

OCTOBER 18, 2026



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. MICHAEL

CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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Render to Caesar

**the things that are
Caesar's,**

**and to God
the things that
are God's.**

Matthew 22:21

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.

Pastoral Council:

David Brann, John Ciribassi, Leslie Debach, Ray Harington, Jean Herman, Ralph Lepper, Sherry Vargson, Sarah Watson - youth representative

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

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, October 17 Weekday
 VIGIL: 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:00 pm, Canton † Connie Landon Kern
 (Bob & Diane Jones)

Sunday, October 18 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
 9:30 am, Canton † Josephine Hamburger
 (Chick & Leslie Debach)
 11:15 am, Troy † Fran Welch (Louise Wilber)

Monday, October 19 Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs
 7:00 am, Rectory † Maria Diesel (Cathy Asbury)

Tuesday, October 20 Weekday
 5:30 pm, Troy † Peggy Brecher (Barbara Wyworski)

Wednesday, October 21 Weekday
 5:30 pm, Canton † Mary Ann Bubniak (Donna Hazelton)
 6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, October 22 Weekday
 No Mass

Friday, October 23 Weekday
 7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Toomey (Margene Nittinger)

Saturday, October 24 Weekday
 VIGIL: 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 4:00 pm, Canton † Charles Capaldi, Sr. (Jayne Cleveland)

Sunday, October 25 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo
 9:30 am, Canton † Robert Fleury (Christina Fleury)
 11:15 am, Troy † Rich Carlonas (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 the intentions of Michael & Brigitte Nagy, who were married in Saint Michael Church on Saturday, October 10th.

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 October 5 - 11, 2026

Weekly Offerings:	2,471.65
Electronic Offerings:	525.00
Other Parish Income:	348.50
Total Parish Income:	3,345.15
Average Weekly Expenses:	5,040.67
Difference:	(1,695.52)
Care & Education of Priests	40.00

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. For more information or to register, call Father Joe at 570-673-5253. The next session of OCIA will be Monday, October 19 at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

HARVEST SUPPER

Saint Michael's Church Hall

October 28, 2026, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

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Pre-School: Free



SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John & Peggy Adams, Roberta Arnold, Warren Batcheller, John Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszczyk, Mary Blaszczyk, Boyd Bradford, Gus Branish, Betty Brown, Dan Clark, Dennis Clarke, Ezra Cole, Grace Cott, Violet Davis, Chris DeMarco, Philip Doud, Dorland & Carlene Eck, Colleen Eklund, Donna Emmerick, Leon English, Wayne Ettinger, Aldie Fitzwater, Misty Frame, Melissa Gowan, Mary Graham, William Hall, Peter Hamburger, Barb Hinman, Dot Hopkins, Robert Hostetter, Paula Horton, Maryllis Hughes, Victoria Johnson, Stephen Joyce, Ben Kopetan, David Kule, Jo Kule, Judy Lepper, Bob Lutz, Marnie 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, 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.*



As of October 10th, we have reached 20.75% of our \$20,820 parish goal. \$4,320 has been donated or pledged thus far. Thank you to everyone who has contributed thus far, both financially and with your prayers.



POPE LEO XIV

OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION

FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.



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100 YEARS OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday was established by Pope Pius XI in 1926. This anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate with renewed missionary zeal. Last year, Pope Leo XIV appealed to us, "Please help me help missionaries everywhere." That's what World Mission Sunday is about: helping Pope Leo care for the 1,130 missionary dioceses and territories under his supervision.

Our prayers and support will be a great help in bringing the Gospel of God's love to everyone. The second collection we take up today helps extend the Church's evangelizing work to missionary areas where the Gospel is being proclaimed for the first time, as well as to places where the Church is too young, persecuted or poor to sustain herself. Thank you for responding to Pope Leo's renewed call to help him support missionaries to the ends of the earth!

To have your offering recorded for tax purposes, envelopes are by the bulletins in all three churches, or write your name, address and "WMS" on an envelope. Checks should be payable to St. Michael Parish with "WMS" on the memo line.

