October 25, 2026 **30th 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 home-bound, 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 Harington, 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 though 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 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)

Monday, October 26 Weekday
7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Ann Gergel (James Gergel)

Tuesday, October 27 Weekday
No Mass

Wed, October 28 Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles
No Mass or Holy Hour

Thursday, October 29 Weekday
No Mass

Friday, October 30 Weekday
7:00 am, Rectory † Carol Toomey (Margene Nittinger)

Saturday, October 31 Weekday
Vigil: All Saints Day
4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

Sunday, November 1 All Saints Day
8:00 am, Ralston † All Souls' Day envelope intentions
9:30 am, Canton † All Souls' Day envelope intentions
11:15 am, Troy † All Souls' Day envelope intentions

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 help us to understand more deeply the challenges of pregnant and parenting moms and to respond with increased care and support.

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 12 - 18, 2026

Weekly Offerings:	3,361.00
Electronic Offerings:	525.00
Other Parish Income:	450.50
Total Parish Income:	4,336.50
Average Weekly Expenses:	5,040.67
Difference:	(704.17)
World Mission Sunday:	721.00
Care & Education of Priests:	106.00
St. Vincent DePaul Fund:	5.00

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,November 9th at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
(All Souls' Day)

Mass on All Souls' Day, November 2nd, will be held at 7:00 pm in St. Michael's Church.

When completing your All Souls' Day envelopes, please write legibly and be gentle with Cathy if there is a spelling error, trusting that God knows who you mean.

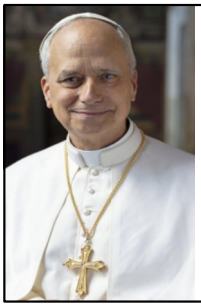
Saint Michael Parish Prayer List

Barby, John & Peggy Adams, Roberta Arnold, Warren Batcheller, John Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blasz, Mary Blasz, 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.

OUR CALL TO SERVE
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

As of October 17th, we have reached 21.71% of our $20,820 parish goal. $4,520 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.

Saint Michel Altar & Rosary Society
Annual Harvest Supper

Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 5:00 - 7:00 pm
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Everyone is invited to a Work Bee at 9:00 am on Tuesday the 27th!

Food For Families
Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Knights of Columbus will hold our Food for Families Thanksgiving Food Drive during the month of November. Donations will go to the food pantries of Canton and Troy. The Supreme Knights of Columbus will refund $100.00 for every $500.00 donated or 1,000 lbs of food donated.

Monetary donations must go through the Knights to qualify for the refund, so if you choose this option, please make checks payable to "*Knights of Columbus*" and write "*Food for Families*" on the memo line. Checks should be dropped in the collection basket.

Checks should NOT be payable to the parish or the food pantry. Financial contributions can allow the pantries to procure the exact items needed. The Knights thank you for your generosity.

October 26 - November 1, 2026 Readings

Mon: Eph 4:32—5:8 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 13:10-17
Tues: Eph5:21-33 Ps 128:1-5 Lk 13:18-21
Wed: Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 6:12-16
Thurs: Eph 6:10-20 Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 Lk 13:31-35
Fri: Phil 1:1-11 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 14:1-6
Sat: Phil 1:18b-26 Ps42:2-3, 5cdef Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sun: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6 1 jn 3:1-3
Mt 5:1-12a

This week on FORMED, week of October 18, 2026

What Catholics Believe About Halloween



Is Halloween really a pagan holiday—or is it deeply Christian? In this episode of What Catholics Believe, Dr. Ben Akers explains the Catholic roots of Halloween, its connection to All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, and how Catholics can celebrate it faithfully. Discover the history of trick-or-treating, the dangers of the occult, the meaning behind costumes, and even the Catholic perspective on vampires and zombies.

Eternal Rest



We all have very real questions about death. What happens when we die? What does Scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? Explore the mystery of death, dying, and everlasting life through Eternal Rest, a new offering of the Augustine Institute.

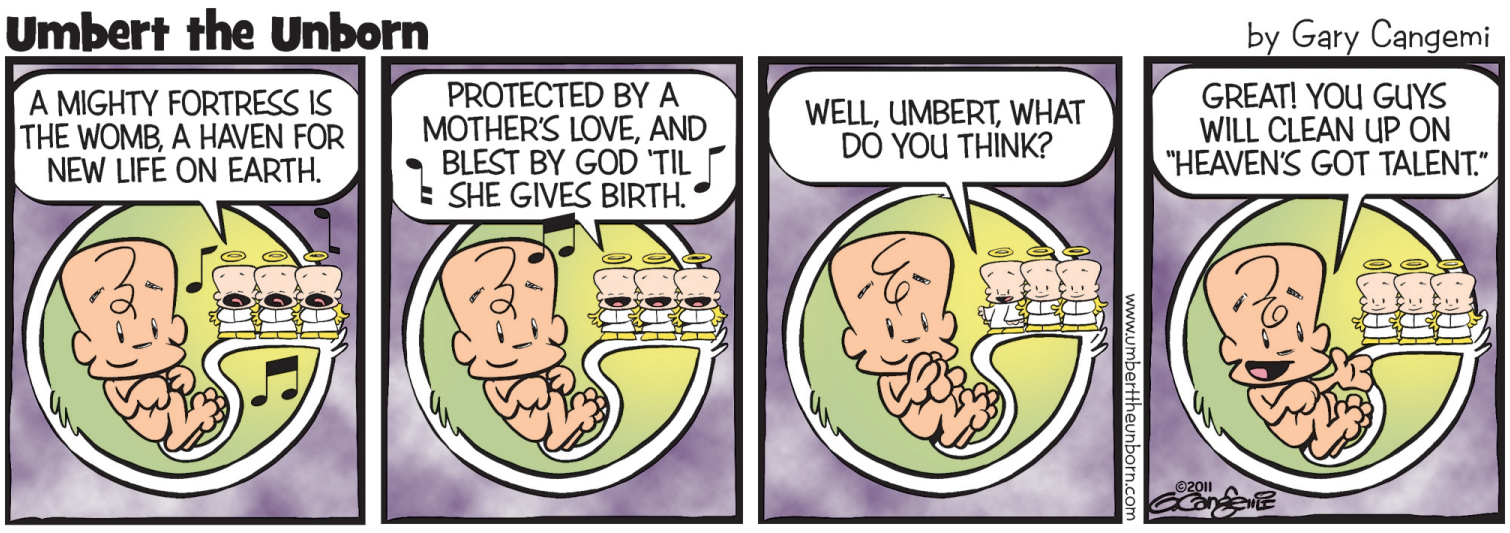
Who is St. Jude? | Catholic Saints



Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. James Prothro discuss this lesser-known apostle St. Jude.

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Saint Michael's Altar & Rosary Society

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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