

ST. MICHAEL'S

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MK 6:7



**Mission Statement**

Compelled by the love of Christ,  
we **love** others,  
**deepen** our faith,  
and **transform** our world.

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## **NOTE FROM FR. MARK**

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)**

I wanted to thank everyone involved in putting together and putting on our VBS this past week. What an awesome undertaking. I was sitting outside watching the kids arrive, and the line never seemed to get shorter! There were a lot of kids there!

I see this as a dimension of all the welcoming we have been doing. Parents and children all felt welcome enough to come, and that is because of the spirit of all of those adults and young people putting it all together. Thanks to all of you! I'd love to name names, but I am afraid I will forget someone. You know who you are, and I know who you are. THANK YOU!

### **NEW CONFIRMATION PROCESS**

I briefly mentioned last Sunday a new Confirmation Process that we will be initiating this year. The goal will be to help make our teens into Intentional Disciples as we adults seek to accompany them on their journey of faith. Sometime closer to the beginning of the school year, we will gather all parents and teens and share the new High School Faith Formation Process in the future. The Sacrament of Confirmation will no longer be a goal to complete but an entryway into a life in Christ and a commitment to a lifetime of growth and participation in the life of the Church.

### **CLEARANCES**

It is time for the staff and our volunteers to renew and update their clearances, trainings, and background checks with the federal and state governments. As you know, all of us engaged in the parish life need to have background checks, clearances, and trainings.

I recommend that all of us get these clearances now because they are required for so many things. Once you have the clearances, they will open the door to many opportunities. Today, most organizations, like Churches, schools, and places of employment, require these background checks. We would be very willing to help you if you want to get these "Clearances." I will share more later about all of this. I just wanted to suggest and recommend that for all of us.

**SERVE OTHERS SATURDAY  
July 20 from 9 am—noon**

“Go out and share the Good News!” We are called to share the Good News not just by proclamation but by how we live. How awesome is it when we come together to help one another and care for the community? Join us for the July Serve Others Saturday at 9 am at Holy Grounds for prayer and fellowship before embarking on one of the following projects below. Transportation will be provided for anyone who needs it to Hornerstown or St. Vincent de Paul. Our projects include:

- ◆ No Sew Blankets at Holy Grounds
- ◆ Travel to St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop to help sort the inventory
- ◆ Travel to 625 Horner Street for clean-up (trash pick-up, weed whacking, etc.). Bring outdoor tools and water. Return to 625 Horner Street at 12:30 pm for lunch.

You are welcome to join us, even if you can only stay for a little while. **We hope to see you at Holy Grounds at 9 am on July 20 for Serve Others Saturday!**



Do you have unclean spirits? Do you struggle with negative patterns of thinking? Are you stuck in fear, anger, or sadness? Do you long for deeper spiritual growth?

**Unbound prayer** may be just what you are looking for.

Contact our trained prayer ministers for more information or to schedule a session.

[www.omostoday.com](http://www.omostoday.com) →ministry→prayer→prayer and resources or call the office at (814) 535-7646 and leave a message for the prayer ministry.

**POWER & PURPOSE 2025**

Join us for next year's Power & Purpose Conference on June 20 through June 22 at Franciscan University of Steubenville.

**Registration has opened for the  
2025 Power & Purpose Conference!**

**The early bird discount opportunity will end on September 1, 2024.**

At the Power & Purpose Conference, you'll:

- ◆ Discover and deepen your life in the Holy Spirit
- ◆ Experience his power and healing
- ◆ Immerse yourself in moving worship, adoration, and sacraments
- ◆ Learn to live in true freedom, love, and joy of the Spirit

Register at <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/ppc>

Our group code is: **25JHrbal**

We have a block of rooms at the Inn at Franciscan Square if you want to reserve a room. Our block name is: **Our Mother of Sorrows**

Contact Joe Hrbal at [joejill1988@gmail.com](mailto:joejill1988@gmail.com) or 814 242-9993 with any questions.

**SAVE THE DATE-AUGUST 4  
OMOS PARISH PICNIC**

We are looking ahead to the summer and are planning our annual parish picnic for August 4. Stay tuned for more details! We are looking for volunteers to help throughout the picnic day. Many hands make light work for all. We need help setting up, cleaning up, food prep, serving food, and the kid's area games, Bingo, and overall planning and organization. If you are interested in helping, please fill out the volunteer form on our website or call the Parish Office! Let's all pray for good weather!