OCTOBER 19 - 25, 2026 READINGS

Mon: Eph 2:1-10 Ps 100:1b-5 Lk 12:13-21

Tues: Eph 2:12-22 Ps 85:9ab, 10-14 Lk 12:35-38

Wed: Eph 3:2-12 (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4c-6 Lk 12:39-48

Thurs: Eph 3:14-21 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19
Lk 12:49-53

Fri: Eph 4:1-6 Ps 24:1-4b, 5-6 Lk 12:54-59

Sat: Eph 4:7-16 Ps 122:1-5 Lk 13:1-9

Sun: Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 1 Thes 1:5c-10
Mt 22:34-40

THIS WEEK ON FORMED, WEEK OF OCTOBER 18, 2026

ST. LUKE | CATHOLIC SAINTS

Known as the beloved physician and faithful friend of St. Paul, St. Luke is a crucial figure for the Church's knowledge of Christ's earthly ministry and the early Church. Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they explore the life and legacy of the author of the Gospel according to Luke and the Acts of the Apostles.



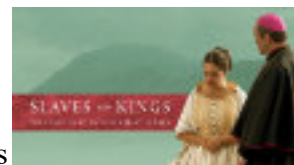
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Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



SLAVES AND KINGS

Following the life of St. Anthony Mary Clare—Archbishop, writer, publisher, social reformer, and confessor to the Queen of Spain—this film tells the compelling story of one of Spain's most popular preachers and founder of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

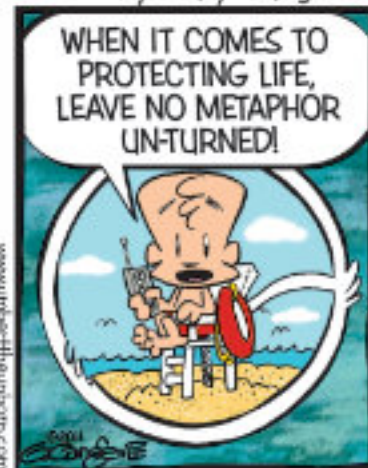
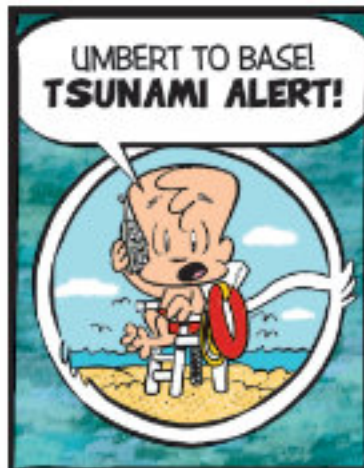
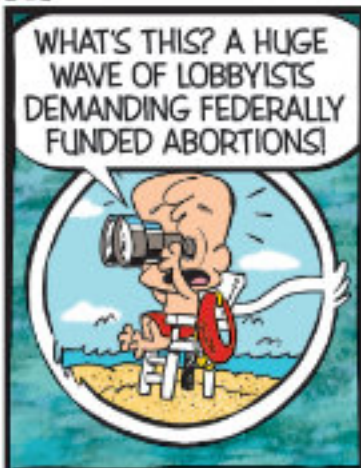
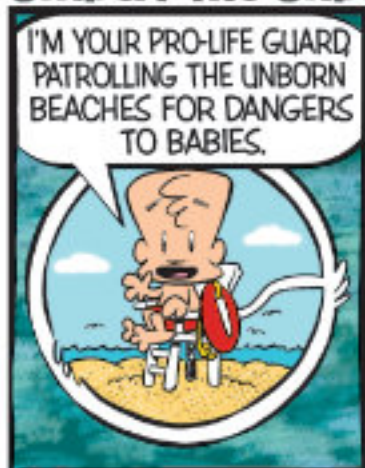


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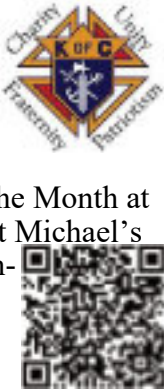
Umbert the Unborn



by Gary Cangemi

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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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