Lk 9:43b-45
Sun: Ez 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32

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ATTENTION GARDENERS!

Donation's of butternut squash for the (October 28th) Harvest Dinner would be much appreciated. Please Contact Jim Ross, 570-651-0489. Thank you.

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS

Thank you to Jennings Transportation for providing a van and driver to the 11th annual BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE on October 10th. The van will leave St. Michael's parking lot at 5:30 am. Contact Jim Ross or the parish office to re-serve your seat. Register for the conference by going to www.BeACatholicMan.com or by scanning the QR code. To register by having our generous anonymous sponsor pay your registration fee, contact the parish office.

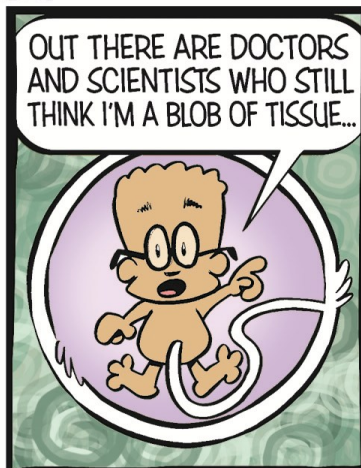
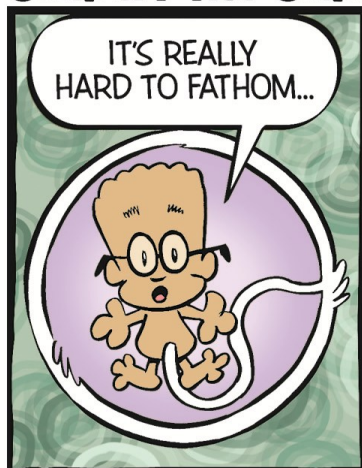


BAKE SALE

The annual CCD Bake Sale will be at all four Masses this weekend! Catechists will be commissioned during the 9:30 am Mass. Classes start September 27th, 8:15 - 9:15 am in St. Michael's Church hall.

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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