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR  
ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**What We Carry from Town to Town**

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the ones who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door and the those who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade is: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit many figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness, shame, defeat, anger, fear, and doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of them, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a challenging conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, or a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



## SAVE THE DATE!!

**Silent Retreat will be held at New Baltimore  
October 4,5,6, 2024**

Fr. Mark Pattock will facilitate the Retreat. The cost of a directed retreat is \$165, and a non-directed retreat is \$145. This includes two nights' accommodations, and four meals. Limited space is available. All reservations and fees are due by September 20. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

If you're looking for a career in a faith-filled environment fostering ongoing relationships through ministries of religious education, youth ministry, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, and other family life programs, then check out the open position of Director of Faith & Family Ministries at the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown by going to [General Employment Opportunities – Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Human Resources \(dioceseaj.org\)](#). Resumes can be submitted to [Lmcevoy@dioceseaj.org](mailto:Lmcevoy@dioceseaj.org).

### YOU ARE INVITED

Cool down with friends at the Addison of McCullough Place (500 Cheney Oak Drive) at their Summertime Sangria Event. Refreshing wine and chilled delights will be served. **Wednesday, July 17, 2024, from 3-5 pm. RSVP to Ann Foley at 814-255-2213.**

### ST. ANDREW ADDORATION CHAPEL

The St. Andrew Adoration Chapel, at 1621 Ferndale Ave, Johnstown, invites you to stop in and visit. Consider visiting and committing to an hour at our Perpetual Adoration Chapel in this blessed time of Eucharistic Revival in our Church. We are always seeking adorers and substitutes. The chapel is open Sunday morning immediately following the 10:30 Mass and remains open until 7:20 AM - Saturday morning each week. Consider giving one hour to our Lord by spending time with Him. One does not need to be a member of St Andrew Parish to visit or commit in any way. Currently, we are most in need of committed adorers on Tuesday, 12 AM (midnight) - 1 AM, and Thursday 1:00 AM - 2 AM. Many hours only have one Adorer, and it is preferable to have two each hour. If you feel called by Our Lord to sign up for an hour or have any questions, please call [814-288-4324](tel:814-288-4324) Ext 5, visit <https://standrewjtown.weadorehim.com/en/schedule>, or feel free to call or text Terri Roy @ [815-255-5645](tel:815-255-5645). Jesus is waiting for you!

## ST. MICHAEL'S FLOORING DRIVE



Our Flooring Fund is now over the \$20,000 mark! We have received \$1,250, bringing our total to \$20,085. This is 55.8% of our goal. Many thanks to all who are making our project a reality.

### ST. MICHAEL RUMMAGE SALE

Our annual St. Michael's Rummage Sale is coming up. Donations times are:

- ♦ July 15- 12-1 pm
- ♦ July 17—6:30 pm—7:30 pm.

Thank you for donating your treasures! If you have any questions, please call Jess at 412-95-5811 or Annette and Marisa at 814-539-6280.

### Save the Date

**August 11—2 pm**

**St. Michael's Pig Roast**

The Time Zone Band will be performing from 3-5 pm.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is continuing all summer long at the 8:30 am and 11 am Sunday Masses. All children entering Kindergarten, First, or Second grades are welcome to attend.

**WHAT IS CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD?** The children gather with their families for Sunday Mass. After the opening prayer, Fr. Mark calls the children to the front of the church and poses the question of the day. The children leave with their teacher to discuss the readings on their terms and return to Mass after the homily.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

**Monday, July 15**

6 a.m. —Eucharistic Adoration  
 8 a.m. -Mass at OMOS  
**Servers:** Julianne McIlwain &  
**Lector:** Rick Wess

**Tuesday, July 16**

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration  
 7:30 a.m.—Confessions  
 8 a.m.- Mass at OMOS  
**Servers:** Julianne McIlwain &  
**Lector:** Julie Sheehan

**Wednesday, July 17**

7 a. m. Praise & Worship  
 4:30 p.m.—Eucharistic Adoration  
 5 p.m.—Confession  
 6:00 p.m.—Mass at OMOS  
**Server:** Tim Burgess  
**Lector:** Cathy Vigna

**Thursday, July 18**

6 a.m. —Eucharistic Adoration  
 8 a.m. -Mass at OMOS  
**Servers:** Abby Curtis & Emerson Manges  
**Lector:** Michelle Petrell

**Friday, July 19**

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration at St.  
 Michael’s  
 8 a.m.- Mass at OMOS  
**Server:** Abby Curtis & Emerson Manges  
**Lector:** Michelle Petrell

**Saturday, July 20—Vigil**

3 p.m.—Confessions  
 4 p.m.—Mass at OMOS  
**Servers:** Nicolas Barger & Dominick  
 Barger  
**Lector:** Jeanne Clark  
**Euch. Min:** Michelle (2) & Pat Petrell,  
 Nancy & Tom Simmons, Pam Fisher, Kathy  
 & Jim Ridella  
**Hosp.:** Val & Bill Deater, Gerri Isban, Rich  
 & Deb Cowan, Ann & Jim Mattie, Pat Smith

**Saturday, July 20—16th Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time**  
 6 p.m.—Mass at St. Michael’s  
**Servers:** Tim Burgess  
**Lector:** Mary Ann Rizzoto

**Sunday, July 21— 16th Sunday in Ordinary**

**Time**  
 8:30 am— Mass at OMOS  
**Servers:** Joe Nibert & Cassidy Stephen-  
 son  
**Lector:** John Fontana  
**Euch. Min:** Carol Battaglia (2), Rick & Evie  
 Wess, Ed & Julie Sheehan, Janet Bowser,  
 Ron Golias  
**Hosp:** Jackie Ayres, Ralph & Maria De-  
 Marco, Rick & Evie Wess, Karen Findish,  
 Julie Fontana, Jerry Unger

**Sunday, July 21—16th Sunday in Ordinary**

**Time**  
 11 am—Mass at OMOS  
**Servers:** Abby & Wynn Curtis  
**Lector:** Monica Garver  
**Euch. Min:** Mary Beth Cartwright (2),  
 Mike Garver, Heather Lokesak, Maria  
 Nesmith, Michele Varner, Richard &  
 Barbara Luckner  
**Hosp:** Joyce Radovanic, Rick Phillips, Lisa  
 Shetler, Ken & Linda Salem, Tim  
 DiGuisepppe, Rich Luckner, Marianne  
 Krizner

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, July 13—Vigil**

4 pm Sharon Birch (George  
 Malec & Cindy Muir)

**Saturday, July 13– 15th Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time**  
 6 p.m. Michael Burgess (Mary Ann  
 & Family), Dennis Flowers (wife, Vanessa  
 & Family), Paulette Budash (Lorene  
 Yuran)

**Sunday, July 14—15th Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time**  
 8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Tschachler (Tony  
 & Marianne Spada)  
 11:00 a.m. Frank Nicoletti (Nick &  
 Donna Antonazzo)

**Monday, July 15**

8 a.m. Kathleen Parks (sister,  
 Pattie)

**Tuesday, July 16**

8 a.m. Ann Weppelman (Pattie  
 Poole)

**Wednesday, July 17**

6 p.m. Norma Oliverio (David &  
 Alexis Kozak)

**Thursday, July 18**

8 a.m. Grace Ciupak-Lee (Loretta  
 Ciupak)

**Friday, July 19**

8 a.m. Stephen Sakmar (daughter,  
 Donna Wallack) & Jean Hammer (Family)

**Saturday, July 20—Vigil**

4 pm Judy Abood (Carmela Perry)

**Saturday, July 20– 16th Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time**  
 6 p.m. Patricia Stem (Margaret  
 Popchak), Robert, Dolores, & Kathryn  
 Polak (Rena Wierbinski), Bernice Stem  
 (Rick & Connie Rambish)

**Sunday, July 21—16th Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time**  
 8:30 a.m. Mary Clark (Marian  
 Consecration Group)  
 11:00 a.m. Eddie Stofko (Barbara  
 Rutledge)

**WEEKLY READINGS**

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1  
 Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24  
 Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27  
 Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30  
 Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8  
 Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21  
 Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

**SUNDAY REGULAR COLLECTION**

**July 7, 2024**

<b>Envelopes</b> .....	\$ 10,293
<b>Loose</b> .....	1,589
<b>Online</b> .....	13,772
<b>Total</b> .....	\$ 25,654
<b>St. Michael's</b> .....	\$ 1